Letter to the Editor

The interesting article by Mr. Fred Shelley, in the April issue of the American Archivist, regarding the activities of Dr. J. Franklin Jameson in promoting the movement for adequate care in the housing of records of the American government, has been read with great attention. The author has diligently sought out the facts from the papers of Dr. Jameson and his study sets forth in a fitting manner the details of the long struggle which ensued prior to the successful attainment of the desired solution. Although years were spent by Dr. Jameson on this project, he lived long enough to witness the final achievement.

Someone certainly owes an apology to the memory of Dr. Jameson, however. For this reason I wish to protest against a reference regarding him found in the above mentioned article. With respect to Dr. Jameson's usage of the word "archive," Mr. Shelley states: "Jameson always used the term in the singular, a delightful idiosyncrasy he shared with Hilary Jenkinson. In deference to widely established and otherwise unchallenged usage (except in direct quotes) the term 'archives' is used here."

The statement is replete with error. First, during a friendship and association of thirty-five years with Dr. Jameson, I never found him indulging in idiosyncrasies, either delightful or otherwise, in his use of the English language. His most successful career as editor of the American Historical Review and the historical publications of the Carnegie Institution of Washington is ample evidence of the care and exactness which he exercised with reference to his mother tongue. Second, Mr. Shelley confuses completely the usage of the word "archive" by Dr. Jameson and Mr. Jenkinson. Dr. Jameson used it correctly to mean "a place where records are kept," while Mr. Jenkinson in his Manual of Archive Administration, defined it as "a document" and used it as an adjective in the place of "archival." For a place where records are kept, Mr. Jenkinson employed numerous circumlocutions.

Third, in maintaining that the use of "archives" (to mean one place where records are kept) is widely established, Mr. Shelley neglects to mention the galaxy of scholars who contributed to the Carnegie Guides, as well as many others, who, for more than four decades down to the present date, have employed the singular "archive" in this connotation. This group, trained in the leading American universities and writing in the most reputable publications of the country, includes: Herbert E. Bolton, A. B. Faust, F. A. Golder, Roscoe R. Hill, J. F. Jameson, Waldo G. Leland, Luis M. Perez, James A. Robertson, W. R. Shepherd, Gilbert B. Becker, Samuel F. Bemis, Woodrow Borah, Lester K. Born, Manoel Cardozo, R. S. Chamberlain, C. E. Chapman, Arthur H. Cole, Duvon C. Corbitt, I. J. Cox, C. H. Cunningham, Worthington C. Ford, C. C. Griffin, Grace C. Griffin, E. J. Hamilton, George P. Hammond, Lewis Hanke, E. C. Helmreich, Irving A. Leonard, R. H. Lutz, William D. McCain, S. E. Morison, Donald H. Mugridge,

A. P. Nasatir, V. H. Palsits, Harold F. Peterson, H. I. Priestley, W. S. Robertson, Lenoid S. Rubinchek, L. B. Simpson, St. George L. Sioussat, Engel Sluiter, Robert S. Smith, A. B. Thomas, Karl L. Trever, Almon R. Wright, and A. F. Zimmerman. Finally, that the usage is unchallenged, I naturally deny this to be a fact, for the challenge has been made on more than one occasion, and it is here repeated.

It would appear that in paying tribute to Dr. Jameson for his long service in the campaign for a national archive, in which the government records should be conserved, that Mr. Shelley might have been gracious enough to his memory to have followed his terminology, rather than to have made an ill-conceived observation which is so full of inexactness. The procedure is all the more remarkable in view of the fact that Mr. Shelley is an employee of an institution which regularly uses the term "archive" in the singular in its proper etymological sense. Finally, Dr. Jameson was not guilty of the expression "an archives," a plural noun with the indefinite article! But this is the usage of Mr. Shelley!

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¹ Cf., the article on "Archival Terminology" by the writer in the American Archivist, 6:206-211 (Oct. 1943).

The President's Page

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N experiment that would seem to have interesting possibilities would be the adoption by the states of the plan of holding interagency conferences on records administration. Such procedure in the Federal Government has turned out to be remarkably successful. Shortly before World War II, largely through the influence of the National Archives, the Interagency Records Administration Conference was established as a kind of clearinghouse for threshing out records problems of the various Federal agencies. Meetings are held monthly and consist usually of panel discussions. At a recent session of the conference Dr. Solon J. Buck commented: "I am astounded. I would not have believed that 10 years ago when this interest started it would be possible to gather together a group of this size to discuss records administration." Attendance now averages more than 100.

The conference has many advantages. It keeps up an active interest in problems of records administration and serves as a focal point for the advancement of thinking in the field and the development of improved techniques and procedures. It promotes a close and cordial relationship between the National Archives and other agencies of the government, keeping the staff of the National Archives informed as to the records problems of those agencies and informing agency records administrators of the services that can be rendered by the National Archives.

A similar program, I believe, would be of advantage in the various states. While no state government operates on nearly so vast a scale as does the United States Government, nevertheless state government in all the forty-eight states is definitely big business, involving the expenditure of tens of millions or even hundreds of millions of dollars annually and the employment of thousands and in some cases of tens of thousands of persons. Even in my own state of North Carolina, which is not one of the most populous or most wealthy, the annual budget now runs to a quarter of a billion

dollars and the number of state employees is more than 40,000. A number of the larger departments of the state are creating records in such volume that they are faced with a major problem of providing space for records. It seems obvious that periodic conferences of those employees of the various state agencies who are engaged in dealing with records would yield valuable results in a discussion of mutual problems of the creation of records, filing procedures, filing equipment, how to deal with semi-current records, disposal, and similar problems of records administration. Actually, in North Carolina several years ago a preliminary conference in this field was held, but no further steps were taken. I believe that in all the states nothing could do more to make the different state agencies conscious of records problems and aware of the functions and duties of the state archival agency than the establishment of an organization to discuss records problems.

Recently, in reviewing the history of one of the state historical societies in the Mississippi Valley, the present writer commented on what seemed to be a weakness in the program of some of these societies — the failure to develop an adequate archival program. This brought forth a reply from the executive head of one of the societies that in his own state it had been decided that the function of the society was educational, with membership open to anyone interested in the state's history and that "a group of people of this kind are hardly qualified to administer archives." Thus, he argued, "archives and high standard historical libraries must be separate units from historical societies as usually understood."

I find myself not entirely in agreement with this statement. If in any state a strong archival agency, independent of the historical society, is already in existence, there would appear to be no need for the historical society to enter the field. But where there is no competent archival agency, it seems to me that the historical society should work to have one established, for I do not see how a well rounded historical program can be developed in any state without adequate provision for the handling of archives. It appears that a great deal needs to be done, especially in the Middle West, to make historical societies conscious of such a need.

Now I would not argue for a minute that the program has to be administered in any particular cut-and-dried fashion. In one state it will be handled by the state library, in another by a department of archives and history, and in yet another by the historical society—and I see no reason why within its professional staff such a so-

ciety cannot set up and administer an efficient archives program. My point is that in every state the archives ought to be properly administered and cared for and that it is the duty of the state historical society to see that this is done, whether the program is directly administered by the society or not.

In the Middle West the way is being shown by two states. In Illinois, thanks to the pioneer work of Miss Margaret C. Norton, State Archivist, there has long been in existence a splendid archival agency, under the administration of the Secretary of State and State Librarian. And now the State Historical Society of Wisconsin, under the leadership of Dr. Clifford L. Lord, the Director, has come forward/with a far-reaching program in the archival field. Other states will do well to take notice.

According to the constitution of the Society, "Individual membership shall be restricted to those who are or have been engaged in the custody or administration of archives or historical manuscripts or who, because of special experience or other qualifications, are recognized as competent in archival economy." That is, our membership consists mainly of professionals, but it is also possible to admit others. From time to time it has been argued that we ought to limit membership exclusively to professionals, but my own feeling is that if the present provision is ever changed, probably it ought to be in the direction of liberalization rather than otherwise. A larger number of non-professionals in the Society would bring in new blood and new ideas, and the professional membership need not fear that it will ever be swamped by such a group. Indeed, experience has shown that it is difficult to persuade these people to join the Society at all.

Writings on Archives and Manuscripts, July 1948-June 1949

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The National Archives

THIS is the seventh annual bibliography prepared under the auspices of the Society's Committee on Archival Bibliography. It is compiled by Lester W. Smith, Librarian of the National Archives. It assembles for convenient reference, in classified form, a record of the literature relating to archives and manuscripts that was issued during the period from July 1948 to June 1949. A few items dated prior to July 1, 1948, are included, however, either because they were actually issued after that date or because they were not available for examination and listing in earlier compilations. Like its predecessors, the present bibliography does not include unpublished items, edited documents, publications in microfilm, library and historical reports devoting but a few lines to manuscript accessions, and items appearing in news notes, unless unusually significant.

The list of headings used in this bibliography is reproduced here for the convenience of the reader. It will be noted that Class XII, "Archives, Archival Agencies, and Manuscript Depositories in Time of War," has been eliminated as a separate category; items relating to the effects of either World War II or earlier wars on archival institutions will be found in Class III, since they may be considered to relate either to the current activities or the history of such institutions. The title of Class XI has been changed slightly to make specific the inclusion in it of items relating to the training of personnel for work with current records.

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I. GENERAL LITERATURE

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A. United States in General and Federal Government

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- 78. SOCIETY OF AMERICAN ARCHIVISTS. Reports for the year 1947-48. American archivist, 12:51-70 (Jan., 1949).
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- 83. U. S. Congress. House. Committee on Post Office and Civil Service. Freedom Train. Hearings . . . 81-1. Washington, 1949. 42 p. Hearings on H. J. Res. 84, to provide for the acquisition and operation of the Freedom Train by the Archivist of the United States. The committee reported favorably on the resolution (81-1, H. Rept. 20) and its substance was enacted into law (81-1, Public law 13), but no appropriation was enacted for this purpose.
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ernment, and for other purposes. [Washington, 1949] 30 p. (81-1, Public law 152.) The act, cited as the "Federal Property and Administration Services Act of 1949," by which the National Archives was transferred to the newly established General Services Administration, effective June 30, 1949. Other published documents, all of the 81st Cong., 1st sess., pertinent to the legislative history of this proposal, which derived from the recommendations of the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government, are S. 991, S. 1809 (and S. Rept. 338), S. 2020 (and S. Rept. 475), H. R. 2641, and H. R. 4754 (and H. Rept. 670, pts. 1-2). The last bill, H. R. 4754, as amended by the Senate and agreed upon in conference (H. Rept. 935), was enacted as Public law 152. In the field of records management, the act authorizes the Administrator of General Services (1) to make surveys of Government records and records management and disposal practices and to obtain reports thereon from Federal agencies; (2) to promote improved records management practices and controls in the executive agencies, including the central storage or disposition of records; and (3) to report to Congress and the Bureau of the Budget on the results of such activities.

- 90. U. S. LAWS, STATUTES, ETC. Joint resolution to provide for the acquisition and operation of the Freedom Train by the Archivist of the United States, and for other purposes. [Washington, 1949] 2 p. (81-1, Public law 13.) This law, which provided for the operation of the Freedom Train by the Archivist of the United States until July 1951, was not implemented by an appropriation act and could therefore not be carried into effect.
- 91. U. S. NATIONAL ARCHIVES. Ninth annual report of the Archivist of the United States on the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library, Hyde Park, N. Y., for the year ending June 30, 1948. Washington, 1949. 18 p.
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- 93. U. S. SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM. History of furnishing statement of service cards to the states, 1792-1948. Washington, 1948. 109 p. One of the responsibilities of the Records Management Program of the Selective Service System is the furnishing to the several States a statement of Service for each person who entered the military service from the State. This book reviews what has been done in the past and offers suggestions and samples of forms for carrying out this function.
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See also 254, 260, 328-329, 344, 380.

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- 96. CASSADY, THEODORE J. Archival services in the Illinois State Library. Illinois libraries, 30:495-499 (Dec., 1948). Gives a brief historical resumé of legislation relating to archives and to the Archives Division of the State Library and summarizes the present services of the Division, including its activities with respect to county records.

- 97. CATER, HAROLD D. The Minnesota Historical Society in 1948. Minnesota history, 30:36-49 (Mar., 1949). Mentions the work of the Manuscript Division and of the Minnesota State Archives Commission.
- 98. CHAKRAVORTI, S. Virginia State Library. Indian archives, 1:213-216 (July, 1947). Includes 11 unpaged plates.
- 99. COLORADO HISTORICAL SOCIETY. Report of the President, John Evans. Colorado magazine, 26: [1]-12 (Jan., 1949). Describes the accomplishments of the Archives Division "in the most successful year since its establishment." Emphasizes the Division's role as a service agency of the State government.
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- 101. DELAWARE. PUBLIC ARCHIVES COMMISSION. Annual report for the fiscal year July 1, 1947 to June 30, 1948. Dover, 1948. 65 p. Lists accessions of public records received by transfer and of manuscripts received by gift or purchase on p. 27-30, 46-50, and 63.
- 102. EVANS, CHARLES. The Oklahoma Historical Society, its needs and expansions. Chronicles of Oklahoma, 26:399-406 (Winter, 1948-49). Includes a statement on the Archives Department.
- 103. HISTORICAL FOUNDATION, MONTREAT, N. C. Pictorial guide to the Historical Foundation. Montreat, N. C., 1949. Folder. Includes a description of the overcrowded facilities for housing of archives.
- 104. ILLINOIS STATE LIBRARY. Biennial report, 1946/48. Illinois libraries, 30: [511]-550 (Dec., 1948). The report of the Archives Division appears on p. 520-523.
- 105. Jennings, John M. Archival activity in American universities and colleges. American archivist, 12:155-163 (Apr., 1949). Discusses the different organizational approaches that have been made in establishing responsibility for the care of college and university archives and recommends that the archival agency be administratively independent of the library, though housed in proximity to it.
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- 107. KANSAS. STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY. Secretary's report, year ending October 19, 1948. Kansas historical quarterly, 17:60-68 (Feb., 1949).
- 108. LANGSDORF, EDGAR. The problem of archives. Kansas historical quarterly, 17:77-82 (Feb., 1949). A report by the Archivist of the Kansas State Historical Society on his attendance in the intensive summer course in archives administration offered by the American University in collaboration with the National Archives and the Maryland Hall of Records. Discusses present and future needs of the Archives Division of the Society.
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- 110. [LORD, CLIFFORD L.] Chats with the editor. Wisconsin magazine of history, 32: 257-262, 383-384 (Mar., 1949). Discusses the areas where closer cooperation between the Wisconsin State Historical Society and local history societies is indicated. Includes recommendations regarding public records, manuscripts, and business records.
- 111. [LORD, CLIFFORD L.] Chats with the editor. Wisconsin magazine of history, 32:
 387-388 (June, 1949). Discusses an act of the 1949 legislature of Wisconsin
 permitting the establishment of local or regional depositories for the preservation of county and local records. The act, which is permissive only, enables

- the Wisconsin State Historical Society to accept title to the records, which are then to be placed in the custody of a proper local depository—the county historian, the local historical society, the public library, or similar agency or institution.
- 112. MARYLAND. HALL OF RECORDS, Annapolis. Thirteenth annual report for the fiscal year July 1, 1947 through June 30, 1948. [Annapolis, 1948] 53 p. Accessions are listed on p. 28-35.
- 113. Massachusetts Historical Society, Boston. Handbook of the Massachusetts Historical Society, 1791-1948. Boston, 1949. 182 p. The history of the Society is summarized briefly on p. [1]-14, and a list of the major manuscript collections of the Society appears on p. [118]-141.
- 114. MICHIGAN. UNIVERSITY. MICHIGAN HISTORICAL COLLECTIONS. The Michigan Historical Collections. Ann Arbor, 1948. 15 p. (Bulletin no. 3.) Outlines the history and accomplishments of the Michigan Historical Collections during their first ten years. The Collections are the depository for Michiganiana at the University and include the archives of the University.
- 115. MICHIGAN. UNIVERSITY. MICHIGAN HISTORICAL COLLECTIONS. Report, 1947-1948.

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- 116. [MICHIGAN news] Michigan history, 32:391-395 (Dec., 1948). Presents a plea for more adequate funds for the Michigan Historical Commission, particularly with reference to its responsibilities with respect to non-current public records of the State.
- 117. New York HISTORICAL SOCIETY. Annual report for the year 1948. New York, 1949. 143 p. Manuscript accessions are listed on p. 63-67.
- 118. Olson, James C. The Nebraska State Historical Society in 1948. Nebraska history, 29:351-358 (Dec., 1948). Includes a brief summary of accomplishments with respect to the public records of the State.
- 119. Past church year in Historical Foundation. Historical Foundation news, 5, no. 2: [3-4] (Apr. 1, 1949). A summary report on the activities and services of the Historical Foundation of the Presbyterian and Reformed Churches, Inc., at Montreat, N. C.
- 120. SMITH, ALICE E. The Society as a research center. Wisconsin magazine of history, 32:271-283 (Mar., 1949). The author, who is director of research for both the Wisconsin State Historical Society and the Committee on the Study of American Civilization of the University of Wisconsin, describes the research facilities of the Society. Work of the Manuscript Section and the Archives Division is mentioned briefly.
- 121. STEVENS, S. K. The biennial activities of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission. *Pennsylvania history*, 16:20-30 (Jan., 1949). Mentions briefly the work of the renamed Division of Public Records. Discusses longrange prospects for a new building, but urges that a less pretentious structure be acquired immediately for a records depository.
- 122. STORM, COLTON. The care and feeding of a manuscript collection. Autograph collectors' journal, 1, no. 1:9-11 (Oct., 1948). A brief description of the policies and practices of the Clements Library in acquisitioning, processing, and controlling manuscript materials.
- 123. U. S. Congress. House. A bill to provide for home rule in the District of Columbia. [Washington] 1948. 137 p. (81-1, H. R. 28.) Provision for an Office of the Archivist of the District of Columbia, within the Executive Office of the District Manager, and for a District Archives Commission is made in sec. 607, p. 36-38. Not passed in the 1st session of the 81st Congress as of June 30, 1949.
- 124. U. S. Congress. House. Committee on Appropriations. District of Columbia appropriation bill for 1950. Hearings . . . 81-1. Washington, 1949. 569 p. Funds

- for and operations of the Office of Recorder of Deeds are discussed on p. 76-82.
- 125. U. S. VETERANS ADMINISTRATION. Custodians of public records. April 1949. Washington, 1949. 81 p. (Pamphlet 2-1) A new edition of a list of State and Territorial laws relating to births, deaths, divorces, and marriages, and of the title of the official charged with the custody of such records.
- 126. VIRGINIA. STATE LIBRARY. Report for the year ending June 30, 1948. Richmond, 1948. 15 p. The report of the Archives Division appears on p. 6-9.
- 127. WEST VIRGINIA. ARCHIVES AND HISTORY DEPARTMENT. Report, 1946-1948. [Charleston, 1948] 15 p. Covers the period from July 1, 1946, to June 30, 1948. Urges clarification of the functions and duties of the Department and of the University of West Virginia Library with respect to record and manuscript materials.
- 128. WISCONSIN. STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY. Proceedings, one hundred and first annual business meeting, 1947. Madison, 1948. 57 p. The report of the Director mentions the new public records program of the State, as provided by Chapter 316 of the Laws of 1947 (printed on p. 49-50), which established a permanent committee on public records (of which the director of the State Historical Society is a member) and established the Society as the ultimate depository of the archives of the State.

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C. Foreign Countries

- 129. ARCHIVES. No. 1 (Lady Day, 1949). Semiannual. A new journal published by the British Records Association. Will chronicle the meetings and conferences of the Association, print or summarize its regular or special reports, which have formerly been issued in several series, and publish articles of technical or professional interest.
- 130. The Archives Department of the National Palace Museum of Peiping. Indian archives, 1:193-197 (July, 1947).
- 131. BACHULSKI, ALEXY. Literatura archiwalna Z. S. R. R. Archeion, 17:179-188 (1948). Reviews several recent works on the history and theory of archives administration in the U. S. S. R.
- 132. BÁNKOWSKI, PIOTR. Archiwum Kameralne i jego losy. Archeion, 17:114-143 (1948). A study of the archives of the Treasury and their fate.
- 133. BARKER, H. W. The history of the United Church Archives. United Church of Canada, Committee on Archives, Bulletin, 1:11-36 (1948).
- 134. Basel. Schweizerische wirtschaftsarchiv. Bericht für das jahr 1948. Basel, 1949. 16 p.
- 135. BASEL-STADT (CANTON). STAATSARCHIV. Jahresbericht, 1948. Basel, A. Apel [n. d.]
- Bericht über die Sitzung des Deutschen Archivausschusses in Düsseldorf vom
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- 137. Bischoff, Norbert. Archivwesen und Quellenpublikationen in Indien, 1891-1946.

 Mitteilungen des Österreichischen Staatsarchivs, 1:489-491 (1948).
- 138. British Records Association. The annual conference. Archives, 1:39-50 (Lady Day, 1949). Proceedings of the sixteenth annual conference, November 16-17, 1948. Includes the reports of discussion meetings of the Publications Section (p. 39-40); the Records' Preservation Section (p. 40-43), devoted to a consideration of (1) the preservation, nature, and uses of records compiled and preserved by schools and (2) the preservation of old diaries, letters, and photographs; and the Technical Section (p. 44-46), devoted to a consideration of local repair facilities, their problems and possibilities. The discussion meeting of the whole Association (reported on p. 46-49), on the subject of legislation and records, was

devoted to a consideration of new records legislation that is needed to meet the problems imposed by the "trend of modern legislation towards placing semi-public concerns under national or central control." The urgent first step in the solution of this problem, the Association believes, is the passage of legislation setting up a National Inspectorate of Archives, as recommended by the Master of the Rolls' Archives Committee, which would provide a national system of control over archives that are not public records.

- 139. British Records Association. Proceedings, no. 12. London, 1948. 19 p. Proceedings of the fifteenth annual conference, November 17-18, 1947. Includes a slightly abbreviated version of a paper by Richard Stileman, "Printing in relation to the publication of records" (p. 2-7); an abstract of the papers read before the Records' Preservation Section on the subject of "Methods of cooperation between local organisations in the preservation of documents" (p. 7-10); a summary of the discussion held by the Technical Section on the matter of adapting existing accommodations to archives storage purposes (p. 10-11); and a summary of the general observations of the Master of the Rolls on the work of the Association during the year, embodying the suggestion that the heavy judicial duties of his position would appear to make desirable the vesting of his executive duties as Keeper of the Rolls (and administrator of the archives) in a separate authority.
- 140. BRITISH RECORDS ASSOCIATION. Sixteenth report of Council, accounts, and list of members for the year ending 30 September, 1948. [London, 1948] 24 p. The special interest taken by the Association in the effects of socialization on archives is discussed on p. 1.
- 141. BRITISH RECORDS ASSOCIATION. RECORDS' PRESERVATION SECTION. Report for the year 1947-48. [London, 1948] 5 p.
- BRULIN, R. HERMAN. Tysklands Arkiv efter Kriget. Historisk tidskrift, 1948, p. 276-285.
- 143. The Bulletin; records and proceedings of the Committee on History and Archives of the United Church of Canada. No. 1 (1948). Irregular. A new Bulletin, published by the Committee in collaboration with Victoria University, Toronto.
- 144. CANADA. PUBLIC ARCHIVES. Report for the year 1948. Ottawa, King's Printer and Controller of Stationery, 1948. 252 p. Accessions are listed on p. vii-xiii.
- 145. CANBERRA, AUSTRALIA. COMMONWEALTH NATIONAL LIBRARY. ARCHIVAL AUTHORITY.

 Fourth annual report for the year ending December 31st, 1948. [Canberra, 1949] 7 p. Reports on the accomplishments of the year and stresses the need for additional staff and for additional space in Canberra (adequate accommodations have been provided in Melbourne and Sydney) if an effective archival program is to be carried out. Accessions are listed in a 2-page appendix.
- 146. CEZARD, P. Vers la creation d'une nouvelle section aux Archives Nationales. Gazette des archives, new ser., 2:12-15 (July, 1947). Proposes the establishment of a "Section Contemporaine" to handle and provide service on the some 40 tons of documents, many in the German language, that have been received in the Archives Nationales since the liberation.
- 147. COOLHAAS, W. PH. Het Landsarchief te Batavia. [n. p.] 1949. 11 p. A brief illustrated history of the archives of the Dutch East Indies, reprinted from Historia, 14:12-23 (Jan., 1949).
- 148. CUBA. ARCHIVO NACIONAL. Memoria correspondiente al año de 1948. La Habana, 1949. 19 p.
- 149. Davies, William L. The preservation of historical records in solicitors' offices. Aberystwyth, National Library of Wales, 1947. 22 p. A paper by the Librarian of the National Library of Wales emphasizing the historical value of records from solicitors' offices and urging that they be bestowed by gift or deposit in the Library as the accredited national records depository.

- 150. Dodd, John. The archives of hospital contributory schemes. Archives, 1:35-38 (Lady Day, 1949). Discusses the disposition of archives of hospital contributory schemes in Britain and mentions briefly the disposition of administrative records of voluntary hospitals taken over by the state under the National Health Service Act.
- 151. DRAGAN, MARCIN. Otwarcie Archiwum Państwowego w Gdańsku. Archeion, 17: 236-238 (1948). An account of the opening of the national archives in Danzig.
- 152. DE DUITSE archieven en de oorlog. Nederlandsch archievenblad, 52:107-111 (1947-48). A summary of the effects of World War II on German archives.
- 153. FONT-REAULX, J. DE. Une experience de tournée géneralisée dans les archives communales. La gazette des archives, new ser., 3:8-10 (Jan., 1948). A report on a survey of municipal archives. Urges the segregation of disposable and permanently valuable records and more effective care of the latter.
- 154. FÜGEDI, ERIK. The war losses of Hungarian private archives. Journal of Central European affairs, 8: [282]-284 (Oct., 1948). Stresses the fact that most of these archives that have survived are in complete disorder. In order to preserve the material that remains, the Hungarian Government created an office called the "Ministerial Commissariat for the Preservation of Endangered Private
- 155. GAZETTE des archives. New series, no. 1. (Jan., 1947). Semiannual. A bulletin published by the Association Amicale et Professionnelle des Archivistes Français. Contains news notes and proceedings of meetings, a "chronique administration" but it is a series of a stille and stilled and the series of the se

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- trative," bibliographies, and articles on professional and technical problems.

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 describe the local record repositories of Britain, sketching their history, present staff, premises, and programs, and indicating the extent of their collections.
- 157. Great Britain. Public Record Office. 109th report of the Deputy Keeper of Records. London, His Majesty's Stationery Office, 1949. 16 p.
- 158. HAGUE. ARCHIEF DER GEMEENTE. Verslag over het jaar 1946. 's Gravenhage, Drukkerij trio [1948?] 5 p.
- 159. HEYSE, T. Notes d'exil (1940-1945). 2. Le Haut Commissariat belge à Toulouse en 1940 et ses Archives. Archives, bibliothèques, et musées de Belgique, 19: 58-62 (1948).
- 160. HILL, ROSCOE R. Archives [of Latin America]. Handbook of Latin American studies: 1945. No. 11. Cambridge, Mass., Harvard Univ. Press, 1948. p. 43-55.
- 161. HILL, ROSCOE R. Los Archivos Nacionales de la America Latina. La Habana, 1948. 166 p. (Cuba, Archivo Nacional, Publicaciones, vol. 19.) Translated from the first edition published in English by the Harvard University Press in 1945.
- 162. HOBSON, V. C. P. Off the record. *Indian archives*, 1:287-288 (Oct., 1947). Urges the formation of a collection, which would be located in London, of manuscript materials written in India in the 18th and early 19th centuries and at present in the possession of descendants of the writers in the United Kingdom.
- 163. HORTON, A. E. Records and the National Coal Board. Archives, 1:28-31 (Lady Day, 1949). Discusses the complex records problems resulting from the Coal Industry Nationalisation Act of 1946.
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- 165. JANKOWSKA, JADWIGE. Działalnosc Sekcji Archiwalno-Bibliotecznej. Archeion, 17:228-235 (1948). Summarizes activities of the Archives and Library Section of the Association of Polish Librarians and Archivists.

- 166. JENKINSON, HILARY. British Records Association, 1932 to 1947; being a report from the Joint Secretaries on their retirement. London, 1948. 25 p. A review of the first fifteen years of existence of the British Records Association, its achievements and activities, with a history of the events that led to its formation. Presented by the Joint Secretaries, Hilary Jenkinson and Miss I. J. Churchill, on the occasion of their retirement.
- 167. KACZMARCZYK, KAZIMIERZ. Archiwum Państwowe w Poznaniu w czasie okupacji niemieckiej. Archeion, 17:84-100 (1948). Discusses the government archives in Posen during the German occupation.
- 168. KARWASINSKA, JADWIGA. Józef Siemieński Dyrektor Archiwum Glownego. Archeion, 17:27-53 (1948). A memorial to Joseph Siemienski, director of the Central Archives, who died in 1941 as a result of the war.
- 169. KLEYNTJENS, J. La dispersion des Archives de Riga. Archives, bibliothèques, et musées de Belgique, 19:63-66 (1948). Describes the dispersion of the State Archives of Riga during World War II and mentions the setting up at New-Otting of the "Refugee Life Archiv" to collect materials on Letts in exile.
- 170. KONARSKI, KAZIMIERZ. Nowe zadania polskiej archiwistyki. Archeion, 17:23-26 (1948). Presents as the most urgent current problem of Polish archives administration the return of materials seized by the Germans.
- 171. KUPCZYNSKI, TADEUSZ. Archiwum Elblaskie. Archeion, 17:101-113 (1948). An article on the archives of Elbing.
- 172. LONDON. UNIVERSITY. INSTITUTE OF HISTORICAL RESEARCH. Annual report, I August 1947-31 July 1948. [London, 1949] 26 p.
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- 174. MADRAS (PRESIDENCY) RECORD OFFICE. Administration report for 1947-48. [Madras, n. d.] 14 p.
- 175. MARISCAL, MARIO. Reseña historica del Archivo General de la nacion (1550-1946). Mexico, Secretaria de governacion, 1946. 245 p. A history of the Archivo General of Mexico, including lists of its directors and officials.
- 176. MAROT, PIERRE. La Guerre de 1870-1871 et les archives departmentales. La gazette des archives, new ser., 3:13-22 (Jan., 1948); 4:22-31 (July, 1948). A study of the effects of the Franco-Prussian War on the Archives Departmentales, as revealed in reports and other official documents.
- 177. NACHTRAGE zu den Berichten der Staats-, Stadt- und Kirchenarchive. Der Ar-
- chivar, 2, no. 1:col. 19-23 (Jan., 1949).
 178. NETHERLANDS, RIJKSARCHIEF. Verslagen omtrent 's rijks oude archieven, 1947. 's Gravenhage, Staatsdrukkerij, 1948. 123 p.
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- 300. NEW YORK PUBLIC LIBRARY. MANUSCRIPT DIVISION. Manuscript Division accessions during 1947. New York Public Library, Bulletin, 52:357-361 (July, 1948).
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mean to you, what care they need, what is being done" (Salem, 1949) has also been issued by the Archives Division.

304. [PENNSYLVANIA. HISTORICAL SOCIETY. LIBRARY] Supplement to the guide to the manuscript collections in the Historical Society of Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania magazine of history and biography, 72:276-283 (July, 1948).

305. PRESBYTERIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY. Primary source materials on Western life in America at the Presbyterian Historical Society, 520 Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia, Pa. [Philadelphia, 1948] 4 p. (Presbyterian key, 4, no. 1. Dec., 1948).

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See also 100-101, 112-113, 117, 328-329, 344.

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- 309. BRONEER, OSCAR. Records of the American School of Classical Studies at Athens. American archivist, 12:42-44 (Jan., 1949).
- 310. EEGHEN, I. H. VAN. De doop-, trouw- en begraafboeken te Amsterdam van voor de invoering van de burgerlijke stand. Nederlands archievenblad, 52:66-76, 123-132 (1947-48).
- 311. Great Britain. Public Record Office. Treaties, catalogue of an exhibition at the Public Record Office. London, His Majesty's Stationery Office, 1948. 46 p. Lists 52 representative treaty documents from 1197 to 1934.
- 312. HISTORICAL manuscripts. London University. Institute of Historical Research, Bulletin, 21:257-281 (May-Nov., 1948). Lists (1) accessions of manuscripts reported by public or corporate body repositories; (2) migrations of manuscripts by sale or change of private ownership.
- 313. JAFFAR, S. M. A guide to the archives of the Central Record Office, N[orth]-W[est] F[rontier] Province. Peshawar, Govt. Print. and Stationery, 1948. 50 p.
- 314. LANCASHIRE, ENG. COUNTY COUNCIL. COUNTY RECORDS OFFICE. Guide to the Lancashire Record Office. By R. Sharpe France. Preston, Lancashire County Council, 1948. 121 p. (Record publication no. 2.)
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- 318. MILLARES CARLO, AGUSTÍN. Repertorio bibliográfico de los archivos mexicanos y de las colecciones diplomáticas fundamentales para la historia de México [por] Agustín Millares Carlo y José Ignacio Mantecon. Mexico, Impr. Aldina, 1948.

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198-205 (July, 1947).

- 320. RAMSBOTHAM, R. B. The Woodstock (Oxfordshire) Town Archives. Papers to be read, silver jubilee session, Indian Historical Records Commission, Delhi, 1948. New Delhi, Government of India Press, 1948. p. 1-5.
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- 322. SPEAR, T. G. Report on the records of the Chief Commissioner's Office, Delhi. Papers to be read, silver jubilee session, Indian Historical Records Commission, Delhi, 1948. New Delhi, Government of India Press, 1948. p. 6-12.

See also 144-145, 156, 164, 182, 199.

VIII. Application of Photographic Processes to Work With Records and Historical Manuscripts

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Mainzer Presse, 1940).

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326. FEIBELMAN, HERBERT U. Microphotography and the record problems of our courts. American Judicature Society, *Journal*, 33:6-10 (June, 1949). Suggestions on the microphotographing of the records of the United States district courts.

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New Delhi, Government of India Press, 1948. p. 13-19.

332. The Microcard bulletin. No. 3 (Mar., 1949). Middletown, Conn., The Microcard Foundation, 1949. 4 p. Lists the microcards that are actually in stock and ready for delivery. Emphasizes the fact that the microcarding process does not require two copies of an original text or the dismemberment of the text being copied, as had been originally supposed. Also published during the year was Microcard bulletin no. 2, issued in September 1948, which was a revised edition of Bulletin no. 1, issued in June 1948.

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prothonotary.

337. Photographic copies of business and public records as evidence. Iowa law review, 34, no. 1:83-90 (Nov., 1948). Reviews legislation and court decisions of the past ten years and urges that "corrective uniform legislation is necessary if the law of evidence is to keep pace with scientific developments recognized and regularly used in the business world."

338. POINDRON, PAUL. Problemes internationaux pris par la reproduction photographique des documents. Revue de la documentation, 15: no. 2:46-48 (1948).

- 339. Rockefeller Foundation. Annual report, 1948. New York [1949] 425 p. A brief statement relating to the Foundation's grant of \$20,000 to the National Archives for producing basic microfilm stocks of records in its custody appears on p. 289-290. The Foundation's grant to the University of Oklahoma for the development of archival resources on Oklahoma history is discussed on p. 290-292.
- 340. RECORDAK CORPORATION. 50 billion records can't be wrong. [New York, 1948?]
 36 p. A brochure describing the equipment and services offered by the Corporation.
- 341. STEINER, W. A. Papers in early American prize cases. Journal of documentation, 4:[90]-91 (Sept., 1948). A brief note relating to the reproduction of these records as a file microcopy by the National Archives.
- 342. STUBENRAUCH, A. V. The use of photography on business records. Filing bulletin,

- 17:41, 46 (Mar.-Apr., 1949). A very brief account of the various photographic processes and photographic contract services that are available for reproducing business records.
- 343. U. S. ARMY DEPARTMENT. Records administration microfilming of records. [Washington] 1949. 9 p. (*Technical manual* 12-257, *Changes* no. 1.) Shows additions to and deletions from *Technical manual* 12-257, issued on March 13, 1046.
- 344. U. S. LIBRARY OF CONGRESS. State Documents Microfilm Project; progress report, 1947-1948. [Washington, 1948] 31 p. Describes progress made in the joint program of the Library of Congress and the University of North Carolina in microfilming the early published official records of the States. Certain manuscript and newspaper materials have also been reproduced. The project was initiated in 1941, suspended during the war, and resumed in 1946.

See also 49-50, 63, 64.

IX. Service, Use, and Publication of Records and Historical Manuscripts

- 345. AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF REGISTRATION EXECUTIVES. The confidential nature of birth records. Washington, 1949. 10 p. A policy for uniform procedures in all the States for the handling of birth records, recommended by the American Association of Registration Executives and the Council on Vital Records and Statistics and endorsed by the Children's Bureau and the National Office of Vital Statistics.
- 346. AMERICAN POLITICAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION. Forty-fourth annual meeting. American political science review, 43: 107-128 (Feb., 1949). The Association's resolutions protesting the discontinuance of the State Department's Treaties and other international acts edited by Hunter Miller, and favoring the acceleration of the publication of the Foreign relations series and of the Archives of the German Foreign Office are recorded on p. 125-126.
- 347. Apps, D. W. Authentication of documents. U. S. Judge Advocate General's Office (Navy), JAG journal, Mar., 1949, p. 2-4. Relates to the authentication of copies of documents presented as evidence in courtmartial trials.
- 348. [BRIDGES, STYLES] Records pertaining to marriages and divorces. Congressional 8 record, 95:2807-2808 (Mar. 18, 1949). Remarks by Senator Bridges introducing, for the American Association of Registration Executives, a joint resolution (81-1, S. J. Res. 66) by the terms of which the Congress would call upon the respective States to centralize their records relating to marriages and divorces.
- 349. BUTTERFIELD, LYMAN H. The papers of Thomas Jefferson: progress and procedures in the enterprise at Princeton. American archivist, 12:131-145 (Apr., 1949). Discusses some of the editorial problems that have arisen in connection with publishing the Jefferson papers.
- 350. CHALONER, W. H. Business records as a source of economic history with special reference to their selective preservation in libraries. Journal of documentation, 4:[5]-13 (June, 1948). Surveys recent English works in economic history that have been based on business records and suggests types of business records that may be destroyed or that need to be preserved. A short bibliography is appended.
- 351. CLARK, THOMAS D. The archives of small business. American archivist, 12:27-35 (Jan., 1949). A paper read before the joint session of the Society of American Archivists with the American Historical Association at Cleveland, Ohio, December 27, 1947. Stresses the research possibilities of the records of small business.

- 352. COCHRAN, THOMAS C. The Pabst Brewing Company; the history of an American business. New York, New York Univ. Press, 1948. 451 p. The bibliography includes (p. 407-411) a list of "Records in the Archives of the Pabst Brewing Company, Milwaukee, Wisconsin (complete 1844-1919; selected, 1920-1932)," which "may give the future historians an idea of what to look for when studying similar manufacturing enterprises."
- 353. EPSTEIN, ALBERT S. Union records as statistical sources. [Washington, 1948] 6 p. A paper read before the annual meeting of the American Statistical Association, Cleveland, Ohio, 1948. In the second part of the paper the author shows how membership, contract, and financial records of a union may be used as sources of statistical data for administrative purposes.
- 354. GERLICH, WILHELM. Die Entzifferung von historischen Geheimschriften. Mit sechs Abbildungen. Mitteilungen des Österreichischen Staatsarchivs, 1:445-469 (1948).
- 355. Germany. Auswärtiges Amt. Documents on German foreign policy, 1918-1945: Series D (1937-1945). Vol. I. From Neurath to Ribbentrop (September 1937-September 1938). Washington, 1949. cv, 1220 p. (State Department. Publication 3277.) The first volume to be published by the United States in the combined Anglo-American-French program of publishing jointly documents from the captured archives of the German Foreign Ministry and the Reich Chancellery. The editors have begun their work with the fourth series (D). Volumes covering earlier years will be published subsequently. A brief history of the dispersal of the Foreign Ministry Archives during the war and the manner in which they came into Anglo-American custody, together with a discussion of some of the editorial problems encountered in publishing them, is given in the General Introduction, p. vii-xiii; and a summary analysis of the Foreign Ministry Archives in Anglo-American custody is given in Appendix I, p. 1177-1185.
- 356. GOSNELL, CHARLES F. Historic documents commence a tour. Library journal, 74: 345-347 (Mar. 1, 1949). Describes the New York State Freedom Train, which had just begun a year's tour of the State under the auspices of the State Library.
- 357. HASKINS, GEORGE L. Court records and history. William and Mary quarterly, 3d ser., 5: [547]-552 (Oct., 1948). Urges that more research be undertaken in American legal history of the colonial period and stresses the value of court records for both legal and social history.
- 358. HASSLER, F. Archivar und Technikgeschichte. Der Archivar, 2, no. 1: col. 24-26 (Jan., 1949).
- 359. Hidy, Ralph W. Problems in collaborative writing of business history. Business Historical Society, Bulletin, 23:67-77 (June, 1949). Includes a brief discussion of the questions of the availability and adequacy of a firm's records.
- 360. Institute of Early American History and Culture, Williamsburg, Va. Rules for preparing manuscripts. [Williamsburg, 1949] 12 p. Suggestions for the form of citation of archival and manuscript material are given on p. 7.
- 361. LACY, GEORGE J. Questioned documents. Indian archives, 1:316-324 (Oct., 1947).

 Reprinted from the American archivist, 9:267-275 (Oct., 1946).
- Monaghan, Jay. Autographs—real and forged. Illinois State Historical Society, Journal, 42:80-83 (Mar., 1949). Discusses forgeries of Lincoln autographs.
- 363. Names on archives building. Illinois libraries, 30:258-259 (June, 1948). Describes an exhibit at the Illinois State Archives in honor of the individuals whose names have been inscribed on the building.
- 364. NORONA, DELF. The Freedom Train in West Virginia. West Virginia history, 10: [149]-160 (Jan., 1949).
- 365. PALTSITS, VICTOR H. The bogus Washington Commission. Autograph collectors'

- journal, 1: no. 1:4-8 (Oct., 1948). Describes the internal and external evidence by the use of which the author concluded that the copy of the Washington Commission in the possession of the Washington Headquarters, Morristown, New Jersey, is a forgery.
- 366. PETERSEN, WILLIAM J. The Freedom Train in Iowa. Palimpsest, 29:269-281 (Sept., 1948).
- 367. Pugh, R. B. The publication of modern records. Archives, 1:31-35 (Lady Day, 1949). Discusses the unanswered problems of selection and organization that the complexity and bulk of modern records, both public and private, impose on any endeavor to publish them.
- 368. READ, CONYERS. Recent United States and British Government publications on the London Naval Conference of 1930. American historical review, 54:307-314 (Jan., 1949). Raises questions with respect to the basis of selection of materials appearing in official documentary publications.
- 369. SUCHODOLSKI, WITOLD. Archiwa wobec dzisiejszej problematyki badán historycznych. Archeion, 17:20-22 (1948). A discussion of archives in relation to historical research.
- 370. TATE, W. E. The use of archives in education. Archives, 1:20-28 (Lady Day, 1949). Urges the use of local archives of all descriptions in the teaching of history in the elementary schools.
- 371. THORNTON, H. J. America's Freedom Train. Palimpsest, 29:257-268 (Sept., 1948).
- 372. U. S. ARMY DEPARTMENT. Historical reports. [Washington, 1949] 2 p. (Special regulations no. 345-105, 3 Feb. 1949.) General regulations concerning the responsibility for the preparation of current war diaries, activities reports, and narrative reports, with supporting documents and staff section reports. Supersedes Army regulations no. 345-105, 18 November 1929, including C 5, 1 May 1946.
- 373. U. S. Army Department. Preparation of historical reports. [Washington] 1949. 8 p. (Special regulations no. 345-105-1, 3 Feb. 1949.) Detailed instructions for the preparation and disposition of the current historical reports required to be prepared by Army regulations no. 345-105. Supersedes Army regulations 345-105, 18 November 1929, including C 5, 1 May 1946.
- 374. U. S. ARMY DEPARTMENT. HISTORICAL DIVISION. Opportunities for research in the Department of the Army. [Washington, 1948] 9 p. A brief statement to make known to scholars in the fields of the social studies the nature and extent of documents under the control of the Department of the Army that offer opportunities for research and writing. Includes a list of selected topics for research and writing and a copy of the application form or interview record of applicants requesting permission to use official files.
- 375. U. S. ARMY DEPARTMENT. HISTORICAL DIVISION. Style manual for military history, 2d rev. [Washington] 1949. 78 p. Prepared for use in the publication of The United States Army in World War II. Suggestions for the citing of archival materials are given on p. 51-57.
- 376. U. S. CONGRESS. HOUSE. COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS. Department of State appropriation bill for 1950. Hearings . . . 81-1. Washington, 1949. 1004 p. Funds for collecting and editing the Territorial papers of the United States are discussed on p. 425-427.
- 377. U. S. PRESIDENT, 1945- (TRUMAN) Executive Order 10006. Preparation, presentation, filing, and publication of Executive orders and proclamations. Federal register, 13:5927, 5929 (Oct. 12, 1948). The major change effected by this order,
 dated October 9, 1948, requires publication in the Federal register of all Executive orders, eliminating the need for printing slip copies of Executive orders
 affecting only persons named therein.
- 378. U. S. President, 1945- (Truman) Executive Order 10033. Regulations governing the providing of statistical information to intergovernmental organizations.

Federal register, 14: 561-562 (Feb. 9, 1949). Provides generally that the Director of the Bureau of the Budget shall determine, with the concurrence of the Secretary of State, what statistical information shall be provided in response to official requests received by the United States Government from any intergovernmental organization of which this country is a member, and which Federal agency or agencies shall prepare the information.

379. U. S. STATE DEPARTMENT. Policy on disclosing files on representatives of international groups. State Department, Bulletin, 19:235-236 (Aug. 22, 1948). A letter from Secretary of State George C. Marshall to Senator Chapman Revercomb, refusing to make accessible the visa files of the State Department relating to persons admitted into the United States as accredited representatives to the United Nations or other international organizations.

380. WOLKINSON, HERMAN. Demands of Congressional Committees for Executive Papers. Pt. 1. Federal bar journal, 10: 103-150 (Apr., 1949). An historical account of Presidential action following Congressional demands for information

and papers.

See also 80, 83-84, 86-87, 90, 138-139, 201, 209, 222, 255, 297.

X. Special Physical Types of Records and Historical Manuscripts

381. BHATTACHARYYA, B. Palm-leaf manuscripts and their preservation. Indian archives, 1:233-234 (July, 1947).

382. SAUL, PATRICK. A brief note on archives of sound recordings. Journal of documentation, 4:[87]-89 (Sept., 1948). Enumerates briefly the chief repositories of sound recordings in Britain and elsewhere.

383. Suri, J. H. Palm-leaf manuscripts in Jaisalmir. Indian archives, 1: 234-235 (July,

1947)

- 384. United Nations. Communications and Records Division. Archives Section. Union list of U.N.R.R.A. film; a guide to motion picture records produced by agencies throughout the world on the activities of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration, 1943-1947. Lake Success, N. Y., 1949. 21 p. (Reference guide no. 5.) A union list of motion picture film footage made by UNRAA itself and by government or private agencies for UNRAA or for independent purposes.
- 385. U. S. LIBRARY OF CONGRESS. REFERENCE DEPARTMENT. MAPS DIVISION. Maps; their care, repair, and preservation in libraries. By Clara Egli LeGear. Washington, 1949. 46 p. A manual on the processing, care, and administration of all kinds of maps.
- 386. Walls, Howard L. Film-collection program. Society of Motion Picture Engineers, Journal, 52:5-8 (Jan., 1949). The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences proposes, if funds are available, to restore to the screen the first twenty years of motion picture achievements by the optical printing of photographic paper rolls submitted for copyright registration from 1897 to 1917.

See also 88, 251, 319.

XI. THE RECRUITMENT AND TRAINING OF ARCHIVISTS, CUSTODIANS OF MANUSCRIPTS, AND RECORDS OFFICERS

387. AMERICAN UNIVERSITY. The preservation and administration of archives; fifth intensive training course, July 25 to August 20, 1949, in cooperation with the National Archives, the Library of Congress, and the Maryland Hall of Records. [Washington, 1949] Folder.

388. Briet, Suzanne. Rapport sur la création d'une commission mixte d'enseignement

professionnel suggérée par la Fédération Internationale de Documentation. Journal of documentation, 4: [188]-197 (Dec., 1948). A preliminary report stating the position of the International Federation for Documentation (F.I.D.) on the proposal of UNESCO that F.I.D. and the International Federation of Library Associations cooperate in their activities relating to professional training. Expresses the hope that archivists will some day send delegates to the twin committees of these two Federations and mentions a few of the recent developments in professional training for archivists on p. 194-195.

389. INTERAGENCY RECORDS ADMINISTRATION CONFERENCE, WASHINGTON, D. C. How records personnel are trained in the Atomic Energy Commission. [Washington, 1949] 11 p. Proceedings of the meeting of November 19, 1948, in which Terry Beach and Thomas J. Pugliese of the Atomic Energy Commission were the speakers.

390. JAFFAR, S. M. Problems of an archivist. Peshawar, Govt. Print. & Stationery, 1948. 64 p. Intended to serve as a text-book for the trainees in the Central

Record Office, North-West Frontier Province, Pakistan.

391. New York University. Graduate School of Business Administration. Announcing a new course in records management and archives administration. [New York] n. d. Folder. The prospectus of a new course offered by the Graduate School of Business Administration and the National Records Management Council, February 9-May 18, 1949, under the direction of Emmett J. Leahy.

392. U. S. ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION. RECORDS MANAGEMENT BRANCH. Manual of suggested procedures for the training of records personnel. [Washington, 1948] [25] p.

See also 197.

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The National Archives

THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES

The National Archives Establishment, including the Division of the Federal Register and the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library, and its functions and personnel were transferred to the General Services Administration by Public Law No. 152, approved June 30, 1949, which created the Administration. Jess Larson, former War Assets Administrator and most recently Federal Works Administrator, heads the new agency.

In establishing the Administration, Congress declared that its intent was to provide for the Government an economical and efficient system for the procurement and supply of personal property and nonpersonal services, the utilization of available property, the disposal of surplus property, and the management of Federal records — activities that are common to all government agencies. The creation of such a general services agency was in line with recommendations of the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government, better known as the Hoover Commission.

In the field of records management, the Administrator was authorized (1) to make surveys of Government records and records management and disposal practices and to obtain reports thereon from Federal agencies; (2) to promote, in cooperation with the executive agencies, improved records management practices and controls in such agencies, including the central storage or disposition of records not needed by them for their current use; and (3) to report to Congress and the Director of the Bureau of the Budget from time to time the results of such activities.

The valuable records of the Hoover Commission, 1947-49, have been turned over to the National Archives. They consist of correspondence, minutes of meetings, reports, and other records of the Executive Director, the Secretary's Office, and the Research and Library Section as well as "Task Force" papers on projects dealing with agricultural activities, medical services, regulatory commissions, personnel management, foreign affairs, supply, accounting, and national security organization. Other materials of note received recently include records of the House of Representatives for the Seventy-seventh and Seventy-eighth Congresses, 1941-44; additional general records of the Senate, 1947-48; records of the Senate Committee on the District of Columbia, 1907-46; schedules of the twelfth (1900) and fourteenth (1920) population censuses of the United States; central records of the Civil Aeronautics Administration and its predecessors, 1926-43, dealing with administrative matters and technical development in civil aeronautics and air commerce; and more than 2,000 photographic prints and negatives made by Robert Brewster Stanton on a

survey for a railway route from the Colorado coal fields to the Pacific Coast, 1889-90, received from the Geological Survey.

In its program to inform scholars and others of materials in the custody of the Archivist and to facilitate the servicing of the records, the National Archives has recently issued preliminary inventories of the records of The Adjutant General's Office, the Maritime Labor Board, the Board of Investigation and Research — Transportation, and the U. S. Counsel for the Prosecution of Axis Criminality, and of the land-entry papers of the General Land Office. Other publications include a List of Documents Concerning the Negotiation of Ratified Indian Treaties, 1801-1869, a Reference Information Circular on Materials in the National Archives Relating to Haiti, and a leaflet on The National Archives Library.

Negative microcopies, positive prints of which may be purchased, have been made recently of "Captains' Letters" to the Secretary of the Navy, 1841-85 (138 rolls); population schedules of the census of 1830 for Ohio (17 rolls) and of the Colorado State census of 1885 (8 rolls); despatches from U. S. Ministers to Japan, 1877-1906 (50 rolls), Korea, 1884-1905 (21 rolls), and Paraguay and Uruguay, 1858-1906 (19 rolls); despatches from U. S. consuls in Acapulco, 1823-1906 (8 rolls), Honolulu, 1843-1903 (21 rolls), Lima-Callao, 1827-1906 (21 rolls), Panama, 1857-1906 (26 rolls), and Valparaiso, 1828-1906 (13 rolls); and papers of General Hans von Seeckt, 1860-1938 (28 rolls).

FEDERAL SECURITY AGENCY

New records officers appointed in the Federal Security Agency include the following:

Office of the Administrator
Division of Personnel Management
Field Services Division
Social Security Administration
Office of the Commissioner
Bureau of Public Assistance
Bureau of Federal Credit Unions
Children's Bureau
Bureau of Old Age & Survivors
Insurance

Harold Allen Philip H. Sload William E. Arnold

Wallace Lee Mrs. Claudia Bradley Mrs. Virginia Daw Marvin O. Stromberg

Vinson J. Gordon

INTERAGENCY RECORDS ADMINISTRATION CONFERENCE

On May 27, 1949 the Interagency Records Administration Conference conducted a panel discussion on "Position Allocation Standards for Records Personnel." John Hickey, of the Civil Service Commission, Linwood Donaldson, of the Department of Agriculture, Ruth Henderson, of the National Archives, and Sherrod East, of the Department of the Army, analyzed current practices and future plans in the field of position descriptions and job allocations for records personnel.

The Hoover Commission report on Federal records management has fo-

cussed considerable attention on the volume of Government records — some 18 million cubic feet. The speakers at the June 17th meeting of the Conference addressed themselves to the problems presented by this vast quantity of records. T. R. Schellenberg of the National Archives outlined the need for the establishment of effective standards and procedures for records management with a view toward the segregation of those records which have temporary or permanent value and the prompt disposal of others. Linwood Donaldson's analysis of the same problems reflected his long experience with records work in the Department of Agriculture.

Another feature of the June meeting was the annual election of five Steering Committee members for a two year term. Those elected were John F. X. Britt, Federal Security Agency; Philip C. Brooks, National Security Resources Board; Ollon D. McCool, Department of the Army; Thomas J. Pugliese, Atomic Energy Commission; and Everett O. Alldridge of the Navy Department. Present members whose terms carry over until June 1950 are Walter Anderson, State Department; Dorothy Luttrell, Department of Agriculture; Allan Humphrey, General Accounting Officer; Imogene Williford, Veterans Administration; and Lewis Darter, Navy Department. On July 8, 1949, the new Steering Committee re-elected Philip C. Brooks to the Conference Chairmanship for the 1949-1950 season and named Dorothy Luttrell Vice Chairman. The June meeting was followed by a social get-together in the National Archives Conference Room.

During the summer the Conference conducted two continuing Round Table discussions series. One, "The Content of An Agency Record Program," was in charge of John F. X. Britt; the other, "Administration of Record Centers," was led by Ken Munden. It is intended that from each of these series there will emerge concrete recommendations and problem analyses which will be of use to the Conference and to records people generally.

IRAC's schedule for September called for a presentation of the National Archives disposal policy and the announcement of revised and simplified disposal procedures for Federal agencies.

NATIONAL MILITARY ESTABLISHMENT

The Central Air Documents Office, Navy-Air Force, has announced a reorganization effective March 1, 1949 in which the following sections were established: Document Processing Section, Foreign Documents Section, Publishing Section, Technical Data Digest Section, and Document Requirements Section. A Conference on Problems of Centralized Documentation, sponsored by CADO on April 11, 12, and 13, 1949 heard panel discussions of the Standard Aeronautical Indexing System, the Air Technical Index, Miniaturization of Documents, Machine Methods in Documentation, Reports Standardization, and Document Exchange Problems. An article on the growth of this vast project from its London beginning in 1945 to the present Dayton, Ohio organization, its procedures and accomplishments, appeared in *Library Journal*, 74: 778-783, 883 (May 15, 1949).

TRAINING OF ARCHIVISTS

The York [England] Summer School of Archives and Historical Research was held August 13-27. The twofold aim of the school was to put York's special resources in the material of history at the disposal of those wanting to acquire some knowledge of the great York collections of documents and to give, at the same time, introductory instruction in the reading of documents and in the general administration and organization of archives on a national level.

This summer school was arranged, in unofficial association with the staff of the Public Record Office, by a York committee which has recently evolved a far reaching plan of academic development in the city. The committee feel that York's nineteen centuries of history, its ecclesiastical, civil, and guild records, and its historic buildings constitute a heritage which should be made more freely available in the cause of learning. The Summer School of Archives is one way of initiating this process.

The curriculum for the school included: (1) a general course on the organization and administration of the country's records, together with some discussion of the relationship between the archivist and the historian and the nature and value of archives per se; (2) a short and necessarily introductory course in the reading of documents in the "conventional hands," including practical work from photostats and covering such subjects as abbreviation, conventions, seals, languages, and the development of English Court Hand; and (3) general discussions of the nature and scope of the York collections, including certain private collections in Yorkshire, designed to show their particular use and value for a student doing research in history.

FOREIGN NEWS

Central and South Africa

Unpublished stories of explorers and missionaries and reports of governors and officials about peoples and events in Central and Southern Africa from the beginning of the sixteenth century onwards are now to be sought out, edited, and published. This comprehensive scheme has developed from 12 years' planning by V. W. Hiller, Chief Archivist of the Central African Archives in Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia. In various parts of Europe, in the archives and libraries of Portugal, and in the vast treasure-house of the Vatican library it is hoped to find documents which will be recorded on microfilm for preservation in the Central African Archives and later edited for publication.

The program is an inter-territorial one, supported by the governments of Southern Rhodesia, Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland. The first definite prospect of its realization came in 1945 with generous gifts of sums of money from well-wishers in England, the Union of South Africa, and Southern Rhodesia, but it was not until 1948, when the Carnegie Corporation of New York made a very liberal grant, that the scheme became not a dream of the future but a present enterprise.

Eric Axelson, the author of "South-East Africa, 1488-1530," joined the

staff of the Central African Archives in July. In August he left for Europe on an eight-months' mission, accompanied by a staff photographer, to select documents for reproduction from European archival centers. On his return another mission, consisting, it is hoped, of Lt. C. Montez, Archivist of the Arquivo Historico de Mocambique, and a photographer, will visit Goa, from which South-Eastern Africa was once governed. After the reproductions have been classified, translating and editing will begin. Publication cannot follow for some years, but it is hoped that prints of the microfilms will be available within a comparatively short time.

England

On the occasion of its 107th annual meeting in 1949, the Yorkshire Architectural and York Archaeological Society held an exhibition of guild records, the most important of its kind ever held in Great Britain. A forerunner of the exhibit planned for the York Summer School for Archives in August, it displayed documents from 29 different bodies, the earliest founded in pre-conquest days, and included 16th century letters, a 13th century lease, and some of the regalia and silver still used by the guilds. The following views on the archives situation in England appeared in this Society's annual report and catalogue of the exhibition:

May we add a word of warning which, it is hoped, will be read both within our walls and far abroad. A great deal has recently been written on the subject of Archives in the national press, and it is high time that some line of policy were set forth in clear and unmistakable terms by those in authority. Perhaps the following thoughts may guide them. The keynote must be a sincere acceptance of the voluntary principle, both now and for ever. Any idea of the thin edge of some administrative wedge poked under a lulling barrage of smooth words and evasive statements to be gently developed into a scheme for the "Nationalization" of Archives, Records and Muniments would be fatal to the very documents it is hoped to preserve. People are fed up with this kind of procedure and familiarity breeds contempt. It would, in the first instance, merely lead to the cessation of private assistance in the work of the compilation of a National Register of Archives—for why should owners obligingly compile lists to help thieves rob them of their possessions?—and later on, to the deliberate destruction of Records for a variety of reasons into which we need not enter. So let there be none of this nonsense.

This in no way constitutes an excuse for Governmental—both central and local—inaction. Voluntary Repositories for Archives of all kinds should be set up in County Boroughs and on a Shire basis. The "Regional" concept—born of emergency administration needs for war purposes and perpetuated for reasons which are far from satisfactory—will not do. It is wholly artificial and, as far as documents are concerned, constitutes an unrealistic approach to the problem. As we in this Society see it, economic development has centred great riches in areas of comparatively little historic importance with the result that cities such as Birmingham, Liverpool, Wolverhampton, Bradford, Leeds and many others have ample means to support a trained Archivist and his staff, pay for a proper centre for the storage of muniments and indeed would probably gladly do so—if they had the muniments. They have sufficient cash to get all dressed up, but, figuratively speaking, they have nowhere to go. On the other hand, there are cities such as York that have a wealth of ancient records and lovely buildings but insufficient means for their proper preservation. The idea that some of their archives be transferred to the richer if less historically well-

favoured towns is on a par with the suggestion that York Minster be taken down and re-erected in, say, Chicago. Without any desire to be dog-in-the-mangerish on the part of their owners, records must be housed, kept and studied in their own proper surroundings; only thus will they live.

So, clearly, the problem requires a three-tier solution. The central government must make grants to less financially favoured localities at the expense of the nation — after all, it is not only the local inhabitant in these days of high mobility who enjoys the amenities of his city. Then local councils must stir their stumps and, even at the cost of some expenditure, persuade both the public and the central government that something is being done to merit these grants in aid by providing repositories for the safe keeping, study and display of documents entrusted to their care by all who may wish to make use of these facilities. Thirdly—and most important of all—local learned societies must see to it that they play their part, not only in helping councils to run the Repositories for Archives, but also in keeping both forms of government aware of their responsibilities and the general public informed of how these are being discharged. And above all—we repeat—the voluntary principle.

France

UNESCO and the Direction des Bibliothèques de France are collaborating in the production of a Guide des centres et des services de documentation, which will cover all French territories. This guide will constitute the third part of a series of which the first two volumes (Guide des bibliothèques de Paris and Guide des bibliothèques des départments) are in course of preparation.

Pakistan

The Historical Records and Archives Commission as constituted by a Government resolution of April 14, 1948, held its first meeting on December 3-4, 1948 at Karachi. The Commission, composed of historians and archivists from Government and the universities, resolved that the Government of Pakistan be requested to establish a separate Directorate of Archives at Karachi; that regional survey committees be set up to locate and salvage historical records throughout the country and to prepare guides to archives remaining in private custody and in district offices; and that steps be taken to obtain from private owners for reasonable compensation manuscripts and records of historical, cultural, and literary importance. The Antiquities Export (Control) Act of 1947, which was aimed to prevent the carrying away by emigrants of rare ancient manuscripts, paintings, historical documents and works of art, requires enforcement, the Commission stated.

ALABAMA

Mrs. Marie Bankhead Owen, Director of the State Department of Archives and History for almost thirty years, was given the honorary degree of LL.D. by the University of Alabama in June. In the citation the University President stated that Mrs. Owen's recent five volume work, The Story of Alabama, a History of the State, is the most complete and extensive history of the State

yet written. About ten years ago Alabama College for Women also bestowed the honorary degree of LL.D. upon Mrs. Owen.

A portrait of the late Thomas M. Owen, Jr., who was long connected with the National Archives and who served for fifteen years as National Historian of the American Legion, has been placed in the Alabama State Department of Archives and History. The portrait was painted by Maltby Sykes, one of the best known artists of the South.

COLORADO

Herbert O. Brayer has resigned as State Archivist of Colorado to accept the post of Professor of Business History at the School of Commerce, Northwestern University, effective September 1. Mrs. Brayer has also resigned as Associate Archivist, effective August 15. Although no State Archivist will be appointed at present, Mrs. Dolores C. Renze has been appointed Associate State Archivist, effective August 15. Administrative control of the Archives will rest in the State Historian's office.

CONNECTICUT

Acquisition of the Ralph H. Isham Collection of the private papers of James Boswell was announced by Yale University Librarian James T. Babb on July 31. Plans for publication of the papers, described as "the greatest collection of English literary manuscripts of the eighteenth century," were announced simultaneously. The papers of Boswell, author of the "Life of Samuel Johnson," were purchased from Lt. Col. Isham of New York, a member of Yale's Class of 1914. Isham spent nearly 25 years in a romantic hunt to bring them together from attics and outbuildings of an Irish castle and a Scottish mansion, where they had remained unrecognized for more than a century.

Acquisition of the vast collection of journals, letters, and other materials was made possible by a gift to Yale from the Old Dominion Foundation, established by Paul Mellon of the class of 1929, and by arrangement with McGraw-Hill Book Co., Inc., for exclusive rights to publish, through Whittlesey House, the 40 to 50 volumes which will result from the editing of the papers by leading scholars. McGraw-Hill has acquired from Yale all other rights of publication and has arranged with William Heinemann, Ltd., of London, to issue the volumes in the British Empire.

DELAWARE

The recent session of the Delaware Legislature passed and Governor Elbert N. Carvel signed an act appropriating funds to the Public Archives Commission to establish a State Museum Division. This appropriation supplements the funds previously subscribed by the public for restoring the Old Presbyterian Church in Dover and for renovating it and an adjacent Chapel Building for use as a State Museum. The Museum will show a cross section of the State's development from Colonial times to the present through exhibits de-

signed to portray Delaware's history, natural resources, educational, agricultural, and industrial attainments. Many of the facilities of the State Archives can thus be utilized jointly with the Museum, and the two agencies will be in a better position to disseminate and interpret Delaware's history to the public.

The Legislature also appropriated funds for additional microfilm work in the State. This will enable the Public Archives Commission to make photocopies of important county records created after 1850, thus providing security copies in the event of the destruction of the originals from any cause. The majority of the county records prior to this date had been microfilmed by the Genealogical Society of the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints.

Among recent staff changes were the employment of Charles W. Dickens as Assistant State Archivist; the promotion of Miss Virginia E. Shaw from Classifier to Junior Archivist; and the addition of Harry McDaniel, 3rd and Mrs. Lida R. Farrow as Junior Photographer and Clerk, respectively.

The Annual Report of the Public Archives Commission for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 1949, is now available for distribution.

KANSAS

Osage County history, as compiled by the Kansas Historical Records Survey, WPA, has continued to appear regularly in *the People's Herald*, Lyndon. Information on various types of county records, including their description and location, has been featured in recent articles.

KENTUCKY

The Library of Samuel M. Wilson, left to the University of Kentucky in 1946, is now housed in special rooms in the Margaret I. King Library Building. There are approximately 10,000 books in the collection, at least 1,000 of which are very rare. There are several thousand pamphlets, many of them early Kentucky imprints. The manuscripts probably will number in the hundreds of thousands of pieces. The Wilson Library is particularly strong in at least three fields: the history of Kentucky, the history of the Presbyterian church, and genealogy. Although the cataloging of the books, pamphlets, and papers in the Library is not complete, many are now accessible for the use of scholars and students. The maps have been arranged, and a catalog has been made for them. Approximately half of the papers and manuscripts have been arranged and are available for use.

LOUISIANA

The Department of Archives of Louisiana State University has received from the family of the late Senator John H. Overton of Louisiana 20 linear feet of his official papers. They will be arranged and described this fall.

Increased emphasis by the Department on the acquisition of collections of private manuscripts and business archives from geographical areas of the Lower

Mississippi Valley and on occupations, subjects, and similar matters poorly represented in its holdings has resulted in the recent acquisition of 957 items and 19 volumes of personal and business papers of Jean Phillip Breda, medical doctor and druggist of Natchitoches, Louisiana, and of his son, J. Ernest Breda, attorney and parish judge, which contain a considerable body of materials relating to Civil War and Reconstruction and the participation of the Republican Party in State and local politics, 1776-1921; 3,673 items and 41 volumes of records of a law firm of Natchitoches, and business and some official papers of Phanor Breazeale, attorney, parish superintendent of schools, newspaper editor, and Representative in Congress, 1806-1904; 63 items of land surveys and related papers, Natchitoches area, 1798-1850; 313 items and 73 volumes of Joseph Plauche, Negro farmer of Natchitoches Parish, 1901-46; microfilm copies of two volumes and six letters of John Ransdell, planter of Rapides Parish, 1842-69; 11 account books of John P. Snellings of Elbert County, Georgia, and later a planter in Avoyelles Parish, Louisiana, 1855-69, 1882-1905; and 27 daybooks and ledgers of John I. McCain, general merchant, Grant Parish, 1891-1932. Other acquisitions include 12 volumes (1771-1818) of original documents of land surveys of Vicente Sebastian Pintado and Charles Leveau Trudeau, Royal Surveyors of Spanish colonial Louisiana and the two Floridas, and two related volumes, 1771-1859; additional papers of the Minor family of Mississippi and Louisiana, 1774-1914; and photographic copies of 31 items and two volumes of Hudson Tabor and family reflecting principally commercial and plantation matters in Southeast Louisiana but including opinions of local abolition and slave insurrectory matters (1834-43), 1812-1916.

MARYLAND

A trunk full of papers of the Carroll and MacTavish families, including a number of interesting letters that passed between Charles Carroll of Carrollton as a boy and his father and mother, has been acquired by the Maryland Historical Society through the generosity of a member. These papers were in the possession of the MacTavish family for approximately 100 years, and were purchased from Charles Bancroft Carroll who recently inherited them from Charles Carroll MacTavish. The purchase price was \$2,500.

The addition of this material to the Society's previous holdings of Carroll Papers makes the collection a remarkably extensive one. Earlier substantial gifts, donations, and deposits have been made by the late Mendes Cohen, Gilman Paul, Philip Acosta Carroll, and the heirs of the late Harper Pennington. A number of Carroll letters and other documents have been bought from time to time by the Society.

MISSOURI

Recent acquisitions of the Western Historical Manuscripts Collection of the University of Missouri are as follows: Record book of steamboats and their cargoes leaving the port of Cambridge, Missouri, on the Missouri River, 1859-1862; family and business letters of a pioneer Missouri Circuit Judge, C. S. Yancey of Springfield, Missouri, 1840-1865; letters of a Union man, A. F. McRoberts, to his wife in Ohio from a Confederate community in Saline County, Missouri, during the Civil War; papers of the Columbia, Missouri, Charter Committee, 1940-1949; reminiscences of a Missouri Republican, Judge Henry Lamm of Sedalia; speeches of Cornelius Roach, Missouri politician, in 1916; and papers of Doctor Sheppard, a Southern Missouri educator.

NEBRASKA

The recent session of the State Legislature reappropriated the proceeds of the special levy, set aside two years ago for the State Historical Society Building. To date the State Treasurer has invested \$533,000 from this fund in Government bonds and has approximately \$33,000 on hand to be invested. For operating expenses during the biennium 1949-1951, the legislature appropriated the amount requested, \$64,950, which, with unexpended balances totalling approximately \$11,521, reappropriated amounts to \$76,471.90.

Martin F. Kivelt of Lincoln, archeologist with the Smithsonian Institution's River Basin Surveys since 1946, has been named Assistant Director of the Society's Museum.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Sir Isaac Newton's original library and a collection of the pioneer physicist's manuscripts are on display at the new Gravity Research Foundation Museum in New Boston. The material, collected during the past 40 years by Mr. and Mrs. Roger Babson, is exhibited in a house that has been bought and remodelled for the purpose by the Foundation. Shipped here from Boston, it is now open for free public inspection daily. The Foundation chose New Boston for its new location after consultation with authorities at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, who consider it the safest place within 60 miles of Boston, in case that metropolitan area should be bombed.

NEW YORK

Hugh M. Flick, Senior State Archivist of the State of New York, resigned May 15 to become Director of the Division of Motion Pictures of the State Education Department. This Division is charged with the review and licensing of motion pictures shown in the State, either as part of theatrical entertainment or in connection with any business. Son of the late Alexander C. Flick, who was State Historian and Director of the Division of Archives and History from 1923 to 1939, Flick was appointed to the public records staff in the State Historian's Office in 1928 and has been with the State Education Department since that time with the exception of three years spent with the New York Historical Society and almost six years in war service. In 1939 and 1940 he served as Acting State Historian and as Director of the Division of Archives and History.

Chapter 840 of the Laws of 1949, approved by the Governor on April 2, amends the County Law and Civil Practice Act to set forth a revised schedule of fees for county clerks in connection with filing, recording, searching, and certifying documents. The fees, which became effective July 1, are listed in Town Clerks Topics, June, 1949.

Exhibited from June to September at the New-York Historical Society, New York City, were additions to the library's collection of manuscripts: a letter to President Madison in 1811 comprising the initial proposal for construction of the Erie Canal and signed by Gouverneur Morris, De Witt Clinton, Robert Livingston, and Robert Fulton; a first hand account of the discovery of Benedict Arnold's conspiracy, dated Sept. 27, 1780, the writer telling of Major Andre's capture, and of Gen. Arnold's revelation as a traitor; a summons to appear before a committee questioning Tories signed by Gouverneur Morris, John Jay, and others (1776) showing Robert Bayard, a prominent New Yorker, was under suspicion as a loyalist; Alexander Hamilton's opinion on a will of William Beekman, 1797; and an Indian deed, dated 1669, for land in the Tinnecock section of Locust Valley, L. I.

The transfer of the ownership of the Hudson River Dayline resulted in the gift of a considerable collection of material to the Society. Posters, timetables, menus, a log book, and many other items from that source are on exhibit, as well as a selection from the 206 menus of hotels and restaurants in New York City and State in the 1920's, which were added to the Society's collection during the year.

NORTH CAROLINA

The General Assembly of North Carolina which convened in January appropriated for the State Department of Archives and History for the biennium beginning July 1, 1949 the following: for the year July 1, 1949, to June 30, 1950, \$67,361; and for the year July 1, 1950, to June 30, 1951, \$82,295.

R. D. W. Connor, Archivist of the United States, 1934-41, and since 1941 Craige Professor of Jurisprudence and History, in the University of North Carolina, retired from his professorship on July 1, 1949. The Governor of North Carolina has reappointed Dr. Connor a member of the Board of Directors of the North Carolina State Department of Archives and History for a term of four years.

Miss Marjory B. Terrell, Secretary to the Archivist of the United States, 1934-1942, died at Rex Hospital, Raleigh, N. C., July 4, 1949, after a prolonged illness.

OHIO

The Ohio State Archaeological and Historical Society has recently added to its collections the following manuscripts: Armstrong, James E., Diary of an overland trip from Ohio to California, April 19-Sept. 14, 1848, 1 vol.; Bureau, John P. R., "Gallipolis," 5 pages written by the man who was the French Settlers' agent in 1795; Dennison, William, Letter to A. Lincoln,

recommending Joseph McCormick for an Army commission — two endorsements on back, one by S. P. Chase, one by Lincoln; Harrison, William Henry, Letter to Tobias Lear, of War Dept., concerning handling of Army provisions, 16 May 1816; James, John H., Memorandum reporting conversation with Wyandot chief, William Walker, Dec. 16, 1836, I page; Lincoln, Abraham, Circular on draft quota for Ohio, Sept. 5, 1863, I page, signed with Lincoln's full name; *Medium*, Ohio River steamboat, Manifest for goods shipped, 1847, 92 pieces; Purdy, James L., Business and personal papers, Mansfield, O., 1820-1866, 11 boxes; Taft, William Howard, Editorial, "Harding and Cox: The Irish Question," 2 pages, typed and signed, also cover letter, Sept. 25, 1920; Speech, "Hopeful Views on Negro Difficulties," delivered in Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 16, 1909, 4 typed pages.

Additions of interest to the manuscripts division of the Hayes Memorial Library during the past quarter include the following holograph letters (1845-1892) of Rutherford B. Hayes to: Henry Ward Beecher, J. K. Furlong, Charles Gibbs and James G. Gibbs, Hayes Grant and W. H. Grant, J. Warren Keifer, and F. S. Strickland; and a document signed by R. B. Hayes as notary public, Jan. 13, 1851.

Original letters of the following individuals have also been added: Mary Clemmer Ames to Donn Piatt, 1879; Wm. W. Belknap to O. E. Babcock, 1874; James G. Blaine, 1879; Edward W. Bok to J. B. Walker, 1900; A. E. Burnside to E. A. Carman, 1880; Salmon P. Chase, 1851, 1852; Schuyler Colfax, 1875; James M. Comly to Donn Piatt, 1873; Major George Croghan to Stephen McFarland, 1814; President Millard Fillmore to A. C. Flagg, 1838; Emma Foote Glenn to Florence Carlisle Murdoch (16 letters), 1871-1893; Murat Halstead to Chas R. Deacon, 1885; William G. LeDuc to Messrs. James A. Garfield, Thomas L. Young and A. McD. McCook, 1879; Gen. James B. McPherson, West Point, to Jesse Stem, 1851; President Franklin Pierce to C. E. Potter, 1860; and Carl Schurz to A. H. Walker, 1884.

OKLAHOMA

With three field representatives engaged in full-time searching in certain areas of the State for materials in private hands, the University of Oklahoma Archives is building up a diversified collection of regional materials. A first objective has been the assembling of a small core collection of informational materials on each community, beginning with materials of auctioneers and extending across the board of community activity to theatres and local opera houses, with their handbills and posters. These contacts have turned up leads to numerous pioneer families, professional people, and other old-timers whose memoirs, reminiscences, diaries, and correspondence define another basic area of collection. Agricultural and commercial records are already represented by the records of a cotton gin; the papers of several leaders in the farmers' cooperative movement; the general ledgers of two leading banking firms covering financial conditions in different parts of the state for almost the same span

of years. The recent acquisition of fee books and case histories kept by an elder physician, in active practice in Oklahoma for over half a century, is representative of another type of material which is being avidly sought. Attention is also being given to the acquisition of the papers of men who have served in the state legislature or in Congress. Already the files of three Congressmen have been acquired.

Although precedence is given to other activities, the acquisition of archival holdings of the various administrative and academic units of the University continues. Recent transfers include inactive files of the office of the Dean of Students, the School of Music, the Department of Zoological Sciences and the Office of the Editor of the Sooner Yearbook.

The processing of these collections, and all analysis and description work, have been done under the direction of Mrs. Lucille H. Pendell, on temporary summer leave from Gallaudet College. Lacking personnel trained or experienced in this work, Mrs. Pendell has been obliged to rely upon student help selected mainly from majors in the humanities.

The Library's collection of microfilm, and reference service on it, were transferred from the Reference Department to the Division of Manuscripts on June 1st. A complete review of all holdings of microfilm is being made, preparatory to the preparation of a comprehensive classified list of holdings.

OREGON

The Attorney General of the State of Oregon, in an opinion rendered to the State Tax Commission, July 5, 1949, has ruled that the Commission can not employ a commercial firm to handle and develop microfilms of income tax returns in California. The contents of the income tax records are confidential under the State law, and "can not lawfully be revealed to third persons for any purposes except as expressly provided in the statute."

Recent acquisitions of the Oregon State Archives include the files of the Executive Secretary of the Committee on Post-War Readjustment and Development, which terminated June 30, 1949 after six years of service. Functioning under the Governor, the Committee assisted in Oregon's transformation from a war time to a peacetime economy. The State Archives has also acquired the administrative files of Robert S. Farrell, Jr., Secretary of State, 1943-1947.

PENNSYLVANIA

A collection of the original papers of the French commanders in western Pennsylvania, Contrecoeur and Marin, for the years 1753-1755, long preserved in the Archives of the Seminary of Quebec, has recently been microfilmed under a cooperative agreement between the Seminary and the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission. These papers concern the Fort Necessity campaign, Braddock's defeat, and other matters of historical importance. Use of them is restricted to the staffs of the two cooperating insti-

tutions until publication becomes possible, the French edition being expected to appear at Quebec within two years.

A short Guide to the Published Archives of Pennsylvania is due to be issued by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission at about the date this number of the American Archivist appears. It combines the history of a century of official archival publication, written by Henry Howard Eddy, State Records Officer, and an extensive index section compiled by Miss Martha L. Simonetti, of the Division of Public Records at Harrisburg. The Guide is designed to serve as reference tool for searchers using the ten highly diverse series of Pennsylvania Archives which were published from 1838 to 1935 in 138 volumes.

Washington and Jefferson College has joined the band of progressive institutions that have established archival units. Charles M. Ewing, Curator of Archives since 1947, has gathered valuable files from a variety of campus offices. He now has housed in fire-proof cabinets all five of the original charters for the institutions which are combined in the present college, the minutes of the Board of Trustees from 1787 to the present day, and many other papers of prime interest and importance in documenting the history of the college.

The Presbyterian Historical Society in Philadelphia has published a description of its Library's special collections of letters relating to western life. Most of the letters, written by missionaries from the Mississippi Valley, the Western Plains, the Rocky Mountains, the Pacific slopes and Alaska, have never been exploited.

VIRGINIA

Among recent accessions to the Division of Manuscripts in the University of Virginia Library, the following may be noted: Wyatt family manuscripts, fourteenth century through the eighteenth century, owned by the Earl of Romney, chiefly seventeenth century papers of Sir Francis Wyatt (1588-1644), first royal governor of Virginia, and of subsequent generations, microfilm copy (use restricted), 1687 exposures; photostats of manuscripts of John Rolfe (1585-1622) as follows: the three texts of his manuscript, "A True Relation of the State of Virginia, 1616" (King James' copy, the Earl of Pembroke's copy, and Robert Rich's copy), Rolfe's request to Governor Dale for permission to marry Pocahontas, probate and registered copies of Rolfe's Will, 10 March 1621; three hundred manuscripts of the Walker and Page families of Albemarle County, Virginia, chiefly of Dr. Thomas Walker and his son Francis Walker of "Castle Hill," and their dealings in land speculation, the Albemarle Iron Works, and other matters, with Governor Dunmore, Andrew Lewis, George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, and others, 1742-1848; ships' papers of Samuel Gilford & Son of New York, chiefly dealing with the West Indian trade, sixty items, 1755-1814; document signed by George III, instructions to Lt. Gov. William Nelson of Virginia, disallowing the Virginia law laying an additional duty on slave importation, 10 December 1770; an autograph Jefferson document [1778-1784] on paper money emissions and taxes; the payroll of Capt. George Lewis' troop of horse, May-July, 1777, and one autograph letter each of James Maury, George Washington, and Thomas Jefferson to members of the Lewis family, 1789-1825; fifty-four frames of microfilm of the Thomas Jefferson papers in the James Monroe Law Office, Fredericksburg, Virginia, 1785-1826; thirty-five letters to Gen. John H. Cocke of Bremo, Fluvanna County, Virginia, fifteen being from Thomas Jefferson, sixteen from James Madison, three from James Monroe, and one each from Bishop James Madison and James Buchanan, 1801-1845; two personal journals kept by John S. Whittle while surgeon of the U. S. S. Peacock and the U. S. S. Vincennes on the scientific and naval exploring expedition to the Pacific under Commodore Wilkes, 1838-1841; one hundred items from the papers of the Charlottesville (Virginia) Interracial Commission, 1942-1947; and a letter of Cordell Hull to Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., 22 Dec. 1948.

WISCONSIN

The June, 1949 issue of the Wisconsin Magazine of History carries the following announcement of new records legislation in Wisconsin:

One of the important provisions affecting historical work in the State enacted so far by the 1949 Legislature permits the establishment of local or regional depositories for the preservation of county and local records. It expands the legal powers of county and local historical societies to enable them to accept custody of such records. It authorizes school, village, town, municipality, city, and county officers to offer, and the State through this Society to accept for preservation title to such non-current records as in the Society's judgment are of permanent historical value and are no longer needed for administrative purposes. It is then mandatory upon this Society, wherever possible, to place such records in the custody of a proper local depository. This depository may be the local historical society, the county historian, a public library, public museum, "or similar agency or institution in the area of origin." Title is placed in the Society simply to insure continuity of responsibility for records of permanent historical value against the demise of a local historical society, the abolition of the office of a county historian, or the closing of some library or museum in whose hands such records had been placed. It was made clear by the Society from the outset that the whole intent was to keep the records available and safe in the area to which they were of most interest. We wish to see those records of permanent interest preserved. We wish to see them preserved locally. We wanted legislation to premit the establishment of a records preservation system on the county and local level to match that which we established two years ago on the State level. Now we have it.

There is nothing mandatory about the act. It is purely permissive. This leaves a heavy responsibility on those interested in history at the local level to see that valuable records are not destroyed but are made available to a local depository under the provisions of this act. All too frequently the demands for additional filing space cause house-cleanings in governmental offices. All too frequently in such cases the wheat is discarded with the chaff. Now, working with local societies and other depositories, and with local officials, we may hope to see such records preserved in the hands of interested local groups. The previously existing legal obstacles to this procedure have been cleared away. Local vigilance to see that valuable records are not destroyed, local responsibility to see that they are cared for in local depositories after their usefulness to local officials is terminated are the keys to the success of this program.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Census of Medieval and Renaissance Manuscripts in the United States and Canada, compiled by the late Seymour De Ricci with the assistance of W. J. Wilson and published in two volumes in 1935 and 1937, with Index volume in 1940, is now outdated. A Supplement to the Census is now being prepared under the auspices of the American Council of Learned Societies with C. U. Faye, of the University of Illinois Library staff, as editor.

The Supplement will contain descriptions of manuscripts not listed in the Census and amplifications and emendations of entries in the Census. The Supplement will, as the Census did, exclude from its scope: manuscripts written after 1600, Oriental manuscripts, papyri and epigraphic material.

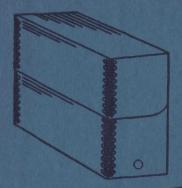
Information as to this project and the forms observed in material submitted for publication in the Supplement are given in the pamphlet, Announcement of a Supplement to the De Ricci Census of Manuscripts, which is available for any one wishing to make use of it. Request for this pamphlet and other communications relating to this matter should be addressed to: C. U. Faye, P. O. Box 395, Champaign, Illinois.

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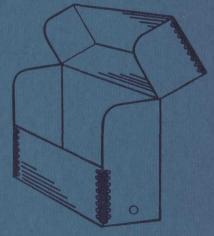
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