**Sallust and the Outsiders: The Role of Audiences in the *Histories*[[1]](#footnote-1)**

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| 1. *Cat.* 4.2 |  |
| *A quo incepto studioque me ambitio mala detinuerat, eodem regressus statui res gestas populi Romani carptim*... *eo magis quod mihi a spe metu partibus rei publicae animus liber erat*. | I decided to return to that study which I had begun and from which bad ambition had detained me: to selectively write the history of the Roman people… all the more was this my plan because my mind was free from hope, fear, and partisanship. |
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| 1. *Hist.* 2.70=59 |  |
| *Quis rebus aliquantam partem gloriae dempserat, maxumeque apud ueteres et sanctos uiros superba illa, grauia, indigna Romano imperio aestumantis*. | Because of these things, Metellus lost a certain amount of his glory, especially in the view of the old and pious men who judged that such behavior was arrogant, grievous, and unworthy of Roman *imperium*. |
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| 1. *Hist*. 2.92=75 |  |
| *<A matribus parentum facino>ra militaria uiri<s memorabantur> in bellum a<ut ad la>trọcinia pergenṭ<ibus, ubi il>lorum fortia facta <ca>nebant. Ea p̣ostqua<m Pom>peius inf̣enso exeṛ<citu> aḍụẹntare comper<tus> esṭ, mạioribus natu p̣<acem> et iussa uti faceren<t sua>dentibus, ubị nihiḷ aḅ<nu>endo p̣rọfịc̣iunt, se<para>ṭae a uiris arma cep<ere>. Ọccupato propẹ Meọ. . . . quam ṭutissimo loc̣<o, e>os testabantur ino<pes pa>triae parientumque <et> libertatis, eoque ubẹṛ<a>, partus et cetera muḷ<ierum> muniạ uiris manẹ<re>. Quis reḅus accensa iu<uen>tus decreta senior<um> \* \* \** | The military deeds of the ancestors are recounted by the matriarchs to men going out to war or brigandage when they sing about the ancestors’ brave deeds. These women, after it was discovered that Pompey was approaching with a hostile army and although the elder men were urging that the tribe make peace and obey his orders, separated themselves from the men when they accomplished nothing by objecting, and took up arms. They occupied the most secure location possible near Meo<riga?> and called upon the men to witness that they were deprived of fatherland, of those who gave birth, and of liberty. Therefore, they testified that nursing, giving birth, and other duties of women fell to the men. The youth were inflamed by these things and <scorning>[[2]](#footnote-2) the decrees of the elders… |
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| 1. *Hist*. 1.11=11 |  |
| *Nam iniuriae ualidiorum et ob eas discessio plebis a patribus aliaeque dissensions domi fuere iam inde a principio… Dein seruili imperio patres plebem exercere, de uita atque tergo regio more consulere… Quibus saeuitiis et maxume fenore oppressa plebes, quom adsiduis bellis tributum et militiam simul toleraret, armata montem Sacrum atque Auentinum insedit tumque tribunos plebis et alia iura sibi parauit*. | For abuses from the stronger and, because of it, the secession of the plebs from the patricians, and other dissensions at home were present from the very beginning… then the patricians exercised a power over the plebs fit for slaves, decided on life and flogging in the manner of a king… Oppressed by this cruelty and especially by debt, since, due to constant warfare, they simultaneously had to endure taxes and military service, the plebs took arms and occupied the Sacred Mount and the Aventine and so obtained the tribunes of the plebs and other rights for themselves. |
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| Master/slave comparisons |  |
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| Oration of Memmius (*Jug*. 31): | 11, 20, 22, 23 |
| Oration of Lepidus (*Hist*. 1.55=48): | 2, 3, 6, 25, 26 |
| Oration of Licinius Macer (*Hist*. 3.48=34): | 1, 9, 11, 13, 20, 26, |
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| Secession *exemplum* |  |
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| Oration of Memmius (*Jug*. 31): | 6, 17 |
| Oration of Lepidus (*Hist*. 1.55=48): | 23 |
| Oration of Licinius Macer (*Hist*. 3.48=34): | 12, 15, 17 |

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1. Translations are the author’s. Text used is Reynolds’ 1991 *OCT*, and numbering of *Hist*. fragments is Maurenbrecher=McGushin. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. McGushin 1992: 1:57 supplies “scorning” to make sense of this sentence, which breaks off before a verb appears. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)