William Stone Budington has been appointed executive director and librarian of The John Crerar Library to succeed the undersigned on April 1, 1969. He joined the Crerar staff in 1952 as associate librarian, and has served as librarian since 1965.

Mr. Budington's education, professional activities and experience combine to make this appointment a logical one. His academic and professional education includes degrees from Williams College (American literature); Virginia Polytechnic Institute (electrical engineering); and Columbia University (library science).

His professional memberships and activities include ALA, SLA, ASIS, ASEE, the Chemical Literature Section of ACS, and AAAS; and he has been a working member. For example: in ALA, he has served on the executive boards of Engineering Libraries Section—Pure and Applied Science; Reference Services Division; and Copying Methods Section, including chairmanship during 1967/68. His activities in SLA have included many committees and offices, including presidency of both the national organization and the Illinois chapter. He has also found time for participation in a variety of meetings and special conferences, a recent occasion being the 1968 summer conference of the graduate library school, University of Chicago. A footnote to the scope of his interests is his affiliation with fraternal organizations—Phi Beta Kappa, Tau Beta Pi, Eta Kappa Nu, Phi Kappa Phi and Phi Delta Theta.

In his activities at Crerar, Bill Budington has been an associate administrator in the full sense of the term. And in certain special services of the library he has carried major responsibilities. For some years he was in direct charge of Research Information Service, and in the development and growth of the Translations Center he was the Crerar representative in almost endless conferences, negotiations, and liaison activities that accompany a cooperative enterprise. There will be no hiatus here in the changing of the guard.

Mr. Budington

I would end on a personal note. It has long been my conviction that no action of an executive is more important than the choice of the men and women who make wheels turn in the right direction. One of the most important actions I took at the Library of Congress was to insist on the appointment of Seymour Lubetzky. At Crerar, the instance was my appointment of Bill Budington as my Associate. I have long seen him as my successor, and it was pleasant to have our Board of Directors confirm that judgment. The inexorable quality of time is not unwelcome when the shape of events fulfills expectations.—Herman H. Henkle, The John Crerar Library.

Charles E. Nairn, a native of Ohio, recently moved to the uppermost tip of Michigan where he assumed the directorship of the Lake Superior State College library. Mr. Nairn earned his Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degrees in librarianship at Kent State University, Ohio. He also holds a Bachelor of Divinity degree from Oberlin College.

He brings thoroughgoing and valuable knowledge to his new position. With experience gained from situations in the Cleveland Public Library and the Lorain (Ohio) Public Library, he acquired his first college library experience at Upper Iowa College, Fayette, Iowa. He obtained a very special administrative and planning skill while working on the preparation of a new building there.

From Iowa he returned to his native state to accept the directorship of the Findlay College library. The library prospered under his direction. There was an unprecedented increase in holdings. The planning of and moving into the beautiful and functional Schafer Library was accomplished under his leadership.

While at Findlay College, Mr. Nairn served as president of the Faculty Professional Club, was one of the founders of the Northwestern Ohio Academic Librarians, and was on the

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Ohio's loss of this gentleman, scholar, and professional librarian is a considerable gain for Michigan. Lake Superior State College is fortunate in having a librarian of Mr. Nairn's stature and background of administrative accomplishments to direct its burgeoning program.

—Carson W. Bennett, Heidelberg College.

On or before 1 July 1969 JAMES H. RICHARDS, Jr., becomes director of libraries at the University of Wyoming. Colleagues and friends in Minnesota will miss his calm counsel as he leaves the state after seventeen years of service as librarian and professor at Carleton College in Northfield where he was part of the institutional thrust towards academic excellence and played a key role in the development and creation of an undergraduate collection and library building, both among the finest in the country. With a national reputation as impeccable as the institution he has served so well, Jim also has made major professional contributions in responding with easy grace to the many demands placed on him by the Minnesota Library Association, ACRL, and ALA. In recent years he has worked actively in support of intellectual freedom, accreditation, recruiting, and more meaningful and effective academic library cooperation in Minnesota. The Associated Colleges of the Midwest will also miss his leadership in the development of their new cooperative periodical bank and service library. As he has had time he has further rounded out a rewarding professional life as a consultant to various academic libraries as well as to the U.S. Office of Education and through short-term teaching assignments in Indiana, Minnesota and New York.

When Jim came to Carleton in 1952 his academic, military, and professional credentials were presented in the July issue of College & Research Libraries (XIII, 265). He was traveling in fine company then. The same issue noted the move of Melvin Voigt from Carnegie Tech to the University of California, Andrew Horn to UCLA, and Robert Vosper to the University of Kansas—the Vosper note written by Lawrence Clark Powell whom I first met through Jim Richards. He continues to travel in good company, joining James Ranz, now dean of academic affairs at the University of Wyoming and its librarian from 1955 to 1962.

At Wyoming, Jim will be working with a larger collection, 500,000 volumes, growing annually by some 20,000 additions, and drawing also on the area's other library resources through the Rocky Mountain Bibliographic Center. He will be supervising a much larger staff, and supporting growing professional schools as well as undergraduates. The Coe Library there has long had a reputation for its holdings in western Americana, particularly strong in its coverage of the cattle industry. Recently the university established as a part of the library a Western History Research Center. I believe I am correct in recalling also that Wyoming has one of the better collections on cavalry operations in the West.
A fellow Pennsylvanian, Jim has responded even more strongly than I to the openness of the western high plains areas and in the prime of his working life can be counted on to find not only professional but also personal satisfactions as he takes up his new duties in Laramie where the vistas are more exciting and the ski slopes less congested!—James F. Holly, Macalester College

On October 16, 1968, THEODORE RY BERG began his new duties as Dean of Instructional Services at the University of South Florida, bringing to this challenging assignment a rich professional experience. Since 1957, when he received his Master's degree in Library Science at Western Reserve University, he has moved rapidly from a cataloger at the Rochester Institute of Technology, to assistant director of the University of Buffalo library, to assistant director of the Syracuse University libraries, to the director of the University of Alaska libraries, a position he has held with distinction for the past five years.

Throughout his career, Ted Ryberg has consistently accepted positions which made new and heavier demands on him. Each new position offered him a distinctly different type of experience. These opportunities came to him because he had demonstrated his shrewdness in relating experience to new situations, his keenness in analyzing problems, and his sound judgment in making decisions and taking action. Ted Ryberg was consistent when he left the University of Alaska for the University of South Florida. As Dean of Instructional Services, he has an opportunity to administer a multi-media information system for a young but already distinguished community. Specifically, he will be coordinating the University's library, AV Center, Graphics and Photographic Services, Educational and closed circuit TV, FM Service, a transparency for overhead classroom projection, or a closed circuit TV lecture. To each of these needs, Ted Ryberg brings wisdom, originality, empathy, and a sincere service motivation. He participated in Library 21, and no doubt he will use that experience to good advantage now.

Tours of duty with the Navy and Maritime Service, and an innate love of the sea, help to explain Ted Ryberg's devotion to sailing. He has sailed from Chesapeake Bay, Cape Cod, and Puget Sound. Although boatless when he drove almost 5,000 miles from Fairbanks, Alaska to Tampa, Florida, it will probably only be a matter of time before he sets sail to the wind in the Gulf of Mexico.—Wayne S. Yenawine, University of Louisville.

APPOINTMENTS

HAROLD BLOOMQUIST has been appointed librarian of the Francis A. Countway library of medicine at Harvard University.

MRS. MARY ELISABETH DUDMAN is now circulation librarian at Bates College library, Lewiston, Me.

MRS. ADRIENNE C. GRENFEELL has joined the staff of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute as science reference librarian.

BARBARA HENDRY has been appointed military document indexer at Air University library.

MRS. HEIKE LUEHNING KORDISH has been appointed library systems analyst at Columbia University.

MRS. NINA LENCEK has been named East Central European bibliographer at the Columbia University libraries.

GEORGE LOWY is now assistant head of acquisitions, Columbia University libraries. Mr. Lowy will be responsible for overall collection development and particularly for development of collections for area institutes and related programs.

EDWIN E. OLSON has been appointed an associate professor in the school of library and information services, University of Maryland.

ARTHUR PLOTNIK has been appointed as associate editor of the Wilson Library Bulletin.

PATRICK RAE has been named head of the Parkinson Information Center, Columbia University medical library.

MRS. MARY ANNE RANGEL-GUERRERO has joined the Eastern New Mexico University reference library staff as the institution's first map librarian.

MRS. GERTRUDE A. REINACCI has joined the staff of Monmouth College, West Long Branch, N.J., as an assistant librarian.

EDMUND RUBACHA has joined the staff of the catalog department of the Wesleyan University library, Middletown, Conn.

FRANCES RUCKS has been appointed editor
of Air University library bibliographic publications.

LIELA RUSSELL has accepted appointment as a reference librarian at Air University.

FRED C. SCHMIDT has been appointed documents librarian at Colorado State University.

MRS. META SHACKELFORD is now an indexer at Air University library.

TAI-HING SHEN has joined the staff of the University of Maryland, Baltimore County, as serials librarian.

PHILIP SHIH has been appointed to the reference faculty at Wichita State University.

PETER ALAN SIMMONS has been named assistant professor of librarianship at the University of British Columbia, effective July 1, 1969.

WALTER W. SLOCUM has accepted appointment as acquisition librarian (serials) and instructor in library administration at the University of Oregon.

EDWARD G. STRABLE has been appointed manager of information services in the Chicago office of J. Walter Thompson Co.

DOLORES TAMBELLINI is now assistant circulation librarian at San Diego State College.

JOANNE A. VINSON has joined the staff of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute as a catalog librarian.

ANN LOUISE WOOD has been appointed South Asian bibliographer, Columbia University libraries.

NECROLOGY

ELSIE RACKSTRAW, who retired as chief of the loan division in the Library of Congress in 1950, died December 11 in Towson, Md.

RETIREMENTS

MRS. HELEN DUDENBOSTEL JONES, head of the bibliography and reference correspondence section of the general reference and bibliography division in the Library of Congress, retired on January 2 after thirty years of service.

ELVA L. KROCH, assistant chief of the decimal classification division, retired December 31 after more than thirty years of service in the Library of Congress.

MIRIAM C. MALOY, assistant librarian and head of technical services at Stanislaus State College, retired November 1, after thirty years of service in librarianship.

MRS. THELMA V. TAYLOR, coordinator of library services at Los Angeles Harbor College, retired June 30 after forty-five years of teaching and library service.

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