

# The Records of Public Officials

## FINAL REPORT OF THE FORTY-EIGHTH AMERICAN ASSEMBLY

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### THE FORTY-EIGHTH AMERICAN ASSEMBLY

On the pages which follow are the collective views of a group of Americans who met April 3-5, 1975, at Arden House, Harriman, N.Y. to consider *The Records of Public Officials*—ownership and preservation of and access to the papers and tapes of prominent governmental figures.

The meeting was conducted by The American Assembly, which regularly convenes for the purpose of focusing attention on issues of public importance. The participants—among them historians, librarians, journalists, archivists, publishers, members of business and legal (bench and bar) communities—adopted these recommendations in a final plenary session on April 5 after two full days of discussion as a committee-of-the-whole.

Dr. Norman A. Graebner, Edward B. Stettinius Professor of Modern American History at the University of Virginia, wrote a monograph as advance reading for the meeting; it will be published and circulated by The American Assembly.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> The monograph, *The Records of Public Officials*, is scheduled to be printed in May 1975 and may then be purchased for \$1.00 per copy from The American Assembly, Columbia University, New York, New York, 10027.

As a non-partisan educational forum The American Assembly takes no official stand on matters it presents for public discussion. The opinions herein belong to the participants, who represented themselves and not necessarily the institutions or persons with whom they are affiliated. . . . [The Final Report, reviewed by the assembly's participants as a group at the close of their discussions] represents general agreement; however, no one was asked to sign it. Furthermore it should not be assumed that every participant subscribes to every recommendation.

## INTRODUCTION

America's government is the public's instrument, chosen to meet the claims of the future and the needs of the moment, building upon the uses of the past. It speaks to the people by its record. Whether to address best hopes and anxious desires, or to call up memories of past glories and frustrated ambition, that record can speak only if it is saved, and only if it is available.

Our government has yet to find a workable way to make and keep its own documentary history. The record of its most fateful decisions, no less than the story of its least substantial acts, is made uncertainly, imperfectly, incompletely.

The present National Archives and Records Service, despite much progress in its forty years of existence, does not have the independence, authority, or resources to enable it to overcome the consequences of traditions and practices that have deprived the public of many records which surely were created for public purposes.

Many records of former public officials are scattered and difficult to reach and use. Those who must have them, for undeniably valued and useful public and private purpose, are frequently thwarted.

Our tradition in dealing with the records of public officials is a disappointing one. It has cost the nation a part of its heritage and has deprived our policymakers, as much as the people, of instruments to guide present and future choices.

Recent experience is little different. However, we lately have seen a need at least for hasty solutions, and we have come to realize that we must now plan better, more lasting solutions. This American Assembly recognizes that as an obligation.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

### A. The Beginning of a New Tradition

This assembly concludes and recommends:

1. All branches of the government must now recognize that the past practices of preparing, maintaining, preserving, and controlling the records of public officials have not served the nation well.



2. The nation must recognize that the interests of its sovereign people, of policymakers, of scholars, of authors, of publishers, and of journalists have been compromised and even denied by these past practices.

3. The government must acknowledge, by law and regulation, a legitimate, enforceable, and paramount public interest in insuring that as many as possible of these records of permanent historical significance be preserved, that they be made available as soon as possible and to the fullest extent possible.

4. This interest must be defined through a recognition of a new form of public property rights, encompassing both the right of possession and the right of use, as well as all other rights attendant to those.

5. The public property interest should be the same for the records of all federal officials.

6. The public property interest must itself be inviolable. The mode and manner of preservation and utilization may vary with the nature of the records.

7. Legally enforceable new standards must be recognized for the preservation and utilization of these records, and the development, enforcement, and revision of those standards must be entrusted to an independent agency of government, insulated from improper influence and obliged to make periodic public reports. (The recommendations regarding this agency are set out in section E, below.)

8. The records must be managed according to professional archival procedures set forth by the new agency and implemented by each agency of government.

9. New standards must be developed to control the timing and limitations upon public disclosure of these records. Those standards must take into account demonstrable claims of privacy and personal privilege. There should be a periodic and systematic review of any standards providing for nondisclosure, such as claims of national security. If any provisions or arrangements are made in any specific instance for the sealing of records, the sealing should be subject to a specified maximum term.

10. Priority in access to public records should be given to those made or received in the pursuit of the public business of the government. Limitation on access could be negotiated for those records which are of a mixed public/private character, or of a purely personal or private character, with the burden of proof in every case borne by those seeking limitation.

11. The enforcement of standards should be subject ultimately to judicial review.

12. Nothing in this report is to be construed as an attempt to abrogate any right existing by or construed under the Constitution of the United States.

## **B. The Opportunity under Public Law 93-526**

This assembly concludes and recommends:

1. The Presidential Recordings and Materials Preservation Act, P.L. 93-526, provides an instructive precedent, at least by analogy, for the proposition that a public property interest in the records of public officials may be acknowledged and implemented.

2. The agreement which it abrogates, the so-called "Nixon-Sampson Agreement" regarding disposition of presidential records, is of doubtful validity, and it establishes no precedent.

3. The new act creates the National Study Commission on Records and Documents of Federal Officials, with a mandate which this assembly believes should be unlimited in scope and range for the resolution of all issues dealing with the records of all federal officials.

4. The President, the Senate, and other appointing authorities must move with urgency and dispatch to complete the membership of the commission.

5. The commission must assemble its staff, and proceed to its task, promptly. The commission should make an early determination of the possible need for a request to Congress to extend the life of the commission beyond March 31, 1976. It should define the problems, questions, or issues it seeks to explore, and solicit the reaction of the public and of interested organizations to its conclusions on this matter.

6. The commission is urged to give first consideration to issues involving the records of Presidents and to give particular attention to the recommendations that follow regarding those records.

## **C. The Records of Presidents**

This assembly concludes and recommends:

1. The practice of recognizing ownership of presidential records by Presidents or their heirs should be ended immediately. Experience under earlier conditions is no longer relevant, and the more recent

experience may be considered to be relevant only as it suggests the possibilities of cooperative conduct between Presidents and the custodians of public records.

2. The interest of the nation in the office of the presidency and in the performance of Presidents is unique, and requires special attention to the preservation and utilization of presidential records.

3. That interest justifies public control of the records of Presidents. That interest also justifies public control of, and at least limited access to, the records of persons associated with the President in the conduct of the public business, whether those persons be employees of the government or private citizens acting in the role of advisers on public policy.

4. The interest of a President or other person in records that may bear upon his personal privacy or that of his family should be recognized. It is sufficient that that interest be recognized in principle, with the burden of proof to be borne by the person making the claim of privacy to demonstrate that that claim should prevail.

5. If a President is able to demonstrate a privacy interest in any given record, that interest should be protected only by conditions on the timing of public disclosure. It should have no bearing on the public ownership of any such record.

6. A President should have no right of destruction of public records.

7. Congress should amend the Presidential Libraries Act of 1955 to establish as a principle of law that any person having custody over presidential records created hereafter shall act as a trustee of the public interest in those records.

8. An archivist to the President should be appointed or assigned by the new independent agency (see section E) to serve in the Executive Office of the President, effecting procedures prescribed by the independent agency.

9. Nothing in this report should be construed to curtail the right of the President to have access to and use of the records of his presidency. The right of a former President to have access to and use of the records of his presidency should be determined by the new independent agency.

10. In the event that it is decided, in conformity with procedures anticipated by this report, that specified records of a President shall not be preserved or retained for public use, the President should be entitled to assume ownership of those records, with all rights attendant to that ownership.

11. Any questions regarding the federal tax consequences of donations of any records of acknowledged personal ownership of a former President should be resolved within the framework of internal revenue law.

#### **D. The Records of Other Officials**

This assembly concludes and recommends:

1. The principle of public ownership of public records should apply equally to executive, legislative, and judicial officers, and to federal officers and employees (including military and diplomatic) of all agencies of the federal government, the District of Columbia, territories, and areas administered under federal law.

2. This principle should apply to all records created hereafter in the conduct of public business.

3. Federal officers and employees currently serving whose records henceforth would be governed by this principle should be encouraged to follow it voluntarily with respect to records accumulated previously. Similar encouragement should be given to former officers and employees of the government.

4. All persons covered by this report should have the same rights accorded to presidents under section C above.

5. Federal officers and employees should have a right, acknowledged by law and regulation, to consult with the new independent agency about the process of preservation and use of records of their offices. Such consultation would permit demonstration of possibly unique characteristics of an agency or its process sufficient to require particularized treatment. This should include, but not be limited to, such questions of treatment as the timing of public disclosure and the specific location of any materials to be deposited as public records.

6. In preserving or retaining the records of persons other than Presidents, the government should be particularly sensitive to the need to husband the necessarily limited resources of space, budget, and management in the public records system.

7. All branches of government should be encouraged to establish practices for the creation of records dealing with exchanges or processes that heretofore have gone unrecorded, and should be encouraged to seek professional archival guidance of the new independent agency on the scope and range of preservation and disposal of records now routinely kept.

### E. The Need for a New Public Authority

This assembly concludes and recommends:

1. The time has come for the establishment of a new, independent, archival and records management system under the new independent agency as suggested in section A above.

2. The agency should consist of a board, drawn from various occupations, disciplines, and political parties, and a professionally qualified chief officer, all of whom should be charged with the responsibility of preserving and making available the records of public officials in conformity with the principles and procedures outlined in this report. Its principal officers should have long tenure.

As one illustration, among others, it has been suggested that the new agency be created as the independent National Archives of the United States, consisting of the Archival Board of Governors and the archivist as its chief officer. The power of appointment of the members of the board should be in the President but he should be required to make a majority of the appointments from lists submitted to him by the Congress, the Judiciary, and appropriate professional organizations, in order that there may be on the board the diversity recommended in the paragraph above. No member of the board other than the archivist should be employed as a full-time officer or employee of the United States. The archivist should be an ex-officio, voting member of the board, but he should be ineligible to serve as chairman. The board should propose the person to serve as the archivist, who would be appointed by the President of the United States with the consent of the Senate. The archivist should be subject to removal only upon specified grounds and upon the recommendation of the board, by the act of the President. The board should meet at frequent intervals, join in the development of policy, give specific approval to policy and review performance under it, and should be the final administrative body of appeal from decisions by the archivist.

3. The agency should act through general regulations or guidelines and through particularized opinions and adjudications, publicly reported, dealing with specific circumstances, all with the aim of developing a body of law and custom regarding the records of public officials.

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# **The Status of the Nixon Presidential Historical Materials**

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THE TAPE RECORDINGS AND OTHER HISTORICAL MATERIALS of the Nixon presidency are in the custody of the United States government, secured under court orders which enjoin officials of the government from disclosing, transferring, disposing, or otherwise making known to any person the presidential materials of the Nixon administration. These court orders also enjoin the government from effectuating the terms and conditions of the so-called Nixon-Sampson agreement of September 7, 1974. Exempted from this injunction, however, is the production of the materials pursuant to specified court actions, investigations, claims, and certain other matters of current government business.

The court case originated as a suit by Richard Nixon to force the government to implement the agreement he entered into with the Administrator of General Services on September 7, 1974. The Presidential Recordings and Materials Preservation Act, passed by the Congress and approved by President Ford on December 19, 1974, ordered GSA to take custody of the materials, preserve and protect them in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area, make them available for specified investigations and judicial proceedings, and propose regulations to the Congress providing for public access to the materials. After passage of this act, Nixon's lawyers moved to have the earlier court case set aside in order to try the constitutionality of the act. That issue is presently before a 3-judge panel of the Federal District Court for the District of Columbia.

As required by the act, GSA submitted to the Congress on March 19, 1975, its proposed regulations providing for public access to the presidential historical materials together with a complete report of its plans for preserving and processing the materials and making them ready for research use. Until prevailing court orders are superseded or vacated no actions to transfer, process, or disclose the materials are permitted.

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<i>AA</i>	<i>American Archivist</i>
<i>Abst AA</i>	<i>Abstract in American Archivist</i>
<i>AM</i>	<i>Administrative Management</i>
<i>Arch &amp; Mss</i>	<i>Archives and Manuscripts</i>
<i>Arch Zeit</i>	<i>Archivalische Zeitschrift</i>
<i>Archives</i>	<i>Archives: The Journal of the British Records Association</i>
<i>Arq &amp; Adm</i>	<i>Arquivo &amp; Administração</i>
<i>BDT</i>	<i>Bibliography, Documentation, Terminology</i>
<i>Bol Arch Arg</i>	<i>Boletín de la Asociación Archivística Argentina</i>
<i>IRM</i>	<i>Information &amp; Records Management</i>
<i>MOP</i>	<i>Modern Office Procedures</i>
<i>PCN</i>	<i>Paper Conservation News</i>
<i>Prologue</i>	<i>Prologue: The Journal of the National Archives</i>
<i>Rev Arch</i>	<i>Argentina. Revista del Archivo de la Nación</i>
<i>RMQ</i>	<i>Records Management Quarterly</i>
<i>SE Asian Arch</i>	<i>Southeast Asian Archives</i>
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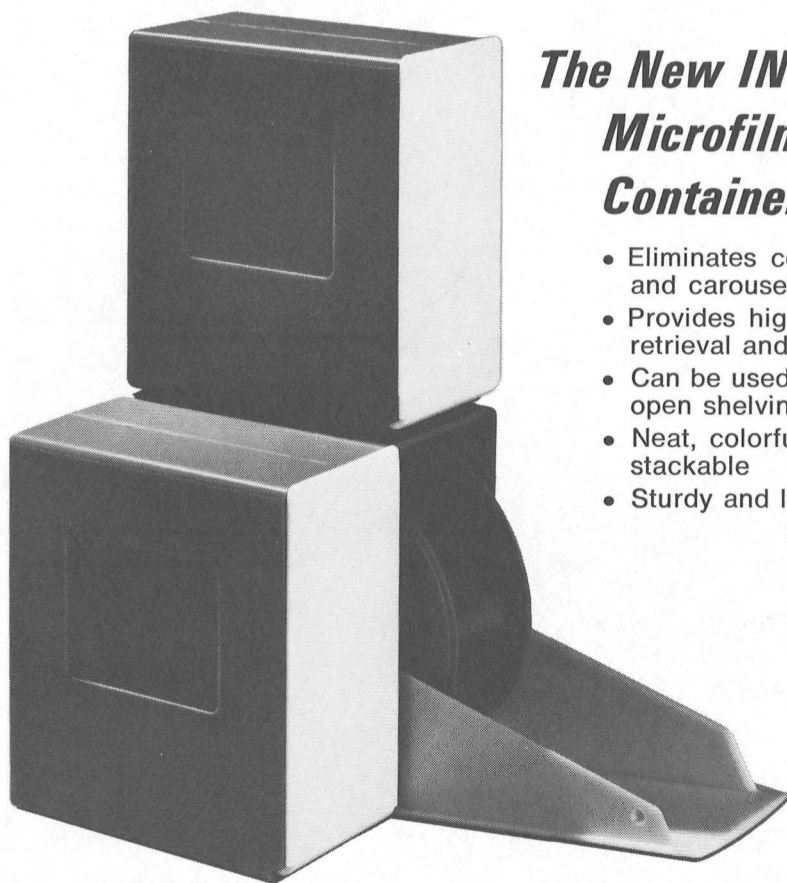
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**A seam-free envelope for archival storage of photographic negatives** has been developed at UCLA, Department of Special Collections, under an NEA research grant for photographic conservation. Where photographic negatives of archival value need to be stored with the full protection of acid-free paper, consideration should be given to eliminating the hazards of glued seams. Even adhesives which come up to the best archival standards may be hygroscopic, and, with atmospheric pollutants, moisture can mean acid. Most of us have been cautioned to store a negative with the emulsion side away from the seam; but to do this requires special care and attention and the ability to "read" the difference between the emulsion side and the non-emulsion side. The inexperienced assistant to whom storage routines must so often be delegated will, however carefully instructed, manage more times than not to turn the negative the wrong way.

A seamless envelope, on the other hand, requires no adhesive; and it makes no difference in which direction the negative is inserted. The accompanying diagram (Fig. 1) is a design for such a seamless envelope. It is to be interpreted as a proportional representation and may be cut to fit any size negative. A piece of acid-free paper is measured slightly more than three times the width and twice the length of the negative. Measurements should allow just enough room for the negative to fit easily. It is not desirable for the negative to move very much in its enclosure lest it suffer abrasion.

The envelope has been designed without a thumb hole. Although at first glance a thumb hole seems a handy device, allowing easy access to the negative, it is this easy access which permits careless handling and resultant fingerprints. Without a thumb hole, the user must buckle the envelope slightly and look to see where he is putting his fingers when he removes a negative, a constant reminder of the need for care. In addition, it is possible to unfold the flaps and view the negative without touching it at all, thereby minimizing the risk of abrasion as well as the risk of fingerprints. While it is true that with careful handling these risks are minimal, how can you be sure that everyone will handle your negatives as carefully as you do?

The negative number or other identification should be marked on the envelope in pencil or carbon ink, or typed with a carbon ribbon.

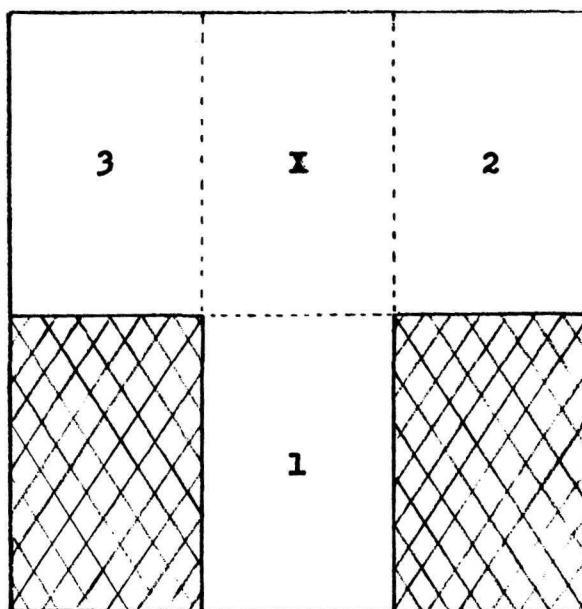


FIGURE 1

Cut away the shaded areas. Fold in numerical order: 1 over X, 2 over 1, 3 over 2. File long edge down, open edge of 3 down, open end of envelope to the side. Identification may be written in pencil, carbon ink, or typed with carbon ribbon on the envelope.

Ball point or felt tipped pens use inks of a volatile nature, harmful to photographs. We have found that it is best to store the envelope with the long edge down so that the opening is on the side and dust is not so likely to drift in. If necessary, a flap can be made for the envelope by extending the design to three times the length of the negative and repeating the cut-away pattern so that all four corners will be removed. It is possible obviously to fold and store such an envelope in any number of ways; for neatness and convenience, place the final fold upward. This tucks in all the loose flaps, holds the package more firmly, and facilitates retrieval.

Storage in a metal file box with a baked enamel finish is recommended as being nonreactive with photographic emulsions. However, whether to use a box with a lid or not will depend upon what kind of film you are dealing with. Nitrate-base film, collodions, and the like, will suffer from enclosure which traps the gases given off by their deterioration. Such judgements must be made in relation to individual collection needs.

Manufacture of the envelopes is no problem at all. A small library or historical society might use volunteer help to cut and fold the envelopes for them. Otherwise, they can be ordered to specification from such supply houses as Hollinger Paper Company and can be obtained prefolded; or, if budget is a consideration and ready hands



are available to do the folding, they can be ordered cut but unfolded, at a considerable savings. [HILDA BOHEM, Library, UCLA]

**Barrow Laboratory Research.** The W. J. Barrow Laboratory, Inc., 428 N. Blvd., Richmond, Va. 23221, has recently completed their research project on specifications for uncoated permanent/durable papers. The project is a continuation of the laboratory's investigations in book papers dating back to the early 1960s. The full report on this new study is 120 pages in length. The laboratory plans to make it available in full on microfiche from ERIC (School of Education, Stanford University, Stanford, Calif. 94305). For our readers, the laboratory's director, Bernard F. Walker, has had a condensation of the original paper prepared. This shortened version follows:

### **Specifications for Permanent/Durable Book Papers**

Barrow Research Laboratory, Richmond, Virginia

#### *Summary*

The following specifications are recommended for uncoated permanent and durable papers; it is shown that there are commercial papers which meet them.

- A. Minimum cold extraction pH of 7.5 (TAPPI method T-435).
- B. Minimum C. D. folding endurance of 30 at 1 kg. tension (MIT, 25 replicates, TAPPI method T-511).
- C. Minimum M. D. tear resistance (Elmendorf, ten replicate 8-ply tears, TAPPI method T-414) of 70 grams for 60 lb. (25 × 38"–500) paper and proportionally more for heavier weights. For lighter weights:

<i>Basis Weight</i>	<i>Minimum Acceptable M. D. Tear</i>
40	40.0 gm.
45	47.5
50	55.0
55	62.5

- D. Minimum retention of M. D. folding endurance after 24 days of aging at 100° C. in a forced circulation oven (as calculated from multi-point regression line) of 50 percent or M. D. folding endurance of one or more after 118 days of aging as determined by extrapolation.

Long lasting papers must be both durable and permanent. Durability is the level of physical strength and flexibility necessary to withstand extensive use and handling. "Permanence," in the paper vocabulary, indicates a high degree of chemical stability as evidenced by very slow



deterioration. Standards for long-life papers require objective measures of both; since 1960, specifications based on the work of the late William J. Barrow have filled this need.<sup>1</sup>

During the last fourteen years, much new knowledge has become available on the manufacture, characteristics, testing, and preservation of book paper and there have come into the market a number of papers offering longer life. At the same time, the problems of paper deterioration have caused increased recognition of the need for paper specifications which would help to avoid the further accumulation of material subject to such deterioration. Thus the Library of Congress and the Council on Library Resources have supported the Barrow Laboratory in this project to review the existing specifications in the light of present experience and to develop and authenticate appropriate revisions in the specifications for Permanent/Durable paper.

The objective has been simply to define the essential characteristics of real papers which offer maximum service life. It has been suggested that paper for a book or document of lasting value should be able to withstand 500 years of normal storage and normal (declining) use. It is believed that this can be expected of papers meeting the present specifications and there is very little doubt that they will survive a much longer period of storage without handling.

Barrow based his tentative specifications mainly on the performance of seven all-rag papers taken from books with imprints from 1534 to 1722. He reasoned that if rag papers which had aged 200 to 400 years still had a median folding endurance of 300 (at 0.5 kg. tension) and median tear resistance of 36 gm. it was not unreasonable to require that new chemical wood papers have at least this much strength. This view was supported by the observation that some commercial papers of the period did indeed have folding endurance ranging from 240 to 400 and tear resistance greater than 60 grams. He also set his requirements for strength retention after heat aging so that they would express a maximum acceptable deterioration rate slightly greater than those exhibited by these obviously stable old papers when they were heat aged. Thus the specifications of 1960 set minimum performance at high but demonstrably attainable levels.

#### *Papers and Tests Used in the Current Project*

Thirty-two papers from 1971 commercial production of nineteen different manufacturers were examined to ascertain what performance levels might reasonably be expected from the present state of the papermaking art. They were identified by soliciting manufacturers directly and through an invitation for suggestions which appeared in two journals. The objective was not a representative group of book papers but rather a group of papers which might be expected to offer

<sup>1</sup> Church, R. W., ed., *The Manufacture and Testing of Durable Book Papers*. Based on investigations by W. J. Barrow. (Richmond: Virginia State Library Publications, No. 13, 1960.)

maximum useful life. Throughout this report these papers will be identified by number, in order to preserve the manufacturer's anonymity.

Table 1 gives some of the characteristics of these papers as received. pH values were determined by cold extraction, rosin content by the Raspail (TAPPI method T-408) test and carbonate content by immersing pre-wetted samples in approximately 3 percent HCl. With the possible exception of Paper #128, none contained groundwood. The fiber content, where given, was provided by the manufacturer.

Each of these papers was tested for folding endurance and tear resistance in the machine (grain) and cross directions, both as received and at 6-day intervals during a 30-day period of aging at 100° C. in forced circulation ovens supplied with air having a 53° F. dew point. At each aging interval, for each direction, fifty individual folding endurance tests were made at 1 kg. tension on the same MIT instruments and ten 8-ply Elmendorf tear resistance tests were made. Permanence and durability data from these tests are shown in Table 2.

TABLE 1  
COMMERCIAL PAPERS TESTED

<u>Paper</u>	<u>pH</u>	<u>Rosin</u>	<u>Carbonate</u>	<u>Fiber</u>
101	9.5	N	P	
102	9.4	N	P	SW, HW Sulfate
103	9.5	N	P	SW, HW Sulfate
104	8.9	N	P	SW, HW Sulfate
105	9.2	N	P	SW, HW Sulfate
106	7.7	N	N	Contains Sulfate
107	7.4	P	N	Contains Sulfate
108	7.5	P	N	SW, HW Sulfate; HW Sulfite
109	5.6	P	N	SW, HW Sulfate; HW Sulfite
110	8.0	P	P	SW, HW Sulfate; HW Sulfite
111	7.8	P	P	SW, HW Sulfate; HW Sulfite
112	9.2	N	P	SW, HW Sulfate
113	9.0	N	P	SW, HW Sulfate
114	6.9	N	N	Woodpulp
115	8.4	N	P	SW, HW Sulfate
116	8.2	N	P	
117	8.6	N	P	
118	7.0	P	P	
119	7.3	P	P	
120	6.6	P	P	
121	8.5	N	P	
122	8.7	N	P	
123	8.7	N	P	HW, SW
124	9.2	N	P	
125	8.2	N	N	Cotton
126	6.8	N	N	Sulfate
127	5.6	P	N	60 percent deinked fiber
128	7.2	P (?)	N	Reclaimed chemical wood
129	6.4	P (?)	N	
130	5.6	P	N	
131	8.8	N	P	
132	7.7	N	N	SW, HW Sulfate; HW Sulfite

TABLE 2  
EVALUATION OF PAPERS FOR PERMANENCE AND DURABILITY

Paper	Weight	pH	Rank*	Percentage retention of original strength after ageing 24 days @ 100° C				Initial Strength			
				Fold		Tear		Fold Endurance		Tear	
				M.D.	C.D.	M.D.	C.D.	M.D.	Rank	C.D.	Rank
101	50 lb.	9.5	3	73	82	88	89	80	13	38	71.6 9
102	40 lb.	9.4	10	56	62	87	85	303	5	90	40.2 31
103	40 lb.	9.5	2	75	79	89	88	266	12	38	41.7 29
104	60 lb.	8.9	11	53	70	86	83	19	18	23	73.7 8
105	57 lb.	9.2	25	30	36	84	86	170	4	130	42.3 28
106	45 lb.	7.7	7	67	74	89	91	308	9	58	46.9 23
107	45 lb.	7.4	20	41	49	86	85	134	6	78	40.6 30
108	60 lb.	7.5	26	28	50	81	77	20	17	26	66.6 13
109	60 lb.	5.6	32	4	11	49	55	35	24	10	48.5 22
110	61 lb.	8.0	31	11	24	61	66	37	29	7	52.6 19
111	50 lb.	7.8	27	28	47	64	67	15	30	7	42.4 27
112	80 lb.	9.2	1	78	73	91	91	678	2	239	156.1 1
113	60 lb.	9.0	9	59	71	88	87	23	19	21	74.6 6

TABLE 2 (continued)  
EVALUATION OF PAPERS FOR PERMANENCE AND DURABILITY

Paper	Weight	pH	Rank*	Percentage retention of original strength after ageing 24 days @ 100° C				Fold Endurance				Initial Strength			
				Fold Endurance		Resistance		M.D.		C.D.		M.D.		C.D.	
				M.D.	C.D.	M.D.	C.D.	M.D.	Rank	C.D.	Folds	M.D.	Rank	C.D.	Year Resistance
114	70 lb.	6.9	22	35	46	83	85	284	8		69	85.9	4		101.6
115	60 lb.	8.4	8	59	75	88	89	171	11		45	74.1	17		81.2
116	60 lb.	8.2	19	41	64	83	81	21	23		11	55.4	15		61.9
117	50 lb.	8.6	13	51	62	85	85	41	20		17	43.0	25		47.0
118	60 lb.	7.0	21	40	56	76	74	10	31		6	45.8	24		51.2
119	60 lb.	7.3	28	23	52	71	77	20	26		10	54.9	17		58.2
120	60 lb.	6.6	23	33	67	75	76	6	32		3	53.3	18		55.8
121	60 lb.	8.5	17	45	61	87	88	67	15		34	49.2	21		51.2
122	50 lb.	8.7	12	52	75	85	84	49	27		9	49.2	20		56.3
123	57 lb.	8.7	18	43	63	83	83	72	16		27	77.3	5		79.5
124	60 lb.	9.2	6	67	77	92	93	238	7		74	80.1	3		86.7

TABLE 2 (continued)  
EVALUATION OF PAPERS FOR PERMANENCE AND DURABILITY

Paper	Weight <sup>+</sup>	pH	Rank*	Percentage retention of original strength after ageing 24 days @ 100° C			Fold Endurance			Initial Strength						
				Fold		Year	Resistance		M.D.	Rank	C.D.	Year		M.D.	Rank	C.D.
				M.D.	C.D.		M.D.	C.D.				Year	Rank			
125	63 lb.	8.2	16	45	62	83	85	423	3	156	88.0	2	91.2			
126	51 lb.	6.8	15	48	63	88	88	206	10	45	62.2	14	72.9			
127	60 lb.	5.6	30	19	29	65	64	24	22	15	67.7	11	68.5			
128	60 lb.	7.2	24	30	42	77	79	124	14	34	65.9	13	77.1			
129	60 lb.	6.4	14	50	78	83	84	28	28	9	71.5	10	84.1			
130	60 lb.	5.6	29	22	50	74	74	31	25	10	42.9	26	52.5			
131	60 lb.	8.8	4	69	82	90	91	29	21	17	55.0	16	59.4			
132	45 lb.	7.7	5	68	73	84	91	427	1	263	45.6	25	44.2			

\* Pounds per book paper ream, 500 sheets 25" x 38".

Ranked according to M.D. folding endurance retention.

All physical testing was done at  $73^{\circ} \pm 1^{\circ}$  F. and  $50 \pm 2$  percent relative humidity. Samples which were not oven-aged were desiccated over calcium chloride before being conditioned for testing to assure that all samples approached moisture equilibrium from a dry condition.

Folding endurance testing was done at 1 kg. tension because this is common in the industry and it requires much less time than the 0.5 kg. tension used in the earlier specifications. Truly permanent/durable papers, even after aging, should be strong enough to give a useful result for the present purpose without the advantages of reduced severity and greater discrimination afforded by the lower tension.

Mean physical test results were plotted on a logarithmic scale versus time of aging. The least squares regression method was then used to establish the best straight line for the data. An example is given in Figure 1. The resulting line indicates, by its slope, the paper's rate of deterioration, and from it the papers remaining strength after any period of aging can be determined. Deterioration rate is more closely estimated from aging schedules which include several heat-aged points.

It is accepted here that three days of accelerated aging at  $100^{\circ}$  C. is approximately equivalent to 25 years of natural aging. This is a compromise among the similar estimates of Barrow, Van Royen and Wilson.<sup>2</sup>

### *Measures of Permanence/Durability*

**Durability:** Initial C. D. (cross direction) folding endurance and M. D. (machine direction) tear resistance, being the weaker directions of these most important strength properties, have been used as durability criteria for ranking these papers in Table 2.

**Permanence:** The criterion chosen for permanence ranking was percent retention of M. D. folding endurance after 24 days of aging as calculated from the least squares deterioration line. M. D. fold has been shown to be the physical property most sensitive to heat aging and permanence may be measured in terms of M. D. fold retention alone. Table 3 shows that M. D. tear, which is an entirely different physical test and produces failure at  $90^{\circ}$  to the M. D. fold line of failure, ranks the 32 papers tested very similarly. Eight of the ten papers having highest M. D. fold retention were among the ten papers having highest M. D. tear retention.

Although tear testing can be done much more rapidly than fold testing, it is not recommended for permanence evaluation because of its relative insensitivity to heat aging. If it were to be used, 85 percent

<sup>2</sup> Barrow, W. J., *Permanence/Durability of the Book, a Two-Year Research Program*. (Richmond: W. J. Barrow Research Program, Publ. No. 1, 1963. 46 pp.; and Van Royen, A. H. H., "Comparison of the Accelerated Aging of Cellulose with Normal Aging at Room Temperature," *De Papierwereld* 12, no. 9 (April 1958): 219-22, 225; and Wilson, W. K., Harvey, J. L., Mandel, J., Workman, T., "Accelerated Aging of Record Papers Compared with Normal Aging," *Tappi* 38, no. 9 (September 1955): 543-48.

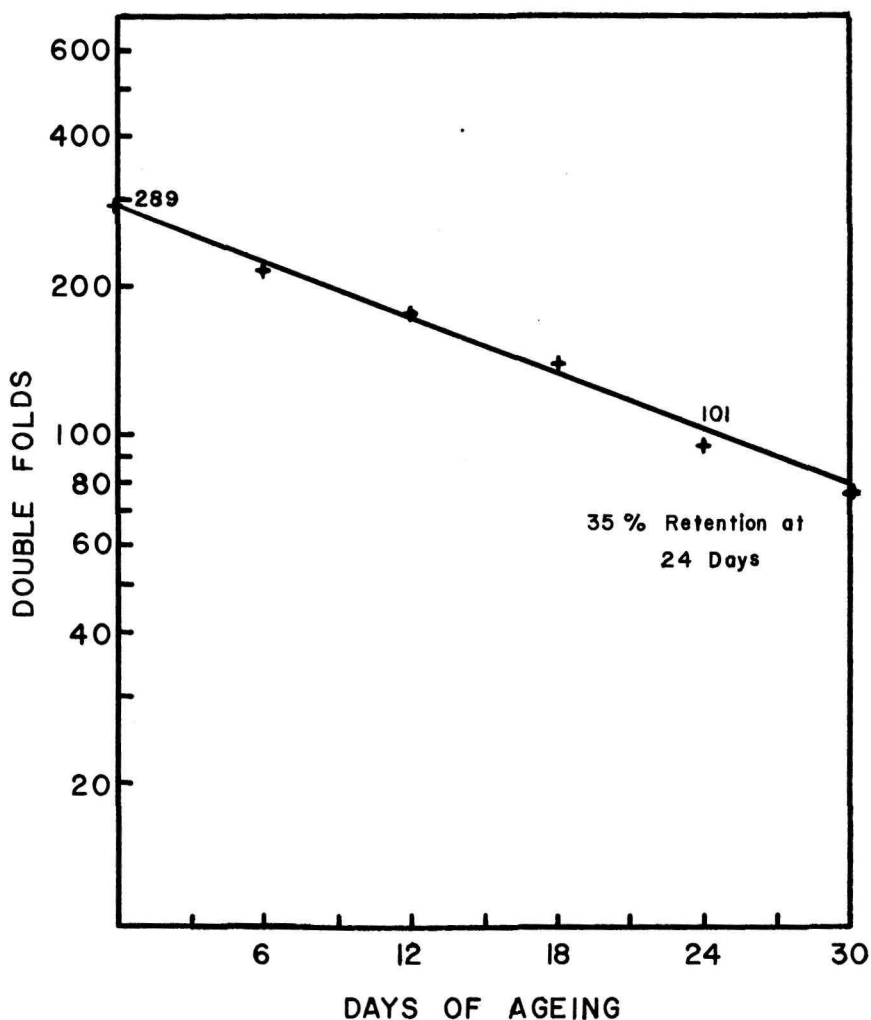


FIGURE 1

Machine Direction Folding Endurance of Paper 114 at 100° C

retention of initial M. D. tear after 24 days of aging at 100° C. would indicate a high level of permanence.

#### *Discussion of Data*

There are great differences in the properties of the papers examined. Papers which may be very good in some respects are mediocre in others and the relative overall permanence/durability of different papers is not obvious. One way of comparing papers of similar weight is to rank them according to each of the three criteria as

TABLE 3  
PERCENT RETENTION OF ORIGINAL STRENGTH AFTER AGING  
24 DAYS AT 100° C.

Paper	pH	MD Fold			MD Tear	
		Rank	Retention		Rank	Retention
112	9.2	1	78	percent	2	91
103	9.5	2	75		4	89
101	9.5	3	73		6	88
131	8.8	4	69		3	90
132	7.7	5	68		16	84
124	9.2	6	67		1	92
106	7.7	7	67		5	89
115	8.4	8	59		7	88
113	9.0	9	59		8	88
102	9.4	10	56		10	87
104	8.9	11	53		12	86
122	8.7	12	52		14	85
117	8.6	13	51		15	85
129	6.4	14	50		18	83
126	6.8	15	48		9	88
125	8.2	16	45		19	83
121	8.5	17	45		11	87
123	8.7	18	43		20	83
116	8.2	19	41		21	83
107	7.4	20	41		13	86
118	7.0	21	40		25	76
114	6.9	22	35		22	83
120	6.6	23	33		26	75
128	7.2	24	30		24	77
105	9.2	25	30		17	84
108	7.5	26	28		23	81
111	7.8	27	28		30	64
119	7.3	28	23		28	71
130	5.6	29	22		27	74
127	5.6	30	19		29	65
110	8.0	31	11		31	61
109	5.6	32	4		32	49

was done in Table 2 and then sum the ranks as was done in Table 4. The smaller the sum, the better the paper.

Paper #125, an all-cotton paper, ranks high in overall permanence/durability among the 60 lb. papers largely because of its high initial strength. No other paper of similar weight showed higher folding endurance or tear resistance (Table 2). It is interesting however to note that two chemical wood papers, one lighter (45 lb.), and the other heavier (80 lb.) had higher folding endurance. The heavier one, Paper #112, was made very strong for use as end leaf. The lighter one, Paper #132, was one of five 40-55 lb. papers tested, all of which were among the twelve having highest folding endurance. It should be noted that Papers #101, 102, 103, 106 and 132, with basis weights of 40-50 lb. had folding endurance greater than 30, tear resistance greater than the numerical value of their basis weight and over 50 percent M. D. fold retention after 24 days of aging.



TABLE 4  
COMPARISON OF LASTING QUALITIES OF 60 LB. PAPERS

	<u>Paper</u>	<u>Ranks</u>			<u>Sum</u>
		<u>MD Fold</u> <u>Retention</u>	<u>CD</u> <u>Fold</u>	<u>MD</u> <u>Tear</u>	
1	124	6	7	3	16
2	125	16	3	2	21
3	115	8	11	7	26
4	113	9	19	6	34
5	104	11	18	8	37
6	123	18	16	5	39
7	131	4	21	16	41
8	128	24	14	13	51
9	129	14	28	10	52
10	121	17	15	21	53
11	108	26	17	12	55
12	116	19	23	15	57
13	105	25	4	28	57
14	127	30	22	11	63
15	119	28	26	17	71
16	120	23	32	18	73
17	118	21	31	24	76
18	109	32	24	22	78
19	110	31	29	19	79
20	130	29	25	26	80

It was surprising that Paper #128, which was made entirely from uncleaned, reclaimed, chemical wood fiber, placed eighth among the 60 lb. papers in overall permanence/durability.

### *Specifications*

Based on the data developed in this work, the following standards for uncoated Permanent/Durable book paper are recommended by the Barrow Laboratory.

**pH**—Specifications of this kind should generally be written in terms of performance rather than ingredients and methods of manufacture. However, common experience and the evidence presented here suggest that there simply are no acid papers which could reasonably be called permanent. Table 3 shows that of all the papers retaining more than 50 percent of their original folding endurance after 24 days of oven aging, none had pH values below 7.7.

There is no reason why a minimum pH of 7.5 cannot be specified as long as it is made clear that this, alone, is not an infallible indicator of permanence. This one relatively simple test would permit a user to eliminate many papers from consideration before proceeding to more involved and expensive evaluation procedures.

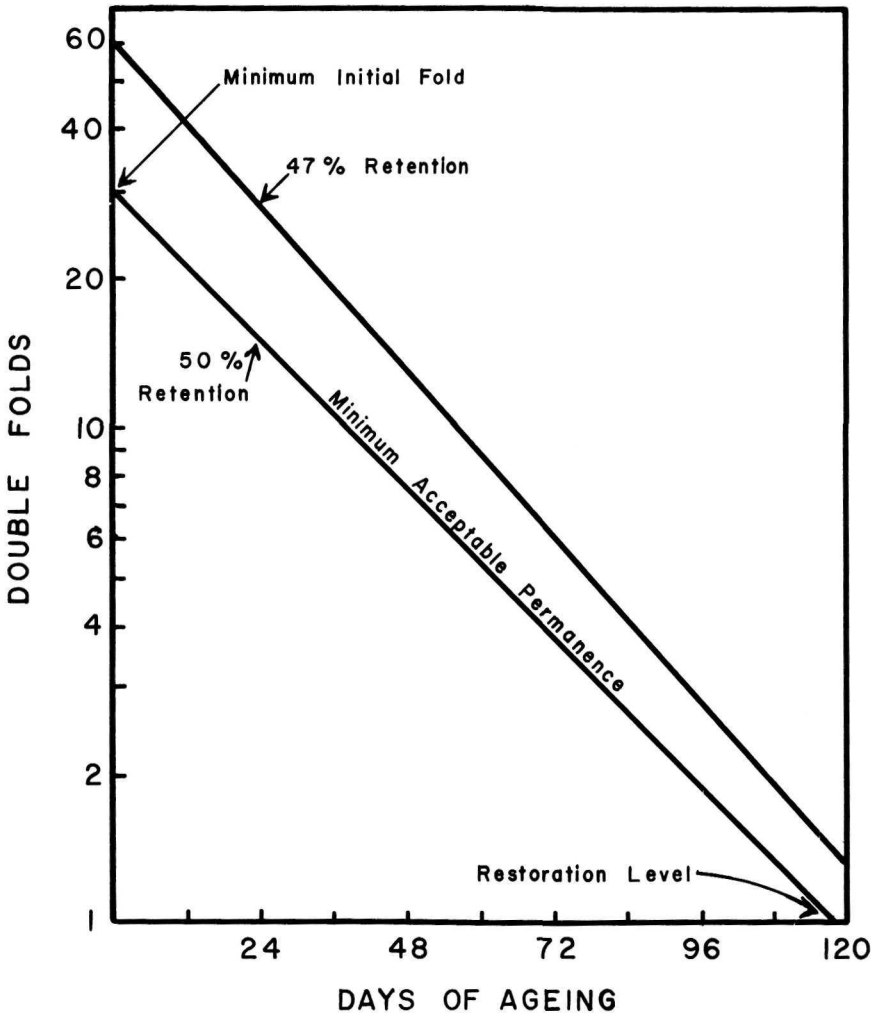


FIGURE 2

A paper which retains less than 50% of its initial folding endurance after 24 days of ageing may be accepted if it will not reach the restoration level earlier than a paper which meets the minimum specifications.

**C. D. Fold**—C. D. folding endurance at 1.0 kg. tension as high as 150 is possible in 60 pound papers but lower values are much more common (Table 2). A value of 30 indicates a level of durability suitable for book paper and is quite attainable for any normal book weight without undue sacrifice of tearing resistance. Seven of the ten papers shown in Table 2 having basis weights below 60 lb., and both of those having basis weights above the 60 lb. range, have folding endurance greater than 30.

**M. D. Tear**—70 gm. is a desirable and possible level of M. D. tear resistance for 60 lb. papers. Heavier papers may reasonably be expected to have proportionally greater tear resistance, but at 40 lb. basis weight an acceptable minimum higher than 40 gm. is impractical (Table 2). Such tear resistance values as these can be obtained in papers having folding endurance of 30.

**Strength Retention**—A general permanence specification may be set for all basis weights since permanence is expressed in terms of percent retention of initial strength. The recommended minimum acceptable M. D. fold retention after 24 days of aging at 100° C. as calculated from the regression line is 50 percent. This level of permanence, though very good, is quite achievable (Table 2).

A paper with very good initial strength might lose more than 50 percent of its folding endurance and still be stronger longer than one which barely meets the initial strength and strength retention specifications. See Figure 2. The real objective is to make paper useful for as long as possible. It is reasonable to accept any paper which remains usable longer than one which just meets the minimum standard. Barrow defined his "restoration category" as papers having three or fewer folds at 0.5 kg. tension. If, for the present purpose, papers in need of restoration are defined as those having one fold or less at 1 kg. tension, it can be determined by extrapolation that a paper which meets the initial folding endurance requirement and the 50 percent retention requirement would reach unusability in 118 days. Therefore the permanence specifications can be modified to include any paper whose extrapolated regression line shows an M. D. fold of 1 or more after 118 days of aging at 100° C., providing that it also meets the initial folding endurance requirement.

Eight of the thirty-two papers tested can meet all of the proposed specifications. They are Papers #112 (80 lb.), #114 (70 lb.), #125 (63 lb.), #115, #124 (60 lb.), #101 (50 lb.), and #102, #103 (40 lb.) (Table 2). Thus papers of this quality are not only desirable but available.

If three days in the aging oven is equivalent to 25 years of natural aging (2, 3, 4), a paper satisfying these requirements would not be expected to need restoration in less than 1,000 years of storage. In normal careful use, it should last 500 years or more.

It is recommended that the term "Permanent/Durable" be reserved for papers meeting the criteria listed here.

## The International Scene: News and Abstracts

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**International Council on Archives.** The ICA Bulletin for December 1974 contained reports on the intergovernmental conference on the planning of national documentation, library, and archives infrastructures, held in Paris in September 1974; the 18th session of the UNESCO General Conference, Paris, October-November 1974; and the meeting of the ICA Executive Committee at Hyde Park, N.Y., October 1974. The bulletin also included reports from the different ICA committees, a list of meetings held in 1974, and a list of conferences and meetings planned for 1975.

**International Council on Archives—membership application.** Over the past several years the International Council on Archives (ICA) has significantly revised its dues structure and is currently accepting membership applications. The ICA has several categories of membership. Category "A" is reserved for national archival agencies, central archival directorates, and similar institutions, with dues based upon a formula utilizing gross national product and gross national product per capita for the countries involved. Minimum dues in this category are \$75, and maximum dues \$2,000, per year. Category "B" membership comprises national associations of archivists, and dues in this category are \$50 annually. Archival agencies other than national archives may apply for membership in category "C," with dues of \$15 annually. Individual members comprise category "D," with membership dues of \$10 annually. In addition to the journal *Archivum*, individual members receive the ICA Bulletin, notices of other ICA publications, and may participate in the quadrennial ICA congresses. Approval of applications of membership must be made by the ICA Executive Committee, but such approval is largely pro forma. Applications should be addressed to Dr. Oscar Gauye, Treasurer, ICA, Directeur des Archives Fédérales, 24 Archivstrasse, CH-3003 BERNE, Switzerland. Payment should be made by bank check or bank transfer

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### ABSTRACTS

**Belgium.** [SIMONE V. and PAUL V. GUITÉ, Washington, D.C.] *Archives et Bibliothèques de Belgique*, vol. 45, nos. 3/4 (1974). H. Coppejans-Desmedt discusses the formal establishment, on September 18, 1974, of the intermediary archives in Beveren-Waas. For budgetary reasons, the archival complex will be completed in four phases. The first phase is a rectangular building. Two adjacent buildings intended as reception halls will temporarily house the services. When the next phases are completed, the useful archives space will cover 150 kilometers. The intermediary archives is intended to serve Flanders. Similar structures are planned for Wallonia and in Brussels. Foreign intermediary depots show different patterns in matters of organization, functioning, and administration. G. Asaert, of the State Archives in Beveren-Waas, toured Germany, England, and the United States during 1971, with particular attention to the US because its system resembles the situation prevailing in the Belgian archival administration.

René Gandilhon, inspector general of the Archives of France, discusses the place of the departmental archives in the French archival structure and reflects upon certain problems and values that these archives possess. Until about 1925 these archives were, practically, archives of the prefecture, accounting for the paucity of documents that entered these archives each year. The author summarizes the conceptual aspects of the departmental archives and their accomplishments since their establishment a century and a half ago. He then proceeds to give his personal opinions on the growth of archives. He states that their astonishing growth is due in great part to the intervention of administrators and to the multiplication of bureaucratic formalities. Administrators have shown themselves to be intransigent regarding the disposition and conservation of records. Archivists have taken refuge in the solution of constructing new buildings. Gandilhon holds that microfilming is onerous while the creation of pre-archival records centers is a false solution justified by the proximity of government bureaus. He does not believe that the growth of archives can continue at the actual present rate. He holds that archivists should obtain from administrators a modification of the laws concerning the types of records to be preserved.

**Brazil.** [LAURA MONTI, University of Florida] *Arquivo & Administração*, vol. 2, no. 2 (August 1974). A brief article on the Bolsa de Valores do Rio de Janeiro provides a history of the formation of the Stock Exchange, an indication of its impact on the Brazilian economy, and an overview and summary of the organization of its archives.

*Arquivo & Administração*, vol. 2, no. 3 (December 1974). This issue includes a reprint, in Portuguese, of Frank B. Evans, "Modern Concepts of Archives Administration and Records Management" from the *Unesco Bulletin for Libraries*, vol. 24, no. 5 (October 1961).

**France.** [PAUL V. GUITÉ, National Archives and Records Service] *La Gazette des Archives*, n.s., no. 85 (1974). This issue contains two articles about private archives in the French archival system. Suzanne d'Huart, a curator in the Archives nationales, reports on private archives in that institution (pp. 79-88); Jean Sablou, director of services of the Archives of Gard, discusses private archives in the departmental archives (pp. 89-103).

Curator d'Huart notes that the Archives of France institutionalized the problem of private archives by creating in 1949 a subsection on economic archives. Since that date about sixty acquisitions in the form of gifts, deposits, purchases, and complements to gifts and deposits have been accessioned annually. No separate statistics are kept on gifts, deposits, and purchases. Also, the accessions range widely in quantity, from several tons of paper to a dossier of one single piece.

The balance of d'Huart's report is devoted to an examination of the processes involved in the search for private archives, beginning with the seeking out of important collections of contemporary personalities, the drawing up of a contract of deposit, the arrangement and description of the accessioned papers, microfilming of collections often undertaken as a substitute for deposit, the preparation of inventories and other finding aids, the publication of important texts, and, finally, the communication of the results to researchers. It is the author's view that the transformations taking place in society favor the action of the French Archives in augmenting its official holdings with private archives.

Jean Sablou notes that the problems involved in the preservation of family archives are not new to French archivists. In the "Manuel d'archivistique," pp. 401-430, an entire section is devoted to an examination of private archives, with a clear distinction being made between family and personal archives, archives of associations, and archives designated as economic. Despite the diversity of their contents, these archives offer a documentary source parallel to the public archives.

The establishment of departmental archives originated in large measure from the impetus of the Revolutionary decrees sequestering the titles and papers of emigrés, and the subsequent laws providing that seized family papers be assembled in the chief town of the department. Outside of sequestration, the chief means of acquiring family archives have been by gift or by legacy. The contract of deposit is less used in the provincial archives than in the Archives nationales. Part of the difficulty stems from a lack of direct approach on the part of the archivists and misunderstanding of the intentions of the archivists on the part of proprietors. Very often the proprietors of private archives are reluctant to turn over their papers, despite the guarantees of a

contract. To facilitate the greater use of the contract of deposit and to make private archives more accessible, the author suggests an improvement in procedures. Archivists need to inform the holders of private archives and the public of the great historical value of these materials and of the need for their preservation. Affiliation with preservation committees and greater use of the media are also highly effective and need to be pursued more actively.

Michel Duchein, in "Notes techniques," offers a critique of the recent work by Y. P. Kathpalia on the conservation and restoration of archival documents. Specialists from the binding and workshop laboratories of the Archives nationales also offer their assessments. Kathpalia is chief of technical services in the Indian National Archives and well known as the inventor of the process of "hand lamination." Duchein cautions against the hazards that can result if nonspecialists attempt to apply the techniques described by Kathpalia. In his principal chapter, on "Principles of Restoration," Kathpalia writes that a profound knowledge of the documents involved and of the various processes of restoration is necessary before any restoration can be undertaken.

This issue also contains the news section and several book reviews, among which is George Weill's review of P. A. Alsberg's *Guide to the Archives in Israel*.

*La Gazette des Archives*, n.s., no. 86 (1974). Guy Thuillier, chief councillor of the Audit Department of the French treasury, in discussing administrative history, the teaching of history, and the history of teaching, maintains that there cannot be an archival policy without considering the ends of history or without having a clear view of the objectives pursued by historians. Administrative history, in his view, permits an explanation of the present and can direct action, serve the planner, and give wise guidance to the administrator.

Thuillier further maintains that we have a poor knowledge of the methods and limits of the history of educational administration, a discipline still too new to have fixed rules. In his view, the archivist should concern himself with what is outside official teaching, with such as institutions and associations, religious education, and teaching institutions. He should also seek out and collect as much as possible, in a systematic manner, of such things as personal papers of high officials, the records of labor unions, and student syllabi. The archivist must collect statistical documents, audiovisual material, materials relating to new methods of management, documents produced in scientific research, and oral histories.

The author's third conclusion is that archivists should also foresee the present. Thuillier maintains that the problem of archives is really that of having a conscience acutely aware of our dependence on time, and of the fall of the present into a past future.

Robert-Henri Bautier, in the *varia* section, discusses archival legislation published in *Archivum*. One of the difficulties faced by the editors was the translation of the various texts into one of the working



languages of the ICA. A peculiarity of French legislation cited by Bauthier is the complexity of the legal structure governing archives. Many of the earlier fundamental laws are no longer applicable, while many contemporary decrees are contradictory or tenuous. There is nothing comparable in France to a "Public Records Act."

**Great Britain.** [ROBERT B. MATCHETTE, National Archives and Records Service] *Archives*, vol. 11, no. 50 (Autumn 1973). In "The Contemporary Scientific Archives Centre" (pp. 73-75), Margaret Gowing, the center's director, describes the history and operation of the CSAC, presently housed at Oxford University. The CSAC developed out of concern generated in the 1960s for the papers and other records of eminent British scientists, which, because of their specialized nature, were not receiving archival consideration commensurate with their historical value in an increasingly scientific and technological society. In 1967, a Joint Standing Committee of the Royal Society and the Royal Commission on Historical Manuscripts was established, with one of its goals the salvage of the papers of contemporary or recently deceased scientists. The work of the joint committee led in late 1972 to the establishment of the CSAC which began operations on April 2, 1973, in the Indian Institute, Oxford. The CSAC performs its role in three phases: first, using as broad a definition of "scientific papers" as possible, it identifies those collections suitable for processing; second, by the culling of ephemera and unrelated materials and by organizing the remainder into categories and files, it processes the collections for accessioning; and, third, based upon the compatibility of each collection with the interests of a particular depository, it negotiates the transfer of the processed collections to existing archival repositories.

*Journal of the Society of Archivists*, vol. 5, no. 1 (April 1974). In "The New Public Records Office at Kew" (pp. 1-8), Lionel Bell of the PRO discusses the new repository under construction since May 1973 and scheduled for occupancy in 1976. The decision was made in November 1969 to build a new PRO after it had become obvious that the older archives on Chancery Lane and elsewhere (Ashbridge, Portugal Street, Porchester Road) were hopelessly inadequate to the future needs of the British government. After much discussion and debate, it was decided to divide the holdings between the existing and the new facilities on the basis of administrative organization. Those records included in volume 1 of the *Guide to the Contents of the Public Records Office*, plus records of selected other government agencies, will be retained in the older repository, while the records of modern departments will be transferred to Kew. The new structure was designed to facilitate researcher use and records retrieval based upon an extensive survey conducted in 1970 by the Ministry of Public Buildings and Works. The core of the building will be the 111,500 meters (69 miles) of shelving, segregated from areas dealing with other operations and accessible through an extensive conveyor system. The storage areas



are designed for additional expansion as needed and are deemed adequate for anticipated accessions until the end of this century. Problems involved in the wholesale transfer of a functioning archival operation have been extensively reviewed by the PRO in anticipation of the move, including such details as the need to box or rebox large quantities of records, the need to provide largely uninterrupted reference service during the transition period, and the need to maintain proper records control during the actual transfer process.

**Yugoslavia.** [CARL CHARLICK, Washington, D.C.] *Archivist*, vol. 24, no. 1 (1974). This magazine is the organ of the Yugoslav Federation of Archivists, the leading professional organization in Yugoslavia in the field of archives. The issue is designated as number 1 for 1974 and represents an effort to overcome the wide time-lag which has usually delayed the appearance of this publication. There are other signs of streamlining in its production; also, its retail price has increased 67 percent. The present issue contains primarily news of domestic interest, such as archival meetings and colloquia within the country. Among foreign news, of interest is an extensive report on the Military Affairs Archives at Pau, France, cited from a 1971 issue of *La Gazette des Archives*. Other foreign notes mention chiefly archival literature received from Czechoslovakia. A large section of this issue is taken up by recent Yugoslav legislative texts on archives.

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## News Notes

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This department is intended to include brief reports of events, new programs, significant new accessions and openings, publications, education and training opportunities, and other news of professional interest to members of the society. In some cases, information has been furnished by one or more of the several reporters mentioned below. In addition, news notes have been abstracted from publicity releases and news letters sent to the *American Archivist* and to the National Archives Library.

Members are urged to contribute items for this department. Information can be sent direct to the Editor, *American Archivist*, National Archives Building, Washington, D.C. 20408, or to one of the following reporters: news of **State and Local Archives** to Julian L. Mims, South Carolina Department of Archives and History, Box 11,669, Capitol Station, Columbia, S.C. 29211; news of **Manuscript Repositories** to Carolyn H. Sung, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540; news of **Scientific and Technological Archives** to Maynard J. Brichford, University Archivist, Library, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, Illinois 61801; news of **Religious Archives** to John R. Woodard, Jr., Baptist Historical Collection, Wake Forest University, Box 7414, Reynolda Station, Winston-Salem, N.C. 27109; news of **Regional and State Archival Associations** to Alice M. Vestal, Cincinnati Historical Society, Eden Park, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202; **Bicentennial News** to Adrienne Thomas, NDA, National Archives and Records Service, Washington, D.C. 20408; and news of **Canadian Institutions** to J. Atherton, Public Archives of Canada, 395 Wellington Street, Ottawa, Ontario K1A0N3.

The **American Association of State and Local History** has named David Lewis of Federal City College, Washington, D.C., to write the history of the District of Columbia as one of the fifty-one volume series comprising *The States and The Nation*. Lewis has written *King: A Critical Biography*, and *Prisoners of Honor: The Dreyfus Affair*. Twenty-one authors have been announced for the series, being supported with grants totaling \$630,690 from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The Division of Library and Archival Services of the **American Medical Association** has been collecting and documenting the history

of its constituent medical societies. It has formed a special collection of printed histories by and on state and county medical societies. The division has also been gathering information on collective biographies and directories. A recent survey has elicited new information on archival resources and published sources. The division solicits information on sources of bio-bibliographic data, printed histories, and archival collections with the hope of issuing a guide to the history of state and county medical societies during the Bicentennial years. Information and inquiries may be addressed to the division at 535 North Dearborn Street, Chicago, Illinois 60610.

The **Archives of American Art** announces that its collection on the history of the visual arts in the United States is available on microfilm in the five regional centers of the archives as well as internationally through an interlibrary loan system. The oral history program documenting the history of twentieth-century American art contains 1,200 taped in-depth interviews.

The **University of Arkansas Library** has completed the physical arrangement and preliminary description of its March 1972 accession of the personal papers of U.S. Senator J. William Fulbright, and limited research access may now be had on the premises through the use of interim finding aids consisting of a file title inventory and an index to file titles. Inquiries may be addressed to: Curator, Special Collections, University Library, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Arkansas 72701. A second accession of Fulbright material which arrived in December 1974 will not be open for research for some time.

In addition, the records of the WPA Historical Records Survey for Arkansas, 1936-42, are now ready for research use. Detailed series, title, and file inventories consisting of over 1,000 pages of finding aids facilitate research access.

The **U.S. Army Military History Research Collection**, Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania, announces the following additions to its manuscript holdings: a ten-page memoir by Edward J. McClernand of his service as a lieutenant in the Second U. S. Cavalry Regiment at the Battle of Bear Paw Mountain during the Nez Percé War; the diary of Thomas Morris centering around his service as a U.S. Inspector of Customs on the Dominican-Haitian border, 1913-16, during the American intervention in Hispaniola; and transcripts of four oral history interviews with General Carter B. Magruder concentrating on his military career, 1916-61.

The **City of Baltimore** has transferred its archives and records center from the old City Hall, vacated for reconstruction, to the Terminal Corporations Warehouse at 211 E. Pleasant Street, about two

blocks from its former location. The archives had been housed in various available spaces in the basement of the old City Hall and, concurrently with the transfer, an attempt has been made to provide improved facilities. Recently a research library has been added to the records center located in the Terminal Corporations Warehouse, and researchers should find arrangements increasingly convenient.

**The Bancroft Library** has accessioned most of Sean O'Faolain's manuscripts and extant correspondence in the collection of his works recently acquired by the library. The letters are divided roughly into two groups, the first composed mainly of literary and the second of political correspondence. The library's Irish literary collection includes includes a set of *The Bell*, a literary magazine published in Dublin from 1940 to 1954, whose founding editor was Sean O'Faolain; a significant file of letters written by William Butler Yeats; most of the books published by the Cuala Press run by Yeats's sister Elizabeth; many of the imprints of the small presses associated with the Irish literary movement in this century; and over two thousand pamphlets of eighteenth- and nineteenth-century Ireland treating social, religious, and cultural issues of the times.

The History of Science and Technology Project, currently building an archives in the history of the nuclear sciences and electrical engineering, has received records of three nuclear physicists, all Nobel Prize winners. Ernest O. Lawrence, Glenn T. Seaborg, and Edwin M. McMillan have been involved with the Radiation Laboratory on the Berkeley campus since the mid-1930s.

Twenty-six famous American women will be the subject of a series of television films being planned and produced by the **Greater Boston Women's Center** with the help of a \$55,000 grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. The series, which is being directed by Mary Feldhaus-Weber, will tell the stories of women including the early feminist Elizabeth Cady Stanton; anthropologist Ruth Benedict (1887-1948); Eliza Lucas, builder of the indigo trade in South Carolina; and the black journalist, Ida Wells-Barnett. The films, which are planned as a part of the Bicentennial celebration, will be made available to public television and will be distributed to universities, secondary schools, and women's centers.

The Manuscript Division of the **Brigham Young University Library** reports the accession of two photograph collections of historic interest, depicting Utah at the turn of the century: the George Edward Anderson (1860-1928) collection, and the George Beard (1856-1944) collection. Business and political collections recently accessioned are those of James Beckwourth (1798-1866), giving details of his fur trapping business, and including his experiences as a scout and Indian fighter (1859-1965); records of the Interstate Brick Company (1890-1968);

and items from two Utah Congressmen, John Bernhisel (1799-1881), Utah's first territorial delegate to Congress.

Recent accessions to the **Connecticut State Library** include the papers of Governor Thomas Meskill, 1971-75; Hartford assessment books, 1850-1920; New Haven section and building line maps, 1873-1926; and Toll and Probate Court papers, 1925-60. U.S. Senator Lowell Weicker has given the library photocopies of his papers pertaining to the Watergate and related investigations, 1972-74, and additional (restricted) papers of the late U.S. Senator Thomas Dodd have been received, 1935-70. New guides have been prepared to RG 5, Records of the Governors; RG 13, Records of the Military Department; and RG 62, Town Records (preliminary and incomplete).

The Department of Archives and Records Administration has recently been enlarged by the addition of an assistant public records administrator. It will also shortly open a new central microfilming facility for agencies of state government. The General Assembly has under consideration a new state records statute designed to clarify and consolidate the statements of the functions and responsibilities of the Records Management Committee and the public records administrator and of other state and local officials with respect to their records. The draft bill includes a definition of records, which has until now been lacking in the statutes. A *Guide to Archives in the Connecticut State Library*, a list and description of the 113 record groups identified as of October 1, 1974, is available on request.

The **Duke University** Manuscripts Collection's records of the Socialist Party of America are being microfilmed by Microfilming Corporation of America, Glen Rock, New Jersey. The records have been arranged in five parts: (1) National Office Papers, 1897-1962; (2) Young People's Socialist League Papers, 1912-63, and other youth groups; (3) State and Local Files, 1897-1962; (4) Related Organization Files, 1913-62; (5) Printed Materials, 1897-1963. A printed index and guide will accompany the microfilm edition. Inquiries may be addressed to Microfilming Corporation of America, 21 Harristown Road, Glen Rock, New Jersey 07452.

The Reading Railroad Company archives have been transferred from the Historical Society of Pennsylvania to the **Eleutherian Mills Historical Library** under a twenty-year renewable contract. The records will be accessible to scholars. Included are 530 volumes of accounting records (1816-1926); 620 volumes of letterbooks (1844-1914); and 450 linear feet of letters concerning engineering and operations. The bulk of the correspondence reflects the railroad careers of Gustavus A. Nichols (1844-77), John E. Wooten (1865-86), and Theodore Voorhees (1893-1914).

The **Board for Certification of Genealogists** has promulgated a Genealogist's Code, offered for the consideration and potential endorsement of the profession. The code summarizes obligations to the public, to the client, and to the profession. Those desiring copies may request them from the board at 1307 New Hampshire Avenue, NW., Washington, D.C. 20036.

**George Mason University** reports the discovery of papers relating to the Civil War, the Milton Barnes Papers, which have been donated to the university by the Barnes family. Lieutenant Colonel Milton Barnes, commander of the 97th Ohio Infantry, saw action in the first federal campaign in the Valley of Virginia and the Tennessee battles of Murfreesboro and Chattanooga. The letters comment on military strategy, superior officers, political leaders, and pro-Southern sentiment in his home area of southern Ohio. Following the war, Barnes entered politics and became secretary of state of Ohio.

The Illinois Office of Secretary of State announces the appointment of John Daly as Director of the State Archives.

Several new projects are being introduced by the **Illinois State Archives**. A newsletter, "*For the record. . .*," was issued for the first time in April. Also underway is a program aimed at producing a full-scale published descriptive inventory of the archives' holdings. The key to the descriptive inventory will be an extensive computer-generated subject index, referring to record groups and series titles as well as agency histories and series descriptions. The first edition of the descriptive inventory is scheduled for publication in 1976. The Local Records Section recently initiated an outreach program to provide microfilm advisory service to local government officials. Over 150 visits resulted to county, municipal, township, and school officials furnishing advice on setting up in-house microfilming operations, establishing liaison between agencies and central filming service, training camera operators, standards for archival quality film, and security storage of microfilm.

A preliminary list of microfilmed records in the Illinois State Archives is now available. It contains both film that is accessible for research purposes in the Reference Room and that which can be copied for sale to institutions and individuals. For copies of the list, contact Alvin Rountree, Illinois State Archives, Springfield, Illinois 62756.

The archives of the **University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign** has accessioned five record series relating to mathematics education and the "New Math" including the University of Illinois Committee on School Mathematics correspondence and subject file, teachers' reports, films project file, and the papers of Max Beberman (1955-71). The archives has also accessioned the Biological Computer Laboratory Con-

tract and Conference File (1946-73) and the papers (1949-74) of Heinz von Foerster, which contain material on cybernetics, futurism, heuristics, and human relationships to machine language systems. The Avery Brundage Collection, recently acquired, consists of material on the Olympic Games, amateur athletics, and international sports competition dating from the 1920s to 1974. Correspondence, manuscripts, official papers, decorations, awards, trophies, archival files, publications, and artifacts are found in the collection. The files are especially complete for the Amateur Athletic Union, the International Olympic Committee, and national Olympic committees.

The **University of Iowa Libraries** has received grants from the National Historical Publications and Records Commission to microfilm its collection of Henry A. Wallace Papers and to publish an index to Wallace papers in three repositories.

The **Library of Congress** has announced the appointment of Paul T. Heffron as assistant chief of its Manuscript Division. Heffron succeeds John C. Broderick, who became chief of the Manuscript Division in January.

The **Maryland Historical Society** has accessioned the following collections: Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Papers (1862-77) relating to the B&O's recovery of railroad equipment in the South after the Civil War; and the Edwin Warfield Papers (1880-1918) relating to his career as Governor of Maryland from 1904 to 1908.

Lyman H. Butterfield, for twenty years editor-in-chief of the *Adams Papers* project at the **Massachusetts Historical Society**, has retired and is succeeded by Robert J. Taylor, formerly history department chairman at Tufts University. Twenty volumes of Adams family documents have already been published from this largest assemblage of historical records created and preserved by a family in the United States. The documents include the papers of John and Abigail Adams, second president of the United States and his wife, and contain the diaries, letters, official papers, recollections, and other materials of their descendants down to the twentieth century. After Butterfield's retirement, he will be editor-in-chief emeritus, and will continue to do research and writing. His colleague, Marc Friedlaender, editor of *The Adams Papers*, will retire later this year after serving as acting editor-in-chief until Taylor's term begins.

The **Michigan Historical Collections** of the University of Michigan has recently accessioned the papers of Thomas H. Reed, municipal consultant and university teacher, including his work with the National Municipal League; the papers of Henry Hitt Crane, pastor of Central Methodist Church in Detroit since 1938; papers of librarian William Warner Bishop, including his work in the American Library Associa-



tion and the Carnegie Corporation Advisory Group on College Libraries; and papers of Rensis Likert, survey researcher for the University of Michigan, including papers relating to his work as director of the Morale Division of the U. S. Strategic Bombing Survey during World War II and to the development of the Institute of Social Research at The University of Michigan.

The **Minnesota Historical Society** has acquired more than six thousand drawings of steam locomotives and tenders of the Great Northern Railway. Almost all are original inked tracings on starched linen paper produced by the railroad for its master files. In general, these files are complete only for those engines still in service at the end of World War II. Most of the drawings are from the period 1900–1945. In addition, the society has accessioned the papers of the Charles A. Lindbergh family, including copies of birth, baptismal, and household records in the Landsarkivet i Goteborg, Sweden, relating to the family of Charles A. Lindbergh, congressman from Minnesota (1907–17) and father of Charles A. Lindbergh, Jr. Also accessioned were records of the Communications Workers of America, 1938–74, and the John A. Blatnik Papers, 1946–72.

The society has also accessioned the papers of John Clement Beaulieu, White Earth, a member of the Band of Minnesota Chippewa. A descendant of a French fur trader he is the grandson of Paul H. Beaulieu, the first settler at White Earth in 1868. The Manuscripts Division in cooperation with the Catholic Historical Society of St. Paul is microfilming the records of the history of every parish in the Archdiocese of St. Paul, which at one time included Minnesota and North and South Dakota.

The society's coordinator, James E. Fogerty, has compiled a *Preliminary Guide to the Holdings of the Minnesota Regional Research Centers*. Entries are alphabetically arranged in two sections, Manuscripts and Oral History, which are grouped by subject. Copies may be ordered for \$1.00 plus postage and handling from the Order Department, 1500 Mississippi Street, St. Paul Minnesota 55101.

The Immigration History Research Center at the **University of Minnesota** has accessioned a number of important collections including the papers of James Donnaruma (1874–1953), publisher and editor of the *Gazetta del Massachusetts* in Boston; and Professor Emeritus Alexander Granovsky's personal library and archives, now the nucleus of the collection known as the Ukrainian-American Collection. In addition, a project designed to preserve the Polish-American press on microfilm, the Polish Microfilm Project, is now in its fourth year. Most of the newspapers filmed emanate from Chicago, but newspapers published in Brooklyn, New York, Detroit, Wilkes-Barre, and Union, Missouri, are also included.

The Archives and Manuscripts Division of the **University of**



**Missouri-St. Louis** reports the following accessions: The Academy of Science of St. Louis *Transactions* 1859-1958; American Chemical Society, St. Louis Section, records, correspondence and minutes, 1903-69; American Zinc Company papers, 1901-57; *Daily Strike Bulletin of the Gas House Workers of St. Louis*, 1935; Dr. Thomas A. Dooley Radio Broadcast Tape Recordings, 1956-60; People's Party Convention, July 1972, printed material and tape recorded interviews; Socialist Party of St. Louis and Missouri, photographs, records, publications, and correspondence, 1912-57; and Nathan B. Young "The Quest and Use of an Education," a handwritten autobiography of a black educator, 1862-1933.

The **National Archives and Records Service** has received from the Office of Economic Opportunity printouts from the 1970 census. The printouts are additions to the Census Bureau series, "Poverty Neighborhoods in 105 Large Central Cities." The data concerns neighborhoods with populations of 20,000 or more, 20 percent of whom are poor, in metropolitan areas of 250,000 or more persons.

The House of Representatives has recently transferred to the National Archives most of its files relating to the Ninety-second Congress, 1971-72. The files consist of legislative records, general correspondence, hearings, staff papers, committee reports, and petitions of the following committees: Agriculture, Appropriations, Armed Services, Banking and Currency, District of Columbia, Education and Labor, Foreign Affairs, Government Operations, House Administration, Interstate and Foreign Commerce, Rules, Science and Astronautics, Standards of Official Conduct, Ways and Means, Special Committee to Investigate Campaign Expenses, Select Committee on Crime, and Select Committee on Small Business.

Also accessioned were records of several Senate committees, 1951-73, including Armed Services, Foreign Relations, and Government Operations, relating for the most part to investigations. Especially noteworthy are transcripts of closed hearings held jointly by the Senate Armed Services Committee and the Senate Foreign Relations Committee from April to August, 1951, on the military situation in the Far East and the recall of Gen. Douglas MacArthur from his assignment there. Senator J. William Fulbright, chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, advised the Archivist of the United States that the transcripts may be made public "in their uncensored form." In addition, the records of the Commission on the Bankruptcy Laws of the United States, 1970-73, that was created to study the concept and the causes of bankruptcy and to evaluate bankruptcy administration, have also been accessioned.

United States Tariff Commission records, 1922-66, consisting mostly of docketed investigative case files, concerning tariffs and international trade agreements, have been accessioned. Included are reports on the economies of foreign countries, 1923-45, particularly those that produced essential defense commodities for the United States during

World War II. Also accessioned were the principal records of the National Commission on State Workmen's Compensation Laws, which investigated the laws in 1971 and 1972. Included are official files of minutes, transcripts of hearings, copies of the state laws, and returns from questionnaires submitted to state and private agencies.

The Department of Labor transferred subject files of former-Secretary James D. Hodgson, 1972-73, and selected correspondence files of former-Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management Frank G. Zarb, 1972. The files of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission from litigation against the American Telephone and Telegraph Company before the Federal Communications Commission in 1971-73 have also been received. Office files of Dean Atlee Snyder have been accessioned and consist of documents illustrating the Office of Community War Services program (1940-70), and his official correspondence as assistant director of OCWS (1942-45), associate director of the Office of War Property Distribution (1945-46) under HEW's predecessor the Federal Security Agency, as deputy commissioner of special services, FSA (1947-51), and as defense coordinator and emergency coordinator of HEW.

The largest accession for this quarter consists of Navy Department records of operating force commands, 1911-62, the bulk of which date from 1940. These document administrative and operational activities of the U.S. fleet during World War II and the cold war up to 1962.

The following machine-readable records were accessioned: Department of Agriculture Foreign Agricultural Service Import and Export Trade History (1967-1971); *National Drug Enforcement Study* carried out by the National Commission on Marijuana and Drug Abuse and a *Study on Attitudes on Drug Use and Abuse* that gives background information on respondents.

The Center for Polar Archives has received papers of Carl Eklund, polar explorer-scientist. These include correspondence, diaries, notebooks, maps, photographs, and letters written to his wife, Harriet, during his exploration and scientific work in Greenland, Northern Canada, and Antarctica (1939-60). The papers were donated by Harriet Eklund. Also accessioned were records of the Office of Polar Programs of the National Science Foundation.

The Geography Division of the Census Bureau for the 1960 census has deposited nearly twenty-nine thousand district maps to the collection of census maps from 1880 to 1950. There are large-scale maps of each county, city, or other populated place as determined by the Census Bureau, with boundary lines of districts, wards, and minor civil divisions marked in color.

New accessions to the Military Archives Division include subject files of the Commercial Traffic Section, Communications Division, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, 1929-37; and correspondence and other records of the Naval Office of the Coordinator of Research and Development, 1941-45.

A large accession of records from foreign service posts was received

from the Department of State; for the most part these date between 1936 and 1949. The files consist mostly of dispatches, letters, reports, and copies of telegrams sent between posts and to the Department of State, memorandums, notes from host governments, translations of editorials and reports, and cross-reference sheets to other files. Examples of the files are requests by the Department of State for extradition of persons, letters of introduction, and documents on protection of private interests.

Records of the Subversive Activities Control Board, an independent agency created by the Internal Security Act (1950) and inoperative as of June 30, 1973, have been accessioned. The principal function of the board was to hold hearings, on petition of the attorney general, to decide if organizations were Communist-action, Communist-front, or Communist-infiltrated, as defined by the act. The records consist of docket files, transcripts of testimony, exhibits, reports and decisions, indexes to names of witnesses, appeal files, hearings files, minutes of the board (1951-73), and correspondence.

Minutes of the Federal Open Market Committee for 1968 were accessioned. Part of the Federal Reserve System, this committee sets the policies under which Federal Reserve banks buy and sell securities and directs foreign currency transactions. The records of the 1973 Inaugural Committee were also accessioned. Records of the National Advisory Commission on Criminal Justice Standards and Goals, 1971-74, were accessioned. The records include reports on the U.S. criminal justice system, office correspondence, minutes of task forces and the commission, and other documents.

Records of improvements and security measures provided by the Public Buildings Service on properties occupied by former President Richard Nixon and former Vice President Spiro Agnew and their families from 1968 to 1971 were accessioned.

Recently accessioned were federal agency reports received by the Women's Bureau, including labor market and welfare service data, which reflect socio-economic conditions during World War II, 1941-45. An accession of records of the Bureau of Air Operations of the Civil Aeronautics Board documents allocation of routes to feeder airlines in Alaska Territory from 1939 to 1950. Also records of the National Commission of the Financing of Postsecondary Education, 1972-74, were accessioned. The commission's meeting files, staff reports, and files of its subordinate committees are included.

Photographs illustrating working and living conditions of soft coal miners and their families in fifteen large coal-producing states were accessioned. A medical survey group of the Coal Mines Administration made the photographs in 1946 and 1947, and they were acquired from the Bureau of Mines of the Department of the Interior. More than half are by the photographer Russell Lee. Radio programs of the U.S. Savings Bonds Division of the Department of the Treasury from 1947 to 1972 have been accessioned.

Office files of Alger Hiss, director of the Office of Special Political

Affairs in the Department of State, 1944-46, were accessioned. These records relate primarily to the establishment of the United Nations and Hiss's role at the San Francisco conference.

The General Archives Division has accessioned records of the American Battle Monuments Commission. The records are primarily planning and operating files for American military cemeteries and battle monuments abroad, 1921-62. "Lists of Missing" files will be of special interest to genealogists as well as military historians.

Some correspondence files of the Office of the Secretary of the Navy were accessioned. The correspondence originated in the offices of James V. Forrestal (1946), John L. Sullivan (1947-49), and Francis P. Mathews (1949-50). Volumes 1 and 3 of the "Report of the Department of the Army Review of the Preliminary Investigations into the My Lai Incident" were accessioned. Volume 1, The Report of the Investigation, contains Lt. Gen. William R. Peer's report dated March 14, 1970, to the secretary of the army and the chief of staff, U.S. Army. Volume 3, *Exhibits*, is really seven "books," all of them containing reproductions of documents, photographs, and maps collected during the investigation.

Records of the Land Title Division of the Office of the Judge Advocate General, Department of the Army, dating from 1840 to 1920, relate to disposal of abandoned military reservations and to licenses or leases to use military real estate.

The Cartographic Archives has recently acquired from the Defense Mapping Agency Hydrographic Center approximately 650 manuscript Japanese and French hydrographic survey charts made during the period 1925-45. Many of these charts cover parts of the Caroline and Marshall Islands in the Pacific Ocean that were controlled by the Japanese before World War II. The charts were acquired by the U.S. Hydrographic Office as a result of the war. Much of the hydrographic information in the charts has never been published and because of the large scale and the remoteness of the sites photographed, the charts of certain islands are probably the most accurate ones existing today.

**Presidential Libraries.** Briefly described below are new accessions. Records in the custody of the libraries are continually being opened and made available to researchers. For information write to the appropriate library or see *Prologue: The Journal of the National Archives*.

The **Dwight D. Eisenhower Library** has received additions to the Walter Bedell Smith Collection of World War II Documents (1941-45), including cable logs and material concerning the capitulation of Italy in 1943, the Displaced Persons Operation of June 10, 1945, and the chief of staff's plans for completion of the Combined Bomber Offensive, 1944. Additional papers of Milton Eisenhower, Major General Norman Cota, and Postmaster General Arthur Summerfield have also been accessioned.

Recent accessions of the **Lyndon Baines Johnson Library** include the records of the Lower Colorado River Authority and the papers of Luther Holcomb, former vice-chairman of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

The **John F. Kennedy Library** recently accessioned the papers of William J. Crockett, Frank Mankiewicz, and Thomas D'Alesandro. Crockett's files relate to his tenure as assistant secretary of state for administration (1961-63) and deputy under-secretary for administration (1963-67). Mankiewicz's files pertain to his position as director of the Peace Corps in Lima, Peru (1963-64); Peace Corps regional director for Latin America (1964-66); press secretary to Robert F. Kennedy (1966-68); and McGovern campaign director, 1972. D'Alesandro's papers relate to his career in federal and state government. Included are working papers from his tenure as a member of the Renegotiation Board (1961-69) and as mayor of Baltimore (1947-59).

The **Harry S. Truman Library** has accessioned papers of John D. Sumner (1928-53), economist and adviser at the U.S. embassy in China (1944-45), adviser to the Office of Financial and Development Policy of the Department of State (1945-46), chief economic officer for the China Mission of the Economic Cooperation Administration (1948-49), and economist with the Temporary Mission to Indonesia (1950). Included are correspondence, memorandums, reports, notes, and published material. Also accessioned were the papers (1930-53) of Roscoe Bell, an agronomist who joined the Department of the Interior in 1945 and served as assistant director of the Bureau of Land Management (1948), associate director (1948-51), and regional director of the Pacific Northwest region (1951-53).

The **Newberry Library** reports the accessions of French historical documents, including letters of Necker, Turgot, Carnet, Guizot, Thiers, and Napoleon and Josephine Bonaparte; sixteenth-century works of Giovanni Botero (1540-1617), Italian political economist known for his theories on population growth, and Jose de Acosta (ca. 1539-1600), Spanish missionary and author of *Historia Natural y Moral de las Indias* (1590); an early surveying manual by Cosimo Bartoli, *Del modo di Misurare le distantie* (1564); one of Edmund Halley's (1656-1742) thematic maps showing the passage of a lunar eclipse over Europe (1724); and a collection of first editions of the works of poet Robert Frost.

The **North Carolina State Archives** has recently accessioned records of Orange County and the Hillsborough District Superior Court. The records date from 1752 to the early 1900s and consist of bonds, estates, land records, marriage records, bridge and road records, wills, and various items. New private collections accessioned were the Tiny

Broadwick Collection, the Mrs. William J. Doran Papers, the Iredell Family Papers, the Albert Timothy Outlaw Papers, the Vivian J. Snyder Collection, the Asa T. Spaulding Papers, the Mary Lee Ticktin Papers, and the Frank Vaughn Papers. Additions were made to the following existing private collections: the Mrs. Mary Deal Haynes Collection, the McDaniel Lewis Collection, the McKay-Cromartie Family Papers, the James F. Post Papers, the Robert W. Scott II Collection, and the Caleb Winslow Family Papers. The security microfilm of the county church records from Brunswick, Columbus, Cumberland, and Macon Counties, and church histories from Caldwell, Richmond, and Wake Counties have been accessioned.

The Southern Historical Collection of the **University of North Carolina** Library in Chapel Hill has accessioned the papers of former-Senator Sam J. Ervin, Jr. The Senator's papers will be preserved and made available for scholarly use in the university library. Files covering Ervin's twenty-year career in the U.S. Senate have been received, and an inventory of the more than 800 cubic feet of this series is in progress. The papers include his work during the "Watergate" hearings, his service as a member of the Armed Services, Government Operations, and Judiciary committees and as chairman of the Judiciary Subcommittees on Revision and Codification of the Laws and on Constitutional Rights. Papers spanning Ervin's earlier life as lawyer, judge, and member of the U.S. House of Representatives will be added later.

Recent accessions of the **Ohio Historical Society** include records and indexes for the following local governments: Ashtabula, Franklin, Jefferson, Huron, and Portage Counties (1795-1962); and records of the Newark Board of Health and City Council (1924-67). Accessions of personal papers include those of several officials: papers (1960-73) of Michael V. DiSalle, former governor of Ohio (1959-63); papers (1953-74) of John J. Gilligan, former governor (1971-74); papers (1958-71) of William P. Hoermle, Columbus city councilman (1960-63); papers (1925-65) of Carl R. Hutchinson, director of education of the Ohio Farm Bureau (1935-58); and papers (1965-71) of Leonard J. Stern, justice of the Ohio Supreme Court. The State Archives received records from the Ohio State Board of Pharmacy (1894-1954) and the Department of Public Welfare (1946-55).

A microfilm edition of the papers of Samuel M. "Golden Rule" Jones, reform mayor of Toledo during the 1890s, is being prepared by the **Toledo-Lucas County Public Library's** Local History Department under a \$9,700 grant from the National Historical Publications and Records Commission. The papers include correspondence with Jane Addams, Samuel Gompers, Eugene Debs, and reform mayors such as Tom Johnson. The printed guide to the microfilm edition will include a correspondents' index and guide to Jones's speeches.



Materials recently acquired by the **Historical Society of Pennsylvania** include: the Wharton-Willing Papers, 1694-1817, with a concentration in the period from 1764-87. The papers include correspondence of Isaac and Thomas Wharton and Joseph Galloway relating primarily to events leading up to the Revolution and to Thomas Wharton's exile in Virginia; diaries of Samuel Rosebud Fisher, relating to commercial voyages to England in 1767 and 1788; and papers (1779-1822) of Thomas Truxton, embracing letters and circulars concerning Truxton's controversy with Jefferson's secretary of the navy, Robert Smith.

The Archives of **Central State University, Xenia, Ohio**, reports successful use of freezing in the restoration of flooded materials following the tornado of April 3, 1974. Nearly two tons of wet books, manuscripts, and materials were loaded into plastic garbage bags and transported to giant freezing compartments in a cold-storage plant in Dayton. Later they were treated by the thermal-vacuum drying process at McDonnell-Douglas Company of St. Louis. The Library of Congress pamphlet entitled *Procedures for Salvage of Water-Damaged Library Materials* (1975) stresses the necessity of quick freezing to stabilize the wet materials. Prepared by Peter Waters, restoration officer in the Office of the Assistant Director for Preservation, it is available free from the Library of Congress.

**Rider College** has conducted a seminar on the management of local church and congregational records under the direction of Belden Menkus, Bergenfield, New Jersey. The sessions included discussion of the organization of office files and the relation of the congregation to its associated church archival institution.

**St. Louis University** announces additions to the 25-million-page microfilm depository of Vatican manuscripts, comprising three quarters of the Vatican manuscript holdings in Greek, Latin, and Western vernacular tongues. The additions are microfilm copies of the Vatican manuscript collections in Hebrew, Arabic, and Ethiopian.

The **Smithsonian Institution** has been given a collection of twenty-five thousand volumes, including rare books and other materials, by Bert Dibner of Norwalk, Connecticut. Known as the Dibner Library of the History of Science and Technology, the gift includes more than three hundred incunabula and historic manuscripts and letters of scientists, numerous portraits, prints, science medals, scientific instruments, and apparatus. At the core of this library are two hundred books and pamphlets which were epochal in the history of the physical and biological sciences. Notable among the treasures is an illuminated manuscript of the *Physics* of Aristotle copied in about 1385 in fine Gothic script; several Newton manuscripts, including a quarto on chemistry; and a large manuscript leaf of Darwin's *Origin of Species*,

one of ten that have survived. Volta's personal library of three hundred volumes and more than a hundred publications belonging to Louis Pasteur are included.

Bert Dibner, who was born in the Ukraine in 1897 and came to America with his family in 1904, founded the Burndy Corporation in 1924, now one of the largest suppliers of electrical connectors to the computer, business equipment, and other industries. He will serve as advisor in the museum's expansion of the library as other collections in specialized topics in the history of science and technology are acquired.

Several recent accessions relate to fur. The files of Frank G. Ashbrook, Division of Fur Resources, Bureau of Biological Survey, dated 1907 and 1919-65, include correspondence, statistics, journal articles, and reports concerning the fur industry, fur farming, fur resources, research on domestically raised fur animals and on laws and tariffs concerning textiles and fur trading. The Thora M. Plitt Hardy files (1940-48) contain correspondence and studies about fur fibers, much of it on the use of fur fibers by the armed forces, the studies made at the request of the War Production Board and the Quartermaster General of the Army. The Bird and Mammal Laboratories' statistics on fur catch and big game reports (1935-69) were gathered for *Fur Catch in the United States* and *Big Game Inventory*. Finally, the Leonhard Stejneger Papers (1867-1943) document his career in the natural sciences, particularly after 1884, when he joined the staff of the Smithsonian Institution and worked on herpetology, ornithology, European fauna, and the study of life zones, fur seals, and the fur seal controversies of the 1890s.

A variety of records relating to the natural sciences were also accessioned. The William Ashmead Papers (1895-1906) reflect his research interest in systematic, economic, and biological entomology as a staff member of the U.S. National Museum. The records of the First International Congress of Systematic and Evolutionary Biology (1971-73) held at Boulder, Colorado, August 1973, were also accessioned. The Frederick Kreutzfeldt Journal (1853) contains botanical observations described by a botanist in Captain John Gunnison's expedition along the 38th parallel in Kansas and Colorado. The David C. Graham Papers (1923-49) consist of photographs and his diaries written while he was a missionary to China and a field collector for the Smithsonian Institution. In the period 1919-39, Graham headed fourteen summer expeditions to Szechwan and the China-Tibet border. His work was concentrated in Szechwan Province until 1948. The Ernest P. Walker Papers (1925-55) consist of correspondence and notes on game and wildlife management and preservation (1925-30), working papers on mammalogy, and correspondence from Walker's tenure as assistant director of the National Zoological Park from 1930 to 1956.

The records of the American Society of Ichthyologists and Herpetologists (1917-71) including correspondence, fiscal records, and publications about cold-blooded vertebrates have been accessioned.



The Thomas W. Vaughan Papers (1894-1940) consist largely of field notes and photographs made in Florida and the West Indies. An authority on oceanographic problems, Vaughan held posts in the U.S. Geological Survey and was director of the Scripps Institution (1924-36). The papers of Henry H. Clayton (1886-1945) consist of correspondence, meteorological data, and weather forecasts made while Clayton was on the staffs of the Argentine Weather Service (1913-22) and the Smithsonian (1923-26). The notebook of Richard B. Roberts, Carnegie Institute physicist and biophysicist, documents the experiment (1938-39) in which the atom was split.

Administrative and publications reports from the 1880s to the 1960s were also accessioned. Included were records of the Division of Vertebrate Paleontology, U.S. National Museum (1889-1957), documenting the history of the division; and the professional and administrative correspondence, daybooks, and journals of Charles W. Gilmore, a staff member of the division. The record group containing "The World is Yours," Smithsonian Editorial and Publications Division radio program (1936-42), consists chiefly of scripts for weekly half-hour radio broadcasts designed to give listeners a clearer understanding of the Smithsonian. Included are the promotional literature, correspondence, and research files of the radio project, which was jointly sponsored by the Smithsonian and the U.S. Office of Education, 1900-1942. The project was funded throughout this period by NBC except for the years 1936-40, when the Radio Project of the Works Progress Administration carried the funding. Also accessioned were the annual reports of the curator of the U.S. National Museum (1881-1964), recording activities of the departments, divisions, and various sections.

Recent accessions at the **South Carolina Archives** include records of the Cemetery Board, Office of the Chairman, Financial Records, 1957-69; also, of the Department of Corrections, Expense Distribution Ledgers, 1933-56, and a Receipt Journal, 1949-55; from the General Assembly, Acts and Joint Resolutions, 1967-72; and from the House of Representatives, Committee on the Judiciary, amendments, 1974, and administrative assistant file, 1971-72; also the attorney general's recommendations and proposed bills, 1973; and from the Committee on Labor, Commerce, and Industry, correspondence and reference material, 1969-73, and minutes; included also from the records of the secretary of state are audit reports, 1947-57, election materials, 1947-70, legislative dockets (lobbyists), 1935-58, official bonds, 1965-72, registers of political party officers, 1964-70, railroad papers, 1910-68, and trademark applications, 1911-73.

The largest volume (27 cu. ft.) of municipal records ever transferred to the archives has been received by the County Records Division from the city of Aiken. Included are records, 1839-1959, from the municipal court, police department, superintendent of voter registration, city clerk/treasurer, and commissioner of public works.

The Manuscripts Section of the **Tennessee State Library and Archives** has accessioned the following in its Confederate Collection: the memoir of George B. Guild, a cavalryman from Sumner County, telling of his experiences with John Hunt Morgan (1825–64), Confederate cavalry commander famed for his raids in Tennessee and Kentucky; and Sarah Harriet McConnell's memoir covering the 1864–65 period when she and members of her family were imprisoned in a federal jail in Nashville and detailing the Georgia family's arrest, prison life and conditions, their eventual parole and release, and their trip home. Also accessioned were the papers of George Winchester Wynne (1887–1974), documenting the history of Wynnewood, the historic stagecoach inn at Castalian Springs in Sumner County.

The **Rosenberg Library of Galveston** has accessioned the papers of John Grant Tod (1808–77), commodore in the Texas Navy. Born in Kentucky, Tod came to Texas in 1837 and variously served the Republic of Texas from 1840 to 1845 as commander of the naval station at Galveston, secretary of the navy, and commodore of the fleet. He was often involved in diplomatic negotiations for the Republic of Texas and was the person chosen to take the official notification of annexation from the Congress of the United States to the government of Texas. The papers include letters or documents signed by Sam Houston, Anson Jones, Reuben Potter, Memucan Hunt, Albert Sidney Johnston, Peter W. Grayson, and Samuel May Williams. This accession strengthens the library's extensive holdings of books, artifacts, and manuscripts relating to the Republic of Texas.

The **University of Vermont** has accessioned the Congressional papers of Richard W. Mallary (b. 1929), representative-at-large from Vermont. He was elected by special election, January 7, 1972, to the 92d Congress and was reelected to the 93d Congress. He was a member of the Committee on Government Operations, Subcommittee on Legislation and Military Operations; and a member of the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service, Subcommittees on Postal Service, and Manpower and Civil Service.

The Manuscript Division of the **University of Virginia** at Charlottesville announces the accession of papers and correspondence of Alexander Duncan Savage (1848–1935), reflecting his career as student at the University of Virginia, in Germany, at Johns Hopkins University, as director of the Metropolitan Museum of Art (1879–81), and as paleographer of the Hispanic Society of America (1915–29). Also received were several records of small merchants including financial receipts of Thomas Turner (1832–1903) of the Macon's Mill, Henrico County, Virginia; records of the Johnson-Wright Store (1880–92), a combination general store and post office at Hardware, Albemarle County, Virginia; the ledger and account book (1891–1910) of J. P. Kiracofe, a

blacksmith of Swoope, Virginia; and the ledger and records (1893-98) of Rudolph Kinzley and William Knowles, dealers in fresh and smoked meats in Staunton, Virginia. Also accessioned were music records, including a songbook of Chinese streetcalls and folk songs, by Alice C. Darrow. Photocopies of transcripts of records of the Hebron Evangelical Lutheran Church in Madison, Virginia, covering 1750-1850 were acquired, together with microfilms of the U.S. Census in 1790 and of Albemarle County Court records (1830-1900). Also received were the Walter Reed-Yellow Fever Collection, including additional printed material and correspondence (1965-69) collected by Atcheson L. Hench; and papers of Philip S. Hench dating from 1930 to 1965, relating to his career as physician, medical researcher, and writer, and winner of the Nobel Prize, assembled by his brother, Atcheson Hench.

The division has also received about 75 items (1917-73), correspondence, and research materials of Edward Stettinius, Sr., father of the U.S. secretary of state; and family correspondence (1799-1888) of John Beckley (1757-1805), first clerk of the U.S. House of Representatives, first Librarian of Congress, and organizer of the Jeffersonian party. Also accessioned were seven letters of Washington Irving to his sister, Catherine Paris, dated 1832-44; fourteen Ezra Pound items dated 1968-74; and a microfilm of a sixteenth-century manuscript consisting of excerpts from "Revelations of Divine Love" by Juliana of Norwich (1343-1443), an anchoress. The manuscript is preserved in Westminster Cathedral. William Faulkner items (1950-74) added to the Linton Massey Collection include a motion picture film of an interview with the people of Oxford, Mississippi, following Faulkner's death.

The Manuscript and Archives Division of the **Washington State University** Library has prepared an indexed register of the papers of Homer Jackson Dana (1890-1970), research engineer, director of the Washington State Engineering Experiment Station and professor emeritus of Washington State University. The papers include correspondence, reports, notes, drawings, photographs, and recordings relating to electrical and civil engineering research. The finding aid is entitled *Homer Jackson Dana: An Indexed Register of his Papers (1910-1968) in the Washington State University Library*, College of Engineering Circular 43.

The **Wayne State University** Archives of Labor History and Urban Affairs has acquired the diaries and journals (1916-27) of Edward J. Falkowski (Fulsky), documenting his impressions of mining life in Shenandoah, Pennsylvania. Also accessioned was a collection of worker-theater publications of the 1930s and the papers of Holgate Young. Young, a member of United Auto Workers, Local 6 (1948-60), collected information about the union during his employment with International Harvester Company, Melrose Park, Illinois. He served as the union's financial secretary (1950-55) and also as field representative

for the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees in Kenosha, Wisconsin (1956-57). His collection—distinct from union records—contains correspondence, bulletins, minutes of meetings, leaflets, clippings, bargaining and election material, and financial records.

The **State Historical Society of Wisconsin** has recently accessioned the following archives: the community files (1950-68) and the administrative subject files (1965-69) of the Department of Business Development; the planning files (1964-69) of the Division of Emergency Government (Civil Defense) of the Department of Local Affairs; the minutes and publications (1951-74) of the Scientific Areas Preservation Council of the Department of Natural Resources; the certification files (1923-74) of the Division of Library Services of the Department of Public Instruction; and the minutes (1969) of the Joint Committee to Study Disruptions at the University of Wisconsin.

Among the private collections recently accessioned were the following: recording of an interview of Father James Groppi, Milwaukee civil rights leader (1967); papers (1885-1974) of Frederick Augustus Blossom (1878-1974), social activist, translator of Marcel Proust, and librarian; papers (1943-74) of Tom Donovan (b. 1922), television director; papers (1942-69) of actor Hal Holbrook (b. 1925); papers (1895-1958) of Rufus Ashley Lyman (1875-1957), college dean, founder of the *American Journal of Pharmaceutical Education*; and one tape recording of a speech by Frank Lloyd Wright (1869-1959) delivered on February 10, 1955, at a testimonial dinner organized to help pay the Iowa County property taxes on his Wisconsin residence, Taliesin.

The **Women's History Research Center** of Berkeley, California, has failed to get enough grant funding to continue in operation and is selling its collections to universities. The International Women's History Periodical Archive has been transferred to the Special Collections Library, Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois. The subject files documenting the past and current history of the women's movement have been transferred to the Archives of Contemporary History at the University of Wyoming, Laramie. These contain more than a million clippings, term papers, graphics, leaflets, position papers, poems, and songs.

The department of history of **Wright State University**, beginning in the academic year of 1975-76, will offer as an optional component of its master of arts degree in history a program in archival and historical administration. The curriculum is comprised of professional courses, an internship in one of the area historical agencies, and courses largely in American history. Persons completing the program will be prepared to seek employment as archivists and as professional employees in a variety of historical agencies. For a brochure and/or details, write to: Chairman, Department of History, Wright State University, Dayton, Ohio 45431.

The **University of Wyoming's** Archives of Contemporary History, in Laramie, has exchanged copies of the Harry Elmer Barnes (b. 1889) Papers for copies of Temple University's Negley King Teeters Papers. Teeters (1896-1971), criminologist, educator, and prison administrator, collaborated with Barnes, also an educator and champion of prison reform, on *New Horizons in Criminology* (1943). Their correspondence on prison reform continued over the following twenty-eight years. The Teeters Papers are part of the Conwellana-Templana Collection in the Samuel Paley Library of Temple University in Philadelphia.

## CANADA

News notes relating to Canadian institutions have, in some cases, been published in recent issues of the *Canadian Historical Review*.

The **Public Archives of Canada** has announced the launching of a vast conservation and documentation program of films and television broadcasts which form the Canadian national audiovisual heritage. In cooperation with other federal agencies, the archives project intends to preserve these resources and disseminate them for the information of the public. Since 1969, the Film Archives has succeeded in recovering and preserving thousands of feet of film, tracing the development of cinema and recording the history of Canada. With an augmented staff and budget, a new team has begun negotiations with different agencies from the public and private sectors with the aim of establishing acquisition programs and protecting copyrights. An agreement has been reached with the Canadian Film Institute whereby their archival collection will be added to the treasury of the nation's film archives.

The Public Archives has recently acquired forty-five hours of recordings by Senator Paul Martin (presently Ambassador to the Court of St. James), including speeches, interviews and his description of Premier Kosygin's visit to Canada in 1971. In addition, the Public Records Division has accessioned files relating to the internment of German and Italian prisoners of war in Canada during World War II. The clerk of the House of Commons deposited in the archives the House of Commons Sessional Papers for 1958 to 1965, together with appendixes to the journals, 1960-65, and the votes, proceedings, and scrolls for 1956-57.

The **Provincial Archives of Alberta** has recently accessioned an unpublished manuscript history of the Peace River country written in 1908 by an Alexander MacKenzie, a descendant of the explorer's cousin. The official correspondence of Bishop R. J. Pierce of the

Anglican Diocese of Athabasca (1958-64) and several series of municipal records for the counties of Smoky Lake, Stettler, and Flagstaff.

The **Glenbow-Alberta Institute** has recently acquired correspondence, minutes, and other records of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, 1950-73. In addition, the institute has accessioned a copy of a translation of an undated Blackfoot-French grammar written by Fr. Jean-Louis Levern; minutes, correspondence, and financial statements of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, the Brotherhood of Railway Carmen of America (Calgary), and the Calgary Labour Council, 1911-58; and correspondence, notes regarding the Byrd expeditions, and general papers of Allan Innes-Taylor regarding the Yukon and the Arctic, 1890-1970.

Recent acquisitions of the **New Brunswick Archives** include the New Brunswick Cabinet Papers (1882-1963), which complement the minutes of the executive council; correspondence, submissions, transcripts of hearings, and the final report of the Province's Task Force on Social Development, 1970-71. Also accessioned were personal and political correspondence (1953-60) of Hon. Hugh John Flemming; working papers and background studies of J. B. McNair on the Dominion-Provincial Conference of 1935 and attempts to amend the British North America Act (1922-36); correspondence of Hon. W. E. Foster, 1921-23; minutes of the Kent County General Sessions (1826-77); and records of the United Mine Workers local in Minto, N. B. (1946-66) and of the New Brunswick Women's Christian Temperance Union, 1888-1969.

The **Saskatchewan Archives** reports the accession of the Saskatchewan Progressive Conservative Party records (1940-70) and of the Saskatoon Little Theatre Society. Personal papers of the late R. L. Hanbridge, lieutenant governor of Saskatchewan (1963-70) and Member of the Legislative Assembly (1929-34) have been accessioned, as have the papers of George Spence, member of the Legislative Assembly (1917-38); A. P. Gleave, M.P. for Saskatoon-Biggar (1968-74); and Edna Jacques, Saskatchewan poetess.

A description of the holdings of the **Montreal Archives**, a branch of the National Archives of Quebec, has been published by the Ministry of Cultural Affairs for the province of Quebec. The establishment of a regional archives branch at Montreal in 1971 is part of a long-range program undertaken by the province to regionalize its deposits. The Montreal Archives occupies the site which formerly housed the Ministry of Justice, and it has custody of nearly all of the documents before 1900 which were housed in the records section of the Ministry of Justice.

Among the seventeenth-century records accessioned are the papers of the following individuals: Raphael-Lambert Closse (1651-56),



Nicolas Gastineau called DuPlessis (1652-53), Bénigne Basset (1657-99), Nicolas de Mouchy (1664-67), Antoine Adhémar (1668-1714), René Rémy (1669), Thomas Frérot (1669-78), Jean Cusson (1670-1704), Pierre Cabazié (1673-93), René Oudain (1674), Jean-Baptiste Fleuricour (1676-1702), Claude Maugue (1677-96), Jacques Bourdon (1677-1720), Michel Moreau (1681-98), Hilaire Bourguine (1684-90), and Jean-Baptiste Pottier (1686-97).

In addition, the following have been accessioned: records of baptisms, marriages, and burials for the period 1650-1850; judicial documents, which include the following among the more important items: separate documents arranged in chronological order (1677-1760) in 163 volumes; dossiers of important trials (1660-1756); a descriptive inventory of judicial documents in the Montreal archives (1687-1717); register of hearings for Montreal (1687-1761); interrogations, judgments, information (1653-1767); district court records, including registers (1767-1816); ordinances (1876-93); court records of the king's bank including registers, plaintiffs, civil actions, lists of trials (1799, 1804-40); records of plaintiffs of various district courts (1766-98); indexes of cases (1797-1837); judgments, stays of executions, cases dismissed (1799-1896), and others.

Also accessioned are records of seigneuries, official reports of surveyors dating from mid-eighteenth century, records of the Commission of Public Streets and Highways, correspondence and reports of the commissioner of roads; records of parishes, factories, archival administration, account books; records of arrests and ordinances, commissions of ministers of justice under the English regime (1820-37), commissions of judges (nineteenth century), commissions and information on life and customs (1663-1756), pensions, and national defense.

The Special Collections Division of the **University of British Columbia Library** has recently accessioned records of the International Pacific Salmon Fisheries Commission, 1900-1945, among which may be found financial records of various canneries, 1903-43; minute books of the British Columbia Salmon Cannery Association, 1900-1928; and correspondence of the Canadian Department of Marine and Fisheries relating to the salmon spawning in British Columbia, 1913-27. A second accession consists of records and papers of the Vagabond Club, a Vancouver based literary society, 1916-25. This collection contains mainly the personal papers, autograph collections, published and unpublished manuscripts, and diaries of Lionel Haweis, 1861-1942, and scrapbooks relating to the activities of the poet, A. M. Stephen, 1892-1942. The division also has acquired records relating to the activities of the Tibetan Refugee Aid Society of Canada, 1962-72, and the Ethel Johns Papers, 1906-66. The latter consists of notebooks, correspondence, photographs, and manuscripts relating to the establishment of the University of British Columbia School of Nursing, and research for Johns' history of the Johns Hopkins Hospital School of Nursing.

The **University of Montreal Archives** has announced the accession of the papers of musician Guillaume Couture (1851–1915), including biographical notes, notebooks of music and concerning music, correspondence, and photographs of Couture and his family. The archives has also published a guide to its private collections entitled *Guides des collections et fonds privés conservés au service des archives*, available for \$2.00 by writing to the University of Montreal, Service des Archives, Case Postale 6128, Montreal 101.

The **City of Toronto Archives** has received the city's collection of paintings. Microfilms of the assessment rolls, the civic bylaws, and the council minutes are in preparation. Accessions include the papers of Controller June Marks and Alderman Alice Summerville; Toronto subway construction plans; and a number of original historical maps from the city surveyor. Typing and indexing of the city council minutes, 1834–59, have been completed. The records of the Finance and Assessment Committee, 1864–77, have been calendared and indexed.

The **Metropolitan Toronto Central Library** has recently acquired a first edition copy of General John Burgoyne's (1722–92) account of his defeat at Saratoga in 1777, which he presented before the House of Commons to defend his capitulation. Entitled *The State of the Expedition from Canada, as laid before the House of Commons* (1780), his defense included government reports, officers' testimony, maps, and writings. Also received were manuscripts (1828–38) of the York Auxiliary Bible Society, founded in 1828. The papers acquired consist chiefly of financial records, including annual lists of subscribers and receipts for payments made to the Rev. Peter Jones, an Indian Methodist missionary, for translating the New Testament into Ojibway (1829).

The **City of Vancouver Archives** has received more than one hundred tons of public records from the various departments, boards, and agencies of the City of Vancouver, B. C., and the Greater Vancouver Regional District. The earliest accessions are dated in the 1860s and include election records, civic lists, and city directories. The record groups including City Council minutes and City Clerks' correspondence date from the 1880s, with calendars (1886–1912) and bylaws (1886–1959) of the city. Mayoral records date from 1901–50.

The city archives has appointed a full-time permanent superintendent in charge of conservation, under the title "Conservator/Paper and Documents Repair." Initially appointed under a succession of grants, the position has become permanent. Part One of *An Administrative Guide to the City of Vancouver, 1886–1950*, has been completed.



## RELIGIOUS ARCHIVES

**Advent Christian.** The Aurora College Library, Aurora, Illinois, has accessioned the Jenks Memorial Collection of materials relating to the history of the Advent Christian Church. Descriptions of the manuscript holdings are found in the National Union Catalog of Manuscripts, and a brochure listing recent accessions is available from the library.

**Baptist.** Chowan College of Murfreesboro, North Carolina, has recently named their collection of archival materials "The McDowell Room of Archives and Antiquities." The room houses significant materials relating to Chowan College and the Baptist denomination in the area of northeastern North Carolina and southeastern Virginia.

The Seventh Day Baptist Historical Society of Plainfield, New Jersey, reports the accession of *The Exponent*, 1925-28, the organ of the Seventh Day Baptist Bible Defense League (Fundamentalist); and church records from the Roanoke, West Virginia, Seventh Day Baptist Church (1871-1972). The library has nearly completed its Library of Congress reclassification.

The Texas Baptist Historical Collection, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, has accessioned the personal papers of Davis Heacock, dean of the School of Religious Education from 1956-73 and seminary professor for twenty-nine years.

The American Baptist Historical Society, Rochester, New York, has accessioned a missionary diary written in Assam in the 1840s as part of the denominational archives, which include personal letters to the denomination from missionaries and date from the 1850s.

**Catholic.** Bishop Fulton J. Sheen has donated to St. Bernard's Seminary Library, Rochester, New York, approximately 12,000 tape recordings of radio talks, retreats, and informal addresses.

The Diocese of Crookston, Minnesota, reports the microfilming of baptismal records of all Catholic parishes in fourteen counties of northwest Minnesota. The microfilm is stored at 1200 Memorial Drive, Crookston.

The Diocese of Cleveland, Ohio, has accessioned the papers of Archbishop Edward F. Hoban (1943-66), known as "the Builder" for his construction of schools and hospitals.

The archives and historical collections of the Diocese of Grand Rapids have been gathered in a central location at St. Joseph's Seminary, Grand Rapids, Michigan, where the work of arranging and reclassifying is proceeding.

The Archives of the Oregon Province of the Society of Jesus has accessioned the Pierre Jean DeSmet (1801-73) papers collected by

William Lyle Davis (d. 1972), professor of history, in preparation for a biography. DeSmet, a Belgian Jesuit missionary to the Flathead and Blackfoot Indians of the Rocky Mountains, was attached to the faculty of St. Louis University (1823-38) before he began his journeys into the territory of the Flatheads, to the Pacific Northwest, and back to Europe with the aim of getting personnel to found parishes and schools. The U.S. government sought his assistance on three occasions in negotiating treaties with the western Indians. The collection is located in the Crosby Library, Gonzaga University, Spokane, Washington.

The Diocese of Tucson, Arizona, will publish a special edition of the diocesan directory, including historical data on each parish, a calendar of historical events, and a chronicle history of the Catholic Church in the Southwest.

**Congregationalist.** The New Haven Colony Historical Society, New Haven, Connecticut, reports that the papers of the United Church on the Green have now been processed and are available to researchers. The United Church was formed in 1796 by the union of the White Haven and Fair Haven churches. The papers include records of the White Haven and Fair Haven churches (1741-96); the records of the Fair Haven Society (1769-1807); records of meetings (1796-1923); records of annual meetings (1796-1965); financial and membership papers (1797-1939); papers relating to church discipline, clergy, and lay-persons; miscellaneous photographs and printed materials; and miscellaneous papers and ledgers of the Third Church.

**Evangelical and Reformed Church.** Herbert Anstaett, executive secretary of the Evangelical and Reformed Historical Society, Lancaster Theological Seminary, Lancaster, Pennsylvania, reports a publication by Fred D. Wentzel, *The Forging of a Denomination, Unitive Forces in the History of the German Reformed Churches in the United States* (1974), a study spanning the Civil War period in Philadelphia.

**Jewish.** The Philadelphia Jewish Archives Center has announced the accession of several collections, including records of the Federation of Jewish Agencies (1901-70) consisting of correspondence, financial records, reports, and minutes of meetings; and records of the Jewish Family Service (1821-1964), the Jewish Publication Society of America (1886-1967), the Judaic Union (1888-1970), and the Paperhangers Union (1898-1950), including history, minute books, meeting notices, and photographs. Also accessioned were records of the Neighborhood Center (1901-60), including correspondence, case files, and administrative subject files; records of the Association for Jewish Children (1855-1969), including correspondence, annual reports, financial rec-

ords, minutes of meetings, registers, and other records of this and predecessor agencies which merged in 1941 and 1944 to form the association. Records of the Hebrew Sunday School Society (1838-1969) were also accessioned along with several collections of the papers of individuals. Among these were papers of Judge Louis Leventhal (1941-62); papers of Benjamin Miller (1907-71), including those concerned with the American Professors for Peace in the Middle East, an organization he helped found after the June 1967 Six Day War; papers of Herman Rappaport dated 1915-64, including records and correspondence of the Jewish National Workers Alliance; papers of Horace Stern (1878-1969), a former Philadelphia lawyer and judge and former Pennsylvania Supreme Court justice; papers of Edwin Wolf II, dated 1949-71, dealing mainly with his terms as president of the Federation of Jewish Agencies and the Jewish Publication Society and including also minutes (1910-38) of the Hebrew Education Society.

The American Jewish Archives has completed a documentary of Jewish participation in the American Revolution, with introductions for each document. Requests for information may be addressed to American Jewish Archives, Clifton Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45220.

The American Jewish Historical Society is sponsoring the collection of papers of the Jewish Revolutionary financier, Haym Salomon (ca. 1740-85), with the endorsement and funding of the National Historical Publications and Records Commission. Born in Poland, Salomon was involved in the Polish movement for independence. Emigrating to New York City, he opened a brokerage firm and later was a dealer in foreign bills of exchange. He was an ardent supporter of the Revolution and was twice arrested by the British as a spy. He served as paymaster general for all the French forces in North America and was responsible for raising over \$700,000 for the Revolutionary government. The society requests that anyone possessing or knowing of Salomon papers or materials in public or private hands contact Nathan M. Kaganoff, Editor, American Jewish Historical Society, 2 Thornton Road, Waltham, Mass. 02154.

**Lutheran.** The Concordia Historical Institute, of St. Louis, Missouri, has exhibits honoring several men who played an important part in the history of American Lutheranism. The exhibits, entitled "Lest We Forget," feature the work of Rev. Johann F. Maier, a pioneer missionary to American Indians; of an early Missouri Synod pastor, Rev. J. A. F. W. Mueller (1825-1900), a leader of early Norwegian Lutheranism; and of the Reverend Dr. William Gustave Polack (1890-1950), a church historian and hymnologist.

The archives of the Minnesota Synod of the Lutheran Church in America, at St. Paul, Minnesota, reports the recent microfilming of more than two thousand pastoral reports submitted to the presidents of the conference from 1861 to 1930. The set is incomplete. Also microfilmed are the minutes of meetings of the Executive Committee (later called Executive Board) through the 1870s and complete from 1910 to 1962.

The University of New Orleans archives in the Earl K. Long Library has recently accessioned the Southern District Collection (ca. 1882-1972) of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. An inventory/guide is being prepared. Permission to use the collection must be obtained from John E. Ellerman, president of the Southern District, Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod.

The associate archivist for the Lutheran Church in America, Chicago, Illinois, reports the acquisition of nearly 100 reels of tape recordings of seminars and conferences conducted by the Division of World Missions, 1962-74.

**Mennonite.** The Menno Simons Historical Library, Harrisonburg, Virginia, has recently published a special issue of the *Eastern Mennonite College Bulletin* commemorating the 450th anniversary of the Anabaptist Movement, January 21, 1525, to January 21, 1975.

**Methodist.** The Minnesota Historical Commission of the United Methodist Church is urging each local church to set up photographic displays of all ministers who served the church. They are also drawing up a list of women ministers who have served in Minnesota.

The North Carolina and Western North Carolina Conferences will celebrate the 200th anniversary of the organization of the Carolina Circuit in a joint session April 3, 1976, at the indoor stadium of Duke University, Durham, North Carolina.

Herbert Hucks, Jr., Curator of the Historical Society of the South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church, reports that work is continuing on individual church histories and biographies of ministers in the conference. Professors Victor Bilachone and Donald J. Welch have begun work on an interim project at Wofford College in connection with Methodism in South Carolina from 1773 to 1785.

**United Church of Canada.** The United Church archives of Victoria University, Toronto, has announced the following acquisitions: a collection of Stark family papers, 1799-1915, primarily those of the Rev. Mark Y. Stark, Presbyterian minister at Dundas, Ontario; papers of the Rev. James Ralph Mutchmor, minister of the Presbyterian and United Churches; correspondence and other files of the Board of Home Missions, United Church of Canada, 1925-69; microfilm copies of correspondence and other records of the Canada Education and Home Missionary Society, 1823-37; records of the Pointe aux Trembles School, Montreal, 1858-1966; papers of Margaret Helen Brown, missionary in Honan, China, under the Presbyterian and United Church, 1911-58; the archives of the Canada Conference of the Evangelical United Brethren Church, 1850-68; and papers of three former moderators of the United Church of Canada, E. M. Howse, A. B. Moore, and R. B. McClure. Substantial additions have been made to the picture collections concerning the Angola, West China, Honan, and Japan missions of the United Church and home mission work in Canada.

### ARCHIVAL ORGANIZATIONS

This section is provided as a means of information exchange among regional, state, provincial, and local archival organizations. Please submit news of activities and copies of publications to Alice M. Vestal, Cincinnati Historical Society, Eden Park Drive, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202.

**Archival Association of Atlantic Canada.** The first annual conference of the Archival Association of Atlantic Canada was held in St. John's, Newfoundland, October 10-12, 1974. In addition to a business meeting, nine sessions were held during the three-day meeting. At a session on church records, participants dealt with the problems of where the records should be deposited and of confidentiality, particularly for records in microcopy. In the session on municipal records, the need was stressed for making municipal officials aware of the importance of these materials and for encouraging proper recordkeeping and preservation. Representatives of the Canadian Archives Section of the Canadian Historical Association discussed the plans for the creation of a Canadian archival organization. Other sessions during the meeting dealt with British records relating to eastern conservation, preservation and classification of maps, and charts, genealogy, and federal and provincial records regarding the Atlantic Provinces in the Public Archives of Canada. At this meeting, the following officers were elected for the year 1974-75: president: Michael Swift, Provincial Archives of New Brunswick; secretary: A. Pincombe, City Archives, Moncton, New Brunswick; treasurer: D. Towers, Charlotte County Historical Society, New Brunswick; and the following vice-presidents: E. E. Magee, Mount Allison University, New Brunswick; J. Green, Provincial Archives of Newfoundland, St. John's; C. B. Fergusson, Public Archives of Nova Scotia; and H. T. Holman, Provincial Archives of Prince Edward Island.

**Canadian Archives Section of the Canadian Historical Association.** The first draft of a constitution for the proposed Association of Canadian Archivists was sent to the membership, together with the analysis of the Constitutional Committee and a letter from the chairman, David Rudkin, University Archives, Thomas Fisher Library, Toronto, explaining the procedure for debating and ratifying the constitution in the coming months.

The main features of this draft are the provisions for a broadly based voting membership, and a small, regionally based executive body that would be elected only from the members admitted as "professionals," one executive member representing each geographic region. Five classes of membership are proposed: honorary, professional, general, student, and institutional. The professional membership would be open (1) to persons who possess two years full-time working experience in a recognized archives in addition to either a postgraduate degree in archival science or a diploma-certificate in archives administration and at least a bachelor's degree, and (2) to persons with a "minimum of five

years" experience as an archivist in a recognized repository. The committee proposed an executive body consisting of a president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer, one position only to be elected annually from each of the four geographic regions—Pacific, Prairie, Ontario, and Atlantic. There would be three appointed officials—editor of the journal, editor of the newsletter, and program director; plus two types of committees. Standing committees would deal with constitutional review, membership, nominations and elections, publications, and archives appraisal. Select committees would be established in cooperation with regional associations to undertake work on specific subjects of archival concern. Appropriately, the new association would have a proper records-keeping procedure including retention and disposal schedules approved by the executive body, and the Public Archives of Canada would be designated as the official repository. The final draft of the constitution will be published in the April issue of *Archives Bulletin*. This final draft will be the working draft for the June meeting of the Canadian Historical Association in Edmonton, Alberta.

The **Caribbean Historical Association** announces its second Caribbean Archives Conference, October 27–31, 1975, to be held at the Pointe-à-Pitre, Guadeloupe, except for the last day, when the meeting will convene in Fort-de-France, Martinique. Details may be had by writing Jean-Paul Hervieu, Archives de la Guadeloupe, P. O. Box 74, Basse-Terre, Guadeloupe.

The **Society of Georgia Archivists**. The February meeting of the Society of Georgia Archivists was held at Emory University in Atlanta. At the business meeting, officers were elected for 1974: Gayle Peters, president; Joyce Gallagher, vice president; Robert White, Jr., secretary; Linda Matthews, treasurer; Peter Schinkel, archivist; and Charles T. Hill, director. In addition, the Bicentennial Committee announced its project of compiling and publishing a directory of repositories in Georgia. The Workshop Committee reported that the 1975 workshop will be held on November 20 and 21 on the campus of Georgia State University. The 1974 workshop drew 96 participants from nine states. It was announced that the *Georgia Archive* has trebled in size. Julia Bugge and Darlene White of Emory University discussed their cooperative effort in locating and describing sources in Georgia for women's history. Their remarks will appear in *Georgia Archive*.

The sixth **Gulf Coast History and Humanities Conference** will be held in Pensacola, Florida, on October 2 and 3, 1975. The topic is "The Cultural Legacy of the Gulf Coast, 1870–1940." The Conference is cosponsored by the Historic Pensacola Preservation Board, the Escambia County School Board, Pensacola Junior College, the University of West Florida, and the National Trust for Historic Preservation.



Major topics of discussion will be "Uses of Our Physical Legacy," "The Cultural Legacy of the Gulf Coast," "The Material Culture of the Lower South," and "Making Effective Use of Our Physical Past." Charles Hosmer, Ellen Beasley, Walter Beinecke, James R. McGovern, and George Demmy are among the scheduled speakers.

Further information and copies of the proceedings of the five previous conferences are available by writing to Dr. Lucius F. Ellsworth, General Chairman, Gulf Coast History and Humanities Conference, c/o John C. Pace Library, University of West Florida, Pensacola, Florida 32504.

**Midwest Archives Conference.** The Midwest Archives Conference held its fall meeting October 31–November 2 in St. Paul, Minnesota. Thursday evening's session at the St. Paul Hotel was entitled, "The Genealogist and the Archivist," and participants dealt with some of the difficulties in serving genealogical patrons as well as pointing out their already large and increasing numbers, their valuable assistance in developing collections, and enthusiastic volunteer help in special projects. Friday morning concurrent sessions were entitled, "New Trends in Preservation," "Finding Funding," and "Perspectives on Ethnic Collections." In the preservation session Robin Overmier of the University of Minnesota urged MAC to encourage establishment of a cooperative conservation center comparable to the New England Document Conservation Center. In the session on funding, Sue Holbert of the Minnesota Historical Society recommended that MAC establish a committee to look into the preparation of a grant proposal by the conference for project funds from the National Endowment for the Humanities under the Research Tools Program. These grants are for surveys of the needs for research tools to support the production of basic reference works for the humanities. Varied sessions concerned controlling and preserving audio sources, building local history collections, processing mass collections, archival publication programs, university archives, and the status of archival education programs. During the business meeting, the membership passed a resolution in favor of public ownership of all records prepared by or for any public official of the federal government in the course of carrying out the duties of office, and the need to establish related policies with the assistance of qualified archivists.

**Society of Tennessee Archivists.** The spring meeting of the Tennessee Archivists was held March 3–4, 1975, in conjunction with the Conference on Archives and Manuscript Collections, sponsored by the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Graduate School of Library and Information Science. Conference coordinator was Inci Bowman. The keynote address, "Librarians, Archivists, and Historians: Point of Convergence," was given by George Chalou of the National Archives and Records Service. He stressed the common ground, historical source materials, shared by the three professions and urged that it is

more important for the archivist to know the sources, restrictions, and other access information regarding the collections or record groups in his care than to know the content of the materials in depth. In a session entitled, "Archives and Manuscript Collections: What's Happening at the State and Local Level?," Cleo Hughes, director of the Archives Section, Tennessee State Library and Archives, described the state's expanding legislative recording program and Jean B. Waggener, director of the Manuscripts Section of the library, described the Bicentennial acquisition drive in selected Tennessee counties and the new guide to the microfilm holdings of the Manuscripts Section. Manfred Wasserman, curator of modern manuscripts, History of Medicine Division of the National Library of Medicine, Bethesda, Maryland, and Ambrose Manning, professor of English, East Tennessee State University, participated in a session dealing with oral history. Solicitation and publication activities were discussed by Wasserman and Herman J. Viola, director of the National Anthropological Archives of the Smithsonian Institution. Peter Waters, restoration officer of the Library of Congress, presented a paper dealing with restoration methods in use at the Library of Congress and with the library's philosophy of restoration work.

The **Toronto Area Archivists Group (TAAG)** debated and approved a constitution and a series of bylaws at its first annual meeting, September 26, 1974. The following officers were elected for the 1974-75 term: chairman, Jane Noakes, Bank of Nova Scotia Archives; vice-chairman, Tony Rees, United Church Archives; secretary, R. Scott James, City of Toronto Archives; treasurer, Margaret Walker, Royal Ontario Museum Archives.

After the annual business meeting on October 28, 1974, a proposal to contribute funds to "Save Montreal Sauvons," a movement to save historic buildings in Montreal, resulted in a suggestion to devote such efforts to the Toronto area. The Executive Committee on November 5, 1975, endorsed in principle the establishment of a task force to cosponsor a workshop on the training of archivists in Canada. The December 10 meeting featured a report by James Weller, a management consultant, on the management of historical resources in metropolitan Toronto. His speech took into account only historic buildings as resources, and the TAAG members offered the assistance of their council in bringing attention to a wider range of available historical resources.

The January meeting discussed the first draft constitution of the proposed independent association of Canadian archivists. A motion was carried to offer moral and financial assistance to the new association. At the Executive Council meeting, January 28, the proposal was approved for a workshop on "Training in the Informational Sciences: an Inter-disciplinary Approach," to be held April 26. The program includes a morning lecture by David R. Larson, chief of the Archives and Manuscripts Division of the Ohio Historical Society; and a discus-



sion panel led by representatives of four information science disciplines: William Benedon, chief of records management, Lockheed Aircraft Corporation; Frank Dolan, professor of information science, University of Western Ontario; Francis Donnelly, professor of library science, University of Toronto; and Hugh Taylor, director of the Historical Branch, Public Archives of Canada.

The February 17 meeting heard Andrew Birrell of the Public Archives of Canada Picture Division speak on "Photographs as Historical Documents." Contending that most archivists, because of their training as historians, tend to remain in the print and manuscript age, he predicted the need for change owing to the lack of traditional sources being produced for future study of our age. After discussing the documentary value of photographs, Birrell ended with a series of slides which demonstrated that photographic evidence may be selected in much the same way as written evidence in order to enlighten or mislead.

### BICENTENNIAL NEWS

At the SAA's annual meeting in Toronto in October 1974, the society's newly established American Revolution Bicentennial Committee decided that one of its immediate projects should be to accumulate and disseminate news about Bicentennial activities related to archives or of interest to archivists. The appearance of "Bicentennial News" in the *American Archivist* is carrying out this effort and we invite all to submit news of Bicentennial activities to Adrienne Thomas, NDA, National Archives and Records Service, Washington, D.C. 20408.

A Bicentennial session on genealogical research concentrating on the Colonial and Revolutionary periods is planned for the **National Archives and Records Service**, July 19-23, 1976. Leading genealogists from the United States and Britain will discuss resources for research available both in the United States and abroad. Among the speakers and their topics are Milton Rubincam, discussing records of the Loyalists, and Colonial and Revolutionary Maryland, Delaware, and Pennsylvania; Virginia P. Livingston on Colonial and Revolutionary Virginia; Harriet Stryker-Rodda, Colonial handwriting and terminology; and Kenn Stryker-Rodda, Colonial and Revolutionary records of New York and New Jersey, including Dutch records. John I. Codrington and Gilbert H. Doane will discuss Colonial and Revolutionary New England records; and Clifford Neal Smith will talk about Colonial German immigration patterns and German mercenary troops during the Revolution, and about bridging the Atlantic to Germanic origins in the Colonial and Revolutionary periods.

Leading British genealogist Cecil R. Humphery-Smith, will discuss public records of England relating to the colonies, British parochial records, and Irish research methods and sources; and Gerald Hamilton-Edwards will discuss other British records of genealogical

value for the American Colonial period, and Scottish research methods and sources during the Colonial period. The registration fee is \$75. Registration will be limited and those interested should write to conference director, Bill R. Linder, Central Reference Division (NNC), National Archives and Records Service, Washington, D.C. 20408.

The **National Conference of Catholic Bishops** published a document on November 22, 1974, honoring the Bicentennial and entitled "Ecclesiastical Archives," calling for a nationwide effort among Catholic archivists to preserve and organize existing records and papers in "chancery offices, general and provincial houses of religious orders, and institutions of our country." A suggestion for a brief training course for newly appointed archivists was implemented in the Workshop for Religious/Diocesan Archivists offered May 25-30, 1975, at Bergamo-Marianist Center, Dayton, Ohio 45430.

A traveling historical exhibit aboard a barge has been adopted as the major project of the **New York State American Revolution Bicentennial Commission**. The barge will move along New York's waterways and bring the display to within fifty miles of 93 percent of the citizens. The program will begin in April 1976, and will continue through Labor Day. Each of the approximately twenty stops will be coordinated with local Bicentennial planners to include local festivals. A statewide exhibit with many varied aspects will be offered, but local history will be the dominant theme of the barge project.

The **Western Reserve Historical Society** is planning a Bicentennial Conference on American Genealogy and Family History, for August 9-12, 1976. Sessions will relate to American genealogy and family history with emphasis on records of the Revolutionary War period, the migrations westward following the Revolution and the settlement of families who migrated to America during the nineteenth century.

The conference, which is being sponsored by the Western Reserve Historical Society, the American Society of Genealogists, the Ohio Genealogical Society, and the history department of Case Western Reserve University, will be held in the Park Plaza Inn, Cleveland, Ohio. Further information is available from John Large, Jr., Conference Coordinator, The Western Reserve Historical Society, 10825 East Boulevard, Cleveland 44106.



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# The Society of American Archivists

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## Minutes

*Council Minutes, January 23, 1975.* President James B. Rhoads called the meeting to order at 9:30 A.M., January 23, 1975, in the SAA offices at the library of the University of Illinois at Chicago Circle. Also present were Vice President Elizabeth Hamer Kegan, Treasurer Howard L. Applegate, and Council members Richard C. Berner, J. Frank Cook, Elsie Freivogel, Ruth W. Helmuth, J. R. K. Kantor, and Hugh A. Taylor. Editor C. F. W. Coker, Executive Director Ann Morgan Campbell, and assistant to the executive director, Joyce Gianatasio, attended without vote. Council members A. Carroll Hart and Walter Rundell, Jr., were absent.

Council minutes of September 30, October 1, and October 4, 1974, were approved as corrected.

President Rhoads announced the following appointments: George M. Cunha, chairman of the Preservation Methods Committee; Odell Lamb, chairman of the Records Management Committee; David Horn, chairman of the Committee on Terminology and Statistics; and James V. Mink, chairman of the Oral History Committee.

Herman Kahn has been appointed by Mr. Rhoads as the Society's representative on the National Study Commission on Records and Documents of Federal Officials. Charles E. Lee has been named as one of the two representatives of the Society on the National Historic Publications and Records Commission. A second appointment to NHPRC will be announced in the near future.

Mr. Berner expressed reservations about the procedure of the President's making commission appointments without prior consultation with the Council.

Mr. Rhoads reported that NHPRC legislation was signed too late by President Ford for the added authorized funding to be included in the regular FY76 General Services Administration budget. NARS officials have spoken to the Office of Management and Budget about the

possibility of amending the FY76 appropriation bill in order to acquire funding for the expanded responsibilities of the NHPRC. OMB's response has not been encouraging and reflects President Ford's expressed determination to avoid new spending programs. Even if new funding is not available in FY76, the commission could determine to devote a portion of available funds to the new function of the NHPRC. The first meeting of the expanded group will be held February 20 and it is expected that some policy decisions will be made at that time. Policy alternatives are being explored at this time by Herbert Angel who will consult with the executive directors of various interested societies including the SAA. Council members were urged to provide Ms. Campbell with their views on the method in which the funds should be administered.

The President has received a request from Robert H. MacClaren asking for SAA support to attend two yearly meetings of technical advisory committees he attends as SAA representative. Stressing the importance of continuity in Society representation because of the highly technical nature of these groups, the council voted to grant Mr. MacClaren's request.

C. F. W. Coker was appointed to a three year term as editor of the *American Archivist* on a motion of Mr. Applegate which was seconded and passed. Mr. Coker's term will expire in January 1978.

Mr. Rhoads reported that there has been discussion of the prospects of early funding for the newly created Public Documents Commission.

Mr. Berner stressed the importance of the Society's representative, Herman Kahn, providing the Council with regular reports of the deliberations of the group.

The Council was joined briefly by Andrea Hinding of the Social Welfare History Archives of the University of Minnesota. Ms. Hinding reported on the project of her institution, which will be funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities, to produce a guide to sources for the study of women's history. On behalf of the Council, Mr. Rhoads stated that the Society would cooperate in every way possible with the project.

Ms. Freivogel suggested that Council should consider standards for endorsement of archival projects.

Mrs. Kegan reported the appointment of Jay M. Haymond, Utah Historical Society, as Local Arrangements chairman for the 1977 annual meeting in Salt Lake City. Mr. Haymond's committee will hold its first meeting in February 1975.

Mrs. Kegan reported that she would soon announce the appointment of a program chairman for the 1976 annual meeting which will be held concurrently with the International Council on Archives in Washington. ICA program planning includes a full schedule of plenary morning sessions which will consider the state of the art viewed internationally. Several council members expressed concern over an understanding that SAA would be precluded from scheduling events during the morning ICA plenary sessions. Mr. Coker observed that a

full SAA schedule was necessary to produce articles for the *American Archivist* in the following year. Ruth Helmuth and Howard Applegate noted the importance of a program designed to meet the practical needs of SAA members so that they might use it as justification to gain institutional support for the meeting expenses. Hugh Taylor noted the problem of lack of involvement of the audience in large plenary sessions of the kind scheduled by ICA. Mr. Rhoads reported that ICA program planners were trying to ameliorate this problem in 1976. Mr. Cook suggested that SAA design a full schedule of morning workshops. Mrs. Kegan asked if SAA was obligated not to hold morning activities. Mr. Rhoads answered that while some persons may have assumed that such an obligation existed, it was certainly not a closed question; ICA would, in fact, schedule committee activities in the afternoon during SAA sessions.

Mrs. Kegan reported that the general revision of the copyright law failed to pass in the last session of Congress. Interim legislation provided for the establishment of a commission to consider new technological uses of copyrighted works. The commission's investigations will include a study of photocopying.

Mr. Applegate presented the final report of A. R. N. Woadden, 1974 Local Arrangements chairman for the Toronto annual meeting. Mr. Woadden's group reported a net revenue of \$10,157.00. The Council accepted the report and instructed the Executive Director to convey its gratitude to Mr. Woadden and his group for a job well done.

The Treasurer asked for Council's permission to complete negotiations with the Asia Foundation on another grant which has been offered to the Society. Mr. Cook's motion that Mr. Applegate be authorized to accept the grant on behalf of the Society was seconded and passed.

The Society's funds which were previously invested in Atlanta have been moved to Philadelphia and placed in short-term situations which are producing income at a substantially higher rate than was realized previously. SAA currently has \$51,000 invested at a return of 9.75 percent per annum. Mr. Applegate reported that the unaudited receipts of the Society in 1974 totaled \$75,511.91. Unaudited disbursements reached \$72,397.61. Ms. Freivogel's motion that the Treasurer's 1974 report be accepted was seconded and passed. The Treasurer reminded the Council that the operations of the Society are still dependent on the support of the National Archives, which houses the editorial offices, and the University of Illinois at Chicago Circle, which provides housing and other services to the national headquarters office.

Expressing concern over areas of confusion in SAA Awards policy, Mr. Applegate moved that the President appoint an ad hoc study group to investigate the entire awards program and report to the April Council meeting. The motion was seconded and passed.

The Treasurer proposed a 1975 budget for the Society which anticipated income of \$103,800.00 and disbursements of \$108,000.00. The deficit figure would be made up by excess funds already available in

operating accounts. The sale and distribution of publications, traditionally a responsibility of the office of the treasurer, is being transferred to the office of the executive director. Mr. Applegate reported that half of a man year was devoted to this undertaking in 1974. Mr. Cook moved the adoption of the proposed budget. His motion was seconded and passed.

Mr. Coker sought the Council's approval to establish staggered terms for the Editorial Board which was appointed by Wilfred I. Smith in 1972. The following rotation plan was approved by Council vote:

Herman Viola and Memory Mitchell, 1974;  
Daniel Williams and Mary Jane Dowd, 1975;  
Leonard Rapport and Hugh Taylor, 1976;  
Mary Jane Lethbridge and William Rofes, 1977; and  
Maynard Brichford and William N. Davis, Jr., 1978.

Mr. Applegate moved that the Council reaffirm the present Society policy which indicates that the editorial board bears responsibility for all publications of the SAA. His motion was seconded and passed. Victor Gondos's manuscript *Movement for a National Archives of the United States: 1906-1926*, was referred to the editorial board for review. Mr. Rhoads reported that the National Archives Trust Fund would assist in funding publication of the Gondos manuscript. Mr. Gondos would also be willing to provide some financial assistance, leaving a fraction of publication costs to be assumed by the Society.

Mr. Coker reported that printers' bids had been received for publication of Frank Evans's bibliography. He was authorized by the Council to enter into a contract not to exceed \$8,500.00 for the publication of the work. The bibliography will be available for sale before the end of the summer.

The Treasurer and Executive Director reported to the Council on the expense of foreign postage rates and suggested that a consideration of a somewhat higher foreign subscription rate might be made before 1976.

The Executive Director was authorized by the Council to establish handling charges on the sale of SAA publications as necessary.

The American Historical Association has established an affiliate status for related historical organizations. The SAA has received an application for this status which carries with it an opportunity for involvement in AHA annual meeting programs.

Reflecting the Council's feeling that AHA affiliate status was not appropriate for the SAA, Mrs. Helmuth's motion was passed instructing SAA's Executive Director to communicate this decision to AHA's executive director.

The Executive Director reported on pilot projects in membership development which are underway in four states: Georgia, South Carolina, Texas, and Arizona. Selected college and university libraries and historical societies have been provided with samples of the Society's publications and an invitation to membership. Hugh Taylor suggested that some attrition might be expected in Canadian membership as a



separate archives organization was being formed in Canada. Ms. Campbell reported that the Society's current Canadian individual memberships numbered around sixty.

The following analysis of the Society's membership rolls as of January 20, 1975, was reported by Ms. Campbell: institutional members—339, subscribers—955, and individual members—1233. Total 2527. The attrition rate in individual memberships of 16.9 percent reported in Toronto has remained constant. A drop in the number of subscribers was caused by the failure of the Italian government to renew a block of over 100 subscriptions to the *American Archivist* which has been delivered to regional archives in Italy the past two years.

Mr. Applegate reported that he will be engaged in solicitation of institutions to become sustaining members of the Society. He will be assisted in this effort by the Business Archives Committee.

Mr. Applegate reported that he had awarded Clark Nelson, the recipient of the 1974 Gondos Award, a prize of \$100.00. Noting that the distinction between an award of \$200.00 for an original, unpublished essay and \$100.00 for other contributions to the *American Archivist* had not been made clear prior to this time, the Council passed Ms. Freivogel's motion that \$200.00 be awarded to Mr. Nelson.

The Executive Director asked for and received Council's permission to expand the publication schedule of the SAA *Newsletter* to six times yearly.

Reports of the 1975 Program Committee and 1975 and 1976 Local Arrangements Committees were received by the Council. The projected budget of the 1975 Local Arrangements Committee was discussed and final approval deferred until the April meeting.

The Council received draft standards on the reproduction of manuscripts and archives for noncommercial purposes, proposed by the Committee on Reference and Access. The draft was transmitted to the Professional Standards Committee.

Recommendations regarding possible SAA participation in the Bicentennial were received from James O'Neill, chairman of the Society's Bicentennial Committee.

A recommendation that the SAA consider sponsoring symposia dealing with untapped resources relevant to the Bicentennial was referred to the Regional Archival Activity Committee. The Bicentennial Committee was encouraged to develop a grant proposal to fund its proposed television documentary telling the story of how people use records to relate themselves to the past.

Mr. Cook's proposal that proceedings of annual meetings be published was discussed by the Council. Mr. Coker noted that many papers presented at annual meetings are published in the *American Archivist* and expressed concern that this important source of supply for the journal not be shut off. Ms. Campbell reported that she is exploring a plan to begin publication of SAA occasional papers, a format in which additional papers might be published.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

## Deaths

ROBERT F. METZDORF, manuscripts and literary properties appraiser, consultant, scholar, and long-term member of this Society, died in March. He was associated with the University of Rochester for most of his life, having obtained his B.A., M.A., and Ph.D. degrees from that institution on whose board of trustees he served at the time of his death. He was on the library staff at Rochester in various capacities from 1933 to 1949 when he moved to Harvard as cataloger of rare books at the Houghton Library. Service at Yale as curator of manuscripts (1952-58) and as university archivist (1958-61) followed, and then he joined Parke-Bernet Galleries. He resigned in 1964 to become an independent appraiser. Bob published a number of catalogs of collections which are still regarded as models of their type; in recent years, he had devoted his publishing efforts to the Yale edition of the works of Samuel Johnson, of which he had been secretary since 1958.

This recitation of facts alone does an injustice to the Bob Metzdorf whose friends around the country anticipated his flying visits with great relish while deploring the incredible schedule of recent years that made his stays all too brief. Bob was a challenging conversationalist who had definite opinions in many areas. He was delightful company and was always ready for a serious conversation on any aspect of the professional life he knew so well.

Herman Liebert, a friend for more than thirty years, delivered an eloquent and graceful tribute at a memorial service held at Rochester, and one of his remarks about Bob seems particularly apt: ". . . he *was* something of a monk, not as ascetic, but as one who recognized a kind of divinity in books and manuscripts, and dedicated his life, with almost ferocious intensity, to their study, description, and greater understanding.

*Ave atque vale!*

EDMUND BERKELEY, JR.  
*University of Virginia Library*

HERMAN KAHN died June 5, 1975, at the age of 67, in New Haven, Connecticut. For nearly forty years he had been closely associated with the archival profession in the United States, most of that time with the National Archives. Since 1968 he had served as associate librarian for manuscripts and archives at Yale University, a position he held at the time of his death and from which he planned to retire in December 1975.

At the Toronto meeting of the Society of American Archivists, in 1974, Herman Kahn was one of the featured speakers in the opening plenary session. He was chosen because he was one of the most articulate and brilliant archivists of his generation. From his remarks, which were published in the April 1975 issue of the *American Archivist*, one learns much about Herman Kahn, the archival profession, and his

generation of innovative archival leaders. He gave a thoughtful analysis of the challenges which he and his colleagues faced, and included his evaluation of the contributions which they made to archives in the United States.

Herman Kahn was born in Rochester, New York, on August 13, 1907. He received his undergraduate training in history at the University of Minnesota from which he graduated *summa cum laude* in 1928. The University of Minnesota awarded him the M.A. degree in history in 1931. He taught history at the University of Minnesota from 1929-31; the Nebraska State Teachers' College, 1931-33; and was elected a fellow in history at Harvard University, 1933-34. In 1934, along with many of his classmates and colleagues from the University of Minnesota, and other historians, he went to work for the federal government. Kahn was historian for the National Park Service from 1934-36, before joining the staff of the newly created National Archives. It was in this institution that he won his distinguished reputation as an archivist.

From 1942-46 he served as chief of the Division of Interior Department Archives; from 1946-48 as director of the Natural Resources Records Office; and in 1948 he was appointed director of the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library at Hyde Park. It was during his directorship that the presidential library became accepted and institutionalized. During the remainder of his life Kahn was a vocal supporter of the presidential library and argued persuasively in academic circles that such an institution gave researchers much quicker and more complete access to important historical records than any other system.

In 1962 Kahn returned to Washington to serve as assistant archivist for civil archives until 1964, when he became assistant archivist for presidential libraries. In 1968 he joined Yale University as head of their manuscript and archives program and as lecturer in history.

Kahn also was active in the Society of American Archivists and other professional associations. He served on the Council of the SAA, 1959-63; as vice-president, 1968-69; and president, 1969-70. In 1958 he was elected a Fellow of the Society of American Archivists. At the time of his death he served as the Society's representative on the Joint Committee of the Historian and Archives of the AHA-OAH-SAA; the National Archives Advisory Council; and the Public Documents Commission.

These accomplishments and the recognition Kahn received in the Society of American Archivists hardly do justice to the real mark he made on the profession, or to the human side of Herman Kahn. He was a gentle man, thoughtful and considerate of others, always open to new ideas and approaches to problems, and modest and humble in his association with others. He took great pride in being a professional archivist and had little tolerance for those who considered archival work as less challenging or important than the teaching of history. This point of view won him the respect of academic historians and made him one of the most highly regarded spokesmen of the archival profession.

I have many pleasant and fond memories of my association with Herman Kahn—as undoubtedly do others of his many close friends. I first met Herman twenty years ago and was closely associated with him since that time. I had the good fortune to work with him in the Society of American Archivists and to witness firsthand some of his contributions to the Society. It was under Herman Kahn's leadership that the Committee of the 70s was conceived and carried out its work. As I write these lines I remember most vividly the two precious days I spent with Herman last November in New Haven. He talked at great length about his career and his plans after he retired from Yale at the end of this year. He planned to continue an active role in the archival profession.

Alfred Lord Tennyson wrote, "I am a part of all that I have met." To many of us, our careers were changed and our lives enriched because we knew Herman Kahn.

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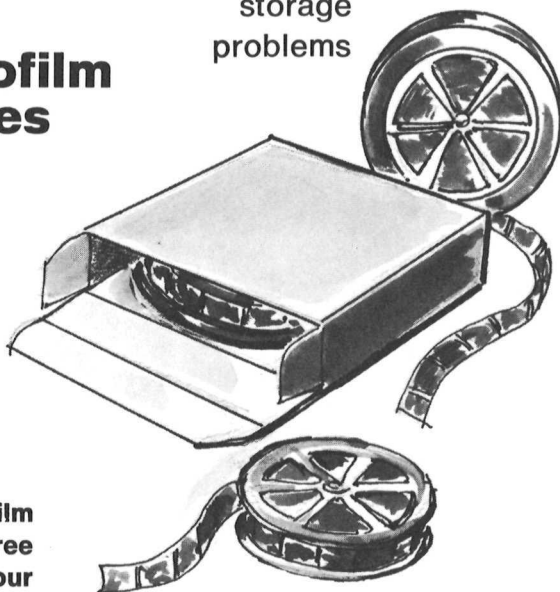


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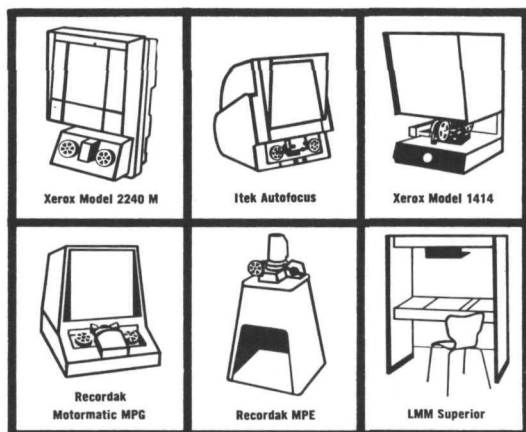
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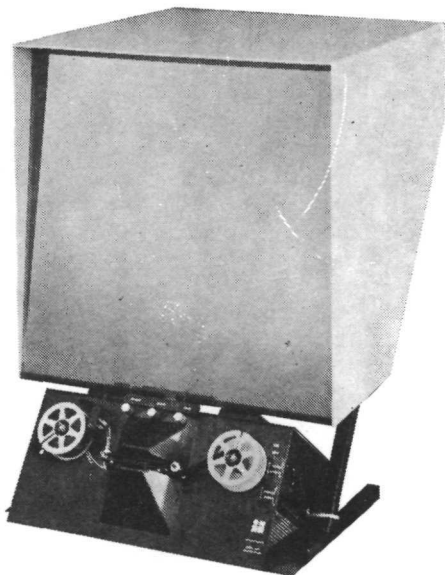
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