

News from the Field

ACQUISITIONS, GIFTS, COLLECTIONS

BOSTON UNIVERSITY LIBRARY has been given a valuable collection of Lincoln letters, documents and related materials, numbering eighty-six items. Of special interest is an order to General Winfield Scott to suspend the writ of habeas corpus. The donor is the Honorable Edward C. Stone, a member of the Massachusetts Senate and chairman of the Board of Trustees of the university.

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES have received a gift of 343 literary works, including ninety rare and first editions of Rudyard Kipling, as well as ten letters—in excellent condition—by the noted British author. Other first editions in the collection are twenty of Mark Twain and twenty-five of Edna St. Vincent Millay. The gift was made by Mr. and Mrs. Soltan Engel of New York.

THE DENVER PUBLIC LIBRARY has acquired the original register of the Colorado Pioneer Society listing nearly 1,200 persons who came to Colorado prior to February 26, 1861, the date it became a territory. The register gives name, birth date, home town, date of arrival in the gold regions, and date of death. It was the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Draper of San Francisco.

THE FREE LIBRARY OF PHILADELPHIA was the sole beneficiary of the \$40,000 estate left by Henry Schwab who died early this year in the U.S. Naval Home in Philadelphia. Described as an avid reader on the verge of blindness, Schwab served thirty years as a water tender before retiring from the Navy in 1937. His legacy, consisting largely of stocks and savings accounts, was left without restriction.

THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS has received two groups of Chester A. Arthur manuscripts that increase its holdings of the twenty-first President's papers five times. Five hundred items came from a grandson, Chester A. Arthur III of San Francisco, and twelve early letters were given by

Charles E. Feinberg of Detroit. Prior to these gifts, it had been believed that, except for a small group of manuscripts that came to the Library of Congress in 1925, Arthur had destroyed his papers the day before his death. These new acquisitions provide a basis for a substantial biography.

THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY LAW LIBRARY has obtained an important collection of California Supreme Court briefs and transcripts. The documents cover 542 cases heard between 1861 and 1867. Called the Shafter-Goold-Dwinelle collection, it is one of the few covering this period still extant in the state.

THE PAPERS of Judge Alton Brooks Parker have been presented to the Library of Congress by his widow, Mrs. Amelia C. Parker, and his granddaughter, Mrs. Mary H. Oxholm, both of New York City. Parker flourished at the turn of the century. He was a justice of the New York Supreme Court, of the New York Court of Appeals, and chief justice of the Appellate Division of the State Supreme Court. In 1904 he was the Democratic Party nominee for President. The 6,000-item collection gives an intimate picture of political activity in New York State at a time when it dominated national politics.

A MAJOR COLLECTION of the work of Arthur Rackham has been purchased by the Free Library of Philadelphia. Gathered over a period of thirty-seven years by Mrs. Grace Haskell of Altadena, Calif., the 400-item collection embraces all facets of the illustrator's career from the publication of his first book in 1893 to a volume published in 1940, a year after his death.

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS LIBRARY has bought the celebrated Bibliotheca Parsoniana, 40,000 volumes and several thousand manuscripts assembled during 60 years by E. A. Parsons of New Orleans. The collection includes Americana with emphasis on Louisiana, a distinguished group of Dante materials, more than 500 research items covering the period before 1500, and materials

on graphic arts and the history of communications, to name but a few high points.

WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES, St. Louis, have received a \$72,000 endowment fund to buy books in the field of engineering. The money was the bequest of Jessie L. Whitman, a niece of Walt Whitman.

BUILDINGS

THE CITADEL, Charleston, S.C., has announced the award of all construction and equipment contracts for its new library-museum which is scheduled for completion early in 1960 at a cost in excess of one million dollars.

HOFSTRA COLLEGE LIBRARY, Hempstead, N.Y., recently completed construction of a three-floor wing, adding 13,000 square feet of floor space and releasing stack room space for 50,000 circulating books. The new wing was made possible through a \$250,000 bequest from the estate of the late William J. Gallon, textile manufacturer.

PUBLICATIONS

THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF LAW LIBRARIES has announced the forthcoming publication of the *Cumulative Index to the Law Library Journal*, a one-volume author-subject index to the first fifty volumes. Copies will be available early in 1959 at \$16 each. Orders may be placed now with Dorothy Salmon, Law Library, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Ky.

Application of a Telereference System to Divisional Library Card Catalogs. A Feasibility Analysis is a study of the application of "telereference"—consultation of a card catalog from a remote location by closed-circuit television—to a library system involving central and divisional catalogs. The study was made by the Operations Research Department of the Engineering Research Institute of the University of Michigan, under the sponsorship of the Council on Library Resources, Inc. Copies are available free on application to the University of Michigan, Willow Run Laboratories, Operations Research Department, P.O. Box 2008, Ann Arbor, Mich.

BANTAM CLASSICS is an important new series of paperbound reprints of works that have made an indelible impact on Western

culture. Bantam Books plans to publish between twenty-five and thirty-five titles a year at prices ranging between 35 cents and 75 cents. The early volumes include Dreiser's *Sister Carrie*, Conrad's *Lord Jim*, and Huxley's *Brave New World*. Novels, plays, biographies, scientific accounts, and biography will be included. All titles will be unabridged.

The Catalogue of the African Collection in the Moorland Foundation, Howard University Library contains more than 5,000 titles of books, pamphlets, periodicals, and newspapers relating to Africa. The 398-page book was compiled by students in the program of African Studies and edited by Dorothy Porter, supervisor of the Negro Collection. The volume is obtainable for \$6.00 from the Moorland Foundation, Howard University Library, Washington 1, D.C.

A CHAPBOOK in the Columbia University Libraries was used as the model for a letterpress reproduction issued by the Printing Office of Colonial Williamsburg, Williamsburg, Va. Master printer August Klapper and his co-workers used all appropriate techniques and materials to simulate the eighteenth-century children's book. Copies are available at \$20.00 each; address C. Clement Samford at the Printing Office.

CHICAGO TEACHERS COLLEGE LIBRARY has issued a revised edition of its staff manual. Copies are for sale at \$1.50 each. Write Fritz Veit, director of libraries, Chicago Teachers College and Wilson Junior College, 6800 South Stewart Avenue, Chicago 21.

THE UNIVERSITY OF DETROIT LIBRARY has prepared a *Library Manual for Faculty*. A copy will be forwarded to anyone who sends 10 cents to cover mailing costs.

ROBERT B. DOWNS, director of the library and the library school, University of Illinois, is the editor of *The Status of American College and University Librarians* (ACRL Monograph No. 22), a collection of fifteen papers on the question of academic status for college librarians.

THE LIBRARY BINDING INSTITUTE has issued two pamphlets giving standards for library binding and prebinding. Their purpose is to eliminate confusion between binders and their customers concerning min-

imum specifications. These standards result from research and study by the sixty members of LBI, their suppliers and customers. Single copies may be obtained free from any certified library binder or by writing to Library Binding Institute, 10 State Street, Boston 9.

LIBRARY USES OF RAPID COPIERS, a series of papers presented at the meeting of the Copying Methods Section, RTSD-ALA during the San Francisco Conference in July 1958, have been issued in offset form by the Library Photographic Service of the University of California, Berkeley. Libraries desiring copies are asked to send 15¢ in stamps to cover handling and mailing costs to the Library Photographic Service, Room 20, General Library, University of California, Berkeley 4.

RICHARD LYONS, order librarian at North Dakota Agriculture College, is the author of a book of eclogues entitled *One Squeaking Straw*, recently published by the North Dakota Institute for Regional Studies.

Mental Health Book Review Index, published since January 1956 as a semiannual supplement to *Psychological Newsletter*, has become a separate publication. The index lists books in this field and cites three or more signed reviews appearing in some ninety selected English language journals since 1954-55. Subscriptions (\$3.00 for two issues a year) may be sent to Miss Lois Afflerbach, Paul Klapper Library, Queens College, Flushing 67, N.Y.

THE MILWAUKEE PUBLIC LIBRARY has issued two new publications. *Periodicals Currently Received* lists 4,200 titles available for reference in the library. Of particular interest are the lists by Wisconsin state publications and those issued by organizations and industries in the Milwaukee area. The price is \$10.00. *Milwaukee City and County: A Statistical History* (90p. \$2.15) describes Milwaukee's economy by statistical presentations on virtually all facets of its activity. Orders should be sent to Sale Pamphlets, Milwaukee Public Library, 814 West Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee 3.

NUMBER 51 of the *Occasional Papers* published by the University of Illinois Library

School is entitled "The Founding of Social and Public Libraries in Ohio, Indiana and Illinois Through 1850." The author is Haynes McMullen, associate professor, division of library science, Indiana University. He discusses eight major factors that contributed to the establishment of these libraries: the settling of the frontier, population growth, immigration patterns, business cycles, increase in per capita income, legislation, presence of colleges and lyciums. Copies are available free by writing to Editor, *Occasional Papers*, University of Illinois Library School, Urbana, Ill.

LAWRENCE CLARK POWELL, librarian, UCLA, is the author of *Passion for Books*, announced for publication January 19 by World Publishing Company. The book describes Dr. Powell's experiences as a reader and collector of books.

A SPANISH TRANSLATION of *Code for Classifiers* by W. S. Merrill has been prepared by Edward Heiliger, librarian, Undergraduate Division, University of Illinois in Chicago, and published by Editorial Kapelusz, Buenos Aires. Mr. Heiliger was formerly director advisor, Biblioteca Central de la Universidad de Chile and director of the Biblioteca Benjamin Franklin, Mexico City.

THE TALISMAN PRESS has published its third book, *A Trip to Pike's Peak*, by Dr. C. M. Clark (129p. \$6.00). This new edition of the 1861 item is a fair sample of the press's contribution to Western Americana. Owned and operated by Robert Greenwood, reference librarian at San Jose State College, the press may be reached through Post Office Box 255, San Jose, California.

University Research on International Affairs, by John Gange (Washington, D.C.: American Council on Education, 1958, 147p. \$3.00), covers characteristics of administrative settings for this research, organization and methods, problems of access to materials, outlets and uses of the research, and suggested subjects for examination. Of particular interest to librarians is Dr. Gange's discussion of security problems that severely limit acquisition and use of certain materials.

THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA LIBRARY has released *Page Turners: A Report on Their Usefulness for a Closed-Circuit TV Project*. The 14-page report contains data about four machines for remote control page turning of books and periodicals. An appendix lists basic requirements for a workable device. This report is the outgrowth of an experiment in the use of closed-circuit TV for reference use. The project was financed by the Council on Library Resources, Inc.

MISCELLANEOUS

THE NEW BUILDING of Canisius College Library, Buffalo, N.Y., was formally dedicated at the start of the academic year. The extension program included a major address by Dr. George H. Healey, curator of rare books, Cornell University. He described the fantastic career of Sir Thomas Phillips who made collecting manuscripts an obsession.

THE CATHOLIC LIBRARY ASSOCIATION has announced that a \$600 scholarship will be given each year for study toward the master's degree. Of this sum, half is to be repaid within two years of earning the degree. Lay persons as well as religious may apply to the Scholarship Committee, Catholic Library Association, Villanova, Pa. The deadline is January 15, 1959.

COLLECTOR'S CHOICE was the title of an exhibition featuring items chosen from the personal book collections of alumni, faculty and students of Williams College, 1898-1958. William A. Jackson, librarian of Houghton Library, Harvard University, spoke on "Book Collecting Today" at the opening reception in the Chapin Library.

FIRST STEPS have been made to form a classification research study group similar to the one that has flourished in England for some years. Its purposes would be: (1) to promote basic and applied research in classification without favoring any particular system; (2) to afford members to exchange information; (3) to encourage publication of relevant papers; and (4) to hold meetings and sponsor symposia from time to time. Persons interested in fundamental and applied classification research should contact Dr. Phyllis A. Richmond, University of Rochester Library, Rochester 20, N.Y.

LLOYD ALLEN DUNLAP has been appointed consultant in Lincoln studies at the Library of Congress. A distinguished Lincoln scholar, he will select materials for an exhibition honoring the sesquicentennial of the President's birth and collaborate in compiling catalogs, bibliographies and other publications.

INFLATION finally caught up with the cost of Library of Congress printed catalog cards. A new price schedule went into effect on September 1 so that the Card Division could meet statutory requirements of cost plus 10 per cent. *Cataloging Service*, Bulletin 46, dated August 1958, gives full details.

THE NATIONAL BOOK COMMITTEE has appointed Barbara Emerson, formerly with CBS-TV Public Affairs Division, to direct public relations activities for National Library Week, April 12-18, 1959.

THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA LIBRARY now participates in the Midwest Inter-Library Center. The membership of this cooperative storage library has grown from ten to twenty in less than a decade.

THE NORTH CAROLINA UNION CATALOG is growing steadily with minimum expense to the contributing libraries, thanks to an unusual instance of aid from a commercial institution. The Wachovia Bank and Trust Company is using microfilm equipment in its branches throughout the state to copy author cards in public, college, and special libraries. The film is sent to the University of North Carolina Library where the entries are checked against the union catalog. Thus an added saving stems from not having to make unnecessary duplicate cards.

The Sondley Reference Library was the first participant to accept the bank's generous offer. Margaret Ligon and her staff alphabetized 25,741 author cards, then had them microfilmed in two hours by the bookkeeping department of the Asheville bank. The cooperativeness of the Wachovia Bank can be judged by the fact that, when these films proved difficult to read, officials ordered their cameras adjusted to a 25 to 1 ratio for all future union catalog assignments.

ROBERT COLLEGE in Istanbul has announced that the position of Librarian will

become vacant in June 1959 as a result of the resignation of Anne F. Jones, who has held the post for the past seven years. Applications from persons with appropriate experience in college or university libraries are invited. For further information, write to Miss Elizabeth Ralston, Near East College Association, 40 Worth Street, New York, N.Y.

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY Graduate School of Library Service has been awarded \$25,000 by the U. S. Office of Education to conduct a pilot study of the effectiveness of central library service in elementary schools. Part of the Office of Education's Cooperative Research Program, this project is the first to be supported in the library field. Professor Mary V. Gaver will be research director of the eighteen-month study.

ST. BONAVENTURE UNIVERSITY presented its centennial citation to Sister Mary Berenice, R.S.M., Librarian of Mercy Hospital, Buffalo. The award was "in recognition of her outstanding library service in her religious community, to the Catholic Library Association and to the Diocese of Buffalo."

A NEW PUBLISHING HOUSE has been founded to advance scholarly publishing in this country. University Publishers, Inc., 59 East 54th Street, New York 22, is an independent nonprofit organization that will provide complete editorial, manufacturing and distribution services to academic and nonprofit institutions. In addition to work for universities that lack their own presses, University Publishers will produce items with its own imprint. Francis R. Bellamy, former director of Associated College Presses, is president of the firm.

ALA representatives at collegiate ceremonies this fall include Mrs. RODNEY M. CHADWICK, assistant cataloger at Russell Sage College, at the inauguration of Richard Gilman Folsom as president of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N.Y., October 4; Miss MARION B. GRADY, librarian of Ball State Teachers College, at the inauguration of Robert H. Reardon as president of Anderson College and Theological Seminary, Anderson, Ind., October 11; WYMAN W. PARKER, librarian of Wesleyan University, at the inauguration of Francis Horn as president of the University of Rhode Island, Kingston, R.I., October 15; FELIX E. HIRSCH, librarian of Trenton State College, at the inauguration of K. R. Bergethon as president of Lafayette College, Easton, Pa., October 18; JOSEPH N. WHITTEN, librarian of the Cooper Union, at the inauguration of Richard H. Heindel as president of Wagner Lutheran College, Staten Island, N.Y., October 19; CHARLES W. MIXER, assistant director of libraries of Columbia University, at the inauguration of Harold Walter Stoke as president of Queens College, Flushing, N.Y., October 22; LAWRENCE CLARK POWELL, librarian of UCLA, at the inauguration of Norman H. Topping as president of the University of Southern California, Los Angeles, October 29; Miss FLORA B. LUDINGTON, librarian of Mount Holyoke College, at the inauguration of Glenn A. Olds as president of Springfield College, Springfield, Mass., October 31; and CLARENCE GORCHELS, visiting assistant professor at the school of librarianship of the University of Washington, at the inauguration of Charles Odegaard as president of the University of Washington, Seattle, November 6-7.

Collecting Scientific Publications

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interlibrary loan regulations and, subject to donor, copyright and other legal restrictions, photoreproductions of its holdings may be purchased from its photoduplicating service. For the purpose of furnishing research workers with photocopies of unpublished or out-of-print

government-sponsored scientific and technical reports, the Office of Technical Services of the Department of Commerce and the Atomic Energy Commission have deposited over 142,000 such reports with the Library's photoduplication service.

Personnel

ANDREW D. OSBORN came to the United States from Australia's National Library more than thirty years ago, and since then



Andrew D. Osborn

has influenced American libraries—and will continue to influence them—in a remarkably large number of directions for one whose major assignments have been primarily in the field of cataloging.

Dr. Osborn's "The Crisis in Cataloging" presented before the Association of Research Libraries in 1941 was a major landmark in the "Agonizing Reappraisal" which has led to cataloging simplification in our libraries, both great and small. His volume on "Serials" is one of the important publications on a technical library problem. His contributions through a long series of surveys at the Library of Congress, the University of Pennsylvania, the University of Illinois Library School, the Army Medical Library, and many others, has been great. His work in five different library schools has left its mark on a large number of men and women who are already about to enter senior library positions. His influence on the younger librarians at the New York Public Library and at Harvard has been noteworthy as he brought to them the realization that library work was exciting and also full of intellectual content. His valiant efforts as Carl Milam's right-hand man at the United Nations Library, and later as Interim Chief there, helped to keep that struggling library on its feet and should not be forgotten.

Osborn's extra-mural work in the past two years alone—first as chairman of the joint committee on a third edition of the Union List of Serials; then as ALA Representative in Germany to discuss the coordination of cataloging rules and practices;

and finally as the maker of the study for the Council on Library Resources on "Cataloging at the Source"—should remind us, as he takes up his new work "down under," in September 1958, at Australia's largest university library at Sydney, that the man some of us may have thought of as Australia's gift to American librarianship may well become in turn our gift to Australian libraries. Our loss will be their gain.—*Keyes D. Metcalf.*

PAUL H. BUCK, director of Harvard University Library, has been named by Harvard President Nathan M. Pusey to the newly created Carl H. Pforzheimer University Professorship. Under the new professorship, Mr. Buck will be identified with the small group of distinguished scholars at Harvard who, as university professors, are set free to work "on the frontiers of knowledge" without regard to departmental lines. The new professorship honors the memory of a New York investment banker who was a leading bibliophile and collector of books and manuscripts of English and American Literature. It is endowed by a gift from the Carl and Lily Pforzheimer Foundation, which maintains the Pforzheimer library in New York. Mr. Buck, Pulitzer prize-winning historian and former Provost of the University, has been director of the University Library since 1955.

The Illinois Alumni News, October 1958, states that the title of Director ROBERT B. DOWNS, head of the University of Illinois Library and director of the Library School, has been changed to dean of library administration. The change recognizes the all-university responsibilities of the office and the heavy increase in administrative work in recent years. The dean of library administration heads the entire university library system, and has charge of the main library at Champaign-Urbana and all departmental libraries on the three campuses of the University.

Appointments

MRS. E. H. ASHTON is research librarian of the California Research Corporation's oil field research laboratory at La Habra, California.

MARY LOU BARKER is head cataloger of of the new University of South Florida Library, Tampa. Her last post was that of head cataloger at the Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta.

BETTY EMILY BARTLETT, formerly assistant, humanities division, Florida State University Library, has been appointed head, social studies and humanities division, Clemson College Library, Clemson, S.C.

ANN M. BASART has joined the staff of the reserve book room of the general library, University of California at Berkeley.

SHIRLEY ANN BAUGHMAN has joined the serials department of the general library, University of California at Berkeley.

WILLIAM C. BERGES has joined the staff of the forests products library of the University of California at Berkeley.

MERRILL G. BERTHRONG, formerly head of the circulation department of the University of Pennsylvania Library, is now librarian, administration.

F. M. BLACKBURN, formerly assistant to the librarian, University of Missouri, is now librarian of West Texas State College, Canyon.

IDA A. BULLEN, formerly reference assistant in the Kanawha County Public Library, Charleston, is now assistant librarian of the Morris Harvey College, Charleston.

PHYLLIS ANNE CAINE has joined the staff of the engineering library, University of California at Berkeley.

DONALD W. CHRISTENSEN is circulation librarian at the University of Delaware, Newark.

MARTHA COVEY, formerly with the University of Florida Library, is now reference librarian at Emory University, Atlanta.

JAMES C. COX is associate librarian for all libraries of Loyola University, Chicago.

ALBERT JAMES DIAZ, formerly special collections librarian at the University of New

Mexico, is now sales and promotion manager of the Microcard Foundation, Madison, Wis.

VIRGINIA DONLEY is circulation librarian of the Fenn College Library, Cleveland.

EDWARD DORO is senior reference assistant, rare book room, Sterling Library, Yale University.

MISS LUCILLE DUFFY, formerly assistant chief catalog librarian and acting head of the catalog division at the University of Washington, is now chief catalog librarian.

RICHARD G. ELLIOTT, formerly librarian at Fairmont State College, Fairmont, W. Va., is now head librarian at the College of Idaho, Caldwell, Idaho.

ROBERT L. ENEQUIST, formerly administrative assistant in the fine arts department of the Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, has been appointed librarian of Wagner College, Staten Island, N.Y.

ROBERT E. FESSENDEN, previously in charge of the undergraduate library, UCLA, is now first assistant to the college librarian.

OLIVER T. FIELD, formerly chief, catalog branch, Air University Library, Maxwell Air Force Base, Montgomery, Ala., is now chief, technical services division.

BUDD L. GAMBEE, formerly film librarian at Ball State Teachers College, Muncie, Ind., is now associate professor in the department of librarianship at the New York State College for Teachers, Albany.

ELIZABETH H. HAMILTON has joined the staff of the Bancroft Library, University of California at Berkeley.

G. A. HARRER, formerly chief acquisition librarian of Stanford University, is now assistant director for central services in the same library. He will be responsible for coordination and general oversight of the acquisition, catalog, and circulation divisions.

JENNETTE E. HITCHCOCK, head of the subject cataloging section of Yale University since 1952, is now chief catalog librarian at Stanford University.

GEORGE R. HUNTER, formerly documents

librarian at Oregon State College, is now science librarian at Idaho State College.

ELEANOR JOHNSON, formerly head of the periodicals department, New York Academy of Medicine, is now librarian of the biomedical libraries, University of Chicago.

MIRIAM JONES is documents librarian at the Emory University Library. She comes to Emory from the University of Florida, where she served for two years in reference.

NORAH E. JONES, formerly supervisor of the reserve book room, University of California Library, Los Angeles, is now college librarian at UCLA.

MOTHER JUSTIN, R.S.H.M., has been appointed assistant librarian at Marymount College, New York.

PETER KUDRIK is order librarian of the Stanford University Library.

CYNTHIA LESTER is now circulation librarian at Connecticut College in New London.

JOHN P. McDONALD, a member of the Washington University (St. Louis) Library staff since 1954, first as chief of reference and later as assistant to the director, is now assistant director for readers' services.

EMMETT MCGEEVER, formerly chief of the publications office of the John Crerar Library, is now science librarian at the University of Tennessee.

KATHLEEN PATRICIA MCKIBBIN has joined the reference-circulation division of the biomedical library, University of California at Berkeley.

HANS MAYER is librarian of the Morristown National Historical Park Library, Morristown, N.J.

VIOLET IRENE MENOHER has been appointed reference librarian, science, technology and agriculture division, Clemson College Library, Clemson, S.C.

BEATRICE MONTGOMERY is head cataloger of the Baylor University Library, Waco, Tex.

MARGARET L. MUSTARD is assistant librarian in the catalog department at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute Library.

ELOISE F. NEWLON, formerly assistant librarian of the Morris Harvey College, Charleston, is now acting librarian.

MISS ELISABETH NORIE is assistant chief catalog librarian, University of Washington.

FLORINE A. OLTMAN, formerly Air War College librarian, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama, is now chief of the bibliographic assistance branch, Air University Library, Montgomery, Ala.

BURTON A. ROBIE, formerly humanites librarian in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, is now head of the gift and exchange section, Yale University Library.

MICHAEL SADOSKI is senior science librarian at the Stanford University Library.

DIANA WOODS SEYMOUR, formerly serials cataloger in the Baker Library at Dartmouth College, is assistant in acquisitions in the Alderman Library, University of Virginia.

MARGARET SMART, formerly reference and periodical librarian at the University of Dayton, is now in the reference department of the Air Force Institute of Technology Library, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.

DONALD SMITH, librarian of Wagner College, Staten Island, since 1955, is now administrative assistant to the director of libraries of Boston University.

VIRGINIA R. SPERL is chief cataloger at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, New York.

VIRGINIA A. STAGGERS is chief of the Technical Reference Library, Federal Civil Defense Administration, Battle Creek, Mich.

JOHN STONIS is now librarian of the Clinch Valley College of the University of Virginia.

RAY R. SUPUT is librarian at the Garrett Biblical Institute, Evanston, Ill.

MARIBEL SUTHERLAND is reference librarian in the physical science reading room, Carol M. Newman Library, Virginia Polytechnic Institute.

JAMES TYDEMAN, for the last three years serials librarian at Southern Illinois University, is now annex librarian at Western Michigan University.

ROBERT L. UNDERBRINK is assistant head of acquisitions, State University of Iowa Library.

GEORGE VDOVIN is director of the technical information service of the Stanford University Library.

ESTHER ZEDNER of the Carolinska Institutet, Stockholm, is serving as geology librarian at the University of Kentucky in 1958-59.

Retirements

CORNELIA AYER GRAHAM retired at the end of the 1958 summer session from the librarianship of South Carolina's Clemson College. For the past thirty-six years she has been actively engaged in the development of Clemson's library resources and services.

A native of Griffin, Georgia, Miss Graham received the bachelor of science degree from Georgia State College for Women and the certificate in library service from Columbia University in New York City. Prior to entering the library profession, she taught Latin in the public schools and did welfare work in Caroleen, North Carolina. In the early 1920's Miss Graham joined the Clemson College Library staff, and has served successively as Clemson's assistant librarian (1922-25), agricultural librarian (1926-31), and librarian (1932-58).

Active in professional organizations, Miss Graham holds membership in the American Library Association, the Association of College and Research Libraries, the South-eastern Library Association, and the South Carolina Library Association. She has served the South Carolina Library Association as Secretary and as President, and has worked on numerous committees of that association.

She was chairman of one of the sub-committees which compiled ACRL Monograph Number Nine, *A Recommended List of Basic Periodicals in Engineering and the Engineering Sciences* (1953). In addition, Miss Graham has also been active in the social, cultural, and educational life of the Clemson community.—*John David Marshall*.

DEBORAH KING, head of the circulation department at UCLA retired July 1, 1958

HARRY POOLE, a member of the Yale University Library staff for the past fifty-two years, retired in June 1958. He began working for the Yale Library in 1906 at the age of fourteen and was supervisor of gifts and duplicates at the time of his retirement.

NANNIE RICE retired from the Mississippi State University Library July 1, 1958, after forty-two years of continuous service. She was college librarian from 1934 to 1948 and assistant librarian and head of reference from 1948 to 1958.

MARGARET INGLIS SMITH has retired as chief reference librarian at the University of Michigan after thirty-eight years of service.

Necrology

CATHERINE H. GATES, assistant librarian of the Weld County Library, Greeley, Colorado, died August 27, 1957. Mrs. Gates was previously acquisitions librarian at the Colorado State College for seven years. A scholarship in her memory has been established by the Colorado Library Association, of which she was president in 1955.

SAMUEL A. IVES, curator of rare books at the University of Wisconsin Memorial Library, died August 9, 1958, at the age of 49. Prior to coming to Wisconsin, Mr. Ives was employed at Columbia and Yale, and as a cataloger and bibliographer by book dealers in New York and New Haven.

MAUD LOUISE MOSELEY, chief of the catalog division of the University of Washington Library, died July 30, 1958. She had been associated with the catalog division of the University of Washington since 1930 and was head since 1939.

HARRIET B. PRESCOTT, who retired from the headship of the cataloging department of the Columbia University Libraries in 1939, died in New York on August 21, 1958, at the age of 92.

CHRISTOPH WEBER, formerly director of the university libraries in Kiel and Münster, died on March 25, 1958.

From the President

The other day at our Graduate Convocation the president of my university spoke of the eagerness and excitement which al-



Lewis C. Branscomb

ways prevail on the campus with the beginning of the fall quarter. Even the weather cooperates in its briskness. I am sure the same thing is true on your campus. Certainly this spirit motivates the ACRL office in Chicago and your committees and sections, many of which are off to a running start.

Let's look backward for a moment to San Francisco before we cite the possibilities ahead. It was a most stimulating conference and I can honestly say that I have never enjoyed a convention city any more. The wonderful food, the quaintness of the town and its cosmopolitan air contrived to make it an unforgettable experience. Donald Coney and David Heron deserve our thanks for an excellent job of program planning.

Although announcements have been made concerning them, perhaps it is well to mention again several ALA actions taken at San Francisco which affect ACRL. Council decided that no general sessions or program meetings are to be scheduled for Midwinter, but are to be planned for the summer General Conference. This arrangement has its advantages. It should make it easier to get our essential business done in January, saving the summer meeting for a concentrated program of informational and inspirational sessions for the membership. Another decision, and this one is a cause of concern for some of our ACRL colleagues, places the responsibility for book selection in the hands of the type-of-activity divisions, although initiation and review of projects rests with the type-of-library divisions. It is difficult to be certain how this arrangement will work out until it has been tried, but I am hopeful and optimistic about it. If it does not

appear to be working well after a reasonable period of operation, we should not be timid about saying so.

One further item from the San Francisco Conference may be of interest. At a meeting of the ALA Washington Conference Program Committee a suggestion was made that divisions might be willing to curtail somewhat their own summer conference meetings in favor of stronger General Sessions with universal appeal. Your representative strongly opposed this suggestion, stating that the ACRL membership would insist upon good programs in their own areas of interest.

Turning now to some committees and projects, it is good to report that Paul Bixler arrived in Burma August 11 and is well settled and hard at work establishing a social sciences library as an essential part of the instructional program of the new Faculty of Social Sciences of the University of Rangoon. This two-year project is supported by the Ford Foundation and administered by ACRL acting for ALA. An ACRL committee will advise Mr. Bixler.

The Nominating Committee, chaired by Stanley West, met in San Francisco, finished its work in September and will present its report at the Board of Directors meeting in January.

The important and productive work of the Foundation Grants Committee is moving along under the strong drive of Mrs. Dorothy Crosland, its present chairman, who has made a number of contacts with foundations since San Francisco. The committee meets again in late November. I feel that the future potential of this effort is tremendous.

The membership of the ACRL Committee on National Library Week is in process of appointment and will have valuable suggestions to make to John Robling who again this year heads up the national program.

A difficult area, but an important one, is that of ACRL organization. You will recall the Board approval in July for establishing this committee. I hope that it will study many aspects of the ACRL organiza-

tion and general program including publications, state and regional chapters, and relations with other divisions and with ALA. This committee should be fully appointed by the time you read these words.

Ralph Ellsworth has consented to serve as chairman of the *ad hoc* Committee to Explore the Relationship between the Law Library and the University Library.

Alton Keller's ACRL Conference Program Committee reports a meeting held in Washington on September 25 with exciting possibilities for meetings, tours and free time. We expect (and will receive) a fine program from this committee for our meetings in the capital city in June.

The Committee on Standards, Felix E. Hirsch, chairman, is hard at work revising its draft of new college library standards in the light of valuable suggestions made in San Francisco and expects to present a revised draft to the ACRL Board of Directors in January.

As for section activities, the newly formed Rare Books Section is planning a pre-conference seminar in Charlottesville in June. It is also eager to attract to its sectional membership those who work with and/or who are deeply interested in rare books and manuscripts. I am greatly pleased and optimistic about this newest addition to the ACRL sectional family.

The Subject Specialists Section, enriched by the recent inclusion of the humanists and the social scientists, is broadening its program to meet the needs of all its members. The section has agreed upon its Bylaws, and plans to publish them shortly.

The University Libraries Section has a formidable array of worthwhile projects to work upon.

I was gratified to note, as I hope you were, the passage by the Congress of the National Defense Education Act of 1958, with an appropriation of \$900,000,000. ACRL and many other educational organizations supported this bill.

It now looks as though ACRL will be permitted to have a constitution as well as bylaws. The ALA Committee on Constitution and Bylaws is scheduled to present for adoption in Washington in June an amendment to Article VI of the ALA Bylaws which relates to the operation of divisions, which will probably include a statement making divisional constitutions permissive.

Finally, I want to say that ACRL is in a healthy condition. With many of our problems of reorganization behind us, we are now in a position to devote our major efforts to a vigorous pursuit of a multifaceted program designed to improve the services of college and research libraries.—*Lewis C. Branscomb, ACRL President.*

Education for Academic Librarianship

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sound and creates barriers to an essential common understanding.

Opportunities exist within professional organizations for a closer contact of librarians and professional library educators. Both groups need to combine and correlate their experience, judgments, and ideas on recruitment, curriculum,

placement, and planning. Cooperatively it would be possible to develop a more effective recruiting program and a superior educational program. Cooperatively it would be possible to develop procedures for evaluating the performances of graduates on the job and using the resulting data in more intelligent planning for the education of academic librarians.