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Desfășurarea unitară a muncii arhivistice în țara noastră (Unified development of archival work in our country). P. 3-11. A review of organizational and administrative changes since 1944.

Probleme de arhivistică (Archival problems). P. 67-187. I. Mărcus deals with the terminology for the records originating in Transylvania (p. 67-69); V. Coman and A. Slivăț describe current work with records of the modern and contemporary periods (p. 80-88); V. Tatomir presents his observations on the description of records of the socialist agricultural enterprises (p. 89-96); Fl. Dumitrică describes the management of the records in the State Archives of Ploesti (p. 97-106); Al. Bălintescu and Il. Petrescu deal with the role of archives in monographic research (p. 107-132); Gh. Balica points to the archeological information in the records of the State Archives of Yassi (p. 133-156); and El. Dima gives a brief description of the reference library in the Main Administration of the State Archives in Bucharest (p. 180-187).

Prezentări de fonduri arhivistice (Presentations of archival funds). P. 188-200. Tr. Rus describes the records of the Presidency of the Council of Ministers, 1859 to 1944.

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20 de ani de îndeplinire mărețe sub steagul partidului (20 years of great achievements under the banner of the Party). P. 3-20. A general review, without particular reference to archival developments.

Studii (Studies). P. 21-50. M. Fanescu and I. Adam describe the contribution of the State Archives to the publication of sources for Rumanian history.

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Studii și comunicări (Studies and communications). P. 3-83. L. Moldovan discusses the cadastral offices and their archives (p. 3-31); R. Texe describes the development of the registry system in Transylvania and the use of registers for research (p. 32-61); A. Moga deals with archives in the service of ethnographic research (p. 61-70); and M. Fanescu reviews the utilization of documentary materials (records) for cultural and educational purposes (p. 71-83).

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Boletín [de la] Dirección General de Archivos y Bibliotecas,
VOL. 13 (1964), NO. 79.

MATILLA TASCÓN, ANTONIO, *Publicaciones de archivos* (Publication of archives). P. 3-14. Thirty-six questionnaires were returned from archivists in 24 countries with information on the following subjects to be studied at the Fifth International Congress

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of Archivists held at Brussels in September 1964: publication policies, including discussion of priority of issue; archival legislation and archival organization and function; methods of publication, with emphasis on microfilm editions, workshops and machinery, and specialized personnel; financing of publications; agreements with other institutions, sale and distribution of publications, and royalties; types of publications (guides, indexes, inventories, and catalogs); publication of texts, rights of publication, selection of holdings for publication, and editions for students and the public. The author summarizes the responses to the questionnaire.

SÁNCHEZ BELDA, LUIS, *La República Malgache se preocupa de sus archivos* (The Malagasy Republic shows concern for its archives). P. 22. Jean Valette has published an inventory of Series Mi, which is a companion piece to the same author's *Los Archivos de Madagascar*, published in the *Gazette des Archives* (no. 38, 1962). The inventory deals with records that were microfilmed in France, Italy, England, the United States, and the islands of Réunion and Mauritius. In all cases complete series were reproduced rather than individual documents.

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S.A. Argiefblad/S.A. Archives Journal, NO. 5 (1963).

Veertigjarige bestaan van die argiefkommissie (The Archives Commission: fortieth Anniversary). P. 7-12. With Eng. trans. An enumeration of the external data concerning the S.A. Archives Commission, primarily the work the members of the Commission have accomplished.

IMMELMAN, R. F. M., *The Stanford papers in the University of Cape Town Library*. P. 13-24. A detailed inventory of the papers of Sir Walter Stanford (1850-1933), who served in many positions of the South African civil service, which he entered as a 13-year-old and from which he resigned in 1907. The Stanford papers are important for the history of Pondoland, Tembuland, and East Griqualand, including tribal affairs, tribal administration, race relations, native law, and ethnology.

WYPKEMA, A., *Veldwerk en bronnenvorsing* (Field work and the search for sources). P. 25-33. The origin, establishment, and nature of field work and searching for archival sources performed by the South African National Archives abroad and at home to secure valuable records otherwise in jeopardy, to close lacunae in the archives already assembled, to assure preservation of valuable private records, and to relieve scholars and students from the necessity of having to hunt for missing links in the field.

WOOD, C. T., *A note on the archives and treasures of the Church of the Province of South Africa*. P. 36-39. A report on the care given for some 25 years to the collection and preservation of the records of this institution, which are housed in the Gubbins Collection of the Witwatersrand University Library and administered by an archivist appointed by the Church.

LEVERTON, B. J. T., *The powers and functions of the Governor of Natal in relation to the records of the Natal Archives Depot*. P. 40-47. Detailed account of the successive stages of the government of Natal (1856-1910), especially the relationship of the Lieutenant-Governor and Governor to the Legislative Council, and the administration of "native affairs," thus explaining the nature of the archives.

OTTO, W., *Die argivaliese probleme wat die ordening en beskrywing van argiewe na Mei 1910 oplewer* (The archival problems arising in arranging and describing the archives of the period after May 1910). P. 48-51. A discussion of the problems arising from the introduction of systematic archival management into a time-honored set-up, especially those connected with arrangement and of finding dependent on arrangement.

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