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Long-lost history donated to Mansfield Library

For those interested in University of Montana history, a long-lost manuscript recently donated to the Maureen and Mike Mansfield Library is the equivalent of finding the Dead Sea Scrolls.

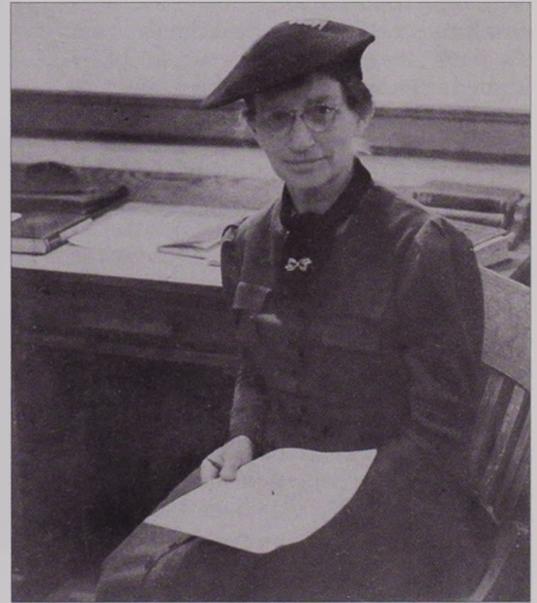
The never-published history, "Narrative of Montana State University, 1893-1935," is old enough to use the name UM was known by from 1935 to 1965. It was written by Mary Brennan Clapp, a longtime UM faculty member and wife of the University's longest-serving president, Charles Clapp, who led UM from 1921 to 1935 before dying in office at age 51.

"Researchers have been looking for this work for years," UM archivist Jodi

Allison-Bunnell said. "We knew it had been written, but we never knew what happened to it until recently."

The manuscript covers UM's beginnings and the terms of its first five presidents. Two copies of the work — each about 450 pages on onionskin paper — were supplied to UM by Clapp's descendants. Mary's handwritten notes are still legible in the margins, and one version is marked "corrected copy." Both are copies of an original manuscript that has disappeared.

John Hagens, Clapp's grandson and an economist living in West Chester, Penn., was the driving force behind re-



UM English Professor Mary Brennan Clapp in her office during the 1940s. (Photos for this story were provided by her grandson John Hagens.)

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Generous University friend, supporter dies at 93

Philanthropist Rosemary Gallagher, whose name graces UM's business building, died July 6 in her Missoula home. She was 93.

Gallagher and her husband, William, owned the prosperous Westmont Tractor business, the Caterpillar dealership for western Montana and eastern Idaho. The couple firmly believed in civic responsibility, and over the years they shared their success with many area charities, social programs and educational institutions.

UM's William and Rosemary Gallagher Building for the School of Business Administration, a \$15 million structure with 110,000 square feet that was completed in 1996, was named in their honor after they provided a \$1 million donation to jump-start its construction. Mr. Gallagher, who died in 1995, was a 1925 graduate of the business school.

The Gallaghers also provided a major donation to UM's 1993 Capital Campaign and started several scholarships for University students. The scholarships serve a wide variety of purposes — everything from helping College of Technology and business students to assisting scholars from Hobson, Mr. Gallagher's hometown.

"Rosemary and Bill Gallagher took a strong supporting but usually private role in virtually every beneficial organization in Missoula during the past 50 years," UM President George Dennison said.



Rosemary Gallagher

"They made contributions of their time, energy and resources because they cared, not for publicity. In fact, they rarely allowed publicity for their contributions. After Bill died, Rosemary carried on the tradition herself."

A Columbia Falls native, Mrs. Gallagher was the daughter of a banker and had business in her blood. After graduating from Columbia Falls High School in 1926, she attended the Northwestern Business College in Spokane, Wash. She then started work at the Caterpillar dealership in Pullman, Wash., and later transferred to the Missoula dealership. It was there she met her future husband, the company owner, and the Gallaghers married in 1952.

Dennison said, "Rosemary — as Bill — loved life, enjoyed it to the fullest and had a deep and abiding interest in people. Always feisty and deeply committed in terms of her values, Rosemary invested much of her energy and resources to assist young people. The Gallaghers, as a couple, exemplified the meaning of abiding the 'habits of the heart' to create a decent society. With Rosemary's passing, we have reached the end of an era in Missoula and Montana."

Beyond UM, the Gallaghers made substantial gifts to Community Medical Center, the United Way, Missoula schools and local youth organizations. Their charitable largess will continue with the establishment of the Gallagher Western Montana Charitable Foundation Inc. 🐾

Lost History — continued

turning the history to UM. Interested in genealogy and researching his family history, he came across the manuscript last January while visiting his mother (Clapp's daughter), Lucie Hagens, in Los Angeles.

"There were two manuscripts that surfaced," he said. "They had been in my mother's and aunt's (Peggy Smurr of Turlock, Calif.) closets for close to 40 years. It was very interesting to me: A lot of the University's problems back then weren't dissimilar from the ones today, and there was a lot to be learned. Returning this to the University seemed like the right thing to do."

So Hagens, who worked in the Carter White House during the late 1970s, e-mailed UM President George Dennison about donating the work, and the University's current president, himself a historian, encouraged Hagens to contact the campus library. The rest is, as they say, history.

"There are a lot of people mentioned in the manuscript," Hagens said. "I'm sure there are a lot of people who worked at the University or attended the University who would like to know more about their roots. Hopefully the University will publish it sometime in the future."

He said his grandmother was an interesting woman. Mary Clapp grew up in the prairie town of Devils Lake, N.D., and earned a master's degree from the University of North Dakota in Grand Forks, where she taught in the English department. She moved west to Missoula in 1921 when her husband became UM president.

President Clapp helped guide UM through the lean Depression years — at one point taking a 20 percent pay cut along with the faculty even after his own budget committee suggested he not be subjected to it. But his untimely death in 1935 — in those days there was no pension — left his wife alone with eight children. So she moved from the president's house into a home on Eddy Street and went back to work, joining UM's English faculty until the mid-1950s.

Clapp worked on her campus history for more than a decade after UM President James McCain (1945-50) asked her to prepare it. But, according to Allison-Bunnell, when Clapp finished the history around 1961, she was told there was no money available to print it, and the work still was unpublished when she died in 1966. Her manuscript was largely forgotten after another work, "The University of Montana: A History" by H.G. Merriam, was published in 1969, but that book deals with the years Clapp concentrated on, 1893-1935, in a much more brief fashion.

Hagens said his grandmother was a fine writer. She published a book of original poetry, "And Then Remold It," in 1929, which was reprinted as part of an expanded work titled "Collected Verse" in 1951. A Montana poetry contest also was named in her honor.



(Above) A picture of Mary Brennan Clapp taken in 1960. (At right) Clapp on the steps of the University library during the 1940s.

and she was a founding member of the Montana Institute of Arts, which encouraged writers and brought in prominent speakers. Clapp certainly wasn't afraid of using language with a certain flair in her history.

For example, the work is dedicated "To the Treasure State, whose greatest treasure is its young people, for whom the University was chartered." When describing the Missoula the first UM president encountered in 1895, she wrote, "It has pretty good board walks — though their square nails are slightly sprung in places and often catch on the finishing braid of the long skirts of the ladies." A passage about the land chosen for the University says, "In winter it was the playground for Hellgate blizzards."

The history is rife with interesting tidbits. She writes how the home of Judge Hiram Knowles was remembered for its beautiful parties and was said to have had Mark Twain as a guest. She mentions how the first UM students only had to be 14 years old and that the average weight for players on the first football team was only 151 pounds. A tale is told about how on April 29, 1907, in the middle of the night, "marauders" bound a security guard and stole the hands from the Main Hall clock. The hands were later "brought back in a wagon by a driver who gave no name and waited for no thanks."

Clapp also didn't shy away from controversy. She writes how the first president,

Oscar Craig (1895-1908), didn't get along with Professor Morton J. Elrod, the founder of the Flathead Lake Biological Station, and didn't recommend him for re-employment. Craig's successor, Clyde Duniway (1908-12), later decided the dismissal was "cold blooded and even scandalous" and rehired Elrod, who is known as a beloved professor and one of the most prominent figures in UM's history. Clapp writes that Duniway himself was fired later by the state Board of Education, probably because of a flap over the hiring of law school faculty.

She also devotes a large section to economics Professor Louis Levine, who was sus-



pending by the state education chancellor in 1919 for publishing a study that concluded the mining industry wasn't paying its fair share of taxes. His academic freedom trampled upon, Levine was later reinstated with back pay after an investigation.

Of course the most-detailed section of Clapp's history is devoted to her husband's years as president. She tells how, because of deep-rooted antagonisms that had developed at UM, her husband delayed his inauguration for a year, in case he couldn't develop some sort of harmony among the faculty, administration and various departments. He didn't want to "spend the best years of his life on a grumbling volcano." As he wound up staying at the University until his death 14 years later, a collaborative working environment must have been achieved.

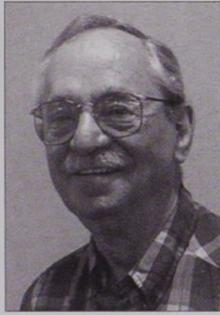
Clapp's history, "Narrative of Montana State University, 1893-1935" is available to the public at the Mansfield Library in the K. Ross Toole Archives. Books written by Clapp also are available. 📖



Bear Briefs

Diamond for Disabilities—Ed

Milburn, an employee of UM's Disability Services for Students, has won a 2002 Experience Works Outstanding Older Worker Award. The awards honor leading older employees from each of the 50 states, Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia who have demonstrated commitment to duties and service to community. Milburn, 76, was nominated for the award by his department, where he converts hard copies of printed materials into electronic texts for the visually impaired. He will travel to Washington, D.C., in September to take part in a weeklong series of events that include Capitol Hill visits, congressional hearings and an awards ceremony. Experience Works, established in 1965 as Green Thumb and renamed in 2002, is a national nonprofit organization that provides training and services for mature workers.



Milburn

Honorary Degree—Pat Williams,

a senior fellow at UM's O'Connor Center for the Rocky Mountain West, recently received an honorary doctorate of public service from Rocky Mountain College in Billings. Williams served nine terms in the U.S. House of Representatives from 1979 to 1997. He was elected to more consecutive terms in the House than any other Montanan. During his time in Congress, he was appointed deputy whip and chaired several committees. RMC Academic Vice President Susan McDaniel said Williams was presented with the doctorate for his "passionate advocacy and lifelong service to his fellow citizens." Williams has taught at UM since retiring from Congress, working at the O'Connor center, a regional studies and public-policy center that helps people in the region better understand their past and present and explore aspirations for the future.



Williams

Winning Recipe—University Dining

Services concocted a first-place recipe for the recent nationwide Cuisine Creator's Vegan Vegetarian Recipe Contest. Certified Executive Chef Tom Siegel and Registered Dietitian Kelly Richards won for a recipe titled "Northwest Potato Roulade With Butternut-Carrot Sauce." The duo work closely together during the academic year to provide campus with a wide variety of vegan and vegetarian options in UM

restaurants. They will be recognized for their achievement during the coming 2002 National Association of University and Food Services meeting in Orlando, Fla.

Setting the Standard—UM English

Professor Beverly Ann Chin has been appointed to serve on the Adolescence and Young Adulthood/English Language Arts Standards Committee for the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards. The committee updates and revises the standards that serve as the basis for NBPTS certification of accomplished English language arts teachers of students ages 14 to 18-plus. Chin will serve as a resource person and liaison between the standards committee and the board. Chin, who directs UM's English Teaching Program and the Montana Writing Project, has been at the University since 1981. She is past president of the National Council of Teachers of English and has served on the NBPTS board of directors since 1995. NBPTS, in addition to establishing teaching standards, offers a forum for teachers to demonstrate knowledge and skills through a series of performance-based assessments.



Chin

Good Grade Grizzlies—The high

standards set by University student-athletes on the field also were evident in UM classrooms during spring semester 2002. UM student-athletes maintained a cumulative grade-point average of 2.91, topping the 2.85 cumulative GPA earned by UM's total undergraduate population during the semester. Nearly half of the athletes received a 3.0 GPA or higher. Thirty-two of UM's 255 student-athletes made the Dean's List, which requires at least a 3.5 GPA, and 19 had perfect 4.0s. The women's tennis team received the highest GPA with a 3.44 average.

Teaching Teachers—Fourteen

teachers completed the Montana Writing Project's 2002 Summer Institute, held recently at UM. The institute is an intensive four-week program designed for educators committed to improving writing instruction in all subject areas and at all levels of education. Participants who complete the project become teacher-consultants of writing who can develop curricula and conduct

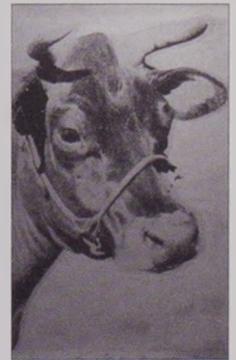
in-service activities that promote improved teaching and assessment of writing in their schools and districts. The Montana Writing Project, which began at UM in 1978, has trained nearly 500 teacher-consultants from across the state.

Marketing Montana—The Mon-

tana World Trade Center is moving forward with an innovative new test-marketing program to place regional art, food, outdoor, sports and home-furnishing products into the Irish market. Based at UM, the center is recruiting manufacturing companies from throughout the Rocky Mountain region to participate. Funded in part by the U.S. Department of Commerce, the test-market program is designed to secure placement of Rocky Mountain products in appropriate retail settings in Ireland. The program will extend to Taiwan in 2003. To learn more, call Brigitta Miranda-Freer at (406) 243-6982 or e-mail brigitta@mwtc.org.

Warhol at UM—Among the many

treasures in UM's permanent art collection is an Andy Warhol print autographed by the artist and dedicated to UM President George Dennison. The print, from Warhol's famous "Cow Wallpaper" series, features a brown Jersey cow on a blue background. The legendary pop artist signed the print "To George Dennison, Andy." Warhol actually gave two identical prints to Dennison, who hung one in his home and donated the other to UM in 1991. The Warhol print, along with other gems, is on display at UM's Montana Museum of Art and Culture in an exhibition titled "Contemporary Prints from the Permanent Collection: the 1970s." The show runs through July 31 in the Paxson Gallery, located in the Performing Arts and Radio/Television Center. Gallery hours are 1 to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, and admission is free.



Warhol print

Library Friends—Friends of the

Mansfield Library board members and officers for 2002-03 are Abe Abramson; Libby Brown, secretary; Joyce Brusin, president; Clancy Cone; Gloria Curdy; Richard Dailey; Nancy Fritz; Don Gisselbeck; Donna Koch; Douglas Koch, vice president; Howard Reinhardt; Judi Rivers; Jerry Sandy; Mary Staninger; and Kathleen Spritzer. Friends of the Mansfield Library is an advocate group that works to maintain and improve UM's library holdings, encourages gifts to the library, provides temporary library staffing and promotes the Mansfield Library whenever possible. 🐻

UM wins contract to draft Panama's mining legislation

UM will direct a multinational team of legal experts in a project to reform mining laws and regulations for the government of Panama. UM won the \$350,000 contract in a competitive bid awarded by the Inter-American Development Bank, an international government organization that funds development activities in Latin America and the Caribbean.

The project will be supervised by UM legal counsel and law school adjunct faculty member David Aronofsky, along with UM law school alumnus and local attorney Phil McCreehy. Other members of the team will include legal experts from Montana and across the United States, as well as from Canada, Chile and Panama. Legal counsel from one of Montana's American Indian tribal governments also is expected to participate.

The project requires preparation of draft legislation and regulations to modernize Panama's current mining law regime by January 2003.

"Panama has some of the world's largest quantities of precious metal resources, but they are located on and near Panamanian indigenous peoples' lands, as well as environmentally fragile national forests," said Aronofsky, who teaches international law and advanced legislation at UM and is fluent in Spanish. "Panama's constitution, like Montana's, guarantees its citizens a clean and healthful environment.

"This poses some unique challenges for our international team of experts to develop a legal framework that permits mining while protecting important Panamanian and native peoples' cultural and ecological interests."

After this work is completed, a larger second phase requiring extensive surveys of relevant geographic sites is expected to be funded by the IADB. Montana private-sector companies will have the opportunity to bid on this work.

The project evolved from a Montana-Panama partnership initiated nearly two

years ago by the Montana World Trade Center based at UM. The MWTC obtained a grant from the U.S. Trade Development Administration to fund Montana visits for mining-sector officials of the Panamanian Ministry of Industry and Commerce. The center also has worked to develop other partnership opportunities with Panama.

MWTC Director Arnie Sherman said, "Panama is a good place for Montanans to participate in the country's economic development because it has a well-educated, hard-working labor force, excellent infrastructure and outstanding relations with the United States."

UM was invited to bid for the project by an IADB official familiar with Montana's experience in mining, environmental and Indian law issues. U.S. Sen. Max Baucus later helped the University obtain the project after being assured of the Panamanian government's commitment to environmental and native peoples' protection in any initiative to reform mineral law. 🐾

UM Homecoming parade entry applications available—"Call of the Wild." Call (406) 243-5211 for more information or an application. \$15 entry fee. Application deadline is 2 p.m., Fri., Sept. 20. Homecoming parade is 10 a.m., Sat., Sept. 21.

Art exhibit—July 22-31 "Mythical Visions of the Western Landscape," new works by Monte Dolack, 1-5 p.m., Mon.-Fri., Henry Meloy Gallery, Performing Arts and Radio/Television Center. Free.

Nature Discovery Day Camp—July 22-26, "Nature Detectives." \$130/Nature Center members, \$160/non-members. Call The Nature Center, (406) 327-0405, for registration information.

Lecture—July 25 "Women and Minorities in the Sciences," Janne Cannon, University of North Carolina, 3:30-4:30 p.m., Skaggs Building 114. Call (406) 243-4848 for more information. Free.

Outdoor Skills Class—July 26 "Paddle Days," single-day kayaking field class, 3 p.m. Meet at the Outdoor Program Office, Fitness and Recreation Center. \$10 includes instruction, but not boating gear and transportation. Call (406) 243-5172 to register.

Robin Selvig's Lady Griz Cage Camp—July 29-Aug. 1, 9 a.m.-noon, grades K-4, 1-4 p.m., grades 5-6; 5:30-8:30 p.m., grades 7-11. \$75 includes camp activities, no meals or lodging. \$25 deposit required. Call (406) 243-5334 for registration information.

UM Calendar

Nature Discovery Day Camp—July 29-Aug. 2, "Tracks and Traces." \$130/Nature Center members, \$160/non-members. Call (406) 327-0405 to register.

Summer Science Discovery Classes—July 30-Aug. 1 "Frog Field Camp," Tues. 9 a.m.-3 p.m. and Wed. 9 a.m.-3 p.m. \$120/non-members, \$90/members. Ages 5-8. Call The Nature Center at (406) 327-0405 to register.

Summer Science Discovery Classes—Aug. 5-8, "Forensics," 1-2:30 p.m., taught by UM's Garry Kerr. \$80/non-members, \$60/members. For ages 10-15. Call The Nature Center at (406) 327-0405 to register.

Outdoor Skills Class—Aug. 8, "Intro to Snow Climbing and Glacier Travel on Mount Baker," pre-trip meeting, 6 p.m., Outdoor Program Office, Fitness and Recreation Center. Trip runs Aug. 15-19. \$250 includes instruction, equipment and transportation. Call (406) 243-5172 to register.

American Red Cross blood drive—Aug. 8, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., University Center 330-331. Call (406) 543-6695 or 327-2029 to schedule a donation appointment.

Missoula Gun and Antique Show—Aug 9-11, Adams Center. Contact Hayes Otoupalik for more information. (406) 549-4817

Lecture/discussion—Aug. 16, "Sir John Falstaff: A Study in Conflict," Michael Sexson, Montana State University-Bozeman professor, 5:30 p.m., Missoula Children's Theatre. In celebration of Montana Shakespeare in the Parks 30th anniversary season. Free and open to the public.

Elderhostel program—Aug. 18-24 "Following the Trail of Lewis and Clark: A Natural History Discovery Journey." \$694/non-residents, \$165/commuters. Call The Nature Center at (406) 327-0405 to register.

Women's soccer—Aug. 23, exhibition game, Montana vs. Rocky Mountain College, 5 p.m., South Campus Soccer Field.

Montana Shakespeare in the Parks—Aug. 26 "Henry IV, Part One," 6 p.m., UM's Oval (University Theatre if inclement weather). Bring your own lawn chair or blanket and a picnic. Call (406) 243-6666 for more information. Free. Also, "Comedy of Errors," 6 p.m., Aug. 27.

UM Fall Orientation and registration—Aug. 28-30, For more information call (406) 243-6266 or visit www.umt.edu/nss/orientation/

Holiday—Sept. 2, Labor Day. UM offices closed

UM fall instruction begins—Sept. 3
State of the University Address—Sept. 3, 3:30 p.m., Montana Theatre, Performing Arts and Radio/Television Center

(A complete listing of UM events is online at www.umt.edu/urelations/calendar/)



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