

Other Voices Other Rooms: Cross-Cultural and Cross-Disciplinary Perspectives on Oral History

COLLOQUIUM OF THE ORAL HISTORY ASSOCIATION

Savannah Inn

October 19-22, 1978

Savannah, Georgia

The Thirteenth National Colloquium On Oral History

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1978

9:00 A M - 5:00 P M

Registration for Colloquium (Marine Directors Room)

12:00 Noon:

Luncheon (Ballroom A)

"Oral History and Photographic Analysis" Michael Lesy, author of Wisconsin Death Trip.

1:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.

University

Equipment Display and Demonstration (Saint Andrews Room)

Representatives of leading manufacturers of recording, transcribing and related oral history equipment will be present to demonstrate their latest models and to answer questions concerning operation and purchase.

3:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M. Concurrent Sessions A. ORAL HISTORY AND THE NEW SOCIAL HISTORY (Savannah Room) Chairperson: Cullom Davis, Sangamon State

> "Oral History, Quantification and the New Social History" Richard Jensen, Director, Family and Community History Center, Newberry Library

Comment: Rudolph Bell, Rutgers University

B. TEACHING ORAL HISTORY: EVALUATING THE **EXPERIENCE** (Ballroom C)

Chairperson: Gwendolyn Safier, School of Medicine, University of California, San Francisco

"Interfacing Two Institutions through Oral History" David Williams, California State University, Long Beach

"The Neighborhood Perspective: Needs and Opportunities" Jean Scarpaci, Towson State University

"Teaching an Oral History Institute: Four Summers in Vermont" Amelia Fry, Regional Oral History Office, University of California, Berkeley

C. ORAL HISTORY AND BLACK GENEOLOGY: THE KINTE - ROOTS PROJECT

(Augusta National Room)

Moderator: Alferdteen Harrison, Jackson State

Panelists: Herman Blake, Provost, University of California, Santa Cruz

James Dwyer, Executive Director, Alex Haley-Roots Foundation

5:00 P.M.

No Host Bar (Ballroom A)

7:00 P.M.

Dinner (Ballrooms A and B)

"Welcome" Waddy Moore, President, Oral History Association

"Oral History and the Old Left". Vivian Gornick, author of The Romance of American Communism.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1978

8:30 A.M.

Business Meeting: Annual Meeting of The Oral History Association (Ballroom A)

9:30 A.M. - 11:00 A.M. Concurrent Sessions A. INTERDISCIPLINARY PERSPECTIVES ON INTER-VIEWING FIELDWORK (Savannah Room)

Chairperson: John Neuenschwander, Carthage College

"Interviewing in Anthropology" Sidney Mintz, Johns Hopkins University

"Interviewing in Sociology" Aaron Cicourel, University of California, San Diego

"Interviewing in Linguistics" William Samarin, University of Toronto

B. ORAL HISTORY OF RACIAL CRISES (Augusta National Room) Chairperson: John Fox, Salem State College

"Saint Augustine: The Literature and the Experience" David Colburn, University of Florida

"Little Rock: Insiders and Outsiders" Elizabeth Jacoway, University of Arkansas, Little Rock

Comment: George Wright, University of Kentucky

C. ORAL HISTORIES OF SOUTHERN WORKING WOMEN

(Ballroom C)

Chairperson: Jacquelyn Hall, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

"Culture, Class and Christianity in a Cotton Mill Dale Newman, University of Pittsburgh

"Sisters Under the Skin: The Conflict Between Race and Class Among Southern Working Women" Dolores Janiewski, Duke University

Comment: Judith Smith, Brown University

11:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M. Concurrent Sessions A. THE ARTICULATION AND PRESENTATION OF WORKING CLASS CONSCIOUSNESS IN ORAL HISTORY

(Savannah Room)

Chairperson: Ronald Grele, New Jersey Historical Commission

"Historical Dialogue and Consciousness" Peter Friedlander, Wayne State University

"The Presentation of Consciousness: The New York Times and the Buffalo Unemployed" Michael Frisch, State University of New York, Buffalo

Comment: Paul Buhle, Radical America

B. ORAL HISTORY AND THE AMERINDIAN: THE PROBLEMS OF CROSS CULTURAL INTERVIEWING

(Augusta National Room) Chairperson and Commentator: David Beaulieu, University of Minnesota

"The Mohawk: A Video Presentation" Raymond Daum, Teachers College, Columbia University

"Anthropological and Historical Fieldwork among the Eskimo" Stephanie Fox, University of Alaska

C. ORAL HISTORY AND PRESERVATION: PRELUDE TO THE TOUR

(Ballroom C)

Chairperson: Constance Ashton Myers, University of South Carolina, Aiken

"Colonial Williamsburg's Oral History Program: Background and Functions" Paul Hensley, Colonial Williamsburg

"Oral History and Historic Savannah Preservation, Inc." Mills B. Lane, IV, Beehive Press, Savannah, Georgia

Comment: Elric Endersby, Princeton History Project, Princeton, New Jersey

12:30 P.M.

Luncheon Session (Ballroom A) "Interviewing on Illegal Activities"

Francis A. J. Ianni, Horace Mann-Lincoln Institute, Teachers College, Columbia University

1:30 P.M. - 4:00 P.M. Choice of Tours

(1) Tour of Historic Savannah

(2) Captain Samuel Stevens's Savannah River Cruise

5:30 P.M.

Cocktail Party (Ballroom A)

Host: Microfilming Corporation

of America

7:00 P.M.

Dinner

(Ballrooms A and B)

"Remarks"

William Moss, President Elect, Oral History Association

Entertainment: Inspirational Voices, Bethlehem Baptist Church

8:30 P.M. - 10:00 P.M.

Plenary Session (Ballroom C)

ORAL HISTORY METHODOLOGY

(Ballroom C)

Chairperson: William Moss, John F. Kennedy Library

Panelists: Jan Vansina, University of Wisconsin

Saul Benison, University of Cincinnati

Lawrence Goodwyn, Duke University

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1978

8:30 A.M. - 10:00 A.M. Concurrent Sessions
A. ORAL HISTORY AND FAMILY HISTORY
(Augusta National Room)
Chairperson: Virginia Yans McLaughlin, Rutgers
University

"Survey Interviewing on Women and the Family" D'Ann Campbell, Newberry Library

"The Folklore of the Family" Margaret Yocum, George Mason University

Comment: Carol Lopate, Coordinator of Womens Studies, Sarah Lawrence College

B. UPSTAIRS, DOWNSTAIRS: TWO CULTURES (Ballroom C)
Chairperson: Louis Silveri, Assumption College

"The Servant Girl in New York City" Karen Kearnes, City University of New York

"Failed Promises: Southern Black Maids and World War II" Victoria Bazzola Lewis, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

"Another View of the Big House" Otis Johnson, Savannah State College

C. THE FEDERAL WRITERS PROJECT INTERVIEWS: EVALUATIONS

(Savannah Room) Chairperson and Commentator: George Rawick, University of Missouri, St. Louis

"The Problems of the Histories: A Memoir" Leonard Rapport, National Archives and Records Service

"The Living Lore and Ethnic Studies Interviews" Ann Banks, Boston College

"The Southern Life Histories"
Jerrold Hirsch, University of North Carolina, Chapel
Hill
Tom E. Terrill, University of South Carolina

10:30 A.M. - 12:00 Noon Plenary Session (Ballroom C)

EVALUATION OF ORAL HISTORY PROJECTS AND STANDARDS FOR ORAL HISTORIANS Chairperson: Enid Douglass, Claremont Graduate School

"An Outsider Looks at Oral Histories"

Joseph Roddy, Consultant, Rockefeller Foundation

Panelists: Alice Hoffman, Pennsylvania State University Joel Gardner, UCLA James Hammack, Murray State University

This panel is designed to stimulate and encourage an open discussion on standards for oral historians and the methods of evaluation of oral history projects.

12:00 Noon

Check-Out Time

The Pinehurst Room will be available for displays from 9:00 A.M. on Thursday, October 19, until 12:00 noon on Sunday, October 22.

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The Oral History Association

National Workshop On Oral History

Program

Thursday, October 19, 1978

9:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M.

Registration For Workshop (Marine Directors Room)

The Pinehurst Room will be available for displays from 9:00 A.M. on Thursday, October 19, until 12:00 noon on Sunday, October 22.

1:00 P.M.-1:30 P.M.

Welcome and Introduction to the Workshop (Ballroom C)

Welcome to Participants Waddy W. Moore, President, Oral History Association

Introduction to the Workshop John A. Neuenschwander, Workshop Chairperson, Carthage College

1:30 P.M.-5:45 P.M. "Oral History From the Ground Up" (Ballroom C)

The opening session of the Workshop is designed to provide participants with a basic understanding of the major components of an oral history program.

1:30 P.M.-2:00 P.M. Oral History After
Thirty Years
(Ballroom C)
Elizabeth B. Mason, Columbia University

2:00 P.M.-2:45 P.M. Establishing and Funding A Program (Ballroom C)

James Hammack, Jr., Murray State University

2:45 P.M.-3:45 P.M. Elite and Nonelite Interviewing (Ballroom C)

> Charles W. Morrissey, Former Members of Congress Project Randall Jarrell, University of California, Santa Cruz

3:45 P.M.-4:15 P.M. Coffee Break

4:15 P.M.-5:00 P.M. Administering an Oral History Program (Ballroom C)

Gerald Wolff, University of South Dakota

5:00 P.M.-5:45 P.M. Processing Oral History Tapes (Ballroom C) Cullom Davis, Sangamon State University

6:00 P.M.-6:30 P.M. Cocktails (No Host Bar)

7:00 P.M.-8:00 P.M. Dinner (Ballroom A)
Foxfire
Eliot Wigginton and students

8:30 P.M.-10:00 P.M. "Specific Project and Program Applications"

This portion of the Workshop represents a new feature. Each participant will be assigned to the group that most nearly matches the interest he or she expressed at registration. These small groups are designed to allow participants with similar interests to digest the material presented this afternoon and to begin consideration of modes of application. At least one member of the Workshop Faculty will be on hand to lead each discussion. Veteran practitioners of oral history who are attending the Workshop may either attend the small group discussion they have been assigned to or the special group dealing with the establishment of criteria for future evaluations of programs by Oral History Association teams.

Group I (Saint Andrews Room)

Local Historical Society and
Library Projects

Willa Baum, University of
California, Berkeley

Group II (Augusta National Room)

College and University Library
Projects

Joe Boykin, University of North
Carolina, Charlotte

Group III (Pebble Beach Room)
State Historical Society
Projects
Gerald Wolff, University of
South Dakota

Group IV (Pinehurst Room)

Government Agency Projects

Cullom Davis, Sangamon State
University

Group V (Medinah Room)

Corporate and Professional

Group Projects

Charles T. Morrissey, Former

Members of Congress Project

Group VI (Winged Foot Room)
Individual Research Projects
Randall Jarrell, University of
California, Santa Cruz

Group VII (Ballroom C)

Classroom Related Projects

James Hammack, Jr., Murray

State University

Group VIII (Ballroom C)

Discussion of Guidelines For Oral History Association Evaluation Teams

Waddy W. Moore, President, Oral History Association

Friday, October 20, 1978

7:00 A.M.

Breakfast (Emerald

Room)

9:00 A.M.- 5:00 P.M.

Registration For Colloquium

(Marine Directors Room)

9:00 A.M.-12:00 Noon

Alternatives and Other Considera-

tions

(Ballroom C)

The last phase of the Workshop is designed to allow participants to consider alternatives to previously presented methods and to explore selected aspects of oral history in greater depth.

9:00 A.M.-10:15 A.M. The Visual Medium at

Medium and Oral History (Ballroom C)

Photography and Oral History (Ballroom C) James McQuaid, International Museum of Photography at George Eastman House

Videohistory (Ballroom C) F. Gerald Handfield, Jr., Indiana State Library 10:15 A.M.-10:45 A.M. Coffee Break

10:45 A.M.-12:00 Noon

Some Final Thoughts on Oral History

(Ballroom C)

How Trustworthy is Human Memory? (Ballroom C)

Alice Hoffman, Pennsylvania State University, King of Prussia

A Folklorist Looks at Oral History (Ballroom C) Charles Joyner, St. Andrews Presbyterian College

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