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Baylor Collections of Political Materials

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STUDENT WORKERS

Maycie Mayfield has begun sorting through the Penn Jones papers. Her organization skills are also being utilized to keep the purchasing card notebook up to date.

Paul Christopher has begun working with Todd on the Jack Hightower papers. He also helps with technical projects.



Nilay Shastri continues to reconstruct the original Hightower finding aid in an Excel spreadsheet. He located over 100 boxes unaccounted for in the 1980s finding aid. He also found over 20 boxes in which no folders were even labeled.

Todd Pagitt, team leader for the Hightower project, has begun training Paul to help him in arranging numerous boxes of Hightower publications and unprocessed papers.

Julia Howard, our grad assistant, continues to create inventories of Bob Platt acquisitions and hold down the fort when Benna and I are out of town.

Brittney Bain has begun processing the papers of Caso March. She is separating letters and recently found some confederate money in an unlabeled, sealed envelope.

Chen Yao has kept up with all the Platt and Hightower books returning from cataloging and is working with amazing energy on the Bob Platt papers.



KENNEDY IN DALLAS, Nov. 1963

Sharad Bhushan continues to work on Penn Jones' JFK materials. He has added about 70 photographs to the site and also created web sites for the papers of Caso March and Bob Platt:

http://www3.baylor.edu/Library/BCPM/JFK/PennJonesPhotos.htm http://www3.baylor.edu/Library/BCPM/Platt/welcome.htm http://www3.baylor.edu/Library/BCPM/March/welcome.htm

March Stats from Special Collections' Team cataloger Janet Pence. 110 titles, 146 vols. and 2 original inputs.

ACCESSIONS

Bob Platt donated another car load of political memorabilia in March. This included a number of posters in Russian collected during the six weeks he lived in Moscow in the early 1990s. A web site is being created for the Platt papers:

http://www3.baylor.edu/Library/BCPM/Platt/welcome.htm



Ben March, who works for Baylor development in Dallas, donated the papers of his father, Caso March, who ran for governor in the late 1940s, in March.

A web site is being created for these papers: http://www3.baylor.edu/Library/BCPM/March/

Caso March in 1950

THE STANDING COMMITTEE

A letter was mailed to over 60 former student workers in March inviting them to join THE STANDING COMMITTEE at the introductory student rate of \$25.00. Maycie did all the work of researching former student addresses and doing all the mailing.



JACK & COLLEEN HIGHTOWER RECEPTION AREA

We continue to make progress on furnishing this area. A presidential seal rug was added in March. We are talking to several vendors about barrister book cases and hope to add an additional chair in April.

BARRISTER CASE FOR HIGHTOWER BOOKS

AND IN OTHER NEWS

Darryl Stuhr is assisting us in setting up some digital equipment so one student can do several tasks at one time. We hope to be able to convert cassettes and videos to DVDs. One student will be able to operate this equipment and the wide-format scanner at the same time.

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