NOTICES

- Experiences of Association of Research Library members with automated circulation systems are summarized and documented in the newest SPEC kit and flyer on Automated Circulation Systems in ARL Libraries (April 1978).

Based on a survey of all ARL members conducted in February 1978, the two-page flyer notes that initial decisions to automate circulation functions are most often based upon needs to handle routine tasks more efficiently and to release staff to handle direct public services, as well as to reduce costs per item processed. Survey responses indicate that, for the most part, circulation systems are able to effect these changes; reduced costs are attributed mainly to the ability to handle increased workloads by existing staff, rather than to reduction of staff size. The flyer includes brief discussions on "Conversion and Training," "Effects on Organization and Staffing," "Library Operations and Use," "Management Information," and "General Evaluation."

The 100-page kit contains 16 documents: analyses of SPEC survey responses, planning documents, descriptions of conversion activities, reports on the effects of automated circulation on library operations and staffing, descriptions of uses of management information available from systems, and policy statements on confidentiality and access to circulation records.

Requests for Flyer and Kit 43 should be sent to: Office of University Library Management Studies, Association of Research Libraries, 1527 New Hampshire Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20036. Kits are $7.50 to ARL members and SPEC subscribers and $15 to others, prepaid required.

- The Friends of the Duke University Library have recently published a limited edition of 250 copies of Oracles, a translation by Reynolds Price of Biblical episodes and visions, with six etchings by Jacob Roquet. Available at $35. Oracles may be purchased from The Secretary, The Friends of the Duke University Libraries, Durham, NC 27706.

- UNIPUB has available, free on request, a descriptive brochure that describes information science publications of the United Nations System. The four-page flyer covers international information systems and reference books on the state of the art of information systems and a listing of information service guides by subject.

International Books on Information Science is available free from UNIPUB, Box 433, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10016.

- The University of Texas at Austin announces the publication of Chicano Film Guide, compiled by Emma Gonzalez Stupp.

The fifty-two Mexican-American films listed in this sixteen-page guide represent items selected and acquired by the Mexican American Library Project of the Benson Latin American Collection during the period 1974 through 1977.

The Mexican American Library Project is charged with identifying and acquiring current and retrospective library materials, in all formats, which document the social, cultural, economic, and political history and experience of the Hispanic population of the United States.

Intended as a listing of the holdings of one library, the guide will also be useful for libraries and other institutions considering purchase or rental of the films. Entries for each film indicate title, color, language, length, distributor, and price and include informational and critical annotations.

The guide is for sale for $3 (Texas residents add 5 percent sales tax).

Remittance must accompany order and be made payable to: The University of Texas at Austin General Libraries. Mail order to: The General Libraries, Perry-Castañeda Library 3.200, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX 78712.

- The Hill Directory lists 465 libraries and information sources in the St. Paul-Minneapolis metropolitan area. Detailed information regarding borrowing and lending policies, special services, subject strengths, special collections, titles of particularly rare books and manuscript collections, and cooperative agreements are listed for each library.

Copies may be purchased by sending $16 to the James Jerome Hill Reference Library, 4th and Market Sts., St. Paul, MN 55102.

- A self-paced instructional learning tool of Instructional Presentation on Use of ERIC, consisting of fifty-five color slides, one tape cassette, and one set of catalog cards is now available for $50 per multimedia kit. Order from: Peter Spyers-Duran, Director, Library, California State University, 1250 Bellflower Blvd., Long Beach, CA 90840. Checks are payable to CSULB Foundation—Library.

- The New England Library Association has recently published the Guide to Newspaper Indexes in New England. The new volume, which was produced by its Bibliography Committee, is the result of a survey conducted in the fall of 1977 of 2,000 libraries and historical societies throughout the region. The Guide hopes to bring to light the work of librarians and others who, in
the interest of furthering access to historical knowledge, have undertaken the creation of indexes to their local newspapers. Copies can be ordered for $5 (prepaid) from Nan Berg, NELA Executive Secretary, P.O. Box 273, Holden, MA 01520. Make checks payable to the New England Library Association.

• The Long Island Library Resources Council (LILRC) announces that the third edition of the Nassau-Suffolk Union List of Serials is now available at $27.50 per set, including delivery. The low cost is possible because the project was subsidized by LSCA Title I funds granted to the Suffolk Cooperative Library System.

Consisting of three volumes and a supplement, the publication lists the serial holdings of 143 libraries in the two counties, based on updated information submitted through the last quarter of 1977.

Serials in Long Island Health Science Libraries: A Union List (1978) is being printed and will be available for $20. Orders are now being accepted.

This publication has been prepared by the council in cooperation with the Medical Library Center of New York and thirty-two Nassau and Suffolk health sciences libraries. It is a new edition of the 1972 list completed by the Regional Medical Library Service and Training Project of the Nassau-Suffolk Regional Medical Program.

There is no duplication of libraries in these two lists. LILRC hopes that each collection in Nassau and Suffolk will be listed in one or the other, but both lists are needed for full coverage. Libraries and other agencies that have to know where to locate information will need copies. Supplies are limited, so order your copies now.

Orders should be sent to LILRC, Box 31, Bellport, NY 11713.

• A Directory of Asian and African Librarians in North America, an alphabetically arranged listing of both names and addresses, has been prepared under the auspices of the Asian and African Section of ACRL. To receive the Directory send $5 ($6 for non-ACRL members) and a self-addressed mailing label to ACRL, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611.

• The University of Waterloo Library announces the publication of its Selectors Manual. Prepared as a reference tool for selectors of library materials, the manual provides a convenient, easily updated information source regarding library selection and ordering procedures. The manual includes chapters on collection development policies, budgeting and accounting procedures, approval plans, selection of retrospective material, serials and the policies covering their acquisition. Copies are available at $20 per copy. Orders should be sent to: Jorn Jorgensen, Library Business Administrator, Dana Porter Arts Library, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario, Canada N2L 3G1.

• A Directory of Science Communication Courses and Programs has been prepared by Sharon M. Friedman, Lehigh University; Rae Goodel, M.I.T.; and Lawrence Verbit, SUNY Binghamton.

It is $4.95 prepaid (checks made out to Science Communication Directory) from: Science Communication Directory, Department of Chemistry, SUNY-Binghamton, Binghamton, NY 13901.
Resource Sharing in ARL Libraries (no. 42, March 1978) there is growing interest in resource-sharing activities among ARL members, as they seek to expand the base of materials available to users and to reduce spiraling collection development costs. The kit and flyer, based on a recent Systems and Procedures Exchange Center (SPEC) survey of ARL members, note that most ARL members participate in more than one type of resource-sharing activity, ranging from quite informal understandings among a few similar libraries to more formalized, multifaceted cooperatives, consortia, or networks that operate over a large region or nationally.

The two-page flyer discusses current issues, including benefits and costs, local versus shared collections, concern with faculty resistance, and cooperative collection development policies. The 108-page kit contains 16 documents from ARL libraries covering policies and procedures, program descriptions, planning and evaluation, reports and recommendations, and selected references.

The SPEC Kit and Flyer on Resource Sharing (no. 42) is available for $7.50 to ARL members and SPEC subscribers and for $15.00 to all others, prepayment required, from: SPEC, Office of Management Studies, Association of Research Libraries, 1527 New Hampshire Ave., N.W., Washington, DC 20036.

Double, Double—Less Toil and Trouble; or, A Note from the Editors

Contributors are again reminded that copy must be double spaced. Single-spaced copy that is received must be retyped—that costs in time and money. Copy for an issue is mailed from Oneonta to Chicago five to six weeks before the first day of the issue month. For instance, the September issue will be finalized July 15—and mailed about July 20. Please keep these factors in mind. Many meeting and workshop announcements are returned—they simply arrive too late. Space is also a problem, and obviously not everything that is received can be used. Some items must wait two or three issues. So be patient! One last request—feedback is important. Comments that would increase our relevance are always welcome. For instance, we often wonder how effective the notices of publication are—for buyer and seller. And are the notices of meetings and workshops often just late duplicates? We’d like to know. But, above all, remember—double space!—J.V.C./E.H.