News From the Field

ACQUISITIONS

• The voluminous papers of the late Allan Nevins—some 50,000 letters, manuscripts, and other items documenting the prominent historian’s long career—have been opened to scholars at the COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY libraries. Columbia also announced it has received Dr. Nevins’ private library of more than 11,000 books. The historian, who died March 5 at the age of eighty, also bequeathed his personal diaries, kept from 1941 to 1970. The books and diaries recently arrived at Columbia from the Nevins’ home in Menlo Park, California.

Dr. Nevins established the collection of his papers at Columbia in 1953 but stipulated that it was to be closed until after his death. All of its contents are open now except the diaries and his tape-recorded oral history memoirs, which will remain closed for another five years.

The Nevins papers include letters from Presidents Hoover, Roosevelt, Truman, Eisenhower, Kennedy, and Johnson. Other correspondents include poets Carl Sandburg and Louis Untermeyer, social reformers Ida Tarbell and Upton Sinclair, educators John Dewey and Abraham Flexner, statesmen Cordell Hull and Anthony Eden, novelists Thomas B. Costain and Howard Fast, senators Robert F. Kennedy and Everett M. Dirksen, and commentators H. V. Kaltenborn and Edward R. Murrow.

• Drake Memorial Library of the STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK COLLEGE at Brockport has on microfilm the only copy available in the U.S. of the Lord Chamberlain’s Day-books which are registers of plays licensed for presentation in London from 1824 to 1903. The originals are in the British Museum.

There are columns for the following information: number of license, title of the stage play (but no author’s name), nature of play (comedy, drama, pantomime, etc.), number of acts, date of license, date of entry, and words and passages to be omitted in representation. There are some loose papers and other notes at random in the books such as letters to and from the Lord Chamberlain, a tally of plays read and approved, and a note on the common caution to managers about what is permissible to be represented on stage.

• The Rare Book and Manuscript Department of Paley Library at TEMPLE UNIVERSITY has recently acquired an extensive collection of the writings of Gilbert Burnet (1643–1715), bishop of Salisbury. The collection, consisting of 137 titles, is valuable source material for theological and English political history of the latter seventeenth century and complements the previous holdings of the department. Burnet’s writings are a narration of contemporary events in which he exerted much influence: the church history of Scotland; the reigns of Charles II, James II, and William and Mary; the Popish plots of the 1670s; and scientific developments of the age. A close friend of many Whigs (including John Churchill, duke of Marlborough), Burnet wrote many anti-Catholic tracts and formulated the religious justifications for the Glorious Revolution of 1688. A list of the tracts, sermons, and books is available upon request.

• The papers and correspondence of Luther Lee Bernard, a leading American sociologist, presented by his widow Dr. Jessie R. Bernard to the PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY libraries, have been cataloged and arranged and are open for use by the scholarly community as part of the Historical Collections at Pattee Library.

Dr. Ronald L. Filippelli, who is in charge of the collection, explains that it is considered to be important to the study of American sociology because of L. L. Bernard’s leading role in the field for many years, especially as a founder of the American Sociological Review. The magazine is the official journal of the American Sociological Society of which Dr. Bernard served as president in 1932.

The collection reflects Dr. Bernard’s accomplishments as a scholar in producing sixteen books, 300 professional papers, 1,000 reviews, and over 200 articles (100 of the latter dealing with South American sociology on which he was considered a world authority). It contains manuscripts, correspondence, journals, and diaries of trips, class and research notes, detailed information on the development of sociological departments at eighty-six colleges, and individual life histories of more than 200 sociologists. Dr. Filippelli and his staff have prepared an extensive typescript index which will facilitate use of the collection.

• One of the most important and extensive private collections of cryptologic material in the world has been given to the GEORGE C. MARSHALL RESEARCH LIBRARY, Lexington, Virginia. The gift was made by the late Lieutenant Colonel William F. Friedman, who died in 1969, and Mrs. Friedman, of Washington, D.C. Colonel Friedman and his wife have been widely acclaimed in the field of cryptography since World War I.

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the cryptographic field in 1916 and papers allied with their assignments for the U.S. government to books in various languages, pamphlets, technical papers, periodicals, microfilm, slides, and newspaper clippings.

- The Murphy Library of Wisconsin State University, La Crosse, has purchased the Paul W. Skeeters collection of science fiction, fantasy, and horror literature. Among the more than 1,000 titles, ranging in date from 1764 to the mid-1960s, and mostly in first editions, are authors such as Conrad Aiken and Edith Wharton, along with Edgar Rice Burroughs, Sax Rohmer, and Tiffany Thayer. The acquisition will supplement the library's complete collection of Arkham House books. The late August Derleth, well-known Wisconsin historian and author, was the founder and editor of Arkham House, the only publishing firm devoted solely to the printing of limited first editions in the field of macabre and gothic tales.

**SCHOLARSHIPS**

- The Catholic Library Association has announced that applications are now being accepted for the 1972 Reverend Andrew L. Bouwhuis Scholarship for graduate study in librarianship. The scholarship is in the amount of $1,000 and is awarded to the person chosen by the CLA Scholarship Committee. Promise of success based on collegiate record, evidence of need for financial help, and acceptance in a graduate library school program are the criteria for awarding the scholarship. The recipient may enter any graduate library school. Applications may be obtained by writing to the Scholarship Committee, Catholic Library Association, 461 W. Lancaster Ave., Haverford, PA 19041. The award will be announced at the annual convention of the association during Easter Week. The deadline for applications is February 1, 1972.

**GRANTS**

- The James Irvine Foundation has provided a $5,000 grant for the 1972-73 academic year to the Medical Library Scholarship Foundation of Los Angeles, to fund scholarships for prospective medical librarians. The Board of Directors of the Medical Library Scholarship Foundation voted at its latest meeting to expend the grant through allocations of $2,500 each to the UCLA School of Library Service and the USC School of Library Science. The two graduate professional schools will award scholarships to master's degree candidates specializing in medical librarianship.

- In a step toward meeting the problem of badly deteriorating card catalogs, the New York Public Library has begun an experiment to determine the feasibility of putting the present and prospective catalogs of its research libraries on microfilm. The Council on Library Resources has made a $10,000 grant toward the project and is also assisting in a consultative capacity.

The physical condition of the main Public Catalog of The Research Libraries of the New York Public Library has been of concern for some years. A 1965 study indicated that 2,296,000 of the then eight million cards contained in the heavily used catalog were in need of replacement. Conversion of the retrospective card catalog, following rehabilitation, to machine-readable form for book publication was considered. Further investigation, supported in large part by the council, resulted in a 1968 report in which some other alternatives were considered.

In the first part of the present experiment the usefulness of microfilm reproduction of a segment of the public catalog is being tested. Among the factors for consideration are: user acceptability, mechanical feasibility of the microfilm readers, and the means by which this service is to be administered by the staff. The second part of the experiment will deal with the use of microfilm in connection with production of the authority file for an automated prospective catalog. The third phase will investigate the use of microfilm for monthly cumulative catalog supplements of the prospective catalog and will evaluate ease of access to them in this form by the staff and by the public.

**MEETINGS**

Nov. 7-11: The 34th Annual Meeting of the American Society for Information Science (ASIS) will be held November 7-11, 1971, at the Denver Hilton Hotel, Denver, Colorado.

Jack M. McCormick (Chief, Special Management Services, National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration), General Chairman for the 1971 ASIS Conference, has announced that the theme of the conference will be “Communication for Decision-Makers.”

Further information on the ASIS Annual Meeting may be obtained by contacting Miss Sheryl Wormley, ASIS, 1140 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Suite 804, Washington, D.C. 20036. Telephone: (202) 659-3644. Further information can be found in the September 1971 News, Meetings section.

Nov. 11-13: “Directions in Education in Information Science,” a symposium cosponsored by the Information Science and Automation Division of the American Library Association, the American Society for Information Sci-
ence, and the University of Denver Graduate School of Library Science, will be held on November 11-13, 1971, immediately following the ASIS annual meeting in Denver.

Curricula and curriculum development will be the focus of the discussions, which will bring together educators in library science, information science, and computer science. Attendance will be limited. The registration fee is $35.00 for the two and one-half-day symposium. Inquiries and application should be made to Mr. Don S. Culbertson, Executive Secretary, Information Science and Automation Division, American Library Association, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, Illinois 60611.

Nov. 15: The General Services Administration will offer their Ninth Archival Symposia Monday, November 15, at the University of Chicago, School of Law. The general topic will be "Research Use of Federal Court Records—What, Where and How?" Topics and speakers will include "The Origin, Development and Operation of the Federal Courts Records Program of NARS," by Mrs. Dorothy Gersack, Records Appraisal Division, NARS, Washington, D.C.; "Research Opportunities at the Region 5 Archives Branch," by Bruce C. Harding, Chief, Archives Branch, Federal Records Center, Chicago; "Locating, Selecting, and Reproducing Federal Court Records on Microfilm," with Irwin S. Rhodes, Attorney and Legal Historian, Cincinnati; and "Researching and Writing on Federal Courts in Kentucky," by Mary K. Tachau, Department of History, University of Louisville.

Comments on the program and the future of legal history will be offered by Dr. Stanley Katz, University of Chicago, School of Law. For further information contact Chief, Archives Branch, Federal Record Center, GSA-NARS, 7201 S. Leamington Ave., Chicago, Illinois 60638. (Tele.: 312-353-5720)

Nov. 20: The fall meeting of the Hawaii Library Association will be held Saturday, November 20, 1971, at the Leeward Community College in Pearl City, Oahu. The spring meeting is scheduled to be held April 14 and 15, 1972, in Honolulu.

MISCELLANY

- The ACRL COMMITTEE ON APPOINTMENTS AND NOMINATIONS is requesting names of persons to be considered for appointment to ACRL committees and nomination for election to ACRL office. ACRL members should indicate their own interests and suggest names of other persons for consideration. Persons serving in any capacity must be able to attend the Annual and Midwinter Conferences. A list of ACRL committees can be found in College & Research Libraries News (July/Aug. 1971). In addition to committee appointments for terms to begin after the 1972 ALA conference, nominees will be selected for the offices of ACRL President-elect and directors-at-large. These nominees would be selected for the spring 1973 elections. Please forward names and complete addresses by November 15, 1971, to the committee chairman, Mr. Donald C. Anthony, Associate Director of Libraries, Columbia University, 315 Butler, New York, NY 10027.

- On June 25-28, 1971, a group of fourteen persons gathered in Santa Barbara, California to discuss some of the problems in the area of bibliography and data retrieval in the humanities and social sciences. Although several of the participants are members of committees, advisory boards, or editorial staffs of professional associations or journals, they did not officially represent these groups at the meeting.

The first day and a half of the conference was spent discussing various problems in the area of bibliography and documentation, including: (1) significant gaps in coverage; (2) duplication of coverage by various abstracting and bibliographic services; (3) the delay in providing bibliography and abstracts; (4) the
lack of communication between the organizations involved in bibliography and documentation; (5) the possibilities offered by automated data-retrieval systems; and (6) the relationship between nonprofit and commercial organizations.

The final portion of the meeting was concerned with possible methods of dealing with the problems that had been outlined. The participants agreed that it is essential to get those now involved in bibliography and abstracting to coordinate their activities. Therefore, it was decided that an attempt will be made to organize a meeting—hopefully, in 1972—that will bring together representatives of the major professional associations, information scientists, and bibliographic and abstracting services in the humanities and social sciences. Hopefully the meeting would be sponsored by the newly established National Commission for Libraries and Information Sciences, the American Council of Learned Societies, or some comparable body. Roger E. Kanet, Department of Political Science, The University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas 66044, and Don K. Rowney, Department of History, Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio 43402, agreed to assume responsibility for organizing the proposed meeting.

- The Library Administration Division wishes to announce the availability through interlibrary loan of the following materials from the ALA Headquarters Library:

- The Library Administration Division's Economic Status, Fringe Benefits and Welfare Committee is seeking to identify problems related to securing complete and accurate employment information by library job applicants or new employees. The term "job advertising" is defined as including ads, announcements, interviews, and related methods of providing employment facts to job applicants. Public hearings will be held at the 1972 ALA Annual Conference on this topic. Forms for written testimony may be obtained from the Library Administration Division office. Information provided for the "Truth in Job Advertising" hearings does not constitute a formal request for assistance from the ALA Staff Committee on Mediation, Arbitration and Inquiry.

- The 71st annual meeting of the Medical Library Association will be held in San Diego, California, June 11-15, 1972. Two general sessions for contributed papers are scheduled. No special themes have been assigned for either session except that papers should relate in some way to the focus of the conference as a whole on communication in the health sciences through information handling. The aim of the contributed sessions is to give individual MLA members an opportunity to present innovative aspects of the work in their libraries, problems in administration, training, technical or public services which have been successfully solved, research they may be engaged in, or results of thought and study on the role of medical librarianship in the communication of health information.

The Program Committee hopes that the papers selected will fall into natural groupings, but this is less important than the caliber and general interest of the individual papers. Oral presentations will be limited to fifteen minutes, though papers for possible publication in the Bulletin may be of whatever length is practical. Time will be allotted for discussion from the floor and, where feasible, by designated discussants.

Association members are cordially invited (in fact, urged) to submit papers for consideration for presentation. A letter of intent to do so and a short abstract of the paper should be sent by November 15, 1971, or earlier, to the program chairman: Louise Darling, Librarian, Biomedical Library, Center for the Health Sciences, University of California, Los Angeles, CA 90024. The deadline for submission of completed papers is February 15, 1972.
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Robert Wedgeworth, Jr., was named editor of Library Resources & Technical Services, the official journal of the ALA Resources and Technical Services Division, by the division’s board at the summer conference of the American Library Association. Wedgeworth served as assistant to the editor of the journal for 1970/71. He succeeds Dr. Paul S. Dunkin who was LRTS editor from 1967–71. Wedgeworth holds a 1959 A.B. in English literature from Wabash College; a 1961 M.S. in library science from the University of Illinois; and is currently a doctoral candidate and assistant professor at Rutgers-The State University of New Jersey, Graduate School of Library Service.

Howard S. White has been appointed to the position of editor/manager of Library Technology Reports, the bimonthly subscription service of the Library Technology Program. The appointment follows the resignation of Robert J. Shaw, the editor/manager since 1968. White was formerly assistant editor of the Reports. As editor/manager, White will supervise the editorial and fiscal policies of the Reports.

On November 22, 1970, the Fromkin Memorial Collection of The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Library was formally opened. The collection, the theme of which is the quest for social justice in America from the end of the Civil War to the end of the New Deal, was established by the family of the late Morris Fromkin, a lawyer and businessman who was actively interested in the labor movement and other social justice causes, especially during his Milwaukee years, from 1920 to 1946.

Opening day ceremonies included the first annual Fromkin lecture, “The Historic Role of Constitutional Liberalism in the Quest for So-
cial Justice," by former Senator Wayne Morse, and a symposium, "Third Forces in American Politics," moderated by Professor Austin Ranney of The University of Wisconsin Political Science Department. Copies of the lecture and the symposium may be obtained from Mr. Stanley Mallach, Bibliographer, Fromkin Memorial Collection, The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Library, Milwaukee, WI 53201.

PUBLICATIONS

- The *Annuals of Abstracting, 1665–1970* (v, 54p., multilithed, 8½ x 11, soft cover, $2.00) was published by the UCLA Graduate School of Library Service October 1, 1971. The *Annals* were compiled by the members of the school's first Seminar on Abstracts and Abstracting Services and are edited by Robert Collison.

  This new chronology records nearly seven hundred significant developments in the history of abstracts and abstracting services throughout the past three hundred years, starting with the issue (January 5, 1665) of the first number of Denis de Sallo's famous *Journal des Scavans*, and ending with the commencement of publication in 1970 of the *Bulletin of Peace Proposals* by the International Peace Research Institute at Oslo. The introduction indicates the main trends reflected by the remarkable and increasing flow of abstracting publications, and an extensive index enables the research worker to track down individual abstracting services under any of their (sometimes) bewildering changes of title.

  Copies of this publication, $2.00 each, may be ordered from The Graduate School of Library Service, University of California, 405 Hilgard Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90024. Billing and instructions for payment will follow shipment of order.

- A new publication, *Current Serials Received by the N.L.L.—March 1971*, is a list of the serial titles which were thought to be current in the National Lending Library for Science and Technology of England, in March 1971. It contains nearly 36,000 titles published in over 100 countries. An earlier list prepared four years ago contained over 28,000 titles. However, because of the expansion of the library and the rate at which serial titles change, about a third of the titles in the present list were not included in the earlier edition. Because of the use of a punched-card system for recording serial titles this list is probably the most up to date of its type in existence. It may well be the largest which is based on titles actually received.

  The NLL is endeavoring to collect all the current serials which practitioners in the fields of the natural sciences, the technologies (including agriculture and medicine), and the
social sciences may wish to borrow. Because of the diffuse subject boundaries of serials the NLL inevitably contains a considerable quantity of periodical material in the humanities. For example, the library takes over 77 percent of the periodicals covered by Social Sciences and Humanities Index.

One of the difficulties the library faces is discovering new serials as soon as they are published. The library would welcome information or samples of new serials published in any part of the world.

The list is published by Her Majesty's Stationery Office and can be obtained from the Government Bookshops or through any bookseller. Size 10" x 8", 548 pages, cloth bound. Price £3.15 (by post, £3.39).

A booklet entitled "Data Terminal and Your Library" will be published by The Library Automation, Research and Consulting (LARC) Association in January 1972. The booklet, prepared and edited by Vera Minkel, is concerned with the needs of industrial libraries contemplating computer-based library systems. The booklet describes the Remote Access Editing System, showing data terminals as the tool for preparing acquisition lists, bulletins, circulation, check-out, purchasing lists, bibliographies, etc., in industrial libraries. It provides the librarian with a general idea on how to automate routine operations if there is access to computer, a terminal, and an operator. Examples of file structure for each application, as well as cost estimates, are included.

The booklet will be approximately 100 pages in length. Hardbound editions will be sold for $10.50. Paperbacks will be available for $8.00. Send orders to The LARC Association, P.O. Box 27235, Tempe, AZ 85282.

The Faculty Speaks: The Kansas State College Library Evaluated, a collection of research materials produced by a detailed survey of faculty reaction to library services in a four-year college library. The document, compiled by Norman E. Tanis and originally consisting of 2,219 pages, was published in 1969 and is available in microfiche from the Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS 66502, at a cost of $3.00.

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- A new edition of the list of serial holdings of the libraries of Amherst, Mount Holyoke, and Smith Colleges, the Hampshire Inter-Library Center, and the University of Massachusetts has brought holdings of those institutions up to date as of January 1, 1971, and added the serial holdings of the Forbes Library of Northampton. Copies of the new edition are available for $5.00 from the Hampshire Inter-Library Center, Amherst, MA 01002. Checks must accompany orders and should be made out to Five Colleges, Inc.

- The Institute of Public Affairs, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, wishes to announce publication of a recently compiled bibliography: *Pollution: A Selected Bibliography of U.S. Government Publications on Air, Water, and Land Pollution, 1965–1970.* The bibliography differentiates the material into two main groups: publications primarily for reference purposes and publications containing general information. A short informative annotation is given for the reference tools, such as abstracts, bibliographies, directories, guides, handbooks, laws, and regulations. Although this bibliography is geared primarily to help students and researchers on our campus, it would also be valuable to persons anywhere who are interested in the problems of pollution, since the titles can be found in most U.S. depository libraries. The bibliography was prepared by Louis Kiraldi and Janet L. Burk, members of the library’s Documents Department. The publication is available for $3.00 from the Institute of Public Affairs, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI 49001.

- Mr. Clifford P. Crowers, chairman of the Pennsylvania Library Association Public Documents Committee has announced the publication of *The Union List of Selected Pennsylvania Serial Documents in Pennsylvania Libraries.* The foreword states: “This selection of titles from the totality of Pennsylvania serial documents has been made on the basis of extensive working experience with major collections of those documents. The committee members sharing this experience are interested in providing access to what they consider useful information sources which are difficult to identify and locate because of the often erratic nature of their publication and distribution.” In addition to serial titles, a few monographs have been included which complement certain series.

Each of the eighty libraries participating in the project have received copies of the list as well as the Bureau of Library Development and Pennsylvania Library Association Headquarters. A limited number of single copies are free. Anyone wishing a copy can write to Mrs. Nancy Blundon, Executive Secretary of the Pennsylvania Library Association at Headquarters Office, 200 South Craig St., Pittsburgh, PA 15213.