The Harry Hopkins Papers

A memorable opening and dedication of the papers of Harry L. Hopkins was held at Georgetown University on January 26, 1986.

On the occasion, the donor of this significant collection, his son, Robert Hopkins, said:

"I made the decision to donate my father's private papers to Georgetown University because I sense today some of the same kind of helplessness evident in the 1930s... History shows, and these papers document, the fact that even the thorniest problems can be resolved by understanding the core of the trouble and devising daring, innovative policies to deal with them. By making these papers readily available, I hope they will inspire today's leaders and tomorrow's, of whatever party—and, indeed, of whatever country—to perceive the true nature of a crisis and to adopt bold programs to cope with them."

Mrs. Harriman also brought a message from her husband, W. Averell Harriman, on his long time friend which concluded:

"He was a soldier of freedom. None fought harder; none was braver; none did more than Harry Hopkins."

Eleanor Roosevelt Correspondence

A gift of Mrs. Dorothy Dow Butturff of Silver Spring, Maryland makes an important addition to our Roosevelt era holdings. It includes a group of 17 letters and cards written to Mrs. Butturff from Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt between 1941 and 1956, together with other related correspondence.

In 1933 Mrs. Butturff became a secretary in the White House Social Bureau and by 1938 began to spend summers at Hyde Park assisting Eleanor Roosevelt’s personal secretary, Malvina Thompson. During her employment Mrs. Butturff wrote many letters describing the activities of the Roosevelt organization and family, and her donation includes correspondence about her attempts to publish these. There are several folders of correspondence with publishers and editors, including Eleanor Roosevelt’s literary agent, George T. Bye, as well as with Malvina Thompson.

A valuable supplement to Mrs. Butturff’s contribution was given by her daughter, Mrs. Barbara Delaney, consisting of 71 original letters from Mrs. Butturff to her family written between 1933-1945, as well as Ruth McClure’s type manuscript of edited selections which became the basis for her 1984 book, Eleanor Roosevelt; An Eager Spirit: The Letters of Dorothy Dow, 1933-1945. Scholars of the Roosevelt political era will find a good deal to interest them in this gift, much of which remains unpublished.

Mayfield Swinburneiana Collection

Library Associates Trustee, Mrs. Edith Mayfield, has donated a generous group of outstanding materials relating to Algernon Charles Swinburne from the collection assembled by herself and her late husband, John S. Mayfield. The gift contains many unpublished items, among them autograph letters and original manuscripts. The latter include three versions of "An Old Saying", a copy of "The Young Tamlane"
with verses omitted from the first published version, an early draft of "Nell Gwynn", and numerous other published and unpublished works, some with corrections and emendations in the author’s hand. Letters from Swinburne are addressed to such figures as Edmund Gosse, Edward Burne-Jones and Andrew Chatto. The letters addressed to Swinburne include messages from William Morris, Edward Bulwer-Lytton, Dion Boucicault, Richard Garnett and Alfred Tennyson.

In addition, Mrs. Mayfield gave a number of letters written to Mr. Mayfield by notable correspondents, among them Robinson Jeffers, Havelock Ellis and Robert Graves.

**Spanish-American War Photo**

An important original photographic print from the Spanish-American War period was given recently by Ames W. Williams of Alexandria. Taken by the noted photographer, Percy Byron (1879-1959), it shows a group of twelve American war correspondents in St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, on May 18, 1898, and is inscribed by Byron to journalist Edwin Emerson, one of those pictured. Also in the photo is the well-known artist, Frederick Remington, said to have received the infamous telegraphed instructions from William Randolph Hearst, "You supply the pictures, I'll supply the war". The photograph has apparently never been published.

**Haitian History**

The library of the distinguished American diplomat, the late Cornelius Van Engert, has been given by Mr. and Mrs. Roderick M. Engert. The collection of 1,550 books and more than 2,000 journals, maps, pamphlets and government documents contains major works on foreign affairs, diplomacy and travel, primarily related to the Middle East, the Near East, and India. Many of these books are quite scarce, and a number of them have authors’ inscriptions to Ambassador Engert.

Perhaps of greatest interest is a group of items relating to the early history of Haiti and Martinique. One publication, dated 1790, has not yet been located in any other source. It is G.T. Raynal’s *Extrait d’un ouvrage intitule: Essai sur l’administration de Saint Dominique* (Port-au-Prince: De l’Imprimerie de Mozard). Of greatest importance to historians is a group of 12 early Haitian government documents of which only one is recorded in an American library. Included are penal codes of 1805 and 1834, laws relating to the organization and pay of the Haitian administration (1807), the navy (1808), the army (1820) and the police (1807).

The most interesting publication of the group is the *Nomination de l’empereur d’Hayti, J.J. Dessalines*. This 12-page document combines a plea for Dessalines to accept the title of emperor “signed” in type by the principal officers of his army with Dessalines own “letter” accepting the honor. An accepted fact of Haitian history is that this document was not printed in February, 1804, the date of Dessalines’ letter, but was back-dated after Dessalines decided in the autumn of 1804 to make himself emperor after the example of Napoleon. However, no historian of Haiti since 1847 has ever seen the printed document which, back-dated or not, is one of the primary printed records of Haiti’s governmental history.

**Trustee Elections**

At their annual meeting on May 17, 1986, the Board of Trustees elected Joseph S. Harvey of Oil City, PA, as Chairman of the Board of the Library Associates. Mr. Harvey, a graduate of the College of Arts and Sciences, Class of 1941 and a founding member of the Library Associates, is now Chairman of the Board of the First Seneca Bank of Oil City. He has held various offices in the Pennsylvania and American Bankers Association. He serves as Vice Chairman, Council of Trustees of Clarion University, and in May, 1986, was awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law degree by Thiel College.

Elected as Vice Chairman was Cornelius J. Moynihan, Jr., of Cambridge, MA, another founding member of the Library Associates. A graduate of the College of Arts and Sciences in 1961, he is with the law firm of Peabody, Brown, Rowley & Storey of Boston.

Re-elected for three year terms were: Jack E. Babcock, George M. Barringer, William P. Blatty, William W. Buchanan, Timothy W. Childs, Salvatore Costabile, Mrs. Joseph F. Flaherty, Mrs. Mary Ziegler Fockler, John H. Forsgren, Jr., Homer V. Hervey, Hon. Joseph John Jova, James E. Lyons, Hon. George C. McGhee, Bernard J. Picchi and David J. Walsh. Elected as a new member of the Board was Michael Shebay (SBA’73) of Houston, Texas.
Gifts In Kind

John H. Forsgren (C'69), a member of the Associates' Board of Trustees, arranged for the gift of two Sperry computers for the Special Collections Division. Both are now in use eight hours each day indexing materials in our Manuscript and Archives sections.

Printers Plus, Inc. of Vienna, VA contributed a NLQ Computer line printer.

Social History

Long time donors Frederick B. Scheetz (C'67) and Nicholas B. Scheetz (C'74) recently donated a variety of 17th, 18th, 19th and 20th century publications. They include a group of fifteen manuscript diaries kept between 1870 and 1887 by Alexander Ward (1852-1907), a British magistrate for Essex, who was an enthusiastic sportsman and Secretary of the Essex Union Hunt. His diaries open a window onto late 19th century country life in England. Other items of particular interest in this donation are a rare and early Panama railroad publication and an unusual salesman's dummy of The Life of Guiteau (Philadelphia, 1889?) by H.H. Alexander, containing many woodcut illustrations and a binding design showing Guiteau about to be hanged.

Catholic Manuscript Acquisitions

The library's endowment funds, the result of the generosity of many donors over the years, have enabled the library to acquire many significant manuscript collections. Following are several Catholic author collections that have been recently acquired:

The papers of Sir Arnold Lunn (1888-1974), the Catholic apologist and controversial writer. Lunn is known by many as the father of modern ski racing (he invented the slalom race). It was due to Lunn’s efforts that downhill ski racing was introduced into the Olympic games. Lunn attended Harrow and Oxford, and his first novel, The Harrovians, became a best seller, acclaimed by many as the first realistic account of English public school life. He was the author of more than fifty books on a variety of subjects, including mountaineering, skiing, religion, science, politics, biography and autobiography. His archives comprise manuscripts, diaries and extensive correspondence with a variety of people, including Alec and Evelyn Waugh, Mgr. Ronald Knox, G.G. Coulton, C.E.M. Joad, Hilaire Belloc, H.G. Wells and William F. Buckley, Jr.

Shusaku Endo’s autograph manuscript of his famous novel, The Samurai, together with various letters that his English translator, Van C. Gessel, wrote to the publishing house of Peter Owen. Endo, a noted Japanese novelist and a Catholic, is one of Japan’s most respected writers.

An extensive series of manuscript notebooks by the English Catholic poet, Elizabeth Jennings, have been purchased, together with letters to her from various English writers, including the poet Roy Fuller.

The papers of Bernard and Barbara Wall. These consist mainly of correspondence, relating chiefly to Catholic and literary subjects, from such individuals as Rev. Martin D'Arcy, S.J., Kathleen Raine and Philip Toynbee. A portion of the papers of Bernard Bergonzi, Professor of English at Warwick University. These papers include the manuscript of his first novel, The Roman Persuasion, and a number of letters from various literary figures: Malcolm Cowley, Donald Davies, Malcolm Bradbury and John Fuller, among others.

Intelligence Literature

The library received recently from local librarian and bibliophile Walter L. Pforzheimer a prime addition to its holdings in intelligence literature. Presented to the library in honor of Col. Russell Bowen, whose collection makes Georgetown a major research institution in the field, the gift gives Georgetown the earliest work printed in English relating directly to intelligence activities: Matthew Smith’s Memoirs of Secret Service (London: Printed for A. Baldwin, 1699). Smith’s account of his valorous services in sniffing out Jacobite sympathizers was not entirely well received for a variety of reasons. Publication of his work occasioned a small pamphlet war of the kind usual for the day, and the volume containing Smith’s Memoirs includes as well two of Smith’s subsequent salvoes: Remarks Upon the D--- of S---’s Letter to the House of Lords Concerning Captain Smyth. Being a Vindication of His Services etc. (London: Printed and Sold by the Booksellers, 1700) and A Reply to an Unjust, and Scandalous Libel, Intituled, A Modest Answer to Captain Smyth’s Immodest Memoirs etc. (London: 1700).

Kirkpatrick Gift

A scholar’s library of more than 200 recent works on politics and economics has been added to the library’s resources. The collection of books, pamphlets, journal issues and government documents was given by Dr. Evron Kirkpatrick, a Georgetown faculty member and a Library Associates Trustee.

Major Microfilm Gift

John Moscato (C'73, Library Associates Trustee) continues his generosity with his recent donation of microfilm and books, all published by his firm, University Publications of America, Inc.

The 938 reels of microfilm covering a broad range of primary materials in demand by researchers is the largest such gift ever received by the library. The impressive scope of this gift is evident from the series titles: Black Workers in the Era of the Great Migration; CIA Research Reports; Civil Rights during the Johnson Administration; Confidential U.S. Diplomatic Post Records; Confidential U.S. State Dept. Central Files; Daily Diary of
President Johnson; Federal Surveillance of Afro-Americans, 1917-1925; International Trade Special Studies; Multinational Corporations; New Deal Agencies and Black America; The Oriental Question, 1840-1900; Files from the Royal Archives Windsor Castle; Papers of the League of Women Voters; Records of the Ante-Bellum Southern Plantations; Terrorism Special Studies; and U.S. Military Intelligence Reports.

The 35 books received in the gift are the latest volumes in the series British Documents on Foreign Affairs: Reports and Papers from the Foreign Office Confidential Print.

Eric Smith Cartoons

At the 1986 meeting of the Board of Trustees, Georgetown University alumnus and Library Associates Trustee, Eric M. Smith (C'67), presented the library with a group of 282 of his original editorial cartoons. For more than a decade he has been the editorial cartoonist for the Annapolis Capitol Gazette. His recent gift brings the total holdings of the "Eric Smith Collection" to 3,069 items. As a result of his affiliation with the Annapolis paper, Mr. Smith's work provides a graphic review of issues that have concerned and/or amused Annapolitans and Marylanders over the past ten years.

Civil War History

A collection of Civil War letters written by Zachariah Taylor Miller, Company B, 61st Ohio Regiment, has come to the library from his granddaughter, Helen King Boyer of Kansas City, MO. The 131 letters were written between May 23, 1862, and October 29, 1864 to Miller's parents and sister. The majority describe life in the Union Army throughout the South, including a fifteen-page letter concerning the Battle of Lookout Mountain and Chattanooga. This correspondence is a fascinating glimpse into the social, political and military history of the Civil War period as recorded by a contemporary observer who was a scribe for General Carl Schurz. The gift also contains a copy of a rare camp newsletter, The Sixty First Ohio (Vol. 1, No. 1, June 14, 1862—all that was published), printed on a sheet torn from a ledger.

American Fine Prints and Press Books

Several generous donors have recently enriched the library's collection of American fine prints and press books.

Mrs. Patricia G. England has presented 33 Peter Pauper Press books superbly printed by the Beilensons. Of particular interest are Lamb's Select Essays; Houseman's A Shropshire Lad; and Whitman's Leaves of Grass, illustrated by John Steuart Curry. In addition, Mrs. England gave ten other fine press volumes ranging in date between 1902 and 1981.

Miss Grace Haller made a gift of issues of The Print Collector's Quarterly and Fine Prints of the Year; a portfolio of 14 mounted color illustrations by Corita Kent; and a copy of Charles Wells's Shells, signed by the artist.

Mrs. Judith McCabe gave the library 17 volumes from the Sombre Reptiles Press, the Cummington Press and Harry Duncan's Abattoir Editions. The volumes include fine printing in America in the period 1969-1983.

German Works

Mrs. Sarah M. Bekker has donated to the library a collection of more than 450 German literary, political, philosophical, historical and scientific works from the library of the late Konrad Bekker. Included are large number of first editions by authors such as Alexander and Wilhelm von Humboldt and a comprehensive collection of Jean Paul Richter's works. Other outstanding works in this gift are Abhandlung vom sogenannten Pfeifer-Gericht by Johann Henrich Hermann Fries (Frankfurt am Main: 1752), and Nos. 1-40 of Die Gesellschaft: Sammlung Sozialpsychologischer Monographien (Frankfurt am Main: Martin Buber 1906-12), monographs on economics, politics, religion, the arts, the women's movement and social history by contributors including George Simmel, Max Burchhardt and Lou Andreas-Salomé.

Another donation of 700 German books comes to the library as a gift of Dr. Eric Sawitz of Newton, MA. Among other important works the Sawitz collection includes first editions of such celebrated authors as Thomas Mann and Walther Rathenau.
Michael F. Foley Book Endowment

Kathleen Colquhoun (G'83) and other students of the late Dr. Michael F. Foley have recently established a book endowment fund in his memory at Lauinger Library. Dr. Foley will be remembered as one of the most popular and respected members of the faculty. This fund will be used to purchase works on the history of Tudor-Stuart England, a subject he taught for many years. His students, friends and conferees are invited to contribute to this endowment. Contributions should be sent to the University Librarian.

Public and Family Papers

Anderson Papers

Mrs. Samuel W. Anderson added to the strength of the public papers in Special Collections by giving the papers of her late husband, who served in the Roosevelt, Truman and Eisenhower administrations in a variety of positions. He is best remembered for his work as deputy administrator of the Defense Production Administration where he earned the title “Aluminum Czar” for his breaking of the aluminum monopoly during World War II.

Strandtman Papers

Through the auspices of Dr. Henry Hull (C'64; G'69), the estate of Miss Alice Dodge has donated to the library the papers of Basil N. Strandtman (1877-1963), a czarist Russian diplomat. Strandtman played a crucial role in World War I. As Chargé d’Affaires at the Russian Legation in Belgrade, Serbia in 1914, he endorsed the telegram that Prince Alexander sent Czar Nicholas II appealing for help against the Austrians, which led to Russian involvement in the war. The collection includes family archives relating to an ancestor who was Governor General of Siberia in the 1850’s.

James D. Mooney Papers

The library recently received an additional portion of the papers of the late industrialist, James D. Mooney and his wife, a gift of the estate of Michael Mooney (SFS'65). Mr. Mooney, an early theorist of modern management principles, was President of the General Motors Corporation Export Company and travelled on behalf of the company in the 1920s and 1930s, becoming acquainted with many world figures of the day. On one occasion he had a personal meeting with Adolf Hitler before World War II. President Franklin D. Roosevelt’s unfulfilled hope was to use Mooney’s influence with European leaders to initiate discussions through which war on the continent might be avoided.

Mooney’s papers at Georgetown contain correspondence, documents, scrapbooks, presentation volumes, medals, books and photograph albums. Among the more significant items are a calligraphic document with Hitler’s signature in the original presentation case dated 9 June 1938, awarding Mooney the Cross of Merit of the Order of the German Eagle, together with the medal and more than 200 pre-World War II letters from Mooney to his wife recording the events of his travels to major cities in Europe and Australia.

American Drama

A very fine group of materials related to twentieth-century theatrical production in the United States has been donated by Leonard Reed of Chevy Chase, MD. The gift includes printer’s proof for the first printing of Eugene O’Neill’s Strange Interlude (New York: Boni & Liveright, 1928), possibly representing a unique state of the text. Another O’Neill play, A Moon for the Misbegotten, is represented in the form of a mimeographed typescript of the text, which antedates the 1945 Samuel French acting edition. The collection also contains mimeographed typescripts of Arthur Miller’s Death of a Salesman, Jean Anouilh’s The Lark, the book of My Fair Lady by Alan Jay Lerner, and a carbon preliminary typescript of Call Me Madam by Howard Lindsay and Russell Crouse. These typescripts once belonged to Mr. Reed’s father-in-law, Joseph Kaye, a noted New York theater critic.


History and Economics

The Hon. Arthur F. Burns, noted economist, former Chairman of the Federal Reserve Board and Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany, has given the library a collection of works on political science and economics, including many recent works in German. Among them are a number of inscribed and profusely illustrated books.

Mr. Winslow Van Devanter of Chevy Chase, MD, has added to the library’s American history holdings with his gift of a continuous run of the Year Book of the Holland Society of New York, 1886-1937 and the seven volume Heads of Families: First Census of the United States, 1907-1908, as well as a number of interesting works on Abraham Lincoln.

Several unusual pieces of German Nazi memorabilia were included in the latest donation from Mrs. Agnes Pommer of Lakeview of Merit of the Order of the German Eagle, included in the latest donation from Mrs. Agnes Pommer of Lakeview, Florida. These include an ornate silver chain of office of 35 links with the Leipzig city crest imposed on a swastika, a judicial gown of velvet and a cap with braided eagle and swastika and an identification badge to Peenemunde, the secret German rocket base.

Dr. Maurice J. Matloff of Kensington, MD, presented to the library a collection of various historical works that includes a considerable run of the American Historical Review, significant titles on military history, and an 1893 edition of Robert Treat Paine’s Pauperism in Great Cities.
Valued Gifts

A welcome flow of gifts of books, personal papers and other materials continues to strengthen the collections of the library. In addition to gifts acknowledged in this and previous Newsletters, the following are some of the significant gifts which have been received by the library over the past year. Additional gifts will be noted in our next Newsletter.

Maurice Adelman
16 and 17th century religious books
America House
America magazine archives
American Telephone and Telegraph
Videotext graphics computer
Mr. and Mrs. George M. Barringer
Rare books, prints and graphics
Dr. John L. Brown
Letter from Jacques Maritain
Hon. Thomas Byrne
Books on various subjects
Hon. William A. Crawford
Books on Russian history, literature and politics
Dr. Jules Davids
American history and diplomacy books
Dr. Paula Dobriansky
Economics and history materials
Dr. Georgette Dorn
Spanish language and literature books
Mrs. Betty Minor Duffy
Framed portrait of Boardman Robinson
Rev. Avery Dulles, S.J.
Personal papers
Captain Miles P. DuVal, Jr.
Panama Canal and American history books
Dr. Murray Feshbach
Books on Soviet studies and demography
Mr. John Fleming
English literature books

Rev. Gerry Fogarty, S.J.
Books on classics and patristics
(In memory of Rev. John Cummings)
Dr. Walter I. Giles
Government and history materials
Mr. Graham Greene
Manuscript and diary
Dr. Gottfried Haberler
Economics books
Mr. Henry Heymann
Civil War history books
Dr. George J.H. Hoerter
American and European history books
Miss J.D.M. Horrigan
Edward O'Dood papers
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Mr. Jan Karski
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Mr. John G. Lorenz
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(through auspices of Edward A. Novak III)
Carroll Quigley letters

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