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Collection Strengths

- American Schoolbooks
- Elizabeth Nesbitt Children’s Literature Collection
- Archives of Scientific Philosophy
- Ford E. and Harriet R. Curtis Theatre Collection
- Western Pennsylvania History, especially business, industry, and social organizations
- Labor History
- PA Political Figures

What’s Happening?

- Social Media: Both ASC and SC have fun and engaging weekly Facebook posts and Tumblr blogs. Why not keep up with our activities by “following” us?
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- Pitt Community Workshop: Planning is underway to offer a free and public workshop on accessing and using primary sources in research.
- Copyright Guidance: We recently developed guidelines on how to appropriately use and cite our primary source materials in your teaching, research, publication, presentations, and other scholarly endeavors.