Acquisitions

♦The American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, Massachusetts, has acquired the papers of U.S. Congressman Ginery Twichell (1811-1883), who served as president of several major railroad companies, among them the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company. The papers provide documentation on mid-19th century railroad operation, especially during the Civil War. They include Twichell’s business diaries and notes, correspondence, receipts, ledgers, deeds, contracts, lithographs, flyers, railroad passes, schedules, patents, and pamphlets.

♦Brandeis University, Waltham, Massachusetts, has acquired a 4,600-volume collection of Shakespeariana owned by Professor T.W. Baldwin of the University of Illinois. The collection contains over two hundred 18th and 19th century editions as well as hundreds of secondary works from the 19th and 20th centuries.

♦Case Western Reserve University Library, Cleveland, has been given a collection of 250 autographed letters and documents acquired by a Case Western alumnus. The material consists of letters and documents in the hands of British royalty, politicians, statesmen, writers, and composers. Of particular interest are examples from all the first Lords of the Treasury from Stanley Godolphin (1645-1712) on, and all the Prime Ministers from Robert Walpole to Margaret Thatcher.

♦The College of St. Catherine, Saint Paul, Minnesota, has obtained the personal papers of Ade Beathune, nationally known liturgical artist and head of Bethune-Dutra Associates, a liturgical consulting and architectural firm in Newport, Rhode Island. The collection includes letters, prints, sketch books, wood engravings, and photographs covering her work from the 1940s to the present.

♦Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia, has received the papers of the late Rabbi Jacob M. Rothschild, of Atlanta. Rabbi Rothschild was an active supporter of the Civil Rights movement in the South during his controversial career at the Beneficent Hebrew Congregation, better known as the Temple, which was bombed in 1958. The collection complements Emory’s manuscript collections relating to race relations in the 20th-century South.

♦Linda Hall Library, Kansas City, Missouri, has purchased for its History of Science Collection several duplicate rare books from the Herbert Hoover Collection of Mining and Metallurgy at the Claremont Colleges. Included among these early works is a first edition of Biringucci’s De la piro-technia (Venice, 1540), several 16th and 17th century editions of the works of Georg Agricola, and other books dating from 1495 to 1789.

♦New York Public Library has received a collection of literary and musical materials of the American composer and concert pianist, Louis Moreau Gottschalk (1829-1869). The collection was recently discovered in a trunk belonging to a direct descendant of Gottschalk, Lily B. Glover, of Asbury Park. Highlights of the acquisition are over 130 letters in Gottschalk’s hand and original diary materials, long thought to be lost. Also included are holograph and printed music, scrapbooks containing concert reviews, caricatures, and death notices.

♦Rice University, Houston, has opened the Julian S. Huxley Collection in the Woodson Research Center, Fondren Library. The papers include Huxley’s voluminous correspondence and written and published works as well as reprints, clippings, organizational, and conference materials, photographs and memorabilia. Julian Huxley (1887-1975), the brother of Aldous Huxley, was the first biology professor at Rice University and later became director of the London Zoo and director-general of Unesco.

♦Southwestern University, Georgetown, Texas, has acquired a rare, early Texas document, “A Plan for the Better Administration of Justice in Texas,” printed in Monclova, Mexico, April 17, 1834. Containing 140 articles printed in parallel columns of English and Spanish, the document established the right of trial by jury and may be the only law of the Mexican state of Coahuila and Texas to appear in its original form in both languages.

♦The University of Delaware, Newark, has acquired the papers of the Black American poet Paul Laurence Dunbar (1872-1906) and his wife, Alice Moore Dunbar Nelson. Hundreds of letters between the two chronicle in detail their relationship and cover the period 1895-1904 when Dunbar rose from obscurity to national fame. Also included in the collection are a number of books from Dunbar’s personal library, extensive correspondence of Alice Dunbar Nelson through the year 1930 that describe her active role in the women’s suffrage movement, photographs, typescripts, clippings, and journals.
• The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, has acquired the manuscript and book collections of micrographics pioneer Vernon Dale Tate. The collection, which takes up approximately 230 linear feet, covers the history of micrographics and related subjects such as photoduplication, photography, and information storage and retrieval. Included in the gift are Tate's personal and professional papers, and records of the National Microfilm Association which Tate collected as NMA executive secretary and archivist. The collection chronicles Tate's career in microphotography from his years at the Library of Congress, the National Archives, as director of libraries at MIT, and as librarian and archivist for the U.S. Naval Academy.

• The University of Wyoming Library, Laramie, has received the 1789 Kehl edition of the works of Voltaire in 72 volumes. Published under the direction of Beaumarchais, it forms the first posthumous edition of the complete works and is the basis for all subsequent editions. This particular set was once owned by the American geologist Louis Agassiz (1807–1873) as well as Civil War General Regis de Trobriand. Wyoming has also obtained the library of Professor William B. Hunter Jr., an internationally known Milton scholar. The collection is especially rich in literature, history, theology, and philosophy, and was built patiently by Hunter over 30 years of teaching and scholarship.

Profiles

Jennifer Cargill has been appointed associate director of libraries for technical processing, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, effective June 1. Cargill has been head acquisitions librarian at Miami University Libraries, Oxford, Ohio; assistant science librarian at Miami; and health sciences librarian and assistant acquisitions librarian at the University of Houston. She has an MLS from Louisiana State University, a bachelor's degree from Louisiana Tech University, and a master's in education from Miami University.

Cargill currently serves on ALA Council, the LAMA Publications Committee, and is now chair of the H.W. Wilson Library Periodical Award Committee and the Ohio Inter-University Library Council Technical Services Group. Since 1982 she has been a member of the Editorial Board of College & Research Libraries News, and has served on the Reference and Subscription Books Review Committee and the OHIONET Acquisitions Council.

The author of numerous books and articles, Cargill is currently co-editor of Technicalities.

Sidney Verba, Clarence Dillon Professor of International Affairs and associate dean of the Harvard Faculty of Arts and Sciences for Undergraduate Education, has been appointed to succeed Oscar Handlin as Carl H. Pforzheimer university professor and director of the Harvard University Library, effective July 1.

The Pforzheimer Chair is reserved for outstanding scholars who have demonstrated serious and continuing interest in library problems. Those named to the chair must share the donor's belief that the University Library is a focal point in the learning process and an essential factor in research.

Verba, a political scientist and authority on comparative politics and American voter behavior, has been on the Harvard faculty since 1972. Among