FALL CONFERENCE
AT
THE JOHN CARTER
BROWN LIBRARY AND
BROWN UNIVERSITY

SATURDAY
23 OCTOBER 1993
SECOND CALL

The annual Fall meeting of the Association will be held on Saturday, October 23 the John Carter Brown Library (401-863-2725, or 2725) and Brown University in Providence. The program is listed on page 2-3 of this issue. The program and pre-registration forms were sent to the membership in an earlier mailing. Travel directions and a list of Providence motels were included in the previous mailing too.

Vice-President Bruce M. Stave arranged the fine program. Norman Flering and Patricia Hertlhy made excellent local arrangements. We are very grateful to them for their splendid efforts on our behalf.

Registration begins on Saturday at 8:00 p.m. at the John Carter Brown Library. Five sessions begin at 9:00 and five others begin at 11:15.

There is a coffee break and book exhibit at 10:30 in the JCB. Members are encouraged to bring copies of their own recent publications for display. At 12:45 there will be a reception at the JCB Library, followed by lunch at 1:30 p.m. at the Leung Gallery in Faunce House. After lunch, Association President Neal R. Shipley will conduct a business meeting and the annual election of officers. This conference continues at 3:00 with a Plenary Session in Salomon Hall Auditorium on “John Fitzgerald Kennedy: A Reassessment”.

OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS

Motel rooms at a special rate have been reserved for members who prefer an overnight stay in Providence. The Holiday Inn, 21 Atwells Avenue (401-831-3900) has reserved single rooms for $67.00. This reduced rate is available for those who call for reservations before October 9. Be sure to ask for the NEHA group rate.

We also recommend the Ramada Inn, located off Rt. 95 in Seekonk (508-336-7300), with rates from $51.00. Seekonk a short drive to the Brown University campus.

TRAVEL INFORMATION

Providence is served by Amtrak, Bonanza Bus and Green Airport. There is limousine service ($5.75) from the airport to the campus. From the train terminal, take a taxi. From the bus terminal take the free shuttle to Kennedy Plaza, it is a short taxi ride or walk up the hill to the campus.

If driving take I-95 (eastbound or westbound) to Providence. Take exit #3, “Gano Street.” Turn right onto Gano Street. Continue to third light, then turn left onto Angell Street. Continue to fourth light. Entrance to Brown University is at Prospect Street. All parking lots are at the corner of George and Brown Streets. “NEHA” signs in the parking lot will direct you to the registration desk.

ADVANCE NOTICE

The annual Spring meeting will be held at Bentley College in Waltham, Massachusetts on Saturday, 23 April 1994. Vice President Bruce M. Stave is in charge of the Spring program. The deadline for Spring meeting proposals is 15 January. For information about the program, or for proposals, he may be contacted at The University of Connecticut, Department of History, Storrs, CT 06269; (203) 486-3718.

The Fall 1994 meeting will be held on 22 October at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge. In April 1995 we will meet at Mount Holyoke College in South Hadley.
REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The annual Association election will be conducted at the October meeting in Providence. The Nominating Committee thanks members who submitted names of prospective nominees for NEHA offices. Many fine candidates were nominated for offices. After counting the ballots at the business meeting, Donald Rogers, the Nominating Committee chair, will report on the election of the following candidates:

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Bruce M. Stave (University of Connecticut)

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Mary Brown (University of Massachusetts, Lowell)

Nominating Committee
James Leamons (Bates College)
Laritza Taylor (Assumption College)
W. Jay Reedy (Bryant College)
John Sutherland (Manchester Community College)

Public Historian
James Owens (National Archives, Walburn)
Edward Hanson (Massachusetts Historical Society)

The Committee extends its appreciation to all nominees and members who recommended candidates, and notes that any member may nominate a candidate for the annual NEHA election by writing to the Executive Secretary. Self-nominations are encouraged. Please include a c.v. and indicate which office is sought.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee met briefly on 24 April at the University of Southern Maine. Members present included: Richard D. Brown, Richard Buel, Saul Engelbourg, Jena Gaines, Peter Holloran, Sarah McMahon, Alan Reimneman, Donald Rogers, Neal R. Shipley, Bruce M. Stave and Ania Walker.

The discussion included the "Lost Generation of Historians" resolution and the possible incorporation of the Association. The next executive committee meeting will be at Pine Manor College on 11 December. Any member may submit an agenda item by writing to the Executive Secretary.

NEHA BOOK AWARD COMMITTEE

The NEHA Book Award is presented annually for the best book in any area of history published by a scholar living and working in New England. This year the award committee consists of Joseph J. Ellis, chair, (Mount Holyoke College); Donald B. Meyer (Wesleyan University); Irene Brown (University of Connecticut); and Marysa Navarro (Dartmouth College).

The committee considered 26 nominations, and selected David Underdown's book, Fire from Heaven: Life in an English Town in the Seventeenth Century (Yale University Press) as the winner of the 1993 NEHA Book Award.

The committee reported that: "The story Professor Underdown tells so well involves nothing less than the emergence of recognizably modern political, religious and psychological values on the eve of the English Civil War. This is exquisitely crafted local history with major implications for our understanding of English Puritanism, the transition from medieval to modern social conditions, the synergistic fusion of spiritual and secular mentalities, and perhaps most impressively, the decisive role played by ordinary men and women in the making of our modern world. Moreover, Professor Underdown brings these people to life in a style that is accessible to non-specialists and that also recreates the texture of community life in a way that specialists in the field find compelling."

Nominations for the 1994 award are accepted from October 1993 to June 1994. Book publishers may write to the Executive Secretary for instructions. Four copies of the book nominated should be sent to the committee chair by 1 June 1994.

Monographs published in 1993 on any historical topic/ time period by an author living or working in New England (or having done so in the past two years) are eligible. The publisher may nominate only one book published in the preceding year. The $200.00 cash prize and award certificate are presented to the author at the Fall conference each year.

REPORT OF THE MEDIA AWARD COMMITTEE

This committee will award the Association's 1993 Media Award and Exhibit Award at the October meeting.

The Media Award Committee thanks all those who nominated films and exhibits, and those who submited materials to the competition. Committee members were Sarah Pennybacker (Trinity College), chair; David Glassberg (UMass-Amherst); Julie Winn (Umass-Boston); and Alan Taylor (Boston University).

Any member may make nominations for these annual awards by writing to the Executive Secretary by 1 October. Please include full details, names and addresses.

AT THE SESSIONS

The April meeting at the University of Southern Maine was one of the Association's most well-attended meetings in recent years. There were 116 members registered for the meeting and 57 members attended the luncheon.

This 50th meeting of the Association featured 25 papers in eleven sessions. Much credit for this splendid meeting is due to Association President Neal R. Shipley (University of Massachusetts-Amherst) and the Maine local arrangement committee: Joseph Conforti, James Leamons, Sarah McMahon and Alfred Padula. They all deserve thanks for a smoothly operating, most enjoyable conference of outstanding quality.

The meeting concluded with a walking tour with 40 members guided across Portland's old port by staff members from Greater Portland Landmarks.

LUST GENERATION RESOLUTION ADOPTED

By unanimous vote, the Association members approved the following resolution on April 24, 1993:

COSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ADOPTED

By a vote of 26 for and 7 against, the following amendment to the Association constitution was adopted by the membership on April 24, 1993:

"The New England Historical Association wishes to express its concern over the fact that in the difficult job market of the 1980s some fine historians were unable to gain tenure-track positions through no fault of their own. To overlook them now and disregard their accomplishments, while opening new positions to their juniors, would be unfortunate. The NEHA encourages its members and their colleagues to give these candidates full and fair consideration for new openings, and we urge all concerned to avoid discrimination against candidates because of their age, experience, achievements, or non-traditional employment pattern.

A similar version of this resolution has been adopted by the Organization for American Historians and by the New England American Studies Association. It will be sent by NEHA President Neal R. Shipley to all History Department chairs in New England. We urge all Association members to bring this resolution to the attention of their department search committees and deans. Copies are available, write to the Executive Secretary.

NEHA NEWS
The Newsletter of the New England Historical Association

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Jacqueline Barr Kronenberg
Philip J. Benedict (Brown University) received a National Humanities Center fellowship to research Calvinism and society—the reformed tradition in Europe to 1700.


Samuel K. Cohn (Brandeis University) received a Guggenheim fellowship to study the Florentine Alps after the Black Death.

F. Nancy Cott (Yale University) was elected to the OAH Nominating Board.

Daniel Czitrom (Mount Holyoke College) was elected to the OAH Nominating Board.

Eric T. Dean, Jr., (Yale University) received an AHA Beveridge grant to research "In Evident Mental Commotion: Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder and the American Civil War."

Todd DePristo (Yale University) received a 1994 fellowship at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars fellowship to study "Popular Culture and Social Change in Carls, 1880-1919."

Constance M. McGeorge (University of Vermont) was appointed provost and vice-president for academic affairs at Frostburg State University.

R. Todd Duncan (University of Massachusetts-Boston) is awarded a National Humanities Center fellowship and a Meadow Fellowship to the Huntington Library.

Fritz Fleischmann (Babson College) was elected president of the New England American Studies Association.

Thomas F. Glick (Boston University) was awarded a National Endowment for the Humanities grant to research “Science in Latin America: History and Sources.”

J. William Harris (University of New Hampshire) received a National Humanities Center Fellowship.

Peter Holloran (Pine Manor College) was re-elected Treasurer of the New England American Studies Association (NEASA) in September.

Herbert F. Janick (Western Connecticut State University) received the Homer D. Babidge, Jr. Memorial Award for the Association for the Study of Connecticut History for his distinguished work in the field.

Conor Johnston (Massachusetts Community College) presented a paper, "Rey Foster’s Modern Ireland," at the American Conference for Irish Studies meeting at Villanova University in April.

Bruce Laurie (University of Massachusetts-Amherst) is researching "The Search for Security in Nineteenth-Century America," as an American Antiquarian Society-National Endowment for the Humanities Fellow.

Jill Lepore (Yale University) is a 1993-94 fellow at the American Antiquarian Society researching "Commemorating Cruelty: Writing and Remembering King Philip’s War, 1675-1796." She also received a 1993 Charlotte W. Newcombe Fellowship and a Charles H. Watts Fellowship at the John Carter Brown Library.

Zachary Lockman (Harvard University) received a Guggenheim Fellowship and a 1994 Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars fellowship to study "Popular Culture and Social Change in Carls, 1880-1919."

Jeff Moran (Harvard University) received a dissertation grant from Radcliffe College’s Arthur and Elizabeth Schlesinger Library on the History of Women in America to research "The History of Sex Education in the United States."

James M. O’Toole (University of Massachusetts-Boston) was promoted to Associate Professor of History.


Harry C. Payne (Hamilton College), a specialist in European intellectual history, will become the 14th president of Williams College in January.

Jeanne Penvenne (Boston University) received a Fulbright Award for Study Abroad and was appointed Assistant Professor of African History at Tufts University.

Mindy Ellen Plotkin (University of Pennsylvania) received a Charlotte W. Newcombe Fellowship to research "The Making of the American Puritan Heritage: A Study of the Historical Texts."

Frits K. Ringer (University of Pittsburgh) received a Guggenheim Fellowship to study Max Weber and the crisis of German academic culture.

J. Benjamin Schmidt (Harvard University) received a Charlotte W. Newcombe Fellowship to research "Innocence Abroad: The Dutch Imagination and the Representation of the New World, 1570-1670."

Bruce J. Schuman (UCLA) has been appointed Associate Professor of History at Boston University.

Ridgway F. Shinn, Jr., (Rhode Island College) reports that the Shinn Study Abroad Fund named in his honor has accumulated more than $30,000 to support history students in a dozen Latin American and European university programs. Professor Emeritus Shinn was the Association’s Executive Secretary (1981-86) and President in 1985-86.

Karen J. M. Smihf (Harvard University) received a 1993 Research Grant at the Rockefeller Archive Center to study "The Impact of International Organizations upon Child Welfare Services in Britain, 1918-1952."

Myron O. Stachow (Old Stonebridge Village) is now Director of Research, Interpretation and Education for the Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities.

Alan Taylor (Boston University) received a National Humanities Center Fellowship and a Meadow Fellowship at the Huntington Library.

Rosario J. Tullieto (Pine Manor College) presented a paper, "Financing the Early Bell Telephone Company" in June at the 1st International Symposium on Telephone History in Dallas.

Frank M. Turner (Yale University) received a Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars fellowship to research "The Oxford Movement Reconsidered."


David Scott Witwer (Brown University) received an AHA Littleton-Griewold Award to research "Democratic Reform in the Teamsters Union."

BOOK NEWS

Harriet Hyman Alonso (Fitchburg State College) published Peace as a Women’s Issue: A History of the U.S. Movement for World Peace and Women’s Rights (Syracuse University Press).

Jack Bales (Mary Washington College) published Kenneth Roberts (Twayne).

David W. Blight (Amherst College) edited a new edition of Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass. An American Slave (St. Martin’s Press).


Joseph T. Criscenuti (Boston College) edited Sarimento and His Argentina (Rienner Press).

Richard O. Curry (University of Connecticut) published An Uncertain Future: Thought Control and Repression During the Reagan-Bush Era (First Amendment Foundation).

Jeffry M. Diefendorf (University of New Hampshire) published In the Wake of War: The Reconstruction of German Cities After World War II (Oxford University Press).

Maud Ellmann (Cambridge University) published The Hunger Artists: Starving, Writing, and Imprisonment (Harvard University Press).

Edward W. Ellsworth (Wheelock College) published Science and Social Science Research in British India, 1780-1880 (Greenwood Press).


Richard Wightman Fox (Boston University) and T. J. Jackson Lears (Rutgers University) edited The Power of Culture: Critical Essays in American History (University of Chicago Press).


Noah Gordon won the Society of American Historians’ first James Fenimore Cooper Prize for historical fiction. His novel Shanam (Dutton) depicts a 19th-century frontier doctor.

William A. Green (College of the Holy Cross) published History, Historians, and the Dynamics of Change (Prange).

Marilyn Halter (Boston University) published Between Race and Ethnicity: Cape Verdean American Immigrants, 1860-1965 (University of Illinois Press), and she was elected vice-president of the New England American Studies Association.

Daniel P. Jones (New Jersey State Archives) published The Economic and Social Transformation of Rural Rhode Island, 1780-1830 (Northeastern University Press).

Jacqueline B. Jones (Brandeis University) published The Dispossessed: America’s Underclasses from the Civil War to the Present (Basic Books).


James S. Leamon (Rutgers College) published Revolution Downeast: The War for American Independence in Maine (University of Massachusetts Press).


David McCullough was awarded the Society of American Historians’ 36th annual Francis Parkman Prize for his biography Truman (Simon & Schuster). The award distinguishes McCullough, a Martha’s Vineyard resident, as the only historian to have received it twice. He was honored in 1978 For The Path Between the Seas. He also won the Pulitzer Prize for biography earlier this year.

Ernest R. May (Harvard University) edited American Cold War Strategy (St. Martin’s Press).


Thomas H. O’Connor (Boston College) published Building a New Boston: Politics and Urban Renewal, 1950-1970 (Northeastern University Press), and he received an honorary degree from Boston College in May.


Reinhold Schumann (Boston University) published a second edition of Italy in the Last 1500 Years (University Press of America), and he was elected a member of the U.S. National Committee for Byzantine Studies.

Lynda Shaffer (Tufts University) published Native Americans Before 1492: The Moundbuilding Centers of the Eastern Woodlands (Sharpe).

Gordon S. Wood (Brown University) won the 1993 Pulitzer Prize in History for The Radicalism of the American Revolution (Knopf).

Conrad Edick Wright (Massachusetts Historical Society) edited Massachusetts and the New Nation (MHS).

David Gary Shaw (Wesleyan University) published The Creation of a Community: The City of Wells in the Middle Ages (Oxford University Press).

CALLS FOR PAPERS

The 1998 AHA meeting will be held in Cincinna on 5-8 January. The program committee welcomes proposals by all members of the AHA, by scholars in related disciplines, and by affiliated societies. Proposals should be for entire sessions, panels, or workshops. Sessions usually consist of three papers with a commentator and a chair, or two papers with a commentator and a chair. The deadline for proposals is 29 October 1993. Kindly mail four copies of each proposal to Robert L. Harris, Jr., African Studies and Research Center, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14850.

The 16th annual conference of the Society for Historians of the Early American Republic (SHEAR) will meet at Boston College on 14-17 July 1994. Session proposals are encouraged, but individual papers are considered. Send abstracts and brief c.v. to David Moleski-Hansen, Wilson Library, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC 27514-8890.

The Organization of American Historians program committee invites proposals for its 1995 annual meeting on March 30-April 2 in Washington, DC. This will be a joint meeting with the National Council on Public History on the theme "American History in a Public Discourse." Contact Michael H. Frisch, Department of History, SUNY-Buffalo, Buffalo, NY 14260; (716) 645-2181, by 1 February.

The Midwest Conference on British Studies meets 5-6 November at Kent State University. Proposals may be sent by 1 April to Gary DeKey, History Department, St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN 55057.

The New England American Studies Association (NEASA) meets 7-8 May at Brown University. Proposals may be sent by 15 January to the program chair, Fritz Fleischer, Babson College, Babson Park, MA 02157.

The Mid-America American Studies Association holds its tenth annual meeting in Lawrence, Kansas on 8-10 April. Proposals may be submitted by 10 December, contact Sue Zachocho, History Department, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS 66506.


The American Catholic Historical Association meets at the College of the Holy Cross on 8-9 April. Proposals may be sent by 15 January to James T. Flynt, College of the Holy Cross, History Department, Worcester, MA 01610; (508) 793-2465.

The Sonneck Society for American Music holds its 20th National Conference in Worcester on 6-10 April. Proposals may be submitted by October to Nyn Cooke, 2 Smith Road, Lexington, MA 02173.

The Northeast Victorian Studies Association holds its 20th annual conference at New York University on 22-24 April. The conference theme is "Victorians Interiors," and proposals may be submitted by October 15. Contact Renee Overholsker, Box 510, Graduate Center CUNY, 33 West 42nd St., New York, NY 10036-8099; (212) 642-2210.

The 21st Annual Faulkner & Yoknapatawpha Conference meets at the University of Mississippi on 31 July-5 August. Proposals may be submitted by 15 January to Ann J. Alsdie, Center for the Study of Southern Culture, University of Mississippi, MS 38677; (601) 232-5993.

The 30th annual conference of the Canadian Association of American Studies meets in Ottawa on 3-5 November 1994. The theme is "Race, Ethnicity, and Otherness in America." Individual abstracts or complete sessions may be submitted by 15 February. Contact Priscilla Walton, Department of English, Carleton University, Ottawa, Ontario K1S 5B6; (613) 733-2600 ext. 2322.

Proposals, papers, media presentations and sessions for the 1994 Oral History Association conference in Albuquerque on 27-30 October may be submitted to Rose Diaz, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM 87131 by 17 December.

The 16th Annual North American Labor History Conference meets on 13-15 October 1995 at Wayne State University. Papers and proposals on the theme "International and Comparative Labor History" may be submitted by 1 March to Elizabeth Fust, History Department, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI 48003.

The American Association for the History of Medicine meets in New York City on 28 April-1 May. Proposals may be submitted to Alan M. Duffin, History of Medicine, Queens University, Kingston, Ontario, Canada K7L 3N6.
The Society of Historians of American Foreign Relations meets at Bentley College on 23-26 June. Proposals may be submitted by 1 December to Thomas A. Schwartz, German Historical Institute, 1607 New Hampshire Avenue, Washington, DC 20009.

"Scotland and the Americas, 1600-1800," a conference sponsored by the 18th Century Scottish Societies Society at the John Carter Brown Library, meets in Providence on 8-11 June. Contact N. Bruce Lewis, History Department, SUNY, Stony Brook, NY 11794.

Hofstra University will host a conference, "Baseball and the Culture of Swat," on 27-29 April 1995, commemorating the 100th birthday of Babe Ruth. Proposals may be submitted by 15 March 1994 to Natalie Datof, Cultural Center, Hofstra University, Hempstead, NY 11550-1090; (516) 463-5669.

CONFERENCES TO MEET

The American Historical Association will hold its 108th annual meeting on 6-9 January 1994 at San Francisco. See the AHA Perspectives (January 1993) for the final call for papers.


The Harvard University Russian Research Center holds an interdisciplinary conference on "Food in Russian History" on 1 October. Pre-registration is required. Contact Joyce Troose, Russian Research Center, Harvard University, 1737 Cambridge Street, Cambridge, MA 02138.

The Nineteenth Annual Byzantine Studies Conference meets on 4-7 November at Providence College. Contact David Olster, History Department, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY 40506.

The North East Popular Culture/American Culture Association meets on 29-31 October at Providence College. Contact the program chair, Alan Cleaton, Wentworth Institute of Technology, 551 Huntington Avenue, Boston, MA 02115; (617) 442-9010.

The Fourth International Conference of Cycle History meets 12-16 October at the Massachusetts State Transporation Center, Park Square in Boston. Contact David V. Herlihy, PO Box 13077, Boston, MA 02215; 617-437-0437.

The sixth annual meeting of the Folk Art Society will be held in New Orleans on 6 November. Contact Folk Art Society, PO Box 17041, Richmond, VA 23226.

The 15th Annual North American Labor History Conference meets at Wayne State University on 14-16 October on the theme "labor, Citizenship, and the State." Contact Elizabeth Faue, History Department, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI 48202; (313) 577-6966.

"Lincoln and Gettysburg," a symposium celebrating the 130th anniversary of the Gettysburg Address, meets on 19-20 November in Gettysburg. Contact the Civil War Round Table Associates, Box 7388, Little Rock, AK 72217.

"Attending to Women in the Early Modern Period," is an interdisciplinary conference meeting on 21-23 April at the University of Maryland. Contact the Center for Renaissance and Baroque Studies, 1120L Francis Scott Key, University of Maryland, College Park, MD 20742.

The Social Science History Association holds its 18th annual conference in Baltimore on 4-7 November. Contact June Shoffner, Indiana University Conference Bureau, Bloomington, IN 47405; (812) 855-4661.

The New England regional meeting of the American Conference for Irish Studies (ACIS) is held at Western State College on 15-16 October. Contact Catherine Shannon, History Department, Western State College, Westfield, CO 81086; (413) 568-3311.

The Mid-Atlantic regional meeting of the American Conference for Irish Studies (ACIS) meets on 12-13 November at Siena College. The theme is "The Irish in America." Contact Mary Fitzgerald-Hoey, English Department, Siena College, Loudonville, NY 12211-1462.

The Vermont Council on the Humanities holds its annual conference on 13-14 November at the Lake Morey Inn, Fairlee, Vermont. Participants will discuss "Justice, Honor, and Family" and friends after reading the Anachytes trilogy The Orestia. Contact Vermont Council on the Humanities, PO Box 36, Hyde Park, VT 05655 by 30 September.

The semiannual meeting of New England Archives (NEA) meets on 29-30 October at the Sherman Hotel in Portland, Maine. Contact Carolyn Eastman, Portsmouth Athenaeum, 9 Market Street, Portsmouth, NH 03801; (603) 431-2538.

The Schlesinger Library will host a conference on "New Viewpoints in Women's History" on 4-5 March. Contact Anne Herman, Schlesinger Library, 10 Garden Street, Cambridge, MA 02138; (617) 496-3832.

CONFERENCES MEETING ABROAD

The Canadian Association for American Studies will hold its 25th annual conference on 15-16 October in Halifax. The theme is "Engendering America," examining aspects of the politics of gender, the gender of politics. For information contact the conference organizer, Frances Early, History Department, Mount Saint Vincent University, Halifax, Nova Scotia B3M 2B6.

The International Commission for Maritime History holds its quinquennial congress in conjunction with the Congress of the International Commission of Historical Sciences in Munich in August 1995. Send proposals by 31 October to Skip Fischer, ICRM Secretary-General, Memorial University of Newfoundland, St. John's, N.F.L, A1C 5T7 Canada.

The British Association for American Studies conference meets on 8-11 April in Sheffield, UK. Contact Tim Armstrong, Department of English Literature, University of Sheffield, England, S10 2TN.

The Austrian Association for American Studies conference meets on 12-14 November at the University of Klagenfurt. Contact Heinz Tschachler, A900 Klagenfurt, Austria; (0463) 2700-331.

"The Anglo-Portuguese Alliance in History: Reappraisal," is a conference meeting at Clare College, Cambridge University, in 20-24 September. Contact Douglas Wheeler, History Department, University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH 03824-5586; (603) 862-3018.

The Eighth International General Conference on Medievalist Women's Studies on 22-25 September at the University of Leeds. Contact Leslie Wordman, English Department, Hope College, Holland, MI 49423; (616) 394-7626.

The North American Conference on British Studies meets jointly with the North East Conference for British Studies in Montreal in 1-3 October. Contact Fred M. Levenshall, History Department, Boston University, 226 Bay State Road, Boston, MA 02215; (617) 553-2551.

The International Committee of Historical Sciences holds its 18th Congress in Moscow on 22 August-3 September 1995. Contact Jean Quaissar, History Department, SUNY Binghamton, Binghamton, NY 13902.


FDR AFTER FIFTY YEARS

The second in a series of international and multidisciplinary conferences on America's greatest presidens will be held at Louisiana State University in Shreveport on 14-16 September 1995. The program committee welcomes papers on the life, times and legacy of Franklin D. Roosevelt. Selected papers will be published. Brief proposals (20 lines) with a short c.v. may be sent by 1 October 1994. Further conference themes in this series include George Washington (1998), Thomas Jefferson (2001) and Theodore Roosevelt 2002.
AUTHORS WANTED

The NEHA News, published by the New England Historical Association in October and April, invites contributions. Historians, conference program chairs, publishers, editors, exhibition directors and historical societies may submit relevant news items by writing to the Executive Secretary. Letters to the Editor are also solicited. Please feel free to do so!

Italian Americans, a multidisciplinary journal concerned with all aspects of the Italian experience in America, publishes articles, short stories, poetry, and book reviews. Founded in 1974 by Richard Gambino and Ernest Falbo, it is published in cooperation with the American Italian Historical Association. Submissions by historians, social scientists, literary critics, etc., are invited. For membership or manuscript information, contact Carol Bonomo Acum, University of Rhode Island, 199 Providence Street, Providence, RI 02908; (401) 277-3890.


CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS

"Drums A'beating, Tramp heels Sounding," the first museum exhibit to treat eighteenth-century North American powder horns as art objects rather than military accouterments, will be on display at the Connecticut Historical Society in Hartford from 16 November to 27 March.

Based on more than three decades of research by William H. Guthman, who was the guest curator and author of the exhibition catalogue (a 232-page hardcover book published by the CHS), this unusual exhibit includes 100 powder horns, engraved with intaglio designs, from 16 museums and private collections. A recreated eighteenth-century barracks gives visitors a sense of the military environment, as does the accompanying videoclip of muskets, rifles and cannons.

The exhibit moves to the Concord Museum in Concord, Massachusetts from 19 April to 15 November.

VERMONT HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS

Michael Sherman, director of the Vermont Historical Society in Montpelier, announced two awards to encourage new research in Vermont history.

The Weston A. Cate, Jr., Research Fellowship named in honor of the director of the VHS from 1975 to 1985, was awarded to William Gilmour-Ihle. His dissertation on "The Impact of Print Communications in Vermont to 1861" supports a broader thesis on the role of knowledge in the building of the republic of the United States. His dissertation will be published in Vermont History, the VHS quarterly journal.

The Ben B. Lane Award for the best article published in Vermont History in 1992 was given to Betsy Beatrice for "Migrating and Millworkers: The French Canadian Population of Burlington and Colchester, 1860-1870."

Current VHS exhibits include "Dear Camp: Last Light in the Northeast Kingdom" by John Miller (to November 7) and "Winning the War at Home: Vermont During World War II" (through December 1993).

For further information, contact Michael Sherman, VHS, 109 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05609-0901; (802) 828-2291.

The Vermont Historical Society also seeks articles for its quarterly journal, Contact Neil Stout, Department of History, University of Vermont, Burlington, VT 05409.

American Catholic Historical Association Annual Meetings

1994 * Holy Cross College 8-9 April

Popular Culture Association Annual Meeting

1994 * Chicago 6-9 April

Organization of American Historians Annual Meetings

1994 * Atlanta 14-17 April

1995 * Washinton, D.C. 30 March - 2 April

1996 * Chicago 28-31 March

1997 * San Francisco 17-20 April

Society of Historian of American Foreign Relations Annual Meeting

1994 * Bentley College 23-26 June
NEW HAMPSHIRE HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS

The New Hampshire Historical Society began a $4.2 million capital campaign to restore its Concord headquarters to its original function as a research library. The NHHS recently received a grant of $50,000 from the Lou and Lauta Smith Charitable Foundation and a $250,000 matching funds grant from the state legislature.

Current programs include a special exhibit featuring the NHHS's extraordinary collection of everyday arts and crafts, some dating back to the late-18th century. On display will be such hand-made items as trade signs, powder horns, toys, furniture, paintings, quilts, hooked rugs and samplers. This exhibit, "Valuable and Curious Arts: The Folk and Popular Tradition in New Hampshire," opens September 21 and is accompanied by related lectures and performances. For further information, call (603) 225-3381.

ROHDE ISLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY

This fall the Rhode Island Historical Society will host the exhibit "Pilgrims and Pioneers," which was organized by the Essex Record office in response to the Quincentenary of Columbus' first voyage to America. In connection with this exhibit two NEHA members will present lectures. Karen Kupperman (University of Connecticut) will repeat on September 25 a lecture she presented at Cheltenham Cathedral on "England and New England: The Essex Connection." On October 23 George Kellner (Rhode Island College) will provide an historical overview of Rhode Island immigrants, "From Haven to Closing the Gate."

For further information on these and other RIHS activities, contact Carol Spadacini, Rhode Island Historical Society, 110 Beacon Street, Providence, RI 02906; (401) 521-8575.

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

The U.S. Army Center of Military History offers fellowships each academic year to civilian graduate students preparing dissertations on the history of warfare. Fellows receive an $8,000 stipend and access to the Center's facilities and technical expertise. For information contact Dr. Clayton Laurie, CMH Dissertation Fellowship Committee, U.S. Army Center of Military History, 1009 14th St., NW, Washington, DC 20005; (202) 565-5390.

The Peabody Essex Museum (a consolidation of the Peabody Museum of Salem and the Essex Institute) offers fellowships to advanced scholars, graduate students, independent scholars, and library or museum professionals. Fellows who use library and museum collections for research and publication on New England history and culture will receive stipends and housing. Applications may be submitted by 31 January to Fellowship Program, Janine Duncan Phillips Library, Peabody Essex Museum, East India Square, Salem, MA 01970; (508) 745-1876.

The Pew Program in Religion and American History at Yale University announces a national fellowship and research grant competition for historians entering the college and university teaching profession whose scholarship stresses interdisciplinary relationships between religion and American history in any era and region from 1600 to 1980.

Fellowship and grant recipients will attend a conference at Yale in the spring of 1995. Fellowships are available to graduate students completing Ph.D. dissertations and faculty members completing first books. For information and applications write by 15 October 1993 to: Pew Program in Religion and American History, Yale University, PO Box 2160 Yale Station, New Haven, CT 06520-2160.

The Program in Agrarian Studies will offer visiting research fellowships for research on an agrarian theme from September 1994 to September 1995. The deadline for applications is 3 January 1994. Contact James C. Scott, Program in Agrarian Studies, 307 Yale Station, New Haven, CT 06520.

The Center for the Study of the American Constitution announces the now annual James Madison Prize for the best unpublished manuscript in Early American History. The author of the winning manuscript will receive $1,000, a medal, and publication of the manuscript by Madison House Publishers on behalf of the center. For further information, contact John P. Kaminski, Director, The Center for the Study of the American Constitution, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI 53706.

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IN MEMORIAM: LEWIS HANKE

Lewis Ulysses Hanke, professor emeritus of the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, died on March 26, 1993 at the age of 88. Elected president of the American Historical Association in 1974, it was fitting that he was the first Latin Americanist to be so honored. A tireless researcher and prolific writer, Dr. Hanke dedicated his professional life to developing Latin American history as a legitimate field of study. He was the author of two books on the Portuguese colonial period in Brazil, one on Brazil's role in the slave trade, and another on the history of mining in Latin America. His research focused on the economic and social development of Latin America from the colonial period to the present.

Dr. Hanke was born on January 2, 1905 in Oregon City, Oregon. After earning his B.S. and M.A. degrees from Northwestern University, he taught briefly at the University of Hawaii and then at the University of Vermont. During the early 1930s he began his research in the colonial archives of Spain on the life and writings of Bartolomé de las Casas, the Dominican priest who defended the Indians against Spanish cruelty in the sixteenth century. Dr. Hanke returned to the United States and received a Ph.D. in history from Harvard in 1936. While at Harvard he published The First Social Experiments in America: A Study of the Development of Spanish Indian Policy in the Sixteenth Century, which was recognized as a seminal work in the field.

In 1939 Dr. Hanke became the first director of the Hispanic Foundation at the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C. In 1951 he moved to the University of Texas at Austin as director of the Institute of Latin American Studies and professor of Latin American history. In 1965 he was elected president of the American Historical Association, becoming the first Latin Americanist to hold that position. Dr. Hanke's research and teaching focused on the history of Latin America, with particular emphasis on the Spanish colonial period and the development of capitalism in the region.

Dr. Hanke's contributions to the field of Latin American history were recognized with numerous awards and honors. He was a member of the American Historical Association, the Society for Mexican Studies, and the Organization of Americanists. In 1989 he was awarded the Distinguished Service Award from the American Historical Association, and in 1991 he was honored with the Distinguished Achievement Award from the American Institute of Latin American Studies.

Dr. Hanke died on March 18, 1993, survived by his wife, two sons, two daughters, thirteen grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren. He is remembered as a scholar whose work helped to shape the field of Latin American history and as a mentor to many young scholars in the field.
IN MEMORIAM: ABRAHAM L. SACHAR

Abraham Leon Sachar, author, historian and first president of Brandeis University, died on July 24 at his home in Newton, Massachusetts at age 94. Dr. Sachar was the Brandeis president from 1948 to 1968, and molded the new university as a major research institution and the only nonsectarian university sponsored by the American Jewish community.

Born in New York City in 1899 to immigrant parents, he grew up in St. Louis, Missouri, and earned his bachelor and master degrees in history at Washington University. In 1923 he earned his Ph.D. from Emmanuel College, Cambridge University. He then taught history at the University of Illinois for 24 years and founded the Hillel Foundation, serving as its chairman and national director.

Among his publications are A History of the Jews (1950); The Jew in the Contemporary World: Sufferance is the Badge (1939); The Course of Our Times (1972); At the Threshold of the Third Century (1975); a history of Brandeis University, A Host at Last (1976); and The Redemption of the Unwanted (1985).

Dr. Sachar leaves his wife, Thelma, and two sons, David B. and Howard M., and countless colleagues, students and friends sad at his passing.

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