

THE AFTERMATH OF SUFFRAGE: WHAT HAPPENED AFTER THE VOTE WAS WON?

CONFERENCE ITINERARY

Papers in the parallel sessions should be no more than 20 minutes, with 20-25 minutes left for questions and discussion.

Papers in the plenary sessions should be no more than 25 minutes, with at least 20 minutes left for questions and discussion.

Friday 24 June, 2011

Humanities Research Institute, University of Sheffield

8.45-9.15: Registration

9.15-9.40: Welcome and Introduction

Welcome: Richard Toye (Exeter University) and Introduction: Julie Gottlieb (University of Sheffield) “‘Better equipped to face difficult times’? : The Impact of Universal Suffrage”

9.40-11.00: Plenary Session

Pat Thane (IHR, King’s College, London), “What the British Women’s Movement Achieved between the Wars and why it has been Forgotten”

Adrian Bingham (University of Sheffield), “Enfranchisement, Feminism and the Modern Woman: Debates in the British Press, 1918-1939”

11.00-11.15 Coffee

11.15-12.45: Parallel Session, Panels One and Two

Panel One: Feminists and Feminism in the Post-Suffrage Era

Ruth Davidson (Royal Holloway), “Pioneer, Fighting, Spirit:’ Barbara Duncan Harris, 1881-1959”

Susan McPherson (University of Essex), “Norah Elam: Militant Suffragette to Fascist Propagandist”

Jessica Thurlow (Aurora College) “‘A Women against the Tide’: Feminists and Religion in the mid-20th century”

Panel Two: The Conservative Party’s Appeals to the New Electorate

Laura E. Nym Mayhall (Catholic University of America, Washington D.C.), “‘It’s your face that it carrying you through!’: Nancy Astor and the Politics of Anglo-American Celebrity, 1919-1929”

Mitzi Auchterlonie (Exeter University), “Continuity rather than Change: Conservative Women in the post-suffrage era, 1918-1930”

David Thackery (Exeter University), “Mrs Maggs goes shopping: Party Appeals to the Female Consumer in the 1920s”

12.45-1.45 Lunch in the HRI

1.30-2.15: Brainstorming Session on Networking Grants with Ann Charlett Day (all welcome)

2.15-3.45: Parallel Session, Panels Three and Four

Panel Three: Women’s Political Activism after Suffrage: Pro and Anti-Feminist

Anne Logan (University of Kent) “Public Servant, Public Intellectual: The post-suffrage Career of S. Margery Fry”

Laura Paterson (University of Dundee), “The Relationship of Citizenship and Feminism in Women’s Organisations 1918-1939”

Florence Binard (Universite of Paris—Diderot), “‘The impending subjection of man’: Arabella Kenealy’s anti-female-suffrage”

Panel Four: Women’s Work after Suffrage: New Opportunities, Old Prejudices

Susan R. Grayzel (University of Mississippi), “Defending Domestic Spaces and Bodies: Gender, Citizenship, and Civil Defence in the Aftermath of War and Suffrage”

Sonya Rose (University of Michigan), “We are the Pioneers of What? Science, Technology and Women’s work in the Aftermath of Women’s Suffrage”

Julia Neville (Exeter University) “Challenge, Conformity and Casework: Women Councillors and Social Welfare in Interwar Devon”

3.45-4.00: Break

4.00-5.25: Parallel Session, Panel Five only

Panel Five: After Enfranchisement, the Scottish Perspective

Valerie Wright, “Post-Suffrage Scotland: Continuity and Change in the Women’s Movement c. 1918-1939”

Esther Breitenbach (University of Edinburgh), “Scottish Women as Active Citizens”

Kenneth Baxter (University of Dundee), “Women in the Unionist and Liberal Parties in Scotland c1918-1955”

5.25-6.45: Plenary Session

June Purvis (Portsmouth University), “From Key Strategist of the WSPU to Travelling Evangelist: Christabel Pankhurst (1880-1957)”

Angela V. John (Aberystwyth University), “Branching Out: Lives Beyond Suffrage—Evelyn Sharp and Lady Rhondda”

- Wine Reception in HRI 6.45-7.45
- Dinner at 8pm in a local Restaurant

Saturday, 25 June

9.00-10.15: Plenary Session

Richard Toye (Exeter University), “The House of Commons in the Aftermath of Suffrage”

Philippe Vervaecke (Universite Lille 3) “The ‘Joan Bull’ Factor: British Parties and their Female Militants in the Inter-war Years”

10.15-10.30 Coffee Break

10.30-11.45: Plenary Session

Julie Gottlieb (University of Sheffield), “‘Don’t believe in foreigners’ (Woman M-O interviewee in 1938): Appeasement and the Women’s Franchise Factor”

Jon Lawrence (Cambridge University), “Gender, Class and the Transformation of British Political Culture, 1900-1939”

11.50-1.05: Plenary Session

Helen McCarthy, (QMW, London) “‘Shut Against the Woman and the Workman Alike’: Democratizing Foreign Policy between the Wars.”

Myriam Boussahba-Bravard (Paris—Diderot University), “Claiming and Acting: From United Suffragist Emancipation into Political Diversity”

1.05-2.00: Lunch in the HRI

2.00-3.30: Parallel Session, Panels Six and Seven

Panel Six: Women Politicians’ Self-Representations after Suffrage

Krista Cowman (University of Lincoln), “Writing a Gendered Political Life: Women MPs Autobiographies”

John Ault (Exeter University), “Beatrice Rathbone—Reluctant Feminist?”

Joseph Maslen (Sheffield Hallam University), “Girlhood Activism in the 1920s and 1930s in the Recollections of Margot Kettle”

Panel Seven: Framing the Franchise Factor

Laura Beers (American University, Washington D.C.), “After the Vote was Won: Continuity and Change since 1918”

Laura-Mari Manninen [PhD student] (University of Jyväskylä, Finland), “The Women’s Suffrage Question in British Parliamentary Debates on the Representation of the People’s Act”

Christopher Burgess [PhD Student] (University of Nottingham), “Appealing to women: The Political Party Poster in the Age of Female Enfranchisement”

3.30-4.45: Plenary Session

Mari Takayanagi (IHR, King’s College, London), “Destination, Frustration, Legislation: Parliament and Women, c. 1918-1928”

Karen Hunt (Keele University) and June Hannam (University of the West of England), “The Impact of the Representation of the Peoples Act (1918) on the Culture and Practice of Local Women’s Politics in the 1920s”

4.45-5.30 Conclusion

Conclusion: “Better equipped to understand the impact of universal suffrage? A Roundtable Discussion” chaired by Julie Gottlieb (University of Sheffield) and Richard Toye (Exeter University)