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JAMES LAURENCE LAUGHLIN

(1850 - 1933)

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Mr. Laughlin was the author of "The Federal Reserve Act, Its Origin and Problems," 1933 and many other books on economic and monetary matters. His papers contain material on the Federal Reserve System and banking reform.

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Biographical Note

- 1850, Apr. 2 Born in Deerfield, Ohio; son of Harvey and Mary Mills Laughlin
- 1873 AB Harvard
- 1873-78 Taught in Hapkinson's Classical School, Boston
- 1875, Sept. Married Alice McGuffey
- 1876 AM and PHD Harvard
- 1878-83 Instructor in Political Economy, Harvard
- 1883-88 Assistant Professor Political Economy, Harvard
- 1888-90 President, Manufacturers Mutual Fire Insurance Company, Philadelphia
- 1890-92 Professor of Political Economy, Cornell
- 1892-1916 Professor and Head of Dept. of Political Economy, Univ. of Chicago
- 1892 Became editor of Journal of Political Economy
- 1894-95 Prepared for government of San Domingo a scheme of monetary reform, which was afterwards adopted.
- 1897 Member of Monetary Commission created by Indianapolis Monetary Conference.
- 1906 Lecturer in Berlin on invitation of Prussian Cultus Ministerium; Doctor, honoris causa, Univ. of Giessen.
- 1909 Delegate Pan-American Scientific Congress, Santiago.
- 1911 Chairman, Executive Committee National Citizens' League for Promotion of Sound Banking System.
- 1919 Member European Commission of National Industrial Conference Board.
- 1933, Nov. 28 Death

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Author of:

- Anglo-Saxon Legal Procedure in Anglo-Saxon Laws. 1876
- J. S. Mill's Principles of Political Economy (abridged). 1884
- Study of Political Economy. 1885
- History of Bimettallism in United States. 1886
- Elements of Political Economy. 1887
- Gold and Prices Since 1873. 1887
- Facts About Money. 1895
- Report of Monetary Commission. 1898
- Principles of Money. 1903
- Reciprocity. 1903
- Industrial America. 1906
- Aus dem Amerikanischen Wirtschaftsleben. 1907
- Latter-Day Problems. 1909
- Credit of the Nations. 1918
- Money and Prices. 1919
- Banking Progress. 1920
- Money, Credit and Prices. 1931
- The Federal Reserve Act, Its Origin and Problems. 1933.

Laughlin, J. L.

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Laughlin, James Lawrence (1850-1933)

Papers 1910-1932; 1912-1914
includes (among 15 boxes)

1. Bundle of printed pamphlets labelled "Reports and Studies on Federal Reserve Act" hearings, papers by Aldrich etc.
2. Memoranda on banking reform
Miscellaneous Correspondence 1913-1914. Glass, Warburg, etc.

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Description of Series

<u>Containers</u>	<u>Series</u>
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1	Miscellaneous Financial Papers. 1927-31. Part of 1 container. Mainly re the financial affairs of Agatha Laughlin
1	Miscellaneous Notes. Part of 1 container. 1 thin folder of unidentified, unarranged notes, handwritten or typed.
2-4	Name and Subject File. 3 containers. Letters sent and received and other papers. Alphabetically arranged by names of correspondents, or by subjects. Dr. Laughlin's working groups of material have been retained for the present, so far as possible. When the papers are re-processed there will almost certainly be changes in this series.
5-7	Articles, Lectures, etc. 3 containers. Handwritten and typed drafts of articles, lectures, etc., notes, occasional printed matter, and occasional letters. Arranged alphabetically by titles.
8-10	Manuscript and Notes, <u>The Federal Reserve Act, Its Origin and Problems</u> . 3 containers. Manuscript, notes, correspondence, etc. Arrangement by chapters; no arrangement within chapter folders.
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	Miscellaneous Notes. []
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	" " " " Bank Currency Based on Trade
	" " " " Banking (Chamber of Commerce of U.S.)
	" " " " Banking Control
	" " " " Banking Reform
	" " " " Bond-Secured Circulation
	" " " " Bryan, W.J.
	" " " " Carson, William E.
	" " " " Currency Act, 12-3-13
	" " " " Delano, F.A.
	" " " " Dictionary of American Biography
	" " " " Farwell, John B.
	" " " " Federal Reserve Board-Printed Circulars, Regulations, etc.
	" " " " Federal Reserve Board-Statements for the press, and other Multi- copy Material
	" " " " Financial Housekeeping; Elasticity of Credit and Currency
	" " " " Glass Bill, Creation of
	" " " " Guarantee of Deposits
	" " " " Hamlin, Charles S.
	" " " " Hepburn, A.B.
	" " " " Influence of Tax Upon Volume of Bank Notes
	" " " " Kalamazoo
3	" " " " Lauck, W.J.
	" " " " LeBerthon, T.T.&J.L.
	" " " " Marie Antoinette Indictment
	" " " " "Money Trust"
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		"	"	"	"	"	"	-Retirement of J. Laurence Laughlin
		"	"	"	New York	Banking	Law	
4		"	"	"	Patterson,	C. S.		
		"	"	"	Peabody,	George Foster		
		"	"	"	Perrin,	John		
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		"	"	"	Roosevelt,	Theodore-	Correspondence re 1924	Article on
		"	"	"	"R. B. H."	Red Brick House,	Jaffrey, N. H.,	
		"	"	"	Redfield,	William C.		
		"	"	"	Reynolds,	G. M.		
		"	"	"	Scott,	William A.		
		"	"	"	Underwood,	Oscar W.		
		"	"	"	Taft,	William Howard		
		"	"	"	Untermeyer,	Samuel		
		"	"	"	Warburg,	Paul M.		
		"	"	"	Welton,	A. D.		
		"	"	"	Willis,	H. Parker		
		"	"	"	Weeks,	John W.		
		"	"	"	Wilson,	Woodrow		
5		Articles, Lectures, etc	"Abundance of Gold"					
		"	"The Amazing Adventures of Silver"					
		"	"Bank Notes and Lending Power"					
		"	"Banking Reform" (3 folders)					
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		"	"The Bolshevist Pearls"					
		"	"Capitalism"					
		"	"Coin Debate-Free Silver"					
		"	"Confiscation by German Paper Money"					
		"	"Coolidge Policy-Tariff, 1925"					
		"	"Cupsuptic"					
		"	"Duration of the War"					
		"	"Economic Factors in International Relations"					
		"	"Effects of the European War on the Credit Situation of the U, S."					
		"	"The Flambeau River"					
		"	"Future of Prices"					

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6	Articles, Lectures etc. "German Mark"
	" " " Government and Banking"
	" " " Henry Adams"
	" " " Historical Research"
	" " " Hoover's Economics"
	" " " Iowa Bankers Association 1911 (No title)
	" " " John Brown's Grave"
	" " " Laughlin, J.L.-Statement Before House Hearings
	" " " "Leadership"
	" " " "Logic of Capitalism"
	" " " "Maiche"
	" " " "Monetary and Credit Problems of the War"
	" " " "Monetary Reform, 1910"
	" " " "Money and Banking Reform"
	" " " "A National Reserve Association in the Movement of Cotton in the South"
	" " " "National Reserve Association of the U.S."
	" " " "New Bryanism"
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	" " " "The Railway Situation Today"
	" " " "Recollections of the Founding of the University" (Cornell)
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	" " " "Roosevelt (Theodore) at Harvard"
	" " " "Solution of Labor Problems"
	" " " "Spiritual Life"
	" " " "Strategy of the Coolidge Administration"
	" " " "The Tariff of Exaggerations, 1922"
	" " " "Tracts for the Times"
	" " " "Wages and Prices"
	" " " "World's Monetary Problems"
	" " " "The Younger Generation"
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