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IN
NEW ENGLAND:

RISE, PROGRESS, AND TERMINATION,

AS EXHIBITED BY
DR. COTTON MATHER,

IN
THE WONDERS OF THE INVISIBLE WORLD;

AND BY
MR. ROBERT CALEF,

IN HIS
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WITH A
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News of the Library and Library Associates

Codex Atlanticus Gifts

The Class of 1912, under the leadership of Mr. Elmer Quin, plus a gift from Mr. Chester Soling have made possible the purchase of the twelve volume facsimile edition of Leonardo da Vinci's *Codex Atlanticus*. The Class of 1912 has underwritten the cost of seven volumes, and Mr. Soling's gift, noted in the last issue of *The Courier*, will cover the remaining five volumes. Mr. Quin has long been active in university alumni affairs and is a member of Library Associates Advisory Council. Mr. Soling is Vice Chairman of Library Associates.

The *Codex Atlanticus* manuscripts were released by the Pope in 1962 from the Ambrosian Library and permission granted by the Italian government to publish. Since then restoration work has prepared the papers for the facsimile edition which will be distributed only to those libraries which subscribe to the twelve volume set, limited to one printing. Each volume will be 18 x 24 inches, bound in leather, of approximately 360 pages, with 180 color prints. Two or three volumes per year will be published over the next five years.

Fall Luncheon Meeting

The Fall Luncheon program at the University Club featured a witty and informative talk by Dr. Peter T. Marsh, of the Department of History at Syracuse University. His subject, "Champagne Coolers and a Cell in Party Headquarters: The Ambience of Archival Research in England," was an inside look at a scholar's experience in the great libraries and castles where he did research for a soon to be published book on Lord Salisbury.

Ernest Stevenson Bird

Though he was not a member of Library Associates, Mr. Ernest Stevenson Bird gave so much to the library at Syracuse University which bears his name that grateful remembrance is noted here in behalf of Syracuse University Library Associates. Mr. Bird died February 10, 1974.

The Ernest Stevenson Bird Library was dedicated in April, 1973. (See *The Courier*, Vols. IX,4., X,1., X,4.) Those who have been associated with Syracuse University for many years now work and study in the new building with a feeling of special thanks to the man who was so generous in helping house the university library. It will hold its proper place as the center of the university community for many years of use by multitudes of students, faculty, and researchers.

Allan B. Coughlin

A great loss to Syracuse University and the community is the death December 26, 1973, of Mr. Allan B. Coughlin, a trustee of Library Associates since 1959. Mr. Coughlin had a large collection of materials on the history of Syracuse and Central New York. His interest in books, libraries, and education extended to other areas of service. He was president of the Rosamund Gifford Charitable Foundation, often a source of grants to libraries in Onondaga County. He was a trustee of the Manlius School and the Onondaga Historical Society.

Other important interests were the Community-General Hospital, the Red Cross, the Community Citizens' Board of the Youth Development Center of Syracuse University, Syracuse Community Foundation and the Community Chest and Council.

A. Ralph Eckberg

Library Associates has lost another of its oldest and most interested supporters. Mr. A. Ralph Eckberg, who was a Library Associates trustee from 1960 to 1968, and a member of the Advisory Council since 1969, died on April 4, 1973. He left a bequest to the Mayfield Library.

Mr. Eckberg was extremely active in many civic organizations in Rochester, ranging over a wide field, including, among others, the Boy Scouts, the City-County Park Planning Commission, the Rochester General Hospital, Third Presbyterian Church, and the John F. Wegman Foundation. He was a member of the Syracuse University class of 1917, and chairman of their fiftieth reunion fund committee. An editorial in the *Brighton-Pittsford Post* (April 12, 1973) written at the time of his death, says, of his many interests: "to all of them he brought an exceptional intelligence, enormous diligence, and a realistic idealism." His friends from Syracuse University and in Library Associates are grateful that he gave so much of himself here, too.

John Ben Snow

Although he shunned publicity during his lifetime, it seems appropriate to note the death, on January 21, 1973, of a generous benefactor to the Syracuse University Libraries, Mr. John Ben Snow, a member of Library Associates.

Mr. Snow was born in Pulaski, New York, in 1883. After graduating from the New York University School of Commerce, Accounting, and Finance, he had a successful career in business with the Woolworth Company, and later as chairman of the Speidel Newspapers, Inc., and owner of the *Western Horseman* magazine.

He gave one million dollars to the Syracuse University School of Journalism for a professorship and supporting fellowships. The Rare Book

Room received one hundred thousand dollars for restoration work. With twenty-five thousand dollars he established the Snow Clan Collection, a fund to enable the Schools of Journalism and Business Management, and the Department of Religion to buy books they would not ordinarily be purchasing out of budget.

Mr. Snow was active in many organizations related to business and his various interests. Among others, he was a founder of the New York University Medical Center, a member of the National Cowboy Hall of Fame, and the Colorado Springs Art Center.

His generosity to Syracuse University Libraries and the School of Journalism are a testimony to his belief in the importance of communication resources, both books and the news media.

The Courier Index

The Courier has been in continuous publication for fifteen years and has now been indexed, thanks to Mr. John Shirk, a student in the School of Library Science, and Mrs. Amy Doherty, Head of Archives at Syracuse University, whose interest sparked the project. The index is on cards filed in the George Arents Research Library. Much valuable historical and bibliographical information about Central New York and the Syracuse University Libraries' holdings has filled the pages of *The Courier* over the years. Plans are to publish an index issue soon. This will make the material in *The Courier* far more accessible. It will also make imperative the need for a complete set of back issues, which we do not now have, except in the University Archives.

When *The Courier* was young, it was a source of pride when all the issues were distributed to members and friends. Now, as orders come in for back issues from scholars around the country, we wish we had the missing copies to use for satisfying these requests by photocopy. Do any of our members still have numbers 3, (January, 1958) 6, (January, 1960), and 7, (May, 1960)? Perhaps someone with foresight has a complete run of *The Courier*. Such a set would be a gift of real value to Library Associates.

Those who have taken a special interest in *The Courier* might be pleased to read what the R. R. Bowker publication, *Magazines for Libraries*, 1972 edition, has to say about Library Associates' magazine:

A handsome pocket-sized 56-page journal which features five to six bibliographic articles, usually based upon materials found in the Syracuse University Library. The material is as diverse as the library collection, moving from Russian theatre to Shaker furniture and Nevil Shute. The writing style is much more relaxed than in similar journals. A casual reader will enjoy this as much as a dedicated bibliographer. In fact, it is one of the few of the genre which might be read cover to cover with delight. And the photographs and drawings help things along considerably.

Members Publish

Mr. John Mayfield has written an introductory note to the first edition of an unpublished poem, "Shelley," by Swinburne, written when he was a student at Oxford University. The book is an elegant miniature limited to five hundred copies for distribution only in the United States, England, and Texas.

Two members of Library Associates, Professor Antje Lemke and Ruth Fleiss have written an art reference book, *Museum Companion: A Dictionary of Art Terms and Subjects*, published by Hippocrene Books, New York. The book gives concise explanations of art terminology from history to techniques, and mythology to modern media. Mrs. Fleiss is a graduate of the Syracuse University School of Library Science. Professor Lemke is a member of the faculty there and chairman of the Publication Board of *The Courier*.

From the Executive Committee

Since Library Associates has grown so large, to about four hundred members, two-thirds of whom are from the Syracuse area, the task of preparing the mailing of notices and *The Courier* requires additional help in the office. Volunteers have been cheerfully addressing and stuffing envelopes. Miss Janet Graham, Dr. Florence VanHoesen, Mrs. Leon Chadwick, Miss Mary Jo Mozley, and Miss Dorothy Torino deserve recognition and appreciation for their help. Mrs. J. Howland Auchincloss, as chairman of the Program Committee, and Miss Betsy Knapp, as chairman of the Membership Committee continue to do outstanding work for Library Associates. It is through their efforts that the innovative programs of 1973 and the consequent great increase in membership were possible. Their sense of obligation to the membership of Library Associates equals their belief in the purposes of the organization.

Syracuse University Library Associates greatly wants and needs the interest and support of all its members in its work of drawing attention to the collection of the Syracuse University Libraries, through gifts and through wide readership of *The Courier*. Publication costs are going up, just as *The Courier* is attracting notice in university libraries across the country and abroad.

Will you help Library Associates? You could:

1. Renew your membership promptly, and, if you can, make an additional gift.
2. Interest at least one additional member.

The next page is a tear-out slip for you to send with your contribution and/or a new member's name(s).

In order to be certain your contribution is properly credited, dues paying members and donors alike should be sure to include the name of Library Associates on their checks. It is suggested that the abbreviation S.U. precede *Library Associates*, rather than writing out Syracuse University and having no space left for the words *Library Associates*. Your

contributions are tax deductible, of course. Did you know that your gift is also credited as a gift to the university?

Library Associates may also receive gifts as a memorial. In 1973-74 memorial gifts were given for Frau Helene Bultmann, Mr. and Mrs. Birger Engstrom, Dr. Rowland Graeber, and Mrs. George W. Henes.

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