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NOTES & NEWS

CENTER FOR GREAT PLAINS STUDIES SYMPOSIA

The program committee for the Center's 1991 symposium, "Law, the Bill of Rights, and the Great Plains," thanks all scholars who submitted proposals for the conference. The program will include both scholarly presentations and addresses by distinguished contemporary Great Plains jurists. For more information about the conference, to be held in Lincoln 6-9 March 1991, please contact the Center for Great Plains Studies, 1213 Oldfather Hall, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE 68588-0314, (402) 472-3082.

The Center's sixteenth annual symposium, to focus on the exploration and discovery of the Great Plains, will be held in spring 1992. A full Call for Papers will appear in the fall 1990 issue of *Great Plains Quarterly*.

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Missouri Valley History Conference will be held in Omaha, Nebraska, 14-16 March 1991. Interested scholars are invited to submit proposals in all areas of history by 1 November 1990. Please enclose abstract and vita with proposal and direct to William C. Pratt, Program Coordinator, MVHC, University of Nebraska at Omaha, Omaha, NE 68182.

NATIVE AMERICAN SPECIAL ISSUE

The Platte Valley Review seeks writing in any genre from any discipline for a special issue to focus on the Native American. Essays should follow the MLA style and should be 2500-4000 words long. Short stories and poems are also welcome. Please submit three copies of each manuscript, accompanied by an abstract and a

self-addressed, stamped envelope, to Vern Plambeck, Editor, *The Platte Valley Review*, English Department, Kearney State College, Kearney, NE 68849.

COALITION FOR WESTERN WOMEN'S HISTORY

In conjunction with the Center for Great Plains Studies, the Coalition for Western Women's History will hold a conference 7-9 August 1991 in Lincoln, Nebraska, with the title "Suspect Terrain: Surveying the Women's West." Established scholars, graduate students, and independent researchers are encouraged to submit proposals approaching this theme from any perspective. Please submit a two-page proposal and a vita of two pages or less by 1 December 1990 to the Center for Great Plains Studies, 1213 Oldfather Hall, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE 68588-0314. For additional information please contact Professor Paula Petrik, Department of History, University of Maine, Orono, ME 04469, (207) 581-1907 or Professor Kathleen Underwood, Department of History, Box 19529, University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX 76019, (817) 273-2861.

FOLKLIFE CONSERVANCY

The Folklife Conservancy is the membership organization of the Western Folklife Center, a regional non-profit institution that researches and presents folklife and art of the West. Its projects include the Cowboy Poetry Gathering in Elko, Nevada, recordings of traditional music and narrative, and VOICES W.E.S.T., a festival of folk choral music. Memberships start at \$20 annually. For more information or to join, please contact the Folklife Conservancy, P.O. Box 581105, Salt Lake City, Utah 84158-1105, (801) 533-5391.