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FLORIDA MANUSCRIPT ACQUISITIONS AND ACCESSIONS

The following are recent manuscript acquisitions and accessions as reported by Florida universities, colleges, public libraries, archives, and other institutions. Anyone interested in particular collections should correspond with the organization in question.

The P. K. Yonge Library of Florida History, University of Florida, Gainesville, has added the following rare books to its collection: Bernard Romans and Gerrard de Brahm, *Complete Pilot for Gulf Passage* (1789); John Campbell, *Spanish Empire in America* (1747); David Porter, *Minutes of Proceedings of the Court of Inquiry and Court Denial* (1825); Plowden Weston, *Documents Connected with the History of South Carolina* (1856); General James Wilkinson, *Memoirs*, 3 vols. (1816); John Wurts, *Index Digest of Decisions of the Florida Supreme Court* (1889). Maps acquired include Florida Land Colonization Company, *Bird's Eye View of Sanford* (1884) and *Bird's Eye View of Orlando* (1884); Lieutenant M. L. Smith, *Survey Across Florida Canal between Espiritu Santo Bay and St. Johns River* (1854); Homann, *Mapa Geographica Complectens Indiae Occidentalis* (1740); and Bernard Romans, *Gulf and Windward Pilot*, 5 charts (1787).

The Florida Collection, State Library of Florida, Tallahassee, added the following manuscript materials: miscellaneous notes, deeds, and letters relating to the Union Bank (Tallahassee). Papers include an April 27, 1844, letter signed by John G. Gamble; Gamble's will (May 19, 1844) and codicils (May 28, 1838, February 13, 1849); and a note signed on July 1, 1861, by Governor Richard Keith Call.

The Florida State Archives, Tallahassee, added the following manuscript collections to its holdings: Chesley and Flanagan Land Surveyors, Tallahassee (1938-1959); Antioch Baptist Church, Quincy, Records (1923-1955); United Daughters of the Confederacy Membership Applications (1898-1928); Richard Simpson Papers; Tallahassee Music Guild Records (1961-1991);

Columbus Welch Papers (1889-1925); Florida Alliance for Arts Education Records (1971-1988); Grand Army of the Republic, Eustis Post, Minutes (1884-1923); and the Henry Edward Partridge diary (1873-1923). Also added were records from the following state and local government agencies: Governors Robert Graham and Robert Martinez; Board of Regents; Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission; Jefferson County Clerk's Office; Leon County Sheriffs Office; Commission on the Status of Women; Department of State; Department of Military Affairs; Department of Education; Florida Park Service; Florida Supreme Court; Florida House of Representatives; Florida Senate; Joint Legislative Management Committee; Division of Elections; Division of State Lands; Council on Organized Crime; Attorney General's Office; Florida State Hospital; Department of Community Affairs; Palm Beach County Board of Commissioners; Leon County Circuit Court; Mechanics Lien Law Study Commission; Florida State University; State Planning and Budget Commission; and the Secretary of State.

The St. Augustine Historical Society has added the following monographs: Cullen Chambers, *Historic Structures Report: St. Augustine Light Station Restoration Project* (1991); Don Secor, ed., *St. Augustine Lighthouse Log* (1991); Marsha A. Chance, *An Archaeological Resource Assessment of S. R. 207 from S. R. 100 to I-95, Putnam and St. Johns Counties, FL* (1991); Chance, *A Preliminary Historic Evaluation of the Community of Spuds, St. Johns Co., FL* (1991); Suzanne Skipper, *Cracker Houses: Low Energy Comfort* (1980); Sue N. Smith and St. Augustine Archaeological Association, *A Guide to the Identification of Post-Contact Period Ceramics in St. Augustine, Florida* (1990). Newly acquired maps and architectural drawings include sixteen copies of maps of different parts of Florida (1837-1839) related to Seminole war campaigns (copies are from the National Archives, Record Group #77); a copy of architectural drawings of the Bridge of Lions (1924). Added also were four scrapbooks from the Evelyn Hamblen School (1955-1965); and a scrapbook of W. B. Tracy, agent for the Florida Motor Lines in St. Augustine (1930s through early 1940s). Letters and diaries include copies of letters of George R. Fairbanks (from the 1850s); a diary of Major Reynold Marvin Kirby (uncle of General Kirby-Smith) dated from 1838. Also added were photographs from the Diesel Engine Sales Co., a ship-building company that built

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shrimp trawlers and now specializes in fiberglass speedboats (1948-1982). The Society also acquired several oral history interviews on the following topics: Faver-Dykes State Park; Pellicer Creek families and occupations; Maguire Lumber Company and Nine Mile Road; Palm Valley families and occupations; recollections about Henry Eugene Hernandez; Excelsior School reunion in Lincolnville; theatre in St. Augustine with Tom Rahner; and the Jewish community of St. Augustine. Videotapes include "St. Augustine Race Riots: early 1960s," highway patrol training tape, 20 minutes long; "Fishing All My Days," concerning the shrimping industry in St. Augustine during the early twentieth century. Microfilm additions consist of the papers of General Kirby-Smith (1824-1893), comprising correspondence and other papers relating to his personal affairs, military career, and life at the University of Nashville and the University of the South (7 reels); correspondence of Patrick Tonym (1784-1785) from the Public Record Office (1 reel, #C05/561). Manuscript acquisitions include the papers of Verne E. Chatelain (1895-1991) pertaining to his research in St. Augustine during the 1930s and 1940s on archaeology, forts, and defenses (20 manuscript boxes); the papers of Fred and Ada Martin (1910-1917), including tax deeds for the Martin property, mortgage deeds, correspondence, and a notebook with records of household expenses and family mementos.

The Pensacola Historical Society added an extract from the official log book of the ship *Nignetia* (1892) and the following maps: *Map of Bohemia, Pensacola Bay Geodetic Survey* (1889); *Map of Florida, Coffers Survey* (1850); *Map of Pensacola Harbor* (1891, 1893); *Map of Gulf of Mexico* (1893). The Society also published *Private Pasco: A Civil War Diary* and accessioned a manuscript, "The Parish of Saint Michael the Archangel: The First Hundred Years, 1781-1881," by Mary Dawkins. Also acquired were a newspaper, the *Jay Tribune* (1939), and the *Motek Pitch Pine Code* (1899). The society plans to move its library to new facilities at 117 E. Government Street in June 1992.

The Florida Historical Society added a 50,000-item commercial lithograph collection from the Kane-Greenberg family of New York. The collection contains lithographically produced labels, proof books, and artists' sketches for cigar and alcohol

manufacturers. Also included are thirty rare Bavarian limestones used to make labels. This valuable collection makes the Society the second largest repository for commercial lithography in the United States. Also acquired were a seventeenth-century church document concerning the appointment of a vicar for St. Augustine; photographs and postcards of early twentieth-century Florida; and the United Spanish War Veterans Organization papers including membership rosters and service records.

The Monroe County May Hill Russell Library, Key West, added the following microfilm from the National Archives: Custom House Key West Entrances and Clearances (1836-1847); and Custom House Key West Imports and Duties (1838-1862).

The Jacksonville Public Libraries added *Bicycling on the West Coast of Florida* (1888?); and William M. Jones, *The Location and Description of Water Mill Sites in Northeast Florida* (1990).

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill acquired the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad records (1890s-1940s) comprising approximately 45,000 items (249 linear feet). The files are divided between "President's Files," which document railroad operations and relations with other companies, state and local governments, and regulatory bodies; and tax files, which contain records of state and local taxes paid by the railroad. There are also a set of financial journals.

The Manatee County Library, Bradenton, added the following manuscript items (all of which were term papers written for history courses at the University of South Florida or as History Fair entries): "Tampa Women and World War II," by Jeanne Bishop; "Thoroughbreds and Florida: A Winning Combination," Scott Fitzgerald; "History of the Bishop Animal Shelter of Manatee County," by Brian Gibson; "The Four Factors of the 50's: Progress in Manatee County, Florida in the 1950's," by Pamela N. Gibson; "Sarasota Bay Mangroves 1991: Past Alterations and Future Possibilities," by Thomas William Mayers (master's thesis); "Mayors of the City of Bradenton: Past and Present," by Craig R. Roundtree; "West Pasco County is *Not* a Backwater: Famous people who have resided there," Deborah M. Ryon.

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The Robert Manning Strozier Library, Special Collections, Florida State University, Tallahassee, acquired photocopies of pages from a letterbook of correspondence from Hardy B. Croom to his brother Bryan Croom (1831-1837). The letterbook documents plantation life in Leon County during this period.

The Otto G. Richter Library, University of Miami, accessioned the following brochures: Florida East Coast Railway, The St. Augustine Route: Menu of Dining Car Service (1936); Sight-seeing Red Top Tours: Miami's Oldest Sightseeing Company (ca. 1930); Spanish Courts: Riviera Florida (ca. 1930). Manuscripts include a signed letter to Andrew Jackson from Florida Territorial Governor William P. DuVal, May 23, 1824; diary of Amos B. Eaton (Second Seminole War, 1837-1838); document by a member of Company A, 13th Infantry Regiment, containing the organization of the 5th Army and the Rough Riders in Tampa Bay during the Spanish American War, 1898; a letter to General T. S. Jesup, Fort Gardner, April 27, 1838, from General Zachary Taylor; and the roster of commissioned officers of the 2nd U. S. Colored Infantry, Fort Taylor, December 29, 1864, by Colonel John Wilder. The following maps were added: Jacob Blamey, *Port et barre D'Amelia, de la Floride Orientale* (1778); Blamey, *Plan del L'Ile D'Amelia á la cote de la Floride Orientale . . . por le Port D'Amelia* (1779); Pierre Mortier, *Le Golfe de Mexique et les Isles Voisines* (1685); H. Neuste Radefeld, *Karte der Grossen Antillen* (1844); H. D. Rogers, *West Indies, Island of Cuba (Spanish), Jamaica (British)* (1857); *Bahamas and Windward Passage* (1703); and J. Van Keulen, *Pas Kaart vande zuyd kust van Cuba evangeheel Yamaica* (1680). Among the historic photographs added were Randy Lieberman's photographs and negatives of the first flights of Pan American Airways (1930-1950); stereographs of the Spanish-American War (1898-1900); E. S. Stanton, Florida Lighthouse, Miami; Underwood & Underwood, pictures relating to the Spanish-American War.

The Florida Collection at the Miami-Dade Public Library has recently acquired the microfilm edition of the Draper Manuscripts (123 reels). Records of the Freedmen's Savings and Trust Company and indices (Tallahassee) covering the period from August 25, 1866, to January 15, 1872, contain signatures and

personal identification data about depositors. The registers are not indexed. The indices are to ledgers from branches in Jacksonville and Tallahassee.

The Historic Pensacola Preservation Board added the following archival material to its collection: a San Carlos Hotel brochure and postcards ca. 1960; and several scrapbooks containing assorted deeds, ledgers, news clippings, and photos from the period 1880-1940.