



## 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 1992–93. The stipend is \$40,000.

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, Baker Library 216, Harvard Business School, Boston, MA 02163. Completed applications for the 1992–93 Newcomen Fellowship must be received no later than 16 March 1992.

The Oral History Association will hold its 1992 annual meeting on 15–18 October 1992 at the Stouffer Tower City Hotel in Cleveland, Ohio. Proposals for papers, panels, media presentations, or entire sessions should be sent by 1 December 1991 to Donna M. DeBlasio, Program Chair, Youngstown Historical Center of Industry and Labor, P.O. Box 533, Youngstown, Ohio 44501; the telephone number is 216–743–5934.

The Alco Historical Photos Collection, a National Railway Historical Society project since 1972 has available a catalogue of the collection. Ordering information may be obtained by writing Alco Historic Photos, P. O. Box 610, Schenectady, NY. For more information about the National Railway Historical Society, please contact the society's headquarters at P. O. Box 58153, Philadelphia, PA 19102.

The Philadelphia Maritime Museum has recently completed cataloguing the records of the Massachusetts Steam Navigation Company (1816–18) and the business papers of two merchants, Joel and Isaac Newhall (1809–1852), who joined with other residents of Salem, Mass., to bring steam technology to New England waters. The materials consist of approximately 400 manuscript pages. A companion guide by Gail E. Farr, *Massachusetts Steam Navigation*

*Company, Salem, Massachusetts, Records, 1816–1818, and Newhall Family Business Papers, 1809–1852: A Descriptive Guide*, has also been published and may be obtained by contacting the Museum at 321 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, PA 19106; 215–925–5439.

The Association of Business Historians has been formed in the United Kingdom, and the group will begin publishing *Business History News*, which will replace the Business History Unit Newsletter. Copy deadlines for the newsletter will be 1 March and 1 September of each year, and the first issue will be published in April 1991. Announcements and other information for inclusion should be submitted to Terry Gourvish at the London School of Economics, Houghton Street, London WC2A 2AE, UK.

The association will hold its first conference on 27–28 September 1991 in Glasgow on the theme “Business in Crisis.”

The National Archives has recently released the summer 1990 issue of *News from the Archives*, which includes announcements of acquisitions and openings of government records. To obtain a copy, telephone Susan Cooper of the public affairs office of the National Archives at (202) 501–5525.

The Louisiana and Lower Mississippi Valley Collections in the libraries of Louisiana State University have recently acquired some of the official records of the Louisiana State Lottery Company, including minutes of the organization and proceedings, bylaws and original contract, and the dividend book. The materials cover the period 30 June 1869 to 3 July 1885. The records were previously assumed to have been destroyed.

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 will 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:

1. 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.
2. Harvard College undergraduates writing senior theses in these fields, whose research requires similar travel.
3. 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).

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 1991, and recipients may use their awards at any time during calendar 1992.

Requests for applications should be sent to the committee chair, Thomas K. McCraw, Straus Professor of Business History, Baker Library 216, Harvard Business School, Boston, MA 02163.