What is Special in Tsinghua University Library

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Main Library buildings
The first building

Year: in 1919;
Area: 2100 m²;
Seat: 240;
Holdings: 150,000 volumes;
Reading room: 2.
The New Tsing Hua Library (about to be built.)
The second building

Year: in 1931;
Area: 5600 m²;
Seat: over 500;
Holdings: 300,000 volumes.
Reading room: 5
The third building

Year: in 1991;
Area: over 2100 m²;
Seat: 2000;
Holdings: 3,000,000 volumes.
Reading room: 25
Ancient Collections

- Thread-bound ancient books:
  - 10th to 19th century;
  - More than 28,000 titles;
  - Over 230,000 items;
Ancient Collections

• Oracle bone script:
  – 14th to 11th century BC;
  – Nearly 2,000 pieces.
Ancient Collections

• Bronze wares:
  - 14th BC to 14th AD century;
  - 52 items hold ancient characters.
Ancient Collections

• Bronze mirrors:
  – 2nd BC to 19th AD century;
  – 19 pieces.
Ancient Collections

• Calligraphies and paintings

http://history.lib.tsinghua.edu.cn/treasure/index.htm
Contemporary Collections

• Collections related to Tsinghua University
  – Alumni works collection:
    • Outstanding alumni;
    • Members of the Chinese Academy of Sciences and Engineering;
    • General alumni.
Contemporary Collections

- Collections related to Tsinghua University
  - Manuscripts, archives and other materials of famous alumni.
• The manuscripts of Lin Hua, the translation of Andersen’s fairy tales from Danish to Chinese.
Dear sirs:
I am sending herewith a copy of "Logic cases and logic sources" I bought for the Library for the High School course in logic. I bought it directly from Mr. Sheffer who uses this at Harvard, as this could not be bought publicly through the Library. The price I paid for it is $1.65 gold.
Very sincerely yours,
Y. R. Chao
• The original oil paintings of mushrooms, as a part of Teng Shu Qun’s work.
Contemporary Collections

• Collections related to Tsinghua University
  – Books and serials on Tsinghua’s history, faculty and development.
Contemporary Collections

• Collections related to Tsinghua University
  – The dissertations and theses written by Tsinghua’s graduate students.
    • Theses written in 1920s to 1950s;
    • Dissertations written by graduate students from 1980s until now.
• The early thesis

THEESIS

ON

OLD CHINESE FICTION IN THE
LIGHT OF THE CRAFT OF WESTERN FICTION

The Leader of the People
Steinbeck

A Passion in the Desert
Balzac

The Devil and Daniel Webster
Benet

SELECTED SHORT STORIES
Contemporary Collections

• West language books on philosophy, science, and Marxism
  – Donated by Robert S. Cohen, over 23,000 items
  – Donated by Fubu Wennan, over 20,000 items
Contemporary Collections

• Chinese local documents:
  – Some are old, most are new;
  – From 20 provinces, over 2,400 titles;
  – On history, economic, culture, geography, personage.
Contemporary Collections

- Unique document collections:
  - Documents of the Yi nationality & the Zang nationality;
  - Documents written by women with special characters.
Contemporary Collections

• Materials on Defending the Diaoyu Islands Movement
  – From 51 donations; Over 12,000 items;
  – Books, journals, newspaper, articles, posters, pictures, microfilm, etc.
  – Interview audios or videos.
2005年9月29日，周本初教授向清华大学图书馆捐赠
“铁军，旋风”文献
Contemporary Collections

• The Cultural Revolution
  – Journals: from 29 provinces of China; 32000 volumes;
  – Newspapers: from 29 provinces of China; over 6000 titles and 60,000 items.
Some journals of the Cultural Revolution
Some newspapers of the Cultural Revolution
The organization of the department

Departments and Units

- Administration Office
- Cataloguing
- Reference
- Digital Projects
- Special Collections
- Arts Library
- Law Library
- Architecture Library
- Acquisitions
- Institute for History of Science and Technology & Ancient texts
- Circulation
- System Division
- Facility & Business Operations
- Medicine and Life Science Library
- Humanities & Social Sciences Library
- Economics and Management Library

University Librarian
# General Gift Reception

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Exhibitions of Special Collections

• in 2010
  – Manuscripts of outstanding alumni of Tsinghua;
  – Works with autograph of famous people
  – Robert S. Cohen library
  – Niels H. D. Bohr collection
  – Defending the Diaoyu Islands materials collection
The future
Thanks for your attention and help!
Any question?
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