FOREWORD

HIS biographical directory, the second in the history of the Economic History Association, was authorized by the trustees in the spring of 1977. In May of that year a biographical form (see facsimile, p. x) and instructions were mailed to individual members of the Association along with the announcement of the annual meeting and the ballot for election of officers. For a variety of reasons the response to the original request was unusually poor. Fewer than 25 percent of the members had returned the form by the initial deadline of June 30. Duplicate forms and instructions were mailed at the end of July to those members who failed to respond to the first, with a new deadline of August 15. Response was somewhat better to the second mailing, but as a result of summer displacements and other factors, many members either did not receive or did not return their forms. We regret the omissions, whether unavoidable or as a result of oversight or negligence. We extended the second deadline until copy went to press and even afterward. Some biographies were added at gallevproof stage, and those that arrived too late for that are included in a special supplement after the alphabetical listing. Other members are listed by name and address only.

For reasons of economy we had hoped to be able to set type directly from the biographical forms. Because so many members who returned their forms failed to follow instructions, that proved to be impossible, and we incurred additional expense and encountered additional delays in preparing copy for the press. For the same reason the information in some biographies is incomplete; nor can we guarantee the accuracy of the data.

In general, the information in the biographies follows the same order as that requested on the form. We have frequently used abbreviations for reasons of economy. When a person's address is evident from his or her title or position, we have not spelled it out completely; otherwise we have, following the notation Add.

Much of the labor involved in the preparation of this directory has been performed by Assistant Editor Cynthia Walsh, assisted by part-time employees Robert G. Goggin and W. Jefferson Williamson. While we have endeavored to provide the best directory possible under the circumstances, we realize that many imperfections remain. We trust, nevertheless, that members and other users will find it of value.

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