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## DUES

The annual assessment of \$5.00 is due January 1 for the year 1975. This next year, the American Committee will be host to the International Committee in San Francisco, and will have administrative expenses above the normal. Many members have already paid 1975 dues in advance, as an assistance to the Secretariat in anticipating financial needs, and this is much appreciated.

## BUSINESS MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE, OCT. 31, 1974

The meeting was held in Paris, and was attended by Charles Delzell, Chairman, Martin Blumenson, Director, and Arthur Funk, Secretary.

The minutes will be disseminated later in the International Newsletter.

Of particular concern to the American members was discussion of plans for the session planned to coincide with the meeting of the International Congress of Historical Sciences, San Francisco, August 22-29, 1975. This session, devoted to the topic: "Strategy and Politics in the Second World War," will take place on one (or possibly two) days of the second week -- possibly Wednesday, August 27, 1975. Although the Congress as a whole is not using simultaneous translation, the International Council voted to have translation services for the World War II session. The costs of this service will determine whether the session will be for one, one-and-a-half, or two days.

The morning session will include presentations from representatives of the major powers:

United States:	Forrest Pogue Warren Kimball
Great Britain:	Michael Howard
Soviet Union:	Pavel A. Zhilin
Germany:	Dr. Broszat Dr. Schumann
Japan:	Takashi Zaito

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The remaining sessions will involve shorter papers from historians of minor powers, and interventions relative to points made in the various papers.

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Business Meeting of the American Committee, scheduled for Chicago, December 28, Room 415, Hilton Hotel, at 4:00 p.m.

Agenda

- Treasurer's Report. Should dues be raised?
- Election of directors for term ending 1977. (Ballots included in this Newsletter. Return votes to Secretariat by mail or cast vote at business meeting.)
- Formation of Local Arrangements Committee for San Francisco under chairmanship of Diane Clemens.
- Plans for hosting members of the International Committee at San Francisco.
- Book reviews and relations with the Revue d'Histoire de la deuxième guerre mondiale (Robert Dallek).
- Bibliography plans (Janet Ziegler)

Although the Committee does not have a joint session with the AHA this year, there are several sessions of special interest:

Sunday, December 29, 9:30:

Hiroshima and After: The Atomic Bomb as an American Historical Problem

Collaborationism in Europe, 1940-45

Sunday, December 29, 1:00:

Women in Interwar Italy, Germany, and Japan

Monday, December 30, 9:30:

Nuremberg Trials: Victors' Vengeance or Just Retribution.

NOTICES

A reorganization within the Military Archives Division of the National Archives, in force as of July 1, 1974, combined the former Captured Records Branch, both reference and projects, with the staff providing reference on Department of Defense, U.S. Army and U.S. Air Force records postdating 1939, to form a Modern Military Branch with Robert Wolfe as its chief. Reference on all U.S. Navy records, and on U.S. Army records antedating 1940, is now the responsibility of our Navy and Old Army Branch. Projects work on all U.S. military, naval and air force records is performed by our Military Projects Branch, but finding aids on captured German and related records remain assigned to the captured records projects team now incorporated into the Modern Military Branch.

COLLOQUIUM ON THE "LIBERATION OF FRANCE," held in Paris, Oct. 28-31, 1974.

About 300 French and foreign scholars attended the four-day colloquium, which was marked by excellent and in some instances controversial papers, and by innumerable interventions. The conference was ably organized by M. Henri Michel, who attempted in the brief span of four days to permit all aspects of the French Resistance to have a share in the comments. (That he was not entirely successful in this almost impossible endeavor will be appreciated by those who read Le Monde.) The American Committee was represented in two reports, one by Martin Blumen-son and one by Robert Paxton.

The Secretariat has on file most of the papers (mostly in French) and will send them to those interested on receipt of 10¢ a page for each one to cover costs of reproduction and mailing:

- Baumont. Problèmes politiques de la Libération, 10 pp.  
 Brouillet. Le général de Gaulle et la Libération de la France, 32 pp.  
 Aguilhon. Les communistes et la Libération de la France, 41 pp.  
 Gambiez. La libération de la Corse, 31 pp.  
 Blumenson. The Place of France in Allied Strategy, 21 pp.  
 Umbreit. La stratégie défensive de l'Allemagne, 28 pp.  
 Sauvy. Economie et démographie de la France au printemps de 1944, 30 pp.  
 Paxton. Le régime de Vichy en 1944, 35 pp.  
 Hostache. L'organisation de la Résistance au printemps de 1944, 73 pp.  
 Delmas. Conception et préparation de l'insurrection nationale, 28 pp.  
 Zhilin. La coopération franco-soviétique, 22 pp.  
 Foulon. Prise et exercice du pouvoir en province, 27 pp.  
 Le Goyet. Quelques aspects des problèmes militaires pendant la libération du territoire, 41 pp.  
 Michalon. L'amalgame F.F.I.--Première Armée et 2e D.B., 65 pp.  
 Boudot. Le retour des prisonniers de guerre, 18 pp.  
 Wormser. Le rapatriement des déportés. 24 pp.  
 Baudot. L'épuration, 33 pp.  
 Remond. Les problèmes politiques au lendemain de la Libération, 24 pp.  
 Bouvier. Les problèmes économiques au lendemain de la Libération, 27 pp.

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Florence, Italy. "Italy in 1945: the situation at home and abroad -- the Parri Government." October, 1975. Sponsored by the National Institute for the History of the Liberation Movement in Italy and the Institute for the History of the Resistance in Tuscany.

Warsaw, Poland. "The Impact of the Second World War on the culture of countries at war and of occupied countries." September, 1975. Sponsored by the Polish Committee. For information: Instytut Historii PAN, 00-272 Warszawa, Rynek Starego Miasta 29/31.

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