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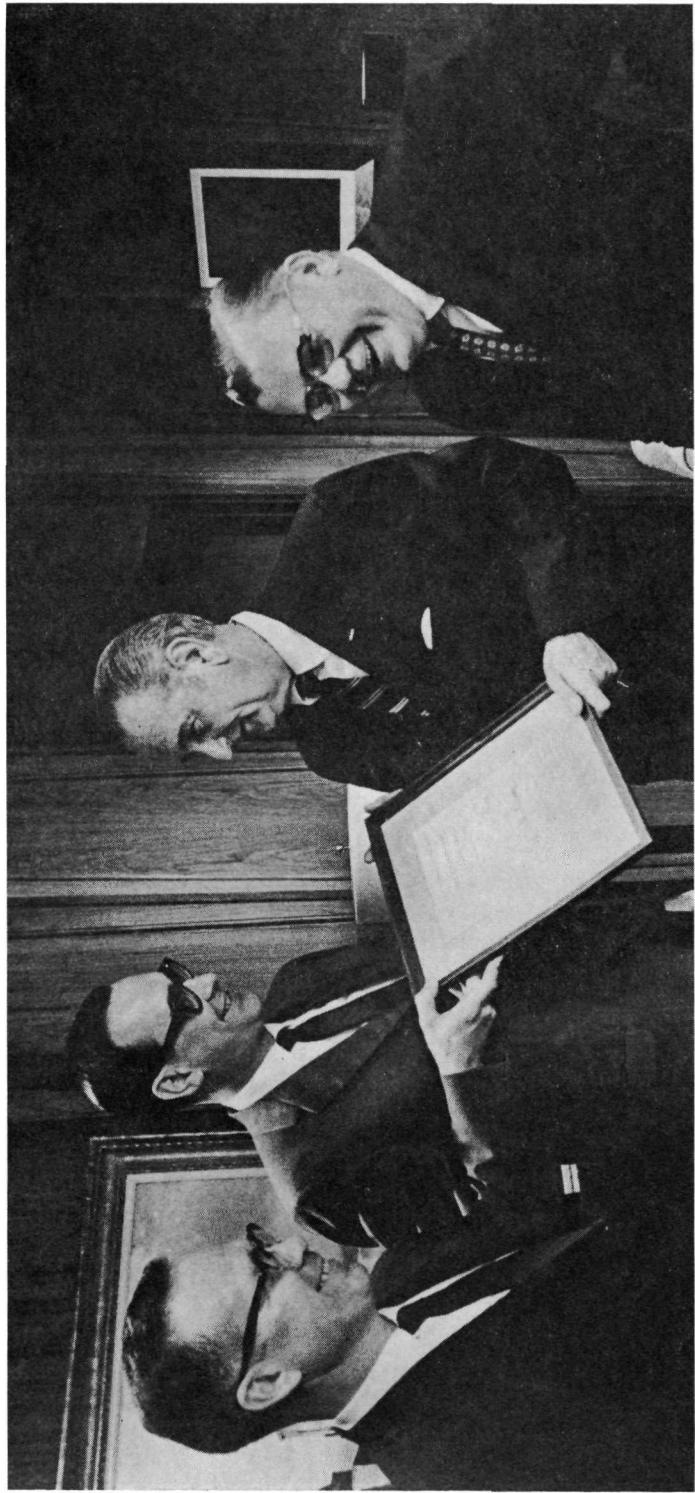
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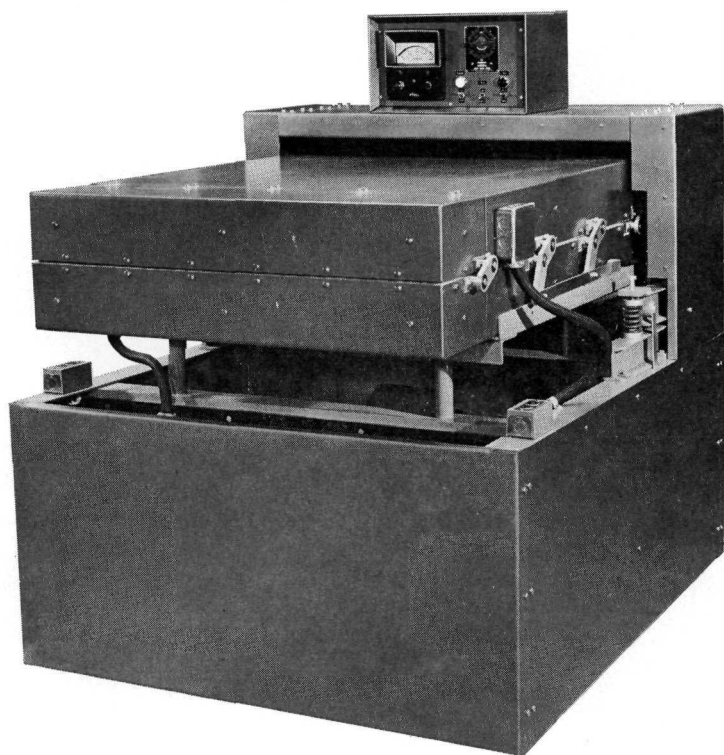
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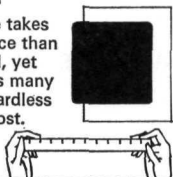


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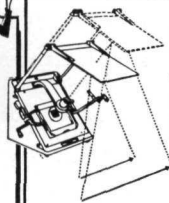
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EACH person privileged to be elected president of our Society wishes to carry out a "program." The simple fact is, however, that our 1-year term makes impossible the development of a real program of action. Nevertheless, I am immensely pleased that the first steps have been taken toward two accomplishments.

The first of these is in the area of archives education. The Council at its April meeting authorized the preparation of an application for a grant from the Council on Library Resources, Inc., for the purpose of funding a year-long study of the status of archives education in the United States. We are optimistic about the prospects of the grant, and we hope to have an important announcement in this regard at our Madison meeting.

The second goal that I have wanted to play a part in accomplishing is the establishment of an Endowment Fund for the Society. So long as the Society operates on a break-even annual budget, we will never be able to provide the sort of secretariat that our organization deserves. The only alternative is to establish an Endowment Fund that, when the principal and earnings reach a substantial amount, can provide a modest annual income.

I am glad to announce that the Council at its April meeting endorsed a proposed constitutional amendment which, if approved by the membership in October, will establish an Endowment Fund. This action followed my report of the results of a survey made of 25 of our "elder statesmen" who have played a leading role in the Society's history. That survey revealed that one "archival saint" plans to make the Society a sole legatee, another will leave a portion of the residue of a trust fund, and several have agreed to make cash contributions to the Endowment Fund in October. Thus we are assured of the establishment of the fund at our Madison meeting, and on behalf of the Council I appeal to all members through the medium of the President's Page to consider making a cash contribution to the fund. One of the donors referred to above is making a \$5,000 contribution; two others are giving \$1,000 each. They and others making contributions of \$100 or more will be listed as "Charter Contributors to the Endowment Fund," a designation that will indicate our tangible contribution over and above the time and talents that we have devoted to the Society.

We propose no fancy forms to be filled out, no red tape, no great fanfare. This is simply an opportunity for members to contribute to the long-range development of our Society as a more vital force for our profession. Will you join us?

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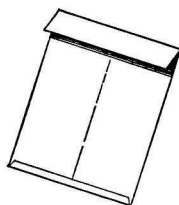
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2. The Award Committee will consist of the Editorial Board of the Society of American Archivists and representatives of The American University. Miss Helen Chatfield is senior representative of the University. Entries for the 1970 Award should be addressed to the Editor, American Archivist, National Archives, Washington, D.C. 20408.

3. As the purpose of the contest is to encourage research and writing on some aspect of the history or administration of archives, the essay must be especially prepared for submission for the award. A contestant may submit several essays. A submission will not be accepted if (a) it has been published or issued in any form for general distribution or (b) it has been prepared primarily for other purposes, *e.g.*, for a professional meeting.

4. Each submission must bear a title and must be double-spaced typewritten ribbon copy, on letter-size white bond paper. It must

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6. To be considered for the current year's award an essay must be received by the Award Committee by July 31, 1970.

7. The Award Committee is exclusively responsible for the evaluation criteria and reserves the right to withhold the award if in its judgment no submission meets the criteria.

8. The winning essay will be selected in sufficient time to bestow the award at the annual meeting of the Society.

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Viewed as a landmark in archival literature, the manual is chiefly important because it expounds the principle of the sanctity of the original order of archives, and despite the passage of years, and changes in circumstances, the argument is still valid.

Mr. Leavitt's translation uses language that is both idiomatic and historically precise, and nearly thirty years after its publication, it retains its pristine quality. The scope of the book is shown in the table of contents below.

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Neutron Activation of Faded Photographs and Documents

Research work recently being carried out by Dr. R. M. Chatters, Head, Radioisotopes and Radiations Laboratory, College of Engineering Research Division, Washington State University, Pullman, Wash. 99163, has demonstrated the feasibility of the use of neutron activation for the recovery of faded photographs. The method employed at WSU is one in which old photographs are stripped from their cardboard backing and rolled up and placed in a plastic tube, which is then lowered into the core of the 1-megawatt swimming pool reactor, thus causing the silver and gold and the other activatable elements in the photographic emulsion to become radioactive. Afterwards the radioactive photograph is removed from the reactor and placed in very close contact with fine-grained X-ray or other type of film for a predetermined time. During this time, the radiations being given off by the newly activated elements in the emulsion expose the film, making a "positive" negative, which is an exact image of the photograph. The "positive" negative is then placed in contact with other suitable photographic film and a "negative" negative is produced. From this, a new print is made in the usual manner. Using this method, it has been demonstrated that the faded invisible parts of old photographs can be brought out. Although some investigation along this line has been carried out by others, the technique developed at Washington State University is said to be quite different and has a potential not previously reported. Observations made at WSU on photographs that have borne some writing in ink indicate that

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Archivist, Mayo Clinic/Foundation, Rochester, Minn. 55901.

this same method can be employed for the recovery of faded documents written in old iron-gall inks, which were so common before the turn of the century. The investigators propose to carry out such investigations as the opportunity permits. The studies at Washington State University have also shown that not all photographs are amenable to the activation technique, and the reasons for this have not yet been investigated. The work that has been done up to this point by the WSU investigators, however, indicates that this method can be of value to archivists and others interested in restoring faded photographs and documents.

New Microfilm Reader/Printer

Bell & Howell, 6800 McCormick Rd., Chicago, Ill. 60645, has announced its new Reporter Microfilm Reader/Printer, which the company says "provides a positive approach to handling information instead of paper." The new Reporter is specially designed for retrieval from microfiche or jackets and has a combination of features that is designed to improve the user's capability to make a paper copy. Of particular interest is the machine's ability to make positive copies of the microfilm being viewed, whether the film is positive or negative. A total of 8 seconds is required to make the dry electrostatic copies. New timesaving conveniences are also provided in supplies replacement. One is a "throw-away" magazine, which holds 250 sheets of precut $8\frac{1}{2}'' \times 11''$ electrostatic paper, that can be replaced in seconds. No-mess disposable toner containers are also provided to make replenishment quick and easy. Viewing lenses are available in a choice of three magnifications. Other features include an indexing grid for standard and special formats and a free-moving locator arrow.

Conservation of Library Materials Grant

The Council on Library Resources, Inc., 1028 Connecticut Ave. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036, has awarded a grant of \$75,000 to the Imperial College of Science and Technology, London, over the next 3 years for research on the scientific aspects of conservation of library materials. The work will be carried out in close association with the Royal College of Art, under the joint direction of Peter Waters (Royal College of Art) and J. C. Lewis (Imperial College), and will be closely associated with the problems of book restoration arising from the flood in Florence in 1966, particularly those of the Biblioteca Nazionale Centrale (BCNF). As the restoration began, a great number of problems requiring research came to light, and in the summer of 1967 J. C. Lewis of Imperial College joined the team in Florence to help plan this research. The research that will be carried out now at Imperial College will not only concentrate on the treatment and preservation of library materials but will also be concerned with methods of restoration and the construction of books. Techniques, materials, and equipment used in conservation will be evaluated and developed, with special emphasis placed on the scientific basis of traditional methods so that the gap that at present exists between scientists and restorers can be narrowed by the publication of booklets on working techniques and standards. Specific problems to be undertaken will include the improvement and development of methods of strengthening and deacidification en masse of the paper of post-1840 books, to counter the damaging chemical effects of air pollution and the processes of papermaking of the period. This will extend the pioneering work of the late William J. Barrow of Richmond, Va., and the Barrow Research Laboratory, whose work is supported by the Council on Library Resources, Inc. Investigations will be made into the problems of mud retention in the paper fibers,

the methods of resizing, effects of fungicides, bleaching, the use of adhesives, and the development of special mending papers. Improvements in test methods will also be undertaken for materials such as paper, vellum, and leather. Whenever a suitable stage of development has been reached, a pilot scheme will be undertaken in the workshops of the BCNF to evaluate these new techniques, with the full cooperation of the Istituto di Patalogia del Libro in Rome.

TALAS Catalog Supplement

Recently received is a supplement to the catalog of TALAS, Division of Technical Library Service, 104 Fifth Ave., New York City 10011. The new issue contains additions to the TALAS line of supplies for archives and libraries. These are divided into tools, bookmaking materials, mending and preserving materials, library and archival materials, and library and archival specialties. The items include such materials as soluble nylon. According to its description, the substance can be "used to consolidate book paper, prints, maps and manuscripts that are otherwise too brittle to work on. Also used to save flaking ink on parchment and museum artifacts and for consolidating the surfaces of potsherds and other sculptural fragments. Excellent for resizing paper." The nylon supplied is the same as that used by the British Museum Research Laboratory: Calaton CB (DV 55). Other materials noted are oversize Permalife file folders, transparent plastic envelopes, acid-free lining paper, and stainless steel paper clips. Descriptive brochures are also available on pamphlet boxes, document cases, solander cases, and map tubes.

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Council on Library Resources Annual Report

Support of 31 varied new projects is reported in the recently issued 12th annual report of the Council on Library Resources, Inc. Appropriations for the projects

totaled \$689,000, a figure which does not include sums expended during the fiscal year for previously approved programs. The projects cover a wide range.

Of the 31 allocations, somewhat less than a third concern automation, but these account for more than 71 percent of the total appropriations. This not only suggests the Council's concern and interest in automation, . . . but also underscores the fact that research and development in this area are expensive.

The report cautions against expecting too much too soon from automation. It notes that what does not exist is not always susceptible to immediate development, and "the paragons who combine extensive technical knowledge with sound library orientation are few and far between." The high ongoing cost of operating mechanized systems is also cited.

In sum, the new technology is expensive and uncertain, both the research and development and the equipment. Nevertheless, library problems will worsen and the remedies grow more costly if the subject of automation is neglected today. Thus, the Council will continue to support with due caution promising programs leading to further automation of library services.

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TECHNICAL MAILBAG

Paper Clip Investigation

Edmund Berkeley, Jr., Assistant Curator of Manuscripts, University of Virginia Library, Charlottesville, Va. 22901, has had an interesting experience obtaining data about the stability of certain types of paper clips. In a recent letter, Berkeley reported that he had gotten some samples of plastic clips last fall. At the suggestion of his curator of manuscripts, Berkeley wrote to the Barrow Research Laboratory in Richmond asking if they had ever tested the clips that are marketed under the name, "Plastiklips." Mrs. Barrow responded by sending a Xerox of a 1967 letter from Mr. Barrow to Mr. William J. Van Schreeven summarizing tests made on plastic clips which were later identified as "Plastiklips." In his letter, Barrow noted that tests had been performed on the clips which indicated that harmful acidic products were exuded by them and that he could not recommend their use archivally. Berkeley adds that these clips were placed in service at the Virginia State Library and have proved satisfactory. The tests showed the exudation and pH change to be so slight over so long a period that the plastic clips were far superior to steel clips with their potential to cause damage from rusting. At Berkeley's request, the Barrow Laboratory ran some new tests on his sample "Plastiklips" and they reconfirmed their original disapproval of them. In January of this year, R. N. Du Puis, who is now director of the Barrow Laboratory, obtained some samples of an anodized aluminum paper clip from the Florida Wire Fabrics Co., 167 West 23d St., Hialeah, Fla. On February 25, 1969, Mr. Du Puis wrote Berkeley, "We think the colors might come off if the papers got wet but the (plain) aluminum ones are about as inert as any you can get." Berkeley has since tried to wash off the color from his sample clips but has not been able to do it. He later inquired of Mr. Du Puis about any tests on the colored clips. Du Puis re-

plied March 24, 1969: "We have not actually subjected any of these to a heat test but we hope to do so after some more urgent work is out of the way. We would be very happy for you to report these clips to the *American Archivist* since our contribution was only in the application of a certain amount of chemical logic to a problem which you brought to our attention in the first place." With this background, Berkeley reports the existence of the anodized aluminum paper clips, colored and plain. They are available from the Florida Wire Fabrics Co. in boxes of 1,000 in your choice of colors at \$3.95/1000. They are also produced without color. Berkeley adds that they will probably put these clips into service at the university. He wants, however, to see the results of the Barrow Laboratory's testing first, because he would like to use the colored clips rather than the plain ones. He feels that the colored ones can easily be distinguished from regular steel ones by his staff. The only fault found with the clips is that they do not have quite the "spring" of a steel clip and thus will not hold as many papers.

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SOCIETY OF AMERICAN ARCHIVISTS

SUSTAINING MEMBERS

It has become increasingly apparent that the Society must have additional resources if it is to develop into a strong professional organization. Resources are needed for a publication program and other professional services; but most important, the Society must be able to afford a full-time, paid secretary in the near future.

As a result of the pressing need for funds, the Council has directed the president and the secretary to invite archival institutions to become Sustaining Members, each for the fee of \$100 a year. As of June 1, 1969, twenty institutions have joined as Sustaining Members. The realization of the Society's goal of one hundred Sustaining Members will enable it to make definite plans for a permanent secretariat.

For further information, please write to the secretary: F. Gerald Ham, Secretary, Society of American Archivists, State Historical Society of Wisconsin, 816 State St., Madison, Wis. 53706.

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News Notes

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SOCIETY OF AMERICAN ARCHIVISTS

Committee on Nominations

Society President H. G. Jones has appointed V. Nelle Bellamy, Archivist of the Church Historical Society, P.O. Box 2247, Austin, Tex., to the chairmanship of the Committee on Nominations for 1969. Serving with her will be the two outgoing Council Members, Maynard J. Brichford of the University of Illinois and Agnes Conrad of the State Archives of Hawaii.

33d Annual Meeting

A tentative program for the meeting, to be held on October 8-10 in Madison, Wis., is announced on the first page of this issue.

SAA Symposia

On April 24, 1969, the Society in cooperation with the National Archives and Records Service and La Salle College held a Symposium on the Historian's Stake in Archives. Held at La Salle College, Philadelphia, the symposium included talks by Herbert E. Angel, National Archives and Records Service; Leon deValinger, Jr., State Archivist of Delaware; Allen Weinberg, Archivist of Philadelphia.

The third annual Tri-State Archives and Records Conference was held in the North Carolina Department of Archives and History on May 16 and 17. Sponsors included the SAA and the Departments of Archives and History in North and South Carolina and Georgia, with the assistance of the National Archives and Records Service. James B. Rhoads, Archivist of the United States, spoke May 16 on "The National Archives and Records Service—Programs and Prospects."

[Council Minutes of April 17 begin on p. 311 of this issue.—ED.]

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

American Association for State and Local History

The association's third annual Seminar on the Administration of Historical Agencies and Museums will be held September 4-19 in Salt Lake City, Utah. Other sponsors are the Western Americana Collection and the Western History Center, both at the University of Utah, and the State Historical Society; support is being given by the National Endowment for the Humanities. Seminar topics will include: the development of historical societies and museums, historic preservation, historical parks, staffing, and public relations, libraries and archives.

American Records Management Association

This association recently issued a brochure, *Roster of Speakers*, that lists the names of many records managers and archivists who are available as speakers on

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several facets of records and archives administration. Copies of the brochure can be obtained from the Speakers' Bureau Committee, American Records Management Association, Suite 823, 24 North Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60602.

Society of Ohio Archivists

The spring meeting took place May 5 in Columbus with the theme New Frontiers for Archives—Manuscripts Repositories. Topics included microfilm publications of manuscript collections, computer application in archives repositories, and oral history. Among the speakers were Fred Shelley, Assistant to the Director, National Historical Publications Commission, and F. Gerald Ham, Head, Manuscripts and Archives Division, State Historical Society of Wisconsin.

NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS SERVICE

Reappointment of James B. Rhoads as Archivist of the United States was announced on April 28 by Robert L. Kunzig, Administrator of General Services. Dr. Rhoads was appointed in May 1968 by former GSA Administrator Lawson B. Knott, Jr. Before that time he served successively as Assistant Archivist for Civil Archives and Deputy Archivist. Administrator Kunzig also announced that he has nominated Dr. Rhoads for a Rockefeller Public Service Award.

National Archives

The National Archives, in cooperation with the Department of the Army, has released for scholarly use the secret reports made in Italy during 1944 and 1945 by the Psychological Warfare Branch of G-2 of Allied Force Headquarters. Included are 137 reports from the files of the Fascist Ministry of Popular Culture, 26 reports of documents of the Italian Armistice Commission in France, and 7 special reports made from files of the Italian Social Republic.

Among recent National Archives accessions are records of the Post Office Department relating to the International Postal Service, including Universal Postal Union conventions and related materials, 1848, 1862-63, and 1878-1964; conventions of the Postal Union of the Americas and Spain, 1920-60; and international parcel post and money order agreements with related correspondence, 1877-1966. Also accessioned are scrapbooks, schedule forms, instructions, correspondence, and other records of the Bureau of the Census, 1910-65; consolidated reports on projects of the National Bureau of Standards, fiscal years 1958-63 and 1965; files of Leo R. Wertz, Associate Director, Office of International Labor Affairs, ca. 1950-56, Deputy Assistant Secretary for International Labor Affairs, ca. 1957-61, and Assistant Secretary for Administration, 1965-66; tape recordings of oral arguments before the Supreme Court, 1955-66, and transcripts of Supreme Court proceedings, October 1968; and the battle map used by General Eisenhower, Supreme Commander of the Allied Expeditionary Force, showing the military situation May 7, 1945.

Records that have been microfilmed by the National Archives recently include Records of the Department of State Relating to Internal Affairs, 1910-29, of Asia (28 rolls) and Peru (30 rolls); to Political Relations Between the United States and Guatemala, 1910-29 (1 roll), the United States and Central America, 1911-29 (1 roll), and the United States and Asia, 1920-29 (1 roll); and to Political Relations Between Central America and Other States, 1910-29 (2 rolls), the Netherlands and Other States, 1910-29 (1 roll), Asia and Other States, 1914-29 (1

roll), and Liberia and Other States, Including the United States, 1919-29 (1 roll). Also included are Letters Sent by the Department of Justice: Instructions to U.S. Attorneys and Marshals, 1867-1904 (212 rolls); Interior Department Appointment Papers: Territory of New Mexico, 1850-1907 (18 rolls); Internal Revenue Assessment Lists for California, 1862-66 (33 rolls); and Registers and Letters Received by the Commissioner of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, 1865-72 (74 rolls).

The National Archives recently released the *List of Record Groups in the National Archives and the Federal Records Centers* (1969) and *Federal Population Censuses, 1790-1890*. Copies of these publications and further information about National Archives microfilm publications may be obtained from the Publications Sales Branch, The National Archives, Washington, D.C. 20408.

Harry S. Truman Library

Recent accessions include papers of author Lansing Lamont, consisting of materials used in writing his *Day of Trinity*; copies of papers from the James Carey-CIO files in the Labor History Archives at Wayne State University pertaining to Maurice J. Tobin, Secretary of Labor, 1949-52; and additions to the papers of Stephen J. Spingarn, former Administrative Assistant to President Truman; Mary Paxton Keeley, longtime friend of Truman; Ralph Block, General Representative in India of the Office of War Information during World War II; and Samuel I. Rosenman, former Special Counsel to Truman. Oral history interview transcripts accessioned include those of Martin L. Friedman, Special Assistant in the White House, and Col. Edward F. Thelan, a Reserve Officer associate of Truman's. ¶ The Harry S. Truman Library Institute has awarded grants to John G. Chapman, Stanford University; Albert Dimmitt, University of Kansas; Thomas A. French, State University of New York; John Gimbel, Humboldt State College; Alonzo L. Hamby, Ohio University; Giora Kulka, Harvard University; Franklin D. Mitchell, University of Southern California; William E. Pemberton, University of Missouri; Robert L. Pritchard, Los Angeles Valley College; Torbjorn Sirevaag, University of Oslo; Phillip E. Stebbins, Pennsylvania State University; and Samuel H. Weaver, American University.

Award of the biennial David D. Lloyd Prize for the best book on the Truman period was made to Irwin Ross of New York City for his book, *The Loneliest Campaign: The Truman Victory of 1948*, published by the New American Library in 1968. The award consists of a certificate and a check for \$1,000. The award is a memorial to the late David D. Lloyd, Administrative Assistant to the President in the Truman administration, later Executive Director of the corporation that built the Truman Library, and from 1957 until his death in 1962, vice president of the Truman Library Institute.

Dwight D. Eisenhower Library

Recent accessions by the Library include records, 1956-60, of John S. Bragdon, Special Assistant to the President To Coordinate Public Works Planning; Lt. Gen. Harold R. Bull's papers, 1943-46, including material on military operations in North Africa and plans for the occupation of Germany; the 1968 files of former President Eisenhower; and correspondence, 1943-68, of J. Earl Schaefer, a long-time associate of Eisenhower's. Also accessioned were microfilm copies of a West Point demerit record book, 1912-16; a "History of COSSAC," 1943-44; and

the papers of Gen. Jacob L. Devers, Commanding General of the European and Mediterranean Theaters of Operation and the Sixth Army Group, World War II. ¶A revised list of historical materials in the Library has been prepared for distribution. Requests for the list should be sent to the Director, Dwight D. Eisenhower Library, Abilene, Kans. 67410.

Office of Records Management

New standards governing the retention of records by Federal contractors have been prepared for early release. They are the result of a lengthy study by the General Services Administration and the Department of Defense. Formal approval of the standards was obtained from Congress and the Comptroller General. ¶Standard Form 180, Request Pertaining to Military Records, has been adopted to expedite reference service by the National Personnel Records Center in St. Louis and components of the military services. Single copies of the form are available from the National Personnel Records Center, 9700 Page Blvd., St. Louis, Mo. 63132. Quantities of the form may be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402.

Office of the Federal Register

The 1969 edition of the *Guide to Record Retention Requirements*, which is designed to keep the public informed concerning the many published requirements in Federal laws and regulations relating to record retention, may now be purchased at 75¢ a copy from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402. The 86-page guide contains over 900 digests that describe the type of records to be kept, who must keep them, and for how long. Each digest includes a reference to the full text of the basic law or regulation providing for such retention. The index to the guide lists for ready reference the categories of persons, companies, and products affected by Federal record-retention requirements. The guide itself has no regulatory force; it is published to assist the public with its recordkeeping responsibilities.

The 1936-38 compilation of Presidential documents, published under Title 3 of the Code of Federal Regulations, is now available from the Superintendent of Documents at \$6 a copy. It contains the full text of Presidential proclamations, Executive orders, and other formal documents issued by the President and published in the Federal Register during the period March 14, 1936-June 1, 1938. These Presidential documents are by law prima facie evidence of the text of the original documents and are required to be judicially noticed. ¶Other volumes in the series of Presidential compilations, which may be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents, include the 1938-43 compilation (\$9), the 1943-48 compilation (\$7), the 1949-53 compilation (\$7), the 1954-58 compilation (\$4), the 1959-63 compilation (\$6), the 1964-65 compilation (\$3.75), the 1966 compilation (\$1), the 1967 compilation (\$1), and the 1968 compilation (75¢).

MANUSCRIPT DIVISION, LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

Recent accessions of the Manuscript Division of the Library of Congress include a group of papers relating to the colonial and Revolutionary service of Samuel Fisher. Though the majority of the papers (103 items) pertain to Captain Fisher's Revolutionary War service in the Massachusetts Militia (1776-81), there is one small diary of particular interest to students of the French and Indian War. ¶Two

pieces of Presidential correspondence of interest have been acquired. Zachary Taylor wrote to "Dear Betsy," Elizabeth Lee Taylor, from Fort Crawford, Prairie du Chien ("this out of the way place") on June 24, 1834, concerning a visit of his niece. Ulysses S. Grant, in a remarkable letter to his "Dear Sister" on February 9, 1862, between the capture of Fort Henry and the fall of Fort Donelson, wrote: "You have no conception of the amount of labor I have to perform. An army of men all helpless looking to the commanding officer for every supply. Your plain brother, however has, as yet, had no reason to feel himself unequal to the task and fully believes that he will carry on a successful campaign against our rebel enemy. I do not speak boastfully but utter a presentiment." ¶ Also in the Library are the papers of Arthur Sweetser (1880-1968). During the early years of World War I Sweetser served as a war correspondent in France and Belgium and in 1916 was assigned as Associated Press correspondent at the Department of State. From 1919 to 1942 he was associated in various capacities with the Information Section of the League of Nations Secretariat, and from 1942 to 1946 he was Deputy Director of the Office of War Information and Chairman of the United Nations Information Board. The Sweetser papers, totaling over 20,000 pieces, reflect all periods of his career and comprise an important research collection. Included are over 12,800 pieces of correspondence, over 400 of which are letters from Presidents or other prominent contemporaries. Of special interest also is the journal kept by Sweetser for the years 1919 through 1924, and his diary from the period of the Manchurian crisis.

Recent additions to the papers of Edgar Ansel Mowrer, world affairs author and journalist, include material covering his career from his pre-World War I college days to his most recent book. Among these are approximately 10,000 pieces of correspondence, of which about 1,500 are letters from prominent contemporaries such as Adlai Stevenson, Bernard Baruch, Carl Van Doren, and John Foster Dulles. Also represented are the manuscripts of and research material for many of Mowrer's books, articles, broadcasts, editorials, and book reviews. ¶ Robert S. and Helen M. Lynd have recently presented the Lynd papers to the Library of Congress. Although best known for their collaboration on the sociological study, *Middletown*, published in 1929 and followed by *Middletown in Transition* in 1937, each also has had his own separate career. Included in the papers are research materials for *Middletown* and for Mrs. Lynd's *England in the 1880's*, the manuscript of her *On Shame and the Search for Identity*, manuscripts and notes for lectures, papers, articles, reviews, prefaces, etc., and some correspondence, including letters from such correspondents as David Riesman, Harold Laski, and Saul Alinsky.

Among recent acquisitions in the field of science are the papers of H. T. Kalmus and E. H. Vestine. The papers of Herbert T. Kalmus, chemical engineer, inventor of Technicolor, and head of Technicolor, Inc., number about 20,000 items and cover the period 1915 to 1955. They consist chiefly of personal correspondence and financial papers. Most of the correspondence is personal and relates to his contributions to Roman Catholic charities and institutions and to the acquisition and disposition of his 15th, 16th, and 17th centuries art collection. There is also material relating to his special interests in the Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and the Stanford Research Institute. The Vestine papers mainly cover Vestine's years at the RAND Corp., his work with the International Geophysical Year, and the World Magnetism Survey. Many of his earlier experiments, calculations, speeches, and

papers, however, are represented, including his Ph. D. thesis and his class notes from the University of London (1936-37). There is also a large and fairly complete collection of his professional articles in near-print and print.

The Owen Wister papers have recently received large and significant additions of correspondence and manuscripts, which document his life from his school days until his last years. In addition, one finds in the collection many valuable items for the study of others, including his grandmother, Fanny Kemble, and his many correspondents, including Theodore Roosevelt, Henry James, Ernest Hemingway, Samuel L. Clemens, Frederic Remington, Rudyard Kipling, Oliver W. Holmes, and many other important figures from American literature and publishing and the society of the times. The recent additions include holograph manuscripts of Wister's writings; a number of scrapbooks, often documenting the public and private reception of his works; three small unpublished diaries kept by Wister during a visit to Europe after World War I; and over 2,500 items of correspondence. Some of the material also contains information about the American West in the last decades of the 19th century.

The 10th anniversary of the Library of Congress program for a National Union Catalog of Manuscript Collections was observed on April 29 with a meeting of the 12-member advisory committee and by a reception held later in honor of some 75 persons who have been closely connected with the program, among them Verner W. Clapp and Fred Cole, Consultant and President, respectively, of the Council on Library Resources, Inc.

The Council on Library Resources, of which Verner W. Clapp was President until his retirement in 1967, sponsored the program initially with a first grant in November 1958 of \$200,000 and with subsequent grants of \$170,565 to continue the work to July 1964, when Congress first appropriated funds to continue the program as part of the Library's work. The project's goal was to compile a catalog of manuscript collections held in American repositories and to make the information generally available.

A staff was assembled in April 1959 under the guidance of Lester K. Born, now Head of the European Exchange Section in the Exchange and Gift Division; the first catalog cards were printed in June; and the first volume describing some 7,300 collections in 309 repositories was published in 1962. That volume was the forerunner of a series, in which five more volumes have since been issued. The six volumes issued to date cover a total of 20,661 collections in 660 repositories.

STATE AND LOCAL ARCHIVES OF THE UNITED STATES

California

In a brief ceremony on October 16, 1968, Secretary of State Frank M. Jordan and Chief of the State Archives W. N. Davis, Jr., accepted for deposit in the Archives the minute book of the first State Board of Forestry of California. Discovered in a cabin in Calaveras County, Calif., the volume contains minutes (1885-93) of the oldest State forestry board. A published transcript is available from the State Board of Forestry, Sacramento.

Delaware

Construction has begun on the Underground Records Center, adjoining the Hall of Records in Dover. The new building will contain State archives now housed in

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six other buildings. The Center represents 20 years' research and effort by State Archivist Leon deValinger, Jr.

Kansas

The State Historical Society has received the papers of Robert Taft, professor of chemistry at the University of Kansas and an historian by avocation. The papers reflect his activities as president of the society and of the Kansas Academy of Science, as editor of the academy's *Transactions*, and as author of several articles and books about Kansas and Western history. His papers also include letters and notebooks of Frederic Remington and a letter of George Catlin.

Maine

Final plans have been approved for the State Cultural Building, scheduled for completion in October 1970. The building will contain a modern archives facility. ¶A preliminary inventory of the judicial record holdings of the State's 16 counties has been completed and will be presented to the Supreme Judicial Court for review as a first step in development of a comprehensive archival and records management program for the judiciary.

Mississippi

Charlotte Capers, Director of the State Department of Archives and History and a Fellow of the Society of American Archivists, received a First Federal Foundation Award on March 29, 1969, presented by the University of Mississippi. The annual award honors Mississippians for outstanding public achievements and services.

Montana

The State legislature by enacting SB 123 has designated the Historical Society as the State Archives. Also included in the law are provisions for records management and accessioning programs, which will be developed by the society and the Legislative Council.

Nebraska

A bill to broaden the State Historical Society's authority in acquiring records from State, county, and city governments and from other public offices has been introduced into the State legislature at the Governor's request. Two other bills were amended and advanced; both bills broaden the authority of the State Records Management Board, and one bill adds the State Archivist to this board and provides for transfer of historic records to the Archives. ¶Official records recently accessioned by the Archives include: Department of Agriculture, Assessors Annual Reports of Agricultural Statistics (1949-58); records (1902-28) of the Public Library Commission; the correspondence and records of the Women's Committee, State Council of Defense (1914-19); and probate record books of Dawson County (1871-1908). Unofficial records accessioned include: personal papers of Otto Liebers and a diary (1850-53) of Capt. James A. Payne. The Society has also microfilmed records of the First Presbyterian Church, Hansen (1899-1968).

North Carolina

Dedication ceremonies for the new Archives and History State Library Building in Raleigh were held on May 15. Gov. Robert W. Scott was the main speaker.

¶ *North Carolina Troops, 1861-1865: A Roster*, volume two, edited by Louis H. Manarin was published by the Department in March. Volume one, covering North Carolina artillery units, and volume two, covering cavalry, may be ordered from the Department's Division of Publications at \$12 each. ¶ Recent accessions of the State Archives include: the general correspondence (1967) of Gov. Dan K. Moore; correspondence (1965-68) of Governor Moore's press secretary, Jerry Elliott; and correspondence and legislative files (1965-68) of Lt. Gov. Robert W. Scott.

Philadelphia

The City Archives has accessioned 33 volumes of Guardians of the Poor records (1843-88); 49 volumes of Bureau of Charities records (1888-1921); and 37 volumes of records (1921-46) of the Department of Health, Bureau of Hospitals.

Commonwealth of Puerto Rico

The 14th Seminar on the Acquisition of Latin American Library Materials was held in Puerto Rico June 17-20, 1969. Session topics included the acquisition of scientific and technological materials, the booktrade and acquisitions, the exchange of publications, photoduplication of Latin American materials, and archives. Seminar reports will be published by the Pan American Union, Washington, D.C. 20006.

Texas

The Archives Division, State Library, has issued an *Inventory of the Samuel Bell Maxey Papers*, compiled by Louise Horton. The first of a series of inventories of the division's major collections, the inventory may be ordered for \$1 from the Archives Division, Texas State Library, Drawer DD, Capitol Station, Austin, Tex. 78711. Archivists, librarians, and historians may receive the inventory free by requesting it on official letterhead stationery. The papers (approximately 10,000 items) contain correspondence and other records of Maxey (1825-95), U.S. Senator from Texas, his wife, and his father, and correspondence of relatives who were members of the Lightfoot, Long, and Williams families.

Utah

In accordance with provisions of a law passed during the 1969 session of the State legislature, the State Archives and Records Service became a division of the State Department of Finance, effective May 13, 1969. ¶ The State Records Committee will consist of the Archivist, the auditor, the attorney general, and the director of the division of State history. ¶ The Archivist must approve all purchases of filing and microfilming equipment and must make sure that public offices use durable supplies for permanent records.

CHURCH ARCHIVES

Reported by William B. Miller

Items for this section should be sent direct to William B. Miller,
Presbyterian Historical Society, 425 Lombard St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19147.

Roman Catholic

The Santa Barbara Mission Archive-Library, representing the Franciscan Order, has received a collection comprising the official and personal documents of the De La Guerra family, ca. 1798-1900. To be published this year is A Bibliographical

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Dictionary of the Franciscan Missionaries of Hispanic California (1769–1848) and in preparation is A New Calendar of Documents in the Santa Barbara Mission Archive-Library. The Reverend Maynard Geiger, O.F.M., is the director. ¶ Of interest in the Diocese of Richmond Archives, 807 Cathedral Pl., Richmond, Va., are the papers (1850–1945) of bishops of the diocese. ¶ The Diocese of Syracuse has deeds and other legal papers, annual reports, and personal clerical documents pertaining to all Catholic churches in Madison, Broome, Chenango, Cortland, Oneida, Onondaga, and Oswego Counties, N.Y. ¶ Recently received in the Chancery Office of the Diocese of Camden, 721 Cooper St., Camden, N.J. 08101, are the 1968 annual spiritual and financial statistical reports from the diocese's 122 parishes. ¶ The American Catholic Historical Society of Philadelphia is now located at 263 South Fourth St., Philadelphia, Pa. ¶ Rev. James H. Dowdy, archivist at St. Mary's Seminary and Sulpician Archives, Baltimore, Md., retired in April and was succeeded by Michael Roach. ¶ Changes in staff of the Archdiocese of Miami Chancery, Miami, Fla., include the appointment of the Very Reverend Rene H. Gracida, V.G., Chancellor, the Reverend Charles J. Zinn, Assistant Chancellor, and the Reverend Charles F. Ward, Librarian.

Protestant Episcopal

St. Mark's Library of the General Theological Seminary, 175 Ninth Ave., New York 10011, has Xerox copies of manuscripts pertaining to the consecration of Samuel Seabury from Coates Hall, Edinburgh, Scotland, and a calendar to them prepared by Marianne L. E. Papaj. Prof. Powel M. Dawley has completed *The Story of the General Theological Seminary*, which was recently published by the Oxford University Press and based on records in the seminary archives.

The Diocese of Kansas and the Church in Western Kansas sponsored a conference of parish historians and diocesan historiographers of the Episcopal Church in Topeka. Nelson R. Burr, the Library of Congress, and Lawrence R. Brown, editor, the *Church Historical Magazine*, were two of the speakers at the conference. ¶ The Diocese of Kansas, Bethany Place, Topeka, has acquired a collection of 67 sermons (1889–1915) of Rev. Frederick Edgar De Longy. ¶ The diocesan archives in Sioux Falls, S. Dak., contain papers of Edwin Ashley, W. Blair Roberts, and Bishop William H. Hare (1838–1909).

Evangelical Covenant

Minutes from early Evangelical Covenant churches are contained in the Covenant Archive and Historical Library, 5125 North Spaulding Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60625.

Society of Friends

The archives of the Baltimore Yearly Meeting (Homewood) 1827–1967, and of the Friends Hospital, 1817– , are now deposited in the Haverford College Library, Haverford, Pa. 19041. The Library is to receive the archives of the Tract Association of Friends (1816–). ¶ The Ohio Yearly Meeting of the Friends Church, Damascus, Ohio, announces that its church college, Malone College, Canton, Ohio, is planning a new library that will have a special room for historical materials and records of Friends, especially records of the Ohio Yearly Meeting. ¶ The Friends Historical Library of Swarthmore College added to its collection of Quaker meeting records and its Peace Collection, acquiring 12 letters of John Greenleaf Whittier, 8 letters of John Bright, and 41 letters of William and Mary Howitt.

Jewish

The American Jewish Archives, Cincinnati, Ohio, has acquired the following documents: Oak Park Temple, Oak Park, Ill., minutes (1886-1919) of the Women's Society of B'nai Abraham, minutes (1912-19) of the Women's Society of Zion Congregation, and miscellaneous documents (1878-1951) relating to congregation activities; correspondence and other documents (1933-41) relating to the Jewish community, Buffalo, N.Y.; correspondence, reports, committee minutes, and miscellaneous documents (1943-55) of the Jewish Community Relations Committee, Cincinnati, Ohio; minutes and miscellaneous documents (1958-64) of the Jewish Community Federation, Cleveland, Ohio; treasurer's account books (1885-97, 1926-48) of Temple House of Israel, Staunton, Va.; minutes and miscellaneous documents (1915-57) of B'nai B'rith Lodge No. 767, minutes and miscellaneous records (1909-25) of the Hebrew Ladies Auxiliary Association, and minutes and miscellaneous records (1944-48) of B'nai Israel Sisterhood, Parkersburg, W. Va.; correspondence, reports, clippings, and articles (1963-66) relating to *The Leo Frank Case* by Leonard Dinnerstein; sermons and lectures (1889-1927) of Rudolph Grossman, New York City; correspondence and clippings relating to Nathan Isaacs' position as delegate to the first World Jewish Congress, 1936, and miscellaneous documents (1812-1942) relating to the Isaacs and Davis families; correspondence and articles (1932-67) of Horace M. Kallen, New York City; correspondence and articles (1958-67) of Kivie Kaplan, Newton, Mass.; sermons and correspondence (1912-20) of Louis J. Kopald, Glencoe, Ill.; manuscripts (1887-1900) of Rabbi Adolph A. Lazarus, Tyler, Tex.; diary (1881) of Josephine H. Robi and letters and miscellaneous documents (1859-1965) of the Robi family, St. Louis, Mo.; sermons (1914-56) of Leonard J. Rothstein, Cincinnati, Ohio; letters and reports (1921-67) of Frances Stern, Boston, Mass., relating to the Frances Stern Food Clinic; letterbooks (1922-32) of Felix M. Warburg, correspondence, reports, and cablegrams (1928-38) regarding his and others' activities in the development of Palestine, draft memorandum of the American Commissioner, Non-Partisan Palestine Commission on Survey, and a report of the Jewish settlement in Palestine; and correspondence (1930-50) of Martin M. Weitz, Oxford, Pa.

The William E. Wiener Oral History Library under the direction of Louis G. Cowan has been organized within the American Jewish Committee's Institute of Human Relations, 165 East 56th St., New York City 10022.

Lutheran

Pastor A. B. Lentz, Archivist-Historian of the Archives of the Nebraska Synod, Lutheran Church in America, Omaha, Nebr., has been commissioned to write the history of the Nebraska Synod for its centennial in 1970. The book will be titled *Cornhusker Lutherans—LCA in Nebraska*. ¶ The North Carolina Synod, LCA, P.O. Box 240, Salisbury, N.C., reports completion of cataloging its synodical archives, which contain a number of church records including minutes, diaries, and materials on Lutheranism in North Carolina. The Reverend Wilford Lyerly is secretary.

Now open for research purposes (with family consent) in the archives of the Waterloo Lutheran University, Waterloo, Ont., Canada, is the personal correspondence of C. H. Little who was a professor (1917-47) at Waterloo Lutheran Seminary.

The Ontario District Archives of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod in Kingsville, Ont., Canada, has acquired the Ontario District Supplement to the *Lutheran Witness* (1946–48) and the District Proceedings (for the same years).

Mennonite

The Lancaster Mennonite Conference Historical Society, 2215 Mill Stream Rd., Lancaster, Pa. 17602, specializes in Pennsylvania Dutch genealogy and Mennonite records. Ira D. Landis is Archivist of the special collections and the 40,000 volume theological library.

Methodist

Since the union of the Methodist and Evangelical United Brethren Churches, the Archives of DePauw University and Indiana Methodism, Roy O. West Library, Greencastle, Ind. 46135, has received 45 volumes of minutes (1800 to date) of the General, St. Joseph, and Indiana Conferences, 200 church histories, and 104 church documents. Of general interest in the Archives are the Indiana Conference Minutes (1885–1935) of the Methodist Protestant Church.

Presbyterian

The Clifford E. Barbour Library, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, 616 North Highland Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa. 15206, is collecting papers, publications, and biographical information on former seminary professors. Recently received were the papers of former professors Frank Dixon McCloy and James H. Snowden.

Unitarian-Universalist

Alan Seaburg, Archivist of the Unitarian Universalist Association, 25 Beacon St., Boston, Mass. 02108, reports that an archives program was recently started, and new quarters have been selected.

Interdenominational

The archives of the Hartford Seminary Foundation, 55 Elizabeth St., Hartford, Conn. 06105, are in the process of being organized and indexed. The foundation recently received the papers of Edwin E. Calverley (1882–), professor at the Kennedy School of Missions of the Foundation, and the papers of his wife, an author and missionary. Other significant archives include the A. C. Thompson (1812–1901) collection; letters and sermons of Asahel Nettleton (1783–1844); the papers of Joseph Bellamy (1719–90); sermons of Jonathan Edwards, Jr. (1745–1801); and the Duncan Black Macdonald collection (1863–1943). Nafi Donat is the Archivist.

The Manuscript and Archives Reference Department, Yale University Library, New Haven, Conn. 06520, contains extensive materials relating to the history of religion and churches, such as the papers of Lyman and H. W. Beecher, Samuel W. Williams, Leonard Bacon, and Hiram Bingham, and notebooks relating to the training of medical missionaries. Other significant collections include the Jonathan Edwards collection in the Beinecke Library and the Latin American collection containing material on the Roman Catholic Church in Latin America of the 16th–18th centuries, and on missionary activities in the Far East.

SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL MANUSCRIPTS

Reported by Maynard J. Brichford

Items for this section should be sent direct to Maynard J. Brichford,
University Archivist, University of Illinois Library, Urbana, Ill. 61801.

Museum of the American Indian, Heye Foundation, New York

The museum has recently received a grant that will enable it to complete the salvage of 50,000 photographic negatives relating to the life and culture of the American Indian.

University of Illinois

The university Archives has acquired the papers of botanist Arthur G. Vestal (1899-1964), and the letterbooks of the university's Agricultural Experiment Station (1888-1919). The Archives has also received an addition (1915-38) to the papers of geneticist Charles Zeleny. The papers contain extensive material on regeneration and the gene characteristics of *Drosophila*.

University of Texas

The university will use the bequest of Sid W. Richardson to purchase collections on the history of science. Collections will include archival and manuscript material that will supplement printed material in the history of science library. The Humanities Research Center's first volume in its history of science series concerns Sir John Herschel, whose papers are in the history of science collections.

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.

The growing number of small repositories over the last few years creates cause for concern. Unfortunately, many collections are poorly housed and inadequately staffed: conditions that threaten manuscripts with isolation if not actual loss. Though most of us could give examples of such repositories, I am happy to point again to instances of consolidation and cooperation. These instances may not indicate a reversal of the trend but do show that unions of mutual advantage can occur. Earlier issues reported the merger of the collections of the Northern Arizona Pioneer Historical Society with those of Northern Arizona University Library [*American Archivist*, 31:223 (Apr. 1968).—ED.] and the deposit of the Kent-Delord Museum manuscripts in the New York Collection at the State University College at Plattsburg. [*AA*, 31:423 (Oct. 1968).—ED.] The April 1969 issue of this journal stressed other cooperative projects. Recently published by the manuscript collections at Cornell and Syracuse Universities, *Manuscripts for Research* is a 36-page brochure giving one-line subject listings of collections at the two universities. Initially favorable reception of the brochure has stimulated plans to include in a second edition collections at the University of Rochester and at the State Universities at Buffalo and Binghamton. Scholars planning research visits to the area will then know about related materials. Copies of the brochure may be obtained from Ronald F. Miller, Coordinator, F.A.U.L., 106 Roney Lane, Syracuse, N.Y. 13210. Mrs. Philip S. Haring, College Curator, Knox College, Galesburg, Ill., and a member

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of the Manuscript and Special Collections Committee, SAA, is interested in the problem of the growing number of repositories. Others also concerned may wish to contact her.

The first list of appraisers mentioned in the January 1969 issue [p. 82] has been compiled and is available from me upon receipt of a stamped, self-addressed envelope. Additions are welcome.

Personnel

Ellen Lee Barker has become Curator of Manuscripts, **Maryland Historical Society**. Samuel T. Suratt, formerly of the Smithsonian Institution, has become archivist with **CBS News** and is the first person to hold such a job with the network.

Collections

The **American Philosophical Society** is the depository for the Sol Feinstone collection of materials relating to the American Revolution. The society has also acquired six rolls of microfilm of William Bateson (1861–1926) papers relating to his personal and scientific activities. The library and papers of Vardis Fisher have been given to the **Boise State College Library**, and microfilm copies of Fisher material deposited earlier at Yale University will also be available at Boise. **Boston University** has received the papers of Rabbi Joshua Loth Liebman of Temple Israel, Boston. They include his sermons, letters, and copies of his writings. Transcripts of interviews with Russian emigres now living in San Francisco are available for research at the Bancroft Library, **University of California, Berkeley**, as part of the California–Russian Emigre Archives. Sponsored by the Center for Slavic and European Studies at the university, the project was completed by the Oral History Office of the library. For lists of the interviews write: Regional Oral History Office, Room 486, The General Library, University of California, Berkeley 94720. The **University of California, Santa Barbara**, has purchased the collections of Eleanor Wilson McAdoo, youngest daughter of President Woodrow Wilson. Documents include correspondence and several manuscript versions of her book about her parents. The **Catholic University of America Libraries** has put on microfilm the O'Donovan Rossa papers relating to the Fenians and to other Irish-American movements of the 19th and 20th centuries. Positive microfilm sets, accompanied by an inventory, may be ordered at \$65 a set from Dr. Fred Blum, Head, Special Services Department, Catholic University of America Libraries, Washington, D.C. 20017.

The **Chicago Historical Society** announces the acquisition of the archives of the Catholic Interracial Council of Chicago (1952–64); the correspondence and account books of the Chicago Cubs (1873–91); the archives (1920's through 1950's) of Chicago Commons, a social settlement established in 1894 by Graham Taylor; the personal correspondence (1944–61) of Sterling Morton, businessman; and the first part of the papers (1944–67) of Arthur Rubloff, realtor. The society has finished putting on film the papers (1935–43) of Arthur W. Mitchell of Illinois, the first Negro Democrat to serve in the United States Congress. The Henry Miller Porter collection, **Colorado History Society**, has been cataloged and indexed. Copies of the index are now available from the society, 200 14th Ave., Denver 80203. **Columbia University** has acquired a 14th-century manuscript of the story of the death of King Arthur, written in the 12th century by Walter Map; and a selection of the papers, books, and manuscripts of French writer André

Gide. **Cornell University** has signed formal accession agreements with the Medical Society of the State of New York and with Lambda Alpha, international land economics fraternity, covering preservation of their papers in the Collection of Regional History and University Archives.

Dartmouth College Libraries have acquired the papers of several members of the Cornish Colony of New Hampshire including: Augustus Saint-Gaudens, sculptor; Winston Churchill, novelist and Progressive Party leader; Steele and Percy MacKaye, father and son dramatists, poets, and actors; and Witter Bynner, poet. The college also has the papers of Kenneth Roberts, including material on his investigation of water dowsing. The **Delaware County Historical Society** of Chester, Pa., has microfilmed the Chester F. Baker notebooks and has received deeds and papers from the Court of Common Pleas. The **University of Illinois** archives has added papers of the following: sculptor Lorado Taft (1857-1953); educator John J. DeBoer (1936-68); university trustee Wayne A. Johnston (1945-67); and university president Lloyd Morey (1908-66). The Manuscript Section of the Special Collections Department, The Library, **University of Illinois at Chicago Circle**, has completed a guide to the collections. Copies are available from Robert J. Adelsperger, Special Collections Librarian, The Library, Box 8198, Chicago, Ill. 60680. **Southern Illinois University** has received the papers of Gen. Frederick T. Dent, U.S. Army staff officer in the Civil War and White House secretary. Leo Graham has deposited the manuscript of the poem *Babi Yar* by Yevgeni Yevtushenko in the **Jewish National and University Library** in Jerusalem.

The **Maine Historical Society** of Portland has microfilmed several collections that relate to Canadian-American boundary problems from 1796 to 1908. The library of the **Marine Biological Laboratory** at Woods Hole, Mass., has extensive holdings of the laboratory including correspondence, reports, photographs, serials, and reprints that will be of interest to historians of recent biology. Principio Company papers (1670-1930) and Whitaker Iron Company records (1835-1938) have been acquired by the **Maryland Historical Society**. They trace the history of the iron industry in Cecil County, Md., and in West Virginia. The Society has also acquired the papers (1768-1935) of the Mitchell family of Port Tobacco. The Mississippi Valley collection, **Memphis State University**, recently accessioned papers of Anne Goodwin Winslow; typescripts of novels and short stories of Jesse Hill Ford; diaries and notebooks (1838-78) of Caleb G. Forshey, Mississippi Confederate officer and engineer; business and family correspondence (1820-59) of William Washington Hunter, a merchant of New Madrid, Mo.; papers of the Harry Harrison Kroll, Jr., family, Martin, Tenn.; and papers (1927-58) of Watkins Overton, Mayor of Memphis and educational leader. The Michigan Historical Collections, **University of Michigan**, has received the gubernatorial papers of George Romney. **Michigan Technological University** has acquired the forest survey notes (1919-43) of the Cleveland Cliffs Iron Co. The **Minnesota Historical Society** has received the McCarthy papers, the Humphrey papers, the Alice Brill papers, the Hjalmar Petersen papers, the Luther Youngdahl papers, and the records of the Republican State Central Committee. The Minnesota society has also received phase one of a 2-year transfer of Northern Pacific Railway Co. records. The records relate to early development of the upper Northwest and include correspondence, financial and land records, ledgers, diaries, and documents concerning company activities in promoting European immigration and settlement.

Through the cooperation of Vladas Lissauskas, the **University of Minnesota Library** has received an extensive collection of Lithuanian immigrant publications issued from displaced persons' camps and from other sources around the world. Political and editorial cartoons are being collected by the **University of Southern Mississippi** in an effort to preserve this historical source. The **Jackson County Historical Society**, Independence, Mo., has asked for archival and museum space in the city's courthouse. The Society's collection is outgrowing allotted space in the Harry S. Truman Presidential Library. The *Guide to the Manuscript Collection, Morristown National Historical Park* is available without charge from the Park at P.O. Box 759, Morristown, N.J. 07960.

The library of the **University of Nevada** at Reno has received the correspondence and papers (1951-63) of the Talisman Press. Contents include a complete run of *Talisman* and copies of books and short stories published by the press. Most of the correspondence is between the editors, Robert Greenwood and Newton T. Baird, and contributors to the magazine. The **New Hampshire Historical Society** has accessioned several manuscript account books and ledgers relating to local businesses in the State and has been given manuscript sermons (1752-62) of Henry True. The New Hampshire society has also purchased the five-volume diary (1841, 1846-49) of Daniel B. Stearns, a weaving room overseer in mills in New Hampshire and Massachusetts. The **New York State University at Stony Brook** has acquired a collection of books, manuscripts, and broadsides of contemporary authors including LeRoi Jones and Allen Ginsberg. The Southern Historical Collection, **University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill**, has acquired the following: papers of Calvin J. Cowles (1821-1907), merchant and Federal Government employee; and papers of Harriet Berry, active in the good roads movement in the 1920's. The **Ohio Historical Society** has been given the senatorial files of U.S. Sen. Frank J. Lausche. The American Broadcasting Companies, Chicago, has given its broadcast music library to the College of the Arts, **Ohio State University**.

The papers of Senator Joseph S. Clark have been acquired by the **Historical Society of Pennsylvania**. The Labor History Division of the Pennsylvania Historical Collection at **Pennsylvania State University** has acquired approximately 70 collections during the past year. Adding to the records of the United Steelworkers of America, which include oral history material, the division has received the papers of William B. Dickson, U.S. Steel; Harold J. Ruttenberg; William Mitch; Michael Kosik; Kathryn Pollak Ellickson; and several collections of union records. **Princeton University** has received the balance of the papers of Pulitzer prize-winning reporter and columnist of the *New York Times*, Arthur Krock, and the Valva collection of theater orchestral scores of several thousand popular songs used in early 20th-century vaudeville and movie houses. **Syracuse University** has received the papers of authors Will F. Jenkins, Eva vB. Hansl, Constance Noyes Robertson, and Zalman Yefroikin and papers of sculptor Leonard Volk.

The Southwest Collection at **Texas Technological College**, Lubbock, has acquired the papers (1834-1956) of historian Carl Coke Rister, attorney Ross L. Malone, Gov. Daniel I. J. Thornton of Colorado, New Mexico politician Robert H. La Follette, and the Mooar brothers, Texan buffalo hunters and ranchers. The **University of Virginia Library** has received the following: lectures and notes (1811-35) on natural philosophy by Robert Marshall Patterson; records (1961-67) of the Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology; and papers (1930-66) of U.S. Rep. Howard W. Smith.

The Labor History Archives, **Wayne State University**, has acquired the papers (1912-66) of Mary Heaton Vorse. The Archives is now the official depository of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee, which worked to organize farm laborers under the leadership of Cesar Chavez. **West Virginia University Library**, Morgantown, has acquired the following: business records (1871-89) of Dana Brothers, Kanawha County; and records (1933-34) of Kanawha County Relief Administration.

The **Western Reserve Historical Society**, Cleveland, has received papers of the following individuals: Harry L. Eastman, judge, 1926-67; James P. Henderson, physician, 1820-45; George W. Hodges, 1861-65; Donald F. Lybarger, judge, 1865-1962; and Joseph P. Pepoon, minister, 1820's. Also received were records of Paul Brothers, Cuyahoga County, 1839-1917, and the Cleveland Municipal Light Plant Association, 1937-52; and the diary (1881) of Elizabeth B. Garfield, mother of President Garfield.

Publications

Publications of interest to the profession include: Rev. Louis Pfaller, ed., *Guide to the Microfilm Edition of the Major James McLaughlin Papers* (**Assumption College**, Richardton, N. Dak., 1969), which follows the pattern of National Historical Publications Commission microfilm publications but was done without Commission support; *Report of the Michigan Historical Collections, 1967-1968* (**University of Michigan**), which lists the accessions and activities of the MHC during the period; Verner W. Clapp, *Copyright—A Librarian's View* (**Association of Research Libraries**, Washington, 1968), covering thoroughly a troublesome area; and Rare Book Department, *A Record of Five Years' Growth: An Exhibit at Washington University* (**Washington University Libraries**, St. Louis, 1969), which highlights reports of acquisitions. ¶ The **Maryland Historical Society** announced an arrangement with Microinsurance, Inc., of Philadelphia, whereby its Rhistoric Publications Division will microfilm and then issue facsimiles in hard cover of manuscript tax, debt, militia, and other lists located during the preparation of the guide to the society's manuscripts. The first to be published will be 1783 tax lists for Baltimore and Harford Counties (two volumes; \$35 each, after June 1, 1969). Orders may be sent to Rhistoric Publications, 302 North 13th St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19107. Anyone holding tax lists or indexes in typescript or other form is asked to write the society immediately at 201 West Monument St., Baltimore 21201.

CANADA

Reported by Wilfred I. Smith

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Public Archives of Canada

The life of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Prime Minister of Canada, 1896-1911, has been illustrated in an exhibit of Laurier manuscripts, photographs, cartoons, newspapers, pamphlets, and maps. Displayed on the main floor, Public Archives Building, the exhibit was officially opened March 6, 1969. Guests attending the opening included former Prime Ministers Lester B. Pearson and John G. Diefenbaker; Wilfred I. Smith, Acting Dominion Archivist; Gerard Pelletier, Secretary of State; J. W.

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Pickersgill, former Minister of Transport; Joseph Schull, biographer of Laurier; and Henri Laurier, a Montreal lawyer and grandnephew of Laurier.

Manuscript Division: Recent accessions in the Public Records Section include records from such Government departments and other units as: Finance, Justice, National Revenue, Northern Affairs, Citizenship and Immigration, National Defence, the Privy Council, the Treasury Board, and the Canada Council. Extensive papers (1930-68) of the National Liberal Federation are in the custody of the Post-Confederation Section.

Picture Division: Progress on the National Film Collection Project in the Historical Photographs Section has been significant and encouraging. Film collections in six repositories were examined, evaluated, and selected for acquisition. Out of approximately 1½ million feet of deteriorating nitrate stock some 72,288 feet were retained as historically significant. Of original negatives or prints, 36,288 feet were acquired, and the remaining 36,000 feet were transferred to 16mm. or 35mm. safety film. The subject content of the acquisitions includes such events and personalities as: Doukhobor customs, Grand Forks, B.C., 1919; building the Bluenose, Lunenburg, N.S., 1920; L. A. Taschereau sworn in as new premier of Quebec, 1920; President F. D. Roosevelt and family at Campobello, N.B., 1936; and the first transcontinental flight by a Canadian airline company, August 6, 1937. Until procedures for research access and the production of duplicate footage have been established, access to the National Film Collection will be restricted. ¶ Recent acquisitions of still photographs have been significant historically and also because the acquisitions mark important stages in efforts to establish continuing working relationships with Government and private sources. The Central Mortgage and Housing Corp. has transferred a collection of photographs illustrating types of urban housing and housing construction (1939-59), and will continue to transfer non-current photographs. A. Outram donated a collection covering the activities of the 68th Battery, Royal Canadian Army in North Russia, 1919, and thus completed coverage of Canadian military participation during World War I. Portrait negatives of some one hundred new members of Parliament were purchased. Also acquired was an extensive collection of photograph albums from Mrs. Brooke Claxton, covering her husband's childhood, military, and political activities (1898-1958).

Map Division: The Canadian Section revised the design of its descriptive entry catalog card to permit reproduction of cards for the National Union List of Maps. The Foreign Section instituted a new, essentially Canadian, system of map classification and has reorganized the collection. Preparations were made for a pilot study in the cataloging of maps by using data-processing equipment. In addition, a study will be made of the cataloging of archival maps in the Canadian Section. In this section, accessions in the field of recent municipal maps include contemporary plans from most of the municipalities in Alberta, British Columbia, and Ontario. An 1807 Wilkinson map of America, mid-19th century maps of Prince Edward County and Halton County in Ontario, and early maps of Cobourg, Ont., were acquired. A collection of detailed maps of France and Belgium during World War I were donated.

Alberta

Provincial Archives: Recent accessions include material from the University Women's Club, the Alberta Music Festival Association, and Rocky View Municipal District. The staff has begun making regular visits to government departments, boards, and agencies with good results.

The City of Edmonton Archives Committee: The committee was established in 1938 to gather archival material relating to the city: its history, places, and residents. Currently, the Edmonton Historical Board carries on the work. The collection, now maintained by Helen La Rose, includes many maps of the city and district, city directories and architectural blueprints of older, more prominent buildings and residences; private papers such as those of local authors and of a former Lieutenant Governor of the Province, city of Edmonton records and city of Strathcona records, documents from the Edmonton Exhibition Association, Edmonton newspapers including the *Edmonton Bulletin* (1905-51), the *Capital* (1912-14), and some *Edmonton Journals*, voters' lists from the 1920's to the present, and financial statements (1901-67) of the city. A program of soliciting material from former mayors and other city dignitaries and from elderly residents has been started. The major project is to sort and organize the existing collection by May 1970 when an itemized listing will be published. **Regimental Museum of the Queens Own Rifles of Canada, Calgary:** Recent accessions include a letterbook and correspondence of Lt. Col. William Smith Durie, First Commanding Officer, 1860-65; papers (1914-18) of Major General Mercer; and North West (Riel) Rebellion diaries (ca. 1885).

Ontario

The University of Toronto Press has issued the *Preliminary Name List* for volume C (1871-80) of the Dictionary of Canadian Biography. Included are noteworthy Canadians who made reputations in Canada or abroad and citizens of other countries who contributed to Canadian life, all of whom died between 1871 and 1880.

OTHER COUNTRIES

Australia

The University of Melbourne expects completion of an Archives Centre building by the end of 1969. The Archives Section, created at the university in 1960, now administers one of the two largest business archives in the British Commonwealth. Dating from the 1830's to the 1960's, the records include legal documents, minutes, reports, correspondence, account books, and financial statements. The new building will also house university archives and medical records from physicians and research workers.

El Salvador

Rodolfo Ramos Choto, who has been active in the archival field in his country and throughout Central America, was appointed Director of the Archivo General de la Nación on July 10, 1968.

The Asociación General de Archivistas de El Salvador announced in the February 1969 issue of its *Archivo* the officers who will direct the activities of the society for the year. They are: Jesús Siguenza Arteaga, president; José Arturo Zepeda, secretary general; José Napoleón Rivas, secretary in charge of records; Luis Edgardo Gumero Mata, secretary for public relations; Salvador Montalvo Paniagua, secretary of publicity and organizing activities; Rodolfo Ramos Choto, secretary for legislation; and José Francisco Burgos, treasurer.

Israel

The *Report of Activities, April 1964-December 1967* (19 p., illustrated with

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facsimiles) of the World Zionist Organization, Central Zionist Archives, has been published.

United Kingdom

Archivists and historians have been pressing for stronger controls by the British Government over the continuing export of historical manuscripts to the United States. Roger Ellis, president of the Society of Archivists, has proposed an independent inquiry to set guidelines to ban such exports. Currently, buyers may take out of the country any manuscript less than 100 years old. For older manuscripts worth over \$120, the exporter must obtain a license and must deposit a photographic copy in the appropriate institution.

G. C. L. Hazlehurst, Nuffield College, Oxford, England, has begun work as director of the 1- to-2 year pilot project approved at a conference of historians, librarians, and archivists held at the college in 1967. Mr. Hazlehurst will concentrate on locating papers of ministers from the 1900 General Election until the resignation of the Attlee Government in 1951. The complete project, a location survey and then a published guide of 20th-century British political papers, will cover papers of all Members of Parliament, Heads of Diplomatic Missions, Chiefs of Staff, and First Sea Lords active between 1900 and 1951, and papers of persons in other categories such as religion, mass communications, business, and politics. The larger project will be undertaken if results of the pilot project are encouraging, and if financing can be arranged. This attempt to establish a center of documentation in the form of a published guide instead of as a special collection in a repository has been urged for some time by many British archivists.

A similar project for scientific records has been started by a standing joint committee (created in 1968) of the Royal Society and the Historical Manuscripts Commission. The committee's first aim is to prepare and publish a guide to the location and content of papers of leading British scientists and technologists from the 16th century until and including the time of Lord Ernest Rutherford (1871-1937) but excluding scientists still alive. R. E. W. Maddison, Librarian, Royal Astronomical Society, London, is the compiler.

SOCIETY OF AMERICAN ARCHIVISTS

Minutes of the Council

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, April 17, 1969

President Jones called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. in his Suite 798 at the Benjamin Franklin Hotel. Present were Herman Kahn, vice president; F. Gerald Ham, secretary; A. K. Johnson, Jr., treasurer; Harold T. Pinkett, editor; and Council Members Maynard J. Brichford, Agnes Conrad, Frank B. Evans, Victor Gondos, Jr., Joseph F. Halpin, Wilfred I. Smith, Robert M. Warner, and Dorman H. Winfrey.

The minutes of the council meeting of December 29, 1968, were approved as circulated and corrected.

President Jones opened the meeting by calling the Council's attention to the fact that this was, he believed, the first council meeting in 7 years at which all members of the Council were present. Mr. Jones in his report to the Council introduced a communication he had received from the Archivist of the United States pertaining to H.R. 8839, A Bill To Establish a National Commission on Library and Information Science, and for Other Purposes. In his communication Archivist James B. Rhoads

suggested that the bill be amended to include archival agencies along with libraries and information sciences. There followed discussion on whether the Society should endorse the bill if amended along the lines suggested by Mr. Rhoads. It was moved by Mr. Gondos and seconded by Mr. Johnson that Council Member Winfrey study the legislation and discuss with persons, including those in the library profession, the possibility of amending the bill to include the archival profession; following Mr. Winfrey's report to the Council, a mail ballot shall be taken on the Society's endorsement of the bill.

The secretary, in his comments on membership development, reported that 184 new members and subscribers had been added to the Society's membership rolls since last October. These additions include two new sustaining members, the Ohio Historical Society and the Moravian Archives of Bethlehem, Pa. During the above period the secretary's office sent out 121 letters of invitation to prospective members who had recently attended various symposia sponsored by the Society and the National Archives. This mailing resulted in the addition of 24 new members to the Society's rolls. In an attempt to encourage Society membership among those practicing archivists who are not now members of the Society, the Secretary has written to all State and Provincial Archivists in the United States and Canada requesting the names of non-SAA members on their professional staff. The secretary's office plans a similar approach to membership development in other areas of professional archival activity.

The secretary also reported briefly on current committee activities, pointing out that while the Society, of necessity, must place heavy reliance on its committees to carry out the programs of the Society, many committees, based on their periodic reports to the Council, have not yet developed any meaningful program of action.

The secretary reviewed the Finance Committee's report on proposed increases in membership dues and subscription fees. This report stressed that since the last dues increase in 1961 the Society has been faced with ever-increasing costs in the continuing expansion of its services to the profession and that a dues increase is essential if the Society is to continue to upgrade the whole range of its activities and if it is to continue to serve as an effective professional organization. The report, previously circulated to the officers and members of the Council, recommended the following increases:

Individual membership. Dues in this category would be raised from \$10 to \$15 a year.

Contributing individual membership. Fees in this new membership classification would be \$25 a year. This dues category is primarily designed for those members who wish to support the Society beyond the mandatory rate. Contributing members will have their names listed in the *American Archivist* once a year and will receive without cost all publications issued by the Society and its committees.

Institutional Membership. The Finance Committee, in the opinion that archival agencies and libraries should play a larger financial role in the work of the Society, has recommended that dues in this category be raised from \$10 to \$25 a year. Institutional members will receive all Society publications at no additional cost and will have free access to the Society's placement services.

Subscriptions. The subscription price will be raised from \$10 to \$15.

Life membership. In line with the general dues increase, membership in this category will be raised from \$200 to \$300.

Sustaining Institutional membership. Dues in this classification will remain at \$100.

The secretary's motion that the Finance Committee's Report on a Proposed Increase in Membership Dues and Subscription Fees be approved was seconded by the treasurer. Mr. Evans then moved to amend the report to raise the fees in the

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institutional membership category to \$35 a year. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gondos. The motion to amend the report failed to carry whereupon the motion to approve the report was adopted.

To enable the general membership to consider the proposed dues increase at the annual business meeting in Madison, Wis., on October 10, 1969, it was necessary for the Council to approve a proposed amendment to section six of the Society's constitution, which presently sets membership dues at \$10 a year. Mr. Warner moved to amend this section to read: "The schedule of membership dues shall be determined by the Council and submitted for approval by a majority vote of the members at the annual business meeting of the Society." The motion was seconded by Mr. Johnson and approved. The membership will vote on the ratification of this amendment at the forthcoming business meeting.

The secretary also presented a report, based on data collected during a recent trip to San Francisco, on hotel and convention accommodations for the 1971 annual meeting. Based on this report, a motion was made, seconded, and approved that the Society contract with the Sheraton-Palace Hotel for convention headquarters and accommodations.

President Jones pointed out that, at the last Council meeting on the West Coast (December 1965), no quorum was obtained. Consequently, he questioned the feasibility of holding the traditional spring Council meeting and Society luncheon at the annual meeting of the Organization of American Historians in Los Angeles in April 1970. After discussion it was moved by Mr. Evans and seconded by Mr. Warner that the Society proceed to hold the luncheon and Council meeting at the OAH meeting as originally planned. The secretary was also instructed to explore the feasibility of arranging the 1972 annual meeting to coincide with the annual meeting of the American Association for State and Local History. It was the Council's expression that the membership of both organizations would be best served by holding consecutive rather than concurrent meetings but using the same convention facilities.

As part of his report, Treasurer Johnson presented a revised budget for 1969. He reported that receipts were approximately 40 percent ahead of last year and would total an estimated \$35,400 as against \$28,174.59 for 1968. Much of this early increase is attributable to the late receipt of funds from the Ottawa meeting and from unexpectedly heavy royalties of \$2,427.93 from the Johnson Reprint Corp. The major revision in disbursements concerns the secretary's office and special meetings. The Finance Committee agreed that the work of the secretary's office would benefit appreciably from the employment of a part-time executive assistant to the secretary. The duties and responsibilities of this office have reached such dimensions that the secretary must either neglect his professional archival duties or the work of the Society. To remedy this situation the Finance Committee recommended that effective May 1, 1969, the secretary's office employ a part-time assistant and that the sum of \$2,900 be budgeted to fund this position for 1969. Much of the increase for special meetings is to provide travel cost for two Society representatives to Salt Lake City to man the Society's exhibit booth at the World Conference on Records this coming August. Mr. Johnson's motion that the revised budget be approved was seconded by Mr. Winfrey and unanimously adopted by the Council.

The treasurer also expressed concern over the delay in the publication of the Index to volumes 21-30 of the *American Archivist* and suggested that the Council consider means to provide the Editor with additional assistance in the compilation of the Index. A motion was introduced by Mr. Halpin and seconded by Mr. Smith, requesting the Archivist of the United States to relieve the present compiler, Mary

Jane Dowd, of all other official duties with the National Archives for a period of 3 months to complete the compilation of the Index. The motion was approved and the Secretary was instructed to forward a copy of the motion to Mr. Rhoads.

At the invitation of the President, Seymour J. Pomrenze, Chairman of the Committee on Education and Training, reported on a grant proposal requesting funds from the Council on Library Resources, Inc., to underwrite a study and report on archival education and training in the United States. Mr. Pomrenze told the Council that he had consulted with Ernst Posner and with Verner Clapp of the Council on Library Resources, Inc., and had received assurance from the agency that the proposal will be formally considered. Mr. Pomrenze also reported that he had been in contact with the Office of Library Education of the American Library Association and with the American Records Management Association, and that both groups have promised strong support for the Society's proposal. Following an extended discussion of the purpose and aims of the project, it was agreed that the investigation should deal with the general nature of archival education and should provide minimum standards for such training but that it should not necessarily attempt to specify the administrative location of the educational program within an institution or set up a rigid curriculum of course requirements. The end product of the study is to be a comprehensive published report analyzing past and present archival education, identifying the essential components of a relevant archival curriculum, and considering organizational locations of courses in archival education. A motion by Mr. Gondos, seconded by Miss Conrad, endorsing the Education and Training Committee's First Draft: Application for a Grant from the Council on Library Resources, Inc., was approved. President Jones announced that in consultation with Vice President Kahn, he was requesting Mr. Warner to consider accepting the position of director of the education and training project. Mr. Warner said he would give the most serious consideration to Mr. Jones's request.

In the editor's report, Mr. Pinkett presented a statistical analysis of space devoted to the various features of the journal during the last 5 years and discussed prospects for increasing the size of the journal. Based on Mr. Pinkett's report, several members suggested changes to improve both the layout and content of the journal. Discussion was discontinued on adjournment at 12:00 m. for the Council members to attend the annual spring SAA luncheon.

The president called the adjourned meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Following further discussion of the merits and deficiencies of the journal, Mr. Warner introduced the following motion: "The Council respectfully requests the Editorial Board to undertake a critical analysis of the *American Archivist* and submit to the Council at its next meeting a written report of the journal's present strengths and weaknesses and recommendations of ways to reorganize and improve the journal." The motion was seconded by Mr. Evans and was approved unanimously.

At the previous Council meeting the Secretary had been instructed to circulate a personnel questionnaire, compiled by Mr. Evans and Mr. Warner, to the SAA committee chairmen for their critical comment. Based on replies of these chairmen, Mr. Evans designed a form that will permit the easy conversion of data to a machine-readable format. After some discussion, primarily regarding additions to the questionnaire, it was moved by Mr. Evans and seconded by Mr. Winfrey that the questionnaire be printed; that Mr. Evans prepare a covering letter explaining the purpose of the form and how it should be filled out; and that the questionnaire be included in the general membership mailing of the annual meeting material. The motion was approved.

Mr. Johnson raised the question of what Federal Government grants might be available to support certain activities of the Society. He pointed out the Society should be aware of the Government's grant programs that might have relevance to the profession and should know the procedures for applying for such grants. Acting on Mr. Johnson's suggestion, Mr. Evans introduced a motion, seconded by Mr. Kahn, instructing the Secretary to prepare a brief report on the availability of Federal grants for consideration at the next Council meeting. The motion was approved.

Based on the Finance Committee's recommendation, Mr. Johnson requested the Council to pledge a specified sum to the project for the study of the permanence of paper and related archival materials cosponsored by the Society and the National Archives. Mr. Johnson pointed out that if the Society's Ad Hoc Committee on Paper Research is successfully to solicit other public and private organizations and institutions for funds to underwrite the 5-year project, it is imperative that the Society, as a sign of good faith, make a substantial contribution. Following a discussion on the method of funding the Society's contribution, the Council voted to reserve in the publications fund \$1000 a year for the 5-year period covered by the project. This money will be used to defray preparation and publication cost of a manual on archival preservation, based in part on the findings of the study.

The secretary reported on the status of the annual meeting for Richard A. Erney, Chairman of the Local Arrangements Committee. The meeting will be held October 8-10, 1969 at the Park Motor Inn, Madison, Wis. In addition to special area discussion meetings and the regular sessions, the meeting will include a welcoming luncheon at which Gov. Robert Scott of North Carolina will be the principal speaker, a reception and the annual banquet followed by the awards presentation and the presidential address, and the annual business luncheon. On Friday there will be a tour to the Circus World Museum at Baraboo, Wis.

The chairman of the Program Committee, Mr. Kahn, reported that this fall's program will include sessions on such topics as automated indexing, archival appraisal, editing of photographic collections, oral history problems, and the administration of a manuscripts division in a large research library.

President Jones, at the request of the Manuscript Collections Subsection of the Rare Books Section of the Association of College and Research Libraries, appointed Mr. Evans to serve as his personal representative to the recently formed manuscripts group. The president also requested Vice President Kahn to represent the Society at the forthcoming meeting of the Manuscript Collections Subsection at the preconference meeting of the Rare Books Section in Philadelphia, June 18-20, 1969.

The president turned the chair over to the vice president in order to introduce a motion to amend the constitution of the Society. The purpose of Mr. Jones's amendment is to permit the establishment of an independently administered endowment fund, the income of which eventually will be used to assist materially in the operation of the Society. Following some discussion it was moved by Mr. Jones and seconded by Mr. Evans that section 16 of the constitution be amended to read:

The Council shall be responsible for investment of funds and care of other assets of the Society. There shall be an Endowment Fund, the principal and earnings of which shall remain unexpended until together they total \$75,000, and thereafter only the earnings may be expended. Fiscal control of the funds and assets shall be maintained by such records and accounting system as may be prescribed by the Council. An annual audit of the financial affairs shall be made and a report of the audit published.

The proposed amendment will be submitted to the membership for ratification at the next annual business meeting.

Council Member Brichford, Chairman of the Committee on Scientific and Technological Manuscripts, introduced for Council approval a draft of a brochure prepared by the committee entitled *The Records of Scientific and Technological Achievement*. The purpose of the brochure is "to encourage the preservation of original source material useful for research in the history, philosophy, and sociology of science and technology." Council members made several suggestions concerning the format, content, and the cost of printing the brochure. Mr. Brichford agreed to send copies of the final draft to the members of the Council before Council approval of the publication, and the secretary was instructed to get a cost estimate for printing the brochure.

Editor Pinkett introduced a letter from the Secretary of the Historical Commission of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History inviting the Society to participate in the Commission's seventh consultative reunion in Washington, D.C., June 2-11, 1969, by sending delegates and by submitting papers.

President Jones announced that the fall Council meeting will be on October 7, 1969 at 7:30 p.m. in his suite at the Park Motor Inn, Madison, Wis.

With no further business before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 4 p.m.

F. GERALD HAM, *Secretary*



CALENDAR

OCTOBER 1969 (cont.)

12-24/**American Association for State and Local History**, History Museum Seminar, Albany, N.Y. Apply to: William T. Alderson, Jr., Director, American Association for State and Local History, 132 Ninth Ave. North, Nashville, Tenn. 37203.

19-22/**14th Annual Conference of the American Records Management Association**, Stouffer's River Front Inn, St. Louis, Mo. Apply to: ARMA Conference Chairman, 24 North Wabash Ave., Suite 823, Chicago, Ill. 60602.

22-24/**Conference of Systems Science and Cybernetics**, Warwick Hotel, Philadelphia, Pa. Apply to: J. E. Kienle, UNIVAC, Box 500, Blue Bell, Philadelphia, Pa. 19422.

25-31/**Annual Meeting of the American Association of Medical Record Librarians**, New York Hilton Hotel, New York, N.Y. Apply to: Mary J. Waterstraat, Executive Editor, *Medical Record News*, 211 East Chicago Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60611.

29-31/**Annual Meeting of the Southern Historical Association**, Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D.C. Apply to: Bennett H. Wall, Secretary-Treasurer of the Southern Historical Association, Department of History, Tulane University, New Orleans, La.

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7-10/**The Fourth Annual Colloquium on Oral History**, Airlie House, Warrenton, Va. Apply to: Royster Lyle, Jr., Colloquium Coordinator, The George C. Marshall Research Library, Lexington, Va. 24450.

10-14/**Basic Institute, The American Association of Medical Record Librarians**, Sheraton-Blackstone Hotel, Chicago, Ill. Apply to: Mary J. Waterstraat, Executive Editor, *Medical Record News*, 211 East Chicago Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60611.

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8-12/**Basic Institute, The American Association of Medical Record Librarians**, Sheraton Motor Inn, Winston-Salem, N.C. Apply to: Mary J. Waterstraat, Executive Director, *Medical Record News*, 211 East Chicago Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60611.

28-30/**Annual Meeting of the American Catholic Historical Association**, Washington, D.C. Apply to: John E. Wrigley, Department of History, La Salle College, Philadelphia, Pa.

28-30/**Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association**, Sheraton-Park and Shoreham Hotels, Washington, D.C. Apply to: Paul L. Ward, Executive Secretary, The American Historical Association, 400 A St. S.E., Washington, D.C. 20003.

*/**Annual Meeting of the History of Science Society**, Washington, D.C. Apply to: Prof. Robert Kargon, Department of the History of Science, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md. 21218.

*Specific date not yet set.

