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## DESCRIPTION:

Correspondence, memoranda, manuscripts, speeches, documents and subject files of Henry Parker Willis, 1874-1937, Professor of Banking at Columbia University, 1917-1937. Willis was editor of the New York Journal of Commerce, 1919-1931, and the author of numerous works on banking. Since Willis was instrumental in drafting the first Federal Reserve Act, much of the collection deals with the formation and early development of the Federal Reserve System. The papers also deal with his work with the Philippine National Bank, the Irish Banking Commission, the Banking Inquiry of 1925 and the Banking Act of 1933, the New Zealand Monetary Commission, Australian Banking and the Indian Currency Commission. Among the major correspondents are Charles Francis Adams, Irving Fisher, Carter Glass, Francis W. Hirst, William G. McAdoo, Christopher Morley, Manuel L. Quezon and E.R.A. Seligman.

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HENRY PARKER WILLIS PAPERS

Catalogued Correspondence (Boxes 1 & 2)

Box 1  
Adams, Charles Francis  
Andrew, A. Piatt  
Bancroft, Frederic  
Berkeley, Edmund (1863)  
Bigelow, Foultney  
Butler, Nicholas Murray  
Clark, James Beauchamp  
Cortelyou, George B.  
Cravath, Paul D.  
Delano, Frederic A.  
Dewey, Davis R.  
Edison, Thomas Alva  
Filene, Edward A.  
Fisher, Irving  
Glass, Carter  
Hirst, Francis W.  
Howe, Frederic C.  
Hull, Cordell  
Lee, Ivy L.  
Leffingwell, Russell C.  
McAdoo, William G.  
McClure, Samuel Sidney  
Morley, Christopher  
Seabody, George Foster  
Quezon, Manuel L.  
Redfield, William C.  
Rowe, Leo S.  
Schiff, Jacob H.  
Seligman, Edwin R.A.  
Sinclair, Upton  
Smith, Alfred E.  
Straus, Isidor  
Twining, Charles F.  
Vanderlip, Frank A.  
Warburg, Paul M.  
Williams, John Sharp  
Wolman, Leo

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3	A Agger, E.E. Anderson, Benjamin M., Jr. B Beckhart, B. Haggott Bulkley, Robert J.
4	C D
5	E Edwards, George W. Ehrlich, W.J. Egbert, J.C. Elliott, Edward F Flannagan, W. W. Fletcher, Wilson
6	G H Haig, Robert M. Harlin, Charles S. Harding, W.P.G. Herter, Christian Hollander, J.H. Hollis, Henry I Inter-American High Commission
7	J Jenks, John S., Jr. K Kammerer, E. W. Kirkbridge, F.W. L LaSalle University Linz, Clarence L.
8	M N National Committee on People's Banks New International Encyclopedia O Oddie, Tasker
9	P Paine, George H. Q R

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Walcott, Frederic C.  
Wilson, Emmett  
Willis, Gwendolen B.  
Willis, Olympia  
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Y

## Personal File - General

Addresses  
American Institute of Banking  
Articles (1)

12 Articles (2)  
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Articles - Paul M. Warburg  
Banking Conference, U.S. Chamber of Commerce, Washington, 4 June 1928  
Banking Seminar  
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Columbia University School of Business  
Federal Reserve Board  
Irish Trade Journal  
Ireland - First and Second Interim Report  
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Robinson, Charles C.  
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17	Philippine National Bank
18	Australian Report: Correspondence Australian Banking Legislation Diary of Australian Trip (copies) Maps Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Proposed Company Newspaper Clippings Statistics and Information re: Farmer's Cooperative Associations, etc. Summary of Australian Statistics Text of Report on Trip to Australia
19	Exhibit I - Tariff Figures and Agreements Exhibit II - Legal Opinions Exhibit III - Companies' Acts Exhibit IV - Banking Laws and Charters Exhibit V - Book Balance Sheets Exhibit VI - Wheat and Wool Pools Exhibit VII - Cooperative Concerns - Articles and Balance Sheets Exhibit VIII - Concerns Doing Business Between Australia & U.S. Exhibit IX - Photographs and Maps
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 Banking Collapse of 1933  
 Federal Reserve Board  
 International Gold Fund  
 Limit of Credit to Individuals  
 The Pre-War Discount Policy of the Federal  
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 Revising the Federal Reserve Act  
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Bound volumes: 134 volumes (shelved at end of collection) including reports, letters, statements and other material of the Federal Reserve System; reports of the Irish Banking Commission; various materials pertaining to the Philippine National Bank and the Indian Central Banking Enquiry Committee; and other items.

H. Parker Willis Volumes  
Compiled by David Hammes and Douglas Wills

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9. Mimeograph Letters and Statements 1919 January – June Federal Reserve Board Volume 10.
10. Mimeograph Letters and Statements 1919 July – December Federal Reserve Board Volume 11.
11. Mimeograph Letters and Statements 1920 January – June Federal Reserve Board Volume 12.
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13. Mimeograph Letters and Statements 1921 January – December Federal Reserve Board 14.
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16. Report to the Reserve Bank Organization Committee by the Preliminary Committee on Organization, Confidential No. 233.
17. Various Publications, Journal of the American Bankers Association, July 1913 Volume 6, No. 1.
18. American Bankers Association 1917; Proceedings of the 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Convention, Published by Fred E. Farnsworth.
19. Third Annual Report of the Federal Reserve Board 1916.
20. Second Annual Report of the Federal Reserve Board 1915.
21. Chamber of Commerce Referendum No. 45 on Advisory Committee's Report – Powers of National Banks.
22. H.R. 6855 68<sup>th</sup> Congress, 1<sup>st</sup> Session.
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27. Congressional Digest, Washington DC March 1926; McFadden Banking Bill.
28. Hearings Before the Committee on Banking and Currency US Senate, 72<sup>nd</sup> Congress 1<sup>st</sup> Session on S. 4115, March 23-25 1932.
29. Operation of the National and Federal Reserve Banking Systems Hearings; Senate Resolution 71, March 2 1931.
30. Federal Reserve Bulletin January 1927 to December 1927, Washington: GPO.
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32. Copies of Replies to Sullivan Questionnaire.
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37. Reserve Bank Organization Committee Division and Location of Banks and Head Offices, 751 – 1550.
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39. Reserve Bank Organization Committee Division and Location of Banks and Head Offices, 2251 – 3000.
40. Reserve Bank Organization Committee Division and Location of Banks and Head Offices, 3001 – 3750.
41. H.R. 6454 Committee Print; H.R. 7837 House Banking and Currency Bill.
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67. Banking Act 1931 – 1932 I (Willis Comments on draft bill).
68. Banking Act 1931 – 1932 II.
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72. Banking Act 1931 – 1932 VI.
73. Senate Drafts I-VII 1931-1932 S-1 72<sup>nd</sup> Congress 1<sup>st</sup> Session, December 9 1931.
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75. S 4115 Banking Act 1932 72<sup>nd</sup> Congress 1<sup>st</sup> Session, April 2 1932.
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80. Philippine National Bank Minutes July 11 1916 to February 1917.
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83. Banking Inquiry 1925 Volume I, Report of an Inquiry into Contemporary Banking in the U.S.
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89. Banking Inquiry 1925 Interviews Appendix A.
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99. Commercial Paper First Half Year 1920 – 1921.
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131. Irish Banking Commission Reports and Drafts Volume 5 1926.
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