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The Southern African Research Program was initially a three year Program starting in July 1977 with grants from the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Ford Foundation to further scholarly research into the causes and consequences of racial and ethnic conflict in southern Africa since 1652. The same two foundations also generously supported the Program, though on a somewhat reduced scale, for two additional years, 1980-82.

Farewell and Hail\*

From July 1982 therefore we are on our own. For the year 1982-83 the Yale Concilium on International and Area Studies has agreed to provide us with a modicum of support. We shall maintain the weekly seminar (with prior distribution of papers), and shall organize a workshop at Yale in the fall of 1982 and produce another newsletter in mid-1983. We shall retain the services of Pamela Baldwin, sharing them with the African Studies Council. We also expect that Wesleyan University will run a workshop in the spring of 1983. Alas, we shall not have funds for stipends for fellows. We shall, however, be able to provide library facilities, limited office space and modest secretarial assistance for a few approved scholars who bring their own funds and wish to work here on Southern African problems and participate in our seminars and workshops. Looking further ahead, so long as the Program is efficient, we shall try to maintain it on the same level.

Read on and you will see what has been achieved in the last five years.

\* Translated by the editor from the Latin with a minor shift.

## IMPRESSIONS OF THE 1981-82 FELLOWS

For budgetary reasons, the number of Fellows decreased but their quality and contributions to SARP and the intellectual life of the university were tops. Let them speak for themselves through only very slightly edited versions of their responses to our request to summarize their time with SARP.

James Carragher. With my year at Yale approaching its too prompt end, I will be leaving SARP with the greatest appreciation to the directors who made it possible for me to spend my Council on Foreign Relations International Affairs fellowship in residence at Yale. My manuscript on Prospects for Change in South Africa nears completion, aided considerably by the generous comments of SARP seminar participants. I appreciated even more the exposure to interdisciplinary perspectives on southern Africa which SARP provided to this Foreign Service professional who occasionally needed reminding that there is a world beyond Afrikaner Nationalism. I am particularly grateful to Pam Baldwin and Moore Crossey who, when they didn't have all the answers, knew where to find them.

Andrew Prior. During two extended visits at SARP I found the academic environment enthusiastic, and the personal atmosphere congenial, both of which contributed to academically fruitful visits.

Publications: (1) (with L.M. Thompson) South African Politics. New Haven and London: Yale University Press; and Cape Town: David Philip, 1982.

(2) Catholics in Apartheid Society. Cape Town: David Philip; London: Darton Longman and Todd; New York: Orbis, 1982.

Howard Simson. During my SARP visit, January to June 1982, through the courtesy of the Swedish Agency for Research Cooperation with Developing Countries and the Sweden-American Foundation, I enjoyed the opportunity to meet a wide variety of South Africanists. The mixed bag of scholars certainly generates stimulating discussions at the weekly seminars. The Sterling Library lived up to my expectations.

Prospective publications emerging from contact with SARP are:

(1) Political Justice in the Legal Order of Apartheid

(2) The National Party Regime in an International Comparative

Perspective

André du Toit. My year at SARP was quite productive but, alas, all too short. The excellent holdings of the Sterling Memorial Library, the professional expertise and personal support of the permanent directors and other fellows in residence, the weekly graduate seminars and lunch discussions, and the secretarial help and assistance available to me as fellow all combined to provide an excellent working environment. If I did not quite succeed in completing all my ambitious projects in the course of the year, this was entirely due to my own laborious working methods.

One main focus of my work was on a projected book of essays around the general themes of the meaning of Afrikaner history and the dilemmas of Afrikaner rule in a changing South Africa. The leading essay, which I completed during the summer, is a long paper on the history and significance of the myth of the Calvinist origins of Afrikaner nationalism entitled "No Chosen People" (which I am also using as the working title for the whole book of essays). This paper benefitted greatly from a critical discussion at the graduate SARP seminar in the fall semester which will help me in preparing the final revision of this essay. The concluding essay, on the predicament of Afrikaner intellectuals in the legitimization crisis of Afrikaner nationalism and the apartheid state, was presented to the New England Workshop at the beginning of December under the title "Facing Up To The Future", and was generally well received. The general introduction, "Understanding Afrikaner History and Politics" must still be written up as a final draft but it will be based on a working paper which I presented at a number of North American universities at the beginning of November. Earlier in the year I had completed two other essays which will also be included in the book: "The Rationale of Controlling Political Publications" and "Public Control and Personal Morality". The latter was also presented at a SARP graduate seminar in the fall semester and will appear as a chapter in a book on South Africa: Public Policy Perspectives edited by Robert Schrire, while the former will be published as part of an anthology on Censorship in South Africa edited by David Thomas for the South African Institute of Race Relations. Together with a number of other essays and papers, one of which (on "National Party Unity and the Politics of Reform") was presented to the SARP graduate seminar in the spring semester of 1981, these now constitute a body of work requiring only minor revisions with a view to

publication in book form and I have already entered into negotiations with publishers starting with the Yale University Press.

In the course of the year I also continued working on the research project on the history of Afrikaner political thought undertaken in collaboration with Hermann Giliomee. The first volume of Afrikaner Political Thought: Analysis and Documents covering the period from 1780 to 1850 has now finally, after a number of unfortunate delays, reached the stage of galley proofs and it will be published in the spring by David Philip and the University of California Press. My work on the second volume, which will take the project up to 1910, concentrated on the location, transcription, editing and translation of the primary documents. I dealt in particular with the primary material for three main themes "Colonisation, incorporation and hegemony", "Rights and equality" and "Land, labour and segregation" which include much unfamiliar and some quite new documentation. Together with the material for such other themes as "Church, religion and equality", "Ethnic politics", "Constitutional politics", "Obligation, loyalty and resistance" etc., which had already been prepared earlier, the collection of source material for this volume is now approaching completion and we will soon be able to proceed to final selection and editing as well as to the task of analysis and interpretation.

While my own writing and research remained my main priority I did in the course of the year give papers or lectures on invitation to a number of universities and institutions. These included Harvard University, McGill University in Montreal, Simon Fraser University in Vancouver, the University of California in Berkeley, the University of Iowa in Iowa City, the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis, the Foreign Service Institute in Washington and the Council on Foreign Relations in New York. In addition I was involved in consulting work for the Foreign Policy Study Foundation in New York and participated in two New England Workshops of Southern Africanists.

I will retain happy memories and debts of gratitude to many friends and colleagues who helped to make this a productive and memorable year. I thank the directors for their invitation, stimulation and hospitality, and express the hope that though SARP in its present form is nearing the end of its run, they will find the ways and means to continue in some other form such an eminently worthwhile project.

Leroy Vail. My major work has been directed towards two book projects. The first of these will be a book of edited essays entitled The Political Economy of Tribalism in Southern Africa. It will be concerned with investigating the historical interrelationships between economic change and the growth of tribalism in southern Africa in the late nineteenth and twentieth centuries. Several publishers are already interested in this book, and I expect it to be completed in 1983.

The second book is titled The Art of Being Ruled: Poetry and Power in South-Central Africa, 1800-1980. It will explore the changing perceptions of power on the part of the African peoples of south-central Africa over the past two centuries by analysing public poetry and song. The songs to be investigated include praise poetry, pounding songs, work songs, songs associated with spirit possession, protest songs and similar discourse. It is expected that this book will also be completed in 1983.

In addition to these two major projects, I have written, and had discussed as a seminar paper in the SARP series, a paper entitled "The State and the Creation of Malawi's Agricultural Economy", which has been accepted for publication in Robert I. Rotberg, ed., Imperialism, Colonialism and Hunger: East and Central Africa (Boston, forthcoming).

I have given guest lectures at Columbia and Harvard Universities, attended a Conference on Rebellion and Social Protest in Africa, held at the University of Illinois, Champaign/Urbana, 23-25 April 1982, where I presented a paper entitled "Forms of Resistance: Songs and Perceptions of Power in Colonial Mozambique" to be published in The American Historical Review (forthcoming), and written book reviews for the International Journal of African Historical Studies.

The SARP program provided the perfect mix of ordered discourse on Wednesdays and absolute freedom on the week's other six days for true intellectual growth and the interchange of ideas.

## IMPRESSIONS OF OLD GIRLS AND OLD BOYS

Since the academic year 1981-82 was the end of a financial epoch for SARP, former Fellows were asked to write their epitaphs; again here are the largely uncensored versions from those who have replied.

Heribert Adam. My impressions of SARP have faded a bit and it would seem best to me if you were to repeat the paragraph I wrote in the first Newsletter.

During my year of tenure at the Yale Southern African Program, the fellowship provided an extraordinary combination of area specialists in several disciplines, a first-class library with professional support and a congenial atmosphere in formal seminars and private discussions. The exposure to several disciplinary conceptualizations, particularly the thorough exploration of the historical dimension of contemporary issues, contributed scope and depth to conventional social science analysis. The frank mutual criticism of drafts introduced rigor and a degree of self-criticism, without sacrificing individual perspectives.

Selected publications since 1980:

- (1) "IX Rhodes Commemoration Lecture 1979". Grahamstown: Rhodes University.
- (2) "Three Perspectives on the Future of South Africa". International Journal of Comparative Sociology, XX, 1/2, 1980, 126-136.
- (3) "Minority Monopoly in Transition: Recent Policy Shifts of the South African State". The Journal of Modern African Studies, 18, 4, December 1980, 611-626.
- (4) "The Vocation of a Sociologist in South Africa" in Apartheid and Social Research, John Rex (ed.). Paris: UNESCO, 1981, 115-127.
- (5) "Possibilities and Limits of Economic Conflict Resolution: South Africa in Comparative Perspective" in The Buthelezi Commission, vol. II. Durban: H & H Publications, 1982, 23-43.
- (6) "White South Africa Re-examined: The State of Afrikaner Ideology." Canadian Journal of African Studies, XV, 1981, 553-560.

(7) "South Africa: More Rhetoric than Reform". International Perspectives (Ottawa), July/August 1981.

(8) "Legitimacy and the Institutionalization of Ethnicity" in Ethnic Conflict, Paul Brass (ed.). Washington: University of Washington Press, forthcoming.

Hoyt Alverson. My fellowship at SARP (January - May 1978) was immensely beneficial. Collegial support helped propel several pieces of writing forward to publication. The Sterling Library and that of the Institute for Social and Policy Studies were a great resource. The experience was personally and intellectually stimulating, productive and salubrious.

Publications which have "arisen" as a result in part at least of the SARP fellowship:

(1) "The Roots of Time: A Comment on Utilitarian and Primordial Sentiments in Ethnic Identification" in Ethnic Autonomy -- Comparative Dynamics, Raymond L. Hall (ed.). New York: Pergamon Press, 1979.

(2) "Arable Agriculture in Botswana: Some Contributions of the Traditional Social Formation". Rural Africana, 4-5, Spring-Fall 1979, 33-47.

(3) "The Scars of Bondage: Black Americans As Subjects in Behavioral Science Research". The Journal of Social Psychology, 109, 1979, 187-200.

(4) (with Kristian Oland and Ralph W. Cummings, Jr.) "Targets for Agricultural Development in Botswana". Government of Botswana and the International Agricultural Development Service (USA), 1980.

Mary Benson. The associate fellowship provided by SARP early in 1980 enabled me to work quietly with Athol Fugard in completing the editing of his notebooks for publication, and also in the final writing and proof-reading of a paperback on Nelson Mandela, for Panaf Books' Great Lives series.

It was interesting to attend weekly seminars and experience academic disciplines but most valuable of all was SARP's generous provision of the facilities for the joint work with Fugard. His notebooks should be published in South Africa in the course of 1982.

Belinda Bozzoli. My sojourn at SARP provided me with an invaluable break from teaching and a chance to finish a book manuscript; with important academic contracts; and an opportunity to experience something of American academic life.

Publications at least partially as a result of my sojourn:

(1) The Political Nature of a Ruling Class: Capital and Ideology in South Africa 1890-1933. London: Routledge and Kegan Paul, 1981.

(2) "Challenging Local Orthodoxies" (Review Essay), Social Dynamics 6:2, December 1980.

Michael Burawoy. SARP provided a wonderful, supportive atmosphere for doing research and exchanging ideas. I particularly appreciated its inter-disciplinary emphasis.

Publications linked to SARP:

(1) "State and Social Revolution in South Africa: Reflections on the Comparative Perspectives of Greenberg and Skocpol". Kapitalistate 9, 1981.

(2) "The Hidden Abode of Underdevelopment: Labor Process and the State in Zambia." Politics and Society, vol. 11, no. 2, 1982.

T.R.H. Davenport. SARP leaves a glow of regrettably distant satisfaction. The two years which have elapsed since we were with you have not obliterated a very congenial experience which derived much from the fact that in the fall term of '79 we had a good ideological spread in a group of scholars who were all pretty serious about their respective projects. The seminars were not in any sense assassination orgies, yet one emerged chastened in appropriate ways.

So far my only publication relating to the seminar paper I gave at SARP is a short piece in the South Africa Foundation's journal S.A. International. But the reading I did in Sterling in relation to the revision of my History of South Africa was immensely useful. The revision itself is a big task which will take at least another couple of years, but I am working on it.

Richard Elphick. SARP has given Southern African Studies a focal point in the U.S. It has promoted the regular gathering of South Africanist scholars and has provided an American  pied á terre  for visiting scholars from South Africa. For SARP fellows like myself, it has provided a well-focused year of research and theoretical reading. May it long continue!

SARP related publications:

(1) "Africans and the Christian Campaign in South Africa" in The Frontier in History: North America and Southern Africa Compared, Howard Lamar and Leonard Thompson (eds.). New Haven and London: Yale University Press, 1981.

(2) "The 'Liberal' Historiography of South Africa: A Response to its Marxist Critics". Accepted for publication; title tentative.

(3) "The Comparative History of White Supremacy". Journal of Interdisciplinary History, in press.

Athol Fugard. In an interview with the Master of a residential college at Yale, Fugard wryly remarked that, "Southern African Research Program ... got me over here on a fellowship. I must say I did find the academic aspect of Yale a bit heavy going .... [the] language academics use, sometimes makes me wonder whether I in fact speak English or not." But we ourselves have no difficulty whatsoever understanding a review in the New York Times (May 5, 1982) which began: "There may be two or three living playwrights in the world who can write as well as Athol Fugard, but I'm not sure that any of them has written a recent play that can match "'Master Harold" ... and the Boys'. Mr. Fugard's drama -- lyrical in design, shattering in impact -- is likely to be an enduring part of the theater long after most of this Broadway season has turned to dust."

While he and Mary Benson were with us two years ago his "A Lesson from Aloes" was produced by the Yale Repertory Theater; the next year "Boesman and Lena" was presented; and then this year in its world premiere "Master Harold" disturbed Yale audiences as cosmic themes were portrayed in a South African setting. All three plays quickly moved from New Haven to Broadway.

Hermann Giliomee. SARP '77-78 was academically a stimulating and most rewarding year. Especially valuable was the Thursday evening discussion groups, in which fellows and directors participated, and the moral support and friendly criticism -- everyone tried to help each other and to contribute towards making SARP a most congenial place to read and write.

The list of publications:

(1) (with Richard Elphick, ed.), The Shaping of South African Society, 1652-1820. Longman, 1979.

(2) (with Richard Elphick, ed.), 'n Samelewing in Wording: Suid-Afrika, 1652-1820. Longman, 1982.

(3) (with Heribert Adam), Ethnic Power Mobilized: Can South Africa Change? Yale University Press, 1981.

(4) (with Heribert Adam), Afrikanermag: Opkoms en Toekoms. Universiteits Uitgewers, 1981.

(5) The Parting of the Ways: South African Politics, 1976-1982. David Philip, 1982.

(6) "Processes in the Development of the South African Frontier" in The Frontier in History, Howard Lamar and Leonard Thompson (eds.). New Haven: Yale University, 1981.

(7) Afrikaner Political Thought, Vol. 1, 1778-1854. David Philip and California, in press (publication date July 1982).

Thomas G. Karis. My SARP year was intellectually stimulating, of course. More important, in retrospect, is the fact that the experiences of that year have been a continuing inspiration to me.

Publications: (1) "Black Challenge," published without by-line in South Africa: Time Running Out. University of California Press, 1981, 168-205.

(2) "United States Policy toward South Africa," in G.M. Carter and P. O'Meara. Indiana University Press, 1979, 313-362; revised second edition in press.

(3) Commentary on a paper by Ernest van den Haag in Human Rights: Contemporary Domestic and International Issues and Conflicts, R.L. Braham (ed.). Irvington Publishers, 1980, 77-81.

Dunbar Moodie. I remember my year at SARP with deep gratitude for the research time it provided me and the stimulation of the personal contacts which were possible at Yale. The Sterling Library collection was quite invaluable.

SARP enabled me to deepen and broaden my interest in black mineworkers. I was able to do the basic reading and thinking which made possible effective and informed grant applications. As a result I am now in South Africa for a year conducting a major project on black miners. The year at SARP provided an indispensable foundation. Without it, I should probably have moved out of South African studies altogether.

One of the papers I presented at SARP was published in Human Relations (August 1980) under the title "The Formal and Informal Social Structure of a South African Gold Mine". The paper on "Mine Culture and Miners' Identity" is to be published in a collection edited by Belinda Bozzoli to appear from Ravan Press, Johannesburg, in the latter half of 1982.

Moses Nkondo. SARP related publications:

(1) "The Human Image in South African English Poetry." Africa Today, vol. 27, no. 3, 1980, 5-18.

(2) "Dennis Brutus: Domestication of a Tradition." World Literature Today, vol. 55, no. 1, Winter 1981, 32-40.

(3) "Dennis Brutus and the Revolutionary Idea." Ufahamu vol. X, no. 3, Spring 1981.

(4) "Arthur Nortje's Double Sense." Africana Journal, vol. 12, no. 1, 1982.

(5) "Arthur Nortje's Microscopic Eye and Literal Imagination." The Journal of the Association of Commonwealth Literature and Language Studies, Canada, vol. 6, no. 1, 1982.

(6) "Guy Butler's Poetic Vision: The New Earth and the Old." The Journal of the Canadian Association for Commonwealth Literature and Language Studies, no. 4, 1982.

Hasu Patel. Impressions of SARP: intellectually very stimulating although too much focus on South Africa and not enough on the region. Good fellowship of staff/students.

Publications (emerged or emerging):

(1) "Asian Political Activity in Rhodesia from the Second World War to 1972," Rhodesian History, 1978 (IX), 63-82. (changed to Zimbabwean History).

(2) "White Power in Rhodesia: The Rise and Fall (?) of the Rhodesian Front," in Society in Southern Africa 1975-76: Proceedings of the Association for Sociology in Southern Africa, F.M. Orkin and S.E. Welz (eds.). Johannesburg: ASSA, 1979, 61-77; reprinted in Current Bibliography on African Affairs, vol. 12, no. 1, 1979-80, 3-18.

(3) "African Political Participation in Rhodesia/Zimbabwe, 1961-78" in The Search for Political Legitimacy in Africa, Dunstan M. Wai (ed.). London: Frank Cass, 1981-82).

Newell M. Stultz. My semester at SARP in 1977 was the intellectual highlight of my academic career to date. It provided two essential ingredients for productivity -- uninterrupted time to do one's own work, and supportive and expert associates with whom to interact. I think the friendly but critical context was the outstanding feature of the association. To be able to try out ideas on authentic authorities in the field in the midst of relationships of great personal warmth proved to be the academic experience of a lifetime. In, obviously, a more intermittent way the SARP workshops over the years have also provided much the same combination of academic fellowship and expert commentary on developing ideas. In my judgment, these workshops have been the outstanding academic venture concerned with southern Africa outside the region during the years they have been held.

I wrote most of Transkei's Half Loaf (Yale Press, 1979) while I was a SARP fellow.

Charles van Onselen. SARP does two fundamentally important things for the serious academic -- first, it allows him or her time to reflect and write and, secondly, it provides him or her with the necessary professional back-up facilities which allows him or her to do the job well (e.g. Sterling, fellow professionals and a critical but sympathetic audience).

In September of this year, Longmans (London) will publish in hard-cover and in paperback: Studies in the Social and Economic History of the Witwatersrand, 1886-1914. Volume I--New Babylon. Volume II--New Nineveh. A substantial part of Volume I--New Babylon was written during the course of my fellowship at SARP. These works will -- also in September 1982 -- be published in the United States by Longman Inc. (hardcover) and in South Africa (paperback) by Ravan Press.

#### DIRECTORS OF THE PROGRAM

Jeffrey Butler. SARP activities 1981-82: At SARP seminars: papers on "The Failure of Closer Settlement", part of the history of Cradock, 1926-1960; and, with Stanley Greenberg and C. Vann Woodward, on George Fredrickson's White Supremacy. In the spring, I was responsible for the SARP seminar, and presented a paper "South Africa in Southern Africa: An Historical View". Queens University, Kingston, Ontario, organized a conference in May in honor of Professor Arthur Keppel-Jones at which I gave a paper, "Afrikaner Women, Social Welfare and Politics in a Small South African Town, 1920-1939".

The review of Fredrickson has been submitted to the Journal of Contemporary African Studies; "South Africa in Southern Africa" has been accepted for inclusion in a volume by that name, edited by Thomas Callaghy of Columbia University.

Leonard W. Doob.

Publications:

- (1) (with Gerald T. Gardner et al.) "Risk and Benefit Perceptions." Journal of Social Psychology, 1982, v. 116, 179-97.
- (2) "Structural Eidetic Images in African Societies." Journal of Mental Images, 1982, v. 6, no. 2.
- (3) (completion, in press) Power and Authority

Workshops:

- (1) (assisting American Friends Service Committee) North and South Koreans; Philadelphia, February, 1982.
- (2) (assisting Harvard Department of Psychology) Palestinians and Israelis: Cambridge, April 1982.

Editorships:

- (1) Journal of Social Psychology
- (2) Contributions in Ethnic Studies (Greenwood Press)

William J. Foltz.

Research:

- (1) Arms and the African: Military Factors in African International Relations (with Henry Bienen, et al.) Manuscript submitted to Press.
- (2) Continued work on book on U.S. Policy toward southern Africa.

Lectures:

- (1) International Peace Academy, Conference on African Peacekeeping: "South African Policy in Namibia."
- (2) World Bank: "The International Context of African Development";  
"The Domestic Politics of African Development."
- (3) Bunting Institute, Harvard: "United States Policy in Southern Africa."
- (4) Naval Postgraduate School: "The Militarization of African International Relations."
- (5) Foreign Policy Study Foundation: "United States Policy toward South Africa"

Conferences:

- (1) Seven Springs Conference on South Africa
- (2) Institute for the Study of Democratic Institutions,  
Conference on Southern Africa
- (3) Council on Foreign Relations, Study Group on Policy  
Options in South Africa

Etc.:

Consultant on Southern Africa to Global Political Assessment,  
published by Columbia University Research Institute on International Change

Stanley B. Greenberg.

Publications:

- (1) "Economic Growth and Political Change." The Journal of Modern African Studies, December, 1981.
- (2) George Fredrickson's White Supremacy. The American Journal of Sociology, March 1982.
- (3) "Labor Bureaucracies and the African Rural Areas" (submitted for publication).

Lectures:

- (1) Wesleyan University, Christopher Brodigan Memorial Lecture, "Ideological Foundations of the Israeli and South African States"
- (2) Duke University, "Change in Contemporary South Africa"
- (3) Study Commission on U.S. Policy Toward Southern Africa, "The Workplace in South Africa"

Leonard M. Thompson.

Publications:

- (1) (with Howard Lamar, eds.), The Frontier in History: North America and Southern Africa Compared. Yale University Press, 1981 (cloth and paper).
- (2) (with Andrew Prior), South African Politics. Yale University Press, 1982 (cloth and paper).
- (3) "The Parting of the Ways in South Africa", in The Transfer of Power in Africa, Prosser Gifford and Wm. Roger Louis (eds.). Yale University

Press, forthcoming, 417-44. (page proofs corrected).

(4) "Some Problems of South African Universities". The Future of the University in Southern Africa, Hendrik W. van der Merwe and David Welsh (eds.). Cape Town: David Philip, 1977.

(5) (with Monica Wilson, eds.), A History of South Africa to 1870. Cape Town: David Philip, forthcoming. This is a revised edition of the former first volume of the Oxford History of South Africa.

(6) On the stocks during J.S. Guggenheim fellowship year 1981-82, tentative title, The Historical Consciousness of White South Africans. Manuscript will be completed by December 1982; or, at latest, by July 1983.

Outside Lectures:

(1) University of Cape Town. "Political Mythology and the Racial Order", July 1981.

(2) University of Durban-Westville. Annual meeting of the South African Historical Society. Panels on Comparative Frontier History and The Historical Consciousness of White South Africans. July 1981.

(3) Simon Fraser University and the University of British Columbia. "Political Mythology and the South African Racial Order" and "Comparative Frontier History". October 1981.

(4) Utah State University, Logan: Convention Lecturer. 1981.

Etc.:

(1) Board, American Historical Review, 1981-83.

(2) John Simon Guggenheim fellowship. 1981-82.

(3) Appointed Charles J. Stillé Professor of History. March 1982.

(4) Consultant. Study Commission on U.S. Policy Toward Southern Africa. 1980-81.

(5) Concilium on International and Area Studies. Dinner talk: "Political Mythology in a Racist Order: the Limits of Intellectualism". February 1982.

(6) SARP workshop, Wesleyan University. Paper on "Political Mythology and the Limits of Intellectualism." April 1982.

RESEARCH SEMINAR ON  
RACIAL AND ETHNIC CONFLICT IN SOUTHERN AFRICA

In the first semester the seminar was organized by Stanley Greenberg, the second by Jeffrey Butler. It met as usual at the offices of the Yale Concilium on International and Area Studies, 85 Trumbull Street, New Haven. In addition to the SARP fellows and directors, the seminar was attended by an average of ten graduate students, two-post-doctorates, and five faculty members from various departments in Yale University and other institutions. The latter included: Harvey Feinberg, Professor of History, Southern Connecticut State College; Robert Harms, Assistant Professor of History, Yale University; Harald Sandstrom, Associate Professor of Political Science, University of Hartford; and Timothy Weiskel, Assistant Professor of Anthropology, Yale University. In addition, Winifred Armstrong, a special student, also attended.

A high point in the fall was our contacts with a group of thirteen persons (twelve clergy, including two women and three white South Africans; and one layman) from South Africa who had been selected by Bishop Tutu and were sponsored by the Episcopal Diocese of Connecticut. From October 26 through November 8, they visited various churches as well as government officials and corporations. All of them attended our SARP seminar on November 4 and many of them dined with us informally that evening. We obtained a vivid impression of their problems and they were able to observe first-hand insight into the kind of research SARP sponsors.

The list of the seminar topics follows.

Fall 1981

| <u>Presenter</u>  | <u>Discussants</u>                        | <u>Subject</u>  |
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| Richard Elphick   | du Toit<br>Thompson                       | The 'Liberal' Historiography of South Africa: A Response to its Marxist Critics               |
| Daisy Collins     |   | MacMillan   |
| André du Toit     | Harms<br>Thompson                         | No Chosen People  |
| Leroy Vail        |   | Ethnic Awareness  |
| Nancy Theis       | Lamb<br>Foltz                             | State Corporations  |
|                   | Woodward<br>Greenberg<br>Butler           | <u>White Supremacy</u>  |
| Stanley Greenberg | Carragher                                 | The Contemporary South African State  |
| André du Toit     | Bishop Tutu<br>group from<br>South Africa | Public Control and Personal Morality:<br>The South African Case                               |
| Tim Keegan        | Doob<br>Weiskel                           | The Sharecropping Economy on the South African Highveld, ca. 1890-1920                        |
| Jeffrey Butler    | Feinberg<br>Killington                    | Failure of Closer Settlement  |
| William Worger    | Butler<br>Vail                            | White Mineworkers, Commercial Men,<br>Monopoly Capitalists and Political<br>Struggle, 1885-88 |
| Leonard Thompson  | Sandstrom<br>Dew                          | The Strange Career of Slagtersnek   |

| <u>Presenter</u>                    | <u>Discussants</u>  | <u>Subject</u>  |
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| James Carragher<br>Marianne Spiegel | Foltz<br>Theis      | South African Prospects for Change.<br>Economic Growth and the Emergence of<br>Black Unions               |
| Leroy Vail                          | Harms<br>Kinsman    | The State and the Creation of Colonial<br>Malawi's Agricultural Economy                                   |
| Sean Redding                        | Doob<br>Worger      | The South African Press and the Western<br>Areas Removals: A Case Study                                   |
| Jeffrey Butler                      | Thompson<br>Simson  | South Africa in Southern Africa: An<br>Historical View  |
| Howard Simson                       | Weiskel<br>Bessant  | Political Justice in the Legal Order<br>of Apartheid  |
| Diana Wylie                         | Vail<br>Bessant     | Migration to Freehold Farms and to<br>Farms in South Africa   |
| Margaret Kinsman                    | Harms<br>Worger     | The Impact of the Difaqane on the<br>Southern Tswana Communities, with<br>Special Reference to the Rolong |
| William Foltz                       | Butler<br>Horowitz  | Africa in Great Power Strategy  |
| Stanley Greenberg                   | Vail<br>Keegan      | Order and the Ethnic State: Developing<br>Markets and Labor Control in Israel<br>and South Africa         |
| Larry Bowman                        | Foltz<br>Theis      | The Strategic Importance of South<br>Africa to the U.S.: An Appraisal<br>and Policy Analysis              |
| Leslie Bessant                      | Vail<br>Redding     | Cooperation and Competition in<br>Southern Rhodesia 1900-1923   |
| Neil Lazarus                        | Vail<br>Simson      | Thomas Mofolo's <u>Chaka</u> : An Assessment  |
| Barbara Lamb                        | Sandstrom<br>Worger | Nationalist Extension of State Control<br>over Blacks   |
| William Worger                      | Thompson<br>Redding | Company Town: Kimberley 1888-95   |
| Leonard Thompson                    | Butler<br>Harms     | Chapter Six: The Xhosa Cattle Killing   |

### SARP LUNCHEONS

At somewhat irregular intervals but always with an eager membership very informal luncheons occurred again in one of the private rooms of a residential college. After sherry furnished through the courtesy of the African Studies Council, participants ate whatever was in their brown bags or struggled more sumptuously with the fare of the college, as they listened to:

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| Sept. 16 | Chabani Manganyi on contemporary alignment of forces and ideas in South Africa  |
| Sept. 30 | Leroy Vail on Zambia today  |
| Oct. 14  | Jim Carragher on parties and players in Namibian politics   |
| Oct. 28  | Marianne Spiegel on current black and white perspectives from South Africa  |
| Dec. 2   | Jeffrey Butler and William Foltz on South Africa's recent relations with its neighbors                                |
| Feb. 3   | Stanley Greenberg on Israeli-South African comparisons  |
| March 3  | Leonard Doob and Leonard Thompson on analogy in history and the social sciences                                       |
| April 7  | Jim Carragher on the effect of the Rabie and DeLange Commission Reports and the President's Council's recommendations |
| May 5    | Stanley Greenberg on labor control: a rural perspective   |

In addition, during the summer of 1981 there were even more informal luncheons with Eddy Webster on July 24 and with Ezekiel Mphahlele on July 28.

## WORKSHOPS

The pattern of the semi-annual workshops was followed without deviation from the glorious tradition of previous years: drink, food, and an informal talk Friday night; previously distributed papers Saturday morning and afternoon followed by heated, generally constructive discussion. In the fall fifty Southern Africanists assembled at Yale, in the spring thirty-five of them were royally entertained at Wesleyan.

### Fall

Friday, December 4: Alan Pfifer, President of the Carnegie Corporation, "Time Running Out: The Report of the Study Commission on U.S. Policy toward South Africa"

Saturday, December 5:

Moses Nkondo, "South African English Poetry in the Modern Tradition"

Discussants: Ronald Rassner, Jeffrey Butler

André du Toit, "Is There an Afrikaner Future Beyond the End of the Apartheid State?"

Discussants: Charles Taylor, Sheridan Johns

### Spring

Friday, April 23: James Carragher, "Divisions in Black South Africa: Hope for the Government's Co-optation Policy?"

Saturday, April 24:

Leonard Thompson, "Political Mythology and the Limits of Intellectualism"

Discussants: Richard Elphick, Hoyt Alverson

Robert Jaster, "A Regional Security Role for Africa's Front Line States: Experience and Prospects"

Discussants: Larry Bowman, William Raiford

## THE LIBRARY

(Reported by the Curator, J.M.D. Crossey\*)

In the last year of major funding for SARP, the libraries continued to add significant quantities of material from and relating to southern Africa. No single large purchase or gift can be singled out, but there were numerous smaller gifts. Dealers continued to offer scarce material they believed to be of interest to us, often in preference over other libraries and individual collectors. Both senior and junior researchers appeared from many other institutions to use the libraries' special collections. Inquiries arrived by mail from North America, Europe, and Africa itself. There was also a steady flow of telephone inquiries.

### Yale's Holdings

Quick surveys of certain parts of the collections were carried out over the course of the year. A check of the Pilot Bibliography of South African English Literature (Pretoria, UNISA, 1980) revealed that the majority of titles are held. The missing titles -- most quite minor -- were ordered when in print; or, an antiquarian dealer was asked to quote prices. Gaps in holdings of official publications decreased as a result of gifts, exchanges, or purchases.

A more systematic effort is needed to identify those titles which are of real significance and not readily available in the U.S.A. A check on political pamphlets missing from the collections is also under way, by using a catalog prepared by the Institute of Contemporary History at Bloemfontein. The Divinity Library will attempt to identify all missionary and church history items it lacks; this was done up to a point several years ago by African Collection staff for all countries in southern Africa except South Africa (in part) and Angola.

The bibliography, South African History and Historians (compiled by C.F.J. Muller et al. Pretoria, UNISA, 1980) is being checked for items missing from the collections. All but a few items from the 1966 edition and its 1974 supplement have been acquired.

\* African Collection, 317 Sterling Memorial Library. Telephone: 203-436-1091.

An inquiry from the University of Natal seemed to demonstrate that Yale has more Natal colonial publications than any other American library except the Library of Congress. Considerable additions were made to Cape Colony official publications. It is impossible to give a firm figure but Yale libraries clearly hold more southern African material than any other North American university library.

### Acquisitions

The largest single gift was the collection of pamphlets, official publications, and interviews on the Transkei from Roger Southall of Carleton and Ottawa Universities. This supplements material given earlier by Newell Stultz of Brown University (a former SARP fellow). The two collections are to be combined and microfilmed for CAMP.

The South African Consulate General in New York presented books and tape recordings. Among many smaller gifts: additional material on Indians and race relations in South Africa from Miss Ruth Manchester; the Ford Motor Company, Zambia Appointments Ltd., Episcopal Churchmen for South Africa, a number of unions, political parties, and committees, embassies, present and former SARP Fellows, and various other individuals and firms all presented books, pamphlets, newsletters, and other items.

Additional official publications were purchased from Professor S. Herbert Frankel of Oxford. Several additions were made to the postcard collection in Manuscripts and Archives. A small number of maps was received too.

The State Library (Pretoria) supplied five microfiche editions of old travel books. It also supplied some years of the Staatscourant of the South African Republic (Transvaal). More film is to come on exchange. Through the good offices of Professor Robert I. Rotberg of M.I.T. we received a xerox copy of the unpublished typescript of Cecil Rhodes' correspondence (edited by T.W. Baxter). A number of libraries gave or exchanged duplicates. Most notable are: The South African Library (Cape Colony Blue books, Statistical registers, Civil service lists); University of Wisconsin Library (South African official publications on agriculture); Northwestern University Library (German books on Namibia and South Africa);

University of South Africa Sanlam Library (United Party publications); University of Cape Town Jagger Library (trade statistics); Columbia University Library (political ephemera). We hope to fill in more gaps in official publications from the State Library (Pretoria) as well as duplicates from the University of Cape Town.

Filming of the years of The Windhoek Advertiser not yet filmed was completed and coordinated by the State Library on behalf of several American and European libraries; the University of York acted as treasurer on behalf of CAMP, Yale and other participants. The newspaper's archive remains to be filmed.

Negotiations are in progress for the possible acquisition of several small archives and collections of private papers. The Yale Corporation recently decreed that funds for processing and preservation should be sought at the time any large archive is on offer; this might preclude our accepting some future offers. A circular letter has been sent to all political parties, trade unions, liberation movements, etc., in or concerned with southern Africa. The number of replies received was disappointing, although more material may yet arrive. A similar letter to local historical societies in the Cape elicited much useful material.

Among our 'assets' are good relations with specialist book dealers in South Africa, the U.K., the U.S., Holland, and elsewhere in western Europe. Offers of scarce and unusual items arrive every week. Exchange relationships continue with all or most university and research libraries in the area. National archives are another source of old official publications and microfilms. African Imprint Library Services of West Falmouth, Massachusetts currently has agents in Angola, Botswana, Lesotho, Malawi, South Africa, Swaziland, Zambia and Zimbabwe. There are no current agents in Mozambique and Namibia. Yale usually has first choice of unusual items this firm offers us. We have our own agents in Namibia, South Africa, and Zimbabwe, and other persons in most countries whom we can reach when necessary. We also have a Washington agent to select duplicates from the Library of Congress and other sources.

We continue to experience difficulty in acquiring material from Angola, Mozambique and Namibia (again).

A small amount of additional bookfunds was received as part of SARP's Ford Foundation grant. A payment from the University Librarian's discretionary fund helped pay for the Frankel collection. The Yale Divinity Library has very extensive funding for the purchase of large microform sets of mission society archives. The main library needs additional funding for large microform sets of secular archives, newspaper backfiles, government documents, and other very expensive items. The general appropriation book funds are sufficient to cover current publications (including subscriptions) but allow only for a relatively small amount of retrospective acquisition.

### Microforms Received

#### National Archives of Zimbabwe

Central African Daily News (Salisbury) Sept. 1956-Nov. 1961 [Already have 1962-64]: 17 rolls.

The Livingstone Mail. March 1906-Dec. 1946. 18 rolls.

Gatsooma Mail and Mining Gazette. 1912-1921. 7 rolls.

Gwelo Municipality. Minute books. 1896-1930. 5 rolls.

Nyasaland. Water Development Dept. Records, [through] 1960. 3 rolls.

The Citizen (Salisbury) 1953-1967. 17 rolls. ON ORDER.

#### Single Rolls Received:

Bulawayo Sketch

Central African Planter

Charles H. Halkett With Laing in the Matopos

NADA; Native Affairs Dept. Annual (nos. 17, 23 and other issues)

Nyasaland Post Office Directory and Guides, 1899-1937 and

Telephone directories

Rhodesia Weekly Review [Excerpts] 1895-97

Umtali Municipality Minute books, 1916/17

Rhodesia (Southern) High Court Decisions, 1912

Schlicter, H.G. Neues über Karl Mauch

Williams, Huw Letters, etc.

Berlin Mission Archives -- Harald von Sicard Diary, etc.

Campbell, Archie Memoirs, 1880-1931

Chapman, W.J.B. Reminiscences

Masterson, L. Diary, 1896

Hosking, Rupert V. The Record of the Siege of Mafeking

Microfilms received from CAMP (negatives in CRL):

- Banda, Hastings K., Speeches, 1963-1976. 2 rolls.  
Boon, Martin J., The Immortal History of South Africa  
(London, 1885)  
Manganyi, Noel C., God's Other Children (and other MS pieces)  
Mayibuye (Lusaka, ANC), 1966-1978  
Transvaal (Colony) Mining Industry Commission. Minutes of  
Evidence, vol. 1  
Umteteli wa Bantu, (Johannesburg) 1920-1955. 5 rolls.  
Zimbabwe News, ZANU Newsletter, Zimbabwe Review, Zimbabwe Sun,  
Zimbabwe Today  
Basutoland. Delimitation Commission. Report, 1965 [and five other  
reports on elections, etc., 1959-65, from the collection  
of Prof. Richard Weisfelder]

University of York (U.K.)

- Loch, Lord Henry, Materials for the History of South Africa, 1890-1898.  
(London, 1900?). 2 vols.  
Aitken, R.D. and Gale, G. [Papers of the late Drs. R.D.A. and G.G. on  
medical missionaries and hospitals in South Africa] 2 rolls.  
(There are standing orders for film of about ten pre-current newspapers.)

Other Yale Collections

The Divinity Library is in the process of acquiring the archives on microfilm of the Methodist Missionary Society (London) and recently received the filmed archives of the London Missionary Society. It intends to purchase the filmed archive of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, an important source particularly for Natal; the original papers are in the Houghton Library at Harvard. Microfilm of several missionary journals has also been received and more will be ordered next year. A systematic attempt is to be made to identify all significant mission society books and journals missing from the collections with a view to acquiring original or microform editions as opportunity allows. The archive of a small black South African church was "lost" to the Candler Theological School Library at Emory University. The Beinecke Rare Book Library has again received a small but select number of items on Southern Africa.

The Law and other Libraries continue to add relevant material to their

collections. The Law Library is about to receive publications regularly from Malawi, Mozambique, Zambia, and Zimbabwe, through the Library of Congress Eastern African office in Nairobi.

#### CAMP

The Cooperative Africana Microform Project (CAMP -- which is administered by the Center for Research Libraries in Chicago) has continued to add various items relating to southern Africa. These include trial records, newsclippings, old books and journals, and archival material. A small batch of materials on Indians in South Africa not held by any other U.S. library was filmed from Yale's collections for CAMP.

Among the larger items acquired were The Daily Dispatch (East London), 1920-1966 (149 reels/negative and positive); Sunday Times (Johannesburg), 1906-1914, 1922-1977 (209 rolls; Yale has a small part of this title); Universities' Mission to Central Africa. Documents ... (39 rolls; Yale Divinity Library also has); The Mosquito (Durban), 1905-1907 (3 rolls; Yale also has); National Archives of Zimbabwe Shelf Register of Microfilms (2 rolls; Yale has a paper copy); Swakopmunder Zeitung, 1911-1938 (19 rolls, positive and negative); Johannesburg Times, 1895-1899 (positive and negative).

Titles on order include: The Chinese Labour Question in the Transvaal (microfiche set of articles and rare pamphlets); J.D. Rheinallt-Jones [Documents on labor in South Africa]; Keetmanshooper Nachrichten, 1911 (and five other German newspapers from Namibia); War of 1899-1902 (microfiche set of pamphlets, etc., in two London libraries).

The index to the Gail Gerhart Black Consciousness Movement collection was distributed to CAMP members (Yale has the films).

The CAMP Committee is always interested in suggestions for filming new titles -- especially newspapers, unusual journals, and collections of manuscripts and ephemera.

Soon to be filmed is the SARAP-SARP Union Catalog of Southern African Political Ephemera (on cards at Yale).

## Envoi

The last issue of the Yale Library's Southern Africana Accessions List appeared in April. Funding does not permit its continuation. It has been well received by researchers over the past few years since it draws attention to new (and often unreviewed) books and older items that might not otherwise come to one's attention. We will continue to send cards to the Joint Acquisitions List of Africana (Northwestern University Library).

Visiting researchers have appeared from D.C., Utah, Virginia, Sheffield (U.K.), London, North Carolina, Missouri, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, South Africa, several Canadian institutions, besides New York and New England. We expect persons from South Carolina, Wisconsin, and elsewhere during the summer. Numerous inquiries have been received by telephone or letter regarding the location of items -- in some cases we were able to refer such persons to another holding institution. In appropriate cases we would consider buying titles not held at Yale if funds permit and the item fits our general acquisitions policies.

The Fellows and Yale graduate students have recommended purchase of various items that were overlooked in previous years or have become available through unusual sources. This does not always benefit the recommender as there may be a delay in acquiring such items if much correspondence is necessary.

Readers of this Newsletter are urged to send in flyers on new books, journals, newspapers, microfilmed sets (of archives, private papers, pamphlets, newspapers, etc.), film strips, slides, photographs, maps, or any other kind of printed or iconographic material. We are always interested in hearing of new microform projects in which either Yale and/or CAMP might participate.

Readers are also urged to communicate with us if they wish to dispose of pamphlets, theses, odd issues or runs of unusual journals or newspapers and microforms (film or fiche) of printed or manuscript originals. There are relatively few books not held now in some form or other; gaps are usually in old Dutch and Afrikaans titles, and perhaps, some relatively recent German and Scandinavian titles.

Appraisal for tax purposes can be arranged in the case of larger gifts.