NEWS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Society for Historians of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era (SHGAPE) fosters and advances the study and understanding of the history of the United States during the period 1865-1917. SHGAPE actively encourages graduate students to join the Society at reduced membership rates of five dollars per year. For an additional twenty dollars per year, new members will receive the Hayes Historical Journal, published quarterly by the Haves Presidential Center. Graduate students are invited to participate in the biennial SHGAPE Best Article Competition, which carries a \$500 prize. This award honors the best article treating any aspect of United States history during the period 1865–1917 published by a graduate student or recent doctorate. SHGAPE sponsors sessions during the American Historical Association's annual meeting, to which graduate student members of the AHA may submit paper proposals. In addition, graduate students are welcome to attend the Society's Council meeting and reception, also held during the AHA meeting. For further information on graduate activities, please contact Stacy A. Cordery, Department of History, East Carolina University, Greenville, NC 27858-4353. To become a member of SHGAPE, please contact Roger D. Bridges, Hayes Presidential Center, Spiegel Grove, Fremont, OH 43420-2796.

Scholars working on the German SPD. Anyone interested in a complete set of *SPD Protokolle 1881–1913* may contact R. W. Reichard, 5433 East View Park, Chicago, IL 60615, for further information.

North American Labor History Conference. The Program Committee of the North American Labor History Conference invites paper and panel proposals for a conference on the international and comparative dimensions of labor history to be held October 13-15, 1994 at Wayne State University in Detroit. For further information, contact Professor Elizabeth Faue, Coordinator, Department of History, 3094 Faculty Administration Building, Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan 48202, phone 313-577-6986.