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## Preface

The 31st annual meeting of the Business History Conference took place on 14-16 March 1985 in New York thanks to the initiative and drive of Barbara Kohn. She first suggested New York as a meeting site for 1985 two years ago and worked diligently organizing the local business community to support us and co-opting friends and colleagues to help with the arrangements. These local arrangements worked flawlessly thanks to her and her colleagues: H. Peers Brewer at Manufacturers Hanover Trust Company, Deborah Gardener at the New York Stock Exchange, Bara Levin at Chemical Bank, and Anne Van Camp at Chase Manhattan Bank, N.A..

The program for these meetings was put together by Morton Rothstein, our President-Elect, while Wayne Broehl organized the successful reintroduction of a dissertation session to our annual meetings. Our President, Irene Neu, delivered the Presidential Address.

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