

There is no substitute for general, unrestricted institutional support. Slavens hints that Union librarians have subsequently experienced difficulty handling numerous special collections encumbered with names and conditions (p.337), but the collections would clearly not be the fine resources they are today without the support of both the donors and the parent institution. The critical role of the faculty in building a fine collection for teaching

and research is also emphasized throughout this work. They actively recommended particular acquisitions (although this is too often asserted without documentation), promoted theological bibliography, and donated their own working collections. Their partnership with Union's librarians is worthy of emulation.—*Jonathan LeBreton, Albin O. Kuhn Library & Gallery, University of Maryland, Baltimore County, Catonsville.*

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