A Glimpse into Everyday Life of Postwar North Korea

UH’s One-of-a-Kind Collection of North Korean Materials

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Hamilton Library holds one of the largest collections of North Korean materials in the United States. The collection, which began in the 1970s through a special connection with Japan’s Korean community, is especially strong in materials from the 1950s and 1960s, the decades following the Korean War. While many libraries have started amassing recent publications from North Korea, the postwar materials are rare and difficult to obtain today. The collection offers a fascinating glimpse into everyday life in postwar North Korea. This presentation has a particular focus on postwar reconstruction, especially in the domain of architecture and urbanization.