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University Archives and Records Center will participate in a \$200,000 National Endowment for the Humanities grant awarded to Michigan State University to launch The Quilt Index. This collaboration also includes the Illinois State Museum, the Michigan Quilt Project/Michigan State University Museum, and the Quilts of Tennessee/Tennessee State Library. Each of the partners will digitize a portion of its extensive records as part of the index's initial development. The Quilt Index will be a comprehensive online research tool providing wide access to information about publicly and privately held quilts.

Marshall University has received \$100,000

from Speedway and The Ashland Inc. Foundation to support the University Libraries' Year of the Book Endowment.

Acquisitions

Former West Virginia Congressman and

Secretary of State Kenneth Hechler has donated his papers, photographs, and memorabilia to Marshall University—along with a \$25,000 contribution to support the preservation of the collection. Hechler, 86, helped edit *The Public Papers and Addresses of Franklin Delano Roosevelt* and served as a speechwriter for President Harry S. Truman in the late 40s and early 50s. Of his long years in public service (1957–2001), Hechler is proudest of being the only congressman to march with the Reverend Martin Luther King Jr., in Selma, Alabama; playing a key role in funding black lung disease benefits and passing the Federal Coal Mine Health and Safety

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Professor Marilyn Zarzeski (left) of the University of Mississippi School of Accounting and Howard Davidson of Booneville, Mississippi, a UM Accounting Hall of Famer, with an accounting book that was printed in the 1500s.

Act of 1969; and bringing together the secretaries of state and attorneys general of 33 states to support limits on campaign spending. Following his service with Truman, Hechler joined the faculty in Political Science at the then Marshall College (1957). His students convinced him to run for Congress, and—against the odds—he won. He served as Representative from West Virginia's 4th District from 1959 to 1977. He won election as Secretary of State in 1985 and served in that office through January 2001. He is currently teaching an honors symposium on "The Truman Years" at Marshall. Hechler has written six books (including *The Bridge at Remagen*, which was later made into a movie) and has been the subject of a biography, *Ken Hechler: Maverick Public Servant*, by the late Charles H. Moffat.

The accounting library collection of the

American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) has been acquired by the University of Mississippi. The collection of 125,000 items includes Pacioli's *Summa de Arithmetica, Geometria, Proportioni et Proportionalita* printed in Venice in 1494. The AICPA will retain copies of all its own publications, including *The Journal of Accountancy*, *The CPA Letter*, and various newsletters and technical guides. ■

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