

# *Editors' Notes*

## ECONOMIC HISTORY ASSOCIATION MEETING

The fifty-second annual meeting of the Economic History Association will be held in Boston, Massachusetts from September 17 to 20, 1992. The preliminary program follows:

### *Plenary-Session: Consumers and Households in History*

Gregory Clark, University of California, Davis, Michael Huberman, Trent University, and Peter Lindert, University of California, Davis, "The British Food Puzzle."

Nancy Folbre and Barnet Wagman, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, "Counting Housework: New Estimates of Real Product in the United States."

Cissie Fairchilds, Syracuse University, "A Comparison of the Consumer Revolutions in Eighteenth Century Britain and France."

### *The Consuming Unit: Institutions and Households*

Ann Smart Martin, University of Delaware, "Consumerism and the Retail Trade in Eighteenth Century Virginia."

Ann McCants, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, "Meeting Needs and Suppressing Desires: Institutional Consumption in the Dutch Republic."

Mary Schweitzer, Villanova University, "Economic Growth, Household Production, and Demand in Early Eighteenth Century Pennsylvania."

### *Consuming Longevity and Health: Children and Adults*

Paul Huck, Wake Forest University, "Infant Mortality in the Moravian Settlements of North Carolina."

Robert Whaples, Wake Forest University, "Anthropometric Evidence from Slovakian Immigrants in the Early Twentieth Century."

David Weir, Yale University, "Parental Consumption Decisions and Child Health during the Fertility Transition, 1740-1913."

### *Consumers, Markets, and Public Utilities*

David Gable, Queens College, "Pricing Telecommunications Services in a Competitive Market."

David B. Sicilia, Ohio State University, "Marketing a Regulated Utility: the Case of Boston Edison in the 1920s."

Kenneth Lipartito, Harvard Business School, "Marketing the Telephone, Bell's Response to the Consumer Society."

### *Consumption and Production in a Domestic Setting*

Elizabeth Ewan, University of Guelph, "Women as Consumers and Producers in Medieval Scottish Towns."

Laurel Thatcher Ulrich, University of New Hampshire, "Household Consumption and Production of Textiles in Eighteenth Century New England."

Kris Inwood, University of Guelph, and Phyllis Wagg, Dalhousie University, "Consumption and Production of Cloth among Rural Families in Rural Canada."

*Consumption, Material Culture, and Social Class*

Whitney Walton, Denison University, "Helpmates, Spendthrifts and Seducers: Bourgeois Women as Consumers in Nineteenth Century France."

Lorena Walsh, Colonial Williamsburg, "Fettered Consumers: Slaves and the Anglo-American 'Consumer Revolution.'"

Anton Schuurman, Agriculture University, the Netherlands, "The Construction of Taste, Continuity, and Change in Consumption Patterns in the Nineteenth Century in the Dutch Countryside."

*Productivity and Consumption in Agrarian Societies*

Metin Cosgel, University of Connecticut, "Agricultural Productivity of the Amish, 1850–1880."

Peter George, Fikret Berkes and Richard Preston, Council of Ontario Universities, "Indigenous Land Use and Harvesting among the Cree in Western James Bay."

Terry Von Ende, Texas Tech University, and Tom Weiss, University of Kansas, "Consumption of Farm Output, Output per Worker and Economic Growth by Region, 1800–1840."

*Consumption and Trade in the Atlantic Economy*

John Nye, Washington University, "The Unbearable Lightness of Drink: British Wine Tariffs and French Economic Growth, 1689–1860."

John Komlos, University of Pittsburgh, "Food Consumption During the Industrial Revolution: the Contribution of the New World."

Tony Ward, Brock University, "The Corn Laws and the English Grain Market."

*Consumers in Rural, Urban, and Suburban Settings*

Mary Gregson-Eschelbach, University of Illinois, "Rural Response to Urban Demand."

David Weiman, Yale University, "Rural Origins of the New South, 1820–1920: the Dynamics of Regional Urbanization."

Lee Craig, North Carolina State University, "Urbanization and the Transformation of Women's Work in Nineteenth Century American Agriculture."

*Innovation, Enterprise, and the Economy*

Zorina Khan, Northeastern University, "Entrepreneurship and Innovation during Early American Industrialization."

Rick Szostak, University of Alberta and University of New South Wales, "Technological Change and the Great Depression."

Chris Grandy, Barnard College, "Original Intent and the Sherman Antitrust Act: A Reexamination of the Consumer Welfare Hypothesis."

*Housing and Consumer Durables*

Elyce Rotella, Indiana University, and Kenneth Snowden, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, "Building Associations in the Late Nineteenth Century."

Susan Bowden and P. M. Turner, University of Leeds, "The UK Consumer and the Demand for Consumer Durables in the United Kingdom in the Interwar Period."

Greg Whitwell, University of Melbourne, "The Suburban Ideal and Australia's Rise as a Consumer Society."

The dissertation session will be chaired by Gregory Clark, University of California, Davis and by Kenneth Sokoloff, University of California, Los Angeles.

#### HAGLEY RESEARCH SEMINAR

The Hagley Center for the History of Business, Technology and Society will inaugurate in Fall 1992 a monthly research seminar for scholars whose work involves topics in industrialization and the social and cultural dimensions of technological, economic, and urban development. Our interest is chiefly but not exclusively in subjects concerning the United States after 1850, especially the Mid-Atlantic region. Researchers who might wish to offer a paper during the 1992-93 academic year should contact the Director. Travel funds and honoraria are available. In addition, interested scholars and graduate students in the region are invited to become seminar members, again by writing the Director. Seminar members will receive advance copies of papers to be discussed and are welcome to present their own research findings. For further information, contact: Philip Scranton, Center for the History of Business, Technology and Society, Hagley Museum and Library, Wilmington, DE 19807.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT FOR PUBLICATION SPRING 1992

Villa I Tatti: The Harvard University Center for Italian Renaissance Studies will award ten or more stipendiary fellowships, and a limited number of non-stipendiary fellowships, for independent study on any aspect of the Italian Renaissance for the academic year 1993/94. The fellowships are for scholars of any nationality, normally post-doctoral and in the earlier stages of their careers. Fellowships run from 1 July 1993 to 30 June 1994. Fellows must be free to devote full time to study and will be expected to spend most of their time at the Center.

Application forms may be obtained from Villa I Tatti, Via di Vincigliata 26, 50135 Florence, Italy or the Villa I Tatti office, Harvard University, University Place, 124 Mt. Auburn Street, Cambridge, MA 02138-5762, USA.

#### CALL FOR PAPERS

JUNE 3-JUNE 4, 1993

#### WORLD WAR II: A 50 YEAR PERSPECTIVE

Siena College is sponsoring its eighth annual *multidisciplinary* conference on the 50th anniversary of World War II. The focus for 1993 will be 1943,—though papers dealing with broad issues of earlier years will be welcomed. Topics welcome include: Fascism and Naziism; Stalingrad, New Guinea, the Air War, North Africa, Sicily and Italy, the North Atlantic; Literature; Art; Film; Diplomatic; Political and Military History; Popular Culture, Minority Affairs and Women's and Jewish Studies dealing with the era. Asian, African, Latin American and Near Eastern topics of relevance are solicited. Obviously, collaboration and collaborationist regimes, the events on the home front, religion, conscription and dissent will also be of significance. For information write: Professor Thomas O. Kelly II, Department of History, Siena College, 515 Loudon Rd., Loudonville, New York 12211-1462. Deadline for submissions is December 1, 1992.

#### CONGRESS OF THE "INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ECONOMIC HISTORY" (MILAN, 1994)

One of the "B" Themes of the 11th Congress of the "International Association of Economic History" will be the following "European Networks (19th-20th Centuries):

New Approaches to the Formation of a Transnational Transport and Communication System (Air, Land and Sea)." Anyone who is interested in this topic and would like to present a paper should write: Prof. Albert Carreras, "European Networks," Badia Fiesolana, Via dei Roccettini, 9, 50016 San Domenico di Fiesole (Fi) ITALY.

## ERRATA

A number of errors appear in Table 1, p. 289 of Charles Calomiris's "Is Deposit Insurance Necessary? A Historical Perspective," which appeared in the June 1990 issue of the JOURNAL. The corrected version follows.

TABLE 1  
HIGH-GROWTH STATES: INSURED VERSUS UNINSURED

	Proportion of Assets in 1914 to Assets in 1920		Assets per Bank, 1920 (\$ thousands)		Ratio of Capital to Total Assets, 1920	
	National Bank	State Bank	National Bank	State Bank	National Bank	State Bank
<b>Uninsured</b>						
Arkansas	0.408	0.379	\$1,020	\$456	0.084	0.085
Colorado	0.522	0.450	1,801	460	0.048	0.083
Idaho	0.341	0.316	1,088	487	0.059	0.077
Iowa	0.507	0.503	1,301	562	0.057	0.067
Minnesota	0.509	0.406	1,979	425	0.054	0.069
Missouri	0.490	0.540	5,507	572	0.063	0.072
Montana	0.495	0.489	761	436	0.077	0.091
New Mexico	0.501	0.352	963	347	0.073	0.119
Wyoming	0.314	0.315	1,365	300	0.048	0.090
Average	0.454	0.418	1,755	448	0.063	0.084
<b>Insured</b>						
Kansas	0.463	0.380	977	326	0.066	0.079
Mississippi	0.506	0.335	1,843	664	0.069	0.066
Nebraska	0.537	0.335	1,566	335	0.057	0.082
North Dakota	0.485	0.367	563	248	0.068	0.081
Oklahoma	0.309	0.259	1,096	346	0.060	0.070
South Dakota	0.400	0.351	862	395	0.053	0.062
Texas	0.414	0.391	1,588	375	0.071	0.112
Average	0.447	0.344	1,231	391	0.064	0.078

Source: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, *All Bank Statistics* (Washington, DC, 1959).

An error also appears on p. 174 of Sanford Jacoby and Sunil Sharma's article, "Employment Duration and Industrial Labor Mobility in the United States, 1880-1980," which appeared in the March 1992 issue of the JOURNAL. The title of Table 4 should have read PERCENT OF (CENSORED) JOB SPELLS UNDER ONE YEAR. The editors regret these errors.

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