

## THE EDITOR'S CORNER

On behalf of the *Business History Review* and The Newcomen Society in North America, we are pleased to announce the winners of the 1969 Newcomen Awards in Business History. These awards are given annually for articles published in the *Business History Review* and are voted on by the Editorial Advisory Board. Criteria for selection include: originality, value, breadth, and interest of contribution; quality of research materials and method; and quality of presentation.

Winner of the \$250 First Prize is: Robert D. Cuff, Assistant Professor of History at York University for his article entitled "Bernard Baruch: Symbol and Myth in Industrial Mobilization" which appeared in our Summer, 1969 issue.

Winner of the \$100 Special Award is Erling A. Erickson, Assistant Professor of History, University of the Pacific for his article entitled "Money and Banking in a 'Bankless' State: Iowa, 1846-1857" which also appeared in our Summer, 1969 issue.

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Dr. William O. Wagon, Jr., Assistant Professor of History, Washburn University of Topeka, Kansas, has been awarded the 1970-1971 Postdoctoral Fellowship in Business History.

This fellowship is jointly sponsored by The Newcomen Society in North America and The Harvard University Graduate School of Business Administration. Its purpose is to assist a Ph.D. graduate in history under the age of 35 to improve his acquaintance with business and economic history, increase his skills as they relate to these fields, and to engage in research that will benefit from the resources of the Harvard Business School and the Boston scholarly community. The Fellow participates in the School's business history courses and in at least one other formal course of instruction based on his particular needs or interests. One-half of the Fellow's time during his twelve-months' residence at the School is spent on research of his own choosing in the field of business history.

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We are pleased to announce that the *Papers of the Sixteenth Business History Conference* edited by Charles J. Kennedy has just recently been published by the College of Business Administration at the University of Nebraska. The Sixteenth Business History Conference of Canada and the United States was held at the University of Nebraska in Lincoln on February 21-22, 1969. Several American businessmen and scholars from forty-five institutions in six nations participated in the discussion of the seventeen invited papers and thesis reports which are reprinted in this volume.

Copies of the 169 page book are available at \$7.75 postpaid, \$3.75 paper (discount on orders of five or more copies). Address orders and

inquiries to College of Business Administration, Box 25, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Nebraska 68508. Checks should be made payable to the University of Nebraska.

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Robert W. Lovett, Curator of Manuscripts and Archives at Baker Library, and Eleanor C. Bishop, his assistant, have recently compiled a new, enlarged *List of Business Manuscripts in Baker Library*. The third edition of the *List* includes all new material added to the Manuscript Division up to the spring of 1969. Some items previously unidentified have been included, and new sections have been added to list filed material, not large enough to shelve as a volume, and the "catalogued for manuscripts" items, mainly volumes of typed material. In addition, the size of collections in running feet has also been noted for the first time.

The 1,300 collections described in the new *List* range in size from a single volume account book of a storekeeper or farmer to one thousand volumes of a Lowell textile mill, and in time from the fifteenth century to the 1950's. Copies of the 334 page *List of Business Manuscripts in Baker Library* may be obtained at \$5.00 each from the Acquisitions Department, Baker Library, Harvard University Graduate School of Business Administration, Boston, Massachusetts 02163.

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The Merrimack Valley Textile Museum of North Andover, Massachusetts, has recently completed a revised, twenty-two-page edition of its list of holdings of manuscripts and business records relating to the textile industry in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. A detailed description is given of each of the fifty collections held in the Museum's library as of December 1969.

The Stevens Collection, estimated to consist of approximately 1,210 volumes and 477 document cases of loose material, is the largest, but the Museum's holdings also include a score of other major collections and a large number of small ones.

For a copy of "Business Manuscripts in the Merrimack Valley Textile Museum," write to Helena E. Wright, Keeper of Prints and Manuscripts, Merrimack Valley Textile Museum, North Andover, Massachusetts 01845, enclosing fifty cents to cover handling and postage.

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Da Capo Press announces a new reprint series entitled "The American Scene: Comments and Commentators" under the general editorship of Wallace D. Farnham of the University of Illinois. Works of interest to business historians include: Louis C. Hunter, *Studies in the Economic History of the Ohio Valley* (1933); Harold Hutcheson, *Tench Coxe: A Study in American Economic Development* (1938); Broadus Mitchell, *The Rise of Cotton Mills in the South* (1921) with a new introduction by the author; and Lewis E. Atherton, *The Pioneer Merchant in Mid-America* (1939).

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Among publications recently received is a pamphlet by Edmund C. Lynch entitled *Meyer Bloomfield and Employment Management* (Bureau of Business Research, Graduate School of Business, University of Texas at Austin, 1970), a condensed version of a larger study by Professor Lynch of Bloomfield, the lawyer, social worker, industrial counselor, who founded the science of employment management and created the profession of employment management.

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Two important works on black businessmen have recently been reprinted by the McGrath Publishing Company of College Park, Maryland: Abram L. Harris, *The Negro as a Capitalist: A Study of Banking and Business Among Negroes* (1936); and John H. Harmon, A. G. Lindsay, and C. G. Woodson, *The Negro as a Business Man* (1929).

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We are pleased to announce the publication of the second annual volume of the *Revue Internationale d'Histoire de la Banque*, the first volume of which was reviewed by Fritz Redlich (Autumn 1969, pp. 394-396). The major contents of volume two include:

#### HISTORY OF BANKING

Kaichi Shimura, "Japanese Banks and the Capital Market after the First World War."

Luis Lisanti, "The Banking History of Brazil."

Romaldo Giuffrida, "Problems of the Formulation of the Sicilian Banking System in the Decade before Unity."

Fritz Georg Pressburger, "The Credit Anstalt Crisis in Vienna, 1931-1934."

Gilbert Guenser, "The Making of the Banque Nationale de Paris."

Vittorio Soldani, "The Collection of Emigrant Italians' Savings and the Work of the Banco de Napoli, 1902-1913."

"The Growth of 'Credit Lyonnais' and French Economic Development."

#### MONETARY PROBLEMS OF YESTERDAY AND TODAY

Richard H. Timberlake, Jr., "The Issuing of Banknotes and United States Treasury Policy, 1812-1820."

Renato De Mattia, "Fifteen Years of Exploration of the Statistical Sources of the Financial History of Modern Italy."

Henri Lapeyre, "A Castilian Bill of Exchange of the Beginning of the Fifteenth Century."

Sahei Watanabe, "Controversy About the Adoption of Gold Standard in Japan."

#### INVESTMENTS, FINANCE, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Panagiotis B. Dertilis, "Introduction to the Stages of the Economy of Greece."

Giuseppe Petrilli, "An Italian Instrument of Economic Development: The IRI."

William E. Monter, "Swiss Investments in England, 1697-1720."

Jean Bouvier, "The Quantitative Development of French Public Finance and the Economists' Attitude (19th-20th Centuries)."

#### DOCUMENTS

Vittorio Soldaini (ed.), "Information from the Policy-copy Papers of the Old Bank of Santa Maria del Popolo (1589-1590)."

#### HISTORICAL ARCHIVES

Franco Cellino, "Banking and Society in the State Archives of Torino."

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The Eleutherian Mills Historical Library, Wilmington, Delaware, offers Grants-in-Aid to a limited number of graduate students who would like to do research at the Library.

The bulk of the Library holdings relate to American economic and business history, with special reference to the middle Atlantic States region, but they also include a great deal of material on French history. In addition, the staff is compiling a list of business and industrial manuscript collections that are held in institutions within an eighty-mile radius of the Library.

The grants are issued throughout the year upon approval of the Research Committee of the Eleutherian Mills-Hagley Foundation, of which the Library is a part. For further information on the collections and the Grants-in-Aid write to the Director, Eleutherian Mills Historical Library, Greenville, Wilmington, Delaware 19807.

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New officers were chosen by the Labor Historians at the December, 1969 meeting of the American Historical Association. Sidney Fine of the University of Michigan was elected President and David Brody of the University of California, Davis, was elected Vice-President. Stanley Shapiro of Wayne State University will serve as Secretary-Treasurer. Members of the executive board include Hyman Berman, Milton Cantor, Herbert Gutman, Edward T. James, Gerd Korman, and Philip Mason. The organization, devoted to the study and teaching of labor history, invites inquiries and solicits information (appointments, course descriptions, archival acquisitions, etc.) from all those interested in the field. Address communications to Stanley Shapiro, Department of History, Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan 48202.