# Editors' Notes

#### FIFTY-FIRST ANNUAL MEETING

The 1991 Annual Meeting of the Economic History Association will take place in Boulder, Colorado, September 27-29. The 1991 program committee invites submissions of sessions and papers, including—but not limited to—ones relating to the theme of economic and technological leadership. Processes of diffusion, adaptation, and rivalry and associated new forms of business organization exemplify topics evoked by the theme. In composing a program of high scholarly interest, the committee will also seek balance between economic and historical perspectives, among areas and periods, and between emerging and established scholars.

Send two copies of one-page abstracts of papers and proposed sessions (with likely participants) to either co-chair: Professor Alexander J. Field, Department of Economics, Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA 95053, or Professor Paul Hohenberg, Department of Economics, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY 12180-3590. For full consideration, proposals must be sent before January 25, 1991. Notices of acceptance will be mailed during March.

Persons expecting to receive their Ph.D. in the academic year 1990–1991 are invited to apply to the conveners of the dissertation session: Professor Robert Margo (Department of Economics, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN 37235) for North American topics, and Professor Eugene N. White (Department of Economics, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ 08903) for all others. Finalists for the Allen Nevins and Alexander Gerschenkron prizes present summaries at the meeting. Complete dissertations will be due by May 31, 1991; notification will be by July 31, 1991.

#### AWARDS AT THE 1990 E.H.A. MEETING

At the Fiftieth Anniversary Meeting of the Economic History Association, held in Montreal, September 13–16, the following prizes were awarded:

The Arthur H. Cole Prize for the outstanding article published in the JOURNAL in the September 1989 through June 1990 issues, to Jane Humphries of Cambridge University for her article, "Enclosures, Common Rights, and Women: The Proletarianization of Families in the Late Eighteenth and Early Nineteenth Centuries," which appeared in the March 1990 issue. The Cole Prize recipient is selected each year by the JOURNAL's editorial board.

The Allen Nevins Prize for the outstanding dissertation in United States or Canadian economic history completed during 1989/1990, to Robert Whaples of the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, for his "The Shortening of the American Work Week: An Economic and Historical Analysis of Context, Causes, and Consequences," completed at the University of Pennsylvania under the guidance of Claudia Goldin.

The Alexander Gerschenkron Prize for the outstanding dissertation in non-United States or Canadian economic history completed during 1989/1990, to Avner Greif of Stanford University for his "The Organization of Long-Distance Trade: Reputations and Coalitions in the Geniza Documents; Genoa During the Eleventh and Twelfth Centuries," completed at Northwestern University under the guidance of Joel Mokyr.

The recipients of the Nevins Prize and Gerschenkron Prize are selected each year by the conveners of the dissertation session at the annual meeting.

# **ELEVENTH INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC HISTORY CONGRESS**

Preparations are already under way for the Eleventh Congress of the International Economic History Association, to be held in Milan in September 1994. Those interested

in proposing themes or subjects for sessions should submit proposals as soon as possible to M. Joseph Goy, Secrétaire-Général, Association Internationale d'Histoire Economique, Ecole des Hautes-Etudes en Sciences Sociales, 54 Blvd. Raspail, 75007 Paris, with a copy to David Landes, Department of Economics, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA 02138 or Paul Hohenberg, Department of Economics, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY 12180-3590.

Please bear in mind that the proposals most likely to be approved are those that deal with topics of an international character and enlist contributions by scholars from different countries. To this end, proposers should submit, along with their theme, the names of likely contributors who have indicated interest.

#### CALL FOR PAPERS

The 1991 meeting of the History of Economics Society will be held June 15, 16, and 17, 1991, at the University of Maryland, College Park. Papers should be in the field of the history of economic thought and problems of scope and method in economics. Proposals for papers should include the author's name, telephone number, and institutional affiliation; the title of the paper; and an abstract not to exceed 400 words. Those who wish to serve as discussants of a paper should indicate their areas of interest. Proposals must be received by January 15, 1991. Send to Dudley Dillard, Program Chairman, Department of Economics, University of Maryland, College Park, MD 20742. Telephone: (301) 405–3485; FAX (301) 405–3542.

#### MIDDLE ATLANTIC HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

The seventeenth annual conference of the Middle Atlantic Historical Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities will be held March 23, 1991, at the University of Scranton, Scranton, Pennsylvania. Anyone at an institution belonging to the Association or any other interested scholar is invited to participate. Proposals for papers or panels should be sent to Dr. Lee J. Williames, Assistant Provost, University of Scranton, Scranton, PA 18510. Proposals should be received by December 31, 1990.

# THE INSTITUTE FOR GREAT LAKES RESEARCH

The Institute for Great Lakes Research, a Division of Libraries and Learning Resources at Bowling Green State University, has recently been awarded a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities to assist the Institute in processing and making available to scholars, students, and the public significant manuscript and archival collections documenting various aspects of Great Lakes maritime history. For additional information, write Robert W. Graham, Archivist, Institute for Great Lakes Research, 12764 Levis Parkway, Perrysburg, OH 43551, or call (419) 874–3907.

### CALL FOR FELLOWS

Scholars Workshop on the Rhetoric of Social History, at the University of Iowa, Sunday, June 21, to Thursday, July 2, 1992. National Endowment for the Humanities Fellows from a variety of disciplines will contribute papers and participate in a two-week workshop examining the ways through which social historians address, cultivate, engage, and seek to persuade their audiences. Paper proposals are due Mar. 1, 1991. Codirectors are Jeffrey Cox, Shelton Stromquist, and Linda K. Kerber of the Department of History, University of Iowa. For a detailed description of the workshop, write to Project on Rhetoric and Inquiry, W700 Seashore Hall, University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA 52242, or call (319) 335-2753.

## FORD FOUNDATION POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS FOR MINORITIES

The National Research Council plans to award approximately 25 Ford Foundation Postdoctoral Fellowships for Minorities in a program designed to provide opportunities for continued education and experience in research for Native American Indians, Alaskan Natives (Eskimo or Aleut), Black/African Americans, Mexican Americans/ Chicanos, Native Pacific Islanders (Micronesians or Polynesians), and Puerto Ricans. Fellows will be selected from among scientists, engineers, and scholars in the humanities who show greatest promise of future achievement in academic research and scholarship in higher education.

In this national competition sponsored by the Ford Foundation, U.S. citizens who are members of one of the designated minority groups, are preparing for or already engaged in college or university teaching, and hold the Ph.D. or Sc.D. degree may apply for a fellowship award of one year's duration.

Awards in the Ford Foundation Postdoctoral Fellowships for Minorities Program will be made in the behavioral and social sciences, humanities, engineering, mathematics, physical sciences, and biological sciences, or for interdisciplinary programs composed of two or more eligible disciplines. Awards will not be made in professions such as medicine, law, social work, library science, and such areas as business administration and management, communications, health science, home economics, journalism, counseling, personnel and guidance, and education. Tenure of a fellowship provides postdoctoral research experience at an appropriate not-for-profit institution of higher education or research of the fellow's choice. Appropriate institutions include universities, museums, libraries, government or national laboratories, privately sponsored not-for-profit institutes, government chartered not-for-profit research organizations, and centers for advanced study. The deadline for submission of applications will be Jan. 11, 1991. All inquiries concerning application materials and program administration should be addressed to the Fellowship Office, GR420A, National Research Council, 2101 Constitution Ave., Washington, DC 20418.

## INSTITUTES AND SEMINARS

The National Endowment for the Humanities will hold a number of Institutes and Seminars across the country and abroad during the summer of 1991. While eligibility differs in each program, successful applicants will receive a stipend.

Printed material for both programs may be obtained from NEH 1991 Summer Institutes and Seminars, Room 406, 1100 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC, 20506.