Personnel

The Wofford College community of Spartanburg, S.C., is to be congratulated on having secured Frank J. Anderson as its librarian.

A free spirit with a healthy iconoclastic bent, a book seller (books on ships, especially submarines), a man with a facile pen, and a mordant sense of humor, Anderson approaches librarianship with a zest usually found only in sweet girl graduates who gush about books and are good to their mammas.

There is a quality of eighteenth-century rationalism about Anderson’s enthusiasm, a quality which ought to be good for the sticky sentimentality so prevalent in many of our southern communities. He is a man obviously fond of people, knowledgeable about books, and, while imbued with a decent reverence for the past, will not pooh-pooh whatever’s fresh and new. Educated in liberal tradition, he can yet see the use of technocrats in the world of librarianship.

A product of the universities of Connecticut and Indiana, he received his professional education at Syracuse. His experience has varied a good bit, but reviewing it chronologically does not suggest a man forever in search of himself, but rather a man committed to education (he may even believe man is perfectible for all I know) and to making libraries come alive. After a few years at Kansas Wesleyan in Salina, Kansas, he served as a branch librarian in the Chicago public library system for one year. His naval career as a member of a submarine crew may have influenced his decision to direct the Submarine library at Groton, Conn. from 1957 to 1960. If so, it was his interest in submarines and in special libraries as such which did it rather than the soggy nostalgia of the professional veteran.

In 1960 Kansas librarians were pleased to welcome Anderson back to Kansas Wesleyan. Visitors to that campus could not miss the fact that the library, crowded as it was, was the liveliest place on campus. He gave the library imaginative leadership, saw its collections double, and seemed to be, in short, a better librarian than Wesleyan deserved, a situation many other institutions tried to rectify. Wofford finally succeeded.

Anderson has served as a consultant to a variety of organizations and has taught at the University of Illinois. He is a good committee man and certainly in Kansas took an active part in the state library association—no small achievement in that most over-organized of such associations! He takes his responsibilities to the AAUP, ALA, and SELA seriously, but does so with a light touch.

At Wofford, Anderson is planning a new one hundred and fifty thousand volume library upon which construction is to begin in October. He publishes The Wofford Bibliopolist which, while no thing of beauty, is both provocative and amusing. Even though it is an offset publication, its editor is interested in the history of books and printing and mucks about with his own Kitemaug Press. That press’s productions afford him and his friends much innocent pleasure, and he has plans to involve Wofford’s students in printing as well as teach them something of the history of the art. He is, in short, a welcome addition to the ranks of librarians in the Southeast. His colleagues in that corner of the country are as deserving in congratulations as Wofford is.—Stuart Forth.

To one who looks with admiration on the European tradition of the scholar-librarian, it is a pleasure to learn that Ray W. Frantz, Jr., has been selected to follow his distinguished predecessors as university librarian of the University of Virginia in September. Ray brings to this position an unaffected and broad humanistic background. The son of a noted university professor of English literature, he wrote his own doctoral dissertation on the place of folklore in the creative art of Mark Twain. Since receiving the PhD in English from the University of Illinois in 1955, he has continued to publish on the subjects of Twain and library history.

Besides his academic interest, Ray has always enjoyed the outdoors. His favorite sport is fishing, and although it would be flattery to call him the American Walton, his first publication was an article in Field and Stream. He is also a fine golfer (anyone who shoots under 100 looks terrific to me) and a gentleman on the course. It is easy to be a good loser, but it takes character to be a gracious and unembarrassed winner, especially when one wins all the time.
In emphasizing Ray's scholarly and recreational interests, I do not mean to turn attention away from his qualities of administration and leadership. He has been director of the library of the University of Richmond, 1955-60; assistant director of the Ohio State University libraries, 1960-62; and most recently director of libraries at the University of Wyoming, 1962-67. His professional knowledge and judgement were recognized when he was named library consultant for a proposed new college at Sun City, Ariz. in 1964. He has shown in these positions the knowledge, self-confidence, and good will that make for a loyal and effective staff. There is no question that he will serve the University of Virginia in the manner to which it has become accustomed.—Rolland E. Stevens.

The Southwest welcomes back Roscoe Rouse, Jr., who becomes librarian of the Oklahoma State University Library on July 1. He succeeds Edmon Low who has built this library into one of mature stature. Under Dr. Rouse's guidance and leadership we may expect this library to continue to build in strength and to take new directions of service to that campus, to the region, and on the national scene. He is a worthy successor to another fine librarian. At Oklahoma State Dr. Rouse will also serve as professor and chairman of the department of library education, an undergraduate program with an enrollment of five hundred students. He will in addition hold the rank of dean at the institution.

Dr. Rouse brings to his new position a solid background of experience and achievement. For the past four years he has been director of libraries of one of the exciting new universities of the country, the new State University of New York at Stony Brook. It speaks volumes for his energy and enthusiasm that so much has been accomplished there in so short a time: a book budget increase from $250,000 to over $1,000,000 growth in staff from 12 to 130, the employment of twenty bibliographical searchers and the initiation of en bloc purchases to build a great collection rapidly, the planning of a new 500,000 square foot library building, initiation of a program to use data processing to the ultimate, and many other achievements in the frantic haste to build a new university. His activities there may be a model for others in the field. We hope that he may find the challenges of an existing major library satisfying after this experience! Before going to New York, Dr. Rouse was university librarian of Baylor University for ten years after one year as circulation librarian. His work there also was very successful, including the planning of a new library building and integration of the library effectively into university affairs. His earlier experience was at Northeastern Oklahoma State College, and like so many of us he also started out as a student assistant—at Rice University and the University of Oklahoma. He spent several years in the 8th Air Force as a B-17 navigator in the European theater. In addition to administrative work, he has experience in teaching at the library schools of North Texas and Oklahoma, and has had a number of consultant assignments.

Dr. Rouse holds the MA and the PhD in library science from Michigan plus the BA in English literature from Oklahoma. Not a native Southwesterner, he was born and attended public schools in Valdosta, Georgia. He was one of the members of the notable Advanced Seminar for Library Administrators at Rutgers under Keyes Metcalf, and is a member of Beta Phi Mu.

In professional affairs Dr. Rouse has been quite active in national, regional and state library association work, and in research and publication. Currently he is on the Committee on Library Organization and Management of ALA's Library Administration Division which is working on a manual of university library organization. He is the liaison representative for the RTSD Copying Methods Section and Committee on Copyright Issues, as well as a director of the College and University Section of the New York Library Association. Earlier he held offices in the Texas Library Association, including the chairmanship of the College and University Division, he was editor of the Oklahoma Librarian, and served as chairman of the College and University Library Section of the Southwestern Library Association. His research interests are in the fields of university library organization and management, library history and library education. He has published several chapters in books in these fields as well as a number of articles in library journals.

In personal life, Dr. Rouse is married to a native Oklahoman and the father of a son and a daughter. He is active in church affairs, teaching adult Sunday school and participating in campus religious matters. His hobbies include fishing, sports and gardening.

It will be interesting to see the new directions that the Oklahoma State University library will take under his leadership. He inherits a very sound and stable library which Edmon Low has built into one of the leading university libraries of the Southwest. Few
people ever have the individual talents of his predecessor and Dr. Rouse's efforts probably will be concentrated in other directions. We might anticipate continued heavy emphasis on collection building, new dimensions in automation, and wholehearted participation and leadership in cooperative library affairs in the state, region and perhaps nation.—Arthur M. McAnally.

APPOINTMENTS

Roger Beasley has been named Slavic bibliographer in the Syracuse University library cataloging department. He will begin his new duties July 1.

Calvin J. Boyer was recently appointed director of libraries at Midwestern University, Wichita Falls, Texas.

The appointment of John O. Bronson, Jr., as head librarian of Chesapeake College has been announced.

Wendell B. Daniel has been appointed head of the language and literature division of the Paul Klapper library, Queens College, City University of New York.

Ruth M. Davis has been named associate director for research and development at the U.S. Public Health Service's National Library of Medicine.


George F. Heise has been named administrative assistant for indexing services, of the H. W. Wilson Company.

Charles R. Lee, Jr., has been named director of libraries, Centre College, Danville, Ky.

Roberta Lemons has been appointed head cataloger for the University of Virginia medical library.

Etelvina Lima, assistant professor in the University of Brasilia, has been appointed visiting lecturer and cataloger with the Paul Klapper library of Queens College, City University of New York.

Gene Llewellyn joined the staff of University of Virginia libraries as automation coordinator, on March 1.

Mrs. Mary McKenzie assumed the position of assistant librarian in Connecticut College on March 1.

F. David Thurman has recently been appointed as librarian of the Supreme Court library in Oneida County, Utica, N.Y.

Shirley Thurston assumed the duties of library science librarian in the reference department of Drexel Institute of Technology on April 1.

William Tresse has been appointed head of the arts library to be opened in the fall of 1968, in the second unit of the Music building of University of California, Santa Barbara.

Priscilla Wagner is now assistant medical librarian, Queen's University, Kingston, Ont.

Yun-Kang Wang is a newly appointed cataloger in Queen's University library, Kingston, Ont.

Richard Warren, Jr., is a cataloger of historical sound recordings, Yale University library.

Jo Sung-Chun Yeh is a cataloger of the East Asia collection, Yale University library.

RETIREMENTS

Bernadine C. Hanby, director of Northern Illinois University libraries, is retiring on Aug. 31, after 25 years as Northern's director of libraries.

Lyon N. Richardson, director of Western Reserve university libraries since 1946, has asked to be relieved of his post of director, effective July 1.

NECROLOGY

Donald D. Miller, head of the catalog department, University of California library, Santa Barbara, was killed in a fall from a cliff above the beach in Santa Barbara on Feb. 7.

Flora B. Ludington died March 23 after a long illness. Miss Ludington was librarian at Mount Holyoke College from 1936, and retired in 1964.
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