Rapid Growth. Host of Literary Treasures.

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The literary resources of Texas are naturally greatly varied, the State having a history dating back to the days of early Spanish exploration. The University of Texas, established in 1845, has played a significant role in the development of intellectual life in the State.

Generous Gifts.
The growth of the Wren Library, the University Library, has been greatly facilitated by the generosity of the people of Texas. The University, by virtue of its status as a public institution, has received substantial donations of books and other materials.

The Wren Library, founded in 1847, is the oldest library in Texas. It was established to support the teaching and research activities of the University. Over the years, the library has grown significantly in size and scope.

Private Collections.
In addition to the Wren Library, there are numerous private libraries in Texas, each with its own unique collection of books. These libraries are often rich in historical and cultural significance, reflecting the interests and tastes of their owners.

The growth of the University Library and the Wren Library has been marked by a rapid expansion in the number of books and other materials. The library continues to grow, with the addition of new books and other materials each year.