Ruth Simons Nicholson, senior manuscript reference librarian in the Library of Congress Manuscript Reading Room, retired on January 31 after over 15 years in the Manuscript Division.

DEATHS

Robert Ennen, director of libraries at Loyola University of Chicago since 1972, died in Evanston on March 12. He previously served as assistant director for technical services at the University of Notre Dame from 1961 to 1972. A native of Detroit, Ennen received master’s degrees in library science and classical studies as well as a doctorate in library science from the University of Michigan. He was also a graduate of John Carroll University, Cleveland, Ohio.

Stanley Pillsbury, cataloger in the Library of Congress Geography and Map Division for 25 years until his retirement in 1976, died on January 5 in Bethesda, Maryland.

NEW TECHNOLOGY

• ALOS Micrographics Corporation has designed a new desktop package of modular reader/printers—the Fiche Reader 21, the Rollfilm Reader 22, and the Printer 23. The Printer 23 attaches quickly and easily to either reader to provide full-size reproduction on 8x11 paper. Prints are ready in 20–30 seconds. Both readers feature constant-focus and a choice of magnification with eight interchangeable lenses ranging in power from 18x to 65x. Contact: ALOS Micrographics Corp., P.O. Box 407, Walden, NY 12586; (914) 778-7511.

• Data Courier will publish in September a comprehensive directory of over 500 serial publications serving the computer and software industries. Select: A Guide to Computer and Software Publications is designed for information specialists and others interested in industry publications. Each entry in the directory will contain marketing as well as editorial information. The pre-publication price is $50; after September 1, 1983, the directory will cost $65. Contact: Data Courier, 620 S. Fifth St., Louisville, KY 40202; (800) 626-2823.

• EBSCO Subscription Services is now cooperating with the Washington Library Network for EBSCO customers on the West Coast to send their orders for serial publications electronically using WLN’s acquisitions subsystem. Upon receipt at WLN, the orders are stored in a data collection facility until they are re-routed to WLN’s vendor files. EBSCO regional offices in San Francisco and Los Angeles then use a dial-up terminal to pull orders from their respective files. Contact: EBSCO Subscription Services, P.O. Box 1943, Birmingham, AL 35201; (205) 991-6600.

• The Institute for Scientific Information has designed a microcomputer software package specifically designed to manage scientists’ and librarians’ reprint collections. The Sci-Mate Personal Data Manager turns the user’s reprint file into a mini-database. Users can enter bibliographic information about each paper, book, pamphlet, letter, lab note, or other items. They can then use Sci-Mate to search and identify items that match search terms or phrases they select. The system uses Boolean logic and has truncation capability. The user simply enters bibliographic information on the keyboard. No pre-indexing is required, and the system can accommodate information of practically any length. Users can label up to 20 different fields (author, title, journal, date, etc.) for each entry, and there is room for notes or comments.

Besides the microcomputer keyboard, information can also be entered into Sci-Mate through a word processor. Users of ISI’s sister system, the Sci-Mate Universal Online Searcher, can search online databases and capture the information in the Personal Data Manager. The Sci-Mate Personal Data Manager is available for $540. The Universal Online Searcher is available for $440. They may be purchased together at a cost of $880. Sci-Mate operates on the Vector 3 or 4, the IBM Personal Computer, the Apple II, the TRS-80 Model II, or any CP/M-80 system with a standard 8-inch drive. The user also needs a printer and, for the Universal Online Searcher, a modem. ISI recommends at least 500 kilobytes of disk storage. Contact: Joel Sartorius, Institute for Scientific Information, 3501 Market Street, University City Science Center, Philadelphia, PA 19104.
OCLC and Online Computer Systems, Inc., of Germantown, Maryland, have entered into negotiations leading toward joint development of a local library system to be marketed and supported exclusively by OCLC. The new system will include an online public access catalog, authority control, circulation control, acquisitions and serials control, as well as a clustering capability. The system will be designed for a wide range of sizes and types of libraries, will be integrated with the OCLC central system, and can be readily expanded by the library or cluster to meet future growth. OCLC will fund and guide Online in developing a new system which will build upon the considerable development effort by Online for the system at the Lister Hill National Center for Biodical Communications at the National Library of Medicine. The jointly developed system will benefit from the experience OCLC has gained in developing its own local library system.

PUBLICATIONS

RECEIVED

(Selected items will be reviewed in future issues of College & Research Libraries.)

- The studies of Marcia J. Myers and Jassim M. Jirjees have been published in *The Accuracy of Telephone Reference/Information Services in Academic Libraries* (Scarecrow, 1983). Forty academic libraries were investigated by the authors for this study, which sought to observe the effectiveness of reference/information services through users' telephone questions.

- *Archival Forms' Manual*, compiled by the Society of American Archivists ($7 to members, $10 to others), contains over 100 forms from all types of archival repositories and is arranged into five categories: appraisal and disposition, accessioning, arrangement and description, use, and specialized forms. A bibliography of archival manuals is also included.

- *Banned Films: Movies, Censors and the First Amendment*, by Edward de Grazia and Roger K. Newman (Bowker, 1982, $24.95 cloth), is the dramatic story of movie censorship in the United States and the nation's struggle for freedom of expression as guaranteed by the First Amendment. The first publication to draw upon the papers of the late Justice John Marshall Harlan of the Supreme Court, *Banned Films* represents an important contribution to the literature of censorship.

- One of the effects of the information explosion is the proliferation of machine-readable files. To ensure better bibliographic control over this medium, the Council on Library Resources awarded a grant to Sue A. Dodd to support her work on a cataloging manual. *Cataloging Machine-Readable Files: An Interpretive Manual* (American Library Association, 1982, $35) is the result of Dodd's work. The book is divided into three sections: the first answers questions about data files and com-

BI Handbook

ACRL's Bibliographic Instruction Section has announced the publication of its *Bibliographic Instruction Handbook* this summer. Long discussed and eagerly awaited by BI librarians, the *Handbook* will contain chapters on "Evaluation and Its Uses," by David King of the Houston Academy of Medicine; "Evaluating in Terms of Established Goals and Objectives," by Virginia Tiefel of Ohio State University; "Research Designs Appropriate for Evaluating Bibliographic Instruction," by Bonnie Gratch of SUNY-Brockport; "Data Gathering Instruments," by Mignon Adams, SUNY-Oswego; "Data Management and Statistical Analysis," by Mark Morey, Department of Psychology, SUNY-Oswego; a review of the literature by Richard Werking of Trinity University; and a glossary of terms relating to the evaluation of bibliographic instruction by John Mark Tucker of Purdue University.

The *Handbook* will attempt to offer an introduction to the subject of educational evaluation with an overview of the statistical methods to be used, and will show how this methodology can be applied to bibliographic instruction.

Order information for the *BI Handbook* will be announced in a later issue of *C&RL News.*