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## The Walter Havighurst Special Collections

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### Authors, Artists, Illustrators, Composers, Playwrights

iscover many editions and copies of literature's finest authors, illustrators, and playwrights, including Uri Annenkov, Aphra Behn, Ivan Bilibin, William Blake, Randolph Caldecott, Willa Cather, Walter Crane, George Cruikshank, Charles Dickens, Gustave Doré, Edmund Dulac, William Faulkner, Robert Frost, Jacob & Wilhelm Grimm, Rockwell Kent, Oskar Kokoschka, Christopher Morley, Eugene O'Neill, George Orwell, Maxfield Parrish, Alexander Pope, Ezra Pound, Alexander Pushkin, Howard Pyle, Arthur Rackham, Joseph Ray, Whitelaw Reid, Jonathan Swift, Leon Trotsky, Tasha Tudor, Mark Twain, Lynd Ward, Mary Wollstonecraft, and N.C. Wyeth.

The collections also include books, correspondence and/or collections of the works of *John Shaw Billings* (1838-1913),

librarian, scientist, and Miami alumnus; the working library of *Louise Bogan* (1897-1970), American poet; *Daniel Defoe* (1659?-1731), English author of *Robinson Crusoe*; *James T. Farrell* (1904-1979), American author; *Hamlin Garland* (1860-1940), American author; *Benjamin Harrison* (1833-1901), Miami alumnus and 23rd President of the U.S.; *William Dean Howells* (1837-1920), American

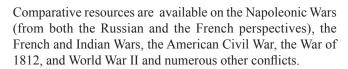
author and area native; *William Holmes McGuffey* (1800-1873), American educator and MU professor; *Matthew Prior* (1664-1721), English poet and diplomat; *Robert B. Stanton* (1846-1922), civil engineer, explorer and Miami alumnus; and *Rodolfo Usigli* (1909-1979), Mexican playwright, essayist, and diplomat.

Manuscript collections include those pertaining to literary figures, such as William Dean Howells and Percy MacKaye, and notable individuals in Miami's history, including Robert Hamilton Bishop, John W. Browne, Benjamin Harrison, William Holmes McGuffey and Robert Brewster Stanton. Letters, diaries, and other manuscripts comprise a growing

portion of the Walter Havighurst Special Collections' publicly accessible resources. Finding aids and transcribed documents assist researchers in identifying these unique items.

#### History

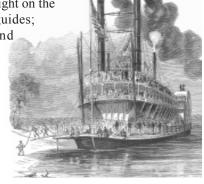
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Collection of the Southern
Confederacy contains over
700 letters and documents written by
Jefferson Davis and other Confederate
leaders prior to and during the Civil
War and Reconstruction. Discover
numerous soldiers' diaries from other
collections on the Union side of this
conflict.



The histories of the Old Northwest Territory and Ohio River valley are available in the Covington Collection of

over 8,000 volumes that chronicle exploration, settlement and growth of the area. Shedding light on the region are emigrant guides;

books on farming and mechanical arts; early regional imprints; and territory, state, regional and local histories. Contemporary accounts and documentary material chronicle the history of transportation, including early railroads



and river navigation, with special emphasis on the Ohio River system and Cincinnati's riverboats.

#### Travel and Exploration

arly U.S. exploration is represented by works by Lewis & Clark, Zebulon Pike, Stephen Long, Robert

Stanton, and Henry Schoolcraft as well as works on Arctic, Antarctic and Canadian expeditions. British and French exploration are included, as are writings and translations of



early missionaries living in North America. Early maps and atlases of the area enhance these collections.

The exploration of the United States is tied almost directly with the development of transportation. The collections include stagecoach, canal and railroad timetables, and materials documenting the development of inland river and steamboat transportation on the Ohio and Mississippi River systems.

#### Education

iscover the King Collection of over 10,000 children's books and magazines printed from the seventeenth century through the present day, providing insight into the activities of children.

The Walter Havighurst Special Collections houses one of the most extensive collections of the McGuffey Eclectic

Readers. These works mirror the changes in the educational process in 19th century America. See also http://doyle.lib.muohio.edu/cdm4/mcguffey. These resources are supported by an additional 5,000 schoolbooks published in numerous subject areas from the late 1790s up to the early 1900s.



#### Of Special Interest

he André de Saint-Rat Collection contains 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> century preand post-Revolutionary Russian history, literature and art, including some volumes owned by Czar Nicholas II and Czarina Alexandra.



The Shaker Collection contains over 500 volumes on various aspects of this small religious sect, including their music and hymns.

Native American history, traditions, arts and language are featured in three collections: the Myaamia Collection, the Ferdinand Bach Collection of Native American Materials and the Native American Women Playwrights Archive.



The Cradle of Coaches Archive includes playbooks, correspondence, sport studies, speeches and memorabilia of Miami coaches and players including: Paul Brown, Weeb Ewbank, Sid Gilman, Carmen

Cozza, Bo Schembechler, and Randy Walker. The papers of Bob Kurz are also included.

The 1841 Collection contains over 1000 extant volumes of Miami University's earliest cataloged library.

Other collections include volumes that illustrate the history of printing, bookbinding and the history of the book, early texts in classical architecture, classical language, drama and theater, business, religion, manufacturing, engineering and technology, patents, herbals and botanicals, applied sciences, and medicine.



#### With zeal and fidelity ... Documents from the history of Miami University

The Miami Digital Archive can be accessed at www.lib.muohio.edu/miamihistory/

**The Digital Archive** is an online collection of primary resources documenting the history of Miami University from its founding to the present and is part of the Libraries' efforts to celebrate the bicentennial of the University. Additional materials and resources will continue to be added. Thousands of pages are available that cover the founding era and the history of Miami University. Items from the Walter Havighurst Special Collections as well as the University Archives are included.

Highlights of the collections include the:

- Frank Snyder Photograph Collection
- William Holmes McGuffey Family Papers
- Letters of the Reverend John W. Browne
- University documents and publications

- Published speeches and orations
- Early maps, including the first map of Oxford township with Miami College (1810)
- Miami student newspaper
- Miami Stories Oral History Collection