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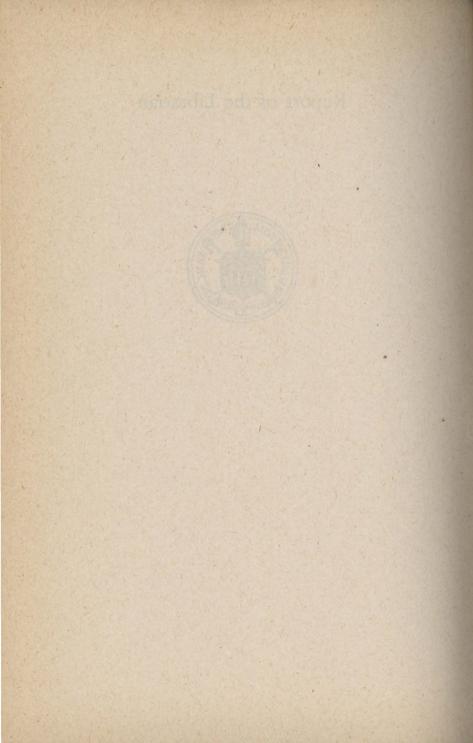
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Report of the Librarian





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, 1945, the thirtieth it has been my privilege to make.

The Library has been kept open sixty-nine hours per week. Because of the difficulty in securing sufficient student assistance, it has been necessary for members of the staff to spend a larger number of hours than usual in the Reading Room.

The usual statistics in regard to attendance follow:

| 1944-1945 | Day | Evening | Faculty | Visitors | Total |
|-------------|---------|-----------|----------|----------|---------|
| July | 791 | 234 | 201 | 42 | 1,268 |
| August | 1,129 | 449 | 140 | 51 | 1,769 |
| September | 996 | 502 | 166 | 37 | 1,701 |
| October | 770 | . 320 | 135 | 38 | 1,263 |
| November | 784 | 172 | 156 | 41 | 1,153 |
| December | 559 | 122 | 133 | 27 | 841 |
| January | 551 | 210 | 173 | 33 | 967 |
| February | 541 | 169 | 124 | 27 | 861 |
| March | 754 | 147 | 203 | 31 | 1,135 |
| April | 792 | 350 | 207 | 47 | 1,396 |
| May | 806 | 291 | 190 | 35 | 1,322 |
| June | 510 | 155 | 106 | 23 | 794 |
| Totals | 8,983 | 3,121 | 1,934 | 432 | 14,470 |
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ATTENDANCE CLASSIFIED

Year 1940-41 1941-42 1942-43 1943-44 1944-45 34,694 37,972 27,763 19,979 14,470

The decrease is about what would be expected, because of the decreased number of students in the Navy V-12 programme. It is true that the V-12 boys do make considerable use of the Library, and rather more, it would seem, this year than last.

INCREASE OF THE LIBRARY

During the year there have been added to the Library 3,645 volumes, 5,292 pamphlets, 15 maps, 2 prints, and 2 leaves of a manuscript Psalter, a total of 8,956 items, as compared with a total of 14,193 items added last year. It should be noted, however, that the decrease is due almost entirely to the smaller number of pamphlets received—5,292 as against 10,132. Again, the decrease is due chiefly to the smaller number of pamphlets received from the Federal Government.

Of the volumes added to the Library, 1,587 were purchased and 2,058, given. Of the pamphlets, all but 33 were given. Two thousand four hundred sixty-four volumes were bound and 1,181 unbound. Included in the count of unbound volumes are 354 volumes of current periodicals, most of which will be bound during the summer, as well as a goodly number of other unbound volumes included in the count of purchases.

The number of volumes purchased is about the same as were purchased last year, but materially smaller than the number normally purchased in pre-war years. This is due partly to difficulties in importing, but partly also to the smaller amount of money available. The income from Funds just about meets the cost of periodicals and of the books most urgently needed by the instructors for their courses. It is not doubted that when conditions make it possible the Trustees will restore to the Budget the amount from general funds they were accustomed to include for the purchase of books and periodicals. This will be especially important both because of the necessity of securing books that for one reason or another we have not been able to purchase during the war period and because of the large number of books that will be issued soon after the war, the publication of many important books having been deferred till the return of peace and normal conditions in the publishing business.

Among the more inportant purchases of the year may be mentioned: Harper, Metaphysics of the School, 2 vols.; Library of Congress Catalogue of Printed Cards, vols. 79-112; Clasicos Castellanos, vols. 120-123; Milton, Complete Poetical Works, ed. by H. F. Fletcher, 4 vols.; Gray, Works, ed. by E. Gosse, 4 vols.; Singer, From Magic to Science; Weigert & Stefansson, Compass of the World; Pope, Survey of Persian Art, 6 vols.; Maurice, Haldane, 2 vols.; Shakespeare, New Variorum ed., vol. 23, pts. 1 & 2 (The Sonnets); Apel, Harvard Dictionary of Music; Shelley, Letters, ed. F. L. Jones, 2 vols.; Clendening, Source Book of Medical History; Rivlin, Encyclopaedia of Modern Education; Bibliography of the Survival of the Classics: Kulturwissenschaftliche Bibliographie zum Nachleben der Antike; Root, Secret History of the War, 2 vols.; Heilbron, Dictionary of Organic Compounds, New Rev. Ed. of Volume I, 1943, Supps. to Volume II, III, Sabbagh, Diccionario Arabigo-Español; Panofsky, Albrecht Dürer, 2 vols.; Holl, Geschichte des Deutschen Lustspiels; Laube, Theaterkritiken und Dramaturgische Aufsätze, ed. A. Weilen, 2 vols.; Cox, Book of Pottery and Porcelain, 2 vols.; Baldwin, William Shakespeare's Small Latine, 2 vols.; Stodola, Steam and Gas Turbines, 2 vols.; Washington, Writings, vols. 38, 39; Wordsworth, Early Letters: Wordsworth, Letters: the Middle Years, 2

vols.; Wordsworth, Letters; the Later Years, 3 vols.; Pegis, Basic Writings of St. Thomas Aquinas, 2 vols.; Barnard, Heat Power Engineering, 3 vols.; Condon & Shortley, Theory of Atomic Spectra; Miller, Telephone Theory and Practice, 3 vols.; Marcus Aurelius, Meditations, ed. A. S. L. Farquharson, 2 vols.; Fisher, Europe; Monaghan, Lincoln Bibliography, 2 vols.; Robertson, Louisiana, 2 vols.; and Muensterberg, Die Amerikaner, 2 vol.

The most important gift of the year, and one of the most important received for some years, is a gift of 679 volumes of the publications issued by the Yale University Press. The gift is anonymous and was made in memory of Professor Charles Mc-Lean Andrews, of our Class of 1884, long the distinguished Parnam Professor of American History in Yale University, perhaps our most distinguished alumnus in the field of scholarship, who died September 9, 1943. Though the gift is anonymous, it it should be said that we are indebted for it to the good offices of George Parmly Day, Treasurer of Yale University and associated with the Yale Press. The volumes are marked by a very satisfying book-plate designed by Mr. Carl P. Rollins, Printer to Yale University. It is particularly appropriate that a memorial to Professor Andrews, a lover of books, in his own College should take this form. The collection is so large and so varied that every department of the College is benefited by it. We especially appreciate the goodwill toward the College that suggested this memorial gift to our distinguished alumnus and Yale's beloved Professor.

For one reason or another, some other gifts call for particular mention.

Stuart W. Jackson, Esquire, added to his gift in memory of his father, the Rev. Augustus Jackson of the Class of 1860, some 190 items; Henry D. B. B. Moore, Esquire, added some 40 volumes and some 15 maps to the Moore Collection of books relating to the Far East; Allan R. Brown, Esquire, added to his Blake Collection; and Richardson Wright, '10, added over 300 titles to the interesting collection of books dealing with the Island of Jamaica he has given us.

Newton C. Brainard, Esquire, continued his gift of the Journal of Egyptian Archaeology. Robert McClelland Brady, '90, gave us the copy of the Prayer Book used by President Luther for many years. Clarence I. Penn, '12, gave us a copy of a print of the College that appeared in Ballou's "Pictorial Drawing Room Companion," not found in our collection. He also gave us two leaves from a 16th Century antiphonary. Gifts were received from William A. Beardsley, '87; George H. Cohen, '11; Roger Richmond Eastman, '24; Thomas F. Flanagan, '12; Charles Frederick John-

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son, '42; Lawson Purdy, '84; Charles G. Woodward, '98; and Richardson Wright, '10. Gifts of their own publications were received from Robert S. Casey, '19; Karl Fenning, '03; William Grime, '18; Bayard Quincy Morgan, '02; and Richardson Wright, '10. Two undergraduates, namely, Edward F. Marra and Dempster Singleton, made gifts of books.

Gifts of books or of current periodicals were received from these members of the faculty: Arthur Adams, Archie R. Bangs, LeRoy C. Barret, Thomas H. Bissonnette, J. Wendell Burger, Harry T. Costello (28 volumes), H. M. Dadourian, Arthur H. Hughes, Gustav A. Kleene (45 volumes), Vernon K. Krieble, Louis H. Naylor, James A. Notopoulos, Henry A. Perkins, Sterling B. Smith, Horace C. Swan, Lawrence W. Towle, and Edward L. Troxell.

The Case Memorial Library of the Hartford Theological Seminary gave us 33 volumes of periodicals to fill gaps in our files; and the Watkinson Library gave us 26 volumes.

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

CATALOGUING

Miss Mary Moore Beale, Mrs. Harold Schatz, and Miss Katherine L. Colgrove have worked hard and efficiently to carry on the work of cataloguing. The current work has been kept well in hand and some progress has been made in cataloguing the Moore and other collections. However, the staff is entirely too small for the work to be done. The cataloguing work has suffered also this last year because of the necessity of giving more time to the Reading Room, owing to the impossibility of securing sufficient student help. At least one additoinal full-time assistant is needed to give the Reading Room proper supervision and to relieve the present staff of many of the time-consuming tasks they must now perforce give their attention.

The work of the year may be summarized as follows:

| Books Catalogued . | 1 | M. Market | +11-12 | | 1.11 | 1.561 |
|----------------------|----|-----------|-----------|----------|---------|-------|
| Pamphlets Catalogued | 15 | 14 8 30 | | 01.5000 | States. | 92 |
| Books Reclassed . | | A STATE | Ter.m | Min Will | | 50 |
| Continuations Added | | Sec. Sec. | Section . | | | 101 |
| Moore Collection . | | | | | Ser. S | 220 |
| | | | | | | |
| Total | | | | | | 2.024 |

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

FUNDS

No new endowed funds have been created during the year. The loss, only temporary we believe, of the appropriation formerly made from the general funds of the College by the Trustees, makes us more conscious of the need for new endowed funds for the purchase of books and periodicals. Perhaps there is no field in which a relatively small gift would be so useful.

THE STAFF

Fortunately, no changes in the staff have occurred during the year. Mrs. Harold Schatz, Miss Mary Moore Beale, and Miss Katherine L. Colgrove have given faithful, efficient, and indeed invaluable service.

The student assistants have worked well; we need more of them. Perhaps it may seem invidious, but Robert Hawkins, Leo O'Connor, Walter Wilson, and Richard Parsons deserve special mention. Other assistants were: Sherman Flake, Stanley Kligfeld, Franklin Eichacker, Paul Kingston, Alfeo Marzi, Loren Snyder, and Dempster Singleton.

THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

The members of the Library Committee were: Acting President Arthur H. Hughes, *ex officio*, Professor Harry T. Costello, Professor Arthur Adams, Professor Thurman L. Hood, Professor Edward DeLos Myers Professor J. Wendell Burger, and Professor Harold J. Lockwood. Meetings have been informal and the work has been done largely by conferences of the Librarian with the members. This has been so because we have to live from hand to mouth, our income being so largely mortgaged for the payment of subscriptions to periodicals, and the small margin being hardly sufficient to make the purchases asked for by the instructors for the work of instruction.

Your Librarian invites your attention to Professor Costello's paragraph on the Library, its needs and problems, in his Comment on the Questionnaire sent to the Alumni. For the most part, I agree with his contentions and admit that much can be said for his position in the relatively few and relatively unimportant points on which we perhaps differ.

CONCLUSION

After all, as I have often said in these Reports, our needs reduce themselves in the last analysis to one need—money. We need money for additional members of the staff, more money for books and periodicals, and above all, we need a new Library

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building. Here Professor Costello and I are in complete agreement. No change or additions to the present building can make it adequate; money spent in the attempt would be wasted. Nothing but a new building will meet the need. This new Library should be so large and so carefully planned that it will be adequate for the needs of the College for many years to come—for all the future—so far as it is possible for us to anticipate and provide for them.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ARTHUR ADAMS, Librarian.

July 1, 1945