

Webb, Sidney; Letters

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Summary Information

Repository:	M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections & Archives
Title:	Sidney Webb Papers
ID:	mss031
Date [inclusive]:	1890-1929
Physical Description:	1 folders
Physical Location:	The materials are located onsite in the department.
Language of the Material:	English .
Mixed Materials [Collection]:	Χ
Abstract:	Sidney Webb, 1st Baron Passfield, was a leading British economist. This collection includes 16 letters from Webb about the publication of his work, economic measures being considered for enactment in Parliament, and the Fabian Society's support of political candidates.

Preferred Citation

Preferred citation for this material is as follows: Identification of specific item, series, box, folder, Sidney Webb Papers, 1890-1929. M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University at Albany, State University of New York (hereafter referred to as the Webb Papers).

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Biographical Sketch

Sidney Webb, 1st Baron Passfield, was a leading British economist. Webb was born on July 13, 1859 in London. Webb was educated at the Birkbeck Literary and Scientific Institution and Kings College. Webb joined the bar in 1885 and in 1895 helped establish the London School of Economics. Webb became a professor of public administration at the school in 1912. Webb was also a member of the Fabian Society.

Webb married Beatrice Potter and they founded the New Statesman magazine in 1913. Webb was a member of Parliament for Seaham in 1922 and in 1929 he became the Baron Passfield of Passfield Corner in the County of Southampton. Webb went on to serve as the Secretary of State for the Colonies

and the Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs in 1929. Webb also supported communism and the Soviet Union. Webb, as well as his wife, wrote books on economics, nationalism, and education Webb died in 1947. Potter and Webb are buried in the nave of Westminster Abbey.

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Scope and Contents

This collection includes 16 letters from Webb about the publication of his work, economic measures being considered for enactment in Parliament, and the Fabian Society's support of political candidates. This collection also contains one letter from his wife, Beatrice Webb, dated January 12, 1913.

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Arrangement of the Collection

The collection is unprocessed and is likely disorganized. Individual items may be difficult to find.

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Processing Information

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Immediate Source of Acquisition

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- Economics