

Helmut Wilhelm at the University of Washington, and then went on to Harvard. He prepared his Ph.D. in History and East Asian Languages and Literatures during the golden age of such scholars as Francis W. Cleaves, John K. Fairbank, Robert Hightower, Edwin O. Reischauer, Benjamin Schwartz, and Lien-sheng Yang.

Having tackled Mongolian, Manchu, and Tibetan, in addition to Chinese, Japanese, Russian, German, and French, David was one of a small cadre of specialists who carried forward research on the history of the Altaic peoples, especially the Mongols, and their relations with the Chinese. In his articles on Oriat Chinese tribute relations, on Manchu Mongolian policy, or the use of Buddhism in Ch'ing frontier government, he combined a Sinological respect for textual pitfalls with a broader historical sense of Inner Asia as a dynamic source of vitality in the imperial tradition. In spite of increasing physical debility, he was able before his death to complete the manuscript of the book that he had been working on for over fifteen years, *The Government of China Under Mongolian Rule, 1260–1368*. This is a reference work, providing a detailed description of the Yuan government. David intended it "to encourage further exploration of this least studied epoch in late imperial Chinese history." His wife Norma will carry the manuscript through publication.

Friends, colleagues, and students will remember him for his meticulous standards of scholarship, and for his modesty and sense of vocation. On the "exotic" fringe of Asian Studies, he worked without great expectations of reward, or even notice, but with enormous devotion to learning as a cause in itself. His classroom was a place where his exasperation at shoddy evidence gave way to generous excitement in the face of excellence.

Those who wish to make a gesture in remembrance may do so by contributing to a newly established fellowship fund for the study of premodern Chinese history: the David M. Farquhar Graduate Support Fund. Contributions should be marked payable to The Regents of the University of California and identified as contributions to the Farquhar fund. They should be sent to the Department of History, UCLA, Los Angeles, California 90024.

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### Kendall Wayne Folkert (1942–1985)

Kendall Folkert, Associate Professor of Religion at Central Michigan University, and Thomas Zwicker, a doctoral candidate in Anthropology at the University of Pennsylvania, were killed in a road accident outside the city of Ahmadabad, in Gujarat, India, on October 29, 1985. They were engaged in collaborative fieldwork on religion and everyday life among contemporary Jains.

Folkert received his B.A. degree in Religion from Western Michigan University in 1964. As a Fulbright Scholar in 1964–65, he studied religion with Carsten Colpe in Göttingen. Folkert received the S.T.B. degree cum laude from Harvard Divinity School in 1968 and the Ph.D. degree in the Study of Religion in 1975 from Harvard University, where he studied with Daniel H. H. Ingalls, Wilfred Cantwell Smith, and John B. Carman. In 1972, Folkert carried out research as a Fulbright-Hays Fellow at Banaras Hindu University and with Pandit Ambika Datta Upadhyaya in Banaras. This led to Folkert's dissertation, "Two Jaina Approaches to Non-Jainas: Patterns and Implications." He was the author of several articles, including the new Jaina chapter in Charles J. Adams, *A Reader's Guide to the Great Religions*, 2nd ed. (New

York: Free Press, 1977); "Jainism," in the *Handbook of Living Religions* (Harmondsworth, Middlesex: Viking Penguin, 1984); and "The Jain Stupa at Ancient Mathura," in a forthcoming volume on ancient Mathura edited by Doris Srinivasan.

Although Folkert's most important work was unfinished at his death, many Asianists and religionists will know him from the stimulating papers that he often delivered at meetings of the American Oriental Society and the American Academy of Religion. His leadership in the life of his community, university, and the scholarly world will be sorely missed. Among South Asianists and religionists, the loss of his highly promising work in Gujarat will be especially felt by the many of us who saw in it a new perspective on Jaina practice and piety. We mourn the death of an irreplaceable friend, colleague, and scholar.

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### Shumpei Okamoto (1932–1985)

Shumpei Okamoto, Professor of History at Temple University, died on December 15, 1985, after a brief hospitalization. All of us who were privileged to work with Professor Okamoto have lost a colleague who was unstinting and selfless in his contributions to the scholarship and thinking of so many of his colleagues concerning modern Japanese history and politics, Sino-Japanese relations, Japanese foreign policy, and Japanese-American relations.

After receiving his B.A. degree in Economics from Aoyama Gakuin in 1954, Okamoto came to the United States; he received a second B.A. in History and Government from Anderson College in 1959. He received his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Columbia University. His career in the academy was spent entirely at Temple University.

A prolific scholar and translator as well as a gifted teacher, Okamoto greatly enhanced our understanding of the Japanese perspective on the foreign relations of Japan, especially during the pre-1941 period. His *Japanese Oligarchy and the Russo-Japanese War* (New York: Columbia University Press, 1970) is a landmark study of Meiji foreign policy. At the time of his death he was nearing completion of his painstaking work on a five-volume translation of essays from the major Japanese study, *Taiheiyo Sensō e no Michi*, edited by James William Morley under the title *Japan's Road to the Pacific War* (New York: Columbia University Press, 1976–). Okamoto's ready sense of humor, his highly independent and penetrating judgment, the craftsmanship and thoroughness that he brought to his work, and the intellectual generosity of which so many of us were the beneficiaries will not lightly pass from memory.

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### Thomas Antony Zwicker (1957–1985)

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