

Books and Bytes

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Library to Add New Search Tools

The library has begun preliminary work on two new research tools. Between April and June, library staff will be working with OhioLINK and EBSCO to implement the EBSCO Discovery Service (EDS). Once that is done, staff will spend summer testing the new service with a goal of making it publicly available around August 15.

EDS will allow users to search the library's catalog for books, while at the same time searching multiple databases for articles and other materials. Thus, one single search will often be sufficient to find the library materials needed for a project. Meanwhile, the ability to search separately the library's catalog and each library database will be retained.

At about the same time, the library will be replacing the OLinks FindIt link resolver with Link Source, a link resolver from EBSCO. OhioLINK is discontinuing support and development of OLinks, making it necessary to change. Using the EBSCO product fits nicely with the EDS implementation.

The link resolver is the service that allows you to find a bibliographic citation in a database and click to a button to determine if the article is available online. This is an essential service in this age of online resources, but most people probably will not notice the change in link resolvers.

Ancestry Library Edition Adds Features

Ancestry Library Edition has added two features that make it even more like the complete version, *Ancestry.com*. City directories have been added to the content that is searchable. The directories cover cities and counties in various years from every state except Alaska. Researchers can find information on heads of households, addresses, and occupational information for individuals.



The city directory content is currently identified as a Beta test. Ancestry is testing a new and improved version of the directories. Ancestry will continue to make improvements until they believe the product is complete. At that point, the word Beta will disappear and Ancestry.com users will also get access to the new version.

On January 28, public family trees have also been added to

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Coming to the Library in March

Spring Break Hours – From March 1 through March 10, the library will have special hours. Those hours are below.

Library Forum – Wednesday, March 13, at 4:15 p.m. in the Pritchard Room. Dr. Xinlu Yu, Associate Professor of Communication, will speak on “Still in the Closet: The Coverage of Gay and Lesbian Issues in the Chinese Print Media.”



Library Forum – Wednesday, March 27, at 4:15 p.m. in the Pritchard Room of the library. Dr. Dawn Sontag, Assistant Professor of Music, will speak.

Library Hours for Spring Break

The library will have shortened hours during Spring Break. Those hours will be:

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| Friday, March 1 | 7:45 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. |
| Saturday, March 2 | CLOSED |
| Sunday, March 3 | CLOSED |
| Monday, March 4 | 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. |
| Tuesday, March 5 | 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, March 6 | 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. |
| Thursday, March 7 | 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. |
| Friday, March 8 | 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. |
| Saturday, March 9 | 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. |
| Sunday, March 10 | Noon – 11:00 p.m. |

Regular hours resume on Monday, March 11. Have a safe and restful break.

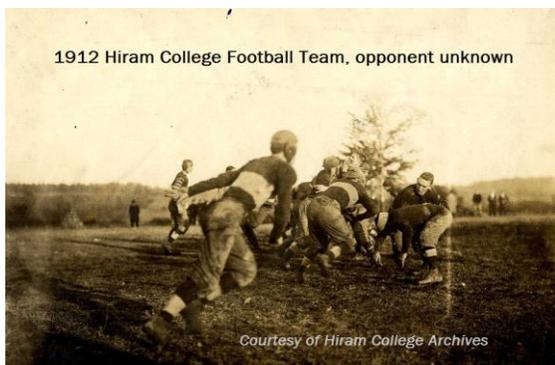


Hiram History

It's How You Play the Game

The Super Bowl played this month had many exciting moments and some controversial ones. I would imagine that fans of the San Francisco 49ers are still arguing for a missed penalty on the last play of the game that might have changed the outcome. [As a lifelong Bengals fan who is still bitter about a past Super Bowl meeting with this team, my sympathy quotient is low.] I am sure both coaches thought the officials were wrong at various times during the game. However, I wonder just how far they would be willing to go to protest. Could they be as brave as Hiram College?

In November 1912, the Hiram College team [they had no mascot or team name yet] played Grove City College. It had rained heavily that week and the field was a muddy pit. Coming into the game, Hiram was 5-1 on the season. According to the November 12, 1912 *Hiram College Advance*, although the team "had arrived the night before they were not told until an hour before the game" that one of the referees was a Grove City professor and assistant coach. Hiram's protests went nowhere. However, both teams agreed to the following: "If at a critical moment in the game the referee made a disputed decision, the umpire was to decide the case, and to take full charge of the rest of the game." (*Hiram College Advance*)



Neither side was able to score in the first half. In the third quarter, Hiram's Lyle K. Braund (Class of 1914) scored a touchdown and that's when the impending disaster struck. A holding penalty brought the ball back and the points were removed. Who called the penalty? It was none other than the Grove City official, a.k.a., Grove City professor, a.k.a., Grove City assistant coach. Hiram immediately went to the umpire but he said that he had not seen the foul and would not interfere. The Grove City official would not budge and the Grove City team insisted that the penalty be enforced. When Hiram refused to accept the penalty, the referee declared the game forfeited.

Hiram players left the field and went into the locker room to change. Shortly after, the referee, perhaps under pressure, sent

someone into Hiram's locker room to tell the players that he would allow the touchdown. Disgusted with the entire process, the Hiram players and their coaches said that it was too late and that they refused to be involved with the game. Grove City was declared the winner, 1-0. Hiram went on to a 6-4 record that year, including the forfeit.

Lyle K. Braund later served in WWI as a 1st Lieutenant and went on to become a landscape architect. His son, Lyle K. Braund, Jr., graduated from Hiram in 1954 and played football his sophomore and junior years.



Lyle K. Braund scored the only points in the game and his team lost. (Courtesy of Hiram College Archives)

For more information regarding life at Hiram in the early 20th century or any other Hiram history subject, please contact the Hiram College Archives at x5631 or morrowjs@hiram.edu.

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Ancestry Library Edition. These trees are read-only. You may submit anonymous comments, but you cannot change trees or upload new data. A number of tools related to trees are not available in the Library Edition.

If you are looking do to some basic genealogical research, is a great place to start. Just remember access is limited to on-campus only.

Did You Know . . .

- the library offers access to some 85,000 e-books through the OhioLINK E-Book Center (EBC)?
- publishers in the EBC include Oxford, Springer, Wiley, ABC-Clio, American Council of Learned Societies, Gale, and tech books from Safari?
- there are whiteboards in three of the group study rooms?

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