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**Coming up short: working-class adulthood in an age of uncertainty**

**Jennifer M. Silva**

Oxford University Press, 2013

Working class--United States--Economic conditions--21st century
Working class--United States--Social life and customs

**HD8072.5.S575**

"In order to tell this story, I examine the transition to adulthood through the voices of 100 working-class young people in their mid-twenties to early thirties. From service sector workplaces like casual-dining restaurants and clothing chains, to community colleges and temp agencies, fire stations and army bases, and bowling alleys and movie theaters, I sought out the younger members of the working class in Lowell, Massachusetts; Richmond, Virginia; and a handful of other cities that embody the rise and fall of the American industrial working class. I spoke with blacks and whites, men and women, investigating the changing meanings, practices, and consequences of working-class adulthood through the accounts of those who are living it."

**Community in conflict: a working-class history of the 1913-14 Michigan Copper Strike and the Italian Hall Tragedy**

**Gary Kaunonen and Aaron Goings**

Michigan State University Press, 2013

Strikes and lockouts—Miners
copper mines and mining
working class--Michigan

**HD5325.M72 1913 M525**

"Despite the national significance of the Italian Hall tragedy, writing about the event has been missing research based on documentary evidence from first-person sources. Lacking is ‘evidence’ about why, or in fact if, anti-union forces targeted the hall and its Christmas Eve festivities, full of children, for retribution as a way to drive the Western Federation of Miners (WFM) from Michigan’s Cooper Country, thus ending the strike."

**Contesting the postwar city: working-class and growth politics in 1940s Milwaukee**

**Eric Fure-Slocum**

Cambridge University Press, 2013

Working class--Political activity--Wisconsin--Milwaukee
Milwaukee (Wis.)--Economic policy

**HD8079.M55 F87**

"Wisconsin Avenue, which cuts across the center of Milwaukee, also bisects the twentieth century. This downtown thoroughfare held center stage in two contrasting early post-World War II episodes – a 1947 ordinance fight and a 1951 parade – that illuminate a pattern of change underway in the industrial city. At the core of these incidents and of this history were ongoing frictions between contending visions of the city, defined as working-class politics and growth politics."

**Employment guarantee schemes: job creation and policy in developing countries and emerging markets**

**Michael J. Murray and Mathew Forstater (eds.)**

Palgrave Macmillan, 2013

Full employment policies--Developing countries
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Job creation--Developing countries
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Unemployment--Developing countries
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<td>Stijn Smismans (ed.)</td>
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<td>“The Job Guarantee programs discussed in the present volume provide economists, researchers, and policymakers with a starting point to address the global problem of unemployment and underemployment. Even several years after the formal end of the ‘Great Recession,’ global unemployment and underemployment remain stuck at high rates. The need for serious consideration of job creation policies has never been greater since the Great Depression.”</td>
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<td>Executives--Salaries, Merit pay, Executive ability</td>
<td>“The question is whether management and labour will be able to resist the potential rise of protectionist and populist pressures as the crisis profoundly hits an increasing part of the population, and whether the EU will be able to offer something other than imposing austerity to help survive the Euro and the global markets rather than its social model.”</td>
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<td>Hazard or hardship: crafting global norms on the right to refuse unsafe work</td>
<td>Jeffrey Hilgert</td>
<td>Industrial safety--Law and legislation, Employee rights, Labor laws and legislation</td>
<td>“As documented in this book, the distortions in pay schemes for top managers are often the unintended consequences of regulations introduced in response to isolated events or situations. Reforms of regulatory systems in the financial sector, and of collective bargaining systems, need to be supported by deeper empirical analyses.”</td>
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<td>Immigrant women workers in the neoliberal age</td>
<td>Nilda Flores-Gonzalez, Anna Romina Guevarra, Maura Toro-Morn, Grace Chang (eds.)</td>
<td>Women foreign workers, Women immigrants, Women immigrants--Economic conditions</td>
<td>“The right to refuse unsafe work is a global policy question that confronts all nations. Around the world, every society and government must decide how to protect, or not protect, each worker from retaliation and termination. This involves not just drafting a progressive antidiscrimination law; it also involves the regulating of work and employment relations on a more fundamental level. Each country defines the rights of workers differently, but each national labor policy rests on a framework of laws and regulations that defines how workers who refuse work for reasons of safety and health will be treated.”</td>
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Excerpt: “The terrain that has emerged in this book is vast, complex, and ambitious. We offer a view of the intimate spaces of care work done in the privacy of homes; the relentless and oppressive conditions of work in service industries; the insecurities of garment workers pushed from protective ethnic enclaves; and the dangers, difficulties, and dreams of Latina mothers and daughters who work as street vendors. We also offer a window into the uncertainties faced by displaced and deported working mothers who continue to struggle to provide for their families. We show how service workers engage a neoliberal ideology and how grassroots movements have made some promising inroads in organizing workers to address various forms of disruptions that this neoliberal economy brings.”

Title: *International seafarers and transnationalism in the twenty-first century*
Author: Helen Sampson
Pub Info: Manchester University Press, 2013
Subject: Sailors--Social conditions
Migrant labor--Social conditions
Transnationalism--Social aspects
Emigration and immigration
Call No. HD8039.S4 S26
Excerpt: The lives of contemporary seafarers have been strongly influenced by the rise of a globalised labour market and, while some aspects of seafaring remain immutable, the impact of the globalisation of the industry has been significant and can be seen to drive other globalised processes such as regulation, and the stretching of social frontiers. Thus the discussion of the potential for seafarer transnationality, which is presented, is rooted in an understanding of the shipping sector as globalised.

Title: *Labor divided in the postwar European welfare state: the Netherlands and the United Kingdom*
Author: Dennie Oude Nijhuis
Pub Info: Cambridge University Press, 2013
Subject: Labor unions
Social security
Welfare state
Call No. HD6727.N517
Excerpt: “This book results from the conviction that we cannot improve our understanding of postwar welfare state development in different countries, and their widely diverging trajectories, without a fundamental reappraisal of organized labor’s involvement in the creation and expansion of social policies during the crucial first decades of the postwar period.”

Title: *The long road to social security: assessing the implementation of national social security initiatives for the working poor of India*
Author: K.P. Kannan and Jan Breman (eds.)
Pub Info: Oxford University Press, 2013
Subject: Social security--India
Working poor--India--Economic conditions
Working poor--India--Social conditions
Call No. HD7219.L66
Excerpt: “With the state failing to reach out to its target in need of social care, and the people not knowing where and how to access their entitlements, mediation is of the essence to break through the impasse. In bridging this gap, civil society could of crucial importance. Indeed, in many regions of the country a wide range of Non-governmental Organizations (NGOs) are active in providing assistance for the needy.”

Title: *Meet Joe Copper: masculinity and race on Montana’s World War II Home Front*
Author: Matthew L. Basso
On behalf of the family farm: Iowa farm women’s activism since 1945

Author: Jenny Barker Devine

Excerpt: “Like social feminism and strategies of mutuality, the politics of dependence also stemmed from common divisions of labor within farm households, but it differed in that it justified women’s entry into clearly defined male spaces: retail establishments, businesses, commodity sales, financial institutions, wage labor, and elective politics.”

Palestinians in the Israeli labor market: a multi-disciplinary approach

Author: Nabil Khattab and Sami Miaari (eds.)

Excerpt: “The chapters in this volume together provide a comprehensive and multidisciplinary account of the relative position of Palestinians within Israel’s economy. While this book analyzes the sources for labor market inequality between Jews and Palestinians in Israel, it also discusses new developments and changes leading to the rise of employment opportunities for Palestinians, particularly for women such as in the Jewish retail industry.”

Paradoxes of internationalization: British and German trade unions at Ford and General Motors 1967-2000

Author: Thomas Fetzer

Excerpt: “Inspired by a recent renewed emphasis on historical change among political economists, the book thus makes a case for a more historically grounded analysis of trade union politics in multinational companies. This also helps to shed new light on contemporary developments. On the one hand, in line with much recent historical writing on the 1970s as the ‘dawn of the new age,’ it contributes to the study of longer-term continuities, the ‘imprints’ of which are still discernible in the early twenty-first century. On the other hand, as will become more clear in the individual chapters, the book also helps to historicize contemporary developments through the analysis of change over time.”