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## Preface

The six papers published in this issue were selected from those presented at the 41st annual meeting of the Business History Conference held in Ft. Lauderdale in March 1995. The editorial committee was comprised of Bill Becker, Ed Perkins, and Jeremy Attack. The authors were given time to extend and revise their papers. By vote of the editorial committee, Kenneth Lipartito's paper, "Culture and the Practice of Business History," has been awarded the Newcomen Prize for 1995. The award will be bestowed formally at the meeting in Columbus in March 1996.

We will continue the practice of producing two issues of *Business and Economic History* in 1996, with selection procedures for the second issue similar to this year's procedures.

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Will Hausman, January 1996

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