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## Summary Information

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## Biographical / Historical

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Paul H. Aron (1921-1991) was an economist who was an authority on Japanese investments. He attended City College and Columbia University. He served with the United States Army and was a Russian-English interpreter for the American, British and Russian members of the Allied Control Commission for Austria. He worked at the Dreyfus Corporation and at Daiwa Securities Ltd.

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## Biographical / Historical

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Paul Harvey Aron was born in 1921 in Brooklyn, NY to parents of German-Jewish ancestry. His father was a salesman and his mother was a homemaker. Aron had a younger brother, William, who would go on to become Director of the National Marine Fisheries Service's Alaska Fisheries Science Center in Seattle, WA.

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## Biographical / Historical

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In 1939 Aron enrolled at City College, where he took classes in history, including with the Marxist labor historian Philip S. Foner (1910-1994). In 1940, Aron graduated with a Bachelor of Social Science and enrolled for graduate studies in history at Columbia University's Russian Institute (now the Harriman Institute), where in 1941 he received his MA. From 1942 to 1946 he served in the U.S. Army, first at the Army War College and then as a Russian-English translator for the Quadripartite Allied Control Commission for Austria.

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In 1946, Aron returned to Columbia to study for a PhD, writing a dissertation on Soviet historiography and the historian Mikhail Pokrovsky (1868-1932) during the First Five-Year Plan. Though Aron completed his oral examinations in 1950, he never finished his dissertation and obtained his doctoral degree.

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## Biographical / Historical

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While still in his doctoral studies, Aron also took a job in 1946 teaching political economy at the Jefferson School of Social Science, an adult education institution in New York City founded by the Communist Party. In 1948, Aron moved to Sarah Lawrence College to become a professor of Russian and Soviet history. By this point Aron had married Beatrice Feinstein, with whom he would have three children, Laurie, Carl, and David.

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Beginning in 1951, Aron and other Sarah Lawrence faculty were targeted by the American Legion for suspected Communist ties. Despite public support from the college administration, in March 1953, at the height of the Red Scare, Aron was forced to testify before the U.S. Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, where he invoked the Fifth Amendment in response to questions about past affiliations with the Communist Party. A few weeks later, following condemnations in the local press, Aron resigned from Sarah Lawrence College. Despite several attempts, Aron would never again find employment as a history professor. Two book projects—an expansion of his dissertation, and an edited edition of Bernard Pares' *A History of Russia* textbook—were shelved. However, Aron remained active in the Soviet and Russian history community, serving as editor of the journal *Soviet Studies in History*, which published Soviet scholarship in English translation, from 1962 to 1979.

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From 1952 to 1968 Aron worked as a management consultant for industrial corporations and local government economic bodies. He also moved his family, first to Worcester, MA and then to Bayside, Queens. In the 1960s, the Arons were active in liberal politics and the anti-Vietnam War movement, helping to organize a local anti-draft campaign and supporting the anti-war Congressman Benjamin Rosenthal (D-NY) (1923-1983), who represented the northern portion of Queens from 1962 to 1983.

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Aron's career in finance began in 1968, when he was hired as a portfolio advisor by the mutual fund manager Dreyfus Corporation. A year later, he persuaded Dreyfus to invest \$140 million in Japanese stocks—the largest amount ever invested by an American mutual fund in Japan, known in Tokyo markets as the "Aron shock." In 1972, Aron moved to the College Retirement Equities Fund (CREF), a teachers' pension fund. As a vice president and investment officer, he was part of a four-member team that managed a \$4 billion portfolio, and in 1973 made CREF the first major regulated pension fund to invest in foreign markets.

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In 1976, Aron became an executive vice president of the American unit of Daiwa Securities, the same broker who had placed his Japanese investments while at Dreyfus, and in 1983 was promoted to Vice Chairman, making him one of the first American executives to hold a senior position in a Japanese investment company. He helped the company expand in the United States from merely selling Japanese stock to American investors to offering a wide range of international investment services. He also helped Daiwa America become one of the first foreign-owned primary dealers in U.S. government securities and a major underwriter of American corporate securities. And he prepared the groundwork for Daiwa's lead in listing American securities on the Tokyo Exchange and trading them for Japanese clients.

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As the Japanese economy surged in the 1980s, Aron became one of its most prominent American boosters. He was a widely quoted commentator on Japanese financial markets and industrial practices, particularly in robotics, and published 37 reports from 1981 to 1990 on international investment, economic growth, accounting, technology, management and labor, with an emphasis on Japan. Aron also managed to partially return to academia in 1976, when he began teaching international business and finance at the New York University Graduate School of Business. At NYU, Aron worked with the Soviet-American economist and pioneer of input-output analysis, Wassily Leontief (1906-1999).

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In 1988, Aron retired from his day-to-day duties at Daiwa, though he continued to write on economic issues. In 1990, he traveled to the Soviet Union, meeting with businessmen, academics, and state officials on American and Japanese investment in the newly opened Soviet economy, and sought a partnership between NYU and Leningrad's new business school.

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Aron died of heart, kidney, and liver failure in Manhattan in 1991.

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## Scope and Contents

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Paul Harvey Aron (1921-1991) was an expert on Japanese investments and a historian of the Soviet Union. Researchers interested in the Japanese stock market, Japanese industry, American investment in Japan, and Japanese investment in the United States in the 1970s and 1980s will be particularly interested in Series I. But the bulk of these files pertain to Aron's academic career, and will be of greatest interest for researchers studying Russian and Soviet history—in particular, Soviet historians and historiography in the 1930s (the subject of Aron's unpublished dissertation, much of which is included in Subseries II.3).

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- Russia--History
- Historiography--Soviet Union
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- Historians--Soviet Union--Biography
- Pokrovskii, M. N. (Mikhail Nikolaevich), 1868-1932
- Columbia University. Russian Institute
- Daiwa Securities America Inc.
- College of the City of New York (1926-1961)
- Allied Commission for Austria
- Dreyfus Corporation
- Jefferson School of Social Science (New York, N.Y.)
- Sarah Lawrence College
- United States. Congress. Senate. Committee on the Judiciary. Subcommittee to Investigate the Administration of the Internal Security Act and Other Internal Security Laws
- Queens College (New York, N.Y.)

## Collection Inventory

### Series I: Professional Subject Files, 1949-1991 (bulk 1972-1991)

#### Scope and Contents

Series I contains files pertaining to Aron's career as a financial advisor. They are divided into three subseries, with the bulk contained in Subseries I.1: Daiwa Securities Subject Files. Files include correspondence, reports on business and finance, press clippings, and media appearances. A small amount of material is in Russian and Japanese.

### Subseries I.1: Daiwa Securities Subject Files, 1972-1991

#### Scope and Contents

Sub-Series I.1: Daiwa Securities Subject Files, 1972-1991 were grouped together at accession and labeled by Aron as the "D" file. They mainly contain material from Aron's time at the Japanese investment bank Daiwa Securities Group (1976-1991), though there are also files from Aron's previous employment with the mutual fund company Dreyfus Corporation and the College Retirement Equities Fund (CREF). Files include correspondence with figures in the financial and business community, reports on business and finance (including Daiwa's biannual Paul Aron Reports, an analysis of business and financial issues and trends), press clippings, media appearances, and a copy of Aron's resume. Topics mainly pertain to Japanese finance and industry, especially robotics. These files also include Aron's course materials as an Adjunct Professor at the New York University Graduate School of Business.

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Daiwa Securities America Inc.--Aron's Testimony before the Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight of the Committee on Science and Technology U.S. House of Representatives, 1982	box 1
Daiwa Securities America Inc. Report on Hitachi LTD, 1980	box 4
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## Subseries I.2: Soviet Union Subject Files, 1965-1991 (bulk 1990-1991)

### Scope and Contents

In 1990, Aron traveled to the Soviet Union to meet with figures in the business and financial community. Subseries I.2 contains materials related to that trip, including reports on the Soviet economy and correspondence with scholars and state agencies.

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### Subseries I.3: Other Professional Files, 1963-1968

#### Scope and Contents

Subseries I.3: Other Professional Files, 1963-1988 is a small collection of professional files (mainly press appearances, clippings, and letters of congratulation upon his promotion at Daiwa) that were not part of the "D" file.

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### Series II: Academic Files, 1938-1969

#### Scope and Contents

This series pertains to Aron's entire academic career, including his undergraduate and graduate school coursework. A small amount of material is in Russian. Before going into finance, Paul Aron was a professor of Russian and Soviet history at Sarah Lawrence College, having attained a master's degree and all but dissertation in the field from Columbia University. However, Aron's academic career was cut short when the American Legion accused him and several of his Sarah Lawrence colleagues of being Communists. In 1953, at the height of the Second Red Scare, he testified before the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, declining to answer whether he had ever been a member of the Communist Party. A few weeks later, Aron resigned from Sarah Lawrence College. Though he would never again find employment as a history professor, Aron remained active in the Soviet and Russian history community through the 1970s, editing the journal *Soviet Studies in History*.

### Subseries II.I: College Coursework, 1939-1940

#### Scope and Contents

This subseries contains Aron's coursework while a student at the City College of New York from 1939 to 1940. Material includes syllabi and notes for classes, mainly on American history.

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### Scope and Contents

This subseries encompasses materials from Aron's graduate school coursework at Columbia University's Russian Institute, undertaken in 1940-1941 and again, following his military service, in 1946-1950. This material includes syllabi, notes, and term papers for classes in Soviet and Russian history, U.S. history, and world politics.

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### Subseries II.3: Dissertation Materials, 1938-1967

#### Scope and Contents

This subseries includes materials related to Aron's PhD dissertation on the Soviet historian Mikhail Pokrovsky and Soviet historiography during the First Five-Year Plan (1928-1932). Though he completed his oral examinations, Aron never submitted his dissertation to finish his PhD. In the early 1950s he was working on adapting it into a book manuscript on Soviet historiography in the 1930s, but this was never published. Most of the material in this subseries are research notes, but there are also drafts, including the completed manuscript of a biography of Pokrovsky.

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In 1950-1952 (and possibly earlier) Aron was editing a new edition of Alfred A. Knopf's *A History of Russia* textbook, authored by the late historian Bernard Pares (1867-1949). Though Aron produced copious research notes and manuscript edits for the project, it was never published—presumably, due to the allegations of Aron having been a Communist. This subseries contains these research notes and manuscript edits, as well as correspondence with Knopf.

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Most of this subseries are lecture notes, syllabi, and research materials for classes on Russian/Soviet, European, and economic history that Aron taught as a professor, first at the Jefferson School of Social Science (1946-1948)—an adult education institution in New York City founded by the Communist Party—and then at Sarah Lawrence College in Bronxville, NY (1948-1953). Also included are submissions and correspondence for academic journals and conferences during and after the end of Aron's formal academic career. Of particular note are non-coursework materials pertaining to Sarah Lawrence College, including several issues of the school newspaper and letters from college president Harold Taylor (1914-1993) (president, 1945-1959) regarding Aron's teaching style.

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