

Library Exhibit

State Government Papers Displayed

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A "vivid demonstration of how state government has multiplied" may be seen in the Beaver and Leader papers of the Pennsylvania Historical Collection, according to Wallace F. Workmaster, curator of the collection.

Included in the papers of James A. Beaver, governor of Pennsylvania from 1887 to 1891, are correspondence, bills, accounts and photographs. This collection occupies 28 cu. ft.

In contrast, the George M. Leader papers, which contain files of the governor's office during 1955 to 1959, cover 300 cu. ft.

This collection is housed in the basement of the Fred Lewis Pattee Library. Papers are stored in non-acid content liners and metal manuscript boxes. Bound volumes are in the Beaver collection.

Workmaster and his assistant, Wendell McRae, work on collecting the material, as well as preserving and servicing it. Mrs. Helen Cooper also works part-time with them.

Established through the cooperation of the Pattee Library and the Department of History in 1958, the collection has as its purpose "to provide a centrally located, state-wide depository for archival and other materials relating to the development of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania."

Workmaster said that the collection is concerned with the complete Pennsylvania development, but "we pay particular interest to political and economic development from mid-19th century on because that material is uncollected."

"Pennsylvania is in a unique position in that much has happened here which reflects national development," Workmaster added. "The collection's materials on industrialization and political organization from 1865 to 1900 helps



WALLACE F. WORKMASTER, curator of Pennsylvania historical collections, helps Larry Baker, junior in secondary education from St. Thomas, in using material from the Joseph Priestly collection. The collection is housed in the basement of the Pattee library.

reveal part of American development.

The majority of the papers now in the collection were scattered through the library in 1958. These have been organized by Workmaster and his staff. New papers have been acquired with the aid of Ralph W. McComb, librarian, and other University personnel.

Workmaster said that he is currently interested in obtaining the papers of Robert Montgomery Smith Jackson, Civil War surgeon.

He hopes that Jackson's letters will "shed some qualified medical opinion on exactly what Charles Sumner's condition was as a re-

sult of injuries received at the hands of Representative Preston Brooks."

Brooks beat Sumner, an abolitionist and U.S. Senator from Massachusetts, with his cane on the floor of the Senate in 1856 for remarks he considered insulting to his uncle and to the South.

Receipts, letters, books, maps, photographs, diaries, newspapers, account books, bound volumes, tape recordings, films and deeds from the Revolutionary War period to the present are also included in the collection.

Papers of Joseph Priestly, discoverer of oxygen, may also be found among this material.

Minor Accident Involves Omicron Delta Kappa 2 Student-Driven Autos To Hear Forster Speak

A minor accident involving two cars driven by students occurred early Sunday morning resulting in about \$50 in damage, according to the Campus Patrol. No one was hurt.

Jay Bollinger, senior in chemistry from Hanover, backed his car into an auto driven by William Phillips, junior in aeronautical engineering from Leechburg.

Dr. Kent Forster, professor of European history, will address Omicron Delta Kappa, national men's leadership fraternity, at its meeting at 9 tonight at the home of Arthur M. Wellington, 321 S. Buckhout St.

He will speak on the topic "An Outsider Looks at the United States."

Petition Requests Check Into Politics

An investigation of campus politics, reminiscent on a smaller scale of the Kefauver proceedings, will be asked for at Thursday's Student Government Assembly meeting.

Desmond MacRae, freshman in history from State College, appeared at the Campus party meeting Sunday night

and made a brief speech before the Assembly. He said that he and a few of his friends had been "wondering about the recent scandals involving the two political parties." He also said that he is not affiliated with either party.

He said that he is not for or against anyone in particular but that he simply wants to "get to the bottom of all this."

MacRae read a petition which he had drawn up and which he asked the students to sign. The petition reads in part: "It is apparent that certain student leaders have misused their public trust; we the undersigned demand an immediate investigation of the recent scandals in student government. Further, we demand that the proceedings and results of this investigation be open to all interested persons."

The party had a short but heated discussion in which one student asked who would conduct the investigations if the petition was well-received by SGA. MacRae said that he did not know but that he assumed it would be a committee appointed by SGA.

Another member retorted with "Is Lion's Paw going to investigate Lion's Paw?"

This brought surprise and then applause from the members. Jay Hawley, chairman of SGA Rules Committee, then answered. "The gentleman who has just spoke has challenged the integrity of many fine people on this campus. I think that is all which needs to be said."

\$163,765 Given To Alum Fund

A total of \$163,765 has been contributed so far to the 1960 Alumni Fund by 6120 former students, according to Robert W. Ostermayer, fund chairman.

The fund drive will close June 30. Ostermayer said he hopes the contributions in the last three months of the fund will push the total past \$200,000.

Included in the total so far is more than \$7800 which has been contributed by graduates employed in industries which have gift-matching programs. These industries match the gifts from the graduates.

The Alumni Fund was instituted in 1953. Since that time graduates and former students have contributed more than \$1.3 million to support needed projects for which there are no other funds available.

Math Prof Holds Lead In Chess Tournament

Dr. Orrin Frink, professor of mathematics, is currently in first place in the Chess Club's 10-round round-robin tournament.

The club held their fifth round of the tournament Wednesday and will hold the third round of their Spring Improvement Tournament tomorrow.

Red Cross to Hold Drive for Blood

A total of 285 persons have registered to donate blood in the drive sponsored by Alpha Phi Omega and Gamma Sigma Sigma, national service fraternity and sorority, according to Harry Hager, chairman of the drive.

The Red Cross Bloodmobile will be on campus tomorrow and Thursday and will use the Hetzel Union cardroom to take all donations.

Any person over 21, or with parental permission if under 21, may come in any time during the drive, Hager said. The best times to come are from 10:30 to 1 p.m. Wednesday and from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, but no periods are completely filled, he said.

Prof to Attend Meeting

Dr. Hugh H. Chapman Jr., associate professor of Romance Languages, will be the official delegate of the University and the Department of Romance Languages at the 1960 Northeast Conference on the Teaching of Foreign Languages, in Atlantic City, N.J., April 8-9.

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