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Guide to the Earl J. Hamilton Papers 1927-1975



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Descriptive Summary

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Abstract Earl J. Hamilton, professor, economist, writer. The Earl J. Hamilton Papers consist of correspondence (1953-1957), corrected page proofs for *War and Prices in Spain* (1927) and *Money, Prices, and Wages in Valencia, Aragon, and Navarre, 1350-1500* (1935), typescripts, reprints, and memorabilia.

Information on Use

Access

The collection is open for research.

Citation

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Biographical Note

Earl Jefferson Hamilton was born on May 17, 1899 in Houlka, Mississippi. He received a B.S. with honors from Mississippi State University (1920), an M.A. from the University Texas (1924), and a Ph.D. from Harvard (1929). In 1952, he received a Docteur Honoris Causa from the University of Paris and again from the University of Madrid.

Hamilton also held a Thayer Fellowship and a Frederick Sheldon Traveling Fellowship (Harvard University), a Social Science Research Fellowship, a Guggenheim Memorial Fellowship, and a Faculty Research Fellowship from the Ford Foundation.

Hamilton was an Assistant Professor of Economics at Duke University (1927-1929), a Professor of Economics at Duke University (1929-1944), Professor of Economics at Northwestern University (1944-1947), and a Professor of Economics at the University of Chicago (1947-1967).

Hamilton was the editor of the Journal of Political Economy from 1948 to 1954 and president of the Economic History Association from 1951 to 1952. His books include American Treasure and the Price Revolution in Spain, 1501-1650 (1934), Money, Prices, and Wages in Valencia, Aragon and Navarre, 1351-1500 (1936), War and Prices in Spain, 1651-1800 (1947), and Landmarks in Political Economy (1962). Late in his career Hamilton developed an interest in the work of John Law of Lauriston.

Hamilton married Gladys Dallas. The couple had one child.

Hamilton was a member of Illinois Gladiolus Society, and spent a great amount of his free time gardening and exhibiting gladiolus.

Earl Jefferson Hamilton died in 1989.

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Related Resources

The following related resources are located in the Department of Special Collections:

<http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/spcl/select.html>

Subject Headings

- Hamilton, Earl J., 1899-
- Economic history

INVENTORY

Box 1

Folder 1

Correspondence and articles received from Alice C. Carter and Sidney Homer, 1953-1957

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"What the New World Gave the Economy of the Old," final typed copy, from which photocopies were made. Photocopies sent to Cal. For publication, 1975

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"What the New World Gave the Economy of the Old," draft and related correspondence;

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"What the New World Gave the Economy of the Old," copy of manuscript from which first typed copy was made

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"What the New World Gave the Economy of the Old," typescript

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"What the New World Gave the Economy of the Old," original from which photocopies were made for California meeting

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"What the New World Gave the Economy of the Old," complete manuscript used for final typing, 3-21-75, footnotes through 38 only

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"What the New World Gave the Economy of the Old," photocopy of finished manuscript, 3-21-75

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Folder 9

"What the New World Gave the Economy of the Old," 3-21-75. typed pages probably not needed again. Source worked over sheets from "Work Copy."

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"What the New World Gave the Economy of the Old," 3-15-75, probably not needed again

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"What the New World Gave the Economy of the Old," some marks made 5-22-75; final typed copy

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"What the New World Gave the Economy of the Old," worked over pages to get final typed copy to send to California before February meeting

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"What the New World Gave the Economy of the Old," first photocopy

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Folder 14

"What the New World Gave the Economy of the Old," worked over photocopy

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Folder 1

"What the New World Gave the Economy of the Old," loose papers

Box 2

Folder 2

"What the New World Gave the Economy of the Old," first finished typed manuscript

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Folder 3

"What the New World Gave the Economy of the Old," photocopy

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Folder 4

"War and Prices in Spain," proof roll with marks, 1927

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Folder 5

"Money, Prices, and Wages in Valencia, Aragon, and Navarre, 1350-1500," corrected page proofs, 1935

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Typed transcript of Spanish letters, 1609-1611

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Proofs, appendices

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Folder 1

Program of ceremonies and address by Hamilton at conferring of honorary degree, University of Madrid, 1967

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Reprints from Dutch journals

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Reprints of articles by Hamilton on Spanish economic history, in leather-bound volume, 1928-1932

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Folder 4

"Le Tresor americain et la revolution des prix en Espagne, 1501-1650," translated by C. MacMillan, corrected typescript, ca. 1955

Box 4

Folder 1

Articles

- "The Foundation of the Bank of Spain" in *The Journal of Political Economy*, June 1945
- "American Treasure and the Rise of Capitalism (1500-1700)," November 1929
- "War and Inflation in Spain, 1700-1800," November 1944

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Articles

- "Wages and Subsistence on Spanish Treasure Ships," August 1929 (2 copies)
- "Use and Misuse of Price History," December 1944

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Folder 3

Articles

- "Spanish Prices: A Reply to Mr. M. J. Elsas," from The Economic Journal, June 1937
- "Prices and Wages on Southern France Under John Law's System" February 1937
- "Prices and Progress," Fall 1952
- "Origin and Growth of the National Debt in Western Europe," May 1947
- "Origin and Growth of the National Debt in France and England," 1949

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Articles

- "La Monnaie en Castille, 1501-1650," May 1932
- "Money and Economic Recovery in Spain Under the First Bourbon, 1701-1746," September 1943
- "Monetary Disorder and Economic Decadence in Spain, 1651- 1700," December 1943
- "John Law of Lauriston: Banker, Gamester, Merchant, Chief?" May 1967
- "Imports of American Gold and Silver into Spain, 1503-1660," May 1929

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Articles

- "Growth of Rigidity in Business During the Eighteenth Century," March 1940
- "The Foundation of the Bank of Spain," June 1945
- "Edwin Francis Gay (1867-1946)," June 1947 (2 copies)
- "Economic Origins of the Monroe Doctrine," 1962

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Articles

- "The Decline of Spain," May 1938
- "Las Consecuencias Economicas de la Expulsion de los Moriscos," 1978
- "American Treasure and the Rise of Capitalism (1500-1700), November 1929
- "Pour une histoire de l'alimentation," by Jean-Jacques Hémardinquer