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Holinshed, *Chronicles*, 1587 ed.
(about one-half actual size)

Sol Feinstone Collection, Syracuse University

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News of the Library and Library Associates

Library Associates members in the Syracuse area are already working on the Second Annual Antiquarian Book Auction and Book Fair, May 20 and 21, 1977. To keep that word *Annual* in our auction title we need all the donations our members and friends can provide in auctionable items. While some members gave generously, hundreds of members did not donate to the auction in 1975-76. So there are doubtless some collectible items in book-cases, attics, files, garages, and, heaven forbid!, in basements. Please take the time to participate in the auction by checking for something which may be of value to some collector's special interest.

Here are examples of things which were sold at our first auction.

William Butler Yeats's *Mythologies*, first American edition (New York: Macmillan, 1959) and *The Secret Rose*, first American edition (New York: Dodd, Mead, 1897).

James Whitcome Riley, *The Flying Islands of the Night*, first edition (Indianapolis: Bobbs-Merrill, 1892).

Norman Rockwell, *Stockbridge at Christmas*, a color reproduction with Rockwell's autograph.

William Hogarth, *Simon Lord Lovat*, a framed etching.

Enrico Fermi, *Elementary Particles*, first edition (New Haven: Yale University Press, 1951).

There were also postcards of New York and New England, maps, coins, and items from mid-nineteenth century diplomatic circles: visiting cards, menus, diplomatic documents in exotic-looking non-European languages, and so on.

This year a Book Fair will be held the day following the auction. Dealers in old books will be invited to display them for sale. The auction, on Friday evening May 20, and the fair, on Saturday afternoon May 21, will take place at Drumlins Country Club, part of Syracuse University. These dates coincide with Alumni Weekend at the University, so some out-of-town Library Associates will have a double reason for visiting their alma mater.

Look around, dear members and friends, for first editions, limited editions, books with engraved or hand-colored plates, fine printing and binding, New York history, old childrens' books, especially with famous illustrators.... Send them right away to Library Associates, 611 Bird Library, Syracuse University, Syracuse, New York, 13210. We need them by the end of February in time to print the auction catalog.

The First Annual Antiquarian Book Auction raised \$5,000.00 in 1976 for the Syracuse University Libraries. How much can an auction bring in 1977? That depends on what we have to sell—that is—on donations from members and friends.

Portraits at Ernest Stevenson Bird Library

Portraits of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Stevenson Bird now hang near the University Place entrance of the Bird Library. The two life-size paintings are by A. Henry Nordhausen, a dozen of whose other works are part of the Syracuse University Art Collection.

Mrs. Bird and Mr. Nordhausen participated in the unveiling ceremony. Dean John H. McCombe gave the invocation and Chancellor Melvin A. Eggers and Chancellor Emeritus William P. Tolley spoke.

Noteworthy among the guests at the dedication were members of the Class of 1916 attending their 60th reunion at Syracuse University: Mr. and Mrs. Morrell H. Brewster, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dolan, Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Grossman, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Love, and Mr. and Mrs. Churchill Loveland. Mr. Bird, who gave the largest single gift to the library, was also a member of the Class of 1916.

Mrs. Bird is the daughter of James E. Little, a well known contractor specializing in bridges and canals who worked on the Erie Canal. As a girl, Mrs. Bird lived in Baldwinsville, Memphis, and Phoenix, New York. She is a graduate of Randolph-Macon College for Women.

Other portraits on the Syracuse University Campus by A. Henry Nordhausen are: Morse Dellplain, in the Dellplain Hall Library; Paul Appleby, in the Founders' Room, Maxwell Hall; Ralph Kharas, in the Law School Library; Charles C. Noble, at Hendricks Chapel; and Huntington B. Crouse and Annie Louise McCleod which are housed with the art collection.

Trustee Honored

Mrs. James H. Greene, a member of Library Associates' Board of Trustees, is Executive Director of the Volunteer Center, Inc., and the Voluntary Action Center of Onondaga County, New York. Mrs. Greene recently became national vice-president of the Association of Volunteer Bureaus, Inc., which represents volunteer coordinating agencies in the United States, Canada, and Mexico.

Directors Recognized

Mr. Donald C. Anthony, Director of the Syracuse University Libraries, and Mrs. Arpena Mesrobian, Director of the Syracuse University Press, have been included in the 1976 edition of *Who's Who in America*.

Mr. Anthony came to Syracuse University in 1974 as director of Bird Library and the five branches which comprise the one and a half million volume library system. (The libraries' holdings also number 90,000 discs, cylinders and tapes, and 35,000 linear feet of original manuscripts.)

The varied background and experience which Mr. Anthony brings to Syracuse University is clearly evident from the paragraph in *Who's Who*. He continues to publish and be active in professional organizations.

Mrs. Mesrobian has been with the Syracuse University Press since 1955, starting as editor. She has recently been made vice-president of the Association of American University Presses and is a member of the Board of Directors of the American University Press Services, a subsidiary of the A.A.U.P.

Besides participating in professional groups, Mrs. Mesrobian is active in Armenian service organizations, having been president of the Syracuse chapter of the Armenian Relief Society and a sponsor of the Armenian Assembly in Washington, D.C.

Mrs. Mesrobian is a member of the Publication Committee of Library Associates.

Book Reissued

From Tinfoil to Stereo, a basic book for audiophiles, has appeared in a new edition, updated with a new chapter and a new forward. Co-authors are Oliver Read and Walter L. Welch, the latter known to Library Associates as the recipient of the *Syracuse Post-Standard* Award for Service to the libraries for 1974. Mr. Welch is Curator and Director of the Thomas Alva Edison Re-Recording Laboratory and Head of Audio Archives at Syracuse University.

In Memoriam

Frank W. Abrams, Class of 1912, died in July at the age of 87. He had a long and outstanding record of service to Syracuse University. He had been a trustee of the university since 1947. The Esso Laboratory on the third floor of Hinds Hall was built in his honor. He was chairman of the Board at Standard Oil (New Jersey). Active in national organizations in support of education, he served Syracuse University as national chairman of fund raising for building and development in the late 1940's and early 1950's.

Mr. Abrams was a Life Member of Library Associates.

Dr. Rudolph Karl Bultmann Memorial

Though the *New York Times* did not mention it in their articles at the time of his death in August, Dr. Rudolph Bultmann had close ties with Syracuse University. The distinguished German theologian was a visiting professor in the Department of Bible and religion in 1959. (See *The Courier*, Vol. IX, 4.) His approach to Bible interpretation had by then already permeated liberal Christian thinking.

One of Dr. Bultmann's three daughters is on the faculty of the School of Information Studies at Syracuse University. Professor Antje B. Lemke is one of the most active members of Library Associates as chairman of the Publication Committee and the Acquisitions Committee.

Gifts for a memorial to Dr. Bultmann are being received by Library Associates which will purchase a suitable item for the library.



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