

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Boys and Their Toys? Masculinity, Technology, and Work. The conference, in Wilmington, Delaware on October 3, 1997, will feature speakers including Stephen Meyer, Steven Gelber, and Gary Cross. Information: Center for the History of Business, Technology, and Society, Hagley Museum and Library, PO Box 3630, Wilmington DE 19807 USA; phone (302) 658-2400; e-mail crl@udel.edu.

Social Science History Association. The annual conference will be held October 16–19, 1997, at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Washington, DC. Information on panels featuring work on labor and class is available from the Labor Network co-chairs: Eric Weitz, Department of History, St. Olaf College, 1520 St. Olaf Avenue, Northfield, MN 55057 USA; phone (507) 646-3166; e-mail weitz@stolaf.edu; and Anton Rosenthal, Department of History, University of Kansas, 3001 Wescoe Hall, Lawrence, KS 66045 USA; phone (913) 864-3569; e-mail rosenthl@falcon.cc.ukans.edu.

Nineteenth Annual North American Labor History Conference. The organizing theme is “Workers and the City”; the conference will take place at Wayne State University in Detroit on October 23–25, 1997. Information: Elizabeth Faue, Department of History, Wayne State University, 3094 Faculty Administration Building, Detroit, MI 48202; phone (313) 577-2525.

American Historical Association Conference. The annual conference will take place in Seattle, Washington, January 8–11, 1998. Information: American Historical Association, 400 A Street SE, Washington DC 20003-3889 USA; phone (202) 544-2422; fax (202) 544-8307; or visit the AHA’s World Wide Web page at <http://gmu.edu/chnm/aha>.

Does Class Still Unite? Socio-Economic Differentiation as a Challenge to the Trade Unions. This conference, sponsored by the Higher Institute of Labour Studies (HIVA) at Catholic University Leuven and the European Centre for Workers’ Questions (EZA), will take place in Leuven, Belgium, on January 8 and 9, 1998. Panels will confront scholarly challenges to the concept of class, the significance for unions of the “individualization” of workers, the concept of an emerging “classless society,” and the integration of a growing “underclass” into organized labor. Information: Jeannine Hooge, HIVA, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, E. Van Evenstraat 2e, B-300 Leuven, Belgium; phone +32-16-32-33-16; fax +32-16-32-33-44; e-mail Jeannine.Hooge@hiva.kuleuven.ac.be.

Inaugural Conference of the Labour History Association of India. The conference is tentatively scheduled for March 1998 in Chennai, Madras. In addition to presentations of work across the spectrum of Indian labor history, the conference will feature work on “‘Transitions’ in the History of

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Labour: Relevance and Critique.” Information: Professor S. Bhattacharya, Centre for Historical Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi 110 067, India; or Dr. Janaki Nair, Madras Institute of Development Studies, 79 Second Main Road, Gandhinagar, Chennai 600 020, India.

European Social Science History Conference. The second conference of the European Social Science History Association will be held in Amsterdam, March 5–7, 1998, and will feature presentations of a wide variety of work in social history and the social sciences, including a number of panels organized by its Network on Labour. Information: European Social Science History Conference 1998, c/o International Institute of Social History, Cruquiusweg 31, 1019 AT Amsterdam, Netherlands; phone (+31-20-6685866; e-mail ESSHC@iisg.NL; or visit the conference World Wide Web page at <http://www.iisg.nl/ESSHC>. Information about the Network on Labour is available via e-mail from the network chair, Marcel van der Linden, at MVL@iisg.NL.

Organization of American Historians. The annual OAH conference will take place in Indianapolis, Indiana, April 2–5, 1998. Information: OAH, Annual Meeting Information, 112 North Bryan Street, Bloomington IN 47408-4199 USA.

Economic History Society Conference. The annual meeting of the Society will be held in Leeds, April 3–5, 1998. Information: Paul Johnson, Department of Economic History, London School of Economics, Houghton Street, London WC2A 2AE England; fax +44-171-955-7730; e-mail P.A.Johnson@lse.ac.uk.

Work, Difference, and Social Change. The conference, scheduled for May 8–10, 1998 at State University of New York, Binghamton, will occur on the twentieth anniversary of Binghamton’s “New Directions in the Labor Process” conference, which set agendas for a generation of research on relationships between class, gender, race, and the organization of production. Participants will include Edna Bonacich, Michael Burawoy, Bryan Palmer, and Erik Olin Wright; topics will include “Production, Reproduction, and Households,” “Work, Work Space, and Work Time,” and “Environmental Justice: Ecology, Labor, and Politics.” The deadline for submitting paper proposals is December 1, 1997. Information: Conference Committee, Department of Sociology, SUNY-Binghamton, Binghamton NY 13902-6000 USA; phone (607) 777-2585; fax (607) 777-4197; e-mail pkraft@binghamton.edu.