Preface Memory Work in the Age of the Cinq Chantiers ix Note on Toponyms xvii Acknowledgments xix

INTRODUCTION THE SCHOOL OF THE WORLD I
INTERLUDE I POSTAL MUSINGS 20

One **Distance Learning and the**Production of Politics 23

Two Friendly Correspondence with the Whole World 42

INTERLUDE II TO LIVE FOREVER AMONG BOOKS 63

Three Paths to School 65

Four Dancing the Rumba at Lovanium 84

INTERLUDE III TO THE LEFT 103

Five Cold War Transcripts 109

Six Revolution in the (Counter)revolution 129

Seven A Student Front 144

INTERLUDE IV THE DICTATOR AND THE STUDENTS 161

Eight (Un)natural Alliances 166

Nine A Postcolonial Massacre and Caporalisation in Mobutu's Congo 179

EPILOGUE THE GAZE OF THE DEAD 201

Notes 213 Bibliography 287 Index 323