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## <u>History Teachers' Conference at WLU Jan. 11-12</u>

will discuss the History of the Modern Family

Dr. Edward Shorter, University of Toronto, will deliver the opening address at the ninth annual History Teachers' Conference Jan. 11 at Wilfrid Laurier University.

Dr. Shorter, well known for his work in social and family history, will speak at 9 p.m. in the Paul Martin centre on the topic of his book, The Making of the Modern Family.

Close to 60 high school teachers within a 50-mile radius of the WLU campus are expected to attend this year's conference from Jan. 11 to 12. The two-day event, which will focus on the history of the modern family, is organized by the history department of WLU in co-operation with the history department heads of Waterloo County high schools.

On the second day of the conference, Jan. 12, there will be two lectures in room 4-201 of the central teaching building. The first lecture, with Dr. Kathleen McCrone, will be from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

The second lecture, to be given by Dr. Joy Parr, will be from 11 a.m. to 12 noon.

Dr. Kathleen McCrone, Windsor University, will speak on Women and the Family in Industrial Society. Dr. McCrone is well known for her research on women's history in Victorian England.

Dr. Joy Parr, Queen's University, will speak on Being Young and Canadian in the Past. Dr. Parr has done extensive research on the role of children from the late 19th century to the early 20th century.

"The conference will look at the history of the development of the modern family," said Dr. Harkins, chairman of the WLU history department.

"It will also study the changing roles of family members and society's changing attitudes toward the family."