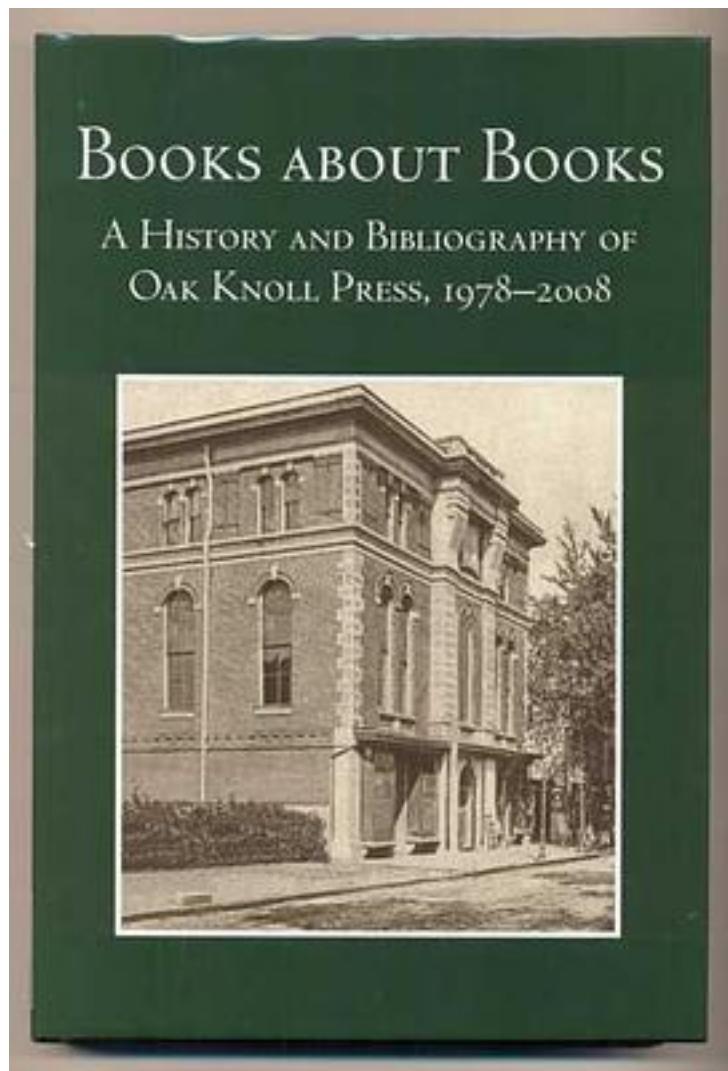


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The book begins with a fifty-page history of the press, which is well illustrated with more than fifty images. The history is followed by the bibliography, which lists 320 books in order of publication. Each entry includes the author, title, edition, and a brief physical description, as well as a paragraph describing the contents of the book. Any subsequent reprints are also listed. The bibliography includes about twenty full-page images of Oak Knoll Press publications. Books about Books is sure to be a useful tool for all of those wishing to expand their Oak Knoll Press collection or understand individual titles in the context of the whole.

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