

Egon Bittner: Select Bibliography

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BIBLIOGRAPHIC NOTES⁴

Assembling a bibliography of Egon Bittner's work presents a number of challenges, not least because of the distribution of his work recognised as 'ethnography', 'organisation studies', 'police studies', 'psychiatric studies', and 'sociology'. Such classifications are warranted by the disciplinary affiliations of sources that put Bittner's work to use, e.g., in citing or reprinting Bittner's papers. As an author bibliography we have not disambiguated types of materials but provided a straightforward chronological listing of his work.

Bittner's writings have been reprinted frequently, in whole or in part, in edited collections and readers.⁵ On occasion, an editor's reprinting of one of his pieces has been accompanied by a change of its title.⁶ Accordingly, this select bibliography itemises the original source details for each work rather than enumerates each reprinting.⁷ This is a 'for all practical purposes' procedure rather than a policy or criterion for assembly, otherwise we would create an 'anomaly' in itemising Bittner's book *Aspects of Police Work*, which is a collection of his papers that he himself put together (see Bittner, 1990: ix). To enable interested readers to recognise and retrieve individual papers we have provided a breakdown of *Aspects of Police Work* and *The Functions of the Police in Modern Society* (which is reprinted in its entirety in *Aspects of Police Work* also).

We have also included a number of his book reviews in this bibliography because of the clarity of exposition of scholarly fields in which the object of his reviews were located. For example, in reviewing a translation of Max Scheler, Bittner asserts that 'The introduction is useful, though I think a general overview of all parts of Scheler's work might have been more useful than the discussion of phenomenological sociology and of the sociology of knowledge' (Bittner, 1985: 87). This is a lacuna that, in a very understated yet focused manner, Bittner provides within his review. Such a pedagogic approach to reviewing, combined with a remarkable facility for explication and concision, justifies the inclusion of book reviews as well as books and articles. His book reviews are thus not 'ephemera' and Bittner's reviews, in particular, are exemplary in both field-specific expertise and classical sociological sophistication.

Given that the expected audience of this special issue of *Ethnographic Studies*, in which this bibliography appears, includes ethnomethodologists and scholars interested in the history and development of ethnomethodology, we have also made reference to early audio recordings of Bittner in conversation with Harold Garfinkel, Edward Rose, and Harvey Sacks, among others.⁸

We have not set out to produce a comprehensive bibliography but a select set of references. If readers notice omissions or mistakes please contact us so that we can maintain this as a correct and current resource.

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NOTES

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4. The editors are grateful for suggestions, clarifications, and corrections from David Bayley, Tom Bittner, Josh Clark, Rolf Kjolseth, Claire Nolan, George Psathas, and Susan Silbey.

5. For example, ‘The Concept of Organization’ is reprinted in at least the following: Roy Turner, ed. 1974. *Ethnomethodology: Selected Readings*. Harmondsworth: Penguin.

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8. Rolf Kjolseth identified unique entries to Bittner’s materials at the Edward Rose Archive, Norlin Archives, University of Colorado at Boulder, including manuscripts and audio-recordings of discussions in storage. We are very grateful that he made this connection.