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Preface

The 30th annual meeting of the Business History Conference took place on 8-10 March 1984 in Hartford, Connecticut. The invitation to meet in Connecticut was initiated by Fred Carstensen (University of Connecticut at Storrs) who oversaw the venture from beginning to end. He, together with Gerald Gunderson (Trinity College, Hartford), managed the flawless local arrangements, which included a tour of the Pratt and Whitney plant in Hartford and gracious hospitality to banquets at the University of Connecticut at Storrs and Trinity College. After dinner at the Benton Art Museum of the University of Connecticut, we were addressed by Dr. Badi Foster, President, Aetna Institute. The Presidential Address by Paul Uselding was delivered the following evening at Trinity College. The program for these meetings was put together by our President-Elect, Irene Neu.

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