Description and Rationale

Rare newspapers and serials from the Bob Jones Indochina collection

Project Description*

I am requesting funds to digitize a number of rare serial titles from the Bob Jones Indochina Collection. These materials, collected by Jones while stationed in Saigon during the War, are mostly brittle or in poor condition. Two of the titles are already held by Cornell, and we intend to amalgamate our holdings, digitizing the better volumes from both collections.

Reasons for Consideration*

The primary focus of this request is materials from the former Republic of Viet Nam. The last few years has brought a sharp expansion of scholarship on the RVN period, and the titles suggested here will contribute to our understanding of the politics, social conditions and intellectual debates of the period. We recently digitized the important Huế newspaper Lập Trường, and I am now requesting funding for a second paper from Central Viet Nam for this period: Tuần Báo Miền Trung. Most of the other papers requested here are published in Saigon.

I am also including in this request from the rare and endangered Bob Jones materials 2 titles published in Hanoi. One the important literary journal Tao Đàn from 1939, the journal in which the famous writer Vũ Trụng Phụng was publishing. One issue of this journal for 1939 has been filmed by SEAM previously. This project will add another 7 issues, making a longer run of issues available online. I am also requesting we scan the The Times of Vietnam Weekly, which does not appear to be available elsewhere. This is an important English language source for a critical period of Vietnamese history that will help provide undergraduate resources for classes introducing the new scholarship on the period of the RVN.

Authors

Publishers

Proposal Contributors

Judith Henchy, University of Washington, submitted the proposal, which intends to use mostly the University of Washington’s holdings.

Cornell University will contribute some issues of Con Ong.
## Details and Sources

**Resource Types**
Serials

**Regions**
- Southeast Asia

**Countries of Origin**
Viet Nam

**Major Languages**
Vietnamese, French

**Source Format**
- Paper

**Target Format**
- Digital

**Identifiers**

**Links**

**Source and Holdings**

**Con Ong.** Saigon cultural newspaper. Large format  [OCLC Number: 12122014]

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Tuần Báo Miền Trung: tuấn báo văn học, nghệ thuật, xã hội, chính trị [No OCLC]

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Cao Đài Giao Lý: journal of the Cao Dai religion [OCLC Number: 12177171]

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Tào Đán. Hanoi, 1939. [OCLC Number: 472720318]
Times of Vietnam Weekly  [OCLC Number: 632826466]

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Source and Holdings Notes

Physical Details

Con Ong
Size = Large tabloid newspaper. Not bound
Issues = 227
Estimated pages per issue = 12
Total pages = 2724

Nam Kỳ Thương Thức
Size = Small tabloid. Not bound
Issues = 2
Estimated pages per issue = 16
Total pages = 32

Tuần Báo Miền Trung
Size = Large tabloid. Not bound
Issues = 4
Estimated pages per issue = 10
Total pages = 40
**Cao Đài Giao Lý**
Size = book format. Soft bound
Issues = 4
Estimated pages per issue = 60
**Total pages = 240**

**Tao Đán**
Issues = 7
Estimated pages per issue = 30
**Total pages = 210**

**Times of Vietnam Weekly**
Size = Tabloid. Not bound
Issues = 24
Estimated pages per issue = 16
**Total pages = 384**

**Existing Reformatted Materials**
SEAM film holdings for Tao Đán: no 9, 1939

**Intellectual Property Considerations**
All of these titles would be in copyright, but without a traceable copyright holder.