NEWS FROM THE FIELD

ACQUISITIONS

- The library of the UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA in recent months has purchased the collections of two private collectors of Western Americana, covering such fields as history, Indians, travel, and literature. The first collection, the Robert Woods Collection, was purchased in Los Angeles, the second, the Alfred Powers Collection, came from Portland, Oregon. The two collections number about 20,000 volumes, and place this university library first in Canada as a centre for research and study of the history and development of the Western United States.

Perhaps the finest collection of books in private hands on early western Americana was sold by the estate of Robert S. Woods at auction in Los Angeles. The collection numbers some 6,500 volumes and contains some of the rarest books in this field. It covers every aspect of the subject from rare atlases to the best of the Pacific Coast voyages and from the Cattle Trade to detailed histories of California and Los Angeles. Expeditions to the Rockies, railroad reports, long runs of historical magazines, fine early pamphlets, bibliographies, the North American Indians, and even rare literary first editions were included. Woods was interested in every aspect of his chosen subject even to the extent of collecting limited editions, Private Press books, fine bindings and fine illustrated books where they impinged on the subject. Perhaps the best example of this is that he had a nearly complete collection of the Grabhorn Press publications some of which are so scarce as to have been issued only in editions of 15-20 copies.

The second collection was put together over thirty-five years by Dean Alfred Powers, some 14,000 volumes in all. The books all pertaining to the West, include 1,150 volumes on Alaska alone. There are missionary writings, geology, botany, forestry, logging, agriculture, the Columbia River, wild life, churches, discovery and exploration—170 in the latter category alone. Some 240 books are on Indians, another 280 are elementary schoolbooks used in the American West before 1900, and 560 are books by western authors; there are 90 by or about Bret Harte alone. The collection is by no means limited to the West coast but is strong in the writings relating to the Plateau states, and the Plains states as far east as the Dakotas. Among the "gems" in the collection is one of the three copies in existence of The Sazerac Lying Club (1878). All the Hudson's Bay Record Society publications are present. The collections are in the process of being processed by the library but will not be generally available to users for some time.

- The library of THE ONTARIO INSTITUTE FOR STUDIES IN EDUCATION (OISE) has purchased the larger part of the library of the Canadian Association for Adult Education (CAAE), including all books, pamphlets and journals published through 1965. The CAAE continues to operate a current information service. This collection is comprehensive with respect to Canadian materials and contains other relevant publications as well; it comprises 1,800 books, 2,600 pamphlets and the contents of 48 vertical file drawers. It will be maintained and enlarged by the OISE library as part of its own collection, and is available for use in general circulation in the library and for inter-library loan. Donations to the OISE Library of single items or special materials which will help to build up this unique collection would be appreciated. OISE, a centre for graduate studies, research and development in education, is located at 102 Bloor Street West, Toronto 5, Ontario, Canada.

- The Hugh M. Morris Library of the UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE has acquired a large and excellent collection in the history of chemistry consisting of over 2000 volumes published from 1494 to 1960. It was purchased from the firm of L'Art Ancien of Zurich, Switzerland through Bernard M. Rosenthal, Inc. of New York. Collected over a period of thirty years by a chemist whose hobby is the history of chemistry, it includes works in alchemy, pharmacy, occult sciences, perfumery, and works in physics and medicine related to chemistry. In the collection are many landmarks in the history of chemistry including works by Avogadro, Sir Humphry Davy, Justus Liebig, Robert Boyle, Lavoisier, Louis Pasteur, Madame Curie and many others. The collection also includes complete files of several extremely rare chemical journals and some ten early manuscripts on alchemy and natural philosophy. The collection will be called the Unidel Collection of the History of Chemistry.

- Recent accessions of the manuscript division of the LIBRARY OF CONGRESS have included the Eloge civique de Benjamin Franklin, the holograph manuscript of the eulogy delivered by Claude Fauchet on July 11, 1790 (Franklin died in Philadelphia, April 17, 1790, at the age of 85). It was printed later the same year by order of the Paris Commune and presented to the Assemblée Nationale. The Fauchet eulogy complements the first.
second, and final drafts of Condorcet's *Eulogy* in the Library's Benjamin Franklin Papers.

Additions to the Irving Brant Papers numbering approximately 25,000 items have been placed in the Library. These include material concerning James Madison, conservation, and Brant correspondence with Presidents Franklin D. Roosevelt and Truman. Permission of the donor is required for access to the Brant Papers.

The League of Women Voters has donated an additional 30,000 items to the League of Women Voters Records in the Library of Congress. The recent addition includes records, state files, subject files, and published material, and covers the 1960-63 period. Approximately 4100 items have been added to the Elmer Gertz Papers, including some 750 items concerning Carl Sandburg which are chiefly correspondence of Gertz with Gene Loritz, the photographer. Radio scripts numbering about 4700 items have been added to the materials of the Columbia Broadcasting System in the Library. Those are scripts for various programs during the period 1935-58 and contain a variety of programs, from "Honest Abe" to "King Arthur's Court." Recent additions to the Library's literary manuscripts include holograph manuscripts of Robert Frost's "The Bonfire," "Nothing Gold Can Stay" (three variants), and "On Looking Up by Chance at the Constellations" (apparently a working draft).

Another addition to the literary manuscripts which have been placed in the Library of Congress are the very complete manuscripts of the works of Marcia Davenport and materials related thereto. These include *Mozart; Of Lena Geyer; Valley of Decision; East Side, West Side; My Brother's Keeper; Garibaldi; The Constant Image; and Too Strong for Fantasy.* Various stages of the compositional and editorial processes are well represented, with documentation including research notes, the manuscript in various draft stages, proofs, and press clippings showing the critical and popular reception of the work. In addition, there is correspondence with editors, agents, and others relating to the preparation of several volumes, the most important of which are letters from the editor, Maxwell E. Perkins of Scribner's, which are often quite full. The Library has also added to the Bill Mauldin Papers manuscripts of the texts of *Up Front and Bill Mauldin in Korea.* Almost every sheet of the former bears the stamp of a field censor indicating approval for publication.

- Robert S. and Helen M. Lynd have given their papers to the Library of Congress. Although they are probably best known for their husband-wife collaboration on the famous sociological study, *Middletown,* published in 1929 and followed by *Middletown in Transition* in 1937, each has had an individual career as well—Mrs. Lynd primarily at Sarah Lawrence College and Mr. Lynd at Columbia University. Each has also published articles and books of his own. In the Lynd papers at present are manuscripts and notes for lectures, reviews, articles, and addresses; the working manuscript of Helen Lynd's *On Shame and the Search for Identity*; much of the research material gathered while the Lynds were working on the report which became *Middletown*; and much material concerning the reception of their several works. There is also a small amount of professional correspondence, some with correspondents also interested in the social sciences, such as David Riesman, Charles Beard, Saul Alinsky, Jacques Barzun, Harold Laski, and Erich Fromm. Permission for access to the Lynd papers may be sought through the Chief of the Manuscript Division.

- A significant addition to the Cuban collection of the University of Miami library has been announced by Dr. Archie L. McNeal, director of UM libraries. With the purchase of "Gaceta Oficial de la Republica de Cuba," the Otto G. Richter Library becomes one of two university libraries in the country to own a complete set of the *Gazette* published daily since 1902. The University of Missouri also has all volumes of the *Gazette.* The *Official Gazette* contains all laws and decrees of the Cuban government. It lists also the Tribunal's decisions, all government appointments and positions, and all government registrations. An official appointment is not considered legal in Cuba until it has been published in the *Gazette.* A four-volume index to the *Gazette* by Milo A. Borges, "Compilacion ordenada y completa de la legislacion Cubana de 1899-1930," will be used in conjunction with the publication. The Borges index lists all laws and legislation and is a cross reference to the *Official Gazette.*

- Manuscripts from the prolific pen of New York state authoress Alida Wright Malkus have been added to the special library collection at the University of Southern Mississippi. Mrs. Malkus, a native of the Genesee Valley of New York, who now resides in New York City, is both a free-lance writer and illustrator. During her writing career the authoress has produced more than 40 books, most of which have been translated into eight languages. Among her many works are such creations as *Raquel of the Ranch Country,* a 1927 Harcourt publication; *Caravans to Santa Fe,* Harper, 1928; *The Silver Llama,* Winston, 1941; and *Along the Inca Highway,* a 1941 Heath publication.

- A rare, uncut copy of a first edition of a
literary masterpiece by Jonathan Swift has been acquired by the Cornell University library. The work, considered one of the best known by the Irish author and satirist, is titled *A Modest Proposal for preventing the Children of Poor People from being a burthen to their Parents or the Country, and for making them Beneficial to the Publick*. Published in 1729, the 16-page book is an ironic letter of advice in which a public-spirited citizen of Ireland suggests that that country’s social conditions could be improved if children were used for food. George H. Healey, Cornell’s curator of rare books, said the acquisition caps many years of searching for the book, which joins the University’s Kaufmann collection of Swift’s works, one of the principal collections of that author’s writings. The collection was left to the University by the late Eugene M. Kaufmann, Jr., a Philadelphia investment banker, who started a collection of Swift’s works about 20 years ago.

- Drake Memorial Library at SUNY Brockport has acquired the Morgan Papers. The official journals of the Globe Iron Works, also known as the D. S. Morgan Company, have been presented to Drake Memorial Library by the Morgan family. Dayton S. Morgan was one of the owners of this firm which operated in Brockport, New York from about 1844 until 1895. This firm has the distinction of being the first reaper factory in the world. They manufactured the first successful McCormick reapers for the harvest of 1846. The papers consist of company transactions, correspondence with salesmen throughout the United States and Europe and official records of court cases which ensued between Cyrus McCormick and the company regarding patent rights.

- Oregon State University has received a gift of ten incunabula from F. A. Gilfillan, retired Dean of Sciences at OSU. The gift, presented on the occasion of the 100th Anniversary of Oregon State University, represents examples of Italian and German printing from 1480 to 1498. The rarest items are two works of Lambertus de Monte (a prominent Thomist of Cologne, d. 1499) *Copulata super tres libros Aristotelis De anima iuxta doctrinam Thomae de Aquino* (Cologne, Heinrich Quentell, about 1492) and *Copulata super octo libros Physicorum Aristotelis iuxta doctrinam doctoris Thomae de Aquino*, Cologne, Heinrich Quentell 1493. The latter is the only recorded copy in the United States.

- J. Alan Montgomery, Jr., President of the Board of Trustees of the Free Library of Philadelphia, has recently presented the library with a group of thirty-six notebooks belonging to James Wilson, signer of the Declaration of Independence and a major framer of the Constitution. The notebooks are largely in Wilson’s handwriting and constitute the first part of a series of lectures on law delivered at the University of Pennsylvania in 1790 and 1791. The lectures deal primarily with Wilson’s philosophy of law and legal education. They were published in 1804. These notebooks are a noteworthy addition to the Free Library’s law collection, which is particularly devoted to the history and development of law in England and America. Miss Ellen Shaffer, head of the Rare Book Department of the Free Library, notes that “Wilson strove to be regarded as the American Blackstone and used the lecture series as an opportunity to lay the foundations of an American system of jurisprudence.”

**AWARDS**

- The Academy of American Poets has awarded its 1969 fellowship, which carries a stipend of $5,000 and is awarded for distinguished poetic achievement, to Richard Eberhart, who will complete his second 3-year term as Honorary Consultant in American Letters to the Library of Congress in March and who served as the Library’s Consultant in Poetry in English in 1959-61. In 1962 Mr. Eberhart was co-winner of the Bollingen Prize for Poetry, and he received a Pulitzer Prize for his *Selected Poems 1930-65*.

**BUILDINGS**

- The first joint-venture library building completely merging the staffs and collections of two schools of higher education will be built in Baltimore. To be constructed on the campuses of the College of Notre Dame and Loyola College, the proposed structure is now in the design-development stage. Announcement of this major step toward construction was made February 7, 1969, by Sister Mary Elissa, SSND, acting president of the College of Notre Dame, and the Very Reverend Joseph A. Sellinger, SJ, president of Loyola. It is expected that construction of the $3,500,000 educational structure will begin within the year, with completion in the Fall of 1971. Extensive evaluation of the facilities of both colleges over the last four years preceded the selection of the site northeast of the Evergreen Estate between the two institutions. Loyola and Notre Dame, represented by a Library Corporation and Board of Trustees, under the chairmanship of the Most Reverend T. Austin Murphy, Vicar-General of the Archdiocese of Baltimore, have agreed on the general development scheme submitted by the architectural firm of Meyer, Ayers, and Saint. Constructed with provisions for future expansion, the modernistic four-level building will have space for 310,000 volumes. The main entrance will be on the second level, and the study areas will accommodate 700 readers in
a variety of seatings. A joint library planning subcommittee composed of four librarians representing the two institutions prepared the requirements for the 80,000 square foot building. Sister Mary Jan, SSND and Mr. William Kirwan wrote the building program, with the assistance of Sister Mary David, SSND and the Reverend William Davish, SJ. They placed special emphasis on interior relationships, expansion, and adaptability to future needs.

INTERNATIONAL SCENE

- The following projects are presently being carried out by The International Federation of Documentation under contracts with UNESCO:

10-Year Supplement (1959-1968) to the Trilingual Abridged Edition of the UDC—$2000 for preparing the manuscript by 1 December 1968, to be followed by another contract for publication in the Spring of 1969. The work is being carried out by the FID Secretariat.

Abstracting services in science and technology—$2500 for preparation and publication of the 2nd edition of FID 372 by 1 December 1969. The work is being carried out by the FID Secretariat, which will add the fields of medicine and agriculture.

Note: a further contract is being negotiated for the second edition of the abstracting services in Social Sciences and Humanities in FID 372.

Manual on the application of mechanization and data processing to documentation and library work—$4000 for preparing a manuscript giving practical recommendations of particular interest for developing countries. The work is undertaken jointly by VINITI, Moscow, and the Bochum University Library in Germany and shall be completed by 1 September 1969.

Guide for an introductory course on documentation—$2500 for preparing the manuscript which shall include the syllabus and text, both for theoretical lessons and practical work. The work, undertaken by VINITI, Moscow, is to be completed by 1 July 1969.

A study on the international standardization of library and documentation techniques—$3000 for establishing a report on minimum requirements of standardization. The study is being carried out by the Hungarian Committee for Documentation; IFLA experts cooperate in the study which shall be completed by 31 October 1969.

Minimum standards for professional training of librarians and documentalists—$3000. Prof. Z. Majewski, Chairman of FID/TD, co-operates in the preparation of the study, for which the major contractor is IFLA (Mr. J. Letheve, Bibliotheque Nationale, Paris).

The projects shall be completed in 1969.

- Eight countries are reported to have agreed on adoption of the British standard book numbering system: United States, France, Germany, Great Britain, Netherlands, Switzerland, Denmark and Norway. Study and sponsorship are conducted through a special committee of the International Standards Organization.

MEETINGS

A P R I L 1 4 - 1 5 : Institute in Houston jointly sponsored by the Library of Congress Information Systems Office, the Division of Library Automation of ALA, and the Rice University libraries, to explain the organization and use of LC's MARC magnetic tapes which became available for distribution beginning Oct. 1. The program is directed at catalogers, acquisitions librarians, heads of these departments, data processing librarians and heads of technical processes. Registration is limited to 100. Send name and address to: ISAD/LC MARC Institutes, American Library Association, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, Ill. 60611, with fee of $47.


M A Y 2 - 3 : Fourteenth annual Midwest Academic Librarians Conference at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio.
May 5-7: A symposium on The Computer Utility—Implications for Higher Education will be held jointly by the Interuniversity Communications Council and the Whittemore School of Business Economics of the University of New Hampshire, with sponsorship by the National Science Foundation. Inclusive dates are May 5-7, 1969 at the Sheraton Wayfarer Inn, Manchester, New Hampshire. The symposium stems from the Federal Communications Commission inquiry concerning regulatory and policy problems caused by the interdependence of computer and communication services and facilities. Its purpose is two-fold: to present authoritative opinions on the impact of a regulated computer utility on those areas where computers use interfaces with higher education, and to determine what should be an educational policy toward the computer utility concept. There will be two days of panel sessions and a third day of workshops at which the panelists and interested parties will attempt to coalesce presentations into a cohesive viewpoint. The panel sessions will deal with: Implications for the Information Sciences; Implications for Data Banks; Implications for Libraries and Information Services; and Implications for Instruction and Testing. Featured speakers at luncheon and dinner meetings will be Senator Ralph Yarborough of Texas and the Honorable Lee Loevinger, former FCC Commissioner and Assistant Attorney General for the United States in Antitrusts. Symposium directors are Professors Michael Duggan and Manley Erwin, both of the Whittemore School of Business Economics. Further information can be obtained from Professor Duggan at: Computer/Education Symposium, Box 68, Durham, New Hampshire 03824, telephone: (603) 868-5511, ext. 739.

May 5-9: Third International Congress of Medical Librarianship in Amsterdam. The theme of the Congress is "World Progress in Medical Librarianship." The subject areas include the contribution of medical libraries toward an increase of biomedical knowledge; the functions of medical libraries in the transmission of biomedical knowledge; the functions of the organization of medical knowledge: indexing and classification; modern information systems in medicine; technical developments in the medical library field; and problems of medical information systems and centers in developing countries. There will be invited lecturer's, as well as contributed, papers. Registration fee is $60. Registration forms are available from the office of the Secretary-General. Information about special transportation to Amsterdam from the United States will be available from Mrs. Jacqueline W. Felter, The Medical Library Center of New York, 17 East 102 Street, New York 10029, and for Canada from Miss Doreen Fraser, Dalhousie University Medical Dental Library, Carleton and College Streets, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

May 10: The Annual May meeting of the Tri-State Chapter, ACRL will be held on May 10, 1969 at Indiana State University, Indiana, Pennsylvania.

June: The American University has announced an Institute on Document Identification Systems to be held in Washington, D.C. in June 1969. Suggestions for system proposals, relevant topics which should be treated or other program matters are invited. They should be addressed to Professor Lowell H. Hattery, The American University, 1901 F Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006.

June 8-14: The School of Library and Information Services, University of Maryland, will conduct an Institute on Middle Management in Librarianship. The Institute is planned as a response to the clearly expressed need for appropriate training of the increasing number of librarians who are functioning in middle-level administrative roles. The Institute is being organized with the view that some of these needs can be met through an intensive program utilizing a number of small group and discovery techniques stressing maximum participant involvement. The Director of the Institute will be Dr. James Liesener, Associate Professor, School of Library and Information Services with Mr. Edward S. Warner, Assistant Professor, serving as Associate Director. Faculty members from the School of Library and Information Services representing both library science and other subject disciplines as well as outside management consultants will complete the staff. Forty participants will be chosen from eligible applicants. All practicing librarians will be eligible with special preference given to those in middle-level managerial roles in libraries and information centers. The program will be funded by the Office of Education under the Higher Education Act, Title II-B program and each participant will receive a per diem stipend.

June 16-20: There will be an Art Institute entitled "Art Libraries: Their Comprehensive Role in Preserving Contemporary Visual Resources" at the State University of New York at Buffalo. It will be funded by the Higher Education Act of 1965, Public Law 89-329, Title II, Part B. Participants will be art librarians, catalogers of art books, and slide librarians working in art collections of academic institutions or museums. Registration is limited to 25. Information and applications may be requested from Mrs. Florence S. DaLuiso, Art Librarian, Harriman Art Library, State University of New York at Buffalo, Buffalo, N.Y. 14214.
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June 17-20: Puerto Rico will be the site of the Fourteenth Seminar on the Acquisition of Latin American Library Materials, June 17-20, 1969. The acquisition of Latin American scientific and technological materials will be the special topic for discussion. Other sessions will deal with progress made in the past year on matters concerning the booktrade and acquisitions, bibliography, exchange of publications, official publications, photoduplication of Latin American materials, and archives. Meetings of the Seminar Committees will take place on Wednesday morning, June 18. The first general session will be held Wednesday afternoon to initiate committee and progress reports, and the last one on Friday morning, June 20. Meetings of the Executive Board of the newly incorporated SALALM will be held on the evening of Tuesday, June 17, and at luncheon on Wednesday, June 18. Institutional registration in the Fourteenth Seminar is $15.00, which includes preprint working papers only available through payment of the institutional registration. These papers, including the Progress Report on books in the Americas, will be distributed at the time of the meeting to participants and to those registered but not attending. The registration fee for additional participants from the institution registering is $7.50, and includes preprint working papers. Additional sets of working papers can be subscribed to in advance for $5.00 each. The Final Report and Working Papers will be subsequently published by the Pan American Union. Information on the content of the program and working papers can be procured from Mr. James Andrews, Argonne National Laboratory, 9700 South Cass Avenue, Argonne, Illinois 60439. For other information, refer to the Executive Secretary, Mrs. Marietta Daniels Shepard, Pan American Union, Washington, D.C. 20006.


July 20-Aug. 1: Third annual Library Administrators Development Program at the University of Maryland's Donaldson Brown Center, Port Deposit, Maryland. Seminar sessions will concentrate on the principal administrative issues which senior managers encounter. Director of the program will be John Rizzo, associate professor, School of Government and Business Administration, George Washington University. Those interested in further information are invited to address inquiries to the Library Administrators Development Program, School of Library and Information Services, University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland 20742.

July 28-Aug. 8: A two-weeks' institute, to be conducted under a grant from the U.S. Office of Education, will be held at the State University of New York at Buffalo, July 28-August 8, 1969, on the subject of interpersonal and group communications for librarians and information specialists. Designed to educate top and intermediate level management of major academic libraries and school libraries in the skills of group dynamics and conflict management, and set against the background of our new media, the institute's program will center about an integrated series of laboratory and workshop learning experiences. Information concerning the institute may be obtained from the institute director, Dr. Mary B. Cassata, Reference Department, State University of New York at Buffalo Libraries, Buffalo, New York 14214.

Aug. 4-6: “The Deterioration and Preservation of Library Materials” is the topic for the 34th Annual Conference of the Graduate Library School, University of Chicago, to be held August 4-6, 1969, in the Center for Continuing Education on the University campus. The general director of the program is Professor Howard W. Winger of the Graduate Library School, and the speakers have been selected from the fields of conservation, industry, paper chemistry, photography, publishing, and librarianship. The printed program, including application blanks for registration and lodging, will be sent on request to: Graduate Library School, University of Chicago, 1116 East 59th Street, Chicago, Illinois 60637.

Aug. 10-15: “Change Frontiers; Implications for Librarianship,” is the subject of an Institute to be offered at the University of Maryland August 10 to August 15, 1969. The insights of guest lecturers and panelists will provide stimulus for interaction among the participants as they seek to comprehend, assess, and synthesize diverse facets of the library role in a changing world. The shared framework of the participant group will be one of attitude rather than area of expertise. Discussion will incorporate consideration of the library environment and current developments in the business, technological and organizational aspects of the library's commodity, information. The Culture, Establishment Responses, The Information Industry, and The Political Behavior of Librarians are major components for the sessions. The Institute will be held at the Adult Education Center at the University of Maryland. Participation will be limited to 20 applicants, each of whom will receive a $75 stipend, plus $15 for each dependent. Gilda Nimer is Director of the Institute, and direction and continuity for the sessions will be provided by Dean Paul Wasserman and Professor Mary Lee Bundy of the School of Library and Information Services. The Institute is sponsored by the U.S. Office of Education under Title II-B of the Higher Education Act of 1965. All practicing librarians
will be eligible to apply, with special preference given to those who indicate a concern with change and an institutional role which allows for experiment. For more information, write to Gilda Nimer, Director, "Change Frontiers," School of Library and Information Services, University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland 20742.

Sept. 1-6: Fourth IATUL (International Association of Technological University Libraries) Seminar will be held at the Library of the Technological University, Delft, The Netherlands, under the direction of Dr. L. J. van der Wolk. This annual international course is open to all directors or their co-workers from libraries affiliated to universities, institutes or organizations of research level. The Seminar teaches practical daily international library cooperation. Teachers—experts from various countries—will introduce the situation and possibilities of each international method and technique. There will be approximately 15 lectures, each theme is allocated 1½ hours. The first half hour is used for a concise survey of the present day situation or possibilities in the international field to be discussed. This introduction is followed by a discussion of at least 45 minutes in which participants and the lecturer contribute from their own experience. The number of participants is limited to 25 in order to establish good contact and opportunity for efficient discussions. The official language of the Seminar is English. The fee for the Seminar is Dfl. 400.; hotel and travel expenses are not included in this amount. Due to the restriction in the number of participants it is advisable to contact the secretariat as soon as possible: Miss B. G. Sinnema, c/o Library of the Technological University, 101 Doelenstraat, DELFT, The Netherlands.

Sept. 2-5: The Second Cranfield Conference on Mechanised Information Storage and Retrieval Systems will be held from September 2 to September 5, 1969. The Conference will be sponsored jointly by The College of Aeronautics and “Information Storage and Retrieval.” Details concerning presentation of papers or attendance can be obtained from the Conference Director, Cyril Cleverdon, The College of Aeronautics, Cranfield, Bedford, England.

Oct. 1-3: The Missouri Library Association 1969 convention will be in Jefferson City, Mo.

Oct. 1-5: 32nd annual meeting of ASIS will be held at the San Francisco Hilton; San Francisco, California. The Convention Chairman for the 1969 meeting is Mr. Charles P. Bourne; Director, Programming Services, Inc.; 999 Commercial Street, Palo Alto, Calif. 94303.

Oct. 26-30: 68th annual meeting of the Medical Library Association will be held at the Brown Hotel in Louisville, Kentucky. Miss Joan Titley, director of the Kornhauser Memorial Medical library, University of Louisville, is convention chairman. The advance program and registration forms will be a part of the May, 1969 issue of MLA News.


Oct. 4-9, 1970: 33rd annual meeting of ASIS will be held at the Bellevue Stratford Hotel; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The Convention Chairman for the 1970 meeting is Mr. Kenneth H. Zabriskie, Jr.; Biosciences Information Services of Biological Abstracts; 2100 Arch Street; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

MISCELLANY

- The National Aeronautics and Space Administration has selected Technical Information Services Co., a subsidiary of Informatics, Inc., Sherman Oaks, Calif., for award of the contract for continued operation of NASA’s Scientific and Technical Information Facility at College Park, Md. (Leasco Systems and Research Corporation, Bethesda, Md. is the former contractor.) The cost-plus-award free contract, for
an amount up to $4.3 million, will run through
November 1969, with options for two succeeding
one-year periods. The mission of the facility
is to acquire and organize worldwide scientific
and technical reports in the aerospace sciences;
index and abstract documents of value in the
exploration of space; prepare announcement
journals; process selected items on microfiche
for economical reproduction and distribution;
and provide a central reference service to
NASA and its contractors.

- The Association of Research Libraries an-
nounced the establishment of the Slavic Bibli-
ographic and Documentation Center. The pur-
pose of this new Center is to help meet the li-
brary and bibliographic needs of students and
scholars working in the field of Slavic studies.
It will be located in the headquarters of the
ARL at 1527 New Hampshire Avenue, N.W.,
Washington, D.C. The Ford Foundation,
through a grant of $350,000 to the Association,
has provided support for the Center for a three-
year period. The award was made in response
to recommendations from the Coordinating
Committee for Slavic and East European Li-
brary Resources of the Joint Committee on
Slavic Studies and the Association of Research
Libraries. The Joint Committee is composed of
a group of scholars drawn from the American
Council of Learned Societies and the Social
Science Research Council. The Association of
Research Libraries, an organization of the ma-
jor research libraries in the United States and
Canada, will administer the Center.

The Center will undertake a variety of ac-
tivities in order to aid scholars in the field of
Slavic studies and the libraries which serve
them. It will make available bibliographic and
other reference tools, provide indexing and ab-
stracting services, and identify and promote re-
publication of important titles. All of these ac-
tivities will be focused on publications printed
in the Slavic languages, wherever published
and without chronological limitations. Policy
guidance for the activities of the Center will be
provided by an advisory committee made up of
professors and librarians. Mr. Marion A. Mil-
czewski, director of Libraries at the University
of Washington (Seattle), has been named
chairman of the advisory committee. An ap-
pointment to the position of director of the
Center is expected by July 1. The Slavic Bib-
liographic and Documentation Center is the
second "area center" to be established by the
Association of Research Libraries with funds
from the Ford Foundation. The first, the Center
for Chinese Research Materials, began its op-
erations in May, 1968.

- American Library Line has announced the
availability of a 6-up die cut catalog card sheet
suitable for Xeroxing. Xerox time and cost are
reduced by 50 per cent when compared to the
standard 4-up perforated sheet. The 6-up sheets
may be run without the use of a power
cutter. Top and bottom of the cards are smooth
and pre-cut; perforations appear only at the
sides. Each card is 7.5 × 12.5 cm. when sepa-
rated. Stock is offered in both 100 per cent
Rag and Permalife and is packed 1000 sheets
to the carton. A patent has been applied for.

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ter cards and eliminates the black lines repro-
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erations. The Booklet may be ordered separate-
ly for $2.50. For additional information, please
write to American Library Line, P.O. Box 2442,
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- The Associated Colleges of the Midwest
Central Library began operation in January
with over 1500 periodical subscriptions and
backfiles, on microform when available.
Through this cooperative action the ten mem-
ber libraries are able to more than double their
periodical resources. Current subscriptions aug-
ment local lists and the pooled backfiles di-
minish duplication of valuable but seldom used
titles. Member colleges’ faculty and students
are served with copy from the central li-
brary’s holdings through regular inter-library
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copy is sent out by first-class mail the same day
the request is received. At present, the Central
Library is using the Filmac 400M reader-
printer for all microform copies and the 3M
209 copier for paper. Library materials have
been purchased through a $270,000 Title II-A
grant from the Office of Education. The col-
leges are participating in funding the equip-
ment, supplies and staff salaries. Offices are lo-
cated in the Newberry Library adjacent to the
ACM office at 60 West Walton Street, Chicago,
Illinois 60610.

- IIT Research Institute has begun develop-
ing an Information Center to provide industry
and academic institutions greater access to sci-
entific information, initially concentrating on
Chemical Abstracts Service data, according to
an announcement by Martha E. Williams, Man-
ger of Technical Information Research at
IITRI. The center will develop a system for diseminating chemical information to students,
university faculties, research personnel, and in-
dustrial chemists. The information will be
drawn from computer tapes prepared by
Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS). IITRI’s
technical information research staff is writing
general purpose file, search and output com-
puter programs for use with CAS tapes. These
programs also will be applicable to other tape resources, such as Biological Abstracts, Engineering Index and NASA STAR, to be incorporated as the center expands. Access to scientific information will be provided through program services and through search services. Subscribers to abstracting services, such as CAS, can obtain a basic set of computer programs from the center to use in their own computer facilities for searching information tapes. Search services involve matching information tapes maintained at the IITRI Center against interest profile tapes, providing printout of information corresponding to each user's interests. This printout will be distributed approximately every two weeks as "current awareness reports" to users requesting the service. Special tape searches also will be performed at the IITRI Center when requested, Miss Williams said. During initial development, CAS references have been evaluated, services will be expanded and a fee schedule will be established to make the center self-supporting. Mr. Eugene S. Schwartz, Senior Scientist with IITRI's Technical Information Research section, is principal investigator for the design and development of center operations. In connection with the center, an effort will be made to educate future chemists in computer processing of information. A graduate course titled "Modern Techniques in Chemical Literature" will be taught at Illinois Institute of Technology during the 1968-69 year. IIT graduate students and faculty advisors will be among the first users of the center.

- Medical College catalogs on microfiche complete with a reader and an in depth index/guide are now available from Academic Information Methods, Division of Dataflow Systems Inc., Rockville, Md. This INFACTM information system covers U.S. and Canadian Medical Schools. The system consists of an index/guide designed for the medically oriented user, the complete Medical catalogs on microfiche and a portable microfiche reader. The price for the complete 1968-69 system is $195. Without the reader, the price is $139.50. Other similar INFACTM college catalog information systems will be available in the future.

- The Missouri Library Association officers for 1969 are as follows:

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- A new Recordak Microfiche Master System consists of 16mm film, which can be cut and assembled in rows to make up master filmcards. Updated strips can be inserted quickly and easily among the unchanged rows of images on original master filmcards, before generating new distribution microfiche. Associated equipment in a complete system may consist of the Recordak Micro-File Machine, Model MRD-2, which can microfilm up to 350 documents an hour. A small volume user may choose print distribution microfiche inside his own plant, or may send stripped-up microfiche masters for duplication by a regional Kodak Microfilm Processing Laboratory. These labs will continue to complete any or all of the steps in this overall production process, including the mail distribution of microfiche publications. Additional questions, or requests for more information should be sent to Business Systems Markets Division, Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, New York 14650.

- Atlantic Microfilm Corporation has announced the availability of a microfiche printer/processor, for which significant advances are claimed. Capable of delivering a diazo microfiche duplicate in seconds, the unit is adapted to roll-to-roll, strip-to-strip, and strip-to-roll duplication. Accommodating material up to 11" wide by any length, the printer-processor offers synchronized printing and developing speeds up to 16 feet per minute. The average printing speed with microfilm diazo materials is five feet per minute. The vendor states that the unit delivers sharp, scratch-free duplicates without the use of a protective envelope in the developing stage. The unit sells for $1750. Details are available from Atlantic Microfilm Corporation, Spring Valley, N.Y. 10977.

- A new service that enables information centers and libraries to run an in-house SDI (selective dissemination of information) program for as little as $35.00 per year per user has been announced by the Institute for Scientific Information, Called ASCA® Tapes (Automatic Subject Citation Alert), the new service provides a weekly magnetic tape containing descriptions of newly published material pertinent
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INTRODUCTION TO LIBRARIANSHIP
By Jean Key Gates, University of South Florida. McGraw-Hill Series in Library Education. 415 pages, $7.50.
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- A partially automated Serials Control System has entered the final testing phase at The Milton S. Hershey Medical Center Library of The Pennsylvania State University in Hershey, Pa. The new system is based upon findings from the library's automated Serials Catalog (SCAT) project. The latter, put into production in 1966, utilized a time sharing, online IBM 1440 computer system, and an IBM 1050 Communications Terminal. The terminal was located in the Medical Center Library and the computer was housed at the University's Computer Center, a distance of about 105 miles from Hershey. The library's entire serials holding collection of approximately 35,000 volumes was recorded at the terminal and entered on the random access disc storage of the computer. Each serial title was assigned a unique number, and the terminal was used to update the holdings by entries of the serials issues which arrive in each day's mail. Approximately 2000 serial titles were entered into the system and six output listings were produced by computer programs, the major listing being a Serials Catalog in book form. Copies of the catalog are distributed to the faculty periodically. The Serials Control System combines the data files of the Serials Catalog with a special data base pertaining to each serial title. The special data base includes frequency, language, publishing company, MeSH titles and claim indications, binding indications, subscription expiration dates, number of medical subject headings assigned, room number where serial is kept, room number where current copies are kept, monograph indications and additional information which expands the system's capabilities. Transactions for modifying the SCAT II master file are prepared offline by a library clerk using the IBM 1055 paper tape punch. Simultaneously, a hard copy is produced so that the data can be readily edited by the clerk. Data is entered into the IBM 360/67 operation system under OS and HASP via The Pennsylvania State University Remote Job Entry System.

- Automated processes and their application to university libraries is the subject of the 21st lecture in the University of Tennessee Library Lecture Series, to be delivered on April 22 by Carl Jackson, former Assistant Order Librarian at UT and now Director of Libraries, the University of Pennsylvania. The publication of Lectures 19-21 will follow shortly, edited by Robert J. Bassett, Assistant Professor and Assistant Acquisitions Librarian. Lectures 19 and 20 are "Librarianship Today—Crisis or Change," by Jerrold Orne and "Twenty First Century Scholarship in the Research Library: A Marriage of Convenience," by John Berthel.

PUBLICATIONS

- A recent contribution to library literature is a new edition of Bibliography of Latin American Bibliographies (Scarecrow Press, Inc., 1968, 515 p., $30). Compiled by Arthur E. Gropp, Librarian of the Columbus Memorial Library, Pan American Union, this new edition brings up to date the 1942 revised and en-
Twelve of forty studies conducted since 1963 are reported. The contents are:

1. Introduction, by Barton Burkhalter and Robert Muller
2. Memo on Effective Labor Costs
3. An Analysis of Renewals, Overdues, and Other Factors Influencing the Optimal Charge-Out Period, by B. R. Burkhalter and P. A. Race
5. Development of Methods and Time Standards for a Large Scale Library Inventory, by R. E. Beck, Jr., R. McKinnon
12. A Photo Copier Accounting System for the Library Photoduplication Department, by R. E. Beck, M. C. Drott
13. Increased Seating in the Undergraduate Library: A Study in Effective Space Utilization, by J. J. Cook

• The University of Michigan with the aid of a non-profit systems engineering firm, using student engineers, has conducted a series of studies for improved library operations. These studies have been reported in Barton R. Berkhalter, editor, Case Studies in Systems Analysis in a University Library. Metuchen, N.J.: The Scarecrow Press, Inc., 1968. 186 pp. Twelve of forty studies conducted since 1963 are reported. The contents are:

• The Cataloguing Requirements of the Book Division of a Rare Book Library by Josiah Q. Bennett is the third in a series of Occasional Papers published by the Kent State University Libraries. For the administrator, curator and cataloguer, this study includes a detailed, technical discussion of each entry on the 3" × 5" card in relation to standard cataloguing procedures. The 48 page pamphlet is available for $2.00 from Occasional Papers, Kent State University Libraries, Kent, Ohio 44240.

• UNESCO has issued a revised “Guide for the Preparation of Authors’ Abstracts for Publication.” The two page set of recommendations is available from Department of Advancement of Science, UNESCO, Place de Fontenoy, Paris 6, France.

• F. W. Lancaster. Information Retrieval Systems. New York: John Wiley & Sons, Inc., Publishers, 1968. $9.00 is a new book for IR specialists. According to the author, the book is “concerned primarily with those ‘intellectual’ factors that significantly affect the performance of all information retrieval systems; namely, indexing policy and practice, vocabulary control, searching strategies, interaction between the system and its users.” The book is intended for “students of librarianship and information science . . . and all concerned with the design, operation, and evaluation of information retrieval systems.”

• The second issue of Library Lectures, containing numbers 5-8 and published by the Louisiana State University Library in Baton Rouge, is now available. The issue is dedicated to Mrs. Calvin Schwing, a former librarian and patron of Louisiana State University, who sponsors the series. The publication contains: “Some Experiences in Library Surveys and Classification” by Maurice F. Tauber, “The National Program for Acquisitions and Cataloging” by John W. Cronin, “Myths and Realities in Library Education: The Blue Stamp Syndrome and the Library Schools” by Wallace J. Bonk, and “The Improvement of Book Collections for Academic Libraries” by Robert A. Miller. Published in a
limited quantity, Library Lectures is available without charge to college and university libraries, library schools, and large public libraries. Requests should be addressed to: Library Lecture Series, Louisiana State University Library, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70803.

- Mechanized Information Storage, Retrieval and Dissemination. Proceedings of the FID/IFIP Conference, Rome, June 14-17, 1967. 1968, XIV + 729 pages (FID 416), $27.00. The first international conference sponsored jointly by FID and the International Federation for Information Processing. The 49 pages presented at the Conference are arranged under the following Conference chapters:

- Introduction to the field of mechanized information storage, retrieval and dissemination
- File organization and search strategy. Automatic indexing, classification and retrieval
- Economics and comparison of documentation systems
- Computer-aided production of publications and indexes
- Information networks and on-line systems

This publication is available from: North-Holland Publishing Company, Amsterdam, Netherlands or International Federation for Documentation (FID), 7 Hofweg, The Hague, Netherlands.

- The findings of a landmark study of the library systems concept has been published by the American Library Association under the title Public Library Systems in the United States; A Survey of Multi-Jurisdictional Systems. The national survey itself was supported by a grant of more than $50,000 from the Council on Library Resources, Inc. The 384-page report (available each for cloth-bound copies) is in three parts, introduced by a chapter on the objectives and methodology of the study and details about the ALA Public Library Association's identification of existing multi-jurisdictional systems. Part I gives a general and historical review of system development, outlines the characteristics of 491 systems, and, for 58 systems selected for study, details their structure, development, resources, and services. Part II presents case studies which examine in depth the background, structure, relationship of the system to the State and to member libraries, personnel, services, finances, and resources of six systems selected for intensive study and comparative analysis. The six are the Three Rivers Library System in New Castle, Colo., North Central Regional Library in Wenatchee, Wash., Fairfax County Public Library System in Fairfax, Va., Wayne County Federated Library System in Wayne, Mich., Memphis and Shelby County Public Libraries in Memphis, Tenn., and the Pioneer Library System in Rochester, N.Y. Part III summarizes the basic findings and supplies conclusions and recommendations drawn from the study. The raw statistics of responses to questionnaires are translated into detailed tabulations in appendixes.

- For the past three years the British Office for Scientific and Technical Information has supported a project on the linguistic properties of scientific English. A final report has recently been published: Sentence and Clause in Scientific English by R. D. Huddleston, R. A. Hudson, E. O. Winter and A. Henrici, Communication Research Centre, Department of General Linguistics, University College London, May 1968, 695 pp. It can be purchased from the College for 28 shillings. The report gives a linguistic account of selected areas of the grammar of written scientific English based on 27 texts each of 5,000 words. These are taken from three "strata," high (specialist journals), medium (undergraduate textbooks) and low (more popular works), the first two being subdivided into biology, chemistry and physics. The grammatical description is based on the systemic model of language and deals mainly with the grammar of the clause. In addition there is a section on the statistical aspects of the work and an introductory passage describing the grammatical notions involved. Analysis of the texts was carried out manually as mechanical parsing was not considered sufficiently accurate for this purpose, but computers were used to compile statistics. The report describes the general structure of the texts and includes only a few numerical results, but the full figures are held in the Department of General Linguistics at University College London and may be consulted by interested workers. The results should be of use to people studying language generally and especially to those engaged in research into automatic indexing and abstracting or working on parsing programs.
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