

NEW HORIZONS IN ORAL HISTORY

*Ninth Annual
Oral History Colloquium*

JACKSON HOLE, WYOMING
September 13-15, 1974



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FRIDAY, September 13

3:15-4:45 p.m. USEFULNESS OF ORAL HISTORY: WHAT ORAL HISTORY REVEALS THAT THE WRITTEN RECORD DOES NOT

Alice Hoffman, Coordinator, Oral History Project, Pennsylvania State University and Karen Budd, Assistant Coordinator, Oral History Project, Pennsylvania State University, *Labor Massacre of 1937, A Case for Oral History*

6:00 p.m. Cocktails and Social Hour

7:00 p.m. Dinner

8:30 p.m. Keynote Address, Harrison Salisbury, former Moscow correspondent and associate editor for the New York Times

10:00 p.m. Informal conversation, no-host bar

SATURDAY, September 14

8:00 a.m. Breakfast

8:45 a.m. ORAL HISTORY PROJECTS ON WOMEN IN THE WEST: NEW PERSPECTIVES ON WOMEN

Gwendolyn Safier, University of California, San Francisco, *An Oral History of Nursing*

Clara Shipser, Former California Democratic National Committeewoman, Estes Kefauver and Adlai Stevenson Campaigns: *Women in Politics*

Convenor: Willa Baum, Director, Regional Oral History Project, University of California, Berkeley

DO ORAL HISTORIANS EXPLOIT THEIR SUBJECTS?

Horace Marden Albright, National Park Services; Narrator for several oral history projects

Jacqueline Hall, University of North Carolina

Charles Morrissey, Director, Vermont Historical Society

A PRELIMINARY REPORT ON THE 1974 SURVEY OF ORAL HISTORY IN TEACHING

Thomas Charlton, Baylor University, *In Graduate Teaching*

Johnye Mathews, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, *In Undergraduate Teaching*

John Neuenschwander, Carthage College, *In High School Teaching*

10:00 a.m. Coffee-tea-juice and informal question-answer period—Pick up beverage and go to a discussion group

Discussion Leaders:

Elizabeth Mason, Associate Director, Oral History Research Office, Columbia University

Waddy Moore, Director, Oral History Office, State College of Arkansas

10:00 a.m. (continued) William Wyatt, Director of Research, Western Health Systems, South Dakota

Rev. Thomas Blantz, C.S.C., University Archivist, University of Notre Dame

Samuel Hand, University of Vermont—special session on Oral History Association publications

Bernie Galm and Joel Fischer, Oral History Office, University of California, Los Angeles—special session on visual aids to oral history

11:00 a.m. Concurrent sessions on Western Region Oral History Themes

ORAL HISTORY PROSPECTS IN WESTERN CONSERVATION

Claus M. Naske, University of Alaska, *Alaska and the Energy Crisis: The Great Land's Fuel Potential, It All Depends On Whom You Talk To*

James Williams, Gavilan College, *Technology and the Mind-set of the California Citizen*

INTERNATIONAL DIRECTIONS FROM A WESTERN BASE: ORAL HISTORY AND THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF THE LATTER DAY SAINTS (MORMON)

William Hartley, LDS Historical Department, *Unique Dimensions of a Church-Sponsored Program*

Charles Ursenback, LDS Interviewer, Calgary, Canada, *Documenting Mormon Colonization and Contributions in Alberta*

Gordon Irving, LDS Historical Department, Head of the Latin America Project, *The LDS Latin America Project*

John Stables, LDS Genealogical Society, *Oral Genealogy in the South Pacific*

THE HISTORY OF MINING AS DOCUMENTED THROUGH TAPED INTERVIEWS

Hon. Eva B. Adams, Former Director of the Mint, interviewed by the University of Colorado

Session Convenor: Mary Ellen Glass, University of Nevada, Reno

12:30 p.m. Lunch: Speaker, Merle Miller, author of *Plain Speaking*

1:30 p.m. Free afternoon for various activities available through the lodge

5:30 p.m. Cocktails

6:30 p.m. Dinner

7:30 p.m. Robert Menninger, Menninger Foundation: PSYCHOLOGICAL ASPECTS OF ORAL HISTORY: THE PHENOMENON OF MEMORY AND THE THERAPEUTIC ASPECTS OF ORAL HISTORY

8:45 p.m. O.H.A. business meeting and remarks by Samuel Proctor, new O.H.A. president

10:00 p.m. Mixer (band and no-host bar)

SUNDAY, September 15

8:00 a.m. Breakfast

8:45 a.m. Concurrent Sessions on Oral History of Ethnic Minorities

ORAL HISTORY AND ASIAN STUDIES

Arthur Hansen, California State University, Fullerton

Joseph Chen, California State University, Northridge

Betty Mitson, California State University, Fullerton

Don Estes, San Diego City College

ORAL HISTORY OF SPANISH SPEAKING PEOPLE: SPECIAL SITUATIONS IN INTERVIEWING

Eugenia Meyer, Director, Programa De Historia Oral, Mexico

Enid Douglas, Director, Oral History Program, Claremont Graduate School

10:00 a.m. Coffee-tea-juice break—Pick up beverage, move to next session

10:15 a.m. Concurrent Sessions on Oral History of Ethnic Minorities

BASQUES: A SPECIAL WESTERN MINORITY

David Lachiando, Boise High School

Richard Etulain, Idaho State University

THE USE OF ORAL HISTORY IN DOCUMENTING INDIAN HISTORY

Floyd O'Neil, American West Center, University of Utah

Winona Holmes, Assistant Director, Intertribal Council of Nevada History Project

JEWISH IMMIGRANTS IN PITTSBURGH: USING VOLUNTEERS TO STAFF AN ORAL HISTORY PROJECT

Marcia Frummerman, National Council of Jewish Women's Oral History Project

Mrs. Robert Dickman, Chairperson, National Council of Jewish Women's Oral History Project

11:30 a.m. WESTERN SENSE OF COMMUNITY

Robert Hine, History Department, University of California, Riverside, *California's Communes: Oral History and Mystery*

1:00 p.m. Lunch

1:45 p.m. Check out

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Jackson Hole, Wyoming

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THURSDAY, September 12

- 1:00 p.m. REGISTRATION BEGINS Coffee Available
3:00 p.m. INTRODUCTION TO THE WORKSHOP
Welcome to Participants
Charles W. Crawford, President
Oral History Association
Workshop Schedule and Organization
William W. Moss, Director
Oral History Workshop
- 3:30 p.m. WORKSHOP SESSION NO. 1: *THE VARIETY, VALUE AND USES OF ORAL HISTORY*
Mary Ellen Glass
University of Nevada
Discussant: William F. Moss
John F. Kennedy Library
An introductory lecture focusing on the meaning, definition and significance of oral history, its historical development, the variety of oral history projects, its historical value, and the uses to which it is put by historians and other scholars.
- 4:30 p.m. WORKSHOP SESSION NO. 2: *INTERVIEW PLANNING, THEORY AND TECHNIQUE*
Maclyn P. Burg
Dwight D. Eisenhower Library
Discussant: Mary Ellen Glass
University of Nevada
A lecture on interview planning, theory and technique, with emphasis on the contributory value of preparation, selection of interviewers and interviewees, conduct of interviews, and mutual understandings between interviewers and interviewees as to what it is they are doing for history.
- 5:30 p.m. BREAK
6:00 p.m. SUPPER SESSION: *ESTABLISHING A PROGRAM*
Benis M. Frank
Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps
Discussant: William W. Moss
John F. Kennedy Library
Determining the scope and focus of a program with suggestions on the characteristics of good interviewers, transcribers and editors, and the relationship of a program to the primary and secondary sources and to the institutions that sponsor oral history programs.
- 7:30 p.m. WORKSHOP SESSION NO. 4: *PROCESSING RECORDED INTERVIEWS*
Ann M. Campbell
Federal Archives and Records Ctr.,
San Bruno, California
Discussant: Benis M. Frank
Hdqtrs., U.S. Marine Corps
A detailed description of the processing steps required to prepare a taped record for deposit in a collection and for use by researchers, with some emphasis on the kinds of records and the variety of practices observed by different programs.
- 8:30 p.m. QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION NO. 1
Glass, Burg, Frank, Campbell, Moss
The Workshop faculty will be divided into groups and will be available for informal discussion of topics of concern to those attending the workshop. This session should be limited to material covered during the previous four sessions.
- 9:30 p.m. BREAK—During and after which informal discussion may be continued as participants and staff desire

FRIDAY, September 13

- 7:30 a.m. BREAKFAST
8:30 a.m. WORKSHOP SESSION NO. 5: *THE RESEARCH USE OF ORAL HISTORY*
Enid Douglas
Claremont Graduate School
Discussant: Ann M. Campbell
Federal Archives and Records Ctr.
San Bruno, California
The modes of dissemination of oral history interviews to the research public, from restricted use in a single depository to interlibrary loan, microfilming and publication, and the preparation of finding aids, catalogs and indices.
- 9:30 a.m. WORKSHOP SESSION NO. 6: *MANAGEMENT AND FINANCE*
Johnye Mathews
University of Arkansas
Discussant: Amelia R. Fry
University of California
The variety of styles of organization and requirements of program managers from the large institutional programs to small, local and freelance projects; information on the relative costs of various alternatives; what you get for your money and how much you need to spend, and where you might be able to get the funding.
- 10:30 a.m. BREAK Coffee Available
11:00 a.m. WORKSHOP SESSION NO. 7: *ETHICAL AND LEGAL ASPECTS OF ORAL HISTORY*
Amelia R. Fry
University of California
Discussants: William W. Moss
John F. Kennedy Library
Enid Douglas
Claremont Graduate School
The ethical relationship among program managers, staffs, interviewers, interviewees and their responsibilities to the public; information on the requirements and practices of legal agreements and deeds, including the problem of literary property rights.
- 12:00 noon LUNCH
12:30 p.m. LUNCH SESSION: *THE FUTURE OF ORAL HISTORY*
William W. Moss
John F. Kennedy Library
Discussants: Maclyn P. Burg
Dwight D. Eisenhower Library
Mary Ellen Glass
University of Nevada
A speculative inquiry into the prospects for oral history with some consideration of the proliferation of projects, quality of products, the possibility of developments in simultaneous audio and visual modes, and some thoughts on oral history as history rather than information collecting.
- 1:30 p.m. QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION NO. 2.
Glass, Burg, Frank, Campbell, Moss,
Douglas, Mathews, Fry
The workshop faculty will again be divided into groups and will be available for informal discussion on topics of concern to participants, whether arising in the morning sessions or the previous day or topics not covered by the workshop.

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