

**The Society for
Historians of
American
Foreign Relations**



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**PROGRAM
FIRST NATIONAL MEETING OF THE
SOCIETY FOR HISTORIANS OF
AMERICAN FOREIGN RELATIONS**

**August 15-16, 1975
Georgetown University**

All sessions are to be held in the Walsh Building on the campus of Georgetown University, Washington, D.C. Registration desk will be located in the lobby of the Walsh Building, 36th and N Streets (near Prospect Ave.), N.W., Washington, D.C.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 15

SESSION I

10:00 a.m. Palms Lounge

**THE INTERNATIONAL IMPACT OF THE
AMERICAN REVOLUTION**

Chairman: Bradford Perkins, University of Michigan

**The Impact of the American Revolution on
France and Southern Europe**

Frank Kidner
San Francisco State University

**The Impact of the American Revolution
on Latin America**

Robert Freeman Smith
University of Toledo

Comments: Peter Czap, Amherst College (from the perspective of Russia and Eastern Europe); Lawrence S. Kaplan, Kent State University

SESSION II

10:00 a.m. Hall of Nations

**UNITED STATES-GERMAN RELATIONS
IN THE 20th CENTURY**

Chairman: Norman A. Graebner,
University of Virginia

**The United States and the Weimar Republic:
America's Response to the German Problem**

Lloyd E. Ambrosius
University of Nebraska, Lincoln

**Appeasement Revisited: America, Great Britain, and
Germany, 1933-1940**

Arnold A. Offner
Boston University

American Appeasement of Germany, 1941-1951

Bruce Kuklick
University of Pennsylvania

Comments: Robert H. Ferrell, Indiana University;
Robert Dallek, University of California, Los Angeles

LUNCHEON

12:15 p.m. Darnell Hall

Presiding: Jules Davids, Georgetown University

Address: The Senate Foreign Relations Committee:
The Fulbright Years

Seth Tillman, Staff Associate, Senate Foreign Relations Committee

SESSION III

2:00 p.m. Hall of Nations

ENERGY AND FOREIGN POLICY:
CRISES AND CRUNCHES

Chairman: Daniel J. Reed,
Assistant Archivist for Presidential Libraries

World War I and After

Dennis O'Brien
California State University, Sacramento

World War II

John A. DeNovo, University of Wisconsin, Madison

1973

Robert Hunter, Senior Foreign Policy Advisor to
Senator Edward M. Kennedy

Comments: David Finnie, Mobil Oil Corporation; Carl Parrini, Northern Illinois University

SESSION IV

2:00 p.m. Palms Lounge

THE MAJOR POWERS AND THE
UNITED STATES, 1898-1910

Chairman: David Trask, State University of New York,
Stony Brook

The Case of Russia

Raymond Esthus, Tulane University

The Case of Germany

Manfred Jonas, Union College

Comments: Samuel Wells, University of North Carolina (from the perspective of Great Britain); Kenneth J. Hagan, United States Naval Academy

SOCIAL HOUR

6:00 p.m. Darnell Hall

REGISTRATION FORM

I plan to attend the First National Meeting of the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations (SHAFR) to be held at Georgetown University, Washington, D.C., August 15-16, 1975.

Name _____

Address _____

Institutional Affiliation _____

Accompanying me will be the following person(s)

Date _____

Signature _____

The registration fee per person is \$3.00 (\$1.00 for graduate students). Fees are payable to the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations and should be enclosed with this form. The form should be returned no later than August 1, 1975, to:

Dr. Jules Davids
Department of History
Georgetown University
Washington, DC 20007

The registrant(s) listed above wish to order tickets (to be picked up at the conference Registration Desk, Walsh Building) and a registration card for the following meals prepared by the Georgetown University Catering Service.

REGISTRATION FORM

	Number	Total Amounts
Registration	_____	_____
Luncheon, August 15 (\$2.85)	_____	_____
Dinner Banquet, August 15 (\$7.25)	_____	_____
Luncheon, August 16 (\$3.75)	_____	_____
Check enclosed for	_____	_____

(coffee and doughnuts will be served free of charge on Saturday morning) Seating will be available for the speech following the banquet for those who cannot attend the dinner.

HISTORY

The Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations is the major organization for individuals interested in the history of the foreign relations of the United States.

The historical profession in this country has grown so enormously in recent decades that many specialists have established organizations in subject fields. In the latter 1960's persons interested in American foreign relations considered a society to serve their needs, and an organizational committee formed in January 1967, consisting of Alexander DeConde (University of California, Santa Barbara), David M. Pletcher (Indiana University), and Joseph P. O'Grady (La Salle College). A larger group met during the April, 1967, convention of the Organization of American Historians, and those present unanimously resolved to form the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations, and selected Professor O'Grady as first executive secretary. From 1967 to 1973 its national headquarters was at La Salle College in Philadelphia.

The Society grew rapidly in its first two years, and in 1970 a committee was appointed to reorganize the society. The Constitution it drafted was accepted by members in the autumn of that year, and the Executive Secretary then completed the details of incorporation. By 1971 the Society's membership had grown to more than five hundred. It is now incorporated under the laws of Pennsylvania. Since 1973, the national office has been located at the University of Akron, with Warren F. Kuehl of The University of Akron and Lawrence S. Kaplan of Kent State University as joint Secretary-Treasurers.

The Society is managed by a president (one-year term), vice-president (one-year term with nomination for the presidency the following year), executive secretary-treasurer (serves until removed by the council or resigns), four elected members of the council (four-year terms), and past presidents (three-year terms on the council). The Society issues a *Newsletter* and a periodic roster which indicates the fields and research projects of members.

There are also program, membership, and nominating committees. A Committee is studying the possible replacement of the Bemis and Griffin *Guide*. The Society sponsors sessions and luncheon meetings with the American Historical Association, the Organization of American Historians and the Southern Historical Association. The Society periodically organizes a program of its own with sessions on various campuses. The Society also awards the Stuart L. Bernath Prize of \$500.00 to the best book each year on American foreign relations as selected by a committee.

The Society has great possibilities of service in improving communication among historians in its field. The stimulating presidential address of Richard W. Leopold at the luncheon meeting of SHAFR on December 28, 1970, discussed a number of concerns of the foreign policy of the United States, such as the problem of access to materials needed for research.

The Society seeks to enroll teachers and graduate students interested in American foreign relations, archivists caring for research materials, government personnel, and non-affiliated writers. Persons in other countries interested in the foreign relations of the United States are welcome to membership. Those interested in joining the Society may return the attached form.

DINNER

7:00 p.m. Darnell Hall
Presiding: Armin Rappaport, University of California,
San Diego
Address: Townsend Hoopes

SATURDAY, AUGUST 16
SESSION V

10:00 a.m. Palms Lounge

**THE UNITED STATES RESPONSE TO THE
FASCIST MENACE IN LATIN AMERICA**

Chairman: John J. Finan, The American University

The New Deal's Use of Nazism in Latin America

Irwin F. Gellman, Morgan State College, Maryland

**The Fascist Mirage in Central America:
Guatemalan-United States Relations and the
Yankee Fear of Fascism, 1936-1944**

Kenneth J. Grieb, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh

**The United States, Nazi Germany, and
Corporatism in the River Plate Basin**

Michael Grow, George Washington University

Comment: Willard L. Beaulac, former United States
Ambassador and Emeritus Professor, Southern Illinois
University

SESSION VI

10:00 a.m. Hall of Nations

**THREE COLD WARRIORS AND THE
ORIGINS OF THE COLD WAR:
HARRIMAN, BOHLEN, KENNAN**

Chairman: Milton Gustafson, National Archives

George F. Kennan

C. Ben Wright, Chatham College

W. Averell Harriman

Larry I. Bland, Gaston College

Charles E. Bohlen

T. Michael Ruddy, Kent State University,
Tuscarawas Branch

Comments: Charles Burton Marshall, Washington
Center of Foreign Policy Research, the John Hopkins
University; Lloyd C. Gardner, Rutgers University

ROOM RESERVATION FORM

I plan to attend the first National Meeting of the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations (SHAHR) on August 15-16, 1975, and wish to reserve an accommodation in:

A double dormitory room @\$9.00 per day per person
A single dormitory room @\$11.00 per day per person

I desire a room for:

Thursday night, August 14

Friday night, August 15

Saturday night, August 16

please check

Name (Last) _____ (First) _____ (Middle) _____

Home Address _____

Home Phone _____ Sex _____

Roommate Preference _____

Dates of: Arrival _____ Departure _____

Bank Americard # _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Please return this form no later than August 5, 1975, to the Summer Housing Office, Georgetown University, Washington, DC 20007.

LUNCHEON

12:15

Darnell Hall

Presiding: Thomas G. Paterson,
University of Connecticut

Address: Walter Lippmann and the National Interest,
Ronald Steel

SESSION VII

2:00 p.m.

Palms Lounge

**AN OVERVIEW OF AMERICAN
FOREIGN POLICY IN THE LATE
NINETEENTH CENTURY**

Chairman: Robert L. Beisner,
The American University

James G. Blaine: Diplomatic Practitioner or Ideologue
James F. Vivian, University of North Dakota

**Hamilton Fish and the Lessons of the
Ten Years' War**

James Chapin, University College, Rutgers University

Comments: Richard E. Welch, Jr., Lafayette College;
Milton Plesur, State University of New York, Buffalo

SESSION VIII

2:00 p.m.

Hall of Nations

**CHINA AND THE UNITED STATES:
THE ECONOMIC DIMENSION, 1890s-1975**

Chairman: Paul A. Varg, Michigan State University

1890s-1931

Michael Hunt, Yale University

1931-1949

Jerry Israel, Illinois Wesleyan University

1949-1975

Edward Friedman, University of Wisconsin

Comments: Marilyn Blatt Young, University of
Michigan, Warren I. Cohen, Michigan State University