

Announcements

The Editorial Board of the *Business History Review* and the Newcomen Society of the United States announce the winners of the 2002 NEWCOMEN-HARVARD AWARDS IN BUSINESS HISTORY.

Article Award

Robin Pearson, "Moral Hazard and the Assessment of Insurance Risk in Eighteenth- and Early-Nineteenth-Century Britain"

Special Award

David Hochfelder, "Constructing an Industrial Divide: Western Union, AT&T, and the Federal Government, 1876–1971"

The *Business History Review* annually awards two prizes to the authors of articles appearing in its pages. The first, consisting of a scroll and a cash prize of \$1,000, is presented to the author of the best article published in the volume. The second, called the "special award," consists of a cash prize of \$500 and a scroll, and is presented to the author of the best article in the *Business History Review* written by a graduate student or recent Ph.D. who has not yet published a book.

The ECONOMIC & BUSINESS HISTORICAL SOCIETY welcomes proposals for presentations on all aspects of business and economic history at its twenty-ninth annual conference in Anaheim, California, April 22–24, 2004. In keeping with its traditions, the Society seeks proposals for both individual papers and panel sessions.

Proposals for individual papers should include an abstract of no more than 500 words, a brief CV, postal and e-mail addresses, and telephone and fax numbers. Panel proposals should also suggest a title and a panel chair. Graduate students and nonacademic affiliates are welcome. Submissions imply that at least one author will register for the conference and will be present at the time designated in the conference program. The deadline for submission is January 15, 2004. To apply, please contact:

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The INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC HISTORY ASSOCIATION will hold its fourteenth World Congress in Helsinki, Finland, in August 2006. The Congress will last five days. Each day will be divided into four time blocks of ninety minutes each (two before lunch and two after lunch).

The scientific program of the Congress will feature approximately one hundred sessions spread over five days of meetings. The IEHA welcomes sessions on all topics in economic history, the history of economics, demographic history, social history, urban history, cultural history, gender studies, methodological aspects of historical research, and related fields. The IEHA has a particularly strong desire to attract sessions on the period before 1800 and on countries other than those of Western Europe and North America. Organizers will be given wide discretion to shape the format of sessions.

The deadline for the first call to submit session proposals has passed. However, the deadline for the second call to submit proposals,

January 31, 2005, allows ample time to those wishing to propose broad themes, summaries of a subfield, or complex arrangements to plan and organize a session.

A second call to submit session proposals will be published in August 2004. The Executive Committee will fill all but five of the remaining slots from the submissions received by the deadline. The five slots will be filled with sessions on topics that the committee considers appropriate for the program. Organizers of sessions will be encouraged to publish a call for papers.

A final list of participants and paper titles for all sessions must be submitted by January 1, 2006. It is expected that papers or abstracts will be published on the Web site of the Congress by May 31, 2006. Scholars and the general public will have access to the Web site and will be able to search, read, and download papers of interest in advance.

There will be no distinction between sessions submitted in reply to the first or second call for papers. Each session organizer will get two time blocks in Helsinki. The Executive Committee has the discretion to give extra time blocks. Time blocks will be sequential on the same day, unless organizers request an alternative timing.

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Young scholars are invited to present summaries of their doctoral research at the Fourteenth Congress of the INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC HISTORY ASSOCIATION, which will be held in Helsinki in August 2006.

The Fourteenth Congress will offer prizes dissertations on three periods: one for dissertations on the period before 1800; one for the period from 1800 to 1914; and one for the period from 1914 to the present. To be eligible for these sessions, candidates must have been awarded

their doctorate or the equivalent after January 1, 2001, and not later than December 31, 2004.

Those interested in participating in the dissertation sessions should submit a ten- to twenty-page summary of their dissertation to the secretary general of the IEHA (address below). The summary should outline the contents, methodology, and historiographic background of the thesis. Moreover, submissions should specify the title of the thesis, the names of the supervisor and jury members, and the institution that awarded the degree. Please do not send the thesis itself. Submissions (preferably by e-mail) should be sent by December 31, 2004, to:

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The EUROPEAN BUSINESS HISTORY ASSOCIATION will hold its eighth annual conference at the Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona, September 16–18, 2004, on the theme, “From Industry to Services?”

Please note that we will also consider proposals that explore other aspects related to the conference theme and on other topics related to business history.

Those interested in presenting a paper should prepare a one-page abstract. Proposals for panels should contain the abstracts of the individual papers and a short summary explaining the rationale for combining them in one panel. Suggestions for chairs and discussants of the panel will also be welcomed. Please e-mail your abstracts or panel proposals by December 1, 2003, to Anna Alsina (anna.alsina@ajau.upf.es), who will send you an acknowledgment of receipt. All proposals will be evaluated by an academic committee.

Decisions will be announced by e-mail before February 1, 2004. Accepted papers have to be submitted by July 1, 2004. They will be posted on the conference Web site and published on a CD-Rom after the conference.

There will also be a competition for the best thesis in European Business History. The topic has to deal with European business (also that of other countries) or business in Europe (also by non-European companies). The thesis can be written in any language. Authors do not have to be European nationals. Theses completed in 2001 through 2003 will be considered. (It is sufficient if the thesis has been submitted in 2003, as long as the degree will be awarded before the dates of the conference.)

The competition will be coordinated by Núria Puig from the Universidad Complutense de Madrid. Those interested in participating should send a copy of their thesis in the original language and a short summary in English (up to five pages) to the following address no later than December 31, 2003:

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Each thesis fulfilling the general criteria outlined above will be evaluated by a scholar with the necessary academic and linguistic expertise. Up to four theses will be selected for presentation in a plenary session at the conference. One of these will be awarded the EBHA dissertation prize. For more information, please contact:

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Up-to-date information on the conference can be found on the conference Web site: www.econ.upf.es/ebha2004. For further information about the EBHA conference program and other EBHA activities, contact ebha@univ-tlse1.fr.

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The Fifteenth Annual Meeting of the MINING HISTORY ASSOCIATION will be held in Farmington, Missouri, June 17–20, 2004.

The program committee for the Farmington, Missouri, meeting of the Mining History Association invites proposals for individual papers or complete sessions (including the chair) on any topic or aspect of mining history. Sessions normally include three papers of twenty minutes each. There are no temporal or geographic limits.

Proposals should include an abstract (one paragraph) for each paper, plus biographical information about each presenter and session participant. Please send the written proposals to the program committee chair by December 31, 2003.

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The EDITORIAL ADVISORY BOARD of the *Encyclopedia of Strikes in American History* invites proposals for contributions to the forthcoming encyclopedia, a two-volume compilation of original historical essays about strikes in the United States and its territories from colonial times to the present, to be published by M. E. Sharpe. The Board is assembling a wide range of research on work stoppages from authors in multiple disciplines in order to give scholars, students, researchers, unionists, and others interested in strikes a well-organized and informative starting point for their investigations into this most explicit form of class conflict.

The articles will take two forms, each ranging from 500 to 10,000 words, depending on the topic. Industry articles will provide an analytical framework for understanding the chronological progression of strikes within an economic sector (e.g., agriculture) or industry (e.g., auto assembly), or among a type of workers (e.g., miners). Thematic articles will look at a variety of strikes across sectors, industries, and groups of workers and should offer analyses that originate from various viewpoints, such as academic disciplines, the arts, or labor activism.

Proposals for industry essays should be short, approximately 250 to 350 words, plus a brief bibliography. Proposals for thematic essays may be longer, though not more than 500 words, plus a bibliography. Please include name, address, telephone, fax, e-mail address, institutional affiliation (if any), and a CV or biographical statement. Proposals

are due December 12, 2003. Contributions must be submitted by September 30, 2004. Those considering contributions may request a more detailed writer's guide from the editor. Please submit proposals and questions via e-mail or mail to:

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