

THE EDITOR'S CORNER

Richard H. K. Vietor, Associate Professor at the Harvard University Graduate School of Business Administration, has been awarded the Newcomen Award in Business History, consisting of \$300 and a scroll, by vote of the Advisory Board of the *Business History Review* for the best article published in the *Review* during 1981. Vietor's article, "The Synthetic Liquid Fuels Program: Energy Politics in the Truman Era," appeared in the Spring issue. Stuart W. Leslie, Assistant Professor of History at Rockefeller Institute of Technology, received the Special Award (\$150 and a scroll) for the best article published by a graduate student or recent Ph.D. who has not published in book form, for his "Thomas Midgley and the Politics of Industrial Research," in the Winter 1980 issue of the *Review*. These prizes are awarded annually by the Newcomen Society in North America.

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The Harvard-Newcomen Fellow in Business History for the academic year 1981-1982 will be James E. Fell, Jr., historical preservation specialist with the Colorado Historical Society. Dr. Fell, who took his Ph.D. at the University of Colorado in 1975, is the author of *Ores to Metals: The Rocky Mountain Smelting Industry* (Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press, 1979), reviewed in this issue, and was assistant editor of *Arizona and the West* in 1976-1977. He will take up the fellowship in September and, in addition to participating in the editing of the *Business History Review*, will proceed with preparation of a history of the American copper industry.

The Harvard-Newcomen Fellowship, sponsored jointly by the Harvard University Graduate School of Business Administration and the Newcomen Society in North America, is awarded annually "to assist young scholars who have, within the past ten years, received their Ph.D. in history, economics, or a related discipline to improve their professional acquaintance with business and economic history, 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. Persons interested in applying for the academic year 1982-1983, for which applications close March 1, 1982, should write to Professor Alfred D. Chandler, Jr., 212 Baker Library, Soldiers Field, Boston, MA 02163.

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Elaine Glovka Spencer, Associate Professor of History at Northern Illinois University, Dekalb, Illinois, was awarded the \$100 Herman Krooss Prize at the annual dinner of the Business History Conference, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, May 6, 1981. The prize, given biennially to a young or recently joined member of the profession who has made a noteworthy contribution to the field of business history in the previous two years, honors the late Professor Krooss, for some years professor of history at New York University and a past president of the Business History Conference.

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Three predoctoral fellowships have been awarded by the Lincoln Educational Foundation for research in the field of American economic and business history. The recipients of the \$3000 awards are: W. Bernard Carlson, graduate student in the Department of History and Sociology of Science, University of Pennsylvania, for a dissertation biography of Elihu Thompson (1870-1920), inventor, businessman, and a founder of the General Electric Co., under Professor Thomas P. Hughes; Linda Kerrigan Salvucci, Department of History, Princeton University, for a dissertation on "Middle States' Trade with the Spanish Caribbean and Spain, 1760-1820," under Professor John M. Murrin; and Gerald Zahavi, Department of History, Syracuse University, for a dissertation on relations between the Endicott Johnson Shoe Co. and its employees from 1890 to the Great Depression, under Professor David Bennett.

The Rovensky Fellowships are awarded annually to persons prepared to undertake a graduate dissertation on a subject appropriate to the Foundation's objective, which is to increase awareness and understanding of the principles and forces that have made for growth in American history. For information on next year's competition, write to Professor C. Clyde Jones, Professor of Business Administration, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas 66506. Deadline for applications for the 1982 awards is February 1, 1982.

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The Journal of Transport History, now published by Manchester University Press, announces that in the future it wishes to publish articles on the subject of the history of transportation in all parts of the world. To encourage submission of manuscripts from the United States, it announced in its first issue in the new series (September 1980) a prize of £50 for an essay of up to 8,000 words, inclusive, on any aspect of American transportation history. Entries should be submitted to Manchester University Press, Oxford Road, Manchester M13 9PL, United Kingdom, by December 31, 1981. Prospective contributors may secure a copy of the Journal's "Notes for Contributors" by writing to the publisher. Editors of the new series are Dr. G. L. Turnbull, School of Economic Studies, University of Leeds, Leeds LS2 9JT; and Dr. T. R. Gourvish, School of Economic and Social Studies, University of East Anglia, Norwich NR4 7TJ.

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Hofstra University, Hempstead, New York, announces a conference on "Franklin D. Roosevelt: The Man, the Myth, the Era, 1882-1945," to be held at the Hofstra University Center for Cultural and Intercultural Studies on March 4-6, 1982. The committee welcomes papers dealing with the life, career, and presidency of Franklin Delano Roosevelt, and is especially eager to have papers in the fields of political science, history, economics, international affairs, the arts, journalism, business, law, and public administration and, especially, papers pertaining to Eleanor Roosevelt. Write to Natalie Datlof or Alexej Ugrinsky, Hofstra University, University Center for Cultural and Intercultural Studies, Hempstead, New York 11550, or call 516 / 560-

3296. Papers may not exceed 20 minutes in presentation, and copies, in duplicate, must be submitted by November 1, 1981. Selected papers will be published.

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The International Economic Association is organizing in 1981, 1982, and 1983 various round-table conferences leading up to a world congress on "Structural Change, Economic Interdependence and World Development." Authors of recent contributions to aspects of the above subject matter are invited to send abstracts of their work to the Secretariat of the IEA (4 rue de Chevreuse, 75006 Paris, France) so that they may be forwarded to the different organizers likely to be interested in their contributions for a round-table conference or for the Congress. A copy might also be sent directly to the President of the IEA, Professor Victor L. Urquidi, at: El Colegio de Mexico, Camino al Ajusco No. 20, Mexico 20, D. F., Apartado Postal 20-671, Mexico.

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Michigan Technological University is hosting a symposium focused on Power, Transport, and Public Policy in Modern America. The session titles are: The Ideology and Culture of Energy Projection; Communities, Energy, and Transport; Economic Growth and Decline; Energy, Transport, and the Social Organization of Communities; Government and Policy; and a Panel, which will provide an overview. The dates for the symposium are September 25-27, 1981. For additional information and local arrangements contact: George H. Daniels and Mark H. Rose, Department of Social Sciences, Michigan Technological University, Houghton, Michigan 49931. (906) 487-2113.

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The Regional History Center at Northern Illinois University, with the assistance of a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, has recently completed a three-year project to collect manuscript material documenting the northern Illinois region. The Center has emphasized twentieth-century agribusiness in its collecting program but also includes business records pertaining to the furniture, knitting, machine tool, and clockmaking industries in the northern Illinois region. Write to Regional History Center, 268 Swen Parson, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois 60115, or call (815) 753-1513.

The M.I.T. Institute Archives and Special Collections has announced that the papers of John Ripley Freeman (1855-1932), American civil engineer, hydraulist, and insurance executive are now available for research. A guide to the collection, prepared by the Archives with funding from the National Endowment for the Humanities, suggests that the papers, measuring over one hundred and fifty linear feet, will be a rich source of information for historians and engineers interested in water power, dams, flood

control, earthquake research, fire prevention, and insurance. The Freeman papers include personal and professional correspondence, photographs, project files, reports, patent applications, trial testimony, and reprints, and can be used at the M.I.T. Institute Archives in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Copies of the guide to the papers can be obtained by writing to the Archivist, M.I.T., Building 14N-118, Cambridge, MA 02139.

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Brooklyn Rediscovery, a program of the Brooklyn Educational and Cultural Alliance, announces publication of *A Guide to Brooklyn Manuscripts in The Long Island Historical Society*, which makes readily accessible nearly 600 manuscript collections at the Long Island Historical Society, the primary repository of historical material on Brooklyn. Copies of the *Guide* and general program information may be obtained from Brooklyn Rediscovery, 57 Willoughby Street, Brooklyn, N. Y. 11201. The cost of the *Guide* is \$5.00 plus \$.60 postage and handling.

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Arno Press, 3 Park Avenue, New York, N. Y. 10016, has published *Pioneers in Modern Management* (approx. 300 pp., \$25), edited by Alfred D. Chandler, Jr., and consisting of reprints of landmark documents relating to the inception and evolution of modern managerial practices.

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We have received notice of the following publications:

- EBHA Press, 5919 Cullen Drive, Lincoln NE 68506, a series featuring notes, essays, and reports of symposia primarily on topics in railroad history and accounting procedure and thought.
- Gale Research Co., Book Tower, Detroit MI 48226, has published *American Economic History: A Guide to Information Sources* (xii + 296 pp., \$32).
- The National Maritime Museum, Greenwich, London SE10 9NF, has published L.A. Ritchie's *Modern British Shipbuilding: A Guide to Historical Records*, which is No. 48 in the series Maritime Monographs and Reports.

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We apologize to Dr. Elizabeth C. Altman for the typographical errors in her review of Frank E. and Fritzie P. Manuel, *Utopian Thought in the Western World*, in the Spring 1981 issue of the *Business History Review*, which made it look as though Dr. Altman thought Charles Fourier's name was "Fournier." Dr. Altman is an authority on the French utopian thinkers, and can spell all their names perfectly. So, in fact, can our proofreader — but such are the vagaries of proofreading.

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