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Do Not Change the Sense

Yours of the 23rd, accompanied by a copy of the speech delivered by me at the Cooper Institute, and upon which you have made some notes for emendations, was received some days ago. Of course I would not object to, but would be pleased rather, with a more perfect edition of that speech.

I did not preserve memoranda of my investigations; and I could not now re-examine, and make notes, without an expenditure of time which I can not bestow upon it. Some of your notes I do not understand.

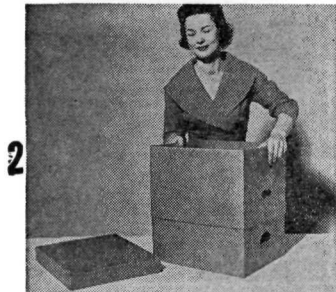
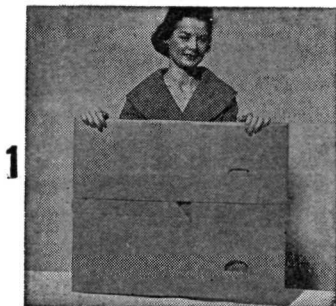
So far as it is intended merely to improve in grammar, and elegance of composition, I am quite agreed; but I do not wish the sense changed, or modified, to a hair's breadth. And you, not having studied the particular points so closely as I have, can not be quite sure that you do not change the sense when you do not intend it. For instance, in a note at bottom of first page, you proposed to substitute "Democrats" for "Douglas." But what I am saying there is *true* of Douglas, and is not true of "Democrats" generally; so that the proposed substitution would be a very considerable blunder. Your proposed insertion of "residences" though it would do little or no harm, is not at all necessary to the sense I was trying to convey. On page 5 your proposed grammatical change would certainly do no harm. The "*impudently absurd*" I stick to. The striking out "*he*" and inserting "*we*" turns the sense exactly wrong. The striking out "*upon it*" leaves the sense too general and incomplete. The sense is "act as they acted *upon that question*"—not as they acted generally.

After considering your proposed changes on page 7, I do not think them material, but I am willing to defer to you in relation to them.

On page 9, striking out "*to us*" is probably right. The word "*lawyer's*" I wish retained. The word "*Courts*" struck out twice, I wish reduced to "Court" and retained. "Court" as a collection more properly governs the plural "have" as I understand. "The" preceding "Court," in the latter case, must also be retained. The words "quite," "as," and "or" on the same page, I wish retained. The italicising, and quotation marking, I have no objection to.

As to the note at bottom, I do not think any too much is admitted. What you propose on page 11 is right. I return your copy of the speech, together with one printed here, under my own hasty supervising. That at New York was printed without any supervision by me. If you conclude to publish a new edition, allow me to see the proof-sheets.

—ABRAHAM LINCOLN, letter to Charles C. Nott, May 31, 1860, as reproduced in Roy P. Basler, Marion Dolores Pratt, and Lloyd A. Dunlap, eds., *The Collected Works of Abraham Lincoln*, 4:58 (New Brunswick, N. J., 1953).



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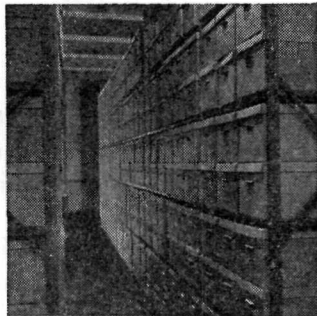
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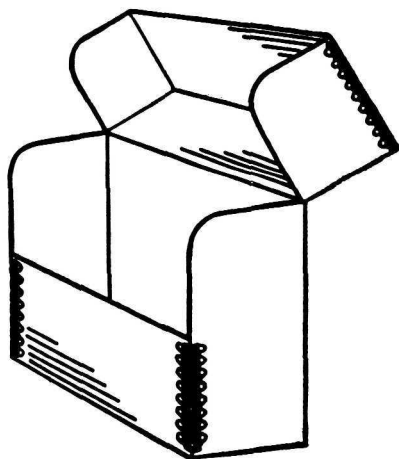
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COUNTY RECORD OFFICES IN ENGLAND AND WALES A LIST OF GUIDES AND REFERENCES

By P. H. HARDACRE*

LOCAL history has long flourished in Britain and is perhaps more fruitful today than ever since the time of Camden. Its vigor is partly due to what has been described as a "revolution in record keeping."¹ In 1900 only a handful of authorities had made official provision for the custody of local records, but now a record office exists in almost every county. In addition to the basic official documents, such as the quarter-session records, there are in these repositories many other kinds of records, which come by gift or deposit. Because of the constant influx of new collections a list of the holdings of any particular office is soon out of date. Nevertheless, students contemplating the use of county record office materials can profit greatly from a prior study of existing guides. As one record custodian has said, "Many hours could be saved if the student quietly explored the possibilities of his subject by consulting printed *Guides* to local records, the publications of local Societies, and similar sources of information in libraries, and then discussed them with his supervisor."²

For the American student this statement is perhaps disarming in its simplicity. Consultation of the printed *Guides* is easy enough, provided that one exists for the county under investigation and provided that a copy of it is held in an accessible library. In fact, however, many county record offices have not yet published full or even summary guides, and painful experience shows that even where such guides exist they are not systematically acquired by more than a handful of American libraries. As to "similar sources of information," in many instances the best guidance to record office holdings consists of annual reports of the county archivist, exhibition catalogs, mimeographed lists, and reports periodically published in the transactions of the local history society; and here again American students outside a few great library centers may experience frustration in their search.

Despite these handicaps, there is still a large class of materials that, in default of definitive guides, go a long way toward satisfying the initial needs of the student. The object of the present paper is to bring together references that deal with county record office holdings and that are generally available in university libraries in the United States. These include initial reports in the

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¹ M. F. Bond, "Record Offices Today: Facts for Historians," *Bulletin of the Institute of Historical Research*, 30:1 (1957).

² Francis W. Steer, "The Historian and Local Record Repositories," *Archives*, 2: 384 (1953-56).

section "Historical Manuscripts: Accessions; Migrations," in the *Bulletin of the Institute of Historical Research*, and articles in the series "Local Archives of Great Britain," in *Archives*, the journal of the British Records Association. Official published guides are also listed, together with data that may assist librarians in placing purchase-orders. Where no such description or official guide exists, the compiler has attempted to supply a working reference from some other generally available source. One such source is F. G. Emmison and Irvine Gray, *County Records: Quarter Sessions, Petty Sessions, Clerk of the Peace and Lieutenancy* (Historical Association, *Helps for Students of History*, no. 62; 1961). It lists county record offices and cites published guides and texts. It does not, however, include references to periodical materials and it omits a few recently published guides. Among older lists are Hubert Hall, ed., *Repertory of British Archives; Part I, England* (Royal Historical Society, 1920), and *Guide to the Accessibility of Local Records of England and Wales* (*Bulletin of the Institute of Historical Research, Special Supplements* 1-2; 1932-34).

Excluded from this list are publications of county record offices or other bodies in which individual classes of papers are edited or calendared.

The list is divided in two parts, one for England and one for Wales, with the counties arranged alphabetically in each section. Included are the 40 traditional and statutory counties in England and the 12 in Wales. Administratively Yorkshire and Lincolnshire comprise three distinct divisions each; and Suffolk and Sussex, two. Four anomalous noncounty jurisdictions are included: the palatinates of Durham and the Isle of Ely, the Soke of Peterborough, and the City of London. The first three were ecclesiastical liberties long under the jurisdiction of their bishops, while London was a county of itself. Other counties corporate, or cities and boroughs granted county status between 1373 and 1692, are omitted, as are the county boroughs created under the Local Government Act of 1888. The Channel Islands are represented by the Archives of Jersey.

Keeping abreast of accessions of manuscripts by county record offices generally requires reference to the publications of local historical societies. Some summary assistance, however, is available. From 1923 manuscript accessions of national and local repositories were recorded in the *Bulletin of the Institute of Historical Research*. Limitations of space necessitated a reduction of listings in 1951, and the work was taken over by the National Register of Archives. Accessions of 1954 are listed in the National Register of Archives, *Bulletin* no. 6 (H.M. Stationery Office, 1955); those of 1955 in *Bulletin* no. 8 (1956). From 1957 there is the National Register of Archives' annual *List of Accessions to Repositories* (1958- ; 3/6 to 4/6 each).

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— JOHN HAY, Secretary of State, to Baron De Fava, Feb. 14, 1900, in Notes from the Department of State to the Italian Embassy, Record Group 59, National Archives.

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POSITIONS WANTED

ARCHIVIST OR RECORDS MANAGER: Man in early thirties, with work toward advanced degree and solid experience; competent to handle records programing; salary approx. \$8,000. Write to Secretary, SAA, at address above.—DR-3.

COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY ARCHIVIST, New England locale preferred: Man with advanced degrees in history and with academic training in the history and administration of archives and in planning and administering a records management program, plus inservice training. Write to Secretary, SAA, at address above.—DR-4.

RECORDS MANAGEMENT, with related archival responsibilities: Man qualified at professional level but will consider sub-professional post if future growth and advancement are possible. Write to Secretary, SAA, at address above.—DR-5.

ARCHIVIST-ADMINISTRATOR-CONSULTANT: Man, with extensive experience in U. S. and abroad in responsible archival positions, desires work in New England or

State bordering Canada; open to contract for specific survey or project work of limited duration. Write to Secretary, SAA, at address above.—DR-8.

UNIVERSITY OR MANUSCRIPT DEPOSITORY: Man, experienced in university library as head of collections, desires change of locale. Interested in university or institutional openings. Salary range \$8,900—\$9,500. Write to Secretary, SAA, at address above.—DR-9.

RECORDS MANAGEMENT-SYSTEMS-PROCEDURES, preferably in the West: Woman with extensive experience in archives, records management, and microfilm work, both government and business; graduated in history and political science from large eastern university.—DR-13.

POSITIONS OPEN

RECORDS MANAGEMENT: Division head in well-established program. Salary range \$7,000—\$8,700. Experienced man with general understanding of American history. Write to Secretary, SAA, at address above.—DR-7.

UNIVERSITY ARCHIVIST, eastern seaboard State: University experience not essential; may train on job. Academic work and basic knowledge of archival principles desirable.—DR-11.

MANUSCRIPT DEPARTMENT, LARGE WEST COAST LIBRARY, position with future potential: Assistant to catalog early California material; *good* reading and working knowledge of Spanish, B. A. degree, and some background in California history required. No archival experience necessary; may train on job.—DR-12.

News Notes

DOROTHY HILL GERSACK, *Editor*

*Office of Records Appraisal
National Archives and Records Service*

SOCIETY OF AMERICAN ARCHIVISTS

26th Annual Meeting

The secretary has mailed to members materials giving detailed information about the Society's 1962 annual meeting, to be held in Rochester, N. Y., September 30–October 2. Headquarters for the meeting will be at the Sheraton Hotel, 111 East Ave., Rochester 4.

Winter Luncheon Meeting

Attention is again called to the Society's 1962 winter luncheon meeting, first announced in our July issue. The meeting will be held at the Conrad Hilton Hotel in Chicago on December 29, during the annual meeting of the American Historical Association. Leon deValinger, Jr., 1962-63 president, will preside and John A. Munroe, chairman of the department of history, University of Delaware, will give the luncheon address—"A Brave Man or a Foolish One." Dr. Munroe has made many contributions to the historical literature of Delaware and has been active in coordinating the Henry Francis du Pont Winterthur Museum program with interests of the University of Delaware. To our inquiries about the title of Dr. Munroe's paper we have had the response "that the whole point of the title is not to disclose the nature of his talk until it is delivered, or read when published. We hope the title will be sufficiently intriguing to interest a goodly number in attending our luncheon." A large attendance, therefore, is anticipated; but members of the Society are warned that no other notice will be given them of this meeting and that they should plan to make their reservations in due course through the local arrangements committee of the American Historical Association.

New Members

INDIVIDUAL: Preston B. Albright, Oxford, Ohio; Josephine D. Allen, Washington, D. C.; Dennis Richard Bodem, Madison, Wis.; Paul A. Campbell, Akron, Ohio; Albert S. Cook, Cleveland, Ohio; Mrs. G. D. Crow, Tucson, Ariz.; Col. Stuart W. Davis, San Francisco, Calif.; Icko Iben, Urbana, Ill.; Peter M. McLellan, Seattle, Wash.; Joanne Shaw, Brookline, Mass. FOREIGN INDIVIDUAL: Ljubomir Babunski, Titov Veles, Yugoslavia. INSTITUTIONAL: Arkansas History Commission, Little Rock, Ark.; Communicable Disease Center, Atlanta, Ga.

Study of State Archival Programs

From Ernst Posner, director of the Study of State Archival Programs, we have received the following report:

As previously reported, the Study of State Archival Programs has been "in business" since February 1, 1962. It is conveniently housed in the National Archives Building above the Library, where State historical journals, reports of State archival agencies,

and other pertinent publications are easily accessible to the director of the study and his research secretary, Mrs. Mayfield Bray.

By action of the Council of the Society, the membership of the director's Advisory Committee has been increased to five. It now consists of Morris L. Radoff, chairman, Christopher Crittenden, David C. Duniway, Olney W. Hill, and Oliver W. Holmes. Meetings of the committee were held on March 2 and July 30 in Washington, D. C., and [another meeting is planned to be held] on September 30, 1962, at Rochester, N. Y., in connection with the annual meeting of the Society.

At its first meeting on March 2, the Advisory Committee approved the tentative overall plan and time schedule of the study, the director's schedule of visits to State archival agencies, and the nature and content of the final report as it is now envisaged. In an introduction to the report, the mandate of the archival agency in the modern State will be discussed. The first two chapters will deal with the evolution of the American State archives and with the status and functions of archival agencies in each of the 50 States and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. A third chapter will summarize the findings by function, and in the conclusion a statement of professional standards for State archival agencies will be attempted.

By the end of July, the director had visited State archival agencies in the following States: North and South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, and Puerto Rico (circuit no. 1); Michigan, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, and West Virginia (circuit no. 2); and New York, Vermont, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Connecticut (circuit no. 3). A fourth circuit in August and September has [been projected and by the time this report is published will have] taken him to Minnesota, North and South Dakota, Montana, Idaho, Utah, Wyoming, Nebraska, and Iowa. On the second circuit, the director enjoyed a welcome opportunity to confer with Philip Monypenny, who is in charge of the survey of library functions in the States and who has been most cooperative in making his survey material available to our study.

The reports of the archival survey trips, based on previously compiled digests of all available material and on information obtained on the spot, are prepared after the completion of each trip and submitted to the members of the Advisory Committee. They are subject to revision on the basis of new developments, which it is hoped will be made known by State archivists so that the data incorporated in the report will be as up to date as possible. In all probability, February 1, 1963, will have to be adopted as a deadline.

The director wishes to use this opportunity to express his gratitude to the heads and staffs of archival agencies he has visited. Their kindness in supplying him with advance information and acquainting him with the details of their operations has exceeded all expectations.

The office of the Study of State Archival Programs is in Room 302, National Archives, Washington 25, D. C. (telephone: WOrth 2-2363).

Résumé of Council Minutes

Washington, D. C., May 10, 1962

The Council convened at 10:00 a.m. on May 10, 1962, in the National Archives Conference Room with all officers and members present except W. Kaye Lamb, William D. Overman, and Seymour Connor.

Minutes of the December Council meeting were approved with one insertion: The Committee on Labor Records was dissolved, its mission complete; and a special-area committee on Archives of Professional Organizations was established, with Paul Lewinson as chairman.

The Council formalized a statement of policy on the education and training of archivists by adopting the following recommendations of the Committee on Professional Standards: (1) that the Society should not endorse any spe-

cific training program for archivists; (2) that a reluctance to "endorse" in no way indicates opposition or unwillingness to cooperate; on the contrary, that individual members of the Society should cooperate with and give moral support to reputable institutions offering archival training; and (3) that the Society views with satisfaction the introduction of bona fide courses and training that will strengthen and increase opportunities for formal preparation for the profession.

Leon deValinger, Jr., vice president, announced that at the joint luncheon meeting of the American Historical Association and the Society of American Archivists on December 29, 1962, at Chicago, John A. Munroe, chairman of the department of history, University of Delaware, will speak on: "A Brave Man or a Foolish One."

The report of the Committee on Constitutional Revision was deferred pending rulings by the Treasury and Post Office Departments. It may be necessary to consider a corporate reorganization in order to establish proper administrative status. Careful study must be made in the light of the Society's current operations.

The Council reappointed Ken Munden as editor of the *American Archivist* for a three-year term (Jan. 1963–Oct. 1965) and expressed its appreciation for his work and his significant contribution to the archival profession.

Beginning with the 1962-63 year, the Council has assigned to the vice president responsibility for coordinating the duties and projects undertaken by the special area and technical committees. As president-elect, he will thus familiarize himself with committee personnel and committee work, and will be able to plan more effectively his own presidential program.

The Council heard various committee reports, including the report of the Long Range Planning Committee and the progress report on the survey of State records. In accordance with advisory committee request, the advisory committee for the survey was increased by two: Olney W. Hill of Vermont and Oliver W. Holmes of the National Historical Publications Commission.

A proposal for obtaining a grant under Society sponsorship to activate the project for production of the guide to materials for the history of Latin America was approved by the Council. An application statement for a grant, prepared by President Bahmer and with necessary corporate signatures, will be submitted to a foundation as expeditiously as possible.

The annual meeting tentatively scheduled for New Jersey in 1964 has been deferred to some future date. The Council voted instead to accept the invitation to meet in Austin, Tex., during the second week of October 1964.

The Council endorsed policies and procedures for (1) the placement-recruitment register in the secretary's office, the use of the *American Archivist* for notices, and the clearinghouse system at annual meetings and (2) the memorandum of recommendations by the Committee on Nominations. At the 1962 annual business meeting, the memorandum as revised will be presented by the Council to the membership for ratification, to become effective in the 1962-63 term.

The 1963 annual meeting dates of October 3, 4, and 5 were selected; and the Hotel Sir Walter, at Raleigh, N. C., was designated as headquarters.

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

DOLORES C. RENZE, *Secretary*

GRANTS AND AWARDS

The Executive Committee of the U. S. National Commission for Unesco urges that private educational and cultural institutions and nongovernmental professional associations study carefully the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961 (75 Stat. 257) and then canvass their potential areas of contribution. The legislation imposes practically no restrictions on developing new and improved forms of educational and cultural exchange. As our readers know, there has been some exchange of archivists under the earlier Fulbright Act; perhaps this can be further extended under the 1961 act, the sponsors of which were Senator W. J. Fulbright of Arkansas and Representative Wayne L. Hays of Ohio. It might be possible to encourage more foreign (but English-speaking) students to come as interns or observers to some of our State archival agencies.

NEW PERIODICALS

The *Quarterly Legal Historian* is a newsletter published at Williamsburg, Va., by the American Society for Legal History. The first issue (Mar. 1962) carries an article by Robert E. Cushman about the projected *Documentary History of the Ratification of the Constitution and the First Ten Amendments*. ¶ The first number of *Ohio History* was issued in May. It is dated January 1962 and succeeds (as vol. 71, no. 1) the *Ohio Historical Quarterly*. The new magazine is published by the Ohio Historical Society and edited by James H. Rodabaugh. ¶ Two numbers of a *Boletín informativo del Consejo Interamericano Técnico para Archivos*, the publication of which was recommended by the Inter-American Archival Seminar of October 1961, have been issued at Washington. The *Boletín* is edited by George S. Ulibarri and will be issued irregularly. Inquiries about it and requests for copies may be sent to Dr. Ulibarri, National Archives, Washington 25, D. C. ¶ *Microdoc*, the journal of the Council on Microphotography and Document Reproduction, is a new publication edited by Mark Patterson, Library Association, Chaucer House, Malet Pl., London, W. 1. The first issue contains a foreword, "Micronews," "Notes & News," and abstracts. Another new British journal in the same field, *Micronews*, styles itself as "a broadsheet containing the latest information on micro-productions and micro-techniques" and is published by Micro Methods Ltd., East Ardsley, Wakefield, Yorkshire, and 17 Denbigh St., London, S. W. 1. ¶ *Archivo*, the organ of the Asociación General de Archivistas de El Salvador, is published at San Salvador. The second issue (Apr. 1962) contains an account of the First Inter-American Conference of Archivists by Rodolfo Ramos Choto.

NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS SERVICE

National Archives

President Kennedy on the afternoon of June 27 opened an exhibit of U. S. naval prints and watercolors collected by former President Franklin D. Roosevelt. Entitled "The Old Navy, 1776-1860," the exhibit comprises 88 items selected from the large naval collection in the Roosevelt Library. It will be on display at the National Archives until the end of 1962 and thereafter will be shown throughout the United States under the auspices of the Traveling Exhibition Service of the Smithsonian Institution. A catalog describing the 88 items and containing reproductions of 39 of them, 4 in full color, is available for \$1.25. ¶ The centennial of the Morrill Act, which granted public lands to States for colleges "to teach such branches of learning as are related to agriculture and the mechanic arts," was celebrated on July 2 by the Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges at a meeting in the National Archives Conference Room. The president of the association, Chancellor John T. Caldwell of North Carolina, presided at the meeting; and the Senior Senator from Vermont, George D. Aiken, gave the principal address. Invited guests represented Congress, the diplomatic corps, Senator Justin S. Morrill's family, and several Federal agencies. In connection with the meeting the National Archives installed a small exhibit of documents relating to the Land-Grant Act, including President Kennedy's proclamation of the centennial.

Among recent accessions are records of two international bodies: the Far Eastern Commission, 1945-51, and the Allied Council for Japan, 1946-52. Records of the Geographical Surveys West of the 100th Meridian, made under the direction of Capt. George M. Wheeler (including letter books, compiled books of data, and field survey books containing astronomical, meteorological, and topographical notes, 1871-83), were received from the Stanford University Libraries. Records relating to the building and operation of the Cumberland Road, 1810-41, and a few other early records of the Office of the Chief of Engineers have been transferred to the National Archives from the Library of Congress. Other accessions include the general correspondence of the Interstate Commerce Commission, 1887-1906, documenting the Commission's activities during its first 20 years and containing much information on railroads; and almost half a million photographs made or acquired by the Navy Photographic Center, relating to the Navy chiefly during 1920-45. ¶ The National Archives has published three preliminary inventories of parts of its holdings: no. 136, *Records of United States and Mexican Claims Commissions*, compiled by George S. Ulibarri; no. 137, *Records of the President's Organization on Unemployment Relief*, compiled by Leo Pascal; and no. 138, *Records of the Military Government of Veracruz*, compiled by Kenneth W. Munden. ¶ Among microfilm publications recently completed are Letters of Application and Recommendation During the Administration of John Adams, 1797-1801 (3 rolls), and the 1961 volume (vol. 26) of the *Federal Register* (6 rolls). ¶ Further information about the microfilm and copies of the

publications may be obtained from the Exhibits and Publications Branch, National Archives, Washington 25, D. C.

Franklin D. Roosevelt Library

The Library has received the office files of William H. McReynolds, liaison officer for personnel management in the White House from 1939 to 1946. The papers relate to Mr. McReynolds' work with the Civil Service Commission, the Committee on Administrative Personnel, the Council of Personnel Administration, and several nongovernmental organizations concerned with personnel practices. Also received were additional papers, books, and pamphlets of the late John Ihlder, executive director of the National Capital Housing Authority from 1934 to 1952. ¶ Eleanor Roosevelt has given the Library more of her papers, including her personal correspondence for 1960; drafts of her newspaper column, "My Day," for 1955-56; drafts of her magazine feature, "If You Ask Me," for 1953-58; and a number of awards and academic citations she has received in recent years. ¶ Copies of *Franklin D. Roosevelt and Conservation, 1911-1945* (2 vols.), published by the Library in 1957, are still available from the Library. This is an annotated compilation of President Roosevelt's correspondence and other papers concerning natural resources in the United States.

Harry S. Truman Library

Additions to the holdings of the Library (not yet processed and reviewed) include papers of James E. Webb, Sumner Pike, and Raymond Foley. ¶ The Library's oral history program, directed by J. R. Fuchs, has begun interviews with persons in the greater Kansas City area concerning the local administrative and political background of President Truman's national career. Transcripts of interviews will be available for research after they have been edited.

Dwight D. Eisenhower Library

On May 1, 1962 (the hundredth anniversary of the birth of General Eisenhower's mother) the Eisenhower Presidential Library at Abilene, Kans., was dedicated and presented to the Federal Government for administration by the Archivist of the United States under the direction of the Administrator of General Services. The first shipment of President Eisenhower's papers had been transported to Abilene from Washington in January 1961, and in the same month Robert R. Bolton was appointed Acting Director of the Library.

The Library was built by contributions from friends and admirers of General Eisenhower, according to plans designed by the Kansas State Architect, and on land donated and landscaped by the State. The building is a long two-story structure, its exterior of stone quarried in Kansas. On the first floor are an auditorium with a projection room for motion pictures and an adjacent storage room for audiovisual records; a museum storage area, photolaboratory, receiving room, workroom, and document restoration area. The document stacks occupy one end of the building on the first floor and two-thirds of the space above on the second floor level. Immediately adjacent to the second-floor document stacks is space for bookstacks. The rest of the sec-

ond floor accommodates a research room equipped with microfilm readers, an exhibit gallery, staff offices, a conference room, and the spacious Presidential Room, which contains many items of furniture and decoration that are associated with General Eisenhower.

Among the distinguished guests at the dedication were the officers and directors of the Eisenhower Presidential Library Commission of the State of Kansas; the fund-raising committee for the Library; former Cabinet Members Robert B. Anderson, Herbert Brownell, Neil McElroy, William P. Rogers, and Fred A. Seaton; U. S. Senators Frank Carlson and James B. Pearson of Kansas; U. S. Representatives Charles A. Halleck of Indiana and William H. Avery, Walter L. McVey, and Garner E. Shriver of Kansas; Milton Eisenhower, president of the Johns Hopkins University; and James McCain, president of Kansas State University. Presiding at the ceremonies was the Hon. Harry Darby, chairman of the Eisenhower Presidential Library Commission. The principal speaker was W. Clarke Wescoe, chancellor of the University of Kansas; others were John Anderson, Jr., Governor of Kansas; Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson; General Eisenhower; Bernard Boutin, Administrator of General Services; and Wayne C. Grover, Archivist of the United States. Excerpts from their remarks follow:

W. CLARKE WESCOE:

It is not our business today to pay tribute to the working out of the American Dream. We are not here to marvel at the strange destiny which caught up a boy who ran barefoot through the streets of Abilene and carried him to the command of the United States forces in Europe at a crucial moment in his nation's history . . . nor exclaim at the route which led a sturdy, lighthearted Kansas boy from a white frame building in Abilene—that little white home across the street from this library—to the White House in Washington. . . .

We are here to dedicate this building to its noble purpose—a three million dollar structure to house, for generations to come, its treasure of unique presidential documents . . .

Even more important, we are here to pay tribute to an ideal: the conservation for the future of the heritage of the past.

When we think of conservation, we think of soil and timber, of water and grass, of oil and coal. . . . But how much more important are the ideas we leave to our children, the records of what we have done and thought, the truths we have learned by hard effort and even harder experience? . . .

. . . In the structure we dedicate today will be housed the raw material of scholarship, the mine from which will be pried many a nugget of knowledge, from which will be scooped the ore of data to be processed into the pure metal of truth and wisdom.

JOHN ANDERSON, JR.:

. . . It is with a sense of pride, expressed on behalf of Kansans, that I deliver this building today to the United States Government, hereafter to be maintained by the General Services Administration.

LYNDON B. JOHNSON:

I am especially pleased to be here today because what we are doing is to honor not only a man but a basic American characteristic which has had more than anything else to do with America's survival as a free nation. This characteristic is that we can put aside our partisanship and our political differences and pay an honor to the

men who have led us. We know how to disagree without being disagreeable, and we know how to unite behind our institutions. . . .

We have frequently heard from the other side of the Iron Curtain about the unity which comes to people under Communism. I think the unity that comes to people under freedom is of a greater and a much higher and a much more enduring type. It is more enduring because it is based upon mutual respect and mutual understanding.

This library that you are dedicating today is a monument to a man, a man who is deeply beloved by all the American people. He has served his country in peace and in war, and, in both situations, no thoughtful person ever, for a single moment, at any time, ever questioned his strong and his sincere dedication to America and its institutions.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER:

. . . The central theme of the documents in this beautiful edifice will be, of course, the policies and programs and decisions and personalities of the Federal Government during the years 1953 through 1961. But just as no political program can be carried out in a vacuum, so can no record or history of that time be properly portrayed except with a background of the events and the time . . .

. . . And I personally believe . . . that we are about to see, and are seeing, a renaissance in American pride in America—in American pride in the characteristics that have made America great—in the qualities that we so much admire in our leaders, from Benjamin Franklin through Washington, on right down to our times—where those people have been honest and straightforward and courageous . . .

So my prayer is merely this: That all of us will be inspired by the examples of those men long gone. And we will be inspired by the people who have thought it proper to preserve for America in a written form the record of the era through which this generation is passing. . . . I am confident that the American people will see to it that our spiritual strength—the morale of this country—is just as strong, just as outspoken, and is just as much a source of pride for all of us as it was in the days of Lincoln or Washington . . . we need not fear that we will suffer the fate of Rome—rather, we will go on . . . into a stronger position of world leadership, until at last we can all enjoy peace with justice, freedom, and liberty for all.

BERNARD BOUTIN:

The Eisenhower Library is a fine addition to the nation's public buildings, but, as the President said, it is much more than that—it is a significant new cultural resource that will be welcomed, not only by researchers who will come to study its collections, but also by the many thousands of Americans who will visit its exhibits in the years ahead. I take great pride in accepting, for the General Services Administration, the responsibility for its future operations and maintenance in the public interest.

[Mr. Boutin then read a telegram of congratulation from President Kennedy and concluded his talk:]

President Eisenhower, even though we are taking over today the responsibility of the maintenance and the operation of this library we hope that for many, many years to come, you and Mrs. Eisenhower will have an opportunity to visit us here, and, for that occasion, I am going to present to you two golden keys that fit every door in this beautiful building.

WAYNE C. GROVER:

It is my privilege, really, General Eisenhower, . . . to express our gratitude to you for the gift of your papers to the people of the United States. . . . Your presidential papers will be called upon by generation after generation of scholars for the factual contemporary record of your administration. We are grateful to you for seeing to it that these papers, complete in every respect, are properly and permanently preserved. . . . They will here become the central collection of a body of manuscript

records that is already being increased in size and scope by the addition of the private papers of your associates and contemporaries.

. . . As time and resources permit, we will also extend the scope of the collections by adding microfilm copies of official source materials in the National Archives in Washington. We are hoping, particularly, to microfilm for this Library the archives that document the policies and decisions of the high command you directed so triumphantly during and after the Second World War.

The building we dedicate today is magnificent, but so also is the central collection of presidential papers it will house. With your help, and the help of your many friends and associates, we will add continuously to its holdings so that it will become what the builders intended—a dynamic and growing research institution with matchless resources for the period of American history with which it is concerned.

Herbert Hoover Library

This Library, at West Branch, Iowa, was dedicated on President Hoover's 88th birthday, August 10, 1962. The details of the ceremony will be reported in our January 1963 issue.

Office of Records Management

Herbert E. Angel has returned to the position of Assistant Archivist for Records Management after a tour of duty as Director of Administration, GSA. ¶ During the year ending June 30, 1962, Federal records centers received from Government agencies more than a million cubic feet of records and disposed of more than a half million cubic feet of records that had outlived their usefulness. Transfers to the centers enabled Federal agencies to clear 287,000 square feet of office space and 275,000 square feet of storage space. An intensive records disposition project in the 279 largest post offices and the Post Office Department's regional offices has reduced their records holdings by almost 20 percent; 65,000 cubic feet of records were destroyed and 3,000 cubic feet were transferred to the centers. The centers rendered 4,874,000 reference services during the year. ¶ The Federal Records Center serving southern California and nearby States has moved into a new building at Bell, Calif., which was dedicated on May 25.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

General News

Lester K. Born was appointed Publications Officer of the Library, effective July 9, to succeed the late Vincent L. Eaton. Dr. Born is well known to our readers as editor of our abstracts of foreign periodicals. From April 1959 he had headed the Manuscripts Section in the Library's Descriptive Cataloging Division, where he helped to compile the new National Union Catalog of Manuscript Collections.

Manuscript Division

Recent accessions include papers, 1952-61 (8,000 items), of Werner von Braun, including speeches, articles, and correspondence, much of which concerns Dr. von Braun's work on rocketry and on the space program in this country; personal papers of the sculptor William Zorach (2,000 items), rich in autobiographical notes, correspondence, sketches, and drawings; several

thousand papers of the sculptress and feminist Adelaide Johnson, including her diaries (1895-1926, and a few for later years), correspondence, photographs, and pamphlets; and two notebooks of sketches and portraits and a few letters of Emanuel Leutze, whose mural, "Westward the Course of Empire," is seen by most visitors to the U. S. Capitol. Additions to several groups of personal papers in the Library include 2,000 papers of Thomas Maitland Cleland; letter books, 1896-1909 (19 vols.), and an extensive file of business and financial correspondence, ca. 1912-18, of Andrew Carnegie; and papers (8,000 items) of Edith Bolling Wilson, to be added to the Woodrow Wilson collection.

OTHER FEDERAL NEWS

Department of State

The extraordinarily wide span of subjects reflected in the diverse activities of the Department has resulted in seven major groupings of subject matter for use in the forthcoming uniform file system. Included are economic affairs; political and defense affairs; cultural and educational affairs; social conditions, health, refugees, and migration; science, space and astronautics, and atomic energy; international information activities; and consular affairs.

The Department of State and the Hoover Institution on War, Revolution, and Peace at Stanford University are publishing jointly *A Catalog of Files and Microfilms of the German Foreign Ministry Archives, 1920-1945* (3 vols., \$75), compiled and edited by George O. Kent of the State Department's Historical Office. Volume 1 has already been published, volume 2 will appear this fall, and volume 3 will be issued in 1963. The catalog is for sale only in sets. It will continue and complete the *Catalog of German Foreign Ministry Files and Microfilms, 1867-1920*, published by the American Historical Association in 1959. The new catalog includes title, number, and date of each file from the Politisches Archiv, the corresponding serial and frame numbers (if the files were microfilmed), the microcopy roll number, and its price. Microfilm may be bought from the National Archives in Washington or the Public Record Office in London. Each volume is indexed by name and subject. Unfilmed materials are available in the political archive of the Auswärtiges Amt in Bonn.

Department of Defense

A Military Standardization Handbook: Glossary of Photographic Terms Including Document Reproduction, 128 p. (MIL-HDBK-25, 20 Feb. 1961, TM 11-411), is available from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, at 70c.

STATE AND LOCAL NEWS

Colorado

The summer activities of the Division of State Archives and Public Records included formulating a cooperative program with the office of the State engineer for microfilming county plats, discussing records work with associations of county treasurers and county clerks, and readjusting space in the

Archives to expand the microfilming unit and to establish an audiovisual records section. ¶ Assistant State Archivist George E. Warren has recovered from injuries suffered in an automobile accident while he was traveling in connection with county records work.

Connecticut

On May 10, 1962, a ceremony marking the 300th anniversary of the granting of Connecticut's famous Charter of 1662 took place in Memorial Hall at the Connecticut State Library. Gov. John Dempsey and Chief Justice Raymond E. Baldwin as well as several other dignitaries were speakers, and the principal address was delivered by Prof. Leonard W. Labaree of Yale University. The Consul General of Great Britain, A. M. Williams, represented Her Majesty's Ambassador. An exhibit of numerous items associated with the procuring and preservation of the Charter was opened on the same date; featured in the display was the Charter itself, the 300-year-old document on permanent exhibit in Memorial Hall. ¶ The centennial of the birth of Wilbur Lucius Cross, Governor of Connecticut from 1931 to 1939, was marked at the Connecticut State Library by an exhibit. Governor Cross' service to the State followed a distinguished career as teacher of English, dean of the Yale graduate school, editor of the *Yale Review*, and literary critic in the field of the English novel. Featured in the exhibit were Governor Cross' proclamations, famous for their literary quality. Governor Cross was the first Connecticut Governor to have his voice recorded for the State Archives; the recording of his farewell to his cabinet, Dec. 9, 1938, and of his Thanksgiving Day proclamation of 1938 were a part of the display and were used on local television programs.

Delaware

David T. Gilchrist has been named specialist in industrial records at the Eleutherian Mills Historical Library. His position will involve investigation, acquisition, and preliminary study of business records of older companies in the area of the library's interest.

Illinois

David D. Henry, president of the University of Illinois, has appointed an advisory committee on the university's archives, to appraise their condition and make recommendations for their improved administration and effective use. ¶ The June 1962 issue of *Illinois Libraries* is devoted to the State Archives, with articles by Ralph Havener ("A View of the Local Records Act"), Byron H. Levene ("A Reunified Program of Records Management"), Mary Lynn McCree ("The Illinois Governors' Correspondence, 1933-1961"), Emma M. Scheffler ("Maps in the Illinois State Archives"), and Marion D. Pratt (two historical essays). Two leaves of the issue (p. 431-434) are printed on Permalife book paper. They contain a note by Wallace R. Bulpitt, announcing that the paper will be used in some printing for the State Archives, and an advertisement by the manufacturer of Permalife. ¶ Reprints of the Local Records Act of August 18, 1961 (4 p.), and of two publications of

the Local Records Commission—*Regulations* (25 p.) and *Suggested Guide* (3 p.), both issued in 1962—may be obtained from Secretary of State and State Archivist Charles F. Carpentier or from Assistant State Archivist Theodore J. Cassady, Springfield. ¶ Mr. Cassady has sent the editor a publication not previously noted in these pages: the State Records Commission's *Regulations* (2d rev., July 1961; 26 p.). This includes as an appendix "Specifications for Safety Photographic Film" (p. 11-24), editorially modified but technically identical with the specifications approved and published by the American Standards Association. ¶ Record Controls, Inc., 209 South LaSalle St., Chicago 4, has for sale at \$2 a supplement to its *Retention and Preservation of Records, With Destruction Schedules*. The supplement (8 p.) lists State insurance laws and tabulates 200 types of insurance papers, giving the required retention period for each. The annual records management conference sponsored by Record Controls will meet at the Drake Hotel, Chicago, on October 5. On October 4 members of the conference may visit the Federal Records Center, Chicago.

Kansas

Lela Barnes, on the Historical Society staff, 1931-62, and in charge of its private manuscript collections for much of that time, retired on June 30 under the provisions of the recently enacted State retirement law. She has been succeeded by Joseph W. Snell, assistant manuscripts cataloger since 1957. ¶ The society has microfilmed a diary, 1872-73, of buffalo-hunter Henry Hubert Raymond and some Raymond family letters, 1874-75 and 1897-99. The Raymonds were neighbors of the Thomas Masterson family both in Illinois and in Sedgwick County, Kans. Raymond hunted buffalo with the Masterson boys—Bat, Ed, and Jim. Other recent accessions are letters and papers, 1949-62 (37 file drawers), of U. S. Senator Andrew F. Schoeppel; and records of the Kansas Centennial Commission, including correspondence and more than 500 photographs.

Michigan

The Archives of the Michigan Historical Commission has issued several *finding aids*, all compiled by Geneva Kebler, of parts of its holdings: no. 1, *Records of the Michigan Military Establishment, 1838-1941*; no. 2, *United States Census Records, 1820-1880*; no. 3, *Records of the Girls' Training School, Adrian, Michigan, 1880-1941*; no. 4, *Records of the Michigan State Planning Commission, 1934-1956*; no. 5, *Records of the Michigan Turnpike Authority, 1953-1958*; no. 6, *Records of the Michigan State Prison, Jackson, Michigan, 1839-1906*; no. 7, *Records of the Michigan Department of Aeronautics, 1946-1952*; and no. 8, *Records of the Michigan State Highway Department, 1916-1953*. The Archives has published also four *special lists*, all compiled by Geneva Kebler and Elizabeth Rademacher: nos. 1 and 2, *List of Cartographic Records of the Michigan Department of Conservation—Lands Division*; and nos. 3 and 4, *List of Cartographic Records of the Michigan Department of Conservation—Geological Survey Division*. ¶ Acquisi-

tions reported by the Archives of American Art (Detroit) in its *Bulletin* for June include the papers of Edward Bruce (containing "the story of the famous Public Works of Art Project that was created by President Franklin D. Roosevelt") and of Walt Kuhn on the 1913 Armory Show that "brought a new direction to American taste in art." ¶ The papers of the Rev. Abel Bingham, Baptist missionary at Sault Ste. Marie from 1828 to 1855, recently found at Saginaw, have been acquired by the Clarke Historical Collection of Central Michigan University at Mount Pleasant. John Cumming, director of the collection, estimates that the Bingham papers include approximately "2,500 letters, 38 diaries and journals, letter books, account books, copies of annual reports to the Boston headquarters, sermons, books both in Ojibway and English bearing the Baptist Mission bookplate, numerous pamphlets, daguerreotypes, tintypes, and photographs of members of the family and Indian friends."

New York

Among a group of six consultants to a committee planning a suitable shrine to house and protect the State Library's manuscript draft of Lincoln's preliminary Emancipation Proclamation are Albert H. Leisinger, Director, Archival Services Division, Office of Civil Archives, National Archives, and Alvin W. Kremer, Keeper of the Collections, Library of Congress. Mr. Kremer coordinated a similar project for the original and engrossed copies of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States when they were at the Library. ¶ "I find myself fast becoming a traveling evangelist preaching State-county cooperation in this long-neglected area," said North Carolina State Archivist H. G. Jones in addressing the National Association of County Recorders and Clerks in New York City on July 10. Mr. Jones developed his subject—"The Case for a State-Assisted County Records Program"—by posing a number of questions to which "in true evangelistic style" he supplied his "own answers." ¶ Belden Menkus, formerly with the Baptist Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tenn., has accepted a position with the Prentice-Hall Publishing Co. He will be senior editor for office methods in the company's department of economics and business methods.

Pennsylvania

State Archivist Frank B. Evans' doctoral dissertation, "Pennsylvania Politics, 1872-77 . . ."—a study of the latter years of the Cameron machine in Pennsylvania—will be published by the Historical and Museum Commission.

Texas

Chester V. Kielman, in an article published in the Summer 1962 issue of the *Library Chronicle* of the University of Texas ("New Additions to the University Archives"), describes the A. Caswell Ellis papers, the Coleman-Fulton Pasture Co. records, the Borden papers, the Devereux papers, and many individual items of special interest.

Vermont

Olney W. Hill, Public Records Director, in reporting on the "status of protection of town clerks' records as of July 1, 1962," states that 36 percent (89 of 246 Vermont towns and cities) require fire-resistant vaults or safes to meet the minimum standards; 41 towns have practically no fire protection for their records. ¶ At the New England Civil War Centennial Conference held at the State House, Montpelier, on July 7, Vermont Historical Society Director Richard G. Wood presided. New York State Historian Albert B. Corey spoke on "How the Local Historical Society Can Commemorate the Civil War" and Massachusetts State Archivist Richard W. Hale on "A Microfilm Program During the Civil War Observances."

Virginia

Thomas P. Martin, former assistant chief of the Manuscript Division of the Library of Congress and now a resident of Dunn Loring, has recently spent about nine months in research in archives and manuscripts in England and Scotland. His special interests there were slavery, the antislavery and abolition movements, and other questions in Anglo-American relations. ¶ Recent accessions of the University of Virginia Library include additional papers, 1820-1956 (about 350 items) of James Fontaine Minor and many additional items for the Samuel Langhorne Clemens collection.

West Virginia

The West Virginia Collection of the university library at Morgantown has acquired microfilm copies of records of the State's Executive Department, including executive journals, 1863-90, executive minutes, 1863-67, and Board of Public Works records, 1863-1904. Among recent manuscript accessions are letters, 1862-64 (41 items), written by Henry H. Fry during his service in the Peninsular Campaign and on islands off South Carolina, describing camp life and fraternization between Union and Confederate forces; correspondence, 1956-62 (8 boxes), of John D. Hoblitzel, Jr., Republican chairman for West Virginia and briefly U. S. Senator; and papers, 1922-62 (2 boxes), of Harold N. Moldenke, herbarium curator, editor, and museum director.

Wisconsin

Under a grant from the Fund for the Advancement of Education the State Historical Society has completed a search for resources in the State for the study of educational history and has reported the results in an 18-page pamphlet, *The History of Education Collections*. The research and evaluation were the work of Richard A. Erney. "The resulting brochure," Glenn E. Thompson, the society's assistant director, informs us, "provides a checklist of some of the outstanding and some of the representative collections . . . It includes personal papers, records of local school districts and materials related to individual educational institutions, documents dealing with government policies toward education, and records and publications of professional educational organizations and other private influential groups." Copies are available without charge from the society at 816 State St., Madison 6.

Canada

FOREIGN NEWS

John C. L. Andreassen, a member of the editorial board of the Society, has joined the immediate staff of O. M. Solandt, vice president, Canadian National Railways. His first assignment, he informs us, "will be to effect the transfer of this Crown corporation's archival materials to the Dominion Archives."

Great Britain

Two of the supplements to the Wiener Library's *Catalogue of Nuremberg Documents* (reviewed in the *American Archivist*, 24: 355; July 1961) have been published recently. "Supplement 1" (33 p.) comprises (1) a register of the documents from *Trials of War Criminals* series with a direct bearing on the Jewish catastrophe and (2) an index of principal names; "Supplement 2" (37 p.), an index of persons interrogated, provides an indispensable key to the interrogation summaries. According to Fritz T. Epstein, "Both supplements are carefully edited and only a few names (for instance, Cecil von Renthe-Fink and Edmund Veesenmayer in Supplement 2) are misspelled."

Mexico

The Sociedad Mexicana de Archivistas has reelected Enrique L. Morales Rosas as its director general for the biennium 1962-63 and Norberto Ramírez Monroy as its subdirector general. The *director de relaciones y publicidad* is Ernesto Serrano Tenorio. The society's address is Calle Balderas 94, Mexico 1, D. F.

Peru

The February 1962 issue of the *Publicaciones del Archivo Historico* (Lima) is devoted largely to reporting the first Inter-American Archival Seminar (see *American Archivist*, 25: 130; January 1962).

Rhodesia and Nyasaland

T. W. Baxter, Director of the National Archives of the Federation, has prepared a report for the Commission for Technical Cooperation in Africa South of the Sahara (C. C. T. A.) entitled *Archival Facilities in Sub-Sahara Africa*, which summarizes the answers of 27 archival institutions to questionnaires distributed in July 1957. The report, issued in 1959, constitutes a directory and history of the 27 archival institutions, revealing their services, resources, and needs.

El Salvador

Officers of the Asociación General de Archivistas who took office on January 8 include Tomás Fidias Jiménez, *presidente*; Alfonso Mira Castro, *secretario general*; Carlos Arturo Rendón, *secretario de relaciones*; and Sra. Blanca Magaña de Herrere, *secretario de propaganda y organización*. The society may be addressed at Apartado Postal 664, San Salvador.

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