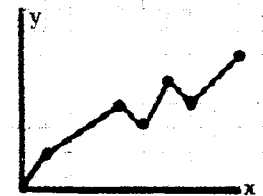


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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

With the establishment of this newsletter, we hope to strengthen our contacts with alumni. Recent information from the Indiana University Alumni Association shows that over the years, the Department of Economics has awarded AB degrees to 1,517 students, AM degrees to 550 students, and PhD's to 224 students. We suspect that most of you would like to know what has happened to former classmates and professors, and to learn about current activities of the Department. We in the Department would certainly like to know more about your professional and other activities.

In the last dozen years there have been many changes in the Department of Economics, particularly in the composition of the faculty. Since 1970 we have added 17 new faculty members, 12 of whom remain on the faculty of 28 in 1980 (see story on recent faculty additions below). We expect to recruit several additional faculty members this year. Our program has increased significantly in size. The number of graduate students has increased by nearly 20 per cent since 1970. Enrollment in elementary economics courses has doubled over the decade, as has the number of undergraduate majors.

With new faculty and more students, research activity in the Department has greatly increased and has been ex-

tended into new areas. In the fall of 1979, we established a working paper series which will become an important vehicle through which new ideas and research results may be circulated.

In future issues of the newsletter we expect to supplement news about the Department with a great deal more information about the current activities of our alumni, but for that we need your help. Please let us know about your current addresses, positions, and activities, so we can pass on this kind of information. Since our address list may be inadequate to reach all our alumni, current addresses of colleagues with whom you have kept in touch would also be helpful. We would also welcome ideas for additional alumni activities. Would you be interested in a reunion of Indiana economists at the AEA annual meeting?

Are there enough people located close enough to Bloomington so that we could plan a campus conference for alumni around an economics theme of broad current interest? If you have any suggestions along these lines, please send them to Harriet Pfister, editor of this newsletter, or to me. We will be very pleased to hear from you.

Robert W. Campbell
Chairman
Department of Economics

Faculty News

James M. Boughton is a frequent consultant for the OECD in Paris. His article on the demand for money will appear in the January, 1981, issue of the *Southern Economic Journal*.

Robert W. Campbell has been working for the last several years on Soviet energy issues. In connection with this work, he spent two weeks in the Soviet Union last year visiting research institutes in the energy field, heading an American delegation on behalf of the US-USSR Science and Technology Agreement. His book on Soviet energy technologies will be published in December by IU Press.

Nicholas DeWitt was invited by the National Academy of Sciences to prepare a study on the status of science and mathematics education in the Soviet Union.

Although Franz Gehrels is now Professor of Economics at the University of Munich, he retains his ties to IU as Adjunct Professor.

Scott Gordon recently spent a term as Lansdowne Scholar at the University of Victoria. His book, *Welfare, Justice, and Freedom*, will be published by Columbia University Press this fall.

R. Jeffery Green and Michael A. Klein have been promoted to full professor, effective July 1, 1980. Professor Green is on leave in 1980-81 to head the Wharton Quarterly Model Project (for Wharton Econometric Forecasting Associates), involving development of a large-scale model for short-term forecasting of the U.S. economy. Professor Klein has spent two summers as a Visiting Scholar in the Federal Reserve System: in 1978 at the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, and in 1980 at the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco.

Herbert J. Kiesling, on sabbatical in 1979-80, conducted research on public-

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Recent Faculty Additions

The Department of Economics has recently added several faculty members whose research interests broaden the range of scholarly pursuits within the Department.

Robert A. Becker (PhD'78, University of Rochester) is adding to the cur-

riculum in the area of mathematical economics and in the summer of 1980 received a grant from Resources for the Future to study the impact of waste production on the cost of mining operations. His most recent article appears

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Faculty News, cont.

sector economics at Syracuse University and York University, England.

Paul W. Kuznets was awarded a Social Science Research Council fellowship last year and spent six months abroad studying the economies of Taiwan and Korea.

Two faculty members have been elected to offices in major professional organizations. Samuel M. Loescher was elected first vice president of the Midwest Economic Association for 1980-81. Clarence C. Morrison is vice president for 1980-81 of the Atlantic Economic Association.

Lloyd D. Orr, whose current research interests involve environmental issues, recently completed an environmental impact study of the Red River for the U.S. Forest Service.

George J. Stolnitz was invited by the National Academy of Sciences to serve last summer on an evaluation team of three demographers to review a major ongoing project concerning population estimates and data resources in Latin America, Africa and Asia.

Phillip Saunders continues his lead-

ership in improving the teaching of economics both through publications and teacher training workshops. His most recent publication is a resource manual for college-level teacher training programs in economics, published by the Joint Council on Economic Education.

William P. Travis spent two weeks in the fall of 1979 lecturing and consulting on a world trade and development for the U.S. International Communications Agency in several Asian countries.

Elmus R. Wicker gives lectures for several executive training programs in the School of Business and for alumni groups, and is the author of an article on the banking panic of 1930 in the September, 1980, issue of the *Journal of Economic History*.

Fred Witney continues to be active as a labor arbitrator. He is working, with Arthur Sloane, on the fourth edition of *Labor Relations*, scheduled to be published in late 1980. The third edition of *Labor Relations Law*, with Benjamin Taylor, PhD'60, was published in 1979.

wrote his dissertation on some aspects of international labor migration. He spent the summer of 1980 at the Institute for Research on Poverty, University of Wisconsin, doing research on the economic impact of welfare programs. Robert J. Schmitz has just completed work for his PhD at the University of Chicago and will receive his degree this December. His article, "The Life Cycle of Saving and Consumption," appeared in *Social Security Versus Private Saving*, edited by George M. von Furstenberg.

Two new faculty members hold grants from the National Science Foundation. David E. Wildasin (PhD'76, University of Iowa) is conducting a study on optimal taxation and government production of services. His "Locational Efficiency in a Federal System" is forthcoming in the journal, *Regional Science and Urban Economics*. Arlington Williams (PhD'78, University of Arizona) is working on a study (with Vernon Smith) involving the use of laboratory experimental techniques to study the behavioral properties of various market mechanisms. Initial results of the study appeared in the July, 1980, issue of the *Journal of Business*, University of Chicago Press.

Gramley Named Distinguished Alumnus



At the Indiana University Alumni Association's Cream and Crimson Alumni Weekend last June, Lyle Eldon Gramley, AM'52, PhD'56, received an IU Distinguished Service Alumni Award. Dr. Gramley was confirmed by the U.S. Senate as a member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in May, 1980. He had previously served for several years as a member of the President's Council of Economic Advisers.

Following his graduate work at Indiana University, Dr. Gramley gained experience as a financial economist with the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City and as a faculty member of the University of Maryland. He later held the position of Director of Research and Statistics for the Federal Reserve System during a period of great advances in the application of theoretical and quantitative analysis to the policymaking process.

During Dr. Gramley's brief visit to the campus for the award ceremony, he met with members of the Economics Department and had the opportunity to reminisce with those on the faculty when he was a student at IU. The current controversies over the changes in Federal Reserve goals and policy approaches constituted a natural topic for discussion, on which Gramley was able to provide some interesting comments and ideas.

DASA awards are given annually to recognize outstanding achievements by alumni of IU. The Alumni Awards Committee is composed of both IU alumni and faculty members.

Recent Faculty Additions, cont.

in the September, 1980, issue of the *Quarterly Journal of Economics*.

Coming to IU in the spring of 1979 from the University of Minnesota, William E. Becker, Jr. (PhD'73, University of Pittsburgh) has reorganized our introductory statistics course (now E270) and is engaged in research on the economics of education. His work has appeared in several journals and in a book on reward structures in education.

Mathew J. Morey (PhD'77, University of Illinois) joined our faculty in 1978 and has taught both graduate and undergraduate courses in statistics and econometrics. He is the author, with William E. Becker, Jr., of an article on time-series evaluation which appeared in the May, 1980, *American Economic Review* (paper and proceedings).

N. Brian McGrath (PhD'80, Brown University) teaches graduate and undergraduate courses in macroeconomic theory. Following up his 1977 *Journal of Money, Credit and Banking* article, he is working on theoretical and empirical models of government financing and crowding out.

Receiving his PhD degree from MIT in 1979, Francisco Rivera-Batiz

Prof. Spulber Retires After 26 Years At IU

Distinguished Professor of Economics Nicolas Spulber formally retired from the faculty in June, 1980, but anyone connected with Professor Spulber knows that this milestone in his career is not an ending, but simply a shift in emphasis. Professor Spulber is teaching his course, Quantitative Economic Policy and Planning, once more this fall, but will then turn his research interests and talents to new areas.

For the last year or two he has been working on environmental problems and in May, 1980, completed a study with his son, Daniel F. Spulber of the Brown University Economics Department. Together they published *A Framework for Evaluating Environmental Social and Economic Impacts of Water Quality Management Plans in*

Indiana. Professor Spulber also plans to bring to completion several PhD dissertations for which he is either chairman or a committee member.

Before coming to IU in 1954, Professor Spulber pursued a highly successful career as a journalist, foreign correspondent, and editor. In 1948, he worked as a correspondent in New York City, where he enrolled in the New School for Social Research, receiving his PhD in 1952.

Professor Spulber is a prolific scholar, having written seven books and more than 50 journal articles. He is regarded as an expert in East European affairs, and his broad interests include economic planning and development, as well as the economics of Soviet-type economies. He is frequently invited to

give papers at international conferences, most recently at a conference on "Western Perceptions of Eastern Europe" in Geneva. His latest book, *Organizational Alternatives in Soviet-type Economies*, was published by Cambridge University Press in October, 1979. The book is a survey and analysis of the debates on reforms of socialist planning that have taken place in Eastern Europe in the past two decades.

Professor Spulber has always been a dedicated and demanding teacher whose words of support in trying times have encouraged many students, both graduate and undergraduate. We in the Economics Department expect to continue to benefit from his wise counsel for years to come.

News From Our Graduates . . .

With your help, we expect to report more news of our alumni! Here are just a few examples of what the alumni (and alumnae) are doing:

UNDERGRADUATES:

Jenny Bourne, AB'79, is a student in the PhD program, Department of Economics, at the University of Chicago.

Neil A. Cummins, AB'76, is in the Portfolio and Funds Management section of the Mellon Bank in Pittsburgh.

Susan Dess, AB'79, is in the Labor and Industrial Relations program at Michigan State University; she'll soon be joined by Karen Hasenstab, AB'80.

John D. Graves, AB'77, after working in the Washington, D.C. area, is now a student at the Stanford Business School.

Michael A. Toman, AB'76, with an AM degree from Brown University and work experience at Resources for the Future, is now completing a PhD in economics at the University of Rochester.

Mary K. Winicker, AB'74, is finishing a PhD in economics at MIT and is on the faculty at Michigan State University.

Robert M. Wendling, AB'73, is a research program manager for the U.S. Department of Energy in Washington, D.C.

GRADUATES:

Edward G. Boehne, PhD'68, is Vice

President of the Federal Reserve Bank in Philadelphia. Also serving as a bank officer is John Alfred Broaddus, PhD'72, who is Vice President of the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond.

Steven T. Call, AM'68, PhD'77, assistant professor of economics at Metropolitan State College, Denver, Colorado, has written (with co-author William L. Holahan) a text for intermediate price theory entitled *Microeconomics*, published in April, 1980.

I-Kuei Chou, PhD'70, is Chairman of the Department of Economics at Tunghai University in Taiwan.

Elizabeth Crowell, PhD'71, is a member of the faculty, Department of Economics, at the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

Fayez I. Habib, PhD'73, serves on the faculty of the College of Commerce at Riyadh University in Saudi-Arabia.

Robert J. Highsmith, AM'74, PhD'78, participated in a three-year program directed toward making economic education a part of the curricula for kindergarten through 12th grade in three Maryland school districts. Highsmith is currently director of the economic literacy project at California State University and Colleges at Long Beach, and was awarded the Freedom Foundation's award for "excellence in private enterprise education" in ceremonies held at Valley Forge last May.

Brigadier General Ahmed A. Malik, PhD'70, is Director of the Foreign Pro-

curements Department, Ministry of Defense and Aviation, Riyadh, Saudi-Arabia.

Diann H. Painter, PhD'74, after serving on the faculty of Wellesley College and with the Department of Commerce in Washington, DC, is now Senior Economist with the Toronto Dominion Bank in Canada.

D. Babatunde Thomas, PhD'73, after several years as head of the Economics Department at Florida International University, is now Director of the Department of Technology Planning and Economic Development, University of Ife, Nigeria.

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