

ewysistuk No.
Gekry by: *Leon Levy*
Deur: *Prof. C. J. van der Merwe*
Tel: *64(a) Progress Labou in Durban* A.B.U.S
Datum: *27/9/1955*
Verwysings No. *DX*
COURSE I - TRADE UNIONISM

Ew 7.4.1.1

①

D66

Lecture I. - Our Modern Society and How it Arose.

- (1) A history of previous social orders.
- (2) Explain how all social advance arises through the conflict between classes in Society.
- (3) How the Capitalists overthrew feudalism and established Capitalism.
- (4) The classes under Capitalism.
- (5) The historic role of the working class:
- (6) The organisations of the working class.

Lecture II. - What is a Trade Union.

- (1) The power of the Capitalists - ownership of the means of production.
- (2) The workers' sole possession - their labour power.
- (3) Individual worker is powerless.
- (4) Organisation in one factory.
- (5) Organisation in one industry or craft.
- (6) Trade Union is a school of unity.

Lecture III. - Short History of International Trade Union Movement.

Emphasis on achievements of workers through unity.

Lecture IV. - Short History of the Trade Union Movement in South Africa.

Materials:

- (A) Comrade Bill.
- (B) Class Struggle in South Africa - By W. H. Andrews.
- (C) Trade Unions in S.A. - Tremboth & Gitsham.

Lecture V. - Trade Unions as Weapon in Struggle of Workers.

- (1) Protection of Rights.
- (2) Improvement in Workers' Living Conditions.
- (3) Industrial legislation.
- (4) The political struggle.
- (5) The role of the Trade Unions in the workers' struggle for emancipation.

Lecture VI. - Trade Unions and the Struggle for Liberation in South Africa.

- (1) Explain imperialist semi-colonial conditions in South Africa.
- (2) African workers cannot permanently secure improvements without political rights.
- (3) The struggle for political rights is linked with the struggle for economic advancement. (Example: The difficulties experienced in organising African trade unions are largely political).
- (4) Hence the duty of Trade Unions in S.A. to take part actively in the struggle for liberation.
- (5) Hence also the duty of Trade Unions to build and support the National Liberation Movement.

COURSE II. - HOW TO ORGANISE A TRADE UNION.

Lecture I. - How to Organise the Unorganised Workers.

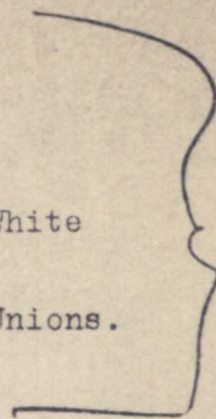
Detail the step-by-step progress of building a new Union.

Lecture II. - Problems of Trade Unionism in South Africa.

D 66

Lecture III. - Workers' Solidarity.

- (1) Co-ordinating Bodies.
- (2) Unity between Black and White workers.
- (3) S. A. Congress of Trade Unions.



COURSE III. - ADMINISTRATION.

Lecture I. - Constitution of a Trade Union.

- (1) Examine a Constitution.
- (2) Purpose and Functions of Various Committees.
- (3) General Meetings.
- (4) Paid officials.
- (5) Finances.

Lecture II. - Office Administration.

Lecture III. - The Task of Trade Union Officials.

- (1) The Constitution of a Union.
- (2) Industrial Legislation.
- (3) Maintain contact with members.
- (4) Train members.
- (5) Constantly to inspire members.

Lecture IV. - Relationship between the Workers and their Union.

- (1) Organisation at the factory.
- (2) Shop Stewards.
- (3) Complaints - taking up at factory point.
- (4) The workers are the Union - there is no Union without them.
- (5) Every trade union member is a trade union official.
- (6) Workers must learn to achieve results through their own efforts - this will give them a better understanding of the power of their unity.

Collection Number: AD1812

RECORDS RELATING TO THE 'TREASON TRIAL' (REGINA vs F. ADAMS AND OTHERS ON CHARGE OF HIGH TREASON, ETC.), 1956 1961

TREASON TRIAL, 1956 1961

PUBLISHER:

Publisher:- Historical Papers, University of the Witwatersrand

Location:- Johannesburg

©2012

LEGAL NOTICES:

Copyright Notice: All materials on the Historical Papers website are protected by South African copyright law and may not be reproduced, distributed, transmitted, displayed, or otherwise published in any format, without the prior written permission of the copyright owner.

Disclaimer and Terms of Use: Provided that you maintain all copyright and other notices contained therein, you may download material (one machine readable copy and one print copy per page) for your personal and/or educational non-commercial use only.

People using these records relating to the archives of Historical Papers, The Library, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, are reminded that such records sometimes contain material which is uncorroborated, inaccurate, distorted or untrue. While these digital records are true facsimiles of the collection records and the information contained herein is obtained from sources believed to be accurate and reliable, Historical Papers, University of the Witwatersrand has not independently verified their content. Consequently, the University is not responsible for any errors or omissions and excludes any and all liability for any errors in or omissions from the information on the website or any related information on third party websites accessible from this website.

This document is part of a private collection deposited with Historical Papers at The University of the Witwatersrand.