

HISTORY WORKSHOP

3-7 FEBRUARY 1978

FINAL PROGRAMME

Note: All seminars in CB 8 unless otherwise indicated. Other venues in brackets.

THURSDAY 2/2

- 7.00 pm Grand opening of "Randlords and Rotgut" (The Nunnery, Wits) (Please note the time).
- 9.15 pm Registration & Cheese and Wine party with welcome by Professor Karl Tober in "Top of the Campus" (Staff Canteen).

FRIDAY 3/2

1st Session - free.

- 10.15 am Tea (CB 8)
- 10.45 am - 12.45 pm Seminar 1: Domestic Labour and Rand Capitalism

Chairperson: Phyllis Lewsen
 Discussant: Jeff Guy
 Papers: ✓ Charles van Onselen: "The Witches of Suburbia: Black Servants and White Mistresses on the Rand 1890-1914".
 ✓ Debbie Gaitskell: "Missionary dealings with African women Domestic Servants".

12.45 pm Lunch (Sunnyside Residence).

2.00 pm - 4.00 pm Seminar 2: White Workers on the Rand

Chairperson: Alec Erwin
 Discussant: ✓ Rick Johnstone
 Papers: ✓ David Ticktin: "Political Intimidation by Rand Mineowners with Particular Reference to the Strange Political Career, 1902-1907, of Thomas Ratcliffe, a Miners' Spokesman".
 ✓ Rob Davies: "The 1922 Strike on the Rand and the Political Economy of South Africa".
 ✓ Elaine Katz: "Pthisis and the White Working Class on the Rand".
 John Lewis: "The 1932 Germiston by-election: The Ditching of the White Working-class".

* Add in; → 2 papers
 * Cut out but available later. →
 * Add in; → Ann O'Quigley: 2/.....
 "While TUs on the Rand"

- ① Did anyone take programmes (pub & private + R, R).
- ② 1a) Duplicating. R6/R2.
- ③ Payment.
- ④ Phyllis Kewen's papers.
- ⑤ Photographic exhibition
- ⑥ Charpeople / discussions

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THE WITWATERSRAND: LABOUR, TOWNSHIPS AND PATTERNS OF PROTEST

UNIVERSITY OF THE WITWATERSRAND, JOHANNESBURG

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FINAL PROGRAMME FOR SEMINAR PARTICIPANTS

NOTE

We hope that over the five days of the Workshop, a sense of continuity, not to mention creativity will develop amongst participants; and so we urge you to read as many of the papers as you can; to take an active part in discussion; and to attend most, if not all, of the events the Workshop has to offer.

We regret that we are going to have to charge a registration fee, to cover the costs of lunches and other extras. This will be R6 for salaried individuals, and R2 for students and others on low incomes. We also hope that you will donate generously to "Randlords and Rotgut" on the opening night - the cast is entirely unpaid.

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Gillian Burke & Peter Richardson:
"The Migration of Miners' Pthisis
between Cornwall and the Transvaal,
1876-1918".

4.00 pm Tea (CB 8)

5.15 pm Rick Johnstone will give a public lecture on
"Class, Race and Gold" (SHB 5).

8.15 pm An evening of slides, tapes and film of the gold
mining industry (SHB 4).

8.15 pm "Randlords and Rotgut" (The Nunnery, Wits).

SATURDAY 4/2

8.15 am - 10.15 am Seminar 3: Structures of Control

Chairperson: Peter Kallaway

Discussant: Charles van Onselen

Papers: ✓ Sean Moroney: "Compounds in the
Gold mining Industry".
✓ Kent McNamara: "The Development
of a Recruitment Infrastructure".

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Eddie Koch: "State Coercion and
the Political Economy of the
Witwatersrand 1886-1914".

✓ Robin Hallett: "Policemen, Pimps
and Prostitutes - Public Morality
and Police Corruption. Cape Town
1902-1904.

10.15 am Tea (CB 8)

*add in Vivian Solomon, "Merchants, Maguells
& Monopolists!"*

10.45 am - 12.45 pm Seminar 4: Early Labour Organisation

Chairperson: Eddie Webster

Discussant: Alec Erwin

Papers: ✓ Phil Bonner: "The 1920 Black
Mineworkers Strike".

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Crain Soudien: "The ICU in
Johannesburg". ✓ *The IWA*

✓ Robin Cohen: "Albert Nzula: The
Road from Rouxville to Russia".

✓ Rick Johnstone: "The IWA on the
Rand 1917-19".

12.45 pm Lunch (Sunnyside Residence)

add in Mark Stein 'Black Trade Unionism'

2.00 pm - 4.00 pm Seminar 5: Social Control in the Work Place on the
Rand

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Chairperson: ~~David Lewis~~ Taffy Adler.

Discussant: Eddie Webster

Papers:

✓ Dunbar Moodie: "The rules are there to protect those in power only": Structures of Domination on a South African Gold Mine".

✓ Auret van Heerden: "Informal Worker Organisation - The effect of the Soweto Riots".

✓ Metal and Allied Workers Union: "Workers under the Batton. An examination of the Labour Dispute at Heinemann Electric Company".

✓ The Glass and Allied Workers Union: "Report on the Strike at Armourplate Safety Glass - the first legal strike by African Workers in South Africa".

- 4.00 pm Tea (CB 8)
- 6.00 pm "Randlords and Rotgut" (The Nunnery, Wits).
- 8.30 pm Party (Postgraduate Club, Wits Campus).
- 9.00 pm "Randlords and Rotgut" (The Nunnery, Wits).

MONDAY 6/2

8.15 am - 10.15 am Seminar 6: Imperialism and Underdevelopment

Chairperson: Belinda Bozzoli

Discussant: Ian Phimister

Papers: ~~Vivian Solomon: "Merchants, Magnates and Monopolists - Johannesburg and the Shipping Ring 1902-1904".~~

add in: Talk on faction fights in Bulawayo.

10.15 am Tea (CB 8)

10.45 am - 12.45 pm Seminar 7: Early Townships, Protest and Control

Chairperson: ~~Taffy Adler~~ *huli*

Discussant: ~~David Lewis~~ *BB & P Kallaway*

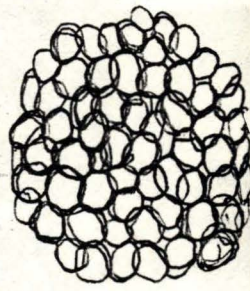
Papers: ✓ Alf Stadler: "Birds in the Cornfield: Squatter Movements in Johannesburg, 1944-1947".

✓ Tim Couzens: "Modikwe Dikobe and the Culture of Doornfontein".

✓ *Paul Rich:*

✓ Andre Proctor: "A History of Sophiatown and its People 1905-1940".

✓ Chris Saunders: "The Creation of Ndabeni: Urban Segregation, Social Control and African Resistance".



- 12.45 pm Lunch (Sunnyside Residence).
- 2.00 pm - 4.00 pm Rick Johnstone: Seminar on Class Analysis in South Africa (CM 333).
- 4.00 pm Tea
- 5.15 pm Charles van Onselen will give a public lecture on "Regiment of the Hills": Johannesburg Lumpenproletarian Army. (SHB 5).
- 8.15 pm "Randlords and Rotgut" (The Nunnery, Wits).
- 8.15 pm An evening of films and discussion on the theme of townships on the Rand presented by former City Councillor, Patrick Lewis and Professor A Stadler (SHB 5).

TUESDAY 7/2

8.15 am - 10.15 am Seminar 8: Townships, Protest and Control Post 1950

- Chairperson: Ian Phimister
- Discussant: Dunbar Moodie
- Papers:
 - Richard de Villiers: "The State, the Jhb Municipality and the Reserve Army".
 - ✓ Maynard Swanson: "Johannesburg Native Administration in the 1950's".
 - ✓ Philip Frankel: "Status, Group Consciousness and Political Participation: Black Consciousness in Soweto".
 - ✓ Johann Maree: "Coloured and African Squatters in Greater Cape Town 1970-77".
 - ✓ David Harris: "Anatomy of a Revolt".

10.15 am Tea (CB 8)

10.45 am - 12.45 pm Seminar 9: Cultural Alternatives to Hegemony

- Chairperson: Dunbar Moodie
- Discussant: Mike Kirkwood
- Papers:
 - ✓ Isabel Hofmeyr: "The Mad Poets: An analysis of an early sub-tradition of Johannesburg Literature and its subsequent developments".
 - ✓ David Coplan: "The African Performer and the Johannesburg Entertainment Industry: The Struggle for African Culture on the Witwatersrand".
 - ✓ Kelwyn Sole: "Johannesburg in the Fifties: The Black Writer and his Milieu".



- ✓ Franco Frescura: "A History of Vrededorp".
- ✓ Heather Hughes: "Editorial Policy of Bantu World under Dr J M Nhlapo 1952-1937".

- 12.45 pm Lunch (Sunnyside Residence).
- 1.15 pm Franco Frescura will present a slide show on the rise and decline of Vrededorp (SHB 5).
- 5.15 pm - 6.30 pm John Lewis will present a slide show on the history of the Garment Workers Union, with a talk by him (SHB 5).
- 8.15 pm "Randlords and Rotgut" (The Nunnery, Wits).
- 8.15 pm Charles van Onselen will give a public lecture on "The Witches of Suburbia; Black Servants and White Mistresses on the Rand, 1890 - 1914" (SHB 5).

Throughout the Workshop there will be a photographic exhibition on: "Working Class Life and Culture on the Rand", which will be in the Wartenweiler Library Gallery.

David Collins: "The African Per-
 spective on the Johannesburg
 garment industry: The struggle
 for a better life in the
 culture of Johannesburg".