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Den officielle indvielse af landsarkivet i Viborg (The official dedication of the provincial archives in Viborg). P. 24-28. Photos. The new provincial archives building was dedicated on April 6, 1964. After the building housing the old stacks has been overhauled, North Jylland will have a thoroughly modern and efficient archives.

Landsarkivarmøde (Meeting of provincial archivists). P. 31-32. At a joint meeting of provincial and federal archivists on May 19-21, 1964, in Copenhagen a uniform system of finding lists for the provincial archives was approved; a handbook for the internal work of the provincial archives and plans for the disposal of county and municipal archives were discussed.

Kulturministeriets nye journalsystem (A new accession system for the Ministry of Education). P. 32. Organized by subject, letters are no longer numbered consecutively but are arranged by the decimal numbers of the new system.

Erhvervsarkivets bygning; Afleveringer til erhvervsarkivet (Commercial Archives Building; Deposits in the Commercial Archives). P. 36. Photo. The new occupants of the original State and University Library Building, the Danish Commercial Archives, have nearly accomplished the job of overhauling and fitting the building to their purposes. An office has been provided for each of the four archivists and work tables and equipment for the former reading room, while the former catalog and coat rooms were combined to make a search and reading room. Accessions for 1964 included more than 300 volumes and bundles from three consolidated banks (1872-1962), over 1,000 volumes and packages from a machine wholesale house in Copenhagen and a cooperative and a lumber yard in Aarhus, and some court archives from the Provincial Archives of Fjælland.

Fotograferingen for Genealogical Society, Utah (Photographic project, Genealogical Society, Utah). P. 39. The extensive microfilm project in Norway has come to a close. The total of positive 35mm. film presented to the National Archives of Norway as a result of the two filming campaigns (1948-51 and 1959-63) is 7,522 reels.

Utbildningskurs för yngre arkivtjänstemän (Training course for younger archival employees). P. 40-41. The Swedish National Archives held a training course for younger archival employees in Stockholm from April 1-29, 1964. The 16 participants underwent a well-planned series of talks, demonstrations, and practical laboratory exercises in various aspects of archival techniques, including reduction, organization, and listing of records. Such courses provide the only professional training in Sweden at the present time.

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Arkivet i Herrnhut (The Archives in Herrnhut). P. 43-44. A short description of the origin, location, character, activities, and the Danish branch in Christiansfeld of the Herrnhut Brotherhood in the Oberlausitz area of southeastern Germany. The archives of this Lutheran sect, housed in a building of its own at Herrnhut, contains an estimated 150,000 to 200,000 pages of correspondence and diaries related to Danish matters, which are scheduled to be searched by a Danish theologian on behalf of the Danish National Archives for materials of importance for Danish history, which will be filmed for acquisition.

Kraftig udbygning af østtysk arkivvæsen (Vigorous development of the archival organization of East Germany). P. 44. A succinct account of the development since 1945, stressing the establishment of 14 *Bezirke* (districts) instead of the 5 *Länder* (states) as divisions in the administration of the federal and most other archives.

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OMANG, REIDAR, *Moderne arkivstell* (Modern archives management). P. 5-8. In this address at the Norsk Arkivraad the national archivist of Norway stressed the trend in Norwegian archival management towards a unified viewpoint regarding records and archives in state, county, municipal, industrial, and commercial archives; he calls the new *Arkivraad* the key to a lively intercourse between public and private archives management.

Hva vi kan og vil (What we can and will do). P. 9-10. Arne Strøm of the municipality of Oslo spoke as chairman to the assembled archivists on February 27, 1963. In addition to speculation on the establishment of an elementary course of 60 hours, special training sessions, and archival conferences for archives chiefs, the speaker pointed out that the annual meetings and the journal were intended as devices for training as well as communication.

Vi besøker Norsk Hydro (We visit Norsk Hydro). P. 11. The archives and records of Norsk Hydro are separated into two major collections: drawings and correspondence. The latter is stored on compact shelving and includes some drawings of small size. The writer was greatly impressed with the size of the office building housing the records as well as with the generous provisions of space and equipment for storing them, but doubts that many can emulate either methodology or the grand style.

Vaart første internatkurs ble overtegnet -og vellykket (Our first extended course was oversubscribed and successful). P. 12-16. Account of the first short course on archival matters, held February 7-10, 1963. Karl Erik Thelin, representing the Swedish *Näringslivets Arkivraad*, emphasized the careful preparations and the effective planning of the meetings.

Godt arkivraad (Good archival advice). P. 17, 35. Some institutions have gone in for xeroxing documents, including drawings, in a big way, and the commercial photoduplication company Tørrkopi suggests that others may do the same. ☞ A decalog of good archival practice, from *one* (do not overstuff your archival storage boxes) to *ten* (put archives away every day and do not let them pile up).

Arkivdefinisjoner; ABC regler; Sentralarkiv—eller ikke?; Klassifikasjon; Postbehandling; Intern arkivorganisasjon; Blankett-teknik (Archival definitions; Alphabetic rules; Centralization or not?; Classification; Treatment of letters; Internal organization of archival management; Dealing with printed forms). P. 19-36.

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