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Collection Summary

Title: Leo Wolman Papers

Span Dates: 1870-1958

Bulk Dates: (bulk 1915-1958)

ID No.: MSS56770

Creator: Wolman, Leo, 1890-1961

Extent: 13,300 items

Extent: 38 containers

Extent: 15.2 linear feet

Language: Collection material in English

Location: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

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Summary: Economist. Correspondence, reports, financial worksheets and graphs, wage rates material, bibliographies, election results for the National Labor Relations Board, press releases, printed matter, and other papers relating to Wolman's career in economics.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the LC Catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically.

People

Wolman, Leo, 1890-1961.

Organizations

United States. National Labor Relations Board.

United States. National War Labor Board (1918-1919)

Subjects

Arbitration, Industrial--Great Britain.

Arbitration, Industrial--United States.

Construction industry--Employees--Labor unions.

Economics.

Industrial relations--Great Britain.

Industrial relations--United States.

Industries--Great Britain.

Industries--United States.

Labor laws and legislation--Great Britain.

Labor laws and legislation--United States.

Labor unions--Great Britain.

Labor unions--United States.

Labor.

Manufacturing industries--Employees--Labor unions.

Mineral industries--Employees--Labor unions.

Professional employees--Labor unions.

Public utilities--Employees--Labor unions.

Service industries workers--Labor unions.

Transport workers--Labor unions.

Occupations

Economists.

Provenance

The papers of Leo Wolman, economist, were given to the Library of Congress by Mrs. Leo Wolman in 1976.

Processing History

The collection was housed and described in 1976. The finding aid was revised in 2012.

Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of Leo Wolman is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Access and Restrictions

The papers of Leo Wolman are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, Leo Wolman Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Biographical Note

Date	Event
1890, Feb. 24	Born, Baltimore, Md.
1914	Ph.D. in political economy, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md.
1916	Published <i>The Boycott in American Trade Unions</i> . Baltimore: Johns Hopkins Press
1918	Appointed head of section on production statistics, War Industries Board
1919	Attached to American peace mission, Paris, France
1919-1928	Member, faculty, New School for Social Research, New York, N.Y.
1920-1931	Director of research, Amalgamated Clothing Workers Union
1920-1934	Editor, <i>Journal of American Statistics Association</i>
circa 1925	Became freelance researcher for the National Bureau of Economic Research, formally joining the staff in 1931 and later becoming director-at-large for research
1931-1958	Professor of economics, Columbia University, New York, N.Y.
1933	Appointed to staff of National Recovery Administration
1936	Published <i>Ebb and Flow in American Trade Unionism</i> . New York: National Bureau of Economic Research
1961, Oct. 2	Died, New York, N.Y.

Scope and Content Note

The papers of Leo Wolman (1890-1961) span the years 1870-1958, with the bulk of the concentrated in the period 1915-1958. The collection consists of correspondence, reports, financial worksheets and graphs, wage rates material, bibliographies, election results for the National Labor Relations Board, press releases, printed matter, and other papers relating to Wolman's career in economics. Subjects include labor unions in Great Britain and the United States; labor

unions in the construction industry, manufacturing industries, mineral industries, professions, public transportation, public utilities, and service industries; state labor boards; and the United States National War Labor Board.

Arrangement of the Papers

The collection is housed and organized in original folders as filed and with descriptions supplied by Wolman.

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