News from the Field

ACQUISITIONS

- Columbia University has acquired by donation the archives of the Community Service Society of New York, one of the nation's oldest social service agencies. The gift includes files, books, photographs, and bound volumes of periodicals and conference proceedings. The papers of the society document nearly one hundred years of social service work before 1939.

- The Michigan State University Libraries Special Collections Division has received a copy of the royal octavo edition of John James Audubon's Birds of America.

- Northwestern University's Melville J. Herskovits Library of African Studies has been given a collection of clipping files, pamphlets, and photographs by the Chicago Historical Society. The clipping collection was compiled in the 1950s and early 1960s by Claude A. Barnett, the director of the Associated Negro Press (ANP) and the World News Service (WNS). The files contain materials on most African countries.

- The University of Illinois (Urbana-Champaign) map and geography library has acquired its 300,000th map. Purchased by the University of Illinois Library Friends, the new acquisition consists of two companion maps almost 300 years old. The only known copies in an American library, they comprise a rare first issue of J. B. Nolin's version of Coronelli's 1699 maps of North and South America. Nolin's maps were published in Paris the same year.

- The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Library's Southern Historical Collection has acquired the papers of Arthur Franklin Haper, a scholar and activist in civil rights and later an adviser on agricultural development in the United States and the Far East.

- The University of Pittsburgh Libraries have received a gift of 250 reels of microfilm containing approximately sixty titles of newspapers and serials of the Carpatho-Ruthenian Community in America. The gift was presented by the Most Rev. Stephen J. Kocisko, archbishop of Munhall, who encouraged a joint effort by the Byzantine-Ruthenian Metropolitan Province and the Immigration History Research Center to preserve extant sources on the Carpatho-Ruthenian experience in the U.S. With the collection has come the first volume, covering the period 1894-1914, of a subject index to the Amerikansky Russky Viestnik, one of the more important Carpatho-Ruthenian publications.

- The University of Utah's Marriott Library has recently acquired by donation the papers of (1) Mormon church historian and author Brigham H. Roberts, (2) former U.S. Treasurer Ivy Baker Priest, and (3) U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs agency superintendent Stanley D. Lyman. Lyman was superintendent at Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota during the Wounded Knee occupation.

- The University of Wyoming Libraries have received a donation of nearly 2,000 volumes of popular humor from Mrs. Edwin George Dickhaut of Imperial, Missouri. Collected by Mrs. Dickhaut's late husband over several decades, the collection includes books of cartoon, humorous novels, and the like.

GRANTS

- The National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC), meeting in February, recommended the award of records program grants to the following colleges and universities:

  - Western Washington University, Bellingham—$15,000 to complete the Pacific Northwest Public Power Records Project.

  - Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Maine—$7,792 to prepare and store duplicate negatives and prints from the Donald B. MacMillan nitrate negatives in the Peary-MacMillan Arctic Museum.

  - University of Southern Alabama, Mobile—a conditional grant of $18,870 to preserve and make available negatives from the Erik Overbey Photographic Collection documenting the history of Mobile.

  - Sul Ross State University, Alpine, Texas—$15,294 to arrange and describe the manuscript collections of the West Texas Historical and Scientific Society and to prepare a guide to the holdings of the archives of Big Bend, Texas.

  - Colorado State University, Fort Collins—$21,675 to survey the records of Colorado agricultural organizations as a first step toward establishing a central repository of Colorado agricultural records.

  - The Associated Colleges of the Midwest have been awarded a grant of $39,830 by the Council on Library Resources for a six-month project to test methods for gathering and using collection use data in small college libraries. Three college libraries—Lake Forest College Library, Knox College Library, and St. Olaf College Library—will each test three data-gathering methods and compare them on the bases of results, cost, and ease of use. The three libraries will also develop a manual to help other college librarians conduct and analyze collection use studies.

- The Ohio University Library in Athens,
Ohio. has received a $396,000 endowment from an anonymous donor. The "1904 Special Library Endowment" will generate about $40,000 annually and will make it possible for the library to respond to special purchase opportunities.

- **Northeast Louisiana University.** Monroe, has been awarded a Cultural Resources Survey contract in the amount of $97,978 by the United States Army Corps of Engineers to conduct a historical and archival study of the twenty-one northeast Louisiana parishes within the limits of the Vicksburg District. This contract is designed to create a research resource center for the Vicksburg headquarters of the Corps of Engineers by microfilming historical cartographic materials.

- **Radcliffe College** has been awarded a grant of $3,740 by the North Shore Unitarian Veatch Program of Plandome, New York. The grant is to be used by the Arthur and Elizabeth Schlesinger Library on the History of Women in America to microfilm the correspondence, sermons, and papers on woman's suffrage of the Reverend Olympia Brown (1835-1926). Brown was the first woman to be ordained a Universalist minister.

- The Research Libraries Group, Inc. (RLG) and the Washington Library Network (WLN) have been awarded a grant of $318,317 by the Council on Library Resources to work on the technical development of a nationwide shared authority file.

  In the first phase of the project RLG will put into operation an authority control subsystem for its network arm, the Research Libraries Information Network (RLIN). The Washington Library Network will use its portion of the grant to make its bibliographic control system and existing authority file subsystem compatible with the Library of Congress MARC record format for authorities.

  RLG and WLN will also research ways of standardizing the processes for creating and entering records in a common authority file. And they will begin planning the telecommunications link-up required for machine-to-machine interchange of authority records.

  The Council of Library Resources is funding the project as part of its effort to promote the development of a consistent, nationwide bibliographic data base.

- **St. Lawrence University.** Canton, New York, will use $350,000 of a $400,000 challenge grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities for the expansion and renovation of the Owen D. Young Library. If the university succeeds in raising $1,200,000 in private gifts to meet the challenge, a total of $1,400,000 would be available for the building project.

- **The University of Toledo.** Ohio, has been awarded a $250,000 challenge grant by the National Endowment for the Humanities to develop the Carlson Library collection in the areas of English, history, foreign languages, music, philosophy, and theatre.

**NEWS NOTES**

- **Earlham College Librarians** have given workshops on bibliographic instruction to 185 librarians and faculty members from 100 colleges and universities during the past two years. The fourth workshop in the series was held at Earlham in Richmond, Indiana, on April 2-4. The Earlham program stresses the importance of close cooperation between the course instructors and librarians in bibliographic instruction. At Earlham approximately seventy courses are served by bibliographic instruction programs.

- **East Texas State University's Oral History Program,** in cooperation with the Dallas Public Library, is undertaking an oral history project to interview Dallas mayors and other political leaders. The aim of the Dallas Mayors Oral History and Records Project is to construct a modern political and municipal history of Dallas.

- **The Library of Congress** has begun a special project to add 104,000 retrospective name authority records to the MARC data base. The name authority records to be added are those that have been used from three to twenty-four times in bibliographic records on the MARC tapes. (Those that have been used more than twenty-four times are already in process.) The records will be made available to libraries through the MARC Distribution Service and the Name Authorities (COM edition).

- **Loyola University** (New Orleans) library support staff, with the encouragement and support of university librarian Joanne Euster, have formed a Library Support Staff Association. The existence of the new association, support staff members say, has given them an improved channel for communication on matters that affect their jobs.

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- **The Stanford University** Libraries have installed video display terminals (with a hardcopy printout feature) in the public service areas of Green Library and all the Stanford branches. The sixteen terminals installed so far may be used to search the computerized bibliographic data base of the Research Libraries Information Network (RLIN). Stanford librarians are looking forward to the time (perhaps 1981) when patrons will be able to use the terminals without the assistance of a librarian. In three or four years there may be terminals in the stack levels or catalog areas for patron use.

- **The Western Michigan University** School of Librarianship is offering a new graduate program leading to a master of library administration degree. The program is directed at experienced librarians who already hold a master’s degree in library science from an ALA-accredited program. The thirty hours of study required for the degree may be completed by a full-time student in two semesters plus a spring or summer session or on a part-time basis for up to six years.

- **The Women’s History Research Center** of Berkeley, California, reports that the skyrocketing price of silver is threatening to end the Center’s distribution of microfilm records of the women’s movement 1968-74 at less than cost. The Center says that tax-deductible donations for documents are needed right away if the center is to continue its current services.

**MANAGEMENT INTERNS CHOSEN BY CLR**

Five librarians have been selected by the Council on Library Resources to participate in the Academic Library Management Intern Program. Each intern will spend the 1980–81 academic year working closely with the director and senior administrative staff of one of the country’s principal academic and research libraries.

The interns are: Beverlee A. French, reference librarian, Biomedical Library, University of California, San Diego; Kathleen Gunning, head of reference, Brown University Library; Kathleen J. Moretto, assistant director, Yale University Music Library; Maxine H. Reneker, personnel/business librarian, University of Colorado Libraries; and Charlene E. Renner, automated records librarian, University of Illinois Library at Urbana-Champaign.

The Council is now inviting applications for the 1981–82 Intern Program. The deadline for applications is October 12, 1980. For further information, send a self-addressed mailing label to Academic Library Management Intern Program, Council on Library Resources, One Dupont Circle, NW., Suite 620, Washington, DC 20036.