

THE EDITOR'S CORNER

Once again it is the Editor's painful duty to report that, although the trend is declining, there are still members of the profession who will accept a book for review and then not deliver, meanwhile turning a deaf ear to our entreaties. Such is the case with the following books:

John A. Garraty, *Unemployment in History: Economic Thought and Public Policy* (New York: Harper & Row, 1978).

Charles L. Todd and Robert Sonkin, *Alexander Bryan Johnson: Philosophical Banker (1786-1867)*, (Syracuse: Syracuse University Press, 1977).

G. Meeks, *Disappointing Marriage: A Study of the Gains from Merger* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 1977).

Leslie Hannah and J. A. Kay, *Concentration in Modern Industry* (Atlantic Highlands, N. J.: Humanities Press, 1977).

Alan D. Anderson, *The Origin and Resolution of an Urban Crisis: Baltimore, 1890-1930* (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, 1977).

The Editor would be pleased to hear from anyone who would like to file a review of one of these books and has access to a copy. The above list does not include books of which we were able to secure a second review copy for reassignment.

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The Social Science Research Council of the United Kingdom will finance the compilation and publication of a Dictionary of Business Biography dealing with British entrepreneurs in the last hundred years. For further details, write The Administrative Officer, Room H.610, The London School of Economics, Houghton Street, London WC2A 2AE.

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The Division of Research Programs of the National Endowment for the Humanities has provided a list of application deadlines for each of their program categories for the next several years. In Basic Research, these dates are September 1, 1979; April 1, 1980; and April 1, 1981. In State, local, and regional history, they are September 1, 1979; March 1, 1980; and September 1, 1980. For further details, write Marjorie A. Berlin-court, Deputy Director, Division of Research Programs, National Endowment for the Humanities, Washington, D.C.

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The Graduate School of Public and International Affairs at the University of Pittsburgh has begun publication of a new journal for students and practitioners in public affairs, called the *Journal of Public and International Affairs*. "Biannual" issues are planned, each to have a central theme. Free copies of the first issue may be had by writing or calling the

Editorial Office, *Journal of Public and International Affairs*, 3R03 Forbes Quadrangle, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA 15260, telephone 414/624-3141. Yearly subscriptions are \$7 a year for students; \$9, other persons in the U.S. and Canada; \$12, individuals outside U.S. and Canada; \$15, institutions.

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The National Endowment for the Humanities has awarded the Forest History Society a grant for the compilation of an encyclopedia of American forest and conservation history. General editor is Richard C. Davis. For details, write Harold K. Steen, Forest History Society, 109 Coral Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060.

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"Thomas A. Edison and the Recent History of Science and Technology: A Commemorative Symposium," will be held October 19 and 20 at the Hilton Gateway Hotel in Newark, N.J. in conjunction with the annual meeting of the Society for the History of Technology. Admission is free, but advance registration is required. For brochure, write Richard Waldron, Associate Director of the New Jersey Historical Commission, 113 W. State St., Trenton, NJ 08625.

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The Executive Committee of the International Economic History Association has accepted a proposal for a business history theme in a B session of the Budapest Congress in 1982. The title is to be "From Family Firm to Professional Manager: Structure and Performance of Business Enterprise." Papers will focus on the nineteenth and twentieth centuries and on the questions of the causes, nature, and significance of the change from family entrepreneurship to professional management. Proposals or suggestions as to possible participants should be addressed to Dr. Leslie Hannah, Director, Business History Unit, London School of Economics and Political Science, 10 Portugal Street, London WC2A 2HD.

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The Regional Economic History Research Center, Eleutherian Mills-Hagley Foundation, will sponsor a conference on November 2, 1979 at 2:15 p.m. on Law and Economic Development. Thomas C. Cochran, University of Pennsylvania and resident scholar at the Center will chair the session. Presenting papers will be Tony A. Freyer, University of Arkansas at Little Rock and a resident fellow at the Center, on "Reality and Illusion in Early American Law and Business"; Donald M. Roper, SUNY College at New Paltz, on "Government-Business Relations and the Emergence of Jacksonian Jurisprudence"; and Jonathan Lurie, Rutgers University-Newark, on "Accidents, Lawyers, Judges, and Legal Change." Stanley N. Katz, Princeton University, will comment. For further information, write William H. Mulligan, Jr., Regional Economic History Research Center, Eleutherian Mills-Hagley Foundation, Inc., P.O. Box 3630, Greenville, Wilmington, Delaware 19807.

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The twenty-third annual Missouri Valley History Conference will be held in Omaha, Nebraska. Papers and sessions relate to the traditional topic and area studies as well as quantification, psychohistory, teaching methodology, research tools and techniques, and interdisciplinary studies.

Panel, paper, and commentator proposals should be submitted by November 1, 1979 to Professor Oliver B. Pollak, Department of History, University of Nebraska at Omaha, Omaha, NE 68182.

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A call has been issued for proposals for papers for a conference on Business in Latin America to be held April 24-26, 1980 at Appalachian State University in Boone, North Carolina, as part of the 27th annual meeting of the South Eastern Council of Latin American Studies. Papers may be from any discipline, from any perspective, from any type of industry. Proposal suggestions should be sent, *no later than 31 October 1979*, to Dr. Robert Claxton, Department of History, West Georgia College, Carrollton, Georgia 30118.

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