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Dr. Oscar Handlin, Pulitzer prize-winning historian, will open the second semester convocations series at the University of Toledo on Tuesday, February 11 in TU's Snyder Building. Dr. Handlin will discuss "Happy Land: The Myth of American History."

The author of more than a dozen books, Dr. Handlin won the Pulitzer prize in 1951 for "The Uprooted", which dealt with the social history of the United States. His latest book, "The Americans", was published last year. Also in 1963, Dr. Handlin co-authored "The Historian and the City" with John Burchard.

A graduate of Brooklyn College, he received the master's and doctor's degrees from Harvard University. For the past twenty-four years Dr. Handlin has taught at Harvard, where he now is Winthrop Professor of History. Dr. Handlin has been director of the Center for the Study of the History of Liberty at Harvard since 1958. He also is chairman of the U.S. Board of Foreign Scholarships.

Among his books are "The American People in the Twentieth Century" (1954), "Race and Nationality in American Life" (1957), "Al Smith and His America" (1958), "American Principles and Issues" (1961), and, with Mary Handlin, "The Dimensions of Liberty" (1961).

Professor Handlin was one of the editors of the "Harvard Guide to American History", and is the editor of the "Library of American Biography", eighteen volumes of which already have been published.

Dr. William S. Carlson, TU president, will introduce Dr. Handlin at the noon convocation, which is free and open to the public.