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ECO. 303Y: The Economic History of Modern Europe, to 1914.

FIRST TERM "A" LIST READINGS: for the Fall Semester, Sept. - Dec. 2012

The numbers in square brackets after the topic number refer to the topic numbers on the Master List of Essay and Reading Topics for Eco. 303Y1.

Topic No. 1 [3] The Economic Decline of the Netherlands in the Eighteenth Century: Cause or Consequence of the British Industrial Revolution?

Charles H. Wilson, 'The Economic Decline of the Netherlands', *Economic History Review*, 1st ser. 9 (1939), 1st ser., 9:2 (May 1939), 111-27; Reprinted in Charles Wilson, *Economic History and the Historian: Collected Essays* (New York, 1969), pp. 22-47. ISBN: ISBN: 297 - 76498 - 5. LC Cat. no. HC12 .W5 1969B

Charles Wilson, 'Taxation and the Decline of Empires: An Unfashionable Theme', unpublished lecture, published in: Charles Wilson, *Economic History and the Historian: Collected Essays* (New York: Praeger, 1969), pp. 114-27. ISBN: ISBN: 297 - 76498 - 5. LC Cat. HC12.W5 1969B

James C. Riley, 'The Dutch Economy After 1650: Decline or Growth?' *The Journal of European Economic History*, 13:3 (Winter 1984), 521-69.

Jan De Vries, 'The Decline and Rise of the Dutch Economy, 1675 - 1900', in Gary Saxonhouse and Gavin Wright, eds., *Technique, Spirit, and Form in the Making of the Modern Economies: Essays in Honor of William N. Parker*: special issue of *Research in Economic History*, supplement no. 3 (JAI Press: Greenwich, Conn., and London, 1984), pp. 149 - 89. ISBN 0892324147. LC cat. no. HC51 .T45 1984

Jan Luiten van Zanden and Bas van Leeuwen, 'Persistent But Not Consistent: The Growth of National Income in Holland, 1347 - 1807', *Explorations in Economic History*, 49:2 (April 2012), 119-30.

F. Krantz and P. M. Hohenberg, eds., *Failed Transitions to Modern Industrial Society: Renaissance Italy and Seventeenth-Century Holland* (Montreal: Interuniversity Centre for European Studies, 1975). ISBN 0919958001. LC cat. no. HC51 .F28.

See the following essays in particular: all to be considered as **one reading.**

- a) David Ormrod, 'Dutch Commercial and Industrial Decline and British Growth in the Late Seventeenth and Early Eighteenth Centuries', pp. 36-43.
- b) K. W. Swart, 'Holland's Bourgeoisie and the Retarded Industrialization of the Netherlands', pp. 44-48
- c) E. H. Kossman, 'Some Meditations on Dutch Eighteenth-Century Decline', pp. 49-54.

Topic No. 2 [6] The Protestant Dissenters and the Industrial Revolution: The role of religious factors in entrepreneurship and modern industrialization

John Munro, 'Tawney's Century, 1540 - 1640: The Roots of Modern Capitalist Entrepreneurship', in David S. Landes, Joel Mokyr, and William J. Baumol, eds, *The Invention of Enterprise: Entrepreneurship from*

Ancient Mesopotamia to Modern Times, Kauffman Foundation Series on Innovation and Entrepreneurship (Princeton and Oxford: Princeton University Press, 2010), pp. 107-55. Note: the thesis is that the true origins of modern capitalist entrepreneurship came, not in Tawney's century, but in the following century (1640-1740), and thus led directly into the Industrial Revolution era. ISBN 978-0-691-14370-5

John Munro, 'Usury, Calvinism and Credit in Protestant England: from the Sixteenth Century to the Industrial Revolution', in Francesco Ammannati, ed., *Religione e istituzioni religiose nell'economia europea*, 1000 - 1800/ Religion and Religious Institutions in the European Economy, 1000 - 1800, Fondazione Istituto Internazionale di Storia Economica 'F. Datini', Prato, Serie II: Atti delle 'Settimane de Studi' e altri convegni no. 43 (Florence, 2012), pp. 155-84. ISBN 978-88-6655-123-2

Thijs Lambrecht, "Nine Protestants Are to Esteemed Worth Ten Catholics": Representing Religion, Labour, and Economic Performance in Pre-Industrial Europe, c. 1650 - c. 1800, in Francesco Ammannati, ed., Religione e istituzioni religiose nell'economia Europea, 1000 - 1800/Religion and Religious Institutions in the European Economy, 1000 - 1800, Serie II: Atti delle 'Settimane di Studi' e altri convegni no. 43 (Florence, 2012), pp. 431-50. ISBN 978-88-6655-123-2

Max Weber, *The Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of Capitalism*, trans. Talcott Parsons (New York, 1930; 2nd edition: London: Allen & Unwin, 1976). Forward by Tawney and Preface by Weber (pp. 1-31); and chapter V: 'Asceticism and the Spirit of Capitalism', pp. 155-83. ISBN 0043310699

R. H. Tawney, *Religion and the Rise of Capitalism: a Historical Study* (London: 1926; reissued London, Penguin Books, 1990): Chapter IV: 'The Puritan Movement', pp. 164-226; and Chapter V: 'Conclusion', pp. 227-35. ISBN 0140184244

Alastair Hamilton, 'Max Weber's *Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of Capitalism*', in Stephen P. Turner, ed., *Cambridge Companion to Weber* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2000), pp. 151-71. ISBN 052156753X (pbk.)

Malcolm MacKinnon, 'The Longevity of the Thesis: A Critique of the Critics', in Hartmut Lehmann and Guenther Roth, eds., *Weber's Protestant Ethic: Origins, Evidence, Contexts* (Cambridge and New York, Cambridge University Press, 1993), pp. 211-43. ISBN 0 521 55829 8

Topic No. 3 [7]: Population Growth and the Industrial Revolution, 1750 - 1830: A Cause or Consequence of Modern Urban Industrialization?

E. Anthony Wrigley, 'British Population during the "Long" Eighteenth Century, 1680 - 1840', in Roderick Floud and Paul Johnson, eds., *Cambridge Economic History of Modern Britain*, 3 vols. (Cambridge and New York: Cambridge University Press, 2004), Vol I: *Industrialization*, 1700 - 1860, pp. 57-95. ISBN: 0 521 82036 7. LC Cat. no. HC253 .C36 2003 V.1

E. Anthony Wrigley, 'Growth of Population in Eighteenth-Century England: A Conundrum Resolved', *Past and Present*, no. 98 (1983), 121-50.

Peter Razzell, 'The Growth of Population in Eighteenth-Century England: A Critical Reappraisal', *The Journal of Economic History*, 53 (December 1993), 743-71.

Jona Schellkens, 'Nuptiality during the First Industrial Revolution in England: Explanations', Journal of

Interdisciplinary History, 27:4 (Spring 1997), 637-54. A critique of the Wrigley-Schofield thesis.

John Komlos, 'The Industrial Revolution as the Escape from the Malthusian Trap', *The Journal of European Economic History*, 29:2-3 (Fall - Winter 2000), 307-31.

Topic No. 4 [8]: Labour and The Enclosures of the Industrial Revolution Era in England: The Social Consequences of Agricultural Modernization, ca. 1760 - 1830

Robert Allen, 'Agriculture During the Industrial Revolution, 1700 - 1850', in Roderick Floud and Paul Johnson, eds., *Cambridge Economic History of Modern Britain*, 3rd edn., 3 vols. (Cambridge and New York: Cambridge University Press, 2004): Vol I: *Industrialization*, 1700 - 1860, pp. 96-116. ISBN: 0 521 82036 7. LC Cat. no. HC253 .C36 2003 V.1

Robert Allen, 'Tracking the Agricultural Revolution in England', *The Economic History Review*, 2nd ser., 52:2 (May 1999), 209-35.

Mark Overton, 'Re-establishing the English Agricultural Revolution', *Agricultural History Review*, 44:1 (1996), 1-20.

N. F. R. Crafts, 'Enclosure and the Labor Supply Revisited', *Explorations in Economic History*, 15 (Apr. 1978), 172 - 83.

B.D. Black and R.P. Thomas, 'The Enclosure Movement and the Supply of Labour During the Industrial Revolution', *Journal of European Economic History*, 3:2 (Fall 1974), 401-23.

Leigh Shaw-Taylor, 'Parliamentary Enclosure and the Emergence of an English Agricultural Proletariat', *Journal of Economic History*, 61:3 (September 2001), 640-62.

Topic no. 5 [11] The 'Imperialism of Free Trade', 1840-1870: Were Free Trade, the Free Trade Movement, and Overseas Colonialism Economically and Philosophically Compatible?

John Gallagher and Ronald Robinson, 'The Imperialism of Free Trade', *Economic History Review*, 2nd ser., 6 (1953), 1-15: reprinted in A. G. L. Shaw, ed., *Great Britain and the Colonies*, 1815 - 1865 (London, 1970), pp. 142-63. ISBN 416 29940 7

Oliver MacDonagh, 'The Anti-Imperialism of Free Trade', *Economic History Review*, 2nd ser., 14 (1962), 489-501: reprinted in A. G. L. Shaw, ed., *Great Britain and the Colonies*, 1815 - 1865 (London, 1970), pp. 164-83. ISBN 416 29940 7

D. C. M. Platt, 'Imperialism of Free Trade: Some Reservations', *Economic History Review*, 2nd ser., 21 (1968), 296-306; and D. C. M. Platt, 'Further Objections to an 'Imperialism of Free Trade', 1830-1860', *Economic History Review*, 2nd ser. 26 (1973), 77-91.

Michael Edelstein, 'Imperialism: Cost and Benefit', in R. Floud and D. McCloskey, eds., *The Economic History of Britain Since 1700*, 2nd edn (Cambridge, 1994), Vol. 2: *1860-1939*, pp. 197-216. ISBN 0 521 452421 2

P. J. Cain and Anthony G. Hopkins, 'Gentlemanly Capitalism and British Expansion Overseas, II: New Imperialism, 1850 - 1945', *Economic History Review*, 2nd ser. 40 (Feb. 1987), 1-26.

Patrick K. O'Brien, 'The Costs and Benefits of British Imperialism, 1846 - 1914', *Past and Present*, no. 120 (August 1988), 163-20.

Special Notes for the ECO 303Y Course Reader:

As was stressed in the course outline, this is not a text-book course; and, therefore, there are no prescribed textbooks for which you will be responsible on the final examination. I do, however, recommend the three following books, which would appear to be standard textbooks, as supplementary aids to guide you in what are the prescribed readings for the course, and in the lectures. You should also consider the online lectures notes as the most relevant and complete textbook for the course.

- (1) Peter Mathias, *The First Industrial Nation: An Economic History of Britain, 1700 1914*, 2nd revised edn. (London: Methuen and Co, 1983).
- (2) David Landes, *The Unbound Prometheus: Technological Change and Industrial Development in Western Europe from 1750 to the Present* (London and Toronto: Cambridge University Press, 1969; 2nd edition, Cambridge, 2003).
- (3) Stephen Broadberry and Kevin H. O'Rourke, eds., *The Cambridge Economic History of Modern Europe*, 2 vols. (Cambridge and New York: Cambridge University Press, 2010): Vol. I: 1700 1870; Vol. II: 1870 to the Present. The approach taken by the various essays in this two-volume set is thematic (by economic sectors), rather than the national approach taken in this course.

Prescribed Readings:

Instead of any textbook assignment, you are instead expected to do some of the readings for the **FIVE "A" LIST TOPICS**, selected for the Fall Semester of 2012 (September to December) as the primary essay topics, for this current academic year. You will have a similar obligation for the Winter-Spring Semester of 2013 (January to April). All five of these topics will appear on the mid-year test and also on the final examination. 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 these examinations. 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. 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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