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ECONOMICS 303Y1

The Economic History of Modern Europe, to 1914

SECOND TERM 'A' LIST READINGS: January to April 2011

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Charles H. Feinstein, 'Pessimism Perpetuated: Real Wages and the Standard of Living in Britain during and after the Industrial Revolution', *Journal of Economic History*, 58:3 (Sept. 1998), 625-58.

Simon Szreter and Graham Mooney, 'Urbanization, Mortality, and the Standard of Living Debate: New Estimates of the Expectation of Life at Birth in Nineteenth-Century British Cities', *The Economic History Review*, 2nd ser., 51:1 (February 1998), 84-112.

N.F.R. Crafts and Terence C. Mills, 'Trends in Real Wages in Britain, 1750-1913', *Explorations in Economic History*, 31:2 (April 1994), 176-94.

Topic No. 7 [16]: Entrepreneurship in 19th-Century European Industrialization: France and/or Germany, 1840-1914

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John Vincent Nye, 'Firm Size and Economic Backwardness: A New Look at the French Industrialization Debate', *Journal of Economic History*, 47:3 (Sept. 1987), 649-70.

Pierre Sicsic, 'Establishment Size and Economies of Scale in 19th-Century France', *Explorations in Economic History*, 31:4 (October 1994), 453-78.

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Topic No. 9 [17]: 'The Great Depression', 1873 - 1896: Myth or Reality?

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Marc Flandreau, Juan Flores, Clemens Jobst, and David Koudour-Casteras, 'Business Cycles, 1870 - 1914', in Stephen Broadberry and Kevin H. O'Rourke, eds., *The Cambridge Economic History of Modern Europe*, 2 vols. (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2010): Vol. II: *1870 to the Present*, pp. 84-108.

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Solomos Solomou, 'Economic Fluctuations, 1870 - 1913', in Roderick Floud and Donald McCloskey, eds., *The Economic History of Britain Since 1700*, 3 vols., 2nd edition (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1994), Vol. 2: 1860 - 1939, pp. 247-64.

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Y. Goo Park, 'Depression and Capital Formation: the United Kingdom and Germany, 1873 - 1896', *The Journal of European Economic History*, 26:3 (Winter 1997), 511-34.

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Topic no. 10 [19]: International Capital Flows and Price Movements under a Gold Standard, ca. 1840 - 1914: Did Real or Monetary Factors Predominate?

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- a) Barry Eichengreen, 'The Gold Standard Since Alec Ford', pp. 49-79.
- b) Forrest Capie, 'British Economic Fluctuations in the Nineteenth Century: Is There a Role for Money?', pp. 80-97.
- c) T.J. Hatton, 'Price-Determination Under the Gold Standard: Britain, 1880 - 1913', pp. 137-56.

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Michael D. Bordo and Hugh Rockoff, 'The Gold Standard as a 'Good Housekeeping Seal of Approval'', *Journal of Economic History*, 56:2 (June 1996), 389-428.

Donald N. McCloskey and J. Richard Zecher, 'How the Gold Standard Worked, 1880-1913', in Barry Eichengreen and Marc Flandreau, eds., *The Gold Standard in Theory and History*, 2nd edn. (London and New York: Routledge, 1997) [1st edn. 1985], pp. 57-75.

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Special Notes

Prescribed Readings:

You are expected to do some of the readings for the **FIVE “A” LIST TOPICS**, which have been selected as the primary essay topics for the Winter-Spring Term of January to April 2011 for this year. All five of these topics will appear on the final examination (along with the five “A” list topics for the first term: Sept. to Dec. 2010). Therefore, in reading the following essays and journal articles, you will be doing the major research preparations for both your first term essay and for the final examination. Although the accompanying short-format bibliographies for these five topics do list current journal articles, the following package of readings does not necessarily contain such articles. I have chosen those articles and essays, chiefly older ones, that have proved to be seminal or of at least major importance in inspiring or in guiding the debates for the themes in these selected essay topics. Publications of such economic historians as David Landes, Charles Kindleberger, Claude Fohlen, Arcadius Kahan, Alexander Gerschenkron, Wolfram Fischer, S.B. Saul, etc., are still worth reading today. Many recent articles are, of course, just partial responses to earlier articles on these debates, or contributions in minor areas of these debates.

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