UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN
Department of History
Fall, 1984

History 901  Sexuality and Reproduction  Gordon

READING ASSIGNMENTS

For Sept. 18

William Leach, True Love and Perfect Union
discussion of porn?

Recommended:
Edward Shorter, History of Women's Bodies [sic]
Linda Gordon, Woman's Body, Women's Right, chapters 4-6
Peter Cominos, "Late Victorian Respectability and the Social System,"
International Journal of Social History 8, 1963, pp. 18-48 and
216-250.

Two books on sex in utopian experiments may be of interest:
Lawrence Foster, Religion and Sexuality, 1981

On the Frankfurt school:
David Held, Introduction to Critical Theory: Horkheimer to Habermas
Max Horkheimer, Critical Theory; Selected Essays, esp. essay on
authority and the family.

For Sept. 25

Michael Foucault, History of Sexuality, Vol. I

Recommended:
Martha Vicinus, review essay, Feminist Studies 8 #1
Jeffrey Weeks, Sex, Politics and Society, relevant sections
Judith Walkowitz, "Jack the Ripper," Feminist Studies 8 #3, Fall 1982

For Oct. 2

a group of articles:
Carroll Smith-Rosenberg, both articles in the Cott and Pleck anthology
Nancy Cott, "Passionless," Cott and Pleck anthology
Herbert Gutman and Richard Sutch, "Victorians All? The Sexual Mores
and Conduct of Slaves and their Masters," in Reckoning with
Slavery, eds. Paul a. David et al., 1976, pp. 134-162; or
Gutman, The Black Family in Slavery and Freedom, passim, passages
on slave sexual conduct
Carroll Smith-Rosenberg, "Davey Crockett as Trickster," Journal of
Contemporary History 17, #2, April 1982

Recommended:
Blanche Cook in Cott and Pleck anthology
For Oct. 9

Judith Walkowitz, Prostitution and Victorian Society

Other works on prostitution:
  Ruth Rosen, The Lost Sisterhood, rather descriptive
  Lucie Cheng Hirata, "Free, Indentured, Enslaved," Signs 5 #1 (HIGHLY RECOMMENDED)

Proposed remaining schedule:

Oct. 16  Wilhelm Reich, The Sexual Revolution*
          DuBois and Gordon article, Feminist Studies 9 #1

Oct. 23  Jeffrey Weeks, Coming Out

Oct. 30  Reed, The Birth Control Movement

Nov. 6   Ewen, Captains of Consciousness
          discussion of Frankfort School approach

Nov. 13  Robinson, Modernization of Sex*
          D'Emilio, Sexual Politics, Sexual Communities*

Nov. 20  Lasch, Culture of Narcissism

Nov. 27  (just after Thanksgiving) General discussion of lesbian history/
          historiography based on various articles

Dec. 4   Ehrenreich, The Hearts of Men

Dec. 11  General discussion of current pornography discourse based on
          various articles

*Please note these are the books not easily available for purchase; read ahead to make sure you get them done; search all libraries for copies
D'Emilio may arrive in paperback in October.