British Scholar Annual Conference 2010

Thursday, 25 March

1:00 – 2:15 PM

➢ J. A. R. Moseley Room

Conference Opening Lecture:
“Religious Paths to Unbelief in the Nineteenth Century”

Frank Turner
Yale University
John Hay Whitney Professor of History
Director, Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library

2:30 – 4:00 PM

➢ Zarrow Family Seminar Room

Using Digital Archives in Research and Classroom Teaching:
A Workshop
Scott Dawson, Cengage Publishing

2:30 – 4:15 PM

➢ J. A. R. Moseley Room

Panel Title: Rebellion, Riot, and Nationalism on the Celtic Fringe

Chair and Discussant: S. Karly Kehoe, University of the Highlands and Islands

Forecasting and forestalling the British Empire: the geopolitical and military analyses of Nathaniel Hooke in 1702-03
Thomas Byrne, National University of Ireland, Maynooth
Distant Fenians: a Reconsideration of Irish-American Impact on Ireland’s Nineteenth-Century Rebellions
Jeffery R. Hankins, Louisiana Tech University

Daniel O’Connell and the Catholic Board: Reconsidering the Roots of Irish Nationalism, 1809-1815
Terrence Corrigan, Syracuse University

At Home and Abroad: the Failure to Sustain anti-Scottish Sentiment in the Cromwellian Garrisons
Sarah Waurechen, Queens University, Canada

Friday, 26 March

8:30 – 10:00 AM

➢ Tom Lea Rooms

Panel Title: Re-assessment on the Beginnings and Ends of Nineteenth-century British Politics, Culture, and Religion

Chair and Discussant: David Hudson, Texas A&M University

Eastern Crisis as Final Crisis: British Eschatology and the Eastern Question, 1833-1882
Eric M. Reisenauer, University of South Carolina, Sumter

Gladstone and Ireland, 1825-1846
Douglas Kanter, Florida Atlantic University

Poetry, Painting, and Party Politics: John Constable, William Wordsworth and the cultural face of Ultra Toryism
Douglas Simes, University of Waikato (NZ)

➢ J. A. R. Moseley Room

Panel Title: Towards A Culture of Ecological Imperialism in the British Empire

Chair and Discussant: Joseph Hodge, West Virginia University

Sir Albert Howard and the Decolonization of Science in the British Empire
Gregory Barton, The Australian National University
**Hunting and Imperialism: British hunters in colonial India, 1860-1947**
Fiona Mani, West Virginia University

**A Trojan Horse in the Forest: The Ideological Construction of a Pine Invasion in the Mulanje Region of Malawi, 1923-2000**
Kathleen Fichtel, West Virginia University

**The British ‘School’ of Tropical Agriculture: Approaches, Debates and Legacies**
Joseph Hodge, West Virginia University

10:15 AM – 12:00 PM

➢ **Tom Lea Rooms**

**Panel Title: Unionism and Nationalism in Modern Scotland**

Chair and Discussant: T. M. Devine, University of Edinburgh

**Nationalism, Unionism and Scotland’s Catholics, 1850-1930**
S. Karly Kehoe, University of the Highlands and Islands, Scotland

**Gender, Memory and the Outsider: Jane Porter's Scottish Chiefs and Unionist-Nationalism**
Graeme Morton, University of Guelph, Canada

**Unionism in Retreat: Post-war Scottish Politics and the Decline of Unionism**
David Stewart, University of Central Lancashire

**Witnesses to Decolonization: Scottish Views on the End of Empire**
Bryan S. Glass, University of Texas at Austin

➢ **Zarrow Seminar Room**

**Panel Title: The Social Question: Inclusion and Exclusion**

Chair and Discussant: W. D. Rubinstein, Aberystwyth University

**Poverty and Madness-A Case for the Benevolent: Constructing Anglo-Jewish Charitable Giving, 1840-1880**
Sara Abosch, University of Memphis

**Transatlantic Conversations: Juvenile courts in Britain and the US, c.1890-1940**
Kate Bradley, University of Kent

**Transnational Ultra-Nationalists: Music and the British Radical Right’s Youth Programs**  
Ryan Shaffer, State University of New York, Stony Brook

‘People who are capable of hard slogging work’? Women’s employment in the Ministry of Labour in the interwar period  
Helen Glew, Centre for Contemporary British History, Institute of Historical Research

➢ **J. A. R. Moseley Room**

**Panel Title: Religion and Politics in Seventeenth and early Eighteenth Century England**

Chair and Discussant: Brent Sirota, North Carolina State University

**The Decline of Religion in British Politics, 1710-1730**  
Chris Dudley, University of Chicago

**Joseph Besse and the Quaker Martyrs: Memorializing Quaker Suffering and Martyrdom**  
Marjon Ames, McPherson College

**Religion and Constitution In the Aftermath of the Glorious Revolution**  
Heather Thornton, LSU

➢ **Denius Seminar Room**

**Panel Title: Creating Identities and Others in Literature**

Chair and Discussant: Eric Zuelow, University of New England

**Identity, Paternalism, and Liberalism in Dickens’s Great Expectations**  
Caroline Austin Bolt

**The Northern Colony: Views of Scotland in the Writings of English Travelers, 1688-1750**  
Michael Jeter-Boldt, University of Kansas

**Stability, Scarcity and Skyrocketing Rates: The Discussions of Gilbert’s Act and the Speenhamland Plan in the English Press**  
Jessica Steinberg, Ph.D. student, University of Ottawa
Too Good (not) to be True: The Long and Illustrious Career of a Joke.
Pia Kate Jakobbson, UT – Dallas

12:00 – 1:00 PM

Break for Lunch

1:00 – 2:30 PM

➤ Tom Lea Rooms

Panel Title: Rethinking the British World: Definitions, Cultures, Economies

Chair and Discussant: Anthony Brundage, Cal Poly Pomona

Imperialism and Protectionism: the Global Impact of the McKinley Tariff upon the Empire
Marc-William Palen, University of Texas at Austin

The British World and Morocco, c1900 to 1924
John Fisher, University of the West of England

Were there Municipal Networks in the British World?
John Griffiths, Massey University

The Migration Experiences of British Migrants in Dunedin’s Public Asylum, 1870-1909
Angela McCarthy, University of Otago

➤ J. A. R. Moseley Room

Panel Title: Cultural History of the British Empire

Chair and Discussant: Martin Wiener, Rice University

The European Buddhist: Britain’s Transnational Approach to South Asian Philosophy
Kate Imy, University of Northern Colorado

Meeting the ‘The Coming Man’ – masculinity in British travel writing on Australia
Sofia Eriksson, Macquarie University
A Canvas at Wembley: British Empire Exhibition of 1924 and Contemporary Constructions of Empire
Jeffery R. Patterson, Dean LBJ School, the University of Texas at Austin

⇒ Zarrow Seminar Room

Panel Title: Crisis and Grand Strategies in India
Chair and Discussant: James Onley, University of Exeter

Submarines for Sepoys: Polaris and the Great Game in Asian Waters
John Brobst, Ohio University

“A State of War”: Indian Nationalism and the British Administration in the North-West Frontier Province, 1930-1934
Brandon D. Marsh, Bridgewater College, Virginia

Taming the exotic: classical reading in Elphinstone’s India
Chris Hagerman, Albion College

⇒ Denius Seminar Room

Panel Title: Professional Women Musicians and Keyboard Instruments: Case Studies from Eighteenth- and Nineteenth-Century London
Chair and Discussant: Candace Bailey, North Carolina Central University

Elizabeth Turner: From the Georgian Concert Stage to the Lady’s Magazine
Bonnie Miller, Independent Scholar

Louise Dulcken: Forging a Pianist’s Career in Nineteenth-Century London
Therese Ellsworth, Independent Scholar

Elizabeth Stirling: Finding Her Place on the Organ Bench in Nineteenth-Century London
Judith Barger, Independent Scholar
3:00 – 4:30 PM

➤ Prothro Theater

**Keynote Address:**
“Did Slavery Make Scotland Great?”

T. M. Devine, OBE
University of Edinburgh
Sir William Fraser Professor of Scottish History and Palaeography
Director of the Scottish Centre of Diaspora Studies

6:00 – 9:30 PM

British Scholar Dinner Party

Saturday, 27 March

9:00 – 10:45 AM

➤ Tom Lea Rooms

Panel Title: Politics, Diplomacy and Prestige at the End of Empire and the Beginnings of European Integration

Chair and Discussant: Benjamin Grob-Fitzgibbon, University of Arkansas

“A Major Power of the Second Order”? Britain, the Middle East, and the Case of the Dawson’s Field Hijackings
Eoin Jennings, Cambridge University

Awaiting Disraeli: Harold Macmillan and the Tory Politics of European Integration
Robert Dewey, DePauw University

Trilbys and Mackintoshes: How Britain’s Heritage of Irregular Warfare Influenced World War II
Aaron Linderman, Texas A&M University

➤ J. A. R. Moseley Room
Panel Title: Britain in the Middle East: Conquest, Failure, and Cooperation

Chair and Discussant: Gregory A. Barton, The Australian National University

Britain and the Acquisition of Mosul
Dart Risley, University of Texas at Austin

‘The Resources of the Enemy Were Underestimated’: Military and Ministerial Mistakes in Britain's Mesopotamia Campaign
Tova Abosch, University of Texas at Austin

Formation and Function: British Institutions and Antecedents to a Federation of Arab Emirates
Kristi N. Barnwell, University of Texas at Austin

⇒ Denius Seminar Room

Panel Title: Society and Culture in Imperial India

Chair and Discussant: Gail Minault, University of Texas at Austin

White man’s first burden: Eurasian and missionary education in early colonial India
Rajesh Kochhar, CSIR Emeritus Scientist, Indian Institute of Science Education and Research Mohali

British Marriage Mart in Nineteenth Century India
Nupur Chaudhuri, Texas Southern University

Bad Air, Britishness, and the Black Hole of Calcutta
Christopher Ferguson, Auburn University

11:00 – 12:30 PM

⇒ Tom Lea Rooms

Panel Title: Labour Political Culture Between the Wars

Chair and Discussant: Reba Soffer, California State University, Northridge
Constructing a British Road to Socialism: Re-thinking Political Identities in the Inter-War Labour Party
Keith Gildart, University of Wolverhampton

A reassessment of the impact of the Bolshevik Revolution on inter-war political culture in Britain
John Callaghan, University of Salford

Why was there no Keynesian Revolution under the Second Labour Government? Reassessing Sir Oswald Mosley’s Alternative Economic Agenda in 1930-31
Daniel Ritschel, University of Maryland, Baltimore County

Left-wing identities in Inter-War Britain
Gidon Cohen, University of Durham

J. A. R. Moseley Room

Panel Title: Historicizing British Culture, Nostalgia, and Consciousness in the Twentieth Century

Chair and Discussant: Martin Farr, University of Newcastle

Ethan Treviño, The University of Manchester

“Political Religions” and Britain between the World Wars
Joseph T. Stuart, Edinburgh University

Through A Pint Glass: The English Public House and Nostalgia
Eric G.E. Zuelow, University of New England

12:30 – 2:00 PM

Break for Lunch

2:00 – 3:45 PM

Tom Lea Rooms

Lecture:
“Britain’s Elites in the Inter-War Period, 1918-1939: Decline or Continued Ascendancy”

William D. Rubinstein
Aberystwyth University

➢ J. A. R. Moseley Room

Panel Title: “The Individual and the Empire: The Place of People in Britain’s Imperial Endeavors”

Chair and Respondent: R.J.Q. Adams, Professor, Texas A&M University

Cochranes in Context: A Case Study of Scotland and the British Empire
Blaine Walker, University of Arkansas

New News from Berlin: The German Empire of 1871 and its Impact on Britain’s Imperial Ideologies
Jeffrey Grooms, University of Arkansas

British Advisors in the Middle East: The Case of Sir Charles Belgrave of Bahrain, 1926-57
James Onley, University of Exeter

Sir Henry Gurney: Sage of Decolonization
Benjamin Grob-Fitzgibbon, University of Arkansas

4:00 – 4:30 PM

➢ Tom Lea Rooms

Closing Remarks and Presentation of the Wm. Roger Louis Prize

Saturday Evening:

Outings around Austin