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Descriptive Summary

Identifier  ICU.SPCL.LMETZLER
Title  Metzler, Lloyd A. Papers
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Repository  Special Collections Research Center
University of Chicago Library
1100 East 57th Street
Chicago, Illinois 60637 U.S.A.

Abstract  Lloyd Appleton Metzler (1913-1980) was an economist, professor, and author. He was a faculty member of the University of Chicago from 1947 until his death. The collection includes manuscripts, typescripts, and notes for unidentified books; a draft of his Harvard thesis; and reprints of Metzler's articles for The Review of Economic Statistics and Econometrica. The materials date approximately from the 1940s to the 1950s.

Information on Use

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Biographical Note

Lloyd Appleton Metzler was born on April 3, 1913 in Lost Springs, Kansas. He attended the University of Kansas, where he studied economics under John Ise and earned a Bachelor's degree in 1935 and an MBA in 1938. Metzler then entered Harvard University. He served as an instructor and tutor at Harvard and completed a Ph.D. in economics in 1942. His dissertation, "Interregional Income Generation," earned him the Wells Prize. That same year, Metzler was the recipient of a Guggenheim fellowship.

From Harvard, Metzler went on to Washington, D.C., where worked for the Office of Strategic Services and several economic policy and planning commissions between 1943 and 1946. Metzler joined the research staff of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in 1944. In 1946 he returned to academia when he accepted a teaching position at Yale University.
He soon left Yale for the University of Chicago in 1947, where he remained for the rest of his career.

Dr. Metzler survived surgery for a brain tumor in 1952, and with the help of his wife Edith, managed to continue teaching and writing for the next twenty years. He served as Editor of the Journal of Political Economy from 1966 until his retirement in 1971. Metzler made numerous contributions to business cycle literature, macro-monetary theory, tariff theory, mathematical economics, and the field of international trade. The Metzler paradox, Laursen-Metzler effect, and Metzler matrix, all bear his name. He died on October 26, 1980.

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**Related Resources**

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**Subject Headings**

- Metzler, Lloyd A. (Lloyd Appleton)
- University of Chicago
- Economics
- Economists - 20th century
- International Trade

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