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DAYTON, August 17, 1966

Dr. William Steiner, Chairman of the Department of History at the University of Dayton, has announced the addition of five members to his Department staff.

Philip Aloysius Grant, Ph.D., a specialist in U.S. Diplomatic History, comes to UD from St. John's University where he was an assistant professor of History. Prior to this, he was a history instructor at St. Peter's College in Jersey City, New Jersey.

Paul Neil Hehn, Ph.D., a specialist in Russian and East European History who has studied at the University of Munich, Germany, and has been published in the Polish Review, has taught previously at Wilkes College, Temple University, and Ohio University.

Gad Soffer, M.A., a Ph.D. Candidate at the American University School of International Service is a native of Jerusalem, Israel, specializing in the history of the Middle East. Past editor of the Middle East Journal, Mr. Soffer has taught at the Adas Israel Religious School, the American University School of International Service, and Temple Sinai, Washington, DC.

Reverend John Anthony Cippel, M.A., of the White Fathers of Africa, earned degrees from St. Vincent College and Loyola University of Chicago. Before coming to UD, he taught at St. Joseph Seminary, Onchiota, New York.

Robert L. Yaple, a Ph.D. candidate at the University of Kansas, and a Phi Beta Kappa, has taught at the University of Kansas, and was, for 3 years, Senior Accessioner at the University of Chicago Library. Mr. Yaple will teach Military History and British History as his major areas of concentration.

Two current members of the UD History Department have been awarded Ph.D. degrees during the past year. In May, 1966, Dr. Frank F. Mathias received his Ph.D. from the University of Kentucky. His dissertation was "Political History of Kentucky--1820-1850." Dr. Joachim Isaacs received his Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin in August, 1966. The title of his dissertation was "Relations between the Presidents and the Press in the Reconstruction Era."

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