

# BURKE LIBRARY

A Report to the Friends of The Burke Library \* Spring/Summer 2012

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## Project Archives Update

In our Spring/Summer 2011 newsletter, we mentioned that the Henry Luce Foundation awarded the Burke Library \$295,000 for a three-year project to process the Missionary Research Library Archives and the William Adams Brown Ecumenical Library Archives. We have been very busy with the project since then!

The project archivist, Brigette C. Kamsler, was selected, appointed and started work on August 1, 2011.

When the project began, a thorough survey of known collections and unprocessed archival sources was undertaken. An ongoing systematic search for unprocessed and scattered archival material is still continuing within the Library buildings and tower stores. The collections are extremely fragile with many acidic and deteriorating items.

Researchers and classes of graduate students are already consulting the newly processed collections. Staffing of this project is now supported by the use of work study seminary students and two Pratt Library School archival interns, trained and supervised by Brigette. Interns and work study students will continue aiding the project archivist throughout the time period allotted.

## Forty-six collections are now available for research!

There is still much work to be done, but new discoveries are constantly being made. If you would like to talk with Brigette about her project, please feel free to email her at [bck2115@columbia.edu](mailto:bck2115@columbia.edu). If you would like to make an appointment to see a collection, please contact archives staff by phone, fax or email: [archives@uts.columbia.edu](mailto:archives@uts.columbia.edu).

The project is scheduled to be completed by July 2014.

Please see the end of this issue for a list and short description of **ALL** the newly-processed collections now available for research!



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## History of Western Medicine in China, 1800-1950

Since March 2011, The Burke Library archivist Ruth Tonkiss Cameron has been involved with an international project to trace sources of information in The Burke Library revealing the introduction of Western Medicine into China during the period from 1800-1950. Professor W. Schneider of Indiana University leads this project, which is funded by the Luce Foundation. One of the project's main goals is to identify the rare archival and published holdings on this topic in libraries either within China or across the USA.

Much of the history of the introduction of Western Medicine into China is to be found in Missionary collections across the USA rather than in China; the Burke's Missionary Research Library holdings are a key source for the project. The project aims to provide an online database of information listing Chinese hospitals and medical colleges, with the libraries where more detailed sources on their history are to be found. Researchers will be able to identify and request access to these sources through online archival finding aids and subject guides.



“Children at the Women’s Hospital Hwei yuan.”  
From the Laymen’s Foreign Missionary Inquiry, Series 1B,  
Box 5, Folder 10

As a result pamphlets, books and archival materials on this topic within The Burke Library collections have now been discovered, identified and described *for the first time*. (Perhaps you always did wonder what was hidden unnoticed in Union's Towers!) Among sources newly accessible to researchers are a range of rare or unique Missionary Research Library hospital and medical education college reports, dating from 1838 to 1947 and covering a broad geographic and historic spread throughout China.

The final part of this project in the future will digitize selected primary source documents. It is planned to digitize some 135 newly-discovered photographic glass lantern slides showing medical and premedical schools in China, and Chinese hospitals with interior and exterior views.



Peking Methodist Hospital Dental Clinic  
MRL6: Lantern Slides

To help researchers find rare sources on this topic, a Subject Guide accompanied by lists of the ‘new’ sources at The Burke are available from the Burke Library website’s Subject Guides link:

<http://library.columbia.edu/content/libraryweb/indiv/burke/subject-guides.html>



## Friends of the Burke Library Celebrates 30th Anniversary in 2012!

As we were approaching the completion of yet another academic year at the Burke Library and making plans for the summer and 2012-13 calendar, we wanted to review some of the year's events. In the process of doing research for this issue, we found among the historical records of the Friends of the Burke Library that 2012 marks the 30th anniversary of the group's founding in 1982. The original charter reads as follows:

*Charter of Friends of the Burke Library adopted, object being "to maintain an association of persons interested in the Library and its collections and facilities; to stimulate greater awareness of the importance of the Library to the development of the Seminary its communities, and the world of scholarship; to sponsor exhibits, lectures, publications, and other special programs designed to encourage appreciation of the work of the Library; to develop support for the Library in the form of endowments, memorials, and other gifts; to raise funds for the purchase of needed books, etc. not otherwise procurable; and, generally, to promote the enrichment of the Library and Union Theological Seminary."*

The last thirty years have seen great changes in our library, our institutions (Union Theological Seminary and Columbia University), our city of New York, our country, and society. Newsletters, Burke Library Occasional Publications (beginning in 1992), Lecture Series, Christmas Cards, Scholars-in-Residence, and Book Sales, among other things, have all been part of the Friends of the Burke culture these thirty years. We continue to foster and expand upon these activities with Friends of the Library, as well as faculty, staff, students, and alumni/ae.

Academic, social, cultural, bibliographical, musical, and other activities at the Burke Library continue as we move through each new academic year. This year has been fairly active, and with some significant changes. In June 2011, the director of the Burke Library, John Weaver, left for a position at Abilene Christian University in Texas after approximately two years at the Burke. He was succeeded by interim director Alysse Jordan, who also serves as Head of the Columbia University Social Work Library. We thank Dr. Weaver for his dedicated service and accomplishments to the Burke during his tenure here, and welcome Ms. Jordan to this very busy and complex organization.

We are continuing with many programs at the Burke and strategizing to enrich and develop more Friends of the Library events and activities as we move forward. As we enter this 30th Anniversary Year, we will be planning faculty book launches, rare book demonstrations, and musical events in the Reading Room. Please also see the new Burke Library Facebook page for details.





## Public Service Notes & Events 2011-12

Public Services Librarian, Anthony Elia, has been very busy planning wonderful events and discussions at the Burke. Below is a list of events which have taken place since the last publication.

### Fall 2011-Spring 2012 Events:

**June 30, 2011:** Departure of Director John Weaver for Abilene Christian University, Texas

**July 1, 2011:** Welcoming of Interim Director Alysse Jordan, Head of CU Social Work Library

**July 2011:** Burke Librarians Matthew Baker and Anthony Elia receive \$1,000 Marketing Grant from Columbia University to promote Burke Collections

**August 2011:** Newly Developed Burke Orientation Session for Incoming Students at UTS

**September 2011:** Manifold Greatness Grant-Funded Traveling Exhibit Commemorating the 400th Anniversary of the King James Bible Visits Burke Library

**September 2011:** KJB Exhibition and Lecture to Metropolitan Friends by Euan Cameron and Ruth Tonkiss Cameron

**September 2011:** Lecture by Dr. David Burke from American Bible Society on 400th Anniversary of KJB

**September 19-20, 2011:** Burke Library Book Sale

**October 2011:** "Burke Book Colloquy I: The Theological Book as Object" ~ Panel Discussion by CUL Conservators Alexis Hagadorn and Jennifer Jarvis ~ Funded by CUL Marketing Grant

**November 1, 2011:** "Sacred Songs for Sacred Texts" Harp and Song Concert by Lisa R. Holsberg & friends

**February 29, 2012:** Ecumenical Councils in the Caribbean ~ Lecture by Rev. Bancroft Williams

**March 2012:** "Burke Book Colloquy II: The Theological Book as Idea and Information" ~ Panel Discussion by Profs. John McGuckin and Tyler Mayfield ~ Funded by CUL Marketing Grant

**April 17, 2012:** Myanmar Delegation Meditation, Report, and Discussion ~ Presentation made by Professor Chung Hyun Kyung and her January Travel Seminary, which visited Myanmar for a Vipassana Meditation Retreat

**April 18, 2012:** Visit by Theological School Administrators and Faculty from China

**May 1-2, 2012:** Burke Library Book Sale (Tues 10-4; Wed 10-1)

**May 9, 2012:** Meet the Librarian Event 4PM (UTS Students)

**May 16, 2012:** Prof. John McGuckin Book Party—5pm



"The Tale of Three Trees" and another happy customer - reenactment by Liz

Spring 2012 Book Sale



Look for more information on the following events!

### Summer - Fall 2012 Events (Tentative):

**August 2012:** New UTS Student Orientation Sessions

**September 2012:** Faculty Book Talks (TBA)

**October 2012:** Faculty Roundtable Discussion (TBA)

**October 2012:** Burke Book Sale (TBA)

**October 2012:** Halloween Exhibit and Event (TBA)

**November 2012:** Burke Opera Concert (TBA)

**December 2012:** Holiday Event (TBA)

30th Anniversary  
Theme:  
*Early Modernity*  
*at the Burke*

## Who's Who at the Library

We are pleased to introduce a few new staff members who joined the Burke since our last publication.

### Alysse Jordan



**Alysse** joined the Columbia University Libraries in 1999 and is currently the Head of Columbia's Social Work Library and Acting Director of the Burke Library at Union Theological Seminary. Alysse has worked in academic libraries since 1993, and holds a BA and MILS degrees from the University of

Michigan, and an MA in Sociology from Columbia University. Prior to her position at Columbia, she worked at the University of Michigan and the State University of New York at Buffalo.

### Matt Haugen

**Matthew** is the new Rare Book Cataloger. He splits his time between the Burke Library and the Rare Book and Manuscript Library at Columbia. At Burke, he is currently cataloging incunabula and 16th century books from the Van Ess collection. He worked previously as Catalog Librarian and Systems Assistant at the New York Society Library, and as a Manuscript Processor at the Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library at Yale University. He received his MLS from the Palmer School of Library and Information Science at Long Island University, an MA in Religion from Yale Divinity School, and his BA in Classical Studies at Gustavus Adolphus College.



### Liz Ridout

**Liz** is the Collections Assistant at the Burke Library, helping in the management of serials and the maintenance of rare books. She holds an MA from Union Theological Seminary and will be pursuing her MLS this fall. She is interested in rare books and manuscripts, particularly those written in dead languages, as well as digitization and access.



### Brigette C. Kamsler

**Brigette** is the Project Archivist at the Burke, hired to work on the Henry Luce Foundation project processing the MRL and WAB Collections. Prior to Columbia, she was the Archivist and Research Center Coordinator for three years at the Historical Society of Frederick County, Maryland. She holds a BA from Millersville University and an MLIS with a specialization in Archives, Preservation and Records Management from the University of Pittsburgh.



## Columbia University Libraries' Graduate Student Internship Program Continues

Ruth and Brigette are excited to continue working with students from the CUL Graduate Student Internship Program. The program is designed to enrich graduate studies and professional training in primary sources through an introduction to archival work, supplemented with a program of lectures, workshops and tours. Two of six total interns in the program will be at the Burke. Each internship will start in the summer with individuals working up to 375 hours.

Assisting Ruth will be Todd (Thurman) Willison who will be processing the Charles Augustus Briggs Papers and other 19th/20th century collections linking to ethical issues. Working with Brigette will be Amy Meverden to work with the Luce Project for the William Adams Brown Ecumenical Library Archives collections, particularly the World Council of Churches Records. Each collection will be completed by the end of the internships in May 2013.

## Notable Notes

- **Increased Reference Presence**
  - ⇒ We have heard your call and increased the reference presence at Burke. Please look for Anthony and/or Matthew at the first floor circulation desk, as well as the third floor office area. Regular hours are Monday -Thursday, 11am-3pm, and Friday 11am-2pm. You can always reach staff by phone or by email.
- **TV Screen with Rotating Images**
  - ⇒ Please take a look at our new screen [purchased with help from the International Bonhoeffer Society], located on L1 past the circulation desk before you reach the elevators. Exhibits, photographs and other exciting events will be broadcast on this screen.
- **Rotunda Entrance Pilot Program**
  - ⇒ The Rotunda entrance at Broadway and 120th Street is now open! A member of security is stationed at the entrance between 8:30am-5:30pm Monday - Friday. When open, entrance procedures are the same as at the Hasting's desk entrance.
- **Monthly Email Update Now Available**
  - ⇒ An astonishingly concise update on important happenings at The Burke. Please contact Matthew if you would like to receive it: [matthew.baker@columbia.edu](mailto:matthew.baker@columbia.edu).

## Social Media Bonanza

The Burke Library has fully embraced “Web 2.0” and joined Twitter and Facebook! Please “follow” or “like” us on the respective pages to see updates on events, new collections, hours and other news. Note: you do not need to be a member to **view** the pages.



**Twitter: @BurkeLibraryUTS**

**Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/BurkeLibraryUTS>**



## Comments/Questions

Have a comment/question/concern on this or future newsletters?

Would you like to receive this digitally (and in **full color!**)?

Please contact Brigitte by phone or email:

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**The next few pages are dedicated to all of  
the new collections recently processed  
under the Henry Luce Foundation Grant!**

### **William Adams Brown Ecumenical Library Archives**

**John J. Banninga Papers** - Presbyterian and later Congregationalist missionary to South India, 1901-1942; Principal of Union Theological Seminary, Pasumalai, 1917-1942; Secretary of American Madura Mission and Chairman of Madura Church Council; Secretary of South India United Church and involved in church union negotiations to form the Church of South India. Papers include correspondence, personal records and a large portion relates to the Church Union.

**Robert C. Dodd Papers** - United Church of Christ minister who served as the General Director of Planning, Associate Secretary, and Director of Ecumenical Affairs for the National Council of Churches. Part of the Consultation on Church Union; sent as a delegate to the Fourth Session of the Second Vatican Council. Papers consist of official documents, reports, bulletins, articles and newspaper clippings, personal accounts, and conference notes from his participation in these organizations and events.

## Missionary Research Library Archives

### MRL1: Africa

**Christian Educational Policy in Tanganyika Territory, 1932** – Originally identified as Lutheran Missionary Societies Conference. The policy arose from discussion at a conference of the Lutheran Missionary Societies held 1932. Includes information on religious training; social training; language; training of girls and women; higher and mass education; intermediate schools and native administration schools.

**Erwin H. Richards Papers** - Pioneer Congregational missionary for 33 years in South East Africa. Papers consist of correspondence from when Richards was treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions for the Methodist Episcopal Church.

**Albert Schweitzer Records** - Medical Missionary in Lambaréné, Africa; renowned for ideas on theology, philosophy, music, ethics and nuclear war. Contains lecture on Goethe given at International Goethe Convocation, Aspen, Colorado, July, 1949.

**David Livingstone Papers** - Congregationalist medical missionary assigned to Africa by London Missionary Society, continued exploration with Royal Geographical Society. Collection contains single letter and poster of postcards from Scottish National Memorial to Livingstone in Blantyre, Scotland.

**Presbyterian Church of the Gold Coast** – Records relate to the education of Africans and include educational aims in Africa and memorandums to the Synod of the Presbyterian Church.

**German Missionaries in Cameroon, 1914-1915** - Copies of 13 typewritten reports from Swiss and German Basel Missionaries. Missionaries were captured by British and French troops while stationed in Cameroon in September and October 1914; held captive until 1915 during World War I. Reports were given and recorded in 1915 in Basel, Switzerland and Berlin and Connstadt, Germany. Reports are in the process of being translated from German.

**All Africa Christian Conference Records** – Show involvement and organization of conference, and other programs such as Urban Africa, Religion and Education in Africa.

**James Emman Kwegyir Aggrey Papers** – native African from the Gold Coast, West Africa, distinguished scholar and educator. Collection contains newspaper obituary and carbon copy letters, bibliography, biographical sketch and personal recollections pertaining to Professor Aggrey. All materials are carbon copy.

**Basel Mission (Gold Coast) Records** – Relating to the education of Africans on the Gold Coast, records include standards of teaching for primary and middle schools and a pamphlet on education.

**R. H. Nassau Papers** – Presbyterian missionary who served throughout West Africa, including Benita; Belambla; Kangwe; Talaguga; Baraka (Libreville); and Batanga. Founded mission station in Kangwe, later known as Lambaréné. Papers consist of letters sent to and received by Nassau from friends and family, and a small series of personal and biographical information.

**Emory Warren Ross Papers** – Adding in new records from UNP. Treasurer of Disciples of Christ Congo Mission (1908); Secretary/Treasurer of Union Mission House (1909); Disciples of Christ Missionary (1912-1916); Secretary of Conseil Protestant du Congo (1925-1933); Secretary of African Welfare Committee of the Federal Council of Churches and American Committee of Work in the Congo (1933-1936); Executive Secretary of African Committee of the National Council of Churches of Christ U.S.A. (1936-1953); Lectures, manuscripts, reports on Africa, publications, pamphlets, minutes, newspaper clippings, maps, and personal correspondence.

### MRL2: Near/Middle East

**Lorenzo Warriner Pease Papers** – Pioneer Presbyterian missionary and first from American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions (ABCFM) to explore Cyprus. Papers include diaries, correspondence, sermons, essays, notes and other



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research conducted by Pease during his short time as a missionary.

**Badi'u'lláh and Muhammad Ali Baha'i Papers** –Collection contains English translations of two letters written by Badi'u'lláh and Muhammed Ali to the newly-established House of Justice in the United States, as well as correspondence from 1944 between Ruth White, Grace Provost Bestedo, and Union Theological Seminary regarding controversies about Mrs. Lewis Stuyvesant Chanler's branch of Baha'i.

**James Shepard Dennis Papers** - Missionary, historian, and statistician of missions; served for four years as a missionary in Syria, primarily in Sidon and Zahleh, and was professor in the Presbyterian Theological Seminary in Beirut from 1873 – 1891. Large number of letters involve reprint of volume three of *Christian Missions and Social Progress*, which studied the effects of Protestant missions on non-Protestant people. Collection includes papers, letters, photographs, and bound books.

**American Constantinople Relief Committee Records** – formed in 1912 to raise money for war refugees in Turkey and surrounding area. Quickly raised and sent thousands of dollars in aid to American Red Cross in Constantinople. Committee disbanded in 1914 after questions of integrity were raised against the secretary's fundraising practices.

**Joseph Kingsbury Greene Papers** – Pioneer ABCFM Congregational Missionary in Turkey for 51 years, stationed in Nicodemia, Bursa and Manisa. Papers include diaries, dictionary, sermons and correspondence from Greene's beginning as a missionary until two weeks before his death.

**Mary Lewis Shedd Papers** - Typed copy of journal kept by Mary Lewis Shedd, wife of William Ambrose Shedd, in Uremia, Persia from February 24, 1918 to October 3, 1918. The Shedds were forced to evacuate Uremia on July 31, 1918, along with thousands of other Assyrian Christians, as the Ottoman Army threatened nearby. They retreated for six days, at which point her husband became ill with cholera and died shortly thereafter. Mary Lewis Shedd reached Hamadan August 24. On October 2, she wrote that probably seven or eight thousand died, were killed, or were taken prisoner on the journey she had recently completed.



MRL 2: American Constantinople Relief Committee Records, series 1, box 1, folder 10

## MRL3: South Asia

**American Madura Mission Records** - Notes on the American Madura Mission's history since its seventy-fifth anniversary in 1909 and personal recollections while a missionary, prepared by John J. Banninga, ABCFM missionary in Madura, 1901-1942.

**American Marathi Mission Records** - ABCFM created the first Protestant mission in Western India; records include general background; Reports on locations in India such as Ahmednagar, Bombay, Poona, Rahuri, Satara, Sholapur, Vadala, and Wai Stations. Louise Gliem Fisher compiled number of sources including minutes, reports, diaries, brochures, and correspondence; typescript copy.

**Hervey DeWitt Griswold Papers** - Presbyterian missionary in Lahore, Punjab, India (now Pakistan) for thirty-six years, 1890 - 1926. Collection includes Griswold's diaries, sermons, published essays, council notes, prayer books and Bible studies.

**Clark P. Hard Papers** - Methodist Episcopal missionary in South India beginning in 1874. Collection contains correspondence, diaries, photographs, scrapbooks and personal items relating to Hard's life.

**George Bowen Papers** - Graduate of Union Theological Seminary who served as a missionary in Bombay, India from 1848 till his death in 1888. Bowen was also editor of the *Bombay Guardian* from 1854-1888. Collection includes one bound notebook containing his lectures, sermons, notes, and comments.

**Daniel Johnson Fleming Papers** - Presbyterian missionary to India and Professor of Missions at Union Theological Seminary from 1918-1944. Collection includes a Buddhist primer, correspondence, pamphlets, and photographs.

**William Adams Brown Papers** - Presbyterian minister, systematic theologian and UTS professor. Papers on the Lindsay

Commission on Christian Higher Education in India and Burma including correspondence; committee meetings; conferences; reports; proceedings; itineraries; notes; recommendations; statements; resolutions; and lists of delegates.

## MRL4: Southeast Asia

**Bertha Davis Papers** - American Baptist foreign missionary to Burma from 1899 to 1931, where she helped establish schools. Collection contains diaries, address books, expense records, photographs, a copy of the 1946 Anglican Bishop's Report from the Diocese of Rangoon, and other personal items relating to Davis' life before, during, and after her missionary work.

**Munshi Abdullah Papers** - Writer, interpreter, and translator of Malay. Abdullah was born in Malacca and spent a significant amount of time in Singapore as an interpreter and tutor of Malay to Indian soldiers, British and American Missionaries. Collection includes a 335 page typescript titled, *The Autobiography of Munshi Abdullah*. It is translated from the Malay by W.G. Shellabear and published in 1918.

## MRL6: China

**General: Lantern Slides** – Approximately 250 lantern slides depicting hospitals, people throughout China, buildings, landscapes and medical schools from the 1920s.

**Joseph Whiteside Diaries** – Missionary and professor at Soochow University 東吳大學: Manuscript diaries, including clippings, correspondence and other ephemera, 1899 – 1929.

## MRL9: Latin America

**Howard W. Yoder Papers** - Methodist missionary in Peru, Bolivia, and Panama; Executive Secretary of the Committee on Cooperation in Latin America of the Division of Foreign Missions of the National Council of Churches of Christ in the USA from 1954 – 1963. Collection contains a 1954 report by Yoder on the state of Protestant missions in Cuba, Jamaica, Haiti, the Dominican Republic, and Puerto Rico.

## MRL10: North America

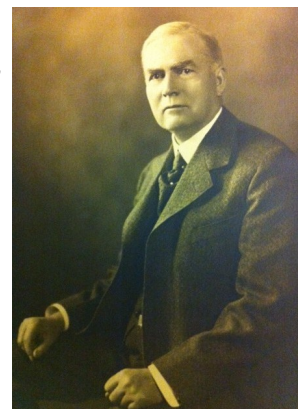
**Bertha Mary Magdalen Mugrauer Papers** - Professor at Xavier University in New Orleans, Louisiana; founded a chapter of Caritas, a women's religious organization including women of all races dedicated to working and living among the poor. Collection includes six microcards of Mugrauer's dissertation "A Cultural Study of Ten Negro Girls in an Alley" (Catholic University of America, 1950).

**John Eliot Papers** – Puritan minister and translator of the Bible into the Native American Algonquian language, originally published in 1663. His translation was the first Bible printed in North America. The collection, gathered by Eliot biographer David Chamberlain, includes articles, illustrations, photographs, pamphlets and correspondence related to Eliot's work, as well as the 300th Anniversary of Massachusetts.

**Martha Letitia Edwards Papers** - Typescript compiled by Martha Letitia Edwards detailing material located in the Library of the State Historical Society of Wisconsin relating to the study of Indian Missions from 1700-1840. Denominations include Baptist; Catholic; Congregational; Friends; Methodist; Moravian; Presbyterian; Protestant Episcopal; and Interdenominational Societies including but not limited to the Algic Society and the Indian Mission Association.

## MRL12: Ecumenical/World Mission

**John R. Mott Papers** – Methodist layman, ecumenist and missionary leader instrumental in many organizations including Student Volunteer Movement, World's Student Christian Federation, the World Missionary Conference, International Missionary Council and World Council of Churches. Collection contains papers and materials



MRL12: John Mott

documenting his various associations.

**American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions Records** – Organized in 1810, was first successful North American agency dedicated to foreign missions. ABCFM existed until 1961 when it merged with Board of International Missions to form United Church Board for World Ministries. Collection concerns missions in South Africa in Rhodesia and Zulu; missions in Asia including Turkey, India, Japan, China; missions in Philippine Islands; and the ABCFM organization in general.

**Personnel policies of Foreign Mission Boards** – Records contain completed questionnaires from foreign missionaries, churches, and mission boards that were collected by the Missionary Research Library in 1955 to research factors related to selection, training, placement, and withdrawal of missionary personnel.

**John Franklin Goucher Papers** - Methodist Episcopal minister, college president, missionary leader and philanthropist; papers include correspondence, records and reports regarding missions and Christian Colleges throughout the world including China, India, Japan and Korea.

**Missionary Personnel Records** - Studies on preparation, recruitment, psychological testing and turnover of missionary personnel. Includes papers and pamphlets as well as handbooks and instruction manuals for missionaries.

**Missionary Biographical Records** - Missionary Research Library created collection including detailed information on missionaries in the field. Records available are diaries; correspondence; pamphlets; and photographs.

**Eastern Fellowship of Professors of Missions Records** – Organization was established to promote fellowship, spiritual life and professional usefulness of members. Contains correspondence, financial records, constitution, minutes, reports and other resource material.

**Women's Board of Missions Records** – Congregationalist organization from Boston associated with ABCFM. Focus on the benefit of women and children throughout the world, to disseminate missionary intelligence, and was committed to supporting single women missionaries. Collection also contains programs for the Brookfield Association and the Norwich and New London Society of the Auxiliary Foreign Missionary Society. Papers, minute books, programs and pamphlets documenting various branches of the WBM on the East Coast are available.

**Rheinische Missionsgesellschaft Reports, 1897-1912** – Reports from the Rheinische Missionsgesellschaft (Rhenish Missionary Society), 1897-1912 detailing Southern Africa, with some information on missionaries in Borneo, China, Batakland/Sumatra, Nias and New Guinea. Copies of handwritten and typed originals in German.

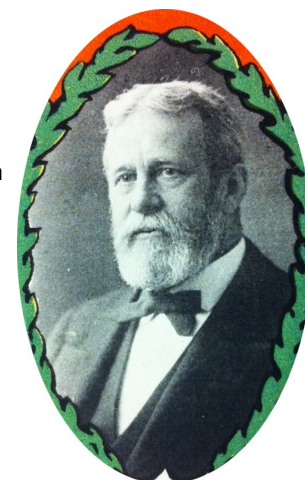


**MRL 12: Clarence R. Thayer Papers, series 3, box 7**

**International Missionary Council Records** – Linked missionary councils to discuss issues such as the missionary obligation of the church, theological education, and the ecumenical movement. Associated with the World Council of Churches in 1939, in 1961, it was integrated with WCC as its Commission on World Mission and Evangelism. Collection contains documents, correspondence, pamphlets and photographs relating to the formation and development of the organization.

**Clarence R. Thayer Papers** – United Presbyterian Psychologist who spent his life studying and testing missionaries in attempt to predict the success of potential missionaries. Various boards and thousands of missionaries from Foreign Missions Conference of North America (FMCNA) participated in studies. Collection includes correspondence, computer cards and a large number of test results encompassing all of Thayer's work.

**YMCA/YWCA Records** - The Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) was founded in London, England in 1844 as a response to the unhealthy social and living conditions for young men living in cities at the end of the Industrial Revolution. Collection includes correspondence, minutes, and pamphlets from the 19th World's YMCA Conference, YMCA Constantinople, and other YMCA branches around the world.



**MRL12: Goucher**





Anton Koberger's *Biblia Germanica*, the ninth German Bible to be printed, appeared in 1483, the year that Martin Luther was born. It contained a set of 109 woodcuts illustrating major incidents of biblical history by the "Master of the Cologne Bibles." This set became the standard for German biblical illustration through the 16th century. Koberger (ca. 1445-1513) became one of the most important printers in fifteenth-century Germany. He may have operated as many as twenty-four presses and produced some 250 works between ca. 1471 and 1504.

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