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1974

SOUTHERN LABOR HISTORY CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Thursday, April 1

Registration
Labor Films
Exhibits

Welcome
William M. Suttles, Georgia State University
George Busbee, Governor of Georgia
Martha True, Georgia State AFL-CIO

1. What is "Southern" Labor?

Panel: Claude Ramsay, Mississippi AFL-CIO
F. Ray Marshall, University of Texas
Philip Taft, Brown University
Howard Henson, Laborers' International Union

2. Textile Organizing in the Twentieth Century

Presiding: Everett Dean, Southern Co-Director (retired), United Textile Workers of America

"Textile Unionism in the Piedmont, 1901-1934"
Dennis R. Nolan, University of South Carolina
"Unionism in the Southern Textile Industry: An Overview"
Bruce Raynor, Textile Workers Union of America

Comment: Joseph Jacobs, labor attorney (Atlanta)
Anna Weinstock, Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service (retired)
3. **Antiunion Violence in the Southern Coal Fields**

**Presiding:** Richard Straw, Williams College

"The Strategies of the United Mine Workers in Organizing"
John P. David, West Virginia Institute of Technology
"The Mingo War: Labor Violence in the Southern West Virginia Coal Fields, 1919-1922"
Daniel P. Jordan, Virginia Commonwealth University

**Comment:** John W. Hovener, Ohio State University, Lima
Oliver Singleton, AFL-CIO Regional Director (retired)

4. **Labor in the Oil Fields**

**Presiding:** Aaron Schloss, Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers International Union

"The Texas-Louisiana Oil Field Strike of 1917"
James C. Maroney, Lee College
"CIO Oil Workers Organizing Campaign in Texas, 1942-1943"
Clyde Johnson, Organizer (retired)

**Comment:** Charles H. Martin, University of Alabama, Gadsden Program
Aaron Schloss, Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers International Union

Labor Awards Banquet -- Hyatt Regency Hotel

**Friday, April 2**

5. **Radicalism in the South**

**Presiding:** Donald G. Sofchak, Mankato State University

"The Left Looks South: The 'Southern Strategy' of American Radicals during the Great Depression"
John S. Rosenberg, Princeton University
"Radical Unionism in Arkansas, 1930s"
Stephen F. Strausberg, University of Arkansas

**Comment:** Myles Falls Horton, Highland Research and Education Center
Dan T. Carter, Emory University
Emanuel Muravchik, Jewish Labor Committee
6. Blacks in the Southern Labor Movement

Panel: B. T. Kehrle, AFL-CIO Civil Rights Department
Ernest Rice McKinney, A. Philip Randolph Institute
Vera Rony, University of New York at Stony Brook
Lamond Godwin, National Rural Center

7. Operation Dixie

Presiding: Jim Sala, AFL-CIO Region V

"An Editor in Operation Dixie"
Lon Vallery, Glass Bottle Blowers Association
"Textile Workers in Operation Dixie"
Paul Richards, University of Wisconsin

Comment: Henry W. Berger, Washington University,
St. Louis

8. Knights of Labor in the South

Presiding: H. L. Mitchell, Cofounder, Southern Tenant Farmers Union

"Knights of Labor: Internal Dissensions of the Southern Order"
Melton A. McLaurin, University of South Alabama
"The Struggle to Unionize West Virginia Coal: The Participation of Black Mine Workers in the Knights of Labor and the United Mine Workers, 1886-1903"
Stephen Brier, American Labor History Series, WGBH

Comment: Herbert Gutman, City College of New York

9. Obstacles to Organizing in the Southern Textile Industry

Presiding: James A. Hodges, College of Wooster

"The Role of Religion in Discouraging Textile Workers from Joining the Union in Gastonia"
Donald W. Shriver, Union Theological Seminary
"Industry and Community Resistance to Southern Textile Organizing, 1937-1939"
Joseph Y. Garrison, Georgia State University

Comment: Scott M. Hoyman, Textile Workers Union of America
Roy Whitmire, Southern Co-Director (retired), United Textile Workers of America
10. Teacher Unionism

Presiding: Neil Betten, Florida State University

"Florida Teachers Strike of 1968"
Kathleen Lyons, Florida Bicentennial Commission  
"Since 1968"
Delos L. Carroll, University of South Florida

Comment: Richard Batchelder, Florida Education Association United  
Wayne Urban, Georgia State University

11. Southern Labor Songs

Joe Glazer, Labor's Troubadour

12. Southern Labor History Conference Business Meeting

Presiding: David B. Gracy II, Georgia State University

Saturday, April 3

13. Women in Organized Labor

Panel: Martha True, Georgia State AFL-CIO  
Bula McGill, Amalgamated Clothing Workers  
Linda Matthews, Emory University  
Mary Bennett, Duval Teachers Association  
Gloria T. Johnson, International Union of Electrical Workers

14. Unionization of the West Virginia Coal Fields

Presiding: Barney Weeks, Alabama Labor Council

"Frank Keeney Is Our Leader, We Shall Not Be Moved"
David A. Corbin, University of Maryland
"The Struggle Against the Law to Organize the Coal Fields of West Virginia"
Richard D. Lunt, Rochester Institute of Technology

Comment: Warren R. Van Tine, Ohio State University  
Oliver Singleton, AFL-CIO Regional Director (retired)
3. Transit Workers

Presiding: James Deaton, Jacksonville AFL-CIO Council

"Public Opinion in the New Orleans Street Railway Strike of 1929-1930"
Gerald Carpenter, Tulane University

"Atlanta Transit Strike, 1949-1950"
James W. May, Jr., Peachtree High School, Atlanta

Comment: Jack Blicksilver, Georgia State University
          C. J. Jacobs, Atlanta Transit Union

3. Southern Politics and Southern Labor

Presiding: William G. Whittaker, Staff, United States House of Representatives

"Eugene Talmadge and the 1934 Textile Strike"
John Allen, Peachtree High School, Atlanta

"PAC to COPE: Thirty-Two Years of Southern Labor and Politics"
Daniel A. Powell, Director, COPE, Area V

Comment: Wayne Flynt, Samford University
          Stanton Smith, AFL-CIO (retired)