

Editors' Notes

THE 2001 E.H.A. MEETINGS

The sixty-first Annual Meeting of the Economic History Association will be held at the Loews Philadelphia Hotel, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 14–16 September 2001. Richard Sylla, 2000/2001 E.H.A. president, announced the theme: “Finance and Economic Modernization.” *Some historians have established that leading economies—the Dutch Republic and England, for example—had “financial revolutions” before they became leading economies and great powers. Others have argued that banks and banking systems in particular have exerted strong influences on economic modernization. Economists looking at the recent history of economic development also find that countries with more developed financial systems grow faster and attain higher levels of per capita income. But just how strong is the finance-modernization nexus? And how confident are we that causality runs from good financial arrangements to economic modernization, rather than the reverse? Can some types of financial development be detrimental to economic stability and growth? Construing financial systems broadly to include monetary and banking arrangements, other financial intermediaries, central banking, securities markets, and public (or governmental) finance, the 2001 Economic History Association Meetings theme encourages fresh examinations of relationships between financial developments and economic modernization throughout history. To reflect the wide range of economic historians’ interests, proposals for papers and sessions not related to this theme are also welcome.*

Proposals for papers should be submitted online at www.eh.net/EHA/Meetings/prop_01.html. (Those without internet access should contact the program committee for an alternate method.) The proposal should include a short (150-word) abstract and a longer three- to five-page summary. The deadline for submissions is 29 January 2001. If a draft of the paper is available, please send it in addition to the abstract and the summary. The committee welcomes proposals for entire sessions as well as for individual papers. Proposals for sessions should include an abstract and a summary for each paper in the session. The committee reserves the right to assign papers to sessions and to accept some papers from a proposed session if the entire session is not accepted. Submissions must include the full name, mailing address, telephone number(s), and if available, fax number and e-mail addresses of all authors. Notices of acceptance and rejection will be sent to the individual paper givers by 30 March 2001.

Those interested in being considered for the program are welcome to enter into conversations with any of the members of the Program Committee: Angela Redish, co-chair (Special Advisor, Bank of Canada, 234 Wellington Street, Vancouver, B.C. K1A 0G9) anji@econ.ubc.ca; Hugh Rockoff, co-chair (Department of Economics, Rutgers University, 75 Hamilton Street, New Brunswick, NJ 08901-5055) rockoff@fas-econ.rutgers.edu; Ann Carlos (University of Colorado, Boulder) ann.carlos@colorado.edu; or John James (University of Virginia) jaj8y@virginia.edu.

Those who receive their Ph.D. between 1 June 2000 and 31 May 2001 are invited to apply for inclusion in the dissertation session. Dissertations on U.S. or Canadian history are eligible for the Allan Nevins Prize. Hard copies of such dissertations should be sent to Howard Bodenhorn, Department of Economics, Lafayette College, Easton, PA 18042-1776, bodenhoh@lafayette.edu. Dissertations on other areas are eligible for the Alexander Gerschenkron Prize. Hard copies of such dissertations should be sent to Alan Dye, Department of Economics, Barnard College, Columbia University, 3009 Broadway, New York, NY 10027, ad245@columbia.edu. Dissertations are not returned. The deadline for submissions is 31 May 2001. Notices of acceptance or rejection will be sent by 18 July 2001. Six finalists, each of whom will receive a reward of \$250, will be chosen to present summaries

of their dissertations. Planned attendance at the meetings is a requirement for submitting an application and presentation of a summary is required for prize eligibility.

The local arrangements committee is Dan Raff, chair (University of Pennsylvania), Farley Grubb (University of Delaware), Lynn Hollen Lees (University of Pennsylvania), Joe Mason (Drexel University), Cathy Matson (University of Delaware and PEAES) and Robert Wright (University of Virginia).

Registration materials will be posted in May: <http://www.eh.net/EHA> and <http://socs.berkeley.edu/~olney>. For more information contact Martha Olney, E.H.A. Meetings Coordinator, <http://socs.berkeley.edu/~olney> or eha-mtgs@socs.berkeley.edu.

AWARDS AT THE 2000 E.H.A. MEETING

The following prizes were awarded at the Sixtieth Annual Meeting of the Economic History Association, held in Los Angeles, California 8–10 September 2000.

The Arthur H. Cole Prize for the outstanding article published in this JOURNAL in the September 1999 through June 2000 issues, to Gerardo della Paolera of Universidad Torcuato Di Tella and Alan Taylor of University of California, Davis for the article "Economic Recovery from the Argentine Great Depression: Institutions, Expectations, and the Change of Macroeconomic Regime," which appeared in the September 1999 issue. The Cole Prize recipient is selected each year by this JOURNAL's editorial board.

The Allen Nevins Prize for the outstanding dissertation in U.S. or Canadian economic history during 1999/2000, to William White of the Research Triangle Institute, for "An Unsung Hero: The Farm Tractor's Contribution to Twentieth Century United States Economic Growth," completed under the direction of Richard Steckel at Ohio State University.

The Alexander Gerschenkron Prize for the outstanding dissertation in non-U.S. or Canadian economic history during 1999/2000 to Aurora Gómez-Galvarriato Freer of Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas, for "The Impact of Revolution: Business and Labor in the Mexican Textile Industry, Orizaba, Veracruz, 1900–1930," completed under the direction of John Womack at Harvard University.

The Jonathan Hughes Prize for excellence in teaching economic history, to Jeffrey Williamson of Harvard University. The winner is selected by the E.H.A. Committee on Education and Teaching.

The Alice Hanson Jones Prize for the best book in North American economic history published in 1998 or 1999, to Dora Costa of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology for her *The Evolution of Retirement: An American Economic History, 1880–1990*, published by University of Chicago Press in 1998.

NOMINATIONS FOR JONATHAN HUGHES TEACHING PRIZE

The Committee on Education of the Economic History Association invites nominations for the eighth annual Jonathan Hughes Prize for Excellence in Teaching Economic History. Letters of nomination should state what qualities of excellence the candidate's teaching of economic history has embodied. The strength of the nominating letter will be the primary basis for selecting the pool of finalists for the prize. After arriving at a short list of finalists, the committee will gather further supporting information. Anyone is eligible to write a letter of nomination. Letters of nomination should be received by 1 February 2001 and should be sent to Kyle Kauffman, Department of Economics, Wellesley College, Wellesley, MA 02481. (E-mail: KKauffman@Wellesley.edu).

REQUEST FOR RESEARCH PROPOSALS IN ADVANCED GERMAN AND EUROPEAN STUDIES

The Berlin Program for Advanced German and European Studies, established in 1986 at the Freie Universität Berlin and in the United States at the Social Science Research Council, promotes a new generation of young North American scholars with specialized knowledge of modern and contemporary German and European affairs. The program supports anthropologists, economists, political scientists, sociologists, and all scholars in germane social science and cultural studies fields, including historians working on the period since the mid-nineteenth century.

The program accepts applications from U.S. and Canadian nationals or permanent residents who are full-time graduate students in the social sciences and humanities and who have completed all course work required for the Ph.D. Also eligible are U.S. and Canadian Ph.D.s who have received their doctorates within the past two calendar years. Awards provide between 9 and 12 months of research support in Berlin with a stipend of DM 2,000 per month.

The application receipt deadline is 6 February 2001. The announcement of awards will be made in May following the application deadline.

For further information and application materials, contact: Berlin Program; Social Science Research Council; 810 Seventh Avenue, 31st Floor; New York, NY 10019; USA. Phone: (212) 377-2700. Fax (212) 377-2727. E-mail: berlin@ssrc.org. To download an application, contact <http://www.ssrc.org/berfell.htm>.

FORD FOUNDATION FELLOWSHIPS FOR MINORITIES

Approximately 30 postdoctoral fellowships for minorities who are planning a career in teaching and research at the college or university level will be sponsored by the Ford Foundation and administered by the National Research Council.

Stipends and allowances are \$35,000 for one year, \$3,000 travel and relocation allowance, \$2,000 cost-of-research allowance, \$2,500 employing institution allowance, to be matched by the employing institution.

The application deadline is 8 January 2001. Eligibility requirements are posted on the website, <http://national-academies.org/osep/fo>. Applications may be filled out and submitted on-line. For further information, contact: Fellowship Programs Office, National Research Council, 2101 Constitution Avenue, Washington, DC 20418; Phone (202) 334-2872; Fax (202) 334-3419; E-mail infofell@nas.edu.

PEAES FELLOWSHIPS FOR 2001–2002

The Library Company of Philadelphia's Program in Early American Economy and Society (PEAES) invites application for three types of fellowship awards: four one-month, \$1,600 fellowships at any level of research, June 2001–May 2002; one dissertation-level \$15,000 for nine months from 1 September 2001–31 May 2002; and one \$30,000 advanced research fellowship for the same nine months.

These fellowships are designed to promote scholarship in early American economy and society, broadly defined, from its colonial beginnings to roughly the 1850s.

The application deadline is 1 March 2001. For information visit www.librarycompany.org or contact Cathy Matson, Program Director, at cmatson@librarycompany.org.