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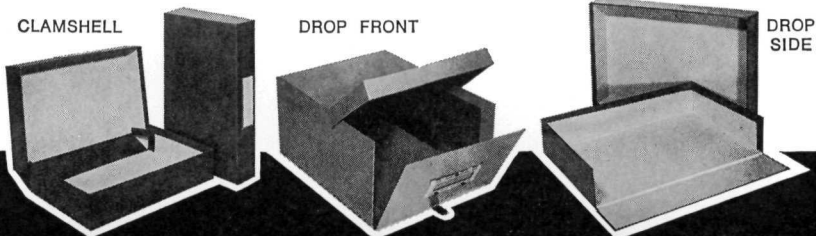
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# The Spirit of Washington: ICA Congress of 1966

By CHARLES KECSKEMÉTI

*International Council on Archives*

IF AN event of considerable importance occurs in a specific place, it is customary afterwards to refer to the event itself by the name of the place. Thus many names of cities have become synonyms of an action or symbols of a spiritual tendency, of a state of mind, of a political system, or even of a scandalous crime. Sometimes this symbolic meaning is lasting, this being the case with Athens and Nazareth, Byzantium and Wittenberg, Paris, and Munich—please excuse the eclecticism of this series. Often, however, these place-name symbols are meaningful only to contemporaries, perhaps to immediate posterity, and, of course, to historians. We could mention, in this connection, Constance, Prague (capital of astronomy at the beginning of the 17th century), Locarno, and Camp David; but such a list could be prolonged to infinity because of the increasing influence of the press on the public mind. Indeed, using the giant headlines that they do, editors more and more often have recourse to the abbreviations afforded by the names of cities to indicate the events that took place there (Tokyo instead of the Tokyo Olympic Games, Suez instead of the Battle of Suez, Cape Kennedy for the space effort, Hiroshima for 20 kilotons of TNT, etc.).

Archivists, by professional inclination appreciative of verbal sobriety and semantic precision, have devised only a few abbreviations for internal use, and even these are not true symbols: the Dutch manual or the Chartist method are rather modest abbreviations; and until now archival inroads into the geographic area have been limited to the substitution, for the name of this or that depository, of the name of the place in which it is located. As the location of an archives normally corresponds to the territorial administrative division of the country, this practice has resulted only in a few lists of cities, which are incomprehensible to nonarchivists, such as the quartet Simancas—Madrid—Barcelona—Seville, and groups like Aarhus—Hamburg—Cologne—Basel (sites of important economic archives), Paris—Marburg—Munich—Vienna (renowned archives schools), or even Dakar—Accra—Ibadan—Tananarive, to designate the most active depositories of the African continent (today one could add Khartoum, Lusaka, and perhaps Dar-es-Salaam).

This introductory digression has only a single purpose: to emphasize

Address delivered at the international relations session of the annual meeting of the Society of American Archivists, Oct. 2, 1968; translated from the French original by Morris Rieger, the session chairman. M. Kecskeméti is Secretary of the International Council on Archives.

an entirely new fact, that *Washington* has acquired a symbolic value in archival terminology. Indeed, we are all aware of it: the Extraordinary Congress of Washington has opened a new era in the history of the International Council on Archives and perhaps—we shall know within a decade—in the history of archives generally.

I now come to the meaning that Washington symbolizes for us.

1. Thanks to the exceptionally large number of countries represented at Washington and to the fact that the Congress took place outside Europe for the first time, the Council there earned, beyond question, the right to the title "international"—to consider itself a truly worldwide organization. Washington signifies geographical growth.

2. Previously a forum for national monologs, the Council has become a forum for studies and discussions of an international character. Moreover, Washington has enabled the Council to become more effective and more "operational," to seek henceforth to promote not only understanding between archivists and the interchange of experience but also the harmonizing of archival policies and the achievement of projects in common. Thus Washington signifies a change of style and character.

3. Until 1966 the Council obtained its financial support from two open sources: the dues of its members and Unesco, which grants it a subvention and entrusts it with the execution of projects under contract; and from a hidden source: the nonaccountable assistance of archives directorates, particularly the Directorate of the Archives of France, but also those of many other countries, which act as hosts of meetings and congresses. With Washington a new era in Council finances began, since a new source has come to be added to the earlier one: the assistance of foundations, which enables us to hope to undertake new projects, including a regular program of technical assistance. Thus Washington signifies increased resources and new activities.

So Washington had three meanings; let us see what has happened in these three areas since then.

#### INCREASED REPRESENTATION IN THE COUNCIL

At the outset, the ICA was a learned and professional organization of European archivists (although established on the basis of American initiative), having scattered, sometimes episodic, relations with certain countries on other continents: India, Israel, Canada, Mexico, the United States, and some others. Since about 1959, a very important date that marks the beginning of the period of transformation leading to Washington, the Council has sought to extend its sphere of activity. Thus, for example, after the establishment of the Inter-American Archives Technical Council, the concept of ICA regional branches was born. At Brussels this concept was embodied in the constitution, but the Inter-American Council was not successfully launched, and the regional branches remained statutory possibilities rather than living realities.

Then at Washington, the United States at last occupied the place it should have had since 1948–50. In the life of international organizations there are always pilot countries that play a particularly active role.



In the ICA, for a long time, only France was willing to make special efforts—until the notable involvement of the United States. Since then, other countries, in different degrees of course and in various fields, have aimed to play a particular role: for example, Italy, Malaysia, Spain, Hungary, Senegal; and there is every reason to believe that this decentralization of activities will increase. Already the Netherlands, Belgium, Great Britain, and the Soviet Union have indicated a desire to undertake special tasks within the framework of the Council. Inasmuch as almost all activities were centralized in France, which appeared to be the leader of ICA and held a kind of monopoly, other nations, no doubt believing that it would be best not to disturb established patterns, refrained from taking initiatives. In 1966, and since then, the United States proved that there is room for everyone. An unexpected result: the ICA, French-speaking for 15 years, has become bilingual—like Canada.

But let us return to representation and to regional branches. In 1950, only 32 countries were represented in the Council; today we are approaching 80 (I prefer to remain indefinite since the position of some countries with respect to dues is not entirely regular), and nothing prevents us from going even further; it is merely necessary to follow a coherent policy in this field. The best way to attract new countries to the Council is to create regional branches. We have scored the first success in 1968 with the establishment of the regional branch for South-east Asia, thanks especially to Malaysia. We should find other pilot countries in the other regions of the world to revive the Inter-American Council and to create African and Arab regional branches. The Madrid Congress very clearly declared itself in favor of such a policy, although for financial reasons the number of countries represented there was far lower than at Washington (38 instead of 55).

#### CHANGE OF STYLE AND CHARACTER

During the first phase of its existence the ICA achieved complete success with respect to its main goals: in convening international congresses every 3 and later every 4 years, in publishing *Archivum* and its more and more impressive bibliography, in preparing the international glossary, etc.—it accustomed the profession to continuing international contacts and established a climate of cooperation and friendship such as few other areas of activity know. It was in this first period that there was born—and major credit belongs to M. Charles Braibant, who is indisputably the father of international archival cooperation—the Round Table and the International Training Institute in Paris.

The period of transformation began with the launching of the program of *Guides to the Sources of the History of Nations*: Latin America first; then Africa; and Asia, North Africa, and Oceania to begin next year. This project involves not only meetings between archivists and discussions in committee but the long-term collaboration of archival

institutions in a common undertaking. When launched, the project seemed to be a mad gamble, but it has succeeded. The period of transformation of the Council must be associated with the name of another eminent archivist, our president of yesterday, M. Etienne Sabbe. It was he, who had presided over the work on the Guides since the outset, who headed the Council in 1965 when the decision was made in London to organize the Washington Extraordinary Congress.

This Congress broke resolutely with certain traditions that appeared to be solidly established: until then it was scarcely conceivable that there was another method of preparing reports, supplying copy for *Archivum*, or organizing discussion at a meeting, than by resorting to an international questionnaire, which resulted regularly in discussions that were merely a series of monologs. At Washington several reporters refrained from using the questionnaire method, and with the panel system (even panels less lively than American practice would prefer) it was possible to focus the discussions on the international aspects of the agenda. Of course, progress remains to be made in this field, but at Madrid we have already gone further than at Washington. Until Washington, Congresses and conferences ended either without having adopted final resolutions or after having adopted summary recommendations that were generally without result. In order to avoid this danger, a resolutions committee was empowered in Washington to formulate the conclusions arising from the discussions, and it prepared—this without precedent in ICA history—18 practical resolutions, which were adopted. Of greater importance, these resolutions, at least in part, have not remained dead letters—witness the Madrid reports and resolutions. At Madrid moreover, as Mr. Rieger (secretary of the Resolutions Committee) can bear witness, the recommendations and the resolutions were still more numerous and, above all, bolder and more practical. Several of them may be mentioned, such as the proposals for the introduction of the 30-year rule, the institution of permanent cooperation between ICA and business archivists, and the renunciation of dogmatic opposition to the microfilming of entire archival series.

This new attitude of the Council has enabled it to activate other practical projects, in particular the “green” series of manuals. Three have already appeared (on construction of archival buildings, professional training schools, and microphotography in archives), and others are in preparation, such as the manual on archival legislation. The idea that the ICA should devote itself to technical assistance to developing countries was born before Washington, but it was officially announced for the first time at the Extraordinary Congress. And at Madrid the Congress decided to give priority to technical assistance.

#### INCREASED RESOURCES, NEW ACTIVITIES

The transitory character of the period 1959–66 is particularly clear in relation to the finances of the Council. The year 1959 marks the

beginning of a new attitude on the part of Unesco with respect to archival problems. In that year the decision was made to entrust the Council with the preparation of the Guides as contractual projects. By virtue of these contracts, the Council received each year between \$10,000 and \$12,000, intended for redistribution among the archives directorates participating in the program and for financing other work indispensable to its progress; that is to say, the meetings of the coordinating committees and administration. The chronic financial difficulties of the Council were not resolved, but it finally became possible to undertake a major work advantageous not only to archivists but to users of archives and particularly to historians of the "third world." There were then other contracts, less spectacular, but of incontestable utility, which attest eloquently to the now closer ties between the Council and Unesco as well as to the increased interest of this great organization in the archival field. The year 1968 marks a new stage in the relationship: Unesco, to emphasize its view of the importance of the activities of the Council, is ready to increase substantially the subvention it gives us and, at the same time, to undertake an action of its own in the archival area (in cooperation, of course, with the Council). This happy development of our relations with Unesco cannot be dissociated from the Washington Congress and its direct effects: the increased representation in the Council and, above all, the financial support of American foundations.

We owe particular gratitude to the Council on Library Resources, Inc., whose generosity has made possible not only the organization of the Washington Congress, but also the implementation by ICA working groups of two projects of capital importance envisioned by the Congress: the development of the brief for liberalization of access to archives and of microfilming policy and the study of the utilization of microfilm as a means of documentary publication. The two reports that resulted have just been submitted to the Congress at Madrid, which has fully approved them. The plenary session that considered the reports was the most interesting Congress session I have attended in over 8 years (and four Congresses). It is to be hoped, and there is good reason to hope, that these two reports will be fruitful, that they will bring about within a reasonable time, in some countries at least if not everywhere, progressive changes in access and microfilming policy.

The Council is perfectly aware of what its role should be in the area of technical assistance. But the job involved is immense, and to cope with it new and considerable resources are required. It is necessary to organize basic professional training, to provide opportunity for advanced training for present archives personnel, to establish and help to equip archival services, etc., all of which require ideas, guidelines, and money. The Council is in a position to develop plans and to find specialists to carry them out—it is the third element, money, that is lacking. Of course, Unesco means to participate in this activity, but

its financial resources are limited; it cannot do everything. To be sure, we can propose that Governments include archival assistance within bilateral technical assistance agreements, and we are trying to arrange this. But all this is inadequate. What we need and what African and Asian countries need is a long term program exclusively concerned with archival development. If we obtain the financial means necessary to launch such a program, it is certain that other sources will open up in accordance with a law, irrational as it is general, that money attracts money.

The Council can obtain these funds only from private foundations (in principle), and from American foundations (in practice). Our first attempt, last year, was semisuccessful. The Ford Foundation invited us to return this year, but the Rockefeller Foundation has made a large enough grant to enable Council experts to tour the African continent to measure the dimensions of the problem, to ascertain present needs, and to discuss with the responsible public authorities necessary action to be taken. That is where we are now. The balance sheet is positive, although much remains to be done.

#### CONCLUSIONS

The Washington Conference has become, deservedly, the symbol, "Washington." It marks the end of the period of transition and opens the third stage in the life of the Council—not the third stage biologically (old age), but specifically an era of dynamic effort on a worldwide scale.

This change, this new stage is linked to several names (I have already mentioned two, those of M. Braibant and M. Sabbe) to which I should like to refer: first M. Duboscq who, as treasurer, has managed the affairs of the Council for 18 years and without whom there would have been neither a second nor a third stage. Then Dr. Bahmer and Mr. Rieger, whose initiative and energy have made it possible to end the transitional period in 1966 in order to embark upon a new phase, that of *the spirit of Washington*. These remarks of a personal nature are not intended either to flatter or to exaggerate. I have been a well-informed witness of the activities of the Council for more than 10 years.

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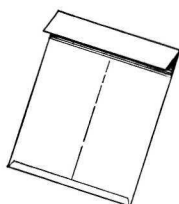
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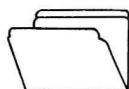
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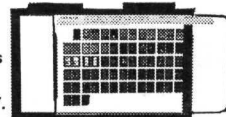
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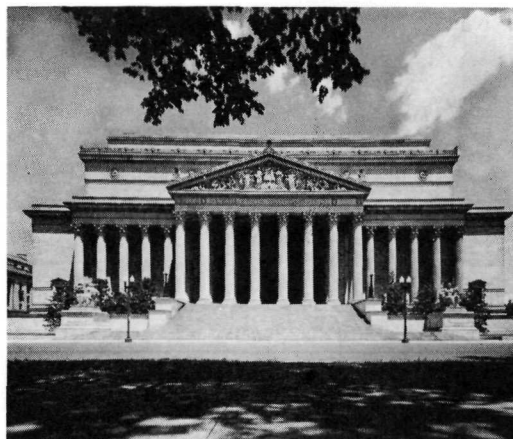
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### *SAA-AHA Winter Luncheon Meeting*

President H. G. Jones presided at the joint AHA-SAA luncheon December 30, 1968. In the address "Archival Odysseys: Taking Students to the Sources," Prof. John Hope Franklin presented a case study of seven graduate students that he accompanied for a 2-week period in North Carolina. The students used both State archives and university manuscript collections, resulting in what Professor Franklin termed an extremely successful experiment.

### *SAA Symposia*

A symposium on "The Scholarly Use of Archival Resources in the Southeast" was held October 18, 1968, at the University of South Carolina by the Society of American Archivists in cooperation with the South Carolina Department of Archives and History, the University of South Carolina Department of History, and the National Archives and Records Service. The purpose of the symposium was to foster better understanding and more effective use of materials in archival and manuscript repositories. Speakers included Philip Brooks, Director of the Harry S. Truman Library; Charles E. Lee, Director of the South Carolina Department of Archives and History; and A. K. Johnson, Jr., Regional Director, National Archives and Records Service.

The Society of American Archivists in cooperation with the Tennessee State Library and Archives, the American Association for State and Local History, Vanderbilt University, and the National Archives and Records Service sponsored a symposium on "The Scholarly Uses of Archival Resources" on March 22, 1969, at Vanderbilt University. Speakers included Paul Hardacre, chairman of the department of history of the university; Daniel J. Reed, Assistant Archivist, Office of Presidential Libraries, National Archives and Records Service; Clifton Johnson, Director of Amistad Research Center and Race Relations Institute, Fisk University; Tom Clark, professor of history, University of Indiana; Sam B. Smith, State Librarian and Archivist, Tennessee State Library and Archives, and A. K. Johnson, Jr., Regional Director, National Archives and Records Service.

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FOREIGN MEMBERS: Gerald Lyn Fischer, Sydney, Australia (Archivist, University of Sydney); Warren E. Mizener, Ottawa, Ont., Canada (Pre-Confederation Section, Manuscripts Division, Public Archives of Canada); J. I. Rubio-Mañé, Mexico, D.F., Mexico (Director, Archivo General de la Nación).

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FOREIGN INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERS: Université de Moncton Archives Acadiennes, Bibliothèque Champlain, Moncton, N.B., Canada; St. Francis Xavier University Archives, Antigonish, N.S., Canada (Rev. J. H. Gillis, representative).

### *Deaths of Members*

RALPH HUDSON, former State Librarian and Archivist of Oklahoma, on August 9, 1968.

CLARA H. MELLEN; on Sept. 4, 1968, in New York City. Mrs. Mellen, a graduate of Vassar College, was professionally interested in the collection and preservation of historical manuscripts.

ELLEINE H. STONES, former chief of the Burton Historical Collection of the Detroit Public Library; on January 5, 1969, in Albuquerque, N. Mex. Born in Arkansas in 1892, Mrs. Stones was graduated from the University of Illinois. After employment in several library and teaching posts she received national recognition for her outstanding administration of the Burton Historical Collection from 1941 to 1957. She was for many years an active and dedicated member of the Society of American Archivists and the Special Libraries Association.

### *Minutes of the Council*

*New York City, December 29, 1968*

The meeting was called to order by President H. G. Jones at 1:40 p.m. in his suite, Room 502A, at the Statler Hilton Hotel. Present were: Vice President

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Herman Kahn; Secretary F. Gerald Ham; Editor Harold T. Pinkett; Council Members Frank B. Evans, Wilfred I. Smith, Robert M. Warner, and Dorman Winfrey; and Herbert Finch, Chairman of the Committee on Manuscripts and Special Collections.

The minutes of the Council meetings of September 29 and October 2, 1968, were approved as distributed and corrected.

President Jones reported that the 1968-69 committee appointments, with few exceptions, were complete and that several committees were proceeding with their programs for the year. The president also commented briefly about the aims and program of the Ad Hoc Committee on Paper Research and announced that a meeting of the committee had been called for that evening at 7 o'clock.

The secretary, in his report on membership development, informed the Council that the Ohio Historical Society had recently become a sustaining member of the Society and that other institutions had either made a commitment to become sustaining members or had added this item to their budget requests for the coming year. The secretary also reported that the Society has less than one thousand individual members on its rolls, and he urged the Council to assist the secretary's office and the Membership Development Committee in eliciting names of prospective members, particularly junior members of archival staffs.

The treasurer's report was presented by the president in the absence of A. K. Johnson, Jr. Mr. Jones reported that as a result of the excellent work of the 1968 Local Arrangements and Exhibit Committees, he had received a check for \$3,767.33 representing the excess of receipts over disbursements for the Ottawa meeting. The president reviewed the treasurer's proposed budget for 1969 as amended by the Finance Committee, and following a discussion of general expenditures and committee expense requests, the Council approved a budget of \$29,585 for the coming year.

The secretary discussed the Finance Committee's preliminary study on the need for an increase in membership dues and the methods by which such an increase should be levied. A full report from the Finance Committee will be circulated to the Council before the April meeting.

In his report to the Council, the editor proposed an increase in the rates for advertisements in the *American Archivist*. The suggested rate scale, prepared by advertising editor, William E. Bigglestone, would make the rates of the *American Archivist* comparable to those charged by other journals with similar circulation and professional characteristics. The Council authorized Mr. Pinkett to initiate the proposed rate increase.

The editor also reported that work on the revision of the Society's *Biographical Directory* was proceeding satisfactorily. Questionnaires for the Society's new members and revision sheets for current members were mailed in January, and, according to Mr. Pinkett's current plans, the *Directory* will be in print by late spring. The editor informed the Council that progress on the Index to volumes 21 through 30 of the *American Archivist* has fallen behind the scheduled date of completion and will not be finished for some time, though the recent assignment of an editorial clerk to the editor's office in the National Archives may accelerate work on this editorial project. Mr. Pinkett further reported that the number of pages of the *American Archivist* will be increased slightly this coming year.

The editor recommended that Isadore Perlman be appointed to the Editorial Board to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Karl Trever. Following



Mr. Pinkett's review of Mr. Perlman's qualifications for the appointment, it was moved by Mr. Evans and seconded by Mr. Kahn that Mr. Perlman be appointed to the Board. The appointment received unanimous approval.

Citing the examples of the annual meeting reports of the Organization of American Historians and the Southern Historical Association as published in their respective journals, Mr. Evans suggested that the annual meeting report of the SAA receive a similar conspicuous and integrated treatment in the *American Archivist*.

At the invitation of the Council, Herbert Finch, Chairman of the Committee on Manuscripts and Special Collections, reported on the programs and goals of his committee. As a basis for discussion, Mr. Finch submitted to the Council his "Report of the Manuscripts and Special Collections Committee Meeting at Ottawa, September 30, 1968." Discussion centered on the role of the manuscripts curator in the Society: on whether the Society in committee structure, programs, and publications devoted adequate attention to the special problems of manuscripts administration; and whether the Society is making a sufficient effort to bring the increasing number of manuscripts curators into more active participation in the general programs of the Society. The Council plans to have other chairmen of major special area and technical committees report at future Council meetings.

Mr. Evans brought up for consideration a personnel profile questionnaire that he and Mr. Warner have designed to provide a data file on SAA members for the general use of the Society and its committees. Mr. Evans moved that the questionnaire be circulated to all committee chairmen for their review of the data requests of the questionnaire and their suggestions of additional data requests that should be added to the document. The move was seconded by Mr. Warner and approved.

Mr. Evans also reported on a meeting concerning library network development sponsored by the United States Office of Education that he had attended on November 27, 1968, at the request of the secretary. The objective of the meeting was to get the endorsement of several prominent library agencies and other organizations concerned with information technology and dissemination for a Conference on Inter-Library Communications and Networks, which would be underwritten by a Federal grant to the American Library Association. Mr. Evans moved that the Society cooperate with the conference planning committee and appoint a representative if so requested by the committee. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kahn and approved.

The secretary, on behalf of Richard A. Erney, Chairman of the Local Arrangements Committee, reported on local arrangements for the 1969 annual meeting. The 3-day meeting will be held in Madison, Wis., on October 8-10. Wednesday will be devoted to committee workshops or discussion sessions and a luncheon session at which Gov. Robert W. Scott of North Carolina will be the speaker. A reception and the presidential banquet is scheduled for Thursday, and on Friday the Society will hold its annual business and awards luncheon.

Mr. Kahn, Chairman of the Program Committee, presented a progress report outlining tentative or suggested topics and sessions. He also suggested that the inaccurate use of the term "workshops" be discontinued in favor of "discussion sessions" or some other term.

The Council took up consideration of a proposed resolution instructing the Committee on Education and Training to prepare a grant request for funds to underwrite a study of archival training in the United States. The following resolution, moved by Mr. Warner and seconded by Mr. Smith, was unanimously adopted:

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*Resolved*, That the Chairman of the Committee on Education and Training is hereby requested to prepare a request for foundation funds for the purpose of a study of existing programs and the need for improved training of archivists, records managers, manuscript curators, and other curators of nonbook documentary material; that upon approval of the Finance Committee such request is authorized to be submitted by the president and secretary on behalf of the Society to the Council on Library Resources, Inc.; and that upon the decision to submit such request the president is authorized to appoint a project director and an advisory committee of from three to five members subject to confirmation by the Council of the Society at the April 1969 meeting.

Following discussion, the request from the Committee on Education and Training for Council approval of their statement of "Goals" was tabled until the Council has had an opportunity to review the foundation request the committee chairman has been directed to prepare.

The president, after turning the chair over to the vice president, introduced a resolution respectfully directing the attention of the incoming President of the United States to the nonpolitical character of the office of Archivist of the United States. The resolution was seconded by Mr. Evans, and following a thorough discussion the following was passed:

WHEREAS, the National Archives of the United States, first as an independent agency of the Federal Government and since 1949 as a part of the General Services Administration, has attained a position of world eminence in the discharge of its dual obligations of serving the agencies of government in the efficient management of their records and of acting as custodian and conservator of the recorded heritage of the nation; and

WHEREAS, the successful discharge of these administrative and cultural duties and the equal and impartial protection that must be given to the records of all three branches of Government require, first, that the person appointed to the office of Archivist of the United States be possessed of academic, professional, administrative, and technical competence of a high order and, second, that the incumbent of this office be given the same professional security of tenure that both custom and a proper regard for the public interest have accorded to the directing heads of similar cultural institutions such as the Library of Congress, the National Gallery of Art, and the Smithsonian Institution; and,

WHEREAS, professional security of tenure has in the past been continuously afforded to the four scholars who have previously held the Office of Archivist of the United States, now therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Council of the Society of American Archivists respectfully directs the attention of the President of the United States to the importance of the continuance and strengthening of this tradition by retaining in office the incumbent Archivist of the United States; and, be it further

*Resolved*, That the secretary of the Society of American Archivists, on behalf of the Council, be authorized to transmit copies of these resolutions to the President of the United States respectfully directing his favorable attention to the object proposed therein.

The Council directed the secretary to forward the resolution to appropriate personnel on the President-elect's staff.

President Jones introduced for discussion the question of Society representation at the International Roundtable Conference on Archives at Bucharest, September 23-25, 1969, which will deal with the administration of local archives. It was moved by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Evans that the Society invite Ernst Posner to represent the SAA at the Roundtable meeting and that the Society defray the delegate's roundtrip air fare between Zurich and Bucharest.

The secretary reviewed the numerous invitations his office has received for the 1971 annual meeting site. After giving consideration to such factors as membership development, convention accommodations, and points of local interest, the Council unanimously selected San Francisco as the site of the 1971 annual meeting.

President Jones announced that James B. Rhoads, Archivist of the United States,

will speak on the "Historian and the New Technology" at the SAA luncheon at the annual meeting of the Organization of American Historians in Philadelphia on April 17, 1969. At 9:30 a.m. on the same day the Council will hold its spring meeting.

With no further business, the Council adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

F. GERALD HAM, *Secretary*

#### OTHER PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

##### *International Council on Archives*

The ICA established a Tropical African Archival Study Group on July 1, 1968, with the assistance of a grant awarded by the Rockefeller Foundation. It is the purpose of the group to survey at first hand the current archival situation in tropical Africa, evaluate the prospects for sound archival development there, and publish a report on its findings for an objective basis of support for necessary technical assistance efforts. The group consists of four members: Jeffery Ede, Deputy Keeper, Public Record Office, London; Jean Glénison, Director of the former Archives of French Equatorial Africa in the 1950's, Paris; Charles Kecskeméti, Secretary, ICA, Paris; and Morris Rieger, Deputy Secretary General, ICA, Washington. By the end of February 1969 group members had visited almost all of the countries of tropical Africa. It is expected that their comprehensive report, now in preparation, will be published early in 1970.

Étienne Sabbe, ICA President from 1964 to 1968 and Honorary Archivist General of Belgium, died in Courtrai, Belgium, on January 15. An obituary of Dr. Sabbe will appear in a later issue.

##### *American Historical Association*

Some 6,000 members attended sessions of the 83d annual meeting held December 28-30 in New York City. At a session on "The National Archives and the Historical Profession," Lester J. Cappon of the Institute of Early American History and Culture reviewed problems and achievements of the National Archives and Records Service and expressed the hope that the National Archives would continue to set a pace for State and local archival programs. Dr. Cappon also mentioned the study of NARS sponsored jointly by the AHA, OAH, and SAA. The study was published in February as *The Records of a Nation: Their Management, Preservation, and Use*.

##### *Manuscripts Society*

The society has issued a new brochure *What is Autograph Collecting?* containing information concerning methods of authentication, acquisition, repair, and preservation and other aspects of collecting. Copies of the brochure can be obtained from Kenneth W. Rendell, 62 Bristol Rd., Somerville, Mass. 02144.

##### *Oral History Association*

The third national colloquium, sponsored by the association and the University of Nebraska, was held November 22-25, 1968, in Lincoln. Speakers included Allan Nevins, Senior Associate, Huntington Library, on "New Directions for Oral History" and James B. Rhoads, Archivist of the United States, on "Some Thoughts on the Oral History Movement."

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*Archives Advisory Council*

The newly created Council has the following members: James B. Rhoads, Archivist of the United States, chairman; Sidney Fine and Norman A. Graebner, American Historical Association; John Hope Franklin and Roy F. Nichols, Organization of American Historians; Charles E. Lee, Society of American Archivists; Richard A. Erney, American Association for State and Local History; Harold Lasswell, American Political Science Association; Harold F. Williamson, American Economic Association; Sam Bass Warner, Jr., Social Science Research Council; Bell I. Wiley, Southern Historical Association; Jean Stephenson, National Genealogical Society; and Rodman W. Paul, Western History Association. Public members are Arthur Goldberg, Louis Morton, and Burke Marshall.

*The National Archives*

The National Archives has begun a large microfilm publication project—the Revolutionary War pension and bounty-land warrant application files—as a part of its contribution to the forthcoming bicentennial celebration of the Revolutionary War; as a means of making the records more readily available to research and genealogical libraries, universities, and individual researchers; and as a means of preserving a historically valuable group of documents from possible loss and from the deterioration that constant use brings. Work on this filming project began in January 1969 and will, it is estimated, extend over a period of about 4 years if there are no unforeseen complications. Two microfilm publications will result: (1) the complete contents of each file, and (2) documents selected from each file as being the most significant from the genealogist's point of view. The latter publication will be available for purchase at a fraction of the cost of the former. From the shorter publication the agency also plans to make available paper print-outs of a quality similar to that of the electrostatic copies now offered at \$1 a file (ordered on GSA Form 6751, formerly NAR-288).

Recent National Archives accessions include bills, resolutions, documents, and reports of the United States Senate for the 88th–90th Congresses; records of various Senate committees, 80th–90th Congresses; records of the Office of the Federal Register consisting of Presidential proclamations, orders, and other documents, 1961–63; correspondence, reports, charters, bylaws, and other records of the Comptroller of the Currency relating to the establishment and voluntary closing of national banks, 1863–1967; records of several offices of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, including annuity payment rolls, land appraisements, constitutions and bylaws of various Indian tribes, and other documents relating to the operation of the Bureau, ca. 1854–1966; records from the deed file of the Land and Water Rights Division of the National Park Service concerning national cemeteries and historical sites and parks, 1865–1952; records of the Forest Service consisting of deeds and opinions of the Attorney General on land acquired for national forests, 1966–67; records of the Office of the Chief of Engineers consisting of published topographic maps created by the Mississippi River Commission and covering areas along the Mississippi River, 1880–1900; papers of Omar N. Bradley relating to his activities as Chief of Staff, U.S. Army, and as the Administrator of Veterans Affairs, Veterans Administration, 1945–48; and papers of Maxwell D. Taylor relating to his service as Chief of Staff, American Forces in Europe (1949), Com-

mander of the American Military Government and Army Forces in Berlin (1949–51), Deputy Chief of Staff, U.S. Army (1951–53), Commander U.S. Army Forces, Far East (1954), United States and United Nations Commander Far East (1955), and Chief of Staff, U.S. Army (1955–59). ¶ Records that have been microfilmed by the National Archives recently include Records of the Department of State Relating to Internal Affairs, 1910–29, of British Asia (21 rolls) and of Siam (18 rolls); and Internal Revenue Assessment Lists for Arkansas, 1865–66 (2 rolls) and the Territory of Colorado, 1862–66 (3 rolls). ¶ The National Archives recently published the *Guide to the Archives of the Government of the Confederate States of America*, compiled by Henry Putney Beers, a companion volume to the 1962 *Guide to Federal Archives Relating to the Civil War*. The guide to Confederate archives may be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402, at \$3.75 a copy. The National Archives also recently issued the following preliminary inventories: no. 170, *Records Relating to International Boundaries*, compiled by Daniel T. Goggin, and no. 171, *Records of the Solicitor of the Treasury*, compiled by George S. Ulibarri. Copies of the preliminary inventories and further information about National Archives microfilm publications may be obtained from the Publications Sales Branch, The National Archives, Washington, D.C. 20408.

### *Herbert Hoover Library*

The Library recently accessioned the diary kept by Col. Arthur Woods while Chairman of the President's Committee for Employment, 1930–31.

### *Franklin D. Roosevelt Library*

Elizabeth R. Drewry, Director of the Library, retired on February 28, 1969, after more than 8 years of service in this position. Her Government service began in 1936 when she joined the staff of the National Archives. Fellow of the Society of American Archivists, Dr. Drewry has been the recipient of several awards, including the General Services Administration Awards for Superior Accomplishment (1958) and Distinguished Service (1964) and the Federal Woman's Award (1965).

### *Harry S. Truman Library*

Recent accessions include papers of Edwin G. Arnold, who served in the Farm Security Administration, the Department of Agriculture, and the Economic Cooperation Administration, 1933–56; James P. Aylward, Missouri State Democratic Committee Chairman and Democratic National Committeeman from Missouri, 1932–36; and Willa Mae Roberts, Democratic National Committeewoman from Missouri, 1934–56.

### *Dwight D. Eisenhower Library*

Recent accessions by the Library include records of Eisenhower's office, 1967; get-well and birthday cards received by Eisenhower, 1968; the diary of E. Frederic Morrow, White House Administrative Officer, Special Projects Group, and drafts and proofs of his book, *Black Man in the White House* (1963), that was based on the diary; records of the President's Commission on Veterans Pensions; records of the Eisenhower Foundation, 1947–67; a narrative history of the administration of Sixth Army Group Headquarters and Sixth Army Group combat operations

during World War II; the card index to the records of the U.S. Army Chief of Staff, 1921-42; and microfilm copies of records (1941-45) of the Administrative History Collection and of the memoirs of Maj. Gen. Charles Hunter Gerhardt.

On June 6 and 7, 1969, a special program at the Library will begin the observance of the 25th anniversary of the D-day landing by Allied forces in World War II. The program will bring together leading military historians to discuss various phases of the landing. The keynote speaker will be Forrest C. Pogue, Director of the George C. Marshall Foundation and Library. Special displays related to D-day are being constructed for the Library and the Eisenhower Museum and will be open to the public through the summer of 1969.

#### *Office of the Federal Register*

The 1967 volume of the *Public Papers of the Presidents of the United States* has been issued. It contains verbatim transcripts of Presidential news conferences, public messages and statements, messages to Congress, and other selected papers released by the White House during 1967. The 1,228-page volume, fully indexed, consists of two books. Book 1 covers the period from January 1 through June 30, 1967, and sells for \$8.75; Book 2 covers the second half of the year and sells for \$8. Similar volumes are available covering the administrations of Presidents Truman, Eisenhower, and Kennedy, and the first 3 years of President Johnson's administration. Present plans call for extending the series back to 1928, covering the Hoover and Roosevelt administrations. All printed volumes in the series are sold by the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402. Prices for the individual volumes vary.

#### *National Historical Publications Commission*

Continuing support was recommended by the Commission at its meeting on November 29, 1968, for three letterpress publication projects and seven microfilm publication projects. ¶Professional endorsement was given to a proposal of the Rutgers University School of Law for a letterpress publication of the selected papers of Joseph P. Bradley (1813-92), an Associate Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court from 1870 until his death, and to a proposal of Cornell University for the microfilm publication of the papers of Goldwin Smith (1823-1910), historian, journalist, and professor. ¶The Commission adopted a resolution recommending the compilation and publication of volumes of the *Public Papers of the Presidents of the United States* for the administrations of Presidents Herbert Hoover and Franklin D. Roosevelt.

The Council of the American Historical Association has designated Prof. Arthur Link of Princeton University, editor of *The Papers of Woodrow Wilson*, as one of its two representatives on the Commission. His 4-year term began on January 1, 1969.

Seven Commission Fellows in Advanced Editing of Documentary Sources in American History have been selected for 1969/1970. Their names and the editors and editorial enterprises with which they will serve are Richard E. Beringer of California State College, Hayward: The Papers of Jefferson Davis, Rice University, Frank E. Vandiver, editor; Roger D. Bridges of the University of South Dakota: The Papers of Ulysses S. Grant, Southern Illinois University, John Y. Simon, editor; B. Richard Burg of Arizona State University: The Adams Family Papers, Massachusetts Historical Society, Lyman H. Butterfield, editor in chief;



Richard W. Etulain of Eastern Nazarene College: *The Papers of Daniel Webster*, Dartmouth College, Charles M. Wiltse, editor; Stuart B. Kaufman of Texas A & M University: *The Papers of Booker T. Washington*, University of Maryland, Louis R. Harlan, editor; David E. Maas of the University of Wisconsin: *The Papers of the First Federal Election*, University of Wisconsin, Merrill Jensen, editor; Eugene P. Trani of Southern Illinois University: *The Papers of Woodrow Wilson*, Princeton University, Arthur S. Link, editor.

### *Office of Records Management*

Reports from Federal departments and agencies show that there are 27.7 million cubic feet of records held by the Government. This represents an annual 4 percent increase for each of the last 2 years. The greater volume was attributed mainly to expanding operations of existing programs, such as social security and veterans benefits, and to new programs, such as Medicare and Vietnam military activities.

Archives branches have been authorized in Federal records centers except for Mechanicsburg and the National Personnel Records Center, St. Louis. The branch holdings will be available for research. ¶ Symposia emphasizing the research value of records to be in the Archives branches of the Federal records centers are being held for the scholarly community. Recent ones under the cosponsorship of some of the centers and universities in their local areas were held at Columbia, S.C., Ohio Wesleyan University, and the University of Missouri at Kansas City.

A national symposium sponsored by the National Archives and Records Service on "Improving Paperwork Using Remote Terminals" will be held at the Washington Hilton Hotel in Washington, D.C., on June 9-11, 1969. Speakers from both Government and industry will discuss the latest technological advances in this new field. Case studies utilizing remote terminals as the manager's tool will be given. Remote terminal equipment will be highlighted in an exhibit of office equipment that will be held concurrently with the symposium. Inquiries should be directed to Osmond Newgard, Office of Records Management, National Archives Building, Washington, D.C. 20408.

The Office of Records Management recently conducted a 2-week workshop at San Juan, Puerto Rico, under the auspices of the Bureau of the Budget of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. The purpose of the workshop was to train management analysts in techniques for conducting recordkeeping surveys to improve the current recordkeeping and disposition of Commonwealth records.

The Office has also completed a 6-week recordkeeping systems survey of the headquarters offices of the International Labor Office (ILO) in Geneva, Switzerland. This specialized agency of the United Nations required assistance in developing a program for modernizing its recordkeeping operations and correcting existing records problems. A detailed report was prepared outlining courses of action needed to achieve effective recordkeeping within ILO.

### STATE AND LOCAL ARCHIVES OF THE UNITED STATES

#### *California*

W. N. Davis, Jr., Chief of Archives at the State Archives, received an award from the California Historical Society at its annual meeting in January for his work at the Archives relating to administration and preservation. During the spring semester he will again conduct a proseminar at Sacramento State College on the uses of national and State archives. The aims are to improve communications



among archivist, scholar, and teacher, and to strengthen the research competence of history students.

### *Connecticut*

The State Library has processed and cataloged the following archives: records of the Connecticut Committee of the Pay Table, 1775-88; Comptroller's Office records, 1775-99; General Assembly dockets, 1826-37; and Connecticut Bar Examining Committee, applications for admission to the Connecticut bar, June 1961-June 1968.

### *Delaware*

The Public Archives Commission in Dover has received an addition of 130 items (1947-51; 1964) to the Raymond B. Phillips papers.

### *Florida*

On October 28, 1968, Secretary of State Tom Adams transferred the custody of an estimated 100,000 documents relating to Florida to Robert Williams, Director of the new Board of Archives and History. The records, assembled and cataloged by Mr. Adams, will be temporarily placed in the old Leon County jail.

### *Indiana*

Lawrie G. Meldrum, Assistant State Archivist since 1959, has succeeded Margaret Pierson, State Archivist since 1942.

### *Maine*

The completion of the Maine State Cultural Building in June 1970 will provide facilities for a professional archival operation, with a computer and modern photographic and preservation laboratories. Objectives of the planned statewide archival program include improvement in State and local records management; selection, preservation, and servicing of permanently valuable records; and technical assistance to governmental and nongovernmental institutions. The Archives will also conduct seminars, workshops, and training courses, and will publish reports, guides, and manuals.

### *Mississippi*

At a hearing of the Congressional Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs regarding the proposed Gulf Islands National Seashore, Charlotte Capers, Director of the Department of Archives and History, discussed the historical significance of several Gulf islands.

### *Nebraska*

Accessions of the State Historical Society have included the following: records of the State Education Association, 1895-1937; and Assessors' books (1880-1912) of the Washington County Assessor at Blair. Among gifts were Aspinwall family papers (1790's-1960's); Woxon family papers (1828-1930's); and papers (1959-67) of Sen. Kenneth Bowen pertaining to Red Cloud. ¶ The society has microfilmed the records (1875-91) of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and the records (1885-1908; 1930-47) of the Town Board of Trustees of Roca. ¶ On October 26 State

Archivist Duane Reed took part in a panel discussion on machine-language records at the Fourth Annual Symposium on Archival Administration in Kansas City, Mo.

#### *North Carolina*

H. G. Jones, Director of the Department of Archives and History and 1968-69 president of the Society of American Archivists, received an Award of Merit from the American Association for State and Local History for his book, *For History's Sake: The Preservation and Publication of North Carolina History, 1663-1903*. ¶ On December 27 Dr. Jones was guest of honor at a New York City luncheon given by Atheneum Publishers to announce publication of his book, *The Records of a Nation* [see *American Archivist*, 32:78 (Jan. 1969)].

The North Carolina State Department of Archives and History in March completed its move into the new Archives and History-State Library Building. Formal dedication ceremonies will be conducted by Gov. Robert W. Scott on Thursday, May 15. An eight-page leaflet containing floor plans is available for the asking from the director of the Department.

The Society of American Archivists is getting a lot of exposure in North Carolina this year. President H. G. Jones, instead of accepting the low license plate number as the director of the Department of Archives and History, chose the number SAA-1.

Among recent Department accessions are papers of L. Polk Denmark and three volumes of minutes (1875-1900) of the Excelsior Lodge of Raleigh. ¶ The first four volumes of *Records of the Moravians in North Carolina*, edited by Adelaide L. Fries, have been reprinted and are available at \$5 each from the Department. Now available without charge is the *Thirty-second Biennial Report of the North Carolina Department of Archives and History, July 1, 1966, to June 30, 1968*. Orders for both publications should be sent to the Division of Publications, State Department of Archives and History, Box 1881, Raleigh 27602. Add 25c for handling charges on orders of \$2 or more. ¶ The Department's Colonial Records Project received a \$50,000 grant from the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation for use in locating, inventorying, and securing photocopies of North Carolina colonial records in overseas repositories and elsewhere.

#### *Oklahoma*

Recent accessions of the Division of Archives, Oklahoma Department of Libraries, include records (1940-53) of the 45th Division; papers (1907-60) of the Governors; State supreme court decisions, 1890-1935; and miscellaneous records (1890-1947) of the secretary of state.

Robert L. Clark, assistant archivist, is the first staff archivist employed since the Department was designated in 1937 as the official archival depository.

#### *South Carolina*

The County Records Survey Division has been created within the Department. It will develop a program to assist public officials in preserving and using records of permanent value. The supervisor of the division is Julian L. Mims, a former history teacher in the Columbia (S.C.) public schools.

#### *South Dakota*

Negotiations were completed last autumn between the State Historical Society and the Board of Directors of the Wessington Springs Academy providing for the deposit of the school's records with the society.

*Tennessee*

The State Library and Archives at Nashville has available a free brochure describing the official papers of the Governors of Tennessee that are deposited in its Archives and Records Management Section.

*Texas*

John M. Kinney has been appointed director of State Archives at the Texas State Library. He succeeded Charles W. Corkran who is now on the staff of the Lyndon B. Johnson Library.

*Wisconsin*

Additions to State archives include: records of liquidated State-chartered credit unions, 1956-63; and scrapbooks of Gov. Warren P. Knowles, 1964-68.

## CHURCH ARCHIVES

Reported by William B. Miller

Items for this section should be sent direct to William B. Miller,  
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*Baptist*

The Fleming Library of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, 2001 West Seminary Dr., Fort Worth, Tex., has received the manuscript files of the late E. Leslie Carlson, a former professor at the seminary. The seminary is also presently indexing the E. D. Head collection. ¶ Marian Keegan is the library assistant in charge of the archives of the Dargan-Carver Library, 127 Ninth Ave., Nashville, Tenn. ¶ Letters, programs, and speeches of the Baptist Foreign Mission Centennial in Indiana, 1792-1892, have been acquired by the B. F. Hamilton Memorial Library, Franklin College, Ind. In addition to the yearly minutes of many associations of Baptist churches, there are church minutes of early Indiana from 1799. ¶ R. A. McLemore, president emeritus of Mississippi College, has been appointed executive secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Historical Commission located in the Leland Speed Library, Mississippi College, P.O. Box 51, Clinton, Miss. A complete file of publications by Mississippi Baptists and a number of manuscripts relating to the life of the Baptists are located in this archives.

*Roman Catholic*

Msgr. John J. Doyle has been appointed Archivist and Historian of the Archives of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, 1350 North Pennsylvania St., Indianapolis, Ind. 46206. Monsignor Doyle is arranging the materials of his predecessor, Rev. Robert J. Gorman. ¶ The Reverend Don Lenmore has been named Archivist of the Diocese of Grand Island, Box 996, Grand Island, Neb. 66801. ¶ Documents pertaining to the early development of the Catholic Church in Iowa may be found in the Archives of the Diocese of Davenport, 412 Brady St., Davenport, Iowa 52801. ¶ Letters, correspondence, and official documents (1820-1910) of Catholic bishops in Pittsburgh are located at the Diocesan Archives, Diocese of Pittsburgh, 111 Boulevard of the Allies, Pittsburgh, Pa. 15222. The Reverend Edward T. McSweeney is in charge. ¶ The Reverend John J. Shellem is curator of the American Catholic Historical Society, St. Charles Seminary, Philadelphia, Pa. 19151. Re-

cently accessioned was the correspondence of the Hon. William Ball, Chief Counsel for the Catholic Bishops of Pennsylvania, concerning legislation of interest to the Catholic Church.

### *United Church of Christ*

New air-conditioned facilities and microfilm equipment have been acquired by the Congregational Library, which has the archives of the Congregational-United Church of Christ, and is located at 14 Beacon St., Boston, Mass. 02108. The archives contains books, pamphlets, periodicals, and some manuscripts relating to Congregational and New England history from the 16th through the 20th centuries. Custodian of the archives is the Reverend John A. Harrer.

### *Protestant Episcopal*

Historical materials of the Massachusetts Diocese and the Protestant Episcopal Church are located at 1 Joy St., Boston, Mass. 02108. ¶ Descriptions of sections of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society papers, compiled by H. Ren Kent and Dolores Haywood, have been published in the *Historical Magazine* by the Church Historical Society, P.O. Box 2247, Austin, Tex. 78767. Sections described are the Domestic papers, 1835-1911, the Liberia papers, 1822-1911, and the Mexican papers, 1878-ca. 1911. ¶ The Venerable David L. Powell, 309 North Walnut St., Medicine Lodge, Kans. 67104, is Historiographer of the Diocese of Western Kansas. Historians from each of the churches in the diocese are in the process of compiling reports of their church histories.

### *Society of Friends*

Significant accessions acquired by the Society of Friends Archives at Earlham College, Richmond, Ind., include the Homer L. Morris papers and papers of the Associate Executive Committee of Friends on Indian Affairs. A unique feature of the Archives is a series of exhibitions utilizing approximately 30 feet of panels and exhibition cases. Materials have been assembled from the archives collections depicting the extensive resources available for research. ¶ The New England Yearly Meeting of Friends Archives and Historical Records, temporarily located in the John Carter Brown Library, Brown University, has the records (some 600 volumes) of Friends Meetings in New England since 1656. Thyra Jane Foster has been appointed Custodian of the Archives. ¶ The minutes of the Board of Trustees of Wilmington College and the records of the National Normal University, formerly at Lebanon, Ohio, have been added to the Quaker Collection and College Archives, Wilmington College, Wilmington, Ohio. The Archives also holds the monthly, quarterly, and yearly minutes of the Wilmington Meetings.

### *Lutheran*

E. F. Schaefer, 1411 South Willow, Sioux Falls, S. Dak. 57105, has been appointed District Archivist-Historian for the South Dakota District of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. The archives has a complete set of district convention proceedings of the Minnesota-Dakota District since 1882. ¶ The Reverend S. Kendrick Clarke was appointed Archivist for the District of Montana, Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, succeeding the Reverend R. D. Pauling. Mr. Clarke's address is 225 South Black Ave., Bozeman, Mont. 59715.

*Presbyterian*

The Louisville Presbyterian Seminary, 1044 Alta Vista Rd., Louisville, Ky. 40205 has the early records of the Transylvania Presbytery, records from 1802 of the Synod of Kentucky, and other early church records. Ernst M. White is librarian. ¶ The Presbyterian manuscript church records and related published materials, formerly located in the Pittsburgh [Pa.] Theological Seminary, have been deposited in the Archives of the Presbyterian Historical Society, Philadelphia, Pa. Included in the largest single shipment of manuscript judicatory records ever received by the society were the records of approximately two dozen synods, over one hundred presbyteries, and scores of individual congregations across the Nation.

*Unitarian-Universalist*

The Unitarian-Universalist Association at 25 Beacon St., Boston, Mass. 02108, has announced the appointment of Allen Seaburg as Archivist.

*Other*

A collection consisting of the works of Dwight L. Moody and others associated with his ministry is located at 820 North LaSalle St., Chicago, Ill. 60610. P. Paul Snezek is head librarian.

The Michigan Historical Collections, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich., contains many manuscripts and printed materials relating to the Presbyterian Church, the Protestant Episcopal Church, the Free Will Baptists, the Wesleyan Methodists, the Disciples of Christ, the Congregational-Christian Church, and the United Church of Christ and smaller collections relating to the Baptists and Methodists in Michigan. Recently received were papers of the American Home Missionary Society, 1825-46 and 1848-53.

## GENERAL MANUSCRIPT COLLECTIONS

Reported by Herbert Finch

Items for this section should be sent direct to Dr. Herbert Finch, Curator and Archivist, Olin Library, Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y. 14850.

Cooperation among manuscript repositories is a topic of frequent and often heated discussion wherever archivists and curators gather. In practice, however, it is seldom the basis for actions. Happily, the news in this column reports some significant results of such cooperation. Without pursuing the matter to the point of a preachment it is hoped that these examples may stimulate the rest of the profession to consider possibilities for cooperation that will serve the general cause of scholarship and the advancement of learning. The attention of the profession is also directed to the Association for Recorded Sound Collections *Journal*, vol. 1, nos. 2/3 (Summer/Fall 1968). Most of the issue is devoted to the report of the Education and Standards Committee, which is an effort to introduce "order and integrity in the long term task of preserving the cultural heritage . . ." For a profession that has talked for years about standards, perhaps the example of a younger organization's forthright plunge will provide us with the fortitude we need.

I wish to acknowledge the assistance of Douglas Bakken, Associate Curator of the Collection of Regional History and University Archives at Cornell, in the compilation of the notes for this issue.

*Personnel*

Anthony S. Nicolosi, formerly Assistant Curator of Special Collections in the Rutgers University Library, has been appointed as Curator of Historical Manuscripts and Archives for the newly created Archives of Records and Historical Manuscripts in the **Naval War College**, Newport, R.I. Susan T. Sommer has been appointed head of the rare books and the manuscripts collection of the Toscanini Memorial Archives, Music Division, **New York Public Library** at Lincoln Center. Gerald G. Newborg has been appointed to the position of archives specialist in the Archives and Manuscripts Division of the **Ohio Historical Society**. Glenn B. Skillin and John Janitz, both formerly with the Maine Historical Society, have joined the technical staff of the Manuscript Division, **Syracuse University Library**. M. Gary Bettis is the new Curator of Manuscripts, **University of Washington Libraries**. The **State Historical Society of Wisconsin** has appointed William H. Applegate Assistant Director responsible for development, public relations, legislative liaison, and Federal programs.

*Collections*

The **Archives of American Art** has acquired the following material: papers (1881-1922) of Alexander Doyle, sculptor of public monuments; papers of Leon Kroll (1884- ), figure painter; papers of George L. K. Morris (1905- ), founder and active member of the American Abstract Artists; and records (1958-67) of the Poindexter Gallery. The **American Jewish Archives** has acquired the Leon Laizer Watters (1877-1967) collection. Much of it is Watters' correspondence with Prof. and Mrs. Albert Einstein.

The Regional Oral History Office, **University of California, Berkeley**, has completed interviews with Edward and Robert Grabhorn as part of a continuing project in books and fine printing in the San Francisco area. The **State Historical Society of Colorado** recently acquired copies of more than 400 pictures relating to North Park through the courtesy of Eva Mariette and the Jackson County Pioneers' Association. The papers of former New York Gov. Herbert H. Lehman (1878-1963) have been given to **Columbia University** by Mrs. Lehman and will be preserved in the Edward J. Noble School of International Affairs now under construction. Through the cooperation of the New York Public Library and the Museum of the City of New York, material from their collections relating to Lehman is also being placed at Columbia. A brochure, *The Herbert H. Lehman Papers: An Introduction, Checklist and Guide*, is available from the curator, William B. Liebmann. The East Asian Library of the university has received a 6,000-item collection of Chinese manuscripts and books from Gen. Han-hun Li, former Governor of Kwangtung Province. Recent accessions of the **Connecticut Historical Society** include 12 letters, 1832-35, from Gideon Welles to William Holabird, postmaster of Winchester, Conn.; and an addition to the Wadsworth papers of over 200 pieces of correspondence of Jeremiah Wadsworth. The collection of materials for a selective letterpress edition of the papers of Gov. Jonathan Trumbull (1710-85) has begun under the sponsorship of the **Connecticut State Library** and the **University of Connecticut**, with the endorsement of the National Historical Publications Commission. Editors for the project are Albert E. Van Dusen (University of Connecticut) and Glenn Weaver (Trinity College, Hartford). Scholars knowing the location of Trumbull items are asked to write the editors at the Connecticut State Library, Hartford 06115. **Cornell University**

has acquired some 400 letters, cards, and notes relating to George Bernard Shaw. The Collection of Regional History and University Archives at the university added records of the Otsego Forest Products Cooperative (1937-63) and of the Mid-Hudson Forest Products Cooperative, both located in New York, records (1897-1953) of the Hinde and Dauch Paper Co., Sandusky, Ohio, and six rolls of microfilm (1813-1964) concerning the specialty papers work of the Knowlton Brothers, Watertown. The Cornell Program in Oral History is conducting a series of interviews relating to the history of the National Labor Relations Board and has completed interviews with Charles Fahy, David Saposs, Judge Warren Madden, and Edwin S. Smith.

The holdings of **Southern Illinois University Library** have been enhanced by the deposit of some 60,000 items (1888-1920) constituting the archives of Paul Carus and of the Open Court Publishing Co., La Salle.

The **New York State Historical Association** has acquired the papers of W. W. Christman, a rural poet; Lansing Christman, journalist and writer; and Henry Christman, historian. These papers, housed in the association's splendid new library, document rural life over many years and relate to the Christmans' individual literary efforts. The **New-York Historical Society** has received correspondence (1790-1851) of Benjamin and Selah Strong; correspondence (1846-82) of Rev. Horatio N. Dryer and family, Utica; papers (1847-54) of Benjamin H. Streeter, Wayne County; and papers (1837-58) of the De Groot family, New York City. A Federal grant of \$112,427 has been given to the **New York Public Library** to support its Schomburg Collection of Negro Literature and History. Located at 103 West 135th St., the collection contains more than 45,000 volumes, thousands of manuscripts, photographs, broadsides, and record albums, and related material on Negro culture.

The papers of George A. Bartlett (1869-1951), which reflect not only his long career in the legal profession but also his involvement in Nevada mining and in political affairs as a Democratic Congressman, 1907-11, have been acquired by the **University of Nevada**. The university was also presented with the papers (1918-36) of Noble H. Getchell who served as a Nevada State senator and was active in developing mining interests in northeastern Nevada.

The **Historical Society of Pennsylvania** has announced an addition to the papers of Tench Coxe (1755-1824); they are family business papers including the complete record of a Pennsylvania anthracite coal mining operation. The society also acquired additional William Penn manuscripts. **Pennsylvania State University** has acquired the papers of the United Steelworkers of America and such related collections as those of Msgr. Charles Owen Rice, the Pennsylvania AFL-CIO, the Boot and Shoemakers Union, Cigarmakers Union, Order of Railway Conductors, and Brotherhood of Painters. **Princeton University Library** has acquired the final working manuscript of James Gould Cozzens' *Morning Noon and Night*. A number of Ezra Pound letters and related items spanning the years 1952 through 1957 were recently added to the holdings of **Simon Fraser University Libraries**, Burnaby, B.C. **Temple Buell College**, Denver, is the repository for the archives of the Park Hill Action Committee and also for the manuscripts, correspondence, and other papers of novelist William E. Barrett. Correspondence (1862-63) from Edward Payson Clark to his wife in Georgia, Vt., was microfilmed by the **Vermont Historical Society**. Most of the letters describe Army life and were written while Clark was serving in northern Virginia. The **University of Virginia** accessioned



the records (1896-1916) of the Seawright Magnesians Lithia Springs Co., Staunton, and papers (1968) of the Virginians for McCarthy organization including correspondence, clippings, and the memoir of the chairman, Murat Williams. **Washington University**, St. Louis, announces that the Samuel Beckett papers have been described, and that unpublished registers are available of the papers of Elizabeth Jennings, Babette Deutsch, Robert Duncan, George P. Elliott, Stanley Elkin, and Alexander Trocchi.

The records (1935-54) of the Civil Rights Congress of Michigan are in the Labor History Archives, **Wayne State University**. Other acquisitions include records of affiliates of both the American Federation of Teachers and the National Education Association, the papers of union official Arthur Elder, and records of the Association of Catholic Trade Unionists, Detroit Chapter. The **Western Reserve Historical Society** has acquired the papers of George H. Bender, U.S. Representative and Senator, 1920-60; Ralph S. Locher, Mayor of Cleveland, 1961-67; Ray T. Miller, Mayor of Cleveland and Cuyahoga County Democratic Chairman, 1912-66; Carl V. Weygandt, Ohio Supreme Court Judge, 1880-1968; and the records of the Consumers League of Ohio, 1910-60, and the Cuyahoga County Regional Planning Commission, 1927-59. The Manuscript Department also accessioned the autograph collection of Robert C. Norton and the manuscript journal of the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Reconstruction, January 11, 1868-March 3, 1869.

Commentary on Republican political activities, national elections, and life in West Virginia and Ohio is found in the diary (1880-85) of Lyman Stedman microfilmed by the **West Virginia University Library**. The library has also acquired Xerox copies of the McChesney papers (1853-1959); records (1903-24) of a general store at Cox's Mills; papers (1858-1913) of the Aaron D. Peterson family; and Xerox copies of papers (1700's-1800's) of Thomas Scott. The Swem Library, **College of William and Mary**, has the personal and professional papers (1921-68) of former Virginia Governor and U.S. Congressman William M. Tuck. Quarterly accessions to the Manuscripts section in the Division of Archives and Manuscripts of the **State Historical Society of Wisconsin** include: records (1941-67) of the Congress of Racial Equality; records (1950-68) of the Committee To Secure Justice for Morton Sobell; records (1932-40) of the Wisconsin Co-Operative Milk Pool; and studies of the Wisconsin State Census for 1905. Papers for the following individuals have been accessioned: Carl and Anne Braden, journalists and civil rights activists, 1928-67; Dickey Chapelle, journalist and war correspondent, 1933-68; Walter Graebner, journalist and writer, 1940-66; William Converse Haygood, writer and military correspondent, 1941-47; Chester K. Johnson, trade unionist, 1929-55; Jacob Munchin, attorney, 1942-56; Paul Rhymer, writer of radio and television serials, 1928-65; and Alan Schneider, New York theatrical director and producer, 1929-68.

Cooperation between two institutions interested in history have resulted in financing by **Western Jewish History Center**, Judah L. Magnes Memorial Museum, Berkeley, Calif., of a project to conduct oral history interviews with outstanding Jews of the San Francisco area. The Regional Oral History Office of the University of California at Berkeley is conducting interviews with Daniel E. Koshland and Mrs. Reuben Rinder.

*Publications*

The **Historical Society of Pennsylvania** has revived the project to publish the papers of William Penn and will carry on the work with financial aid from the American Philosophical Society. The first step will be to acquire copies of Penn letters and documents. Persons having knowledge of Penn material are asked to contact the society so that arrangements can be made to copy these items. The society has completed a microfilm edition of the papers of the founder's son Thomas Penn. The **Vermont Historical Society** has published *Your Son, Calvin Coolidge*, which contains 146 letters written by Coolidge to his father from October 1887 to January 20, 1926. A recent microfilm publication is the *Records and Deliberations of the Cabildo (New Orleans), 1769-1803*; the four rolls of English translation and three rolls of Spanish typescript are available from the New Orleans Public Library, 219 Loyola Ave., for \$7.50 a roll. *A Guide to the Public Affairs Collection of the Minnesota Historical Society* is available from the society in St. Paul, Minn. [reviewed in this issue, p. 163.—Ed.].

## SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL MANUSCRIPTS

Reported by Maynard J. Brichford

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*American Institute of Physics*

A study of the scientific and social development of the fields of nuclear and particle physics is underway at the Center for History and Philosophy of Physics, supported by a 2-year grant from the National Science Foundation. The study is a joint project of AIP and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. It will trace the conceptual, methodological, and institutional development of nuclear physics from its emergence as a major research field in the early 1930's through the development of subnuclear or particle physics as a major field in the postwar period. For information investigators will consult published literature, compilations of manpower data, biographical and bibliographical studies of individual physicists, personal correspondence and notebooks, and archives and records of institutions. Much of this material already is available in the Niels Bohr Library at the institute. Tape-recorded interviews will be conducted with several individuals who have played significant roles in the development of nuclear and particle physics. Output during and after the study is expected to include reports and monographs on specific issues, collections and guides to original source materials, and conference proceedings. Techniques developed during the project will provide the basis for the study of other fields. Charles Weiner, Director of the Center, will head the study and will be assisted by another historian of science, Henry Small, and also by Elspeth Hart, formerly of the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn.

An exhibit has been prepared by the center staff to commemorate the centennial of the birth of George Ellery Hale (1868-1938). This unique exhibition of more than 100 items includes documents, letters, newspaper clippings, photographs, diaries, and published articles loaned by 12 institutions. These materials provide a glimpse of Hale's style of work, his personal motivations, his relationships with his contemporaries, and his influence on astrophysics and the overall growth of science and scientific institutions in the 20th century. A 24-page catalog of the exhibit has

been compiled by the center staff. The exhibit is a joint project of AIP and the American Association for the Advancement of Science with the cooperation of the Mount Wilson and Palomar Observatories. It will be on display in New York City at the Niels Bohr Library of the American Institute of Physics from January through April 1969, and at the Carnegie Institution of Washington in May 1969. Arrangements for the loan of a traveling version of the exhibit as well as the center's Michael Faraday Exhibit can be made by writing to the Niels Bohr Library, American Institute of Physics, 335 East 45th St., New York City 10017.

#### *American Philosophical Society*

In April 1968 the society library issued the first number of the *Mendel Newsletter, Archival Resources for the History of Genetics and Allied Sciences*, which is designed as a journal of information "to provide a cumulative record of archival material for the history of genetics" and related work in embryology, cytology, evolution, physiology, and biochemistry. The *Newsletter* will describe "the scope and accessibility of manuscript materials and other special collections" and will assess their importance. In the first issue William Coleman and Leslie C. Dunn note that historians are often aware of the need for preserving unpublished scientific archival materials and hope that the society's sponsorship of the *Newsletter* will encourage other institutions and individuals. The first number contains notes on Mendel research in Europe, the Edwin G. Conklin papers at Princeton, the Mid-Atlantic Seminar in the History of Biology, and the history of genetics collections of the American Philosophical Society.

#### *American Society of Civil Engineers*

The Committee on the History and Heritage of American Civil Engineering has initiated an oral history program to tape informal conversations with leading engineers. Begun on an informal basis in 1964, it has produced tapes of Samuel A. Greeley, civil and sanitary engineer; Ulysses S. Grant III, civil engineer and historian; James K. Finch, civil engineer and educator; Glen Edgerton, civil and military engineer; Harland Bartholomew, civil engineer and planner; Robert Imhoff, Swiss topographer; Adolph Voelking, Swiss research engineer; Clare Maillart, the daughter of a Swiss civil engineer; Stanley Hamilton, British civil engineer and historian; and Rowland P. Davis, civil engineer and educator. Photographs of the subjects and references to their works were collected whenever possible. The committee hopes to organize its oral history program formally in 1970 and plans to make the collected materials available to qualified scholars. It is hoped that as a minimum program all living honorary members of the society will be interviewed on tape and that as new honorary members are designated, oral history interviews will be undertaken.

#### *Cambridge University, England*

The personal papers of the late Sir John Cockcroft have been deposited in the library of Churchill College at Cambridge University. The collection, which is not yet organized for research, consists of 104 manuscript boxes and includes correspondence, notebooks, reports, and reprints documenting Sir John's contributions to nuclear physics and to other scientific interests over the past four decades. Other British physicists whose papers have been or will be deposited at Churchill College include Sir James Chadwick, Lise Meitner, Patrick M. S. Blackett, C. T. R. Wilson,

and Sir George P. Thomson. Several years ago, Sir John Cockcroft initiated the program of the college to assure preservation of sources for the history of science. It is under the direction of John Killen, Librarian, and Edwin Welch, Archivist. More detailed information on the contents of these collections and conditions of access may be obtained directly from them.

### *National Weather Records Center*

The National Weather Records Center (Asheville, N.C.) has recently borrowed and microfilmed the diaries of John Osborn, Union County, N.C., 1800–1802, and Samuel Miller, Swansea, Mass., 1840. Diaries of private citizens are frequently the only source of data or are valuable additions to the sparse data from early weather stations. ¶ Two copies exist of the 563 rolls of microfilm of weather records created under Federal sponsorship from 1820 until the creation of the Weather Bureau in the Department of Agriculture in 1891. The original negative is in the National Archives and a positive copy is at the center, where it is used extensively. ¶ During the period that Joseph Henry was Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, great advances were made toward the establishment of a national network of weather stations and in the collection or centralization of data records in Washington. Despite the systematic manner in which records from other locations were kept, only a very incomplete file of records created by the Smithsonian exists for Washington. During the period 1842–1913 somewhat less detailed observations than those sponsored by the Smithsonian were kept by the Naval Observatory so that these data are available for the gaps in the Smithsonian records. The Naval Observatory records are especially valuable because they extend over such a long period and because the Observatory was moved only once during the period. Recently the center borrowed this series from the National Archives for summarization and microfilming. When the records are returned, a copy of the microfilm will be deposited in the National Archives. ¶ The meteorological part of A. P. Mason's papers has been donated by his daughter, Alice P. Mason. Dr. Mason helped organize the New England Meteorological Society during the early 1880's and was a cooperative observer for the Weather Bureau at Fitchburg, Mass., from 1885 until 1924. A part of the collection that did not deal specifically with his meteorological interests was given to Harvard University. ¶ Case files resulting from typhoon reconnaissance flights by the U.S. Air Force during the period 1945–56 have been transferred to the center. ¶ A valuable and unique recent accession was the project files of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (NACA), Subcommittee on Lightning Hazards to Aircraft. The subcommittee was created during the early 1930's to study the problem of atmospheric electrical discharge to aircraft and to recommend measures that would improve the protection of aircraft against such discharges. The subcommittee studied about 170 cases of electrical discharges to aircraft. The collection consists of three general parts: (1) questionnaires beginning in 1935, including photographs of lightning damage, maps showing meteorological conditions and direction of flight, and sketches of course-of-current across the fuselage; (2) general files consisting of membership correspondence, minutes of meetings, progress reports, proposals for and correspondence about special projects, and reports of investigations of aircraft accidents; and (3) special projects files containing correspondence about a single subject, research project, or investigation; published reports from laboratories and manufacturers; and a copy of the official report on the May 6, 1937, "Hindenburg Accident" at Lakehurst, N.J.

## AMERICAN SOCIETY OF MICROBIOLOGY

Reported by L. S. McClung

*Archivist of the Society**Professor of Microbiology at Indiana University*

The present holdings of the Archives of the American Society of Microbiology include agenda and minutes of the society's council and business meetings, committee reports, correspondence of a few society presidents, photographs of all presidents and some early microbiological laboratories, a small number of representative laboratory manuals, programs of annual meetings and photographs of banquet groups at such meetings, obituaries and obituary notices concerning microbiologists, publication reprints of society presidents and other microbiologists, newsletters of the society and its local branches, membership lists and directories, various copies of the society's constitution, and approximately 500 books concerning microbiology published in the United States mainly before 1915.

In 1963 the Archives Committee of the society prepared a mimeographed list (134 p.) of the society's archival holdings and has issued annual supplementary lists concerning accessions. Copies of the lists can be obtained from the Archivist of the society. The archives are presently housed in the Lilly Rare Book Library of Indiana University (but not included in the catalog of the library) and are available for use with the exception of a small amount of material relating to living persons. Incomplete plans anticipate the eventual transfer of the archives to the recently purchased headquarters building of the society at 1913 I St. N.W., Washington, D.C.

Oral history activities under the society's archival program began as early as 1938 with tape recordings of sessions dealing with historical accounts of regional microbiological work. Because of interest stimulated in discussions of taped interviews during a conference on the history of microbiology in 1964, the society's Archivist was authorized to purchase a precision tape recorder for the purpose of expanding oral history activities. This device has been used to record symposia sessions on historical topics, interviews with present and former officers of the society, Council sessions, business sessions of annual meetings, and banquet programs, which include the annual presidential address.

## CANADA

Reported by Wilfred I. Smith

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*Public Archives of Canada*

**Retirement of William Kaye Lamb:** William Kaye Lamb, Dominion Archivist of Canada, retired from the Public Archives of Canada on January 15 after 20 years as head of this agency. Wilfred I. Smith has been appointed Acting Dominion Archivist.

Dr. Lamb, who was born in New Westminster, B.C., on May 11, 1904, attended the University of British Columbia (B.A., 1927; M.A., 1930), the Sorbonne in Paris, 1928-29, 1930-32; and the University of London (Ph. D., 1933). He was Provincial Librarian and Archivist of British Columbia from 1934 to 1940 and Librarian of the University of British Columbia from 1940 to 1948. He was

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appointed Dominion Archivist in October 1948, and while serving in this position he was the founder of the National Library and the first National Librarian from 1953 to 1968.

Under the direction of Dr. Lamb the Public Archives of Canada experienced its greatest period of development and was transformed into a centralized agency for the coordination of all aspects of records management from the origin of records to their destruction or preservation under the direct control of the Dominion Archivist. The scope of this development is indicated by a 10-fold increase in staff and an 18-fold increase in budget in the last 20 years.

Accessions to the Public Archives of Canada have multiplied, and Dr. Lamb has been personally responsible for many of them including the private papers of the Governors General and Prime Ministers in the last century. Among the developments that Dr. Lamb has promoted are the description of holdings by preliminary inventories, the Union List of Manuscripts in Canadian depositories, the register of dissertations in history and related fields, development of the archival profession through standardization of techniques, differentiation of professional and non-professional duties, archival training courses of national and international scope, expansion of an archival map collection, expansion of the photographic collection to several million items, and establishment of audiovisual archival units.

During Dr. Lamb's administration the Public Archives of Canada became an efficient organization in records management. He was responsible for developing a system for scheduling the disposition of records, the establishment of records centres, and the placement of control over records disposal under the Dominion Archivist. He also assumed direction of records management training and instituted advisory services and annual reports to the Canadian Cabinet on the state of records management in the Federal Government. Moreover, he initiated microfilming on a large scale and encouraged continued technical advances in its use.

The new National Library and Archives Building is to an unusual degree a result of Dr. Lamb's efforts. He not only obtained Government support and approval for it but was intimately involved in its design. Its official opening by the Prime Minister on June 20, 1967, was the peak of his career.

Dr. Lamb founded the quarterly, *British Columbia*, and was its editor from 1937 to 1946. He was president of the Canadian Library Association, 1947-48; Champlain Society, 1954-64; Canadian Historical Association, 1956-57; Society of Archivists (Great Britain), 1962-65; Society of American Archivists, 1964-65; and Royal Society of Canada, 1965-67. He has been a member and vice president of the International Council on Archives. He is probably Canada's best historical editor and the author of an impressive number of publications concerning exploration and the fur trade.

At an informal staff party on November 20, 1968, Dr. Lamb was presented an album containing a photographic record of highlights of his 20-year term as Dominion Archivist, a specially bound volume from the National Library, and a fresh supply of briefcases to commence the next stage of his productive and distinguished career.

**Exhibitions:** An exhibit commemorated the 100th anniversary of the birth of Henri Bourassa (1868-1952), journalist and politician, a famous French-Canadian nationalist whose oratory and writings focused on relations between the two founding nationalities in Canada and with Great Britain and the United States. An exhibition



of the "Gallery of Canadian History," a series of 40 paintings commissioned by the Confederation Life Association, attracted more than 50,000 visitors. Current exhibits feature the Bank of Montreal collection of drawings by R. D. Wilson that portray historic Canadian architecture and material relating to the career of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Prime Minister of Canada, 1896-1911, who died 50 years ago.

**Manuscript Division:** Recent accessions include: from French sources, microfilm copies of documents from the Archives Départementales, the Archives Nationales, the Archives des Colonies, and the Tabellionage de Honfleur et de Roncheville; from Canadian sources, papers of 19th-century Canadian families—Lagrange, Beattie, and Sibbald, and a microfilm copy of the Widdess-Widdis family papers, spanning 150 years. ¶ The Records Section of the Manuscript Division continues to acquire large departmental accessions including records from the Departments of Agriculture, Defence Production, Forestry, Labour, Marine, Public Works, Secretary of State, and Transport. In addition, this section has received papers from the Privy Council Office, the Treasury Board, the Canadian Centenary Council, the Board of Transport Commissioners, the Air Transport Board, and the Dominion Coal Board. ¶ A 2-week course in archives administration has been held for new archivists from February 10-25.

**Picture Division:** Recent accessions to the Historical Photographs Section include the donation of rare motion picture footage of the state funeral of Sir Wilfrid Laurier in 1919; the transfer of an extensive collection of photographs, films, and sound recordings from the Canadian Centennial Commission, providing excellent coverage of events and activities across the nation in 1967; and the transfer of the audiovisual records of the national headquarters of the Liberal Party of Canada. ¶ The National Film Collection Project was launched in February of this year. William Gallaway, Director of the Stock Shot Library of the National Film Board, has come to the Archives as project director. It is his objective and that of this project to select, acquire, and preserve the many thousands of feet of motion pictures of historical significance to Canada that were produced from the 1890's to 1950 and are now scattered throughout Canada, the United States, and Europe. Any information relating to the existence of such pictures would be appreciated. ¶ The several projects specifically relating to the collection of historical photographs now include the preparation of general subject guidelines to the Department of National Defence World War II collections and the evaluation, selection, and rephotographing of significant items in the collection relating to the Relief Projects of the 1930's. ¶ The Historical Sound Recordings Unit has recently undertaken a national survey of oral history programmes in progress or planned by archives, universities, libraries, and radio and television broadcasting networks. Replies to questionnaires are now being received. A report on the survey will be presented at the annual meeting of the Canadian Historical Association in June.

**Map Division:** The volume of recent accessions for both the Canadian Section and the Foreign Section has placed a heavy load on the Cataloguing Unit. The head of the Canadian Section, Maj. Courtney Bond, visited all major map repositories and map-producing agencies in 1968. It is expected that by mid-1969 a full collection of current cartographical information should reflect the growth of urban centres and of urban and regional planning bodies, together with the current increasing activity in mineral exploration and exploitation. The section has recently taken over the task of compiling the Canadian portion of the annual *Bibliographie car-*



*tographique internationale*, which is published in Paris. The Foreign Section continues to develop a comprehensive collection of contemporary cartographic material relating to the earth's surface. The Public Archives map classification system is being extended to include maps of every kind from every part of the world. The Head of the Section, Karen Edwards, is President of the Association of Canadian Map Libraries.

**Records Management Branch:** Toward the end of 1968 some interesting accessions were made by the Records Centre in Ottawa. Over 500 cu. ft. of engineering working drawings from the Canadian Corp. for the 1967 World Exhibition ("Expo") in Montreal were accessioned after being microfilmed by the Archives Central Microfilm Unit. Other records of "Expo" have been transferred to the Montreal Regional Records Centre. Magnetic tapes recorded at various ground stations from Canada's satellites Alouette I and II were transferred. About 3,600 cu. ft. of army militia service documents for the period 1913-63 were brought from the regional commands of the Department of National Defence. ¶ Four publications, on which the branch did most of the work, have been printed: *Government of Canada Disposal Arrangements for Business Records*; *General Records Disposal Schedules of the Government of Canada* (2d ed., 1968) for housekeeping or administrative records; *Mail Management in Government Departments and Agencies*; and *Records Scheduling and Disposal*. Another manual entitled *Records Organization and Operations* is now at the Queen's Printer.

### Alberta

**Provincial Archives:** During the last 6 months of 1968, accessions include the records of the Edmonton Y.M.C.A. and Y.W.C.A., the Provincial government's financial papers ca. 1905-23, records of the government's Centennial Branch and all Albertan projects ca. 1965-68, municipal district and school district records from the counties of Athabasca and Lethbridge, and 82 glass slides of Anglican parishes in the Peace River country ca. 1935. ¶ P. J. E. Cole joined the staff as an archivist in August and has the responsibility of building up the map collection. ¶ Progress is being made in printing negatives from the vast Brown and Pollard collections dating from ca. 1890. ¶ Thirty-four recommendations for the disposition of 11 government department records were made by the Public Documents Committee, 16 being for transfer to the Archives. Emphasis continues to be placed on the key role in departmental records matters to be played by Departmental Administrative Assistants and Secretary-Accountants (or their equivalents).

**Glenbow Foundation Archives:** The Canadian Historical Association met at the University of Calgary in June, and Sheleigh Jameson presented a paper on the history of ranching at a session of the Local History Section. She was reelected to the Executive of the Archives Section. Members of the Archives Section visited the Glenbow Archives and Library. ¶ During 1968 Glenbow Archives instituted a publication series. Of the three titles that have been produced two are preliminary inventories: *Western Stock Growers' Association Papers, 1896-1963*, and *Lomen Brother's Photographic Collection, Nome, Alaska, 1900-1935*. The third publication is *How To Prepare a Local History*, by Hugh Dempsey. ¶ Among recent accessions are papers and photographs of Long Lance, a Cherokee writer, lecturer, and actor; manuscript, photographic, and film material relating to oil development in Alberta, 1911-1940's; and papers relating to Rev. George and Rev. John McDougall, pioneer Methodist missionaries in Western Canada, 1853 to the early

1900's. ¶ **Archives of the Anglican Diocese of Calgary:** The archives have recently been placed in a centralized depository located in the library of the University of Calgary under the supervision of the Reverend David J. Carter, Anglican Chaplain to the university and Archivist of the diocese. The records include correspondence and financial files 1906-66 pertaining mainly to the diocesan office, relationships with parishes of the diocese, and clerical matters; a complete set of Diocesan Synod Journals, General Synod Journals, and Provincial Synod Journals; many parish registers of services, baptisms, confirmations, marriages, and burials (some containing brief parish histories); photographs and slides depicting most of the diocesan churches; and nine tapes of diocesan clergy and laity. The Archivist has recently published a diocesan history covering the years 1875-1968 entitled *Where the Wind Blows*, available at \$1.75.

#### *British Columbia*

**University of British Columbia:** The library has recently acquired papers of merchants in Dawson City during the Klondike gold rush and records of placer mining companies operating in the Klondike during the 1940's and 1950's.

#### *Ontario*

**McMaster University, Hamilton:** The Bertrand Russell Archive [see *American Archivist*, 31:345, 423; July, Oct. 1968] is attracting scholars from many disciplines. The archive contains 120,000 letters, undergraduate essays, articles and manuscripts, photographs, newspaper clippings, typescripts from other authors, and Lord Russell's 4,000-volume library (in his possession during his lifetime). A preliminary guide to the papers, including a short history of the archive and a biographical note on Lord Russell, is nearing completion. The catalogue prepared by his literary agent is available in short supply for \$45 from Continuum I Ltd., 25 Newman St., London W1, England. Further additions to the archive are being made, and gifts such as letters, personal reminiscences, and newspaper clippings are welcomed. Address the Editor, Bertrand Russell Archive, Mills Memorial Library, McMaster University, Hamilton, Ont., Canada.

#### *Quebec*

**Archives de la Chancellerie Archevêché de Montréal:** The Archives now has eight full-time staff members. Work on finding aids is progressing satisfactorily. Much interest has been shown towards the original classification system utilized in the Archives. ¶ A notable change in the restrictions for consultation occurred in October 1968. The collections, which were open to September 8, 1876, are now open to the end of 1896. ¶ The director has participated in several conferences and lectured in the course on religious archives at Laval University. Six articles have been published by the staff of the Archives based on its holdings.

A directory listing 192 libraries and special collections in Montreal is now available for \$3 from Special Libraries Association, Montreal Chapter, c/o Miss Mary Cullen, Chief Librarian, United Aircraft of Canada Ltd., P.O. Box 10, Longueuil, Que., Canada.

### PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION

#### *American University*

In cooperation with the National Archives and Records Service, Library of Congress, and the Maryland Hall of Records the department of history will sponsor

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the university's 23d Institute: Introduction to Modern Archives Administration from June 2 to June 13, 1969. The program of the institute, directed by Frank B. Evans of the National Archives and Records Service, will consist of lectures and discussion concerning theory, principles, and techniques of archives administration for modern documentary material of both public and private origin. More detailed information can be obtained from the Summer Archives Institute, Department of History, The American University, Washington, D.C. 20016.

The department of history in cooperation with the American Society of Genealogists, Maryland Hall of Records, and the National Archives and Records Service will also sponsor the university's 19th Institute of Genealogical Research from July 7 to July 25, 1969. The institute seeks to provide knowledge concerning accepted genealogical techniques, introduce students to unique types of source material in the National Archives and other Washington depositories, and acquaint them with the value of colonial, State, and county records for genealogical research. For further information write to: Secretary, Department of History, The American University, Washington, D.C. 20016.

#### *University of Chicago*

The university Graduate Library School will hold its 34th annual conference on August 4-6, 1969. This year's topic is "Deterioration and Preservation of Library Materials." There will be speakers on the deterioration of library collections, the nature of paper, environmental factors affecting the permanence of library materials, preserving photographic films and microforms, the promise and performance of alkaline printing papers, publishing on permanent papers, bookbinding practices as related to preservation, and new approaches to preservation. For a printed program and information about registration and lodging, write Conference Director, Graduate Library School, University of Chicago, 1116 East 59th St., Chicago, Ill. 60637.

#### *University of Denver*

The eighth annual Institute of Archival Studies will be held from July 27 to August 22, 1969. It will cover such subject areas as the historical background of archival development, careers in archives administration and related fields, principles of records administration, intergovernmental relations, new fields of research and interpretation, public relations, communication and cooperation among specialists and generalists, uses of resources, and complexities of retrieval. For detailed information write to Prof. Dolores C. Renze, Director, Institute of Archival Studies, 1530 Sherman St., Denver, Colo. 80203.

#### *University of Oklahoma*

The School of Library Science will conduct an institute on State library services and the relationship of State libraries to other libraries and government agencies beginning June 2 and ending June 20, 1969. Topics to be covered by the institute include archival services as well as other varied services provided by State libraries. Further information can be obtained from Mrs. Irma R. Tomberlin, Director, DHEW Institute, School of Library Science, University of Oklahoma, Norman, Okla. 73069.

*University of Oregon*

The School of Librarianship has been awarded a grant under the Federal Higher Education Act of 1965 to conduct an institute on "archival librarianship" beginning September 21, 1969, and ending August 14, 1970. The institute is designed to train 20 "superior college graduates" in the fundamentals of librarianship (24 hours) and the theory (9 hours) and practice (9 hours) of archival work. All applicants for participation in the institute will need to be fully admissible to the School of Librarianship of the university as candidates for the Master of Library Science degree. For further information write to Dean Leroy Charles Merritt, School of Librarianship, University of Oregon, Eugene, Ore. 97403.

*Stage technique internationale d'archives*

The 19th session of the international archival training course conducted at the National Archives in Paris will begin on January 5, 1970, and continue through March. The course will be open to foreign archivists and students as well as French archivists and departmental officials. It will include lectures, projects, visits to various units of the National Archives, and discussions concerning the work of certain ministries and the archives of several nongovernmental agencies.

Foreign archivists and students wishing to participate in this training course can apply for grants at the French embassy in their countries not later than the middle of May: the address in the United States is L'Ambassade de France aux États-Unis d'Amérique, 2535 Belmont Rd. N.W., Washington, D.C., and in Canada is L'Ambassade de France au Canada, 42 Sussex Dr., Ottawa, Ont., Canada. For further information write to the Director General of the Archives of France, 60 rue des Francs Bourgeois, Paris 3ème.

## ANNOUNCEMENT

*Study of college archives*

Microfilm copies of a doctoral dissertation entitled "The College Archives: A Study in Administration" are available from University Microfilm, Ann Arbor, Mich. The author, George W. Cornell, is librarian for technical services at Antioch College, Yellow Springs, Ohio.

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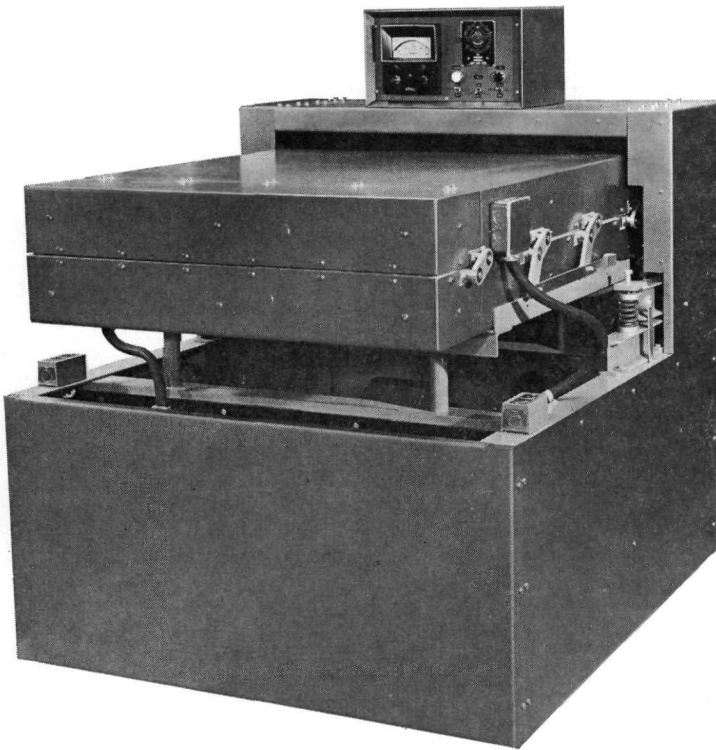
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