Now in Schaumburg, Illinois, the Wood Library-Museum of Anesthesiology was founded formally in 1933 in New York by Paul Meyer Wood, M.D. (1894 to 1963). The late Paul M. Wood Distinguished Librarian Emeritus, Patrick Sim, M.L.S. (1939 to 2010; left), enjoyed referring to Prof. Dr. Dr. Horst Stoeckel (center) as “Germany’s Paul Wood.” Soon after this trio was photographed in 2008 at the WLM’s former Park Ridge Gallery, Prof. Stoeckel reminded the author (right) that the Stoeckel surname meant “little stick” in German. So the WLM’s Sim and Bause spent the rest of the day musing about the “little stick in the Wood” (Library-Museum). Prof. Stoeckel may have had the last laugh, however, as he now curates one of the world’s finest anesthesia museums. His namesake library and museum complex opened in 2000 in Venusberg, a southern suburb of Bonn, Germany. (Copyright © the American Society of Anesthesiologists, Inc.)

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