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Summary Information

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Biographical Note

Professor of banking at Columbia University, 1921-1963 (Columbia M.A., 1920; Ph.D., 1924), who was forced to retire at the age of 65.

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Scope and Content

Correspondence, memoranda and reports on the controversy surrounding the forced retirement of Benjamin Beckhart, or the Beckhart Case records. The collection consists of the files of three Columbia professors involved in the case: Harold Barger, professor of economics and Robert K. Webb, professor of history, who were chairmen of the Columbia chapter of the

American Association of University Professors, 1959-1964 and 1964-1965, respectively; and Arthur Robert Burns, professor of economics, a member of the Committee on Conference of the University Council, which advised the President on matters of tenure, dismissal and retirement. Included is the correspondence of Beckhart, Barger, Burns, Webb, President Grayson Kirk, Courtney C. Brown, Dean of the School of Business, Harry M. Jones, professor of law, other Columbia faculty and officials of the national office of the AAUP. The reports and memoranda are chiefly those issued by the Committee on Conference.

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Controlled Access Headings

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- College teachers
- Barger, Harold
- Webb, R. K (Robert Kiefer), 1922-2012
- Burns, Arthur Robert, 1895-1981

- Columbia University -- Faculty

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