

POLITICAL EPHEMERA FROM THE COMMONWEALTH AND LATIN AMERICA

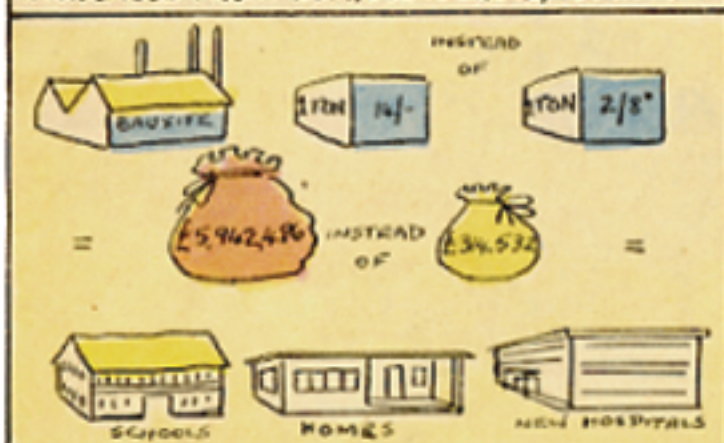
A one-day workshop to be held at the
Institute of Commonwealth Studies
University of London

Monday 4th July 2005

Registration FREE - contact Danny Millum
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IN 1957 MANLEY GOT A NEW DEAL FOR THE PEOPLE FROM THE BAUXITE COMPANIES' REVENUES FOR BUILDING SCHOOLS, HOUSES AND HOSPITALS WERE INCREASED FROM £314,532 TO £5,942,486 IN 1960



1958 MANLEY FLEW TO ENGLAND TO HELP HIS FELLOW JAMAICANS AT NOTTING HILL IN THEIR TIME OF TROUBLE



The Workshop

Background

This workshop is the culmination of a two-year project dedicated to the cataloguing and promotion of the collections of political ephemera held in the libraries of the Institute of Commonwealth Studies and the Institute for the Study of the Americas.

Its aim is to bring together academics, researchers and librarians interested in the holdings both for their value as research collections and because of their nature as ephemera.

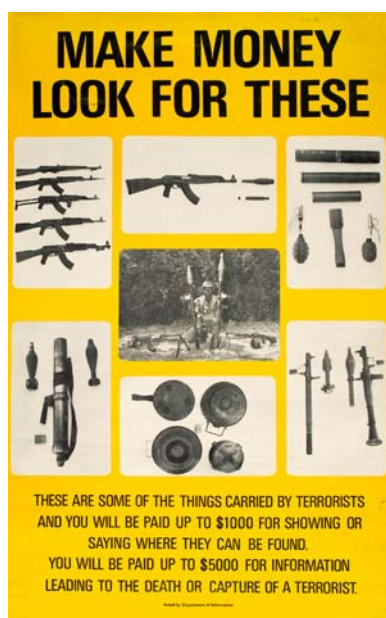


Details

The workshop will include a hands-on presentation of the collections and a report detailing the setting up and progress of the project itself, as well as papers dealing with related subjects.

It will be held from **1pm - 5.30pm on Monday 4th July 2005** in the Menzies Room of the Institute of Commonwealth Studies, and will be followed by a reception.

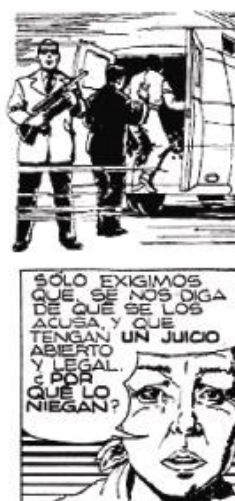
The workshop and reception are both free, and are open to all with an interest in this field. Places are limited, so please reply to Danny Millum if you would like to attend.



Contact

Anyone interested in attending this workshop or receiving future publicity information should contact:

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The Collections

Commonwealth Political Party, Pressure Group and Trades Union Materials (Institute of Commonwealth Studies)

The ICwS Library holds over 13 000 items issued over the last 50 years by political parties, trade unions and pressure groups from over 60 Commonwealth and ex-Commonwealth countries. The collection was begun in 1960-1961 and consists primarily of two types of material, policy documents (manifestos and policy statements, speeches and articles by prominent figures, printed resolutions, members' handbooks, etc.) and election campaign material (pamphlets, leaflets, posters, badges etc).

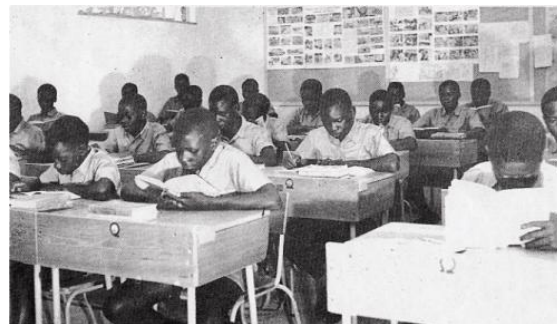


Many of these items are unique, having been produced for immediate electoral or publicity purposes rather than for posterity. Material is still being collected, primarily through the downloading of digital materials. Further details can be found on the website <http://www.sas.ac.uk/polarch>

Contemporary Archive on Latin America (Institute for the Study of the Americas)

The Contemporary Archive on Latin America was a documentation and research centre on Latin America which, upon its closure in 1986, donated the majority of its holdings to the Library of the Institute of Latin American Studies (now part of the Institute for the Study of the Americas).

This collection of around 7000 items contains material from Latin America which was difficult or impossible to obtain in Britain. It forms the core of the ISA archive, supplemented by subsequent donations and acquisitions.



Programme

- 12.45 - 1.00** **Tea/Coffee**
- 1.00 - 1.15** **Introduction by Danny Millum** (Political Archives Project Officer at the Institute of Commonwealth Studies and the Institute for the Study of the Americas)
- 1.15 - 2.15** **Panel 1 'Political Ephemera from the Library of Congress'**
- Speakers:** **Pamela Howard-Reguindin** (Field Director, Library of Congress Office, Rio de Janeiro)
'Brazil's Popular Groups Microfilm Collection from The Library of Congress'
Dr. Angel D. Batiste (Area Specialist, African and Middle Eastern Division, Library of Congress)
'Africana Ephemera in the Library of Congress'
- Chair:** **David Clover** (Information Resources Manager, Institute of Commonwealth Studies)
- 2.15 - 2.30** **Tea/Coffee**
- 2.30 - 3.45** **Panel 2 'Building Collections of Political Ephemera'**
- Speakers:** **Giorgio Miescher** (Curator of the Poster Collection at Basler Afrika Bibliographien)
'Posters as an Historical Source'
Dr Dag Henrichsen (Curator of the Papers and Manuscript Archives at Basler Afrika Bibliographien)
'Solidarity movements, political ephemera and African history: The case of the Maoist 'kämpfendes africa', Zurich 1969-1986'
Professor Christopher Saunders (Historical Studies Department, University of Cape Town)
'Liberation in southern Africa and the Digital Imaging Project of South Africa: a historian's perspective'
- Chair:** **Dr Marion Wallace** (Curator of African Collections, British Library)
- 3.45 - 4.15** **Tea/Coffee**
- 4.15 - 5.30** **Panel 3 'The Production and Use of Ephemera'**
- Speakers:** **Peter T. Johnson** (Princeton University)
'Documenting Latin American Civil Society'
Dr Matthew Brown (Department of Hispanic, Portuguese and Latin American Studies, University of Bristol)
'Using Political Ephemera for the History of Hispanic America'
Marika Sherwood (Senior Research Fellow, Institute of Commonwealth Studies)
'Using Ephemera to Reconstruct Histories of Organisation and Protest'
- Chair:** **Sarah Pink** (Information Resources Manager, Latin American Studies Library of the Institute for the Study of the Americas)
- 5.30 - 6.30** **Reception and Launch** presented by **Ian Cooke** (Deputy Information Resources Manager, Institute of Commonwealth Studies)
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