Sterling Memorial Library

Ivy Covered in 1954
Library Buildings 1963-2006

1963    Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library
1964    Art and Architecture Library
1965    Kline Science Library
1970    Cross Campus Library
1982    Seeley Mudd Library
1998    Irving S. Gilmore Music Library
1998    Library Shelving Facility
1995-1998 Sterling Memorial Library Renovations, Phase 1
2006-   SML and CCL Renovations, Phase 2a
Harry Harrison, Head of Circulation — First Boss and Mentor, 1965-1978
Louis L. Martz, Sterling Professor of English
Yale Faculty Member 1938-2001
Chairman of the English Dept 1956-1962, 1964-1965
Director of Beinecke Library 1972-1978
Acting Master of Saybrook College 1978-1979
Acting Director, Yale Center for British Art 1981

Louis Martz, his predecessor in Beinecke Fritz Liebert, and his wife Edwine Montague Martz were all students of Yale English professor Chauncey Brewster Tinker, who was Keeper of the Rare Books in Sterling Memorial Library when the library opened in 1930.
Reserve Book Room in 1956 (with original lighting)

Reserve Book Room in 1963 (with fluorescent lighting)

Linonia & Brothers in 1956 (note parquet floor, painted lamp shades, ash trays, and all-male readers)

Linonia & Brothers in 1963 (many features of this room remain unchanged, even today)
Many shall run to and fro and knowledge shall be increased.
1967 Stack Directory listing only two LC classes (D and Q). May 1968 YUL collection size = 5,318,971.
February 3, 1969

Miss F. Bernice Field  
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138B Sterling Memorial Library

Dear Bernice:

This is just a note to say how greatly I admire your memorandum on "Reclassification of the Yale University Library to Library of Congress Classification." This is a superb account, which ought to settle anybody's doubts about the wisdom of going ahead with this program. We are all deeply indebted to you for such a careful and exact and convincing presentation of the problems and of the possibilities for this reclassification.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely

Louis L. Martz

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SML Stacks 3 and 3M in 1967 (Diagrams by Fred Martz)
The Staff Association of Yale University Library

Spring Garden Party

Sterling Memorial Library Courtyard

Friday June 3, 4:30 pm. Sterling Nave in case of rain

Spring 1977