Bonjour.

Dans le cadre de notre programme de préparation à l'Agrégation, l'équipe de recherche ERIBIA et le Département d'Etudes Anglophones (UFR des LVE) de l'Université de Caen Basse-Normandie sont heureux d'accueillir le Professor Kevin Boyle de Northwestern University (Chicago, USA) qui présentera une conférence intitulée "A New Order of Things: FDR and the Remaking of America." La conférence aura lieu dans la salle LI 160 de la Maison des Langues et de l'International (Bâtiment I) le vendredi 12 décembre 2014 à 13h30.

Nous accueillerons avec plaisir les collègues et les étudiants du Grand Ouest et de Normandie à cette conférence exceptionnelle.

Abstract

When Franklin Roosevelt took the oath of office in March 1933, the American economy was in complete collapse. When he was inaugurated again, in January 1937, it was clawing its way back. So it was only natural that he spend some time talking about what he had accomplished in those tumultuous four years. "Our progress out of the depression is obvious," FDR told the throng that had come to see him begin his second term. "But that is not all that you and I mean by the new order of things. Our pledge was not merely to do a patchwork job with secondhand materials. By using the new materials of social justice we have undertaken to erect on the old foundations a more enduring structure for the better use of future generations."

This presentation will examine two central components of the new economic structure FDR tried to build during his twelve years as president: mass unionization and the reconstruction of the American south. My goal is to show how those two pieces fit into a larger vision of economic transformation -- a new order of things - and how they highlighted the tensions and contradictions that ran through the Roosevelt years.

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