

## THE JOHN S. CONWAY COLLECTION

The John S. Conway Research Collection includes books, articles, offprints, manuscripts and miscellaneous papers relating to Twentieth Century Church History, particularly of Europe. These were presented to Regent College from 1995 onwards, following Professor Conway's retirement from active teaching in the Department of History, University of British Columbia.

Professor Conway earlier published his notable study on *The Nazi Persecution of the Churches 1933-1945*, subsequently reprinted under Regent College auspices. Much of the research collection is therefore related to the experiences of the churches in Germany during the Nazi period. In addition, there are substantial holdings dealing with the Holocaust and the policies adopted by the various branches of the Christian Church towards Judaism, as well as Christian-Jewish relations in this period. Notable are the 11 volumes of published documents from the Vatican archives, and a run of the leading German journal *Die Eiche* from 1913 to 1933, which sought to promote understanding and pacifism amongst the Christian churches.

The archived collected papers contain valuable items on the careers of several twentieth century Church leaders, such as Pope Pius XII, or the noted German pacifist, Friedrich Siegmund-Schultze. In addition there is a complete run of the monthly Newsletter edited by Professor Conway for the Association of Contemporary Church Historians, 1995 onwards.

These items are catalogued and indexed with the same enumeration as the books, and are fully integrated into the Library's computerized catalogue, and hence available for library use.

The collection offers an opportunity for students and visitors to deepen their knowledge and understanding of events and personalities during this critical period of church history.