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## Finding Aid for the Southern California Chapter of the Antiquarian Booksellers Association of America Records, 1949-1982

### Collection number: 149

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#### Descriptive Summary

**Title:** Southern California Chapter of the Antiquarian Booksellers Association of America Records,

**Date (inclusive):** 1949-1982

**Collection number:** 149

**Creator:** Antiquarian Booksellers Association of America. Southern California Chapter

**Extent:** 17 boxes (8.5 linear ft.)2 oversize boxes

**Repository:** University of California, Los Angeles. Library. Department of Special Collections.

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**Abstract:** The Antiquarian Booksellers Association of America was founded in 1949 to encourage interest in rare books and manuscripts and to maintain the highest standards in the antiquarian book trade. The collection consists of the Southern California Chapter files of the Antiquarian Booksellers Association of America (1949-80), directories, newsletters, bylaws, programs and posters.

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**Language:** English

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- Gift of Philip S. Brown, 1952.
- Gift of Glen Dawson, 1982.
- Gift of George Allen, 1982.

### **Preferred Citation**

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### **History**

The Antiquarian Booksellers Association of America was founded in 1949 to encourage interest in rare books and manuscripts and to maintain the highest standards in the antiquarian book trade; it promotes exhibitions of books and related materials, and lectures on subjects of interest to book collectors; members engage in the sale, purchase, and appraisal of antiquarian books and manuscripts. The Southern California chapter encompasses the area from Santa Barbara to San Diego.

### **Scope and Content**

Collection consists of Southern California Chapter files of the Antiquarian Booksellers Association of America (1949-80), directories, newsletters, bylaws, programs, posters, as well as some material on the national and international organizations.

### **Organization and Arrangement**

Arranged in the following series:

1. Southern California chapter files, 1949-80 (Boxes 1-7).
2. Treasurer's reports, 1952-70 (Box 8).
3. History, reminiscences, miscellaneous papers (Box 9).
4. Glen Dawson's files (Box 10).
5. Ephemera, book fair programs, bylaws (Box 11).
6. ABAA national (Box 12).
7. International League of Antiquarian Booksellers (ILAB) (Box 13).
8. ABA England (Box 14).
9. ABAA directories, membership (Box 15).
10. Publications (Box 16).
11. Alphabooks, catalogs, correspondence (Box 17).
12. Mr. Pickwick figure (Box 18).
13. California book fair posters (Box 19).

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**Indexing Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.

Antiquarian Booksellers of America--Southern California Chapter--Archives.

Booksellers and bookselling--California, Southern--Archival resources.

Antiquarian Booksellers Association of America, Southern California Chapter

- Box 1           **Files, v.d.**  
                  **1949-1953.**  
  
                  **Physical Description:** 15 folders.
- Box 2           **1954-1965.**  
  
                  **Physical Description:** 24 folders.
- Box 3           **1965-1967.**  
  
                  **Physical Description:** 19 folders.
- Box 4           **1967.**  
  
                  **Physical Description:** 16 folders.
- Box 5           **1968-1973.**  
  
                  **Physical Description:** 32 folders.
- Box 6           **1973-1974.**  
  
                  **Physical Description:** 12 folders.
- Box 7           **1976-1980.**  
  
                  **Physical Description:** 12 folders.
- Box 8           **Treasurer's reports, 1952-1970.**  
  
                  **Physical Description:** 5 folders.
- Box 9           **History, reminiscences, miscellaneous papers.**  
  
                  **Physical Description:** 10 folders.  
  
                  **Scope and Content Note**  
  
                  Including directories, secretarial files, photographs.
- Box 10          **Glen Dawson's files.**  
  
                  **Physical Description:** 4 folders.
- Box 11          **Ephemera, book fair programs, bylaws, unsorted files, ca. 1969-1973.**  
  
                  **Physical Description:** 8 folders.
- Box 12          **Antiquarian Booksellers Association of America, National, including files, ca. 1969-1978. Bylaws, miscellaneous, directories.**  
  
                  **Physical Description:** 8 folders.
- Box 13          **International League of Antiquarian Booksellers (ILAB), including correspondence, ca. 1949-1976 and Newsletter, ca. 1959-1977.**  
  
                  **Physical Description:** 7 folders.

Box 14      **Antiquarian Bookseller's Association, England, ca. 1966-1976.**

**Physical Description:** 3 folders.

Box 14      **Antiquarian Booksellers Center, New York, ca. 1973-1975.**

**Physical Description:** 2 folders.

**California Book Fair Posters, ca. 1961-1982**

**Note**

(Manager of Fair: Harry Levinson)

- Box 19            **1961, November 11-13 (1st California). Los Angeles: Ambassador Hotel.**
- Box 19            **1962, October 5-7 (2nd California). San Francisco: Hotel St. Francis.**
- Box 19            **1963, October 30-November 1 (3rd California). Los Angeles: Ambassador Hotel.**
- Box 19            **1964, October 15-17 (4th California). San Francisco: Sheraton-Palace Hotel.**
- Box 19            **1965, November 11-13 (5th California). Los Angeles: Ambassador Hotel.**
- Box 19            **1966, October 27-29 (6th California). San Francisco: Sheraton Palace Hotel.**
- Box 19            **1970, October 15-17 (7th California). Los Angeles: Ambassador Hotel.**
- Box 19            **1972, September 21-23 (8th California). San Francisco: St. Francis Hotel.**
- Box 19            **1974, October 3-5 (9th California). Los Angeles: Ambassador Hotel.**
- Box 19            **1976, September 16-18 (10th California). San Francisco: Fairmont Hotel.**
- Box 19            **1978, February 2-4 (11th California). Los Angeles: Ambassador Hotel.**
- Box 19            **1980, February 7-9 (13th California). Los Angeles: Ambassador Hotel.**
- Box 19            **1981, January 29-February 1 (14th California). San Francisco: The Showplace.**
- Box 19            **1982, February 18-20 (15th California). Los Angeles: Ambassador Hotel.**
- Box 19            **1967, September 21-23 (2nd International). Los Angeles: Ambassador Hotel.**

**UCLA Book Fair Posters**

Box 19            **1977, October 23. Los Angeles: 2nd Floor Lounge, Ackerman Student Union.**  
Box 19            **1979, October 27-28. Los Angeles: Grand Ballroom, Ackerman Student Union.**  
Box 19            **1981, October 24-25. Los Angeles: Grand Ballroom, Ackerman Student Union.**

**Additions**

- Box 15      **Antiquarian Booksellers Association of America Regional. Directories.**  
**Physical Description:** 1 folder. 22 items.  
**Scope and Content Note**  
Includes Middle Atlantic, Northern/Southern California, Midwest.
- Box 15      **Antiquarian Booksellers Association of America National. Membership lists.**  
**Physical Description:** 1 folder. 8 items.  
**Scope and Content Note**  
1967, 1968, 1972, 1974, 1977, 1979 membership lists, and Catalogue of the Library of Antiquarian Booksellers Association of America.
- Box 15      **Antiquarian Booksellers Association of America - Other Countries.**  
**Physical Description:** 1 folder. 20 items.  
**Scope and Content Note**  
Directories and membership lists for England, France, Germany, Japan, 1960-1969.
- Box 15      **Book Fair Programs, 1967-1980.**  
**Physical Description:** 1 folder. 7 items.
- Box 15      **International League of Antiquarian Booksellers (ILAB).**  
**Physical Description:** 1 folder. 4 items.  
**Scope and Content Note**  
Import/export regulations, rules, directory, programs.
- Box 15      **Antiquarian Bookseller's Association (International).**  
**Physical Description:** 1 folder. 5 items.  
**Scope and Content Note**  
Objects and rules (1956), list of members - 1967, 1970, 1972, 1974.
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**Publications**

- Box 16      ***Directory of Western Book Publishing and Related Supplies and Services. Los Angeles, Southern California Bookbuilders, c. 1973.***  
**Physical Description:** 35pp.
- Box 16      ***Syndicat de la Librairie Ancienne et Moderne. Liste Officielle des Membres. Paris, Hotel du Cercle de la Librairie, 1964.***  
**Physical Description:** 112pp.
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| Box 16 | <p><i>Book Dealers in North America. A Directory of Dealers in Secondhand and Antiquarian Books in Canada and the United States of America. 1968-1970</i> . London: Sheppard Press, c. 1968</p> <p>Physical Description: 197pp.</p> |
| Box 16 | <p><i>A Directory of Dealers in Secondhand and Antiquarian Books in the British Isles, 1960-1962.</i> London: Sheppard Press, c. 1961.</p> <p>Physical Description: 224pp.</p>  |
| Box 16 | <p><i>A Directory of Dealers in Secondhand and Antiquarian Books in the British Isles, 1972-1974.</i> London: Sheppard Press, c. 1972.</p> <p>Physical Description: 269pp.</p>  |
| Box 16 | <p><i>European Bookdealers. A Directory of Dealers in Secondhand and Antiquarian Books on the continent of Europe.</i> London: Sheppard Press, c. 1967.</p> <p>Physical Description: 197pp.</p>                                     |
| Box 16 | <p><i>European Bookdealers. A Directory of Dealers in Secondhand and Antiquarian Books on the continent of Europe. 1964-1966.</i> c. 1965.</p> <p>Physical Description: 200pp.</p>  |
| Box 16 | <p><i>European Bookdealers. A Directory of Dealers in Secondhand and Antiquarian Books on the continent of Europe. 1969-1971.</i> With supplement, c. 1969.</p> <p>Physical Description: 264pp.</p>                                 |
| Box 16 | <p><i>European Bookdealers. A Directory of Dealers in Secondhand and Antiquarian Books on the continent of Europe. 1973-1975.</i> c. 1973.</p> <p>Physical Description: 290pp.</p>  |
| Box 16 | <p><i>1971 Annual Directory of Booksellers in the British Isles Specialising in Antiquarian and Out-of-Print Books.</i> London: Clique Limited, c. 1971.</p> <p>Physical Description: 128pp.</p>                                    |
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Additions, January 1986

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| Box 17, Folder 1 | <p><b>Alphabooks. 18046 Ventura Blvd., Encino</b><br/><b>Business card.</b></p> <p>Physical Description: 1 item.</p>  |
| Box 17, Folder 2 | <p><b>Dawson's Book Shop. 627 Grand Ave., Los Angeles</b><br/><b>Catalogue no.227. One Hundred and One Rare Books. 1948.</b></p> <p>Physical Description: 1 item.</p> |
| Box 17, Folder 3 | <p><b>Milton Hammer Rare Books. 819 Anacapa St., Santa Barbara</b><br/><b>Catalog no.1, 1971. Literature.</b></p> <p>Physical Description: 1 item.</p>                |
| Box 17, Folder 3 | <p><b>Catalog no.5. Americana.</b></p> <p>Physical Description: 1 item.</p>   |
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**Additions**

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Box 17, Folder 3

**Notecard.**

**Physical Description:** 1 item.

Box 17, Folder 3

**Photographs.**

**Physical Description:** 3 items.

Box 17, Folder 4

**Doris Harris Autographs. 1300 S. Beacon St., San Pedro; 5410 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles  
Catalog no.1, August 1956.**

**Scope and Content Note**

Front cover only.

Box 17, Folder 4

**Catalog no.26, 1981.**

**Physical Description:** 1 item.

Box 17, Folder 4

**Letter to Muir Dawson. Los Angeles, September 11, 1981.**

**Physical Description:** 1 item.

Box 17, Folder 5

**Needham Book Finders. 2317 Westwood Blvd., Los Angeles  
Letter to Muir Dawson from Stanley Kurman. Los Angeles, September 24, 1981.**

**Physical Description:** 1 item. With photograph enclosed.

Box 17, Folder 6

**Maurice F. Neville Rare Books. 835 South Laguna St., Santa Barbara  
Catalog no.1, n.d.**

**Physical Description:** 1 item.

Box 17, Folder 6

**Notecards.**

**Physical Description:** 2 items.

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**Pickwick Book Shop. Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood.**

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**3-dimensional representation of Mr. Pickwick, trademark of the Pickwick Bookshop.**

**Physical Description:** Approximately 46 x; 45 cm. Metal figure, painted. Depth: 7 cm.

**Note**

Gift of Louis Epstein, 1985.