

provide students and faculty with services that will complement honors courses.

**Willamette University in Salem, Oregon,** has received a grant of \$326,000 from the M. J. Murdock Charitable Trust of Portland, Oregon. The funds will be used for the automation of the College of Law Library and the incorporation of its bibliographic records into the Mark O. Hatfield Library's existing Innovative Interfaces system. Grant money will also be used to add serials and acquisitions modules to the existing library system and for a variety of other systems and database enhancements.

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## Acquisitions

**A major collection of first editions of American** literature and history has been acquired by **Bennington College's** Crossett Library, Bennington, Vermont. The gift of approximately 800 volumes was made jointly by Daniel M. Friedenberg and John-Platt Enterprises, Inc., of which Friedenberg is president. The collection includes such rarities as *The Education of Henry Adams* from the first private edition of 75 copies, as well as first editions of Cooper, Hawthorne, Emerson, Thoreau, Melville, and Twain. Signed presentation copies of Whitman's *Leaves of Grass* and Henry James's *The Lesson of the Master* are also included. Among twentieth-century authors represented are first editions of James Baldwin, Raymond Chandler, T. S. Eliot, and Ralph Ellison.

**A gift of 28,000 volumes from the Council** on Foreign Relations Library has been received by the **Hunter College** Libraries, New York City. Consisting of monographs, international government documents, and papers, the collection extensively covers global politics, history, and economic issues. In particular the collection emphasizes the post-World War II era and Soviet-American relations. The Council's mission to improve understanding of international issues and shape American foreign policy has resulted in a particularly strong foreign affairs collection.

**The editorial records and files of Farrar,** Straus and Giroux, Inc., one of the nation's most respected independent publishing houses, have

been acquired by the **New York Public Library.** The archive, which spans the years 1946 through 1980, contains correspondence detailing the manuscript selection process, negotiations for foreign and subsidiary rights and permissions, and royalty agreements, and provides a rare glimpse into the public and personal lives of authors. Among the many notable items is correspondence between T. S. Eliot and his wife, Valerie Eliot, and Robert Giroux, Eliot's editor. The writings include such procedural matters as the scheduling of lecture tours, readings, and social engagements, to more personal needs, such as hiding Eliot's health concerns from the media.

**The archives of the magazine *Factsheet Five***, probably the largest known collection of alternative literature of the 1980s, have been acquired by the **New York State Library's** Manuscripts and Special Collections Department. *Factsheet Five* was the brainchild of Mike Gunderloy, the founder, editor, and publisher for the magazine's first decade beginning in 1982. He wrote most of the reviews and published 44 issues of the journal, which abstracted and reviewed thousands of "zines," publications usually created by one person for love rather than money and focusing on a particular subject. The reviews covered an amazing spectrum of zines: issue-oriented, both far left and far right; underground literature and poetry; erotica; avant-garde rock and punk music; adult comics; and a host of other topics.

**The Texas Postal History Collection of** Walter G. Schmidt has been acquired by the Special Collections Division of the **University of Texas at Arlington** Libraries. Schmidt was a retired military officer who was an avid stamp collector and compiler of postal history and information. The collection includes a comprehensive list of more than 20,000 Texas post offices along with newspaper clippings on local history for each office. It covers Texas post offices and postmasters from the Spanish era through the 1970s. ■

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