

A first edition of the Book of Mormon will be presented to UCSD Library 7/10/73

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A first edition of the Book of Mormon will be presented to the University of California, San Diego Library on Tuesday, July 10, at 11 a.m. in the Central University Library.

The rare volume was printed in 1830 for Joseph Smith, the author, and is valued at \$1,800, according to Ron Silveira, head of the Library's Special Collections.

Donors of the book are Mr. and Mrs. C. Edward Geiger of San Diego, members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

UCSD Chancellor William D. McElroy and University Librarian Melvin J. Voigt will accept the gift in a brief ceremony on the Library's eighth floor.

The volume will be displayed in an exhibit on the Mormons through August in the Department of Special Collections. The exhibit contains several other rare volumes and features the Mormon Battalion which came to San Diego in 1847.

The Geigers previously gave the Library a large collection of scholarly papers on the Theosophy Movement which was headquartered at Point Loma from the 1890's to 1942.

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