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In March, we mark the one-year anniversary of the COVID-19 pandemic. As we reflect on the changes that have profoundly affected our school, university, and community, there are still constants that remind us who we are and what we do. We are researchers, teachers, practitioners, and activists. Let the library, the information center of SMLR, help you succeed in who you are and what you do. Resources, both digital and print, are available for classroom use or research purposes. Virtual reference hours are available daily to assist you and your students. Customized video presentations on information literacy can be embedded in both synchronous and asynchronous courses.

The Carey Library Research Minute can be a valuable tool keeping us connected while we are physically apart. No matter what stage your research may be in, sharing your ongoing work can make a great impact on our community. Please consider contributing to this social endeavor to advance the conversations we are missing in person.

Dorothy Sue Cobble's new book, For the Many: American Feminists and the Global Fight for Democratic Equality will be released in May from Princeton University Press. The volume provides a history of the twentieth-century feminists who fought for the rights of women, workers, and the poor, both in the United States and abroad. Putting women at the center of U.S. political history, For the Many reveals the powerful currents of demographic equality that spurred American feminists to seek a better life for all.

Christopher Hayes published his article, "Decline in an Era of Triumph: Black Workers in 1960s New York City," in Labor History. During the late fifties and early sixties, years of profound legal and legislative victories, Black workers saw their status decline and futures narrow. Racial income inequality grew, and economic changes impacted Black workers much more so than their white counterparts. In disregarding demands for economic justice nationwide, white politicians and officials, liberal, moderate and conservative, perpetuated a growing crisis in employment, with impacts in education, mental and physical health and quality of life, the legacies of which endure very much through today.

Lisa Schur, Yana Rodgers, and Doug Kruse are working on an article titled "COVID-19 and Employment Losses for the Disabled: An Intersectional Approach." They presented this work in January 2021 at the annual meeting of the Allied Social Science Association and are in the journal submission process now. This article helps to set the stage for a group of research projects they are conducting that are part of a large 5-year grant that Rutgers was just awarded, jointly with Syracuse and Harvard Universities, to establish a new national Rehabilitation Research Training Center on disability-inclusive employment policy.

# Check This Out!

Labor History is available online through the Taylor & Francis platform from 1987 to the present. Issues back to 1966 can be found in Business Source Premier.

Research in
Organizational Behavior
is available online

through the Elsevier platform from 2000 to the present.

From the library catalog, <u>Union Renegades Miners,</u> <u>Capitalism, and</u> <u>Organizing in the Gilded</u> <u>Age</u> (2021)

The library collection is accessible! Complete details can be found under <u>Click and Collect Services</u> on the RUL website.

### **DISCOVER THE SMLR ARCHIVES**

Two Pages from Roman History, Plebs Leaders and Labor Leaders and The Warning of the Gracchi by Daniel De Leon, **1935** 

Jobs, Peace, Unity: Speech by John L. Lewis given to the Citizenship Institute of the American Youth Congress in Washington, D.C. February 10, 1934

The C.I.O. and the Farmers, extracts from speeches made at the First National Convention of "The United Cannery, Agricultural, Packing and Allied Workers Union of America," 1937

## **JUST PUBLISHED!**

### Raising the Federal Minimum Wage to \$15 by 2025 Would Lift the Pay of 32 Million Workers

The Raise the Wage Act of 2021 would help eliminate poverty-level wages by raising the national minimum wage to \$15 per hour by 2025. This report finds that the raise is long overdue and would deliver broad benefits to workers and the economy.

Economic Policy Institute, March 2021

#### **SUBMIT YOUR RESEARCH**

Share with colleagues your current research projects. What are you working on? Anything from research in the beginning stages or ready for publication. *The Carey Library Research Minute* is an outlet to stay connected. If interested, please submit a short summary. Issues are published three times in the spring and fall semesters. The next issue will be published in April.

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