

Introduction

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It is my pleasure to introduce Volume 25, No. 2 of *Enterprise and Society*. In this issue, we are pleased to present a special section on “Corporate Responses to Racial Unrest,” guest-edited by Michael Thate and Tyesha Maddox. The section commences with a scene-setting introduction from the guest editors, followed by three papers. The first is from Keith Hollingsworth on the aftermath of the Atlanta race riot of 1906, followed by Mattie Webb on an exercise in the art of the possible, waging the battle against Apartheid in South African workplaces. This section is rounded off by Sethulego Matebesi’s exploration of responses to civil society mobilization among South African mining companies. Taken together, these four essays break important new ground and indicate promising lines of future research.

This issue also debuts an important development in the journal’s approach to book reviews, namely a switch from individual book reviews to commissioned review essays. This new approach is presented in a short note from Reviews Editor Alex Beasley. Alex’s introduction is followed by an exciting and stimulating essay by Ian Kumekawa that appraises three recently published books in search of lessons from environmental and economic crises—and histories. There has already been much important new work in the intersection between business and environmental history, but this topic promises to remain ever-vital in the coming years. In that context, we are delighted to publish Dr Kumekawa’s essay and thank Alex for starting this initiative. We look forward to publishing many more exciting new review essays in the coming issues.

Finally, in addition to the features already discussed, this issue includes nine full research articles, ranging far and wide in time, geography, and topic. We hope you enjoy them all.

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