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LIBRARY REACHES MILLION AND A HALF VOLUMES

CAPTAIN COOK'S "Florilegium"

Library Associates could scarcely have been established at a more opportune time. It has come into being when Library accessions have reached the 1,500,000 mark, a noteworthy achievement in which the State can take great pride.

In celebration of having attained this stature, the Library, in consultation with the Associates, has acquired an outstanding, rare, and exceedingly valuable volume. It is "Captain Cook's Florilegium," a beautiful book located through our alert agent in London. It contains thirty reproductions from plates of the botanical collections made during Captain James Cook's voyage to observe the transit of Venus in the Pacific on June 3, 1769. The transit of Venus occurs only four times in every 243 years.

The collectors of botanical materials were Sir Joseph Banks and Daniel Charles Solander. Drawings and sketches were made by Sydney Parkinson. The text was written by Wilfrid Blunt and William Thomas Stearn.

It is astonishing that the copper plates made at that time and stored in the British Museum are in good condition and have never been struck until now. The work was published at the Royal College of Art by the Lion and Unicorn Press of London in 1973. There are two editions, both now sold out. One, which contains forty plates, was limited to only ten numbered copies. The other, a copy of which the University Library has secured, is limited to 100 books containing thirty plates. It will be exhibited in Hamilton Library later this spring.

Our copy, Number 39, was purchased from Quarich of London, who in turn bought it from W. W. Smithson, one of the original subscribers. They write that no other copy is for sale throughout the world, and they describe the book as "undoubtedly the most important botanical publication of the century." Accompanying this treasure will be a small volume by Joy Law that contains notes on the production of this outstanding work. The University owns copy Number 64 of an edition of 175 copies.

As is the custom of some of the leading mainland libraries on such occasions, the Associates is assisting in celebrating the event by initiating a "cluster" of projects. These are described in the following pages. At the same time, the Associates draws attention to the fact that recognition of this notable occasion by private individuals, public institutions, and corporations would be highly acceptable and appropriate. Such recognition might be in the form of tax-deductible donations in cash or books and other library materials, or membership in the Associates in one or another of the higher categories described in the following pages. The Associates is a tax-free institution affiliated with the University of Hawaii Foundation. It will be many years before a comparable opportunity presents itself. One of the principal objectives of the Associates is to assist in assuring the fact that the Library maintains its present high level of facilities and services.



Banksia Proteaceae, Australia Masao Miyamoto Photo

FOUNDING OF ASSOCIATES

The Associates of the Manoa Library was conceived by University Librarian Stanley L. West; much preliminary research was done by Millie J. Tsui. A group of interested persons met on July 15, 1976, to discuss the formation of such a group. Those who signed the by-laws at the second meeting became "founding members." The deadline for those who wish to become "charter members" has been set at June 30, 1977.

Present officers are Thomas Nickerson, chairman; Mary Shaw, vice chairman; Millie J. Tsui, secretary; and Bernice K. Hirai, treasurer. G. Causey Whittow serves with the officers as a member of the executive committee. Doak C. Cox, Benedict J. Kerkvliet, Leonard Mason, and Frederick C. Munchmeyer complete the board of directors.

The purposes of The Associates, as stated in the by-laws, are "to stimulate greater understanding and appreciation of the

resources and services available at the several libraries on the Manoa campus"; to assist in developing dynamic programs; to search out and acquire rare and unusual books and other materials and encourage others to do the same; to provide forums for the exchange of ideas toward maintaining excellence of library collections, facilities, and services; to attract gifts and bequests; and to recognize achievements of persons who have served the community in library affairs.

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PIONEER PRINTS

For some time now, Agnes Conrad, State Archivist, has had in mind reproducing the prints of early Hawaii made by the artists aboard the vessels that touched the Islands. These would include those of Choris, Arago, Webber, Emmert, and others. The thought was to have them bound, with identifying captions, in a single volume, with the possibility of loose copies in addition in a portfolio for teaching and exhibit purposes.

It was learned that there was to be a final distribution of funds by the Hawaii Bicentennial Commission. The project was proposed to them, and whereas funds for its completion were unavailable, a grant of \$2,500 was obtained—sufficient to cover the planning and photography. Bids for the latter have been obtained, the successful tender being that from Francis Haar.

Most of the prints are contained in books on the shelves of the University Library, the Bishop Museum, the Hawaiian Mission Children's Society, the Hawaiian Historical Society, and the State Archives. It will be a considerable undertaking to determine the location of the best-preserved prints. Volunteers are being sought for this purpose.

It is understood that the University Press of Hawaii might be interested in publishing the book and portfolio. The photographs, together with a dummy, would be the basis of soliciting funds for the publication. The gathering together in a single volume of these scattered prints appears to have considerable appeal to librarians, teachers of Hawaiiana, and others.

MICRONESIAN MICROFILMS

A long-time ambition of Beppy Larsen, Hawaiian Mission Children's Society librarian, has been to microfilm a rare and exceedingly valuable collection of Micronesian language imprints. These books largely reside in the Mission library, owing to the fact that they were inspired by Hiram Bingham, Luther Gulick, and other missionaries. The remainder of the volumes are to be found in the Bishop Museum, whose librarian, Cy Timberlake, is equally enthusiastic about this project.

The collection consists of 212 volumes, many of them in a precarious state of preservation. Written in the language of each island group, they embrace the Gilberts, the Marshalls, Ponape, Mortlock, Nauru, and Kusaie. The texts concern the Holy Bible, Bible stories, moral tales, geography, mathematics, grammar, and questions and answers concerning these subjects.

Renée Heyum, curator of Pacific Collections at the University of Hawaii Library, has expressed deep interest in acquiring some of these volumes, since none are in the University Library. Among others who have expressed interest in the project are lexicographer Samuel H. Elbert, anthropologists Katharine Luomala and Leonard Mason, and Carl Deaufer, acting director, Pacific Islands Studies.

In view of this interest, the Library Associates have appropriated \$500 toward the project. The University of Hawaii Foundation has been asked for \$2,000 to complete it.

The work is to be performed by Micro-Prints, Inc., under the supervision of Mrs. Larsen in accordance with the bibliography she has prepared. In view of the fragility of some of the volumes, the copying will be conducted on the Mission grounds, near where most of the material is located. The work will be completed well in advance of Mrs. Larsen's retirement in the fall. The master copy will come to the University, the others to the "Cousin's Society," the Bishop Museum, and the University of Guam's Micronesian Area Research Center, which has contributed to the project.

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STROVEN PORTRAIT

The first major project of The Associates will culminate on March 29. On that day an emeritus professor and former University Librarian will be honored from 12:30 to 1:30 at the dedication of a portrait in the Special Collections Reading Room on the fifth floor of the new wing of the Hamilton Library. All persons interested are invited to attend.

The portrait is of Dr. Carl Stroven, who served for almost forty years at the University. He retired in August, 1966, and now lives with his wife Helen in Santa Rosa, California, near his birthplace. The Strovens have one daughter, "Tibby," and two

grandchildren.



Dr. Carl Stroven

Carl Stroven was born at East Highlands, California, in 1901. During his high school days he frequented the local library and acquired a love of books. He entered Stanford University in 1922 and in 1926 graduated with a bachelor's degree in English. A year later, armed with a master's degree, he came to the University of Hawaii with Helen, whom he had married when they were still in high school. During the next four decades he passed all grades from instructor to senior professor. He took a leave for two years in the latter 1930's to earn a doctoral degree in American literature at Duke University; his dissertation dealt with the life and works of Charles Warren Stoddard, an author associated with Hawaii. Aside from his teaching in this area, his most celebrated course was "Literature of the Pacific," a study of the finest writings in English from the Pacific Islands; this unique course was first offered in the summer of 1936 and has been taught at least once each year since that time by several staff members. Stroven's deep dedication to regional literature resulted in the outstanding present holdings of the University's Hawaiian and Pacific Collections. It also resulted in five anthologies of Pacific literature edited in collaboration with A. Grove Day, of which the best known is A Hawaiian Reader

During World War II Stroven—who was spending much time as chairman of the Library Committee—was asked to act as University Librarian as well as teacher, and energetically devoted himself to mastering the administrative as well as the bookish concerns of building up a library service that would be the heart of the University's life. To him is owed the increasing growth of library holdings during many years of financial stringency. Until 1956, when the Sinclair Library was erected, the University's books were housed in one large room in George Hall. Working with the architects and making a survey

of innovative library buildings on the mainland, Stroven was responsible for the efficient planning of Sinclair Library, which was the center of scholarly activity until Hamilton Library opened in 1968.

The portrait to be dedicated on March 29 is the work of Col. Charles K. Graydon (U.S.A., retired), former president of the Honolulu Artists' Association. His fee was defrayed by an anonymous donor, a member of The Associates who took this way of paying tribute to a long-time colleague on the Manoa campus.

All members of The Associates, and others who admire the achievements of Dr. Carl Stroven, are invited to attend the dedication ceremony on March 29. Dr. A. Grove Day, a Stanford classmate of Stroven, will speak briefly, and refreshments

will be served.

ANNUAL MEETING

Friday, April 22, 1977
Carnation Room
Ala Moana Hotel
Speaker, Dr. Leon Edel
"The Two Libraries of Henry James"
6:30 p.m., No-host Cocktails
7:30 p.m., Dinner
Tropical Fruit Cup
Roast Turkey, Chestnut Dressing, Cranberry Sauce
Vegetables and Potatoes
Guava Sherbet
\$7.50, including tax and tip

Free parking at Ala Moana Center or validated in hotel garage

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE



The formation of a group friendly to the Library is timely. It comes when our campus system—as indeed those of many institutions of higher education throughout the country—has entered a period of financial stringency. It is a period when human knowledge doubles, not just every hundred, fifty, or twenty-five years, but every ten or twelve. For example, more scientists are alive today

than those who existed during the whole of previous recorded history. Such facts place a burden on teaching and research, and a great responsibility on the libraries that provide the tools for teaching and research. Books become rapidly outdated and must be replaced. It is also a period of introduction of sophisticated (and costly) techniques—from microfilm to automation. But the personal touch must be maintained.

Carl Stroven, at the dedication of Sinclair Library, pointed out that a library is not simply a static storehouse of teaching materials but the abode of vital human beings dedicated to

service.

My greatest wish is that the enthusiasm shown by the early members of the Associates will be sustained, that their numbers will increase, and that their accomplishments prosper. Meanwhile, I extend warmest thanks for the fine backing of the founding and charter members—the "First One Hundred."

THOMAS NICKERSON

Operation of Library Associates

The Library Associates organization is governed by a board of directors consisting of no less than five members and no more than fifteen. The board is responsible for the business, property, and affairs of the organization. Its members serve for a three-year term, renewable only once. The University Librarian is an *ex officio*, non-voting member.

The board elects its own officers: chairman, vice chairman, secretary, and treasurer. These, with an additional member, constitute the executive committee. The board is required to

hold at least three regular meetings a year.

The chairman has authority to appoint committee heads, who in turn select their members. The standing committees are Nomination, Membership, Finance, Program, and Community Relations. Special committees may be established as required.

The by-laws provide for an annual meeting of the membership during the month of April. At this meeting new members of the board are elected, awards for outstanding service are presented, and reports are made by the chairman, secretary, treasurer, and committee heads. Considered also at the meeting are such matters of business as may be stated in the meeting notice, as well as those approved for discussion by two-thirds of the members present. The board is responsive to the wishes of the members expressed in such a manner. Five per cent of the membership, including proxies, constitutes a quorum.

University Librarian

On June 30, 1977, Dr. Stanley L. West will retire as University Librarian after having served nine fruitful years in this capacity. During this period he was instrumental in establishing The Library Associates. We are happy to learn that he will remain in the Islands for some months following his retirement. He will leave with our warmest wishes for happy and healthy retirement years.

Meantime, a search committee, under the able chairmanship of Summer Session Dean Robert K. Sakai, has been busy for many weeks studying several dozen applications for this position. The committee includes representatives of the Graduate School of Library Studies, graduate and undergraduate students, the faculty library committee, and the Library staff and civil service personnel, as well as the Associates.

Ås a result of these deliberations, four library directors have visited the campus for interviews: Donald L. Bosseau, Emory University; Roger K. Hanson, University of Utah; Donald W. Koepp, Arizona State University; and Allen Veaner, associate director, Stanford University.

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Occupancy of Hamilton New Wing

The ground floor and refurbished first floor of Hamilton Library are now complete for occupancy. The second floor is now substantially so. It houses the closed shelves and the humanities and social science collections.

The third floor, which provides for the science and technology collections and reading room, will be open toward the end of the month.

The summer will see completion of the fourth and fifth floors. They contain respectively the Asia collection and the Hawaiian and Pacific collections.

By special dispensation, the beautiful blue-and-green Special Collections Reading Room on the fifth floor will be made available for the dedication March 29 of the Carl Stroven portrait. It is here that the portrait will be permanently ensconced.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please enroll me as a ______ member of Library Associates, for which I enclose my check for \$ _____, with the understanding that this amount is tax-deductible.

Name _____ Telephone ____

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*The categories are:

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Carnation Room, Ala Moana Hotel Friday, April 22, 1977

Speaker: Dr. LEON EDEL "The Two Libraries of Henry James"

No host Cocktails, 6:30 p. m.; Dinner, 7:30 p. m. Free parking available at Ala Moana Center or validated in hotel garage

I plan to attend the Annual Meeting of The Library Associates and enclose herewith my check for \$ to cover tickets at \$7.50 each.

NAME

(Reservations should be made before Monday, April 18, 1977. Tickets will be held at registration table outside Carnation Room.)