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In 1985 Harold M. Hyman delivered The Richard B. Russell Lectures at the University of Georgia in Athens, Georgia. They were published the following year under the title *American Singularity: The 1787 Northwest Ordinance, the 1862 Homestead and Morrill Acts, and the 1944 G.I. Bill*. In late 2011, Dr. Hyman and the University of Georgia Press, which held the copyright to the book, granted permission to the Minnesota Legal History Project to post the chapters on the Northwest Ordinance, the Homestead Act and the Morrill Act. They were posted in January 2012, and have attracted two to three dozen viewers each 30 day reporting period since.

Over time, far more individuals will have read Dr. Hyman's lectures on the MLHP than attended them in Athens decades ago. And the same can be said for Dr. William E. Lass' "The First Attempt to Organize Dakota Territory" (MLHP, 2008), first delivered at a symposium in Billings, Montana in 1988; and Dr. Mark Neuzil's "Introduction" to Lincoln Steffens' "The Shame of Minneapolis" (MLHP, 2011), first delivered as a lecture at the Mill City Museum in Minneapolis in 2003. One of the rewards of selecting, scanning, editing and posting articles on the MLHP is the knowledge that they might not have been accessible by its viewers. The reward is doubled when the author of an article is someone of the stature of Harold Hyman. The President of the American Society of Legal Historians in 1974-1975, he is one of our nation's foremost constitutional historians, specializing in the Civil War and Reconstruction eras. Anyone who has a serious interest in the Civil War and its aftermath—and legal history in general —will have read at least one of his books or several that cite them.

TABLE 1

The upward trend in numbers of "visitors" to the MLHP continued in 2012. On most days that year, there were more than 200 visitors and occasionally more than 300. The following table records the number of visitors on each of the last 30 days of the year.

* Two years ago, I donated 8 of his books to the Library of the William Mitchell College of Law, leaving only one in my library—the classic *A More Perfect Union* (1973).

Daily Activity

Date	Hits	Page Views	Visitors	Average Visit Length	Bandwidth (KB)
Sun 12/2/2012	464	241	209	04:05	0
Mon 12/3/2012	969	493	282	04:25	0
Tue 12/4/2012	900	380	420	02:43	0
Wed 12/5/2012	888	318	252	06:37	0
Thu 12/6/2012	952	377	261	08:37	0
Fri 12/7/2012	576	268	225	08:35	0
Sat 12/8/2012	757	377	232	07:21	0
Sun 12/9/2012	645	289	265	08:50	0
Mon 12/10/2012	741	418	236	06:34	0
Tue 12/11/2012	700	353	205	05:55	0
Wed 12/12/2012	620	246	266	04:57	0
Thu 12/13/2012	685	342	222	05:21	0
Fri 12/14/2012	702	280	244	05:28	0
Sat 12/15/2012	652	327	224	04:32	0
Sun 12/16/2012	489	230	213	06:11	0
Mon 12/17/2012	601	277	213	05:43	0
Tue 12/18/2012	661	340	249	04:26	0
Wed 12/19/2012	506	192	184	04:15	0
Thu 12/20/2012	490	219	215	03:13	0
Fri 12/21/2012	741	196	158	17:42	0
Sat 12/22/2012	909	483	163	15:06	0
Sun 12/23/2012	362	182	186	03:26	0
Mon 12/24/2012	704	276	179	16:21	0
Tue 12/25/2012	663	227	154	04:36	0
Wed 12/26/2012	497	190	188	08:53	0
Thu 12/27/2012	584	318	193	04:22	0
Fri 12/28/2012	788	391	228	04:51	0
Sat 12/29/2012	606	290	198	06:45	0
Sun 12/30/2012	1,125	836	208	06:51	0
Mon 12/31/2012	618	214	176	03:05	0
Total	20,595	9,570	6,648	06:22	0

TABLE 2

This table lists the 50 most popular articles during the last 30 days of 2012.

Most Downloaded Files

	File	Hits	Incomplete Requests	Visitors	Bandwidth (KB)
1	<u>North-Rutten.pdf</u>	204	47	144	0
2	<u>Steffens- Shame of Mpls. pdf</u>	133	38	89	0
3	<u>Hughes.pdf</u>	74	12	55	0
4	<u>1863 Indian Removal Acts.pdf</u>	68	15	46	0
5	<u>Preemption Act of 1841.pdf</u>	57	8	43	0
6	<u>Eugene M. Wilson.pdf</u>	40	0	40	0

7	<u>Land Revision Act (1891). pdf</u>	74	34	40	0
8	<u>Wright Cty B & B .pdf</u>	43	3	39	0
9	<u>Hughes. pdf</u>	39	0	37	0
10	<u>Con. Rt. To Garden .pdf</u>	39	2	37	0
11	<u>Hedin- Pine River. pdf</u>	49	13	35	0
12	<u>Brown Cty B & B (1935) .pdf</u>	45	4	35	0
13	<u>John Foley. pdf</u>	46	11	32	0
14	<u>Lawbreakers Redwood County. pdf</u>	43	4	30	0
15	<u>Lac Qui Parle B & B pdf</u>	32	2	30	0
16	<u>Kittson Cty. B & B pdf</u>	29	0	28	0
17	<u>Emergence of a Criminal Defendant. pdf</u>	32	4	28	0
18	<u>Brown Cty B & B. pdf</u>	27	0	26	0
19	<u>Timber Culture Acts. pdf</u>	29	4	25	0
20	<u>The Southwest Ordinance. pdf</u>	26	0	25	0
21	<u>Redwood Cty. B & B pdf</u>	27	2	25	0
22	<u>Renville Cty B & B. pdf</u>	33	2	25	0
23	<u>Norman Cty B & B. pdf</u>	26	2	24	0
24	<u>Rogers on Severance. pdf</u>	29	2	24	0
25	<u>Bench & Bar Duluth (1910). pdf</u>	27	2	24	0
26	<u>Freeborn Cty B & B. pdf</u>	26	1	24	0
27	<u>H. Hyman Book. pdf</u>	24	0	23	0
28	<u>Big Stone Cty. pdf</u>	23	0	23	0
29	<u>Stearns County Courthouse. pdf</u>	23	0	23	0
30	<u>J. Williams on Chatfield. pdf</u>	24	2	22	0
31	<u>Dakota Cty B & B. pdf</u>	24	0	22	0
32	<u>Territorial Map 1775 - 1920. pdf</u>	25	2	21	0
33	<u>Cudmore's Ter. Bar. pdf</u>	24	0	21	0
34	<u>McLeod Cty B & B. pdf</u>	22	0	21	0
35	<u>HC Mem: 1993. pdf</u>	25	2	21	0
36	<u>Mower Cty Legal History. pdf</u>	23	0	21	0
37	<u>Nolan - Horsethieves. pdf</u>	24	0	21	0
38	<u>LeSueur Cty. B & B pdf</u>	22	0	21	0
39	<u>HC Mem: 1986. pdf</u>	32	2	20	0
40	<u>Steele Cty B & B. pdf</u>	27	6	20	0
41	<u>Presidents MSBA 1901-2012. pdf</u>	20	0	20	0
42	<u>Advisory Opinions. pdf</u>	27	7	20	0
43	<u>William Quinn (1889-1932). pdf</u>	19	0	19	0
44	<u>H. C. Mem.: 1982. pdf</u>	23	4	19	0
45	<u>Nicollet Cty B & B pdf</u>	22	0	19	0
46	<u>John Harrison Brown. pdf</u>	21	0	19	0
47	<u>Lass. pdf</u>	21	0	19	0
48	<u>Lake Superior Lawyer. pdf</u>	20	2	18	0
49	<u>Briggs & Morgan Review. pdf</u>	19	0	18	0
50	<u>Turner – Frontier Thesis. pdf</u>	27	8	18	0
	Subtotal	1,858	247	N/A	0
	Total	5,918	311	N/A	0

TABLE 3

The countries where most visitors of the MLHP resided during the 30 day reporting period are listed below.

Most Active Countries

	Country	Hits	Visitors	% of Total Visitors	Bandwidth (KB)
1	United States	9,224	3,167	47.64%	0
2	Unknown	9,701	2,543	38.25%	0
3	China	827	678	10.20%	0
4	France	146	76	1.14%	0
5	Japan	36	34	0.51%	0
6	Germany	94	25	0.38%	0
7	Canada	43	25	0.38%	0
8	Australia	43	20	0.30%	0
9	Russian Federation	42	14	0.21%	0
10	United Kingdom	110	9	0.14%	0
11	Finland	15	8	0.12%	0
12	Netherlands	94	7	0.11%	0
13	Sweden	9	6	0.09%	0
14	Romania	141	4	0.06%	0
15	India	8	3	0.05%	0
16	Czechia	7	3	0.05%	0
17	Lithuania	12	2	0.03%	0
18	Kazakhstan	2	2	0.03%	0
19	Spain	3	2	0.03%	0
20	Poland	3	2	0.03%	0
21	Austria	9	2	0.03%	0
22	Ireland	2	2	0.03%	0
23	Hong Kong	4	2	0.03%	0
24	Uruguay	3	2	0.03%	0
25	Turkey	1	1	0.02%	0
26	Ukraine	1	1	0.02%	0
27	Greece	3	1	0.02%	0
28	Croatia	3	1	0.02%	0
29	Brazil	2	1	0.02%	0
30	Denmark	1	1	0.02%	0
31	Korea, Republic of	1	1	0.02%	0
32	Philippines	3	1	0.02%	0
33	Israel	1	1	0.02%	0
34	Italy	1	1	0.02%	0
	Total	20,595	6,648	100.00%	0

TABLE 4

During the last 30 days of 2012, at least one visitor came from each state. This is unusual; the normal count is in the mid-40s.

Most Active US States

	State	Hits	Visitors	Bandwidth (KB)
1	California	2,574	914	0
2	Washington	571	318	0
3	Minnesota	516	104	0
4	District of Columbia	358	76	0
5	Ohio	830	42	0
6	Texas	206	39	0
7	Colorado	121	36	0
8	New York	126	32	0
9	Massachusetts	56	28	0
10	Missouri	45	18	0
11	Florida	66	15	0
12	New Jersey	38	15	0
13	Pennsylvania	114	15	0
14	Illinois	23	14	0
15	Georgia	15	12	0
16	Virginia	41	10	0
17	Tennessee	14	8	0
18	Maryland	29	7	0
19	Wisconsin	38	7	0
20	South Carolina	43	6	0
21	North Dakota	74	6	0
22	Oregon	41	6	0
23	Alaska	13	6	0
24	Iowa	8	6	0
25	Michigan	21	6	0
26	Arkansas	13	5	0
27	South Dakota	11	5	0
28	North Carolina	7	4	0
29	Utah	4	4	0
30	Nevada	11	4	0
31	Indiana	5	4	0
32	Arizona	11	3	0
33	Alabama	9	3	0
34	Vermont	7	3	0
35	Rhode Island	10	2	0
36	Maine	8	2	0
37	Kansas	4	2	0
38	Montana	5	2	0
39	Nebraska	13	2	0
40	Idaho	2	2	0
41	Oklahoma	2	2	0
42	Connecticut	35	2	0

43	Mississippi	6	1	0
44	West Virginia	2	1	0
45	Wyoming	1	1	0
46	New Hampshire	3	1	0
47	Kentucky	5	1	0
48	Louisiana	4	1	0
49	New Mexico	2	1	0
50	Delaware	1	1	0
	Total	6,162	1,805	0

TABLE 5

The following table lists the cities where most viewers of the MLHP resided in the last month of the year.

Most Active Cities

	City	Hits	Visitors	Bandwidth (KB)
1	Mountain View, California, United States	2,401	852	0
2	Beijing, China	618	507	0
3	Seattle, Washington, United States	528	302	0
4	Tianjin, China	151	122	0
5	Washington, District of Columbia, United States	358	76	0
6	Minneapolis, Minnesota, United States	224	45	0
7	Marseille, France	42	42	0
8	Paris, France	91	28	0
9	Shenzhen, China	25	25	0
10	Saint Paul, Minnesota, United States	107	23	0
11	Sydney, Australia	37	17	0
12	Saint Louis, Missouri, United States	41	15	0
13	Ottawa, Canada	22	15	0
14	Miamisburg, Ohio, United States	769	14	0
15	Moscow, Russian Federation	21	11	0
16	Colorado Springs, Colorado, United States	21	11	0
17	Denver, Colorado, United States	51	11	0
18	Wadsworth, Ohio, United States	21	10	0
19	South Yarmouth, Massachusetts, United States	10	9	0
20	Dallas, Texas, United States	53	9	0
21	Shanghai, China	12	8	0
22	Frankfurt Am Main, Germany	10	8	0
23	Helsinki, Finland	15	8	0
24	Chicago, Illinois, United States	11	7	0
25	Rochester, New York, United States	16	7	0
26	Austin, Texas, United States	8	6	0
27	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, United States	21	6	0
28	Santa Monica, California, United States	13	5	0
29	Buffalo, New York, United States	12	5	0
30	Amsterdam, Netherlands	81	5	0
31	Munich, Germany	54	5	0

32	Nashville, Tennessee, United States	8	5	0
33	Atlanta, Georgia, United States	5	5	0
34	La Jolla, California, United States	8	5	0
35	Kirkland, Washington, United States	7	5	0
36	San Francisco, California, United States	7	5	0
37	Cambridge, Massachusetts, United States	25	5	0
38	Mogadore, Ohio, United States	10	5	0
39	Tracy, California, United States	17	4	0
40	Aachen, Germany	12	4	0
41	Anchorage, Alaska, United States	8	4	0
42	Mountlake Terrace, Washington, United States	11	4	0
43	Saint Cloud, Minnesota, United States	36	4	0
44	Roubaix, France	7	4	0
45	Little River, South Carolina, United States	20	4	0
46	Jersey City, New Jersey, United States	8	4	0
47	Guangzhou, China	4	4	0
48	Fremont, California, United States	19	4	0
49	Mesquite, Texas, United States	16	3	0
50	Houston, Texas, United States	27	3	0
	Subtotal	6,099	2,295	0
	Total	7,703	2,685	0

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