Guide to the George Leland Bach Papers

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Overview

Call Number: SC0502

Creator: Bach, George Leland, 1915-1994

Title: George Leland Bach papers

Dates: 1937-1994

Physical Description: 5.5 Linear feet (11 boxes)

Summary: The collection covers Bach's professional career from his graduate student days at the University of Chicago in the late 1930s to the dedication of the George L. Bach Auditorium at Carnegie-Mellon University in 1993. Included are primarily: publications, articles, papers, and speeches dealing with topics such as inflation, government economic policies, economic education, and the future of corporate growth; course materials, notes, and articles intended for use in Stanford University undergraduate and Graduate School of Business courses; several folders dealing with "inflation", a primary focus of Bach's career, and several working papers by noted economists such as Milton Friedman, Robert J. Gordon, and Arthur Okun; correspondence, covering Bach's pre-Stanford activities at Carnegie Institute of Technology, his involvement with the Ford Foundation's Committee for Economic Development, and communications with various publishers and corporations, including the NY Times, World Book Encyclopedia, IBM, and Hewlett-Packard; drafts of testimony and correspondence concerning appearances before governmental bodies; Stanford correspondence primarily concentrated in the early to mid-1980s time period, chronicling the "Bach Chamber Society's" concern with criticism of business school programs; and copies of legal papers, newspaper articles, and handwritten notes concerning the dismissal case of Professor Franklin. Included with the biographial material are class notes and papers from Bach's graduate school days at the University of Chicago.

Language(s): The materials are in English.

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Biographical/Historical Sketch

George Leland Bach earned his doctorate in economics from the University of Chicago in 1940. He worked as a research economist for the Federal Reserve Board during World War II. After the war, Bach became the founding dean of the Graduate School of Industrial Administration at Carnegie-Mellon University. In 1959, Bach became the chairman of the Ford Foundation's National Task Force and the Committee for Economic Development (CED). Two years later, CED recommended the introduction of basic courses in economic theory at the high school level. In 1962, Bach accepted a visiting scholar position at Stanford University, and received a full appointment to the Graduate School of Business in 1966. At Stanford, Bach was an advocate of rigorous standards for MBA candidates. As a member of the Facultysenate at Stanford, he sat on the hearing board in the 1971 Franklin dismissal case. The author of several books and articles on...
inflation, monetary policy and basic economic theory, Bach also worked for a variety of organizations and corporations, and frequently gave testimony before Congress on economic policy.

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**Access Terms**

Bach, George Leland, 1915-1994
Carnegie-Mellon University. Graduate School of Industrial Administration.
Feldstein, Martin S.
Ford Foundation
Franklin, H. Bruce (Howard Bruce), 1934-
Stanford University. Graduate School of Business
Academic freedom--California.
Business and education--United States.
Economic History--1971-
Economics
Economics--United States--Studying and Teaching.
Inflation (Finance)--United States.