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News of the Library and Library Associates

Virginia Radley, president of the State University of New York College of Arts and Sciences at Oswego, was the speaker at Library Associates’ Fall Luncheon meeting. She spoke of the need to return to the traditional methods of teaching English, not only in terms of the mechanics, but also in ways to renew the appreciation of our language as an expressive instrument and carrier of our heritage.

The program was the first in an impressive season of programs arranged by Mrs. Clifford L. Winters, Program Committee chairman. These will include Dr. Harvey Kaiser on some unusual aspects of the Carrier Dome, Professor Peter Goldman on the history of print culture, Mr. Sidney F. Huttner on library conservation, and Chancellor Emeritus William P. Tolley speaking on one of his current projects.

New York Library Associates

Mr. Lawrence Reeves and his committee held a program for New York City Library Associates on November 19 at Lubin House. Mr. William Targ, an author, book collector, and publisher spoke on “Eccentricities of the Book Collector: An Autobiographical Disclosure.” There seems to be enthusiasm in the New York metropolitan area for this new Library Associates’ group. Anyone wishing to hear more about their program should get in touch with Mr. Reeves at 20 Waterside Plaza, New York, New York, 10010, or phone (212) 889-9520.

Changes at Library Associates Headquarters

Mr. Sidney F. Huttner, head of the George Arents Research Library for Special Collections, has been appointed Executive Secretary of Library Associates. He will work with the Board of Trustees on Library Associates’ programs and policies. Mr. Huttner will be assisted by Miss Sandra Banks, who will handle the day-to-day affairs of Library Associates. As operations assistant, Miss Banks will divide her time between her duties at the George Arents Research Library and at Library Associates.

Elizabeth Mozley will continue as editor of The Courier.

Library Associates has a new office address, Room 605 Bird Library, Syracuse University, Syracuse, New York, 13210, and a new phone number: (315) 423-2585.
The Tolley Years

A project begun many years ago, to write the history of Syracuse University, has been revived. The first two volumes were written by Professor W. Freeman Galpin, covering the years 1872-1922. His third volume was never completed, although some work was done on it by Professor Otto T. Barck. Work is now underway to complete Volume III and to write Volume IV.

Mr. Richard Wilson is editor of Volume III, which covers the years 1922-1942. Mr. Wilson plans to fill in the missing parts and to interview those who remember this period. He has resigned his post as director of the News Bureau to become senior university editor.

The fourth volume is to be called The Tolley Years, 1942-1969. Professor Michael O. Sawyer, vice-chancellor and executive assistant to Chancellor Melvin A. Eggers, will write this volume. Professor Sawyer was a student at Syracuse University when Dr. Tolley became chancellor and has been at the university as a member of the faculty since then.

Both Professor Sawyer and Mr. Wilson are members of Library Associates Board of Trustees. Mr. Wilson is chairman of the Public Relations and Publicity Committee.

In Memoriam

Many Library Associates remember Mr. Warren N. Boes, former director of the Syracuse University Libraries. Mr. Boes died on June 8, 1980 in Houghton, Michigan, where he was director of the library and professor of Library Science at Michigan Technological University. Mr. Boes was at Syracuse University for nine years, from 1964-1973, serving as assistant director, acting director, and then director of Libraries. A memorial fund has been established in his name. Contributions may be sent to Room 100, Bird Library, Syracuse University, Syracuse, New York, 13210. Checks should be made to Syracuse University and marked "for the Boes memorial fund."

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Mr. Sol Feinstone, who was one of the major benefactors of the Syracuse University Libraries, died in October 1980 at the age of 92. Mr. Feinstone had been a member of Library Associates’ Board of Trustees since 1958.

He gave a collection of materials on the American Revolution to Syracuse University. They are housed in the David Feinstone Library in the George Arents Research Library for Special Collections. Another gift to Syracuse University is the Sol M. Feinstone Lecture on the Meaning of Freedom, given annually since 1969.
Mr. Feinstone held a master's degree from Syracuse University's special neighbor, the State University of New York's College of Environmental Science and Forestry. A gift of $100,000 from Mr. Feinstone established the Annual Feinstone Environmental Awards to those "who by their voluntary action, and on an unpaid basis, have made an outstanding contribution to and impact on, improving the physical environment."

The Post-Standard Award for Distinguished Service to the Syracuse University Libraries was presented to Mr. Feinstone in 1963.

Members Honored

Two members of Library Associates were among the four recipients of the George Arents Pioneer Medal at the Syracuse University Alumni Reunion in May 1980, Mr. Robert B. Menschel, '51 and Mr. Chester Soling, '54. Mr. Menschel has long been a member and contributor to Library Associates and the university. He is a former chairman of the Syracuse University Corporate Advisory Board. Mr. Soling is vice-chairman of Library Associates' Board of Trustees and is a generous supporter of the Syracuse University Libraries and Library Associates projects.

The Arents Pioneer Medal is given to alumni in recognition of outstanding achievement in their chosen field. Established by George Arents in 1939, it is the university's highest award to alumni.

Mr. Arents was one of Library Associates' charter members and a major donor to the Syracuse University Libraries, as well as a trustee of Syracuse University from 1933 to 1960.

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Mr. Daniel Casey, an active public library trustee on both the state and national level, has received the Community Service Award from the VFW post in the Syracuse suburb of Solvay, where he has been a member of the public library board for many years. The Mayor of the Village of Solvay proclaimed October 4, 1980 "Daniel Casey Day."

Mr. Casey has held numerous posts in volunteer library leadership, including the presidencies of the Solvay Public Library, the Onondaga County Library System, and the American Library Trustees Association, and membership on the National Commission for Libraries and Information Science.
SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY LIBRARY ASSOCIATES

Founded in 1953, Syracuse University Library Associates is a voluntary non-profit organization associated with Syracuse University. Its purpose is to promote interest in the Syracuse University Libraries, to encourage gifts and bequests which support the programs of the libraries, and to publicize the resources and facilities of the libraries through publications, programs, exhibitions, and other means. Through such activities our members share in the resources of the Syracuse University Libraries and contribute to their excellence. Members are invited to participate in meetings, special lectures, and programs; they receive The Courier, which disseminates information about the collections at the Syracuse University Libraries.

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