

Summaries

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A working majority. Rudiments of a new approach to the new figure of industrial worker in Algeria

This text is the result of numerous field studies linked to examining characteristics of the Algerian industrial worker. It shows that the contact established since the early seventies between a movement of industrialisation characterised by its mass, swiftness and sophistication, and the Algerian society has provided a working figure different in this representation and habits from the typical worker. This new worker becoming hegemonic in the workshops develops a least -adhesion - strategy in the compagny. And if he happens to accept certain technical factory requirements, he refuses the code which enfolds them. It is thus the develops a relationship of pure instrumentality in which he exchanges a part of his time for a salary.

Keywords: Labor - worker - industrialization - factory - salary.

Faouzi ADEL

Domestic Duties

This article raises the problem of conceptualizing a reality with ambivalent regulations, placed between an economic reality and symbolics : What it was to demonstrate was that domestic work is an essential modality of female existence before being an economic reality.

The O.N.S. (Algerian Census Bureau) - 1989 - survey brings to light the extent of this economy, but prohibits analysis of all the specificities, and in particular the bonds that it can have with family structure. It treats it, as if it was a plain economic reality (kind of activities-working hours...) even when it is completely submerged in the domestic world whose working rules have nothing to do with those of a business. There is no question here either of profitability, or of benefit, but of the search for a certain quality of life.

Keywords: Family - Women - domestic work - marriage - authority.

Abdelkader LAKJAA

The informal worker : from social figure to geometric variable

The main question to which we will try to answer throughout this text is thus formulated : Informal work by its increasing amplitude (number of workers) and its fast extension (within more and more social levels) does it not signify a profound change in the relationship

with officially regulated wage earning ? From this point of view informal work reminds us through its socio-anthropological dimensions, that the State can't pretend to exert any whatever monopoly in social organization. The widening reproduction of informal activities means that massive state intervention confronts a social opposition on the field even if the latter has chosen it : the economic structure around industrialisation and officially regulated wage earning. This approach fits into a research problematic which sets out to grasp the sense of what we think we must identify as social realities emerging in Algeria.

Keywords: Informal labor - wage labor - State - industrialization - reproduction.

Abed BENDJELID

Family strategies confronted with the employment crisis in Sidi Bel Abbès : Perception of an urban space and informal diversity in a middle size Algerian town

Based on research carried out in a poor outer-suburb of Sidi Bel Abbès, an average sized town, this study tries to analyse family-strategy adjusted in relation to gradual narrowing-down of the employment market. This shows a great ability in adapting to the urban crisis by calling in different underlying forms of family solidarity, even within a city, by admitting its male and even female members in informal trading sectors, and by astutely using the different social levels of an average town. However this critical situation reveals a strong decline in a productive urban economy and questions economic and social-development-politics again.

Keywords: Informal labor - city - family - solidarity - development.

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Word an representations of space conceptionists

A debate on town responsibility brought forward today, questions more often than not architects and town planners, as space conceptionists. Up to what point is our architectural and urban environment a crystallization of the work of those who, in principle have projected it on blueprint ? This article reconsiders the results of a field survey, looks for the answers in the performance of the participants concerned.

Keywords: City - space - architecture - plan - representations.

Mohamed SAIDI

Representations of work in algerian maxims

What sense, do popular social levels give to work ? The article looks for answers in popular culture. The analysis of a work corpus made up of proverbs and koranic verses shows a polarity between work with a positive connotation and nonwork rejected in the field of negativity and death. These adages which have some of the

characteristics of a socio-cultural code orientate behaviour and attitudes.

Keywords: Labor - popular culture - proverb - collective memory - behavior.

Mourad REMAOUN

Working-value, price and overwork : a short paper on a debatable issue

Explain cost in terms of "amount of work" and engendering profit by a "plus-value" productivity is not put into words without some serious difficulty, a problematic shift in meaning, contradictions and logically untenable opinions. From there it follows on that all conventional defence can only be doomed to failure. At the other extreme, the exclusive marxism comes up against the problem of its radical exclusiveness, and between the two, Hegel's appeal and what follows as a historical sense (and from the "argument") goes round the question rather than find a solution. Finally an algebraic treatment, which is perhaps the newest and most innovating contribution and the most coherent, seems to use to be able to confirm the defensibility of the dissertation in question, but, by no means the discourse itself.

Keywords: Labor - price – surplus value - dialectic - Marxism.