

EDITORIAL

After serving as editor of the Business History Review since Autumn 1982, Richard S. Tedlow has stepped down to concentrate on his own research and teaching. The new editor is Steven W. Tolliday.

In his period as editor (which covered twenty-four issues), Richard made strenuous efforts to maintain and improve the scholarly standards of the journal while at the same time broadening its appeal. In particular, he widened its coverage of international research and publications, and he continued the process of broadening its scope from a primary emphasis on company narratives toward analyses of business institutions in their social, political, and economic context. As a result of his successes, the Review has grown in size, circulation, and reputation. Richard will maintain his connection with the Review through membership on the Editorial Advisory Board.

The intention of the new editor is to build on these achievements.

The Business History Review will aim to attract the best research on the history of business institutions from scholars in the United States and around the world.

Through the use of special issues and discussion articles, it will seek to highlight new developments in the profession and to focus and stimulate debate.

It will encourage:

- *comparative and thematic studies, as well as the detailed study of individual businesses;*
- *studies of the social and political context of business;*
- *studies that apply and develop theory and quantitative methods;*
- *studies of contemporary business history as well as of the more distant past.*

It will provide space for discussion articles, extended reviews, and debates, as well as for research monographs.

We hope that scholars in related fields of history and the social sciences will see it as an outlet for their work, and that the Business History Review will be read by economists, management theorists, and managers, as well as by professional business historians.

—S. W. T.