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The most interesting essays are those which take the form of case studies. WATERMAN's detailed historical analysis of the Lagos Post Cargo Handling Industry meticulously shows the ways in which the port workers resistance is broken by the meployers divide and rule tactics. Turner gives some revealing insights into the Nigerian National Oil Corporation. And BARRETT has produced a sparkling gem on the village of Olowo which by 1957 «was said to have the highest standard of living of any village in the country».

In conclusion, the book adopts a reformist approach in that it accepts, with minor criticism, the political, economic and administrative framework inherited from the British. It diverts attention from the major global contradiction between capital and labour, by focussing parochially on minor intra-elite contradiction.

The book could become a basic textbook for students of public administration even though most of the essays fail to expose the root causes of Nigeria's administrative malaise.

AFRICAN ASSOCIATION OF POLITICAL SCIENCE RESOLUTION ON WALTER RODNEY 26 MAY 1981.

We, the members of the African Association of Political Science, here assembled in Harare, Zimbabwe, May 1981: –

Recognizing the importance of the commitment of African scholars to the struggles of the peoples of Africa against colonialism, imperialism and neo-colonialism;

do hereby

Deplore arbitrary acts of governments to silence the right of African scholars and scholars of African descent to freely express their views on the condition of the African peoples, and condemn in the strongest terms acts of arbitrary imprisonment and acts of assasination against committed scholars like Walter RODNEY of Guiana who was a son of both the African and the West Indian soil, and who made a significant contribution to the development of the struggles of the peoples of Africa and of all oppressed peoples everywhere; And

Associate ourselves with the demand for an international inquiry into the death of Walter RODNEY.

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