



Baylor Collections of Political Materials

JANUARY 2006

ACQUISITIONS. January was a big month for the arrival of additional materials.



Citizen's Arrest by H. C. Nash

A biography of Penn Jones, 1976. Rare

◆ **Penn Jones Jr** – Penn Jones III and his wife visited BCPM for the first time and brought several significant items to add to the materials of his father. Included were a WWII German helmet and dagger and an early autobiography of his father.

◆ **Bob Bullock** – Benna and I made a trip to Austin to pick up another van

load of Bob Bullock materials. This shipment included a number of framed editorial cartoons, over 80 gavels, dozens of books, and a rug from Bullock's capitol office.

◆ **Jack White** – This Fort Worth photographer whose photos are archived at UTA is also a devoted researcher of JFK assassination materials. He has started loaning us his materials to duplicate and is also willing to give us some items.

◆ **John Kelin** – This author in Boulder, CO, has written a book about early conspiracy research which includes a chapter on Penn Jones. He has offered to begin sending us materials which need to be archived.

◆ **Chris Pike** – This Penn Jones researcher, also in CO, sent us a number of books about JFK which we did not have.

◆ **Bob Platt** – Dr. Platt continues to deposit a variety of books and political materials. Another shipment is scheduled for pickup on February 1.

◆ **Chris Batey** – This Waco native stationed at Sheppard AFB in Wichita Falls has a few JFK materials which he would like to deposit with us. He hopes to visit on President's Day in February.

◆ **Jack Hightower** – The Judge came on MLK Day with his first installment of signed editions and a large glass-front bookcase, a gift from his daughter Amy.

TOUCHING HISTORY



◆ **Jim Dougherty** – This friend of Jack Hightower came with him and brought his rare collection of 1936 Texas Centennial materials. He is not only looking for a home for his materials but also for similar materials owned by a man in California.

The Blue Tape Project The Blue Tape project is just about ready to transform itself into the Glass Vault Project. We hope that work will begin in February. While we are not happy with the bids offered by Aramark, we do not have a lot of choices.

Paul Berry from Navikoff furniture manufacturers in Fort Worth visited us on Jan. 18th. He is putting together a price list for book shelving units for the Glass Vault. These units will be free-standing walnut cases with internal lighting and glass shelves.

STUDENT ARCHIVAL ASSISTANTS. We could not get as much done without our excellent team of student workers:

❄ **Chen Yao** has been assisting us with web page updating and training of new student workers.

❄ **Maycie Mayfield** completed a new exhibit about Caso March and will be working on a Hightower 80th birthday exhibit.

❄ **Julia Howard** is serving as an intern at Catholic Charities in Fort Worth and is only able to work one afternoon a week. She is training new workers on how to process the Platt materials and has also been retyping an autobiography of Penn Jones

❄ **Todd Pagitt** continues to head up our Hightower Papers project. Unfortunately, he is an intern with a local Waco marketing firm and can only work with us a few hours a week.

NEW WORKERS – THE TORCH IS PASSED

✧ **Grace Chiuri** is our newest graduate assistant. Although she is a native of Kenya, she most recently received a Master's in Linguistics from Ohio State. She is now a Ph.D. student in Educational Psychology here at Baylor.

✧ **Kristine Harveaux-Lundeen**, a sophomore from Minnesota, is proofing the Penn Jones finding aid.

✧ **Michael Anderson**, a freshman from Tyler and a former lifeguard and swimmer, is working on photocopying Penn Jones and Jack White materials.

✧ **Janna Dotschkal**, a freshman from Magnolia, TX, is proofing the Caso March finding aid and scanning Jack White materials.

✧ **Flor Hernandez**, a sophomore from El Paso, has been processing Jack Hightower materials with Todd.

JANUARY STATS from Special Collections' Team cataloger Janet Pence:

- ❄ Books: 91 titles 108 vol. 6 original input
- ❄ Audio CD: 6 title/vol videocassettes
- ❄ 1 periodical vol.

The Standing Committee. We are currently mailing out letters to committee members asking them to share names of individuals and companies with us who might be able to donate to the Glass Vault project.

Submitted by Ben Rogers
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