Bibliography
Selected Works Related to the History of Co-operatives
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PART I

Works marked with an asterisk (*) are especially useful.

General, International, and Miscellaneous Works

- Journals

* Review of International Co-operation (good, short pieces on co-operatives in various countries – historical, contemporary, opinion)

* Annals of Public and Co-operative Economy

* Journal of Agricultural Co-operation (U.S.)

* American Cooperation (yearbook)

* Agricultural History (has occasional useful articles)

* Coopératives et Développement (Quebec; has some English-language articles) (1999 renamed Économie et Solidarités)


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Spencer, M.C. _Charles Fourier._


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**Northern Europe**


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