# Doing Accounting History Research in the AICPA Library at the University of Mississippi

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#### Outline

- I. The AICPA Library Collection at the University of Mississippi—A 20-Year Partnership.
- II. Quick Overview of the collections
- III. What's new and what's coming.

### The AICPA Library at the University of Mississippi

- In August 2001 the University of Mississippi acquired the AICPA Library (which was started in 1918 to serve the membership of the AIA). The collection consisted of books, journals, and pamphlets. (twelve semi-trucks of material)
- 32,177 book and journal titles, plus 35,717 pamphlets were cataloged.
- The AICPA retained a small "Library of Record" containing two copies of every book the Institute had published and in-house documents and reports.
- In August, 2014, the Library of Record was transferred to the University of Mississippi Libraries. (354 boxes)

# Accessing the AICPA Collections at the U. of Mississippi – Paper - Books and Journals

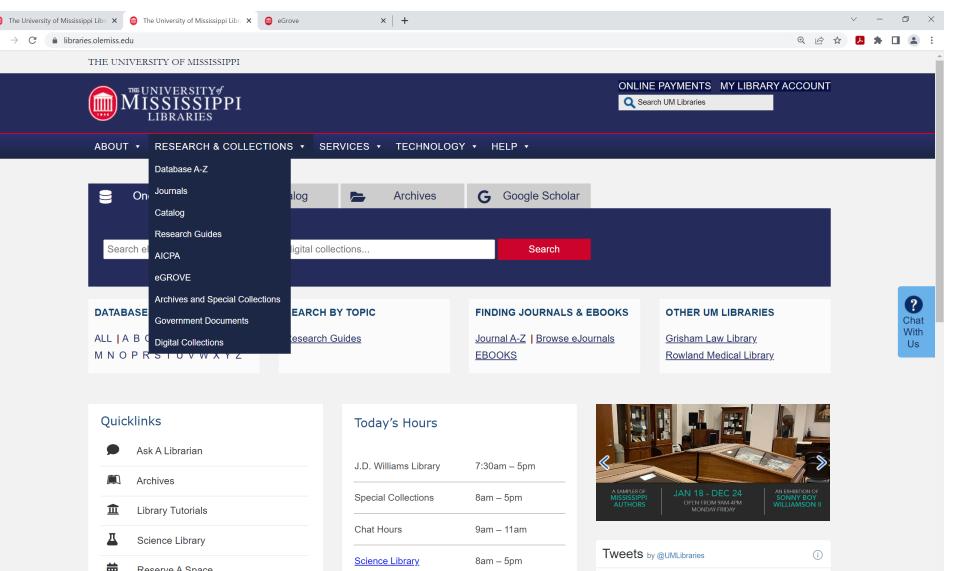
 The Books and Journals (32,122 titles, 64,045 items, and 5,640 journal volumes) are integrated in the general collection and accessed through the on-line catalog:

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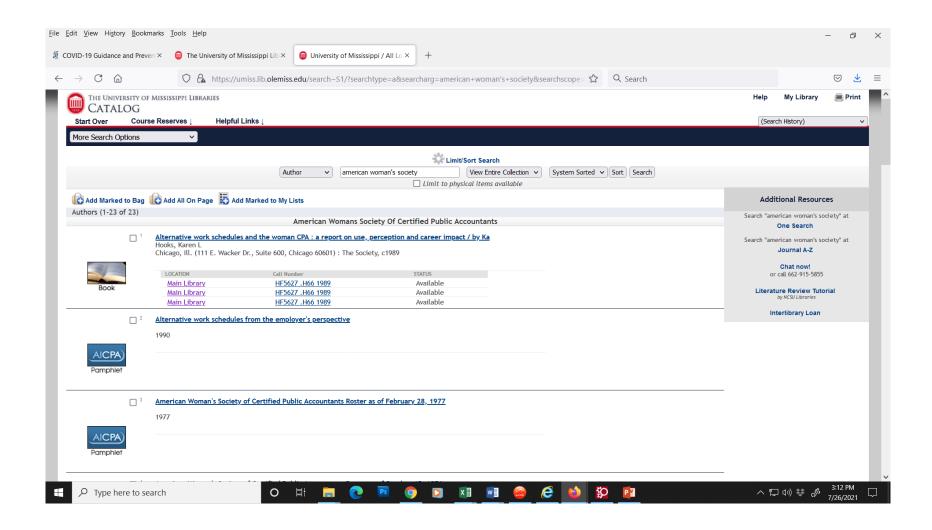
### Accessing the AICPA Collections at the U. of Mississippi – Paper - Pamphlets

- Pamphlets, which include small, fragile items, clippings from early journals and trade magazines, state and federal documents, transcripts of speeches, court cases, and brochures (35,717 items), bibliographic records are now also in our online catalog
- https://libraries.olemiss.edu/

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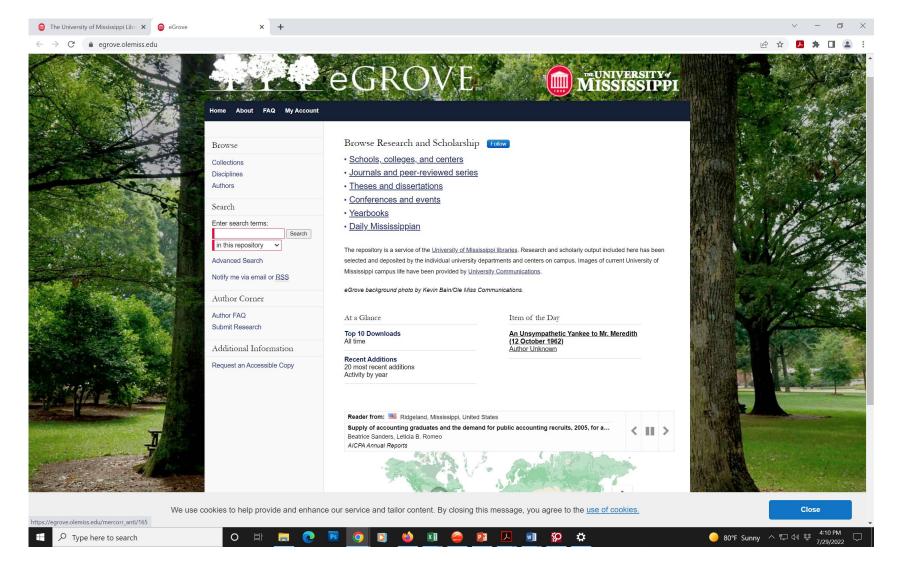
#### **On-line Catalog Search**



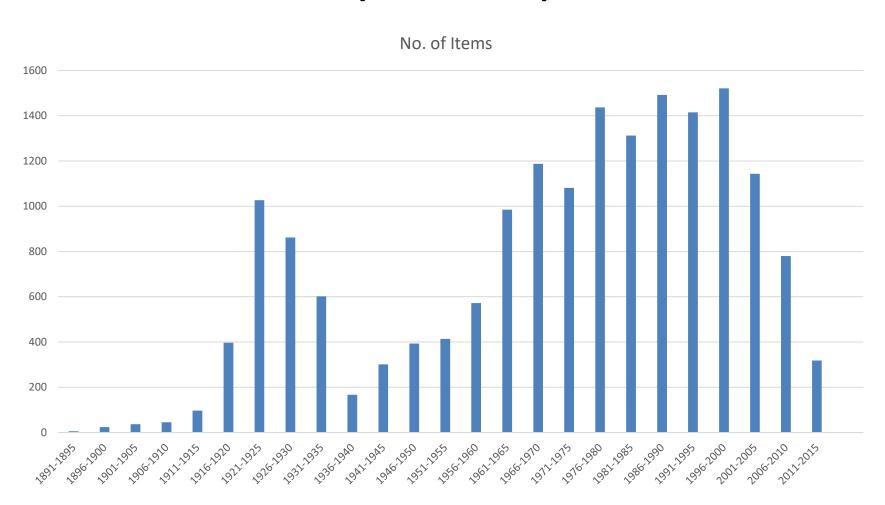
#### **Digital Collections**

- In 2014, the AICPA gave permission to digitize their copyrighted materials that were ten years or older.
- In 2019 the University of Mississippi migrated all of their freely accessible digital materials to a new platform: eGrove <a href="https://egrove.olemiss.edu/">https://egrove.olemiss.edu/</a>
- There are now over 19,000 digital objects in the Digital Accounting Collection and there have been 809,504 downloads to date.

### eGrove Home page https://egrove.olemiss.edu/



### Number of Digital Items by Publication Date by 5-Year period



#### **Digital Collections**

- AICPA Historical Collection (8,890 records) Historical standards and periodicals published by the Institute
- American Academy of Accounting Historians (1,899 records) Accounting Historians Journal and the Accounting Historians Notebook pre-2015
- **Deloitte Collection (**3,267 records) -- A history of Deloitte and its predecessor firms through its documents (pre- 1988).
- AICPA Pamphlets (1,079 records) state, federal, trade associations, & individually authored pamphlets, (heavily pre-1926)

### Digital Collections AICPA Historical Collections

- Professional Standards and individual statements, 1974-2012:
- Statements of Position, 1974-2012
- Issues papers, 1978-1988
- Audit and Accounting Guides to 2012
- Audit Risk Alerts to 2012

#### **AICPA Historical Collections--continued**

- Accounting Principles Board, 1959-1973, publications, including Opinions, Statements, Original Pronouncements, and Current Text
- Accounting Research Bulletins, 1939-1959
- Statements on Auditing Procedure, 1941-1972
- Rules of Professional Conduct, 1917-1997
- Exposure Drafts, 1962-2008

### AICPA Historical Collections Periodicals

- AAPA Year-book, 1905-1915
- AIA Year-book, 1916-1947
- Special Bulletins, 1920-1929
- Bulletin of the AIA, 1924-1936
- Certified Public Accountant, 1922-1949
- CPA, 1950-1973
- CPA Letter, 1973-2008
- Committee Handbook, 1964-1999

### AICPA Historical Collections Periodicals - Continued

- Digest of State Accountancy Laws and State Board Regulations 1983-2005
- AICPA Annual Reports, 1950-1952, 1954-59, 1973-2010
- CPA Examination questions and answers, 1917-1995
- Accounting Trends and techniques, 1947-2010
- CPA Expert, 1995-2010
- Recommended Tax Law Changes (various titles) 1938-1990

#### **AICPA Historical Collections--continued**

- Auditing Standards Board Minutes, 1996-2009
- Public Oversight Board publications, 1977-2002
- Internal Control; Integrated Framework (drafts and revised editions, Treadway Commission) 1992-1994

#### **Comment Letters**

- Comment Letters (1977, 1987, 1991, 1995-1997, 2001-2008): 102 sets of comment letters.
   Included are:
- Cohen Commission 1977 (Commission on Auditor's Responsibilities),
- Treadway Commission 1987 (National Commission of Fraudulent Financial Reporting)
- Commission on Sponsoring Organizations (COSO) 1991.

#### **AICPA Historical Collections--continued**

- Report on Minority Graduates, 1994, 1995, 1998
- Survey on Women's Status and Work, 1994, 1997
- Minority Recruitment and Equal Opportunity Committee, 1971-1988
- AICPA Committees on Minority Issues, 1975-2009

#### **AICPA Historical Collections--continued**

- Management Advisory Services:
- Management Services by CPAs, 1-8 (1958-1960)
- Guideline Series, 1-7 (1968-1977)
- Practice Administration Aid, 1-6 (1984-1991)
- Technical Consulting Practice Aid, 1-14 (1982-1991)
- Small Business Consulting Practice Aid, 1-16 (1982-1991)
- Management Services Technical Study, 1-7 (1965-1968)
- Management of An Accounting Practice Bulletin, 1961-1969

### Digital Collections Deloitte Collection

- H&S Engagement Records, 1901-1903 (663 pp.)
- Haskins and Sells Bulletin, 1918-1932
- Haskins & Sells Reports, 1963-1982
- Quarterly Review (Touche, Niven, Bailey and Smart), 1957-1967
- Tempo (Touche Ross), 1968-1983
- Auditing Symposium (Touche Ross), 1972-1996

### Digital Collections Pamphlets

- Accounting Series Release, 1937-1973
- Treasury Department Circular 230, 1947-2014
- Accounting Bulletins (ICC), 1(1908)-15(1918)
- Regulation S-X 1940-1970
- Accountant's Directory and Who's Who (1920 and 1925 eds.)

#### New! -- Pamphlets

- Laundryowners National Association.
   Standardized System of Cost Accounting, 1914
- Uniform Cost Accounting in Trade Associations, 1923
- Cost Finding in the Leather Glove Industry, 1925
- Cost Finding in the Cigar Box Industry, 1921
- Basic Principles for Costing and Accounting for Folding Paper Box Manufacturers, n.d.

#### New! -- Pamphlets

- NACA Bulletins, 1924-1925
- Pioneers of Organized Public Accountancy in Pennsylvania, 1942
- American Woman's Society of Certified Public Accountants. Roster, 1974

- Duties of the Junior Accountants, 1933
- Addresses from the Conference on Municipal Accounting, 1938
- Uniform Statistical Information Questionnaire, 1968, 1975, 1980 [data on CPA candidates]
- Roberts, Statistical Auditing, 1978
- Fraud-Related SEC Enforcement Actions Against Auditors: 1987-1997

- Leonard M. Savoie, Executive Vice-President, AICPA, Speeches, 1968-1972
- Wallace E. Olson, President, AICPA, Speeches, 1972-1979
- Long-Range Objectives Committee.
   Proceedings, 1963-1966

- College Accounting Testing Program Bulletin (Committee on Personnel Selection) 1946-1964 (completed volumes 37-49)
- Independence Standards Board, 1997-2001, publications (Exposure drafts, Comment Letters, Standards, Speeches, Interpretations, Minutes) (circa 140 items)

- Tax Committee Comments on Proposed Regulations, 1963
- Tax Committee Comments and Recommendations, nos.1-20, 1964-1965
- Sample Engagement Letters, 1974-1979
- List of Foreign Accountancy Institutes, 1983-1993

#### New – Newsletters



- Accounting Association Newsletter 1968-1973
- Accounting Careers 1990-1992
- Accounting Education Update 1982-1985
- Accounting Educators FYI 1990-1996
- Accounting Letter 1971
- AICPA Insider 1999
- Capitol Account 1991-2001

- CIC Alert 1998-1999
- C.P.A. Bulletin 1921-1928
- CPA Management Advisor 1986-1991
- CPA Practitioner 1977-1979
- Institute of Accounts 1893-1894
- MBE, A Publication for Minority Business Enterprises, 1984-1986

- Members in Business and Industry 2001-2008
- Members in Education 1997-2008
- Members in Finance and Accounting 1996-1999
- Members in Government 1996-2008
- Members in Internal Audit 1996-2003
- Members in Large Public Accounting Firms 1996-2005
- Members in Medium Public Accounting Firms 1996-2008
- Members in Public Accounting 1998-2001
- Members in Small Local Accounting Firms 1996-2008

- News and Views 1996
- PCPS Advocate 1988-1991
- PCPS Reporter 1980-1988
- Performance Measures News and Views 2002-2003
- PFP Pointer 1997-1998
- Practicing CPA 1979-2008
- Staff Training Bulletin 1993-1994

#### New! C.P.A. Bulletin, 1921-1928

#### The C. P. H. Bulletin

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Vol. 3, No. 3

The National Association of Certified Public Accountants 945 Pennsylvania Ave., Washington, D. C.

March 1, 1924



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EDWARD E. GORE, PRESIDENT OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE, BEATEN IN ILLINOIS
COURT. PAYS UP DAMAGES IN FULL.

WILLIAM A. GILLESPIE, FORMERLY MARYLAND STATE AUDITOR, ORGANIZER AND MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS, AUDITOR FOR THE UNION FINANCE COMPANY, ONE OF THE "BLIND POOLS" THAT MULCHED THE PEOPLE OUT OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS. HE WAS INDICTED FOR CONSPIRACY TO DEFRAUD, FOUND GUILTY, AND HAS NOW BEEN SENTENCED TO JAIL FOR ONE YEAR.

#### New! Practicing CPA, 1979-2008



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#### **BUILDING A PARTNERSHIP OF ENTREPRENEURS**

To be a partner in a successful accounting firm today requires more than an ability to manage numbers. The emphasis has shifted to leadership. Clients no longer expect to receive just a commodity when they purchase our services. They are looking for solutions to their business problems and for help in taking advantage of opportunities. Partners must be entrepreneurial to meet clients' changed expectations. Leadership and entrepreneurship are now synonymous in public accounting.

This means there must be an emphasis on leadership training in our firms if we wish to remain competitive. It also means entrepreneur training must begin at the staff level. In our firm, we have already witnessed a slowing of the partner track, and believe that, in the future, technicians will become partners at a much slower pace than entrepreneurs.

Developing entrepreneurs is a continuous process. We try to identify the best supervisors, put them through a stringent manager-selection process, evaluate their performances at that level, and continue in a similar yein to partner selection. As well as the usual objective requirements for selection to manager, such as experience, the ability to manage consistently, and the degree to which the individual participates in our organization, we have a number of subjective (entrepreneurial) requirements.

We are looking for individuals who are oriented toward marketing, who have the respect of the work force, who can plan and manage engagements, and who have the confidence of clients. In addition to these traits, potential managers must be assertive, must constantly strive for improvement; must have the ability to train others; and must be committed to the profession, the firm, and the principles to which the firm adheres. One further step we take is to compare each candidate to a psychological profile of a successful manager in our firm. This last criterion is not a pass-or-fail situation, but the profile helps us in our overall assessment of a person's potential.

Managers' perfomances are evaluated with a view to the individual's suitability for partnership. The process includes an annual goal-setting session and an achievement report, and the development of a plan to partnership that is individually tailored.

In addition to their having the requisite technical ability, temperament, and personality, those selected for partnership must be innovative, creative, and deeply involved in the nontechnical areas of client management.

Our firm needs partners who can attract new clients, expand services to present clients, and achieve agreed-upon goals. To build our partnership of entrepreneurs, we make extensive use of a variety of training techniques to develop individual entrepreneurial skills. We find the following tools to be particularly effective.

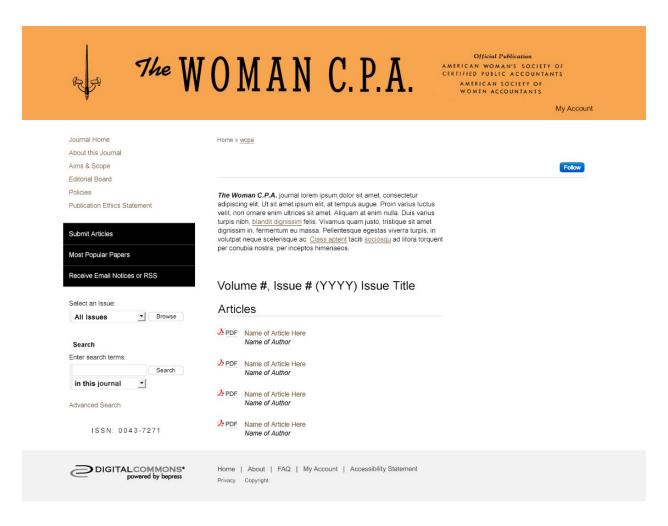
#### The management team concept

This activity is basically aimed at establishing the long- and short-term goals of the office and develop-

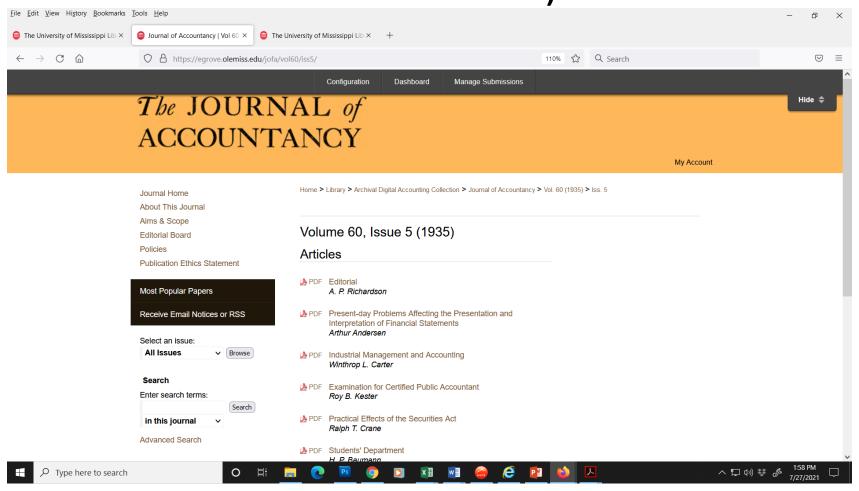
#### What's Inside . . .

- How to develop executive skills, p.2.
- Consulting services offer many benefits, both to clients and practitioners, p.3.
- AICPA MCS division targets member needs, p.4. PCPS advocacy activates (TIC acts on members'
- problems), p.4.
- Your voice in Washington (AICPA wins estimated tax battle; also scores on other tax provisions), p.5. ☐ Upcoming AICPA conferences, p.5.
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- The difference between goals and affirmations
- AICPA small firm conference reminder, p.8.

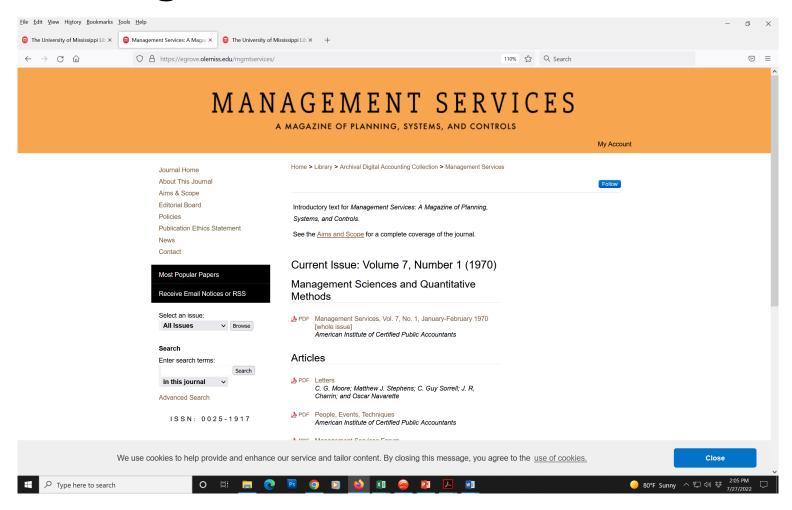
### Completed! Woman C.P.A. 1937-1991(2,403 records)



## Continuing (7 years added) Journal of Accountancy 1923-1935 (1,732 records)



### In Progress! Management Services, 1964-1971



#### **Upcoming Projects**

- Management Adviser, 1971-1974 (journal)
- The Planner, Ideas from Leading Experts in Financial Planning, 1986-2014 (newsletter)
- Accountant's Liability Newsletter, 1982-1994
- Inside AICPA, 1989-1995
- Norman E. Webster filing cabinets (inventory and digitizing)
- AICPA's Work/Life & Women's Initiatives
   Executive Committee, 2003-2012

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