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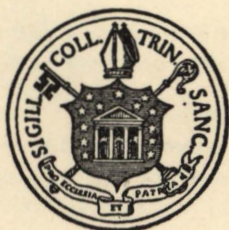
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REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

To the Trustees of Trinity College:

In accordance with Section Three of Article Fifteen of the Statutes of the College, I submit herewith the Report of the Librarian for the year ending June 30, 1942.

The Library has been kept open eighty-seven hours per week. The usual statistics in regard to attendance follow:

ATTENDANCE CLASSIFIED

1941-42	Day	Evening	Faculty	Visitors	Total
September	752	82	57	6	897
October	4,888	743	152	13	5,796
November	4,629	684	157	23	5,493
December	3,006	435	112	17	3,570
January	3,218	513	176	20	3,927
February	4,911	553	159	18	5,641
March	4,958	573	172	15	5,718
April	4,873	544	169	17	5,603
May	1,106	134	73	14	1,327
	<hr/> 32,341	<hr/> 4,261	<hr/> 1,227	<hr/> 143	<hr/> 37,972

ATTENDANCE ANNUAL SUMMARY

Year	1937-1938	1938-1939	1939-1940	1940-1941	1941-1942
	25,038	25,379	38,561	34,694	37,972

It is interesting to note that the condensed academic year has not decreased the use of the Library. Indeed there has been a small increase. Still the figures do not differ sufficiently from those of other recent years for the difference to be significant.

INCREASE OF THE LIBRARY

During the year, there have been added to the Library 3564 volumes, 8432 pamphlets, 126 maps, and 1 photograph, a total of 12,623 items. Of these 1426 volumes were purchases; all of the pamphlets and the photograph were presented. Included in the purchases are 277 volumes of unbound periodicals. Of the volumes added to the Library, 2107 are bound and 1457 unbound. Most of the periodicals and a considerable number of other unbound volumes will be bound during the summer.

The decrease in the number of volumes purchased is due partly to difficulties in importing, and partly to a feeling that it may

be well to conserve income in these days of uncertainty and of a future of even greater uncertainties.

Among the more important purchases of the year may be mentioned: Moslem World (periodical) 30 vols.; Linguistic Atlas of New England, vol. 2; Scott, Letters, ed. H. J. C. Grierson; Roman Breviary, tr. John, Marquess of Bute; Notes and Queries (periodical) 117 vols.; Rostovtzeff, Social and Economic History of the Hellenistic World, 3 vols.; Diccionario Enciclopedico Abreviado, 4 vols.; Meyer, Geschichte des Altertums, 4 vols. in 7; Cook, Zeus, 3 vols. in 5; Pastor, History of the Popes, vols. 33, 34; Scott, Hermetica, ed. with English translation and notes, 4 vols.; Washington, Writings, vols. 31-37.

GIFTS

There have been fewer large gifts this year than in any recent year. Nevertheless, many interesting, useful, and even valuable books have come to us through our friends. Indeed, it should be said that the larger and more valuable part of our Library has been acquired in this way.

From Mrs. Ernest Fahnestock, of Rumson, N. J., we received a set, 14 volumes, of Sargent's magnificent work, "Silva of North America," the Official War History of the French Army, 20 volumes, L'Illustration for the War years, and 12 volumes of the Publications of the Bureau of Ethnology; from Mrs. Harrison B. Freeman, of Hartford, some fifty volumes on Prohibition; from Roland M. Hooker, of Miami Beach, Florida, over ninety volumes, having to do chiefly with American History; from Henry D. B. B. Moore, of Norfolk, Connecticut, more than fifty volumes and a large number of maps to add to the Moore Collection; from Allen R. Brown, of Bradenton Beach, Florida, four items to add to the Blake Collection; from Mrs. Harmar D. Denny, 83 handsomely bound volumes of the Edinburgh Review; from the Misses Beach, of Vine Hill Farm, West Hartford, 26 volumes; from Mr. Edward P. Cody, of Wethersfield, 24 bound volumes of Engineering periodicals; from Mrs. Edward M. Baldwin, of Hartford, 2 volumes; from the Case Memorial Library of the Hartford Seminary Foundation, 30 volumes; from Mrs. Edward Schofield Travers, Bishop Williams' copy of his Studies in the Book of Acts; from Newton C. Brainard, Vol. 27 of the Journal of Egyptian Archaeology in continuation of other gifts of volumes of the same periodical; and from Miss Mildred de B. Roberts, a photograph of President George Williamson Smith taken when he was a young man.

Copies of some of their own publications were received from the following alumni: the Rev. Dr. William A. Beardsley, '87;

Dr. William Redmond Curtis, '12; Judge Philip James McCook, '95; William J. Ryland, '08; Alexander Trachtenberg, '11; Charles G. Woodward, '98; and Richardson Wright, '10. Gifts were also received from the following alumni: Albert C. Bates, M.A. '20; Joseph Buffington, '75; Henry B. Getz, '42; Welles Goodridge, '92; William G. Mather, '77; Anson T. McCook, '02; Arnold H. Moses, Jr., '28; and Lawson Purdy, '84.

Gifts were received from these members of the Faculty: President Remsen B. Ogilby, Arthur Adams, Thomas H. Bissonnette, Lester Vernon Chandler, Harry T. Costello, H. M. Dadourian, Hughes O. Gibbons, Arthur H. Hughes, Harold C. Jaquith, Gustav A. Kleene, Louis H. Naylor, Henry A. Perkins, Odell Shepard, Edwin P. Taylor, Jr., Richard W. Tims, and William G. Wendell (some 110 volumes, chiefly in French literature).

We acknowledge gratefully the gift of the Publications of the Carnegie Foundation for Advancement of Teaching, the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, the Carnegie Institution of Washington, the Smithsonian Institution, the State of Connecticut, and the Government of the United States.

CATALOGUING

Miss Mary Moore Beale, Mrs. Harold Schatz, and Miss Margaret Flynn, with some help from Mr. Gibbons, worked hard and efficiently to carry on the work of cataloguing. The current work has been kept up-to-date and considerable progress has been made in cataloguing the Moore Collection. Receiving a small number of books has helped in this. However, the staff is too small—too small by ordinary standards to cope even with the ordinary number of volumes added to the Library. Help is urgently needed to enable us to catch up with the cataloguing of the Moore and other collections.

The work of the year may be thus summarized:

Books catalogued	1,975
Pamphlets catalogued	23
Books reclassified	141
Continuations added	97
Periodicals catalogued	38
Moore Collection	828
Moore Collection—maps	32
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Total of items handled	3,134

Reviewing the work of the last twenty-six and one-half years, we have the following figures:

Books catalogued	73,770
Pamphlets catalogued	5,176
Books recatalogued	32,120

Pamphlets recatalogued	1,088
Books reclassified	40,897
Pamphlets reclassified	1,172
Continuations added	97
Periodicals catalogued	38
Moore Collection	828
Moore Collection—maps	32
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Total	155,198
New cards added to the catalogue	217,666

BINDING

As always, the greater part of the appropriation for binding has been spent in caring for current periodicals. Both their number and the costs of binding have greatly increased in recent years; consequently, there is less money available for binding other material. Likewise, the amount of other material has also greatly increased. Moreover, the increased use of books entails increased expenditures for repairs and rebinding. Any increase that can be made in the appropriation for binding will be most useful and will be greatly appreciated.

FUNDS

No new endowed funds have been received during the year. Because of the decrease in income of the College generally, new endowments are urgently needed, especially, perhaps, for History, Biology, Physics, and modern languages. The attention of friends of the College who may be interested in the Library generally or in any special field, is invited to this need.

THE STAFF

We are fortunate in having so few changes in our Staff. Mrs. Harold Schatz has been with us many years. Her work is painstaking and of high quality. Miss Mary Moore Beale is handling the important work of cataloguing admirably. Miss Virginia Orbeton left us in the fall to take a position in the Library of Pennsylvania State College. Her place was taken by Miss Margaret Agnes Flynn, who has proved to be most capable and satisfactory. Mr. Hughes Oliphant Gibbons continues to do excellent work as Reference Assistant and Superintendent of the Reading Room, even finding time to assist somewhat in the cataloguing.

The student assistants received their compensation largely through the National Youth Administration of the W.P.A. of the Federal Government. They have been of great help, and on the whole they have done their work well. Generally, they have been interested and reliable.

THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

The Faculty members of the Library Committee were: President Remsen B. Ogilby, *ex-officio*, Professors Thomas Hume Bissonnette, Thurman L. Hood, Chairman, Louis H. Naylor, and Messrs. Lawrence Lafore, and John C. E. Taylor, and the Librarian, Arthur Adams, Secretary.

The Committee carefully considered the lists of books recommended for purchase sent to the members in advance. The special knowledge of the several members of the Committee in their special fields has been most helpful. Professor Costello was greatly missed, but fortunately, he continued to make recommendations and to give expert opinions on many questions referred to him. The regularity of attendance, the interest, and the unfailing sympathy and helpfulness of President Ogilby are greatly appreciated by all the members of the Committee, not least by your Librarian.

NEEDS

As always, the needs of the Library may be summed up in one word, namely, money. The need for a new building is increasingly apparent. The present building is inadequate from every point of view. We lack proper and convenient working quarters. Our stacks and our shelves are crowded to capacity. We, literally, do not know where to house and shelve the books so generously bestowed on us. No alterations or additions can make the present building satisfactory, so money spent on it would be wasted. Doubtless, the times are not propitious for an effort to secure money for the new building we must have, but the need should be realized and the needs of the Library for long years to come anticipated and plans to meet them considered and matured.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ARTHUR ADAMS, *Librarian*.