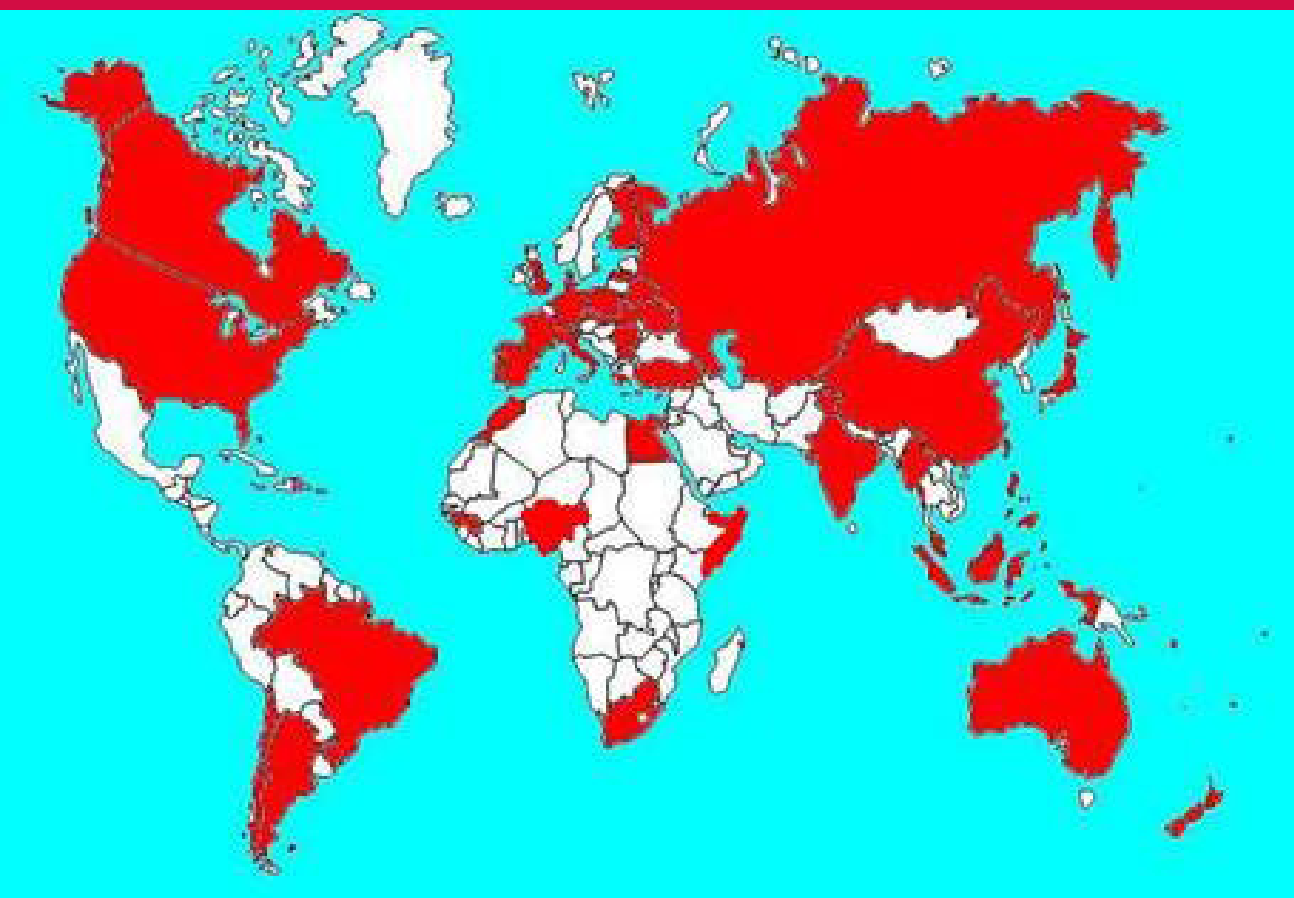




Unloading of 40ft container at Cavite University in Philippines; Ockerman Hall in the background

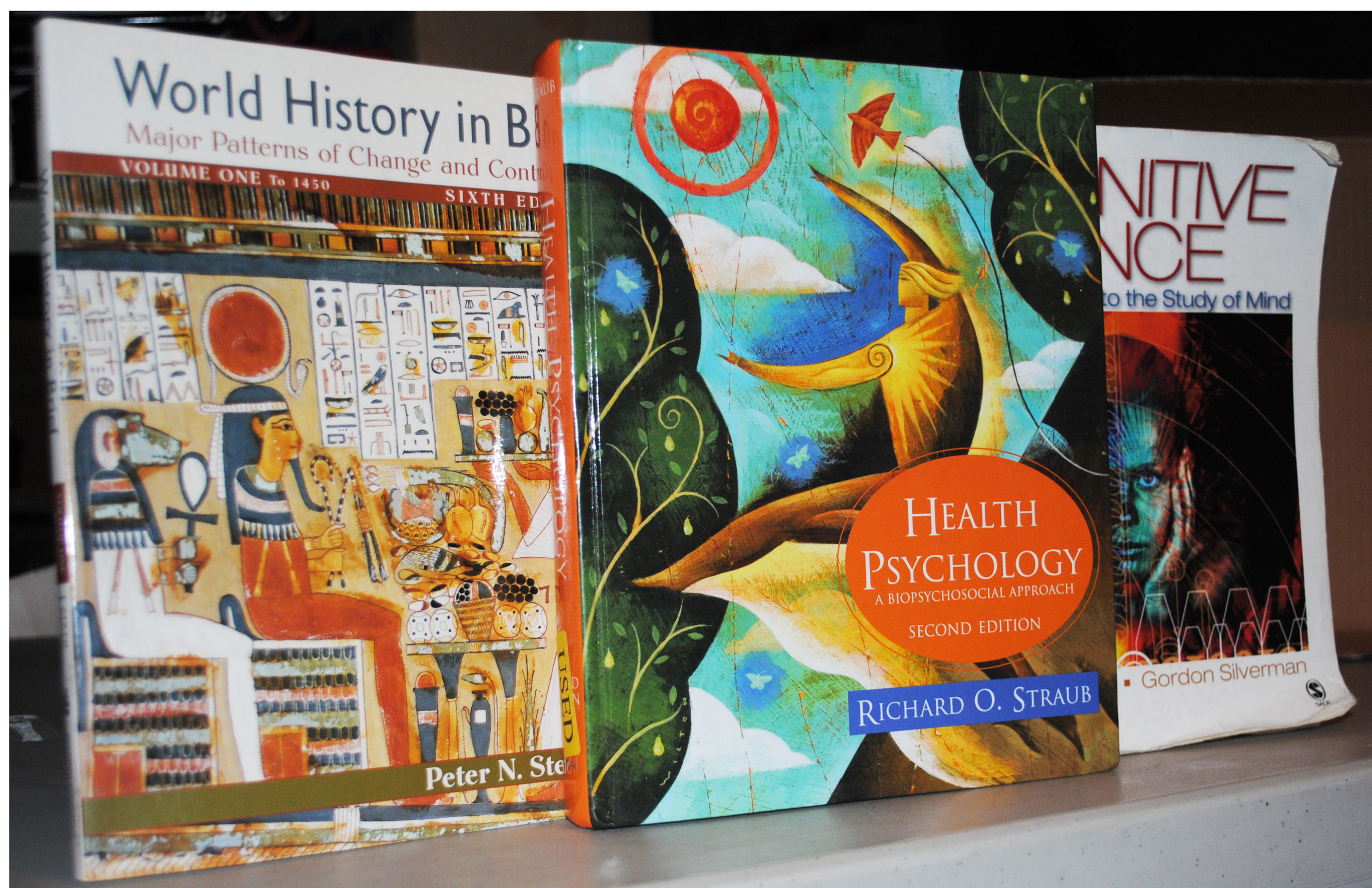


Locations where books have been sent



Books loaded by volunteers

Ohio Books for the World



Purpose

The purpose of this project is to send books to international Ohio State alumni for their university libraries. This ongoing initiative has been in existence for approximately 40 years.

Initially shipments went by mail (braille and large print books still do) but now other shipments go by 20 or 40 foot containers containing approximately 36,000 to 72,000 books (30 to 60 tons) which are shipped twice a year.

Impact

To date books have been shipped to 391 locations. For example, six container loads have been shipped to different universities in the Philippines. The estimated value of books, based on their last sales price, is in excess of \$859 million.

To show their appreciation Professor Ockerman has received two honorary university degrees and has an international university library named after him, made an honorary, lifetime member of an international university alumni association, and an honorary member of three Rotary clubs in two countries.

Ohio State Colleges/Units Involved

- OSU Libraries including Regional Campuses
- A variety of departments

Community Partners Involved

- Half Price Books
- Ohio Libraries
- Retired Professors
- Community members
- Ohio State students
- Ohio State faculty

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