

growth exhibited itself in cyclic form. In brief, Canada's growth has shown itself to be susceptible to logistic treatment, and, from this angle, should be of intense importance when we have census data for the next two or three decades to give a more precise form for our present cycle.

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OBITUARY

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Archibald Forster McGoun, who was a member of the staff in economics of the University of Alberta from 1920 to 1927, died at Edmonton on February 18, 1937, at the age of forty-eight. A native of Montreal, he graduated from McGill (B.A., 1912, B.C.L., 1914). He received his master's degree at Harvard in 1919 and passed his general examinations for his Ph.D. in 1924, but never submitted a thesis. He taught at Harvard for part of the year 1919-20, and then went to the University of Alberta. In 1924-5 he had a year's leave of absence to teach as a visiting assistant professor at Stanford University. After leaving Alberta in 1927 he travelled in England and France, studied at Heidelberg, and taught under Sir Patrick Geddes at Le Collège des Ecosais, Montpellier. Returning to Canada he settled at Edmonton. He took an active part with his pen in the last provincial campaign. A really fine scholar and a lovable personality, Mr. McGoun's career was dogged by ill health.

For many years Mr. McGoun had been engaged on the preparation of a work on Karl Marx's debt to Hegel. His earlier interests were in economic theory as is evidenced by his articles in the *Quarterly Journal of Economics*: "The nature of interest and the causes of its fluctuations" (August, 1917), "The taxation of luxuries and the rate of interest" (February, 1919), "Higher and lower desires" (February, 1923); and by his article on "Inequality and accumulation" in the *Journal of Political Economy* (December, 1924). To the first two volumes of this journal he contributed an article "Observation in Economics" (May, 1936) and three notes on economic legislation in Alberta (November, 1935, August, and November, 1936). One may also mention his recent article on "Conscience and War" in the *Canadian Defence Quarterly* (July, 1936).

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