CALL FOR PAPERS

The Tenth Annual North American Labor History Conference will be held at Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan, on 20-22 October 1988. The program committee is now soliciting suggestions for papers, sessions, special events, and featured speakers. It is hoped that the program will include sessions dealing with Canadian and European labour history as well as American. Proposals relating to other geographical areas are also welcome. The deadline is 1 June 1988. Please contact Christopher H. Johnson, Department of History, Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan, 48202.

Histoire au Present is organizing its fourth annual conference to be held in Paris, May 1988. The theme will be “Revolt and Society.” The aims of the conference are to promote the work of young researchers, to raise methodological problems and questions, and to open historical research to a wider public. More information will be forthcoming, and readers are invited to contact Michel Trebitsch, Colloque “Revolte et Society,” 5, rue de Saintogne, 75003 Paris, France.


Afin de faciliter les échanges, le comité d’organisation a retenu les questions suivantes: changements technologiques et contrôle ouvrier; femmes, travail et technologie; culture ouvrière et technologie; informatique, bureautique, robotique; crise du capitalisme dans les années ’80 et re-deploiement technologique; technologie et desindustrialisation regionale; technologie et strategies syndicales. Pour plus d’information: Bettina Bradbury (343-7292), Robert Tremblay (388-7400), Jean-Francois Cardin (679-8332) et Denise Baillargeon (769-4001).

CONFERENCES

The Social Science History Association will be holding its thirteenth annual meeting 3-6 November 1988, at the Bismark Hotel, Chicago. The contact person for the Labor History session is Walter Licht, Department of History, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA, 19104.

The J.S. Woodsworth Conference will be held in Vancouver, 22-23 April 1988. It is an inter-disciplinary conference, gathering in history, political economy, politics, education, and
religious studies, and organized under the auspices of Simon Fraser University's J.S. Woodsworth Endowment Fund in the Humanities. The objectives will be to critically examine the life, thought, and practice of J.S. Woodsworth, and to reflect on the issues raised by his vision of a better world through enlightened humanistic thinking, education, and social responsibility. The conference is in two parts, one in the form of on-campus seminars, the other in the form of public lectures. Scholars and lay people are welcome. For further information, contact Allen Seager, Conference Coordinator, Department of History, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, B.C., V5A 1S6.

The Canadian Industrial Relations Association is organizing the first regional congress of the Americas of the International Industrial Relations Association in Quebec City, August 1988. More information is available from the CIRA ad elsewhere in the journal, or from Madame Micheline Gravel, Faculté des Sciences sociales, Université Laval, Ste-Foy, Quebec, Canada, G1K 7P4.

The thirteenth annual meeting of the Economic and Business Historical Society will be held in Toronto, April 28-30 1988. The Society encourages interdisciplinary scholarship in the areas of business and economic history, and the application of historical concepts to business issues. The annual meeting of the Society provides an opportunity for personal contact, paper presentations, and other activities. For more information, contact Christine Rosen, President and Program Chair, EBHS, School of Business Administration, University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, CA, 94720.

The theme of the ninth annual Lowell Conference on Industrial History is "People at Work." The conference will meet in the fall of 1988 in Lowell, Massachusetts. Papers will address a wide range of topics, from changing work process to relationships of gender and ethnicity to work. For more information, please contact Edward Jay Pershey, Paul E. Tsongas Industrial History Center, Boott Mill #8, Foot of John St., Lowell MA, 01852.

The Internationale Tagung der Historiker der Arbeiterbewegung has changed the dates of the 1988 conference. The conference will be held in Linz, 6-10 September. The themes will be problems of the political formation of the working class, and the labour movement and ecology. The deadline for papers is 15 May 1988. Those interested in attending or participating should contact G.S. Kealey, Department of History, Memorial University, St. John’s, Newfoundland, A1C 5S7.

The 19th Annual Conference on the International Association of Labour History Institutions will be held at Zurich, 12-15 September. The conference is organized by Schweizerisches Sozialarchiv. The theme will be "Sources of social history in Switzerland". There shall be debates on the following topics: industrial archeology, trade union and industrial archives, illustrations, computer in the archives. For more information, contact Schweizerisches Sozialarchiv, Stadelhoferstr. 12, 8001 Zürich.

PUBLICATIONS

The Spring issue of Archivaria (Number 27), the journal of the Association of Canadian Archivists, will be a special issue devoted to "Documenting Labour." It will include six to seven articles exploring the development of labour archives in Canada, various aspects of current archival practice in the labour field, the importance of non-trade union records as a source for labour history, and related subjects. Anyone interested in contributing to this special issue should contact the guest co-editors: John Bell and Rod Young, Archivaria, c/o National Archives of Canada, 395 Ellington Street, Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 0N3.

EDUCATION

The Department of History at Carnegie Mellon University has a new program in Social History as well as its established Applied History program. Both programs have masters and doctoral levels. For further information, contact Professor David W. Miller, Director of Graduate
The John Dryer Collection at the Wayne State University Archives of Labor and Urban Affairs, is now open for research. This is one of the premier collections on the development of American Trotskyism. Part One includes Dryer’s papers, primarily from the 1930s and 1940s, while Part Two contains the papers of Martin Abern, who along with James Cannon and Max Shachtman helped found American Trotskyism. The entire collection consists of 16 manuscript boxes, related library materials, and over 35 photographs. A guide to the collection, subtitled "From the origins of Bolshevism in America through the Trotskyist movement to Marxist-Humanism," outlines the contents in detail.

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