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GEORGE LESLIE HARRISON

The papers of George L. Harrison, lawyer, Assistant General Counsel and Counsel to the Federal Reserve Board, 1914-20, Deputy Governor and Governor of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, 1920-1941, insurance president, are in his possession at his office at the New York Life Insurance Company, 51 Madison Avenue, New York City. The papers are in the charge of his secretary, Miss McCarrick, and may be consulted by persons recommended by the Committee on the History of the Federal Reserve System.

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Biographical Note

1887, Jan. 26	Born, San Francisco, California
1910	A.B., Yale College
1913-14	Legal secretary to Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes
1914-20	Assistant General Counsel, then General Counsel, Federal Reserve Board, Washington, D. C.
1920-28	Counsel, then Deputy Governor, Federal Reserve Bank of New York
1928-41	Governor, then President, Federal Reserve Bank of New York
1940, Mar. 2	Married Gertrude Gordon Grayson (widow of Admiral Grayson)
1941-48	President, New York Life Insurance Company, New York
1948-53	Chairman of the Board, New York Life Insurance Co.
1953	Retired

See Who's Who in America, 1952/53, vol. 27, Marquis

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Bank of England 1940 - outgoing and incoming cables - 1 folio
 Miscellaneous, to various countries. Outgoing and incoming
 cables, Argentina to Yugoslavia - 1 folio
 S. Parker Gilbert - Agent General Reparations Payments.
 March 1926 - May 1930 - 1 folio
 Bank for International Settlements (BIS) - 4 folios covering
 years 1930-38. Cables - outgoing and incoming
 Germany - Reichsbank - 5 folios covering years 1925-38 - Cables

File Drawer 2

Bank of England Cables, outgoing and incoming - 10 folios,
 1922 to 1931

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Bank of England cables, outgoing and incoming, 5 folios,
 1932 to 1939
 Bank of France, cables, outgoing and incoming, 6 folios,
 1926 to 1938

File Drawer 4

European trips, cables, 1926-32 (Benjamin Strong, Pierre Jay,
 Jay Crane, George L. Harrison) 2 folios
 European trips, cables 1927 to 1932 (to and from following
 individuals) 1 folio
 1927 - Strong, Harrison
 1928 - Charles Dewey, Harrison, Benjamin Strong
 1929 - Randolph Burgess, Crane, Gates McGarrah, Owen Young
 1930 - Harrison, Allan Sproul
 1931 - Burgess, Crane, Sproul, Walter Stewart, A. H. Wiggin
 1932 - Crane, Norman H. Davis
 Cables, Officers and Others, 1933-1938 (continuation of folio
 above) - 1 folio
 1933 - Dr. John Williams, A. H. Wiggin, Goodhue, Dr. Oliver
 Sprague, Prof. Charles Rist, Harrison
 1934 - Owen Young, Pierre Jay, Harrison, Sproul
 1936 - Sheehan, Lamb, Penn
 1938 - L. Werner Knoke
 Personal Cables - McGarrah, Leon Fraser, while at BIS, 1930-35
 1 folio
 Miscellaneous Cables, Argentina to Uruguay, 3 folios, 1925-39
 Miscellaneous Cables - 1 folio
 Bank of Italy, 1925-32 (Banca d'Italia)
 De Nederlandische Bank, 1925-32
 Swiss National Bank, 1927-32
 Bank of Italy, 1933-38 - 1 folio
 De Nederlandische Bank, 1933-38 - 1 folio
 Swiss National Bank, 1933-38 - 1 folio

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Conversations, 5 folios, 1926-1940
 Discussion Notes, 7 folios, 1930-1940
 Governors' Conference, Minutes (in 1936 this became Conference
 of Presidents), 3 folios, 1921-1940

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Miscellaneous Letters and Reports - 5 folios, 1920-1940
 Office Memoranda - 4 folios, 1921-1936

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Office Memoranda, 2 folios, 1939-1940
 Special Memoranda, 1 folder-1933
 1 folder, 1936
 1 folder-1940
 Special Memoranda, 2 folios, 1934-1940
 Open Market Investment Committee, Open Market Policy Conference,
 5 folios, 1928-1940

File Drawer 8

Banking Studies-1940, prepared by staff of Board of Governors
 of Federal Reserve System (mimeo.), 4 volumes, "Not for
 release or publication"
 Committee of the Presidents' Conference on Legislative Proposals
 1 folder, 1940; 1 duplicate (prepared by Research Department,
 Federal Reserve Bank of New York)
 Fiscal Policy (Prepared by Research Department, Federal Reserve
 Bank of New York) - 1 folder, 1938; 1 duplicate
 International Monetary Organization and Policy 1937 - 1 folder
 List of Memoranda sent to Messrs. Young, Sinclair, Parker
 and Hamilton by Dr. Williams on January 4, 1940 on various
 matters, including excess reserves, Legislation and the Gold
 Problem
 Folio of Speeches made by Mr. Harrison