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Nathan Spero, who takes up additional duties this week as Research Associate at the Extension Center Library is himself a product of the CUNY system. After graduating from Baruch College in 1943, he went on to do graduate work in economics at the University of Pennsylvania. Nat began work as a statistician for the U.S. Department of Labor. His research there focused on problems of productivity and technological change. He went on to become the Research Director for the United Electrical Workers (UE), and as such, was involved in negotiations with the two giants in the electronics industry, General Electric and Westinghouse. Over the years, Nat has written about the employment problems within the electronics industry, unemployment, benefit changes, Social Security, pension problems and occupational hazards. During the war years when Rosie the Riveter symbolized government's willingness to address some of the problems faced by working women, Nat's research focused on equal pay for equal work in a brief written for the War Labor Board. Many of the problems which were the focus of his expertise in earlier years resonate in today's globally-depressed economy.

We welcome Nat Spero and urge each and all to take advantage of the research skills that he is willing to share with us.