

# In Memoriam T. Lucretii Cari

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Two more October dates; today, Oct. 30 is the anniversary of the death of Poggio Bracciolini in 1459. Tomorrow, October 31st, is the anniversary of the opening of the Leiden University Library in 1587. Poggio was the first to bring Lucretius back in to circulation, but the two most important 9th century medieval manuscripts--the Quadratus and the Oblongus--are housed in the Library at Leiden.

- Oct. 15th to 31st
  - 15th; T. Lucretius Carus death
  - 19th; Marsilio Ficino born (started writing a commentary on Lucretius but burned it out of fear)
  - 21st; Hermann Usener death
  - 23rd; Hermann Usener born
  - 24th; Vesuvius Eruption preserves Villa of the Papyri
  - 29th; H. A. J. Munro born
  - 30th; Poggio Bracciolini born
  - 31st; Opening of the Leiden University Library