



## EDITOR'S CORNER

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, study, and research at the Harvard Business School for the academic year 1993–94. 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 Thomas K. McCraw, Morgan Hall, Harvard Business School, Boston, MA 02163. Completed applications for the 1993–94 Newcomen Fellowship must be received no later than 1 November 1992.

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 \$10,000. 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.

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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 1992, and recipients may use their awards at any time during calendar 1993.

Requests for applications should be sent to the committee chair, Thomas K. McCraw, Straus Professor of Business History, Morgan Hall, Harvard Business School, Boston, MA 02163.

The 39th annual meeting of the Business History Conference will be held in Boston, Massachusetts, at the Harvard Business School and the Guest Quarters Hotel on 19–21 March 1993. The theme of the conference will be the interplay between research in business history and ideas and theories developed in other disciplines—including, but not limited to, business administration, economics, political science, history, and sociology.

Proposals for sessions or individual papers should be submitted by 1 October 1992 to Richard H. K. Vietor, Harvard Business School, Morgan Hall, Boston, MA 02163; telephone: 617-495-6460. A one-page abstract of the session should identify authors (two or three per session), commentator, moderator, session theme, and the subject of each paper. Brief cv's of participants should be included.

The program will be announced by 25 October 1992. Papers must be completed and circulated to all members of the session, to conference organizer Richard H. K. Vietor, and to the Proceedings editor Will Hausman no later than 25 February 1993. It is hoped that publication of conference proceedings next year will be able to accommodate a few longer papers (perhaps 30 pages), possibly in a refereed format.

The conference will feature a dissertation session, where authors of doctoral theses completed within the last three years (1990–92) present overviews of their research. The Herman E. Krooss Prize (\$250) is awarded annually to the best dissertation presented at the meeting. Those wishing to be considered for inclusion should send a one-page abstract and a copy of their dissertation to David Hounshell, Department of History, Carnegie-Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA 15213-3890; telephone: 412-268-3753.

The 36th annual Missouri Valley History Conference will be held in Omaha, Nebraska, on 11–13 March 1993. Proposals for papers and sessions in all areas of history are welcome. Such proposals, accompanied by a one-page abstract and curriculum vitae, should be sent by 15 October 1992 to Dale Gaeddert, MVHC Coordinator, Department of History, University of Nebraska, Omaha, NB 68182-0213.

The James J. Hill Reference Library will award a number of grants of up to \$2,000 to support research in the James J. and Louis W. Hill papers. The deadline for applications is 1 October 1992, and the awards will be

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announced in early 1993. For more information, please contact W. Thomas White, James J. Hill Reference Library, 80 West Fourth Street, St. Paul, MN 55102.

Editions ESKA announces the establishment of a new biannual journal of business history, *Enterprises et Histoire*. It will take as its subjects all aspects of business history in France and the industrialized nations since the eighteenth century. For further information, contact Editions ESKA, 27, rue Dunois, Paris 75013.

The Hagley Museum and Library announces the inauguration of a research seminar in Business, Technology, and Society, focused particularly on the United States since 1850, commencing in fall 1992. The papers to be discussed will be pre-circulated to seminar members before monthly meetings at the Hagley Library on Thursday evenings, 6:30–8:30. The seminar will present research efforts that engage the economic, political, or cultural-intellectual dimensions of the developing business system or its technological dynamics. Work dealing with the mid-Atlantic region will have special interest for the seminar, but will not be its exclusive concern.

The Center invites academic and public historians, as well as graduate students, in the area to become members of the seminar. For additional information, write Philip Scranton, director, Center for the History of Business, Technology and Society, P.O. Box 3630, Wilmington, DE 19807; telephone: 302–658–2400.