ACQUISITIONS

• The Library of Gettysburg College, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, has received the entire collection of organ music of Claire Coci, who died September 30, 1978. The collection contains 2,140 scores plus ninety-seven volumes of collections, fifty-four technical works, catalogs of special collections and bibliographical sketches, and a number of other works. It was left to Gettysburg College by her family.

• Virginia's senior United States senator, Harry F. Byrd, Jr., has presented the first lot of his papers under an arrangement that will bring his papers to the University of Virginia, Charlottesville, in regular shipments when they are no longer needed in the active business of his office.

• California State University, Long Beach, Library has acquired the legislative papers of California State Assemblyman Vincent Thomas. This collection contains material on all the major legislation and committee work in which Assemblyman Thomas was involved during nineteen terms in the California state legislature.

• The University of Wyoming Libraries have recently acquired a collection of nearly 800 bilingual foreign-language dictionaries and grammars collected by Clarence Seibold of Cheyenne, Wyoming. The bulk of the collection consists of dictionaries of non-Indo-European languages and dialects, many of which have only rarely or recently been recorded.

• The Special Collections Department of Colorado State University Libraries recently opened its Germans from Russia Collection. Among the 1,000 items are books, journal articles, maps, papers, photographs, and manuscripts relating to Germans from Russia, or "Volga Germans." The collection began in 1975 in support of an interdisciplinary project at Colorado State University to study this group, which forms the second largest ethnic minority in Colorado and is represented by substantial populations in other Great Plains states.

• Russell E. Bidlack, dean of the University of Michigan School of Library Science, has been designated the 1979 recipient of the Melvil Dewey Medal by the American Library Association "for creative professional achievement."

• Agnes C. Conrad, Hawaii state archivist, was presented the Distinguished Librarian Award by the Hawaii Library Association at its spring conference in Honolulu.

• Carlos Cuadra has been selected by the National Federation of Abstracting and Indexing Services (NFAIS) to present the Miles Conrad Memorial Lecture at the federation's 1980 Annual Conference, March 3-6, 1980, at the Sheraton National Hotel, Arlington, Virginia.

• M. Carl Drott, assistant professor in the Drexel University School of Library and Information Science, received one of three Christian R. and Mary F. Lindback Awards for Distinguished Teaching given this year at the university.

• Virginia Lacy Jones, dean of the School of Library Service, Atlanta University, has received the honorary degree of doctor of letters from the University of Michigan.

• Frederick G. Kilgour, president and executive director of OCLC, Inc., Columbus, Ohio, received the fifteenth ASIS Award of Merit at ceremonies held during the 1979 Annual Meeting of the American Society for Information Science (ASIS) in Minneapolis.

• Ralph McCoy, dean emeritus of library affairs at Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, has been named by the University of Illinois Graduate School of Library Science to receive the 1979 Robert B. Downs Award of $500.

• Roscoe Rouse, director of the Oklahoma State University library, was presented the Distinguished Service Award by the Oklahoma Library Association during the final banquet of its annual conference in Oklahoma City. It is the highest award given by the association.

AWARDS

• Hugh Amory, cataloger in the Printed Books Department of the Houghton Library, Harvard University, has been awarded the A. N. L. Munby Fellowship in Bibliography by Cambridge University for the academic year 1980-81.

• Nettie Lee Benson, professor of history and former director of the Latin American Collection at the University of Texas at Austin, was presented the Order of the Aztec Eagle award by José Lopez Portillo, president of Mexico, at ceremonies in Mexico City on July 16.

• The United States Office of Education has awarded $55,000 under the Library Research and Demonstration Program to the Alternative Acquisitions Project based at Temple University's Contemporary Culture Collection. The project, now in its second year, will develop a handbook to aid librarians in handling alternative publications and will hold three one-day regional seminars to acquaint librarians with the nuts and bolts of building an alternative press collection.

• The Pew Memorial Trust, administered by the Glenmede Trust Co., has given Drexel University $1 million for use in renovation of Drex-
el's Rush Building, home of the university's School of Library and Information Science.

- **David Kaeser**, professor, Graduate Library School, Indiana University, has been awarded a grant from the Pacific Cultural Foundation to return to Taipei in December to direct a workshop at National Taiwan Normal University.

- The **Pittsburgh Regional Library Center** will receive $99,304 for the first year of a project to develop and produce an on-line union list of serials for Pennsylvania. The State Library of Pennsylvania awarded the contract for the project to the center. Funds were provided under the Library Services and Construction Act, Title III.

- The North Shore Unitarian Veatch Program of Plandome, New York, has awarded the Andover-Harvard Theological Library, Cambridge, Massachusetts, a grant of $57,250 for one year to complete the cataloging of the books, periodicals, and manuscripts of the Universalist Historical Society Library. The Universalist Library, founded in 1834, was given to the Harvard Divinity School in June 1975 by the society and forms a part of the school's Universalist and Unitarian collections.

- The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) has awarded a challenge grant that may bring as much as $1.6 million to the **New York Public Library**. Under the terms of the grant the library would have to raise $3.2 million in private gifts to qualify for the maximum $1.6 million from the NEH. The Vincent S. Astor Foundation will match unrestricted gifts in excess of the NEH award dollar for dollar.

**MEETINGS**

**January**

9–14: The forty-first annual National Audio-Visual Association (NAVA) Convention and Exhibit will be held in Atlanta, Georgia, at the Georgia World Congress Center. For more information write NAVA Convention, 3150 Spring St., Fairfax, VA 22031; (703) 273-7200.

14–17: The **Association of American Library Schools' 1980 Conference** will have the theme "New Mandates for Library Education: Implications of the White House Conference." For information contact Janet Phillips, Association of American Library Schools, 471 Park Ln., State College, PA 16801; (814) 238-0254.

**February**

3–5: "The LRC and the Life-Long Learner" will be the theme of the fifteenth annual Community College Learning Resources Conference to be held at Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville. For more information and registration, contact Peggy Mills, John A. Logan College, Carterville, IL 62918.

19–22: **Library History Seminar VI**, with the theme "Libraries and Culture," will be held at the Driskill Hotel, Austin, Texas. The program will offer thirty-one selected papers during the day and will feature addresses by major speakers at the evening sessions. The registration fee of $75 ($35 for students) includes two meals. For information write LHS–VI Coordinator, Graduate School of Library Science, University of Texas at Austin, Box 7576, University Sta., Austin, TX 78712.

The following continuing education activities have been listed with ACRL's Continuing Education Clearinghouse. If your organization is sponsoring an activity that you think may be of interest to ACRL members, please send the pertinent details to the ACRL Office, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611.

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Contact: Director, Office of Continuing Professional Education, Drexel University, 32d and Chestnut Sts., Philadelphia, PA 19104; (215) 895-2153.


22, 28—March 7, 14—Accounting: Accounting for Librarians Institute, Rosary College Graduate School of Library Science, River Forest, Illinois. Fee: $100. Contact: Continuing Education Programs, Rosary College Graduate School of Library Science, River Forest, IL 60305.

27–March 1—Statistics: "Statistical Methods for Professional Librarians," workshop, University of Chicago. Contact: Director, Office of Continuing Professional Education, University of Chicago, 1122 E. 58th St., Chicago, IL 60637; (312) 662-2956.