



EDITOR'S CORNER

The 1998 Business History Conference will be held 13–15 March 1998 at College Park, Maryland. Papers are invited on any topic of business history, but special consideration will be given to papers on the conference theme: “The Business of Government and the Government of Business.”

Proposals for individual papers or complete sessions are due by 1 November 1997. Each proposal should be accompanied by a description of the paper(s) and by brief CVs for all participants, including mailing addresses, phone numbers, and e-mail addresses. Suggestions regarding chairs and commentators are encouraged.

Proposals should be sent to the President-elect and program chair: Jeremy Atack, Box 1819, Station B, Department of Economics, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN 37235; e-mail: Jeremy.Atask@vanderbilt.edu

Papers from the meeting will be eligible for publication in *Business and Economic History*. The first issue will serve as the Conference Proceedings, and the second issue will be a refereed issue that will contain the Newcomen Prize Essay (\$1,000), the paper chosen from among those submitted on schedule as the best of the conference.

Dissertation Session: Dissertations completed in the previous three years (1995–97) are eligible. A note should be included providing mail/e-mail addresses of the applicant and indicating that the dissertation is being submitted for the BHC. All dissertations will be eligible for the Herman E. Krooss Prize, which consists of \$500 plus a plaque. The deadline for submissions is 1 January 1998. Submissions should be sent to Daniel Raff, Department of Management, The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA 19104-6370; e-mail: raffwharton.upenn.edu

Siena College will hold a conference on “Theodore Roosevelt and the Dawn of the ‘American Century’” 18–19 April 1998. Papers will include: literature, art education, Pragmatism, Progressivism, muckraking, military and naval history, American expansionism and exceptionalism, urban expansion, and reform, immigration and religion. Figures may include Lodge, Remington, Sargent, Twain, Howells, Crane, Deweys, Riis, Edison, Dunne, and others.

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Inquiries can be sent to Professor Thomas O. Kelly, II, Department of History, Siena College, 515 Loudon Road, Loudonville, NY 12211-1462. Tel: 518-783-2512; fax: 518-786-5052.

The 41st Annual Missouri Valley History Conference will be held in Omaha, Nebraska, 12–14 March 1998. Proposals for papers and sessions in all areas of history are welcome. Proposals, consisting of a cover letter, abstract(s), and vitae, should be sent by 31 October 1997 to Lorraine M. Gesick, MVHC Program Coordinator, Department of History, University of Nebraska at Omaha, Omaha, NE 68182. Inquiries only can be made by e-mail to lgesick@cas.unomaha.edu

The Henry Belin du Pont Dissertation Fellowship at the Hagley Museum and Library is designed for graduate students who have completed all course work for the doctoral degree and are conducting research on their dissertation. Applications are invited from Ph.D. candidates whose research on important historical questions would benefit from use of Hagley's research collections. This is a residential fellowship with a term of four months. The fellowship provides \$6,000, free housing on Hagley's grounds, use of a computer, e-mail and internet access, and an office. Deadline for applications is 15 November 1997. The fellowship will be awarded by 1 February 1998, and may be used anytime thereafter in that calendar year.

Inquiries and applications should be directed to: Dr. Roger Horowitz, Associate Director, Center for the History of Business, Technology, Hagley Museum and Library, P.O. Box 3630, Wilmington, DE 19807. Tel: 302-658-2400; fax: 302-655-3188; e-mail: rhudel.edu.

Siena College invites scholars to submit papers for their 4–5 June 1998 multidisciplinary conference on the Anniversary of World War II—A Dual Perspective. The first focus for 1998 will be 1938, World War II—Beginnings—papers on Fascism and Naziism, Spain, Austria, Munich, Literature, Art, Film, Women's Studies, Jewish Studies dealing with the era, and papers on the Sino-Japanese War. The second focus is World War II—The Aftermath—papers dealing with the Holocaust, displaced persons, War Crimes Trials, Literary and Cinematic studies of the war, veterans affairs, the G.I. Bill, economic reconversion, and broad issues of earlier years and the origins of the Cold War. Other topics of relevance are also welcome. Deadline for submission is 1 December 1997; final papers due 15 March 1998.

Inquiries from those wishing to Chair and/or comment are also invited. Replies and inquires can be sent to Professor Thomas O. Kelly, II, Department of History, Siena College, 515 Loudon Road, Loudonville, NY 12211-1462. Tel: 518-783-2512; Fax: 518-786-5052.

The James J. Hill Reference Library will award a number of grants of up to \$2,000 to support research in the James J. Hill and Louis W. Hill papers. The Hill papers are a rich source for the study of the railroad industry, tourism and Glacier National Park, political developments in the nation and the Northwest, national and regional economic development, agronomy,

and many other topics concerned with the Upper Midwest, Pacific Northwest, and Western Canada. Principal correspondents include J. P. Morgan, Mark Hanna, Edward Tuck, E. H. Harriman, American presidents from Grover Cleveland to Woodrow Wilson, Charles Pillsbury, Marcus Daly, George Stephen, Donald Smith, and many others. The deadline for applications is 1 November 1997, and the awards will be announced in early 1998. For more information, contact W. Thomas White, Curator, James J. Hill Reference Library, 80 West Fourth Street, Saint Paul, Minnesota 55102. Fax 612-222- 4139. E-mail: twhitejhill.org

The John W. Hartman Center for Sales, Advertising, and Marketing History, Special Collections Library, Duke University is sponsoring three or more grants of up to \$750 to (1) graduate students in any academic field who wish to use the resources of the Center for research toward M.A., Ph.D., or other postgraduate degrees, (2) faculty members working on research projects, or (3) independent scholars working on nonprofit projects.

In addition to the Thompson grants, the Hartman Center will fund three J. Walter Thompson Research Fellowships. Each Fellow will receive a stipend of \$1,000 during their stay in Durham. Fellowships are available to researchers planning to spend a minimum of two weeks at Duke doing research that focusses on the J. Walter Thompson Company Archives.

The next cycle of awards will be for use between December 1997 and December 1998. Graduate student applicants must be currently enrolled in a postgraduate program in any academic department and must enclose a letter of recommendation from the student's advisor or project director. Faculty and independent scholars must enclose a curriculum vitae.

For more information about the Hartman Center Collections, visit their web site at <http://--scriptorium.lib.duke.edu/hartman/>

The deadline for applications for 1997-98 is 31 October 1997. Awards will be announced in December. Please address questions and requests for application forms to: Russell S. Koonts, John W. Hartman Center for Sales, Advertising, and Marketing History, Special Collections Library, Duke University, Box 90185, Durham, NC 27708-0185; phone: 919-660-5833; fax: 919-660-5934; e-mail: rkoonts@duke.edu

The Harvard Business School and the Newcomen Society of the United States announce a postdoctoral fellowship in business history to support twelve months of residence and research at the Harvard Business School for the academic year 1998-99. The stipend is \$44,000.

The purpose of this award is to enable scholars who have received the Ph.D. in history, economics, or a related discipline within the past ten years to improve their professional acquaintance with business and economic history, to increase their skills as they relate to this field, and to engage in research that will benefit from the resources of the Harvard Business School and the Boston scholarly community. The successful applicant will participate in the school's business history course, seminar, and case development activities. Those interested should request an application from Professor

Nancy F. Koehn, Morgan 295, Harvard Business School, Boston, MA 02163. Completed applications for the 1998–99 Newcomen Fellowship must be received no later than 1 November 1997.

Harvard University announces the Alfred D. Chandler, Jr., Traveling Fellowships in Business History and Institutional Economic History. The grants will range from \$1,000 to \$3,000, with the funds awarded each year totaling approximately \$15,000. The purpose of the fellowships is to facilitate library and archival research in business history or in institutional economic history, broadly defined. Topics such as labor relations and government regulation would also be considered for awards, if the approach is primarily institutional. The intent of the awards is to encourage the kind of research exemplified by the published work of Alfred D. Chandler, Jr.

Three categories of applicants will be eligible for grants:

- Harvard University graduate students in history, economics, business administration, or a related discipline such as sociology, government, or law, whose research requires travel to distant archives or repositories;
- Graduate students or nontenured faculty in those fields from other North American universities, whose research requires travel to the Boston-Cambridge area (to study, for example, in the collections of the Baker, Widener, McKay, Law, Kress, or Houghton libraries);
- Harvard College undergraduates writing senior theses in these fields, whose research requires similar travel.

The fellowships will be administered by a committee of three faculty members from Harvard's Business School and History and Economics departments. The deadline for receipt of applications is 1 December 1997, and recipients may use their awards at any time during calendar 1998.

Requests for applications should be sent to the committee chair, Professor Nancy F. Koehn, Morgan 295, Harvard Business School, Boston, MA 02163.