

tem will not have to wait for OCLC to send an archival tape of their holdings for use with other automated systems. For further information, contact Maxwell Library Systems, Suite 206, 186 Alewife Brook Parkway, Cambridge, MA 02138.

- OCLC, INC., Dublin, Ohio, will participate with the Library of Congress, the Research Libraries Group, and the Washington Library Network in the design of a telecommunication protocol that would permit exchange of bibliographic data from one system to another (reported in this column last month). OCLC will provide review, recommendations, and technical consultation in the design of a telecommunications protocol that will eventually be used to link a variety of networks.

The April issue of *Action for Libraries*, published by the Bibliographical Center for Research, provides some interesting information on the OCLC database. The number of records has now surpassed 8 million, with an average of 13.1 holdings per record. Approximately 85% of the records in the database are for monographs. Of the 6.6 million monographic holdings (as of July 1981), about 1.7 million have a publication date more recent than 1975, another 1.2 million have a date between 1971 and 1975, and another 1.7 million have a date between 1951 and 1970. Some 25% of all the records are LC MARC records, while the others are member inputs.

- SUPERINDEX, INC., Boca Raton, Florida, has selected over fifty major research-oriented organizations to participate in the testing of a new scientific database called Superindex. The index, created by nine publishers of scientific reference books, consists of indexes to some 650 reference titles, including handbooks and manuals. Among libraries participating in the test are the University of Texas, the Library of Congress, MIT, and Stanford.

- SYSTEMS CONTROL has developed an automated cataloging system that features interactive maintenance of complete MARC bibliographic records and retrieval by 10 keys, including full and truncated author, title and subject. The database accepts records via OCLC archive tapes, online transfer, and interactive entry. For further information, contact Systems Control, 1801 Page Mill Road, PO Box 10025, Palo Alto, CA 94303.

- The UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SANTA CRUZ, has converted its 60-volume set of computer-produced catalogs that filled twelve feet of shelf space into 490 sheets of microfiche. The library had been using computer printouts since 1966, within one year of its opening. Microfiche supplements of new acquisitions will be produced every two weeks and will be combined with the basic catalog once a year. The library estimates that by converting to microfiche it has saved approximately \$70,000 in the first year alone. ■■



Publications

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(Selected items will be reviewed in future issues of *College & Research Libraries*.)

- The first volume of a new library publication, *Advances in Library Administration and Organization*, edited by Gerard B. McCabe, Bernard Kreissman, and W. Carl Jackson (Jai Press, 1982, \$34.50), includes articles on the following topics: personnel issues, Archibald Cary Coolidge and the Harvard University Library, library automation, the microforms facility at the Golda Meir Library of the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, RLIN and OCLC (two comparison studies), and faculty status and participative governance in academic libraries.

- An analysis of the position of the library and the librarian in American higher education is given in Orvin Lee Shiflett's *Origins of American Academic Librarianship*, available from Ablex Publishing (1981, \$22.50). The book is "historical in the sense that that author strongly feels that the present status of academic librarians is not really a modern problem, but one that derives directly from the evolution of higher education and American librarianship."

- A discussion of Zero Base Budgeting and a brief comparison with other budgeting systems is provided in Part I of Ching-chih Chen's *Zero-Base Budgeting in Library Management: A Manual for Librarians* (Oryx Press, 1980, \$27.50). An introduction to the ZBB process, a discussion of the disadvantages and advantages of the system, and further enumeration on the key factors in successful ZBB relating its implementation to libraries are also included in Part I. Part II of the hardcover provides seven actual ZBB preparations from diverse types of libraries, and a glossary and bibliography are provided at the end.

- The *International Handbook of Contemporary Developments in Librarianship*, edited by Miles M. Jackson (Greenwood Press, 1981, \$65), was conceived in 1977 as a project that would present an overview of the major developments and most significant trends in librarianship since 1945. The 619-page hardcover is organized by region (Africa, the Middle East, Asia, Oceania, Europe, North America, Mexico, and the Caribbean) and by country within each region. Sixty-five countries are represented in 34 chapters.

- The American Library Association has published *Charles McCarthy: Librarianship and Re-*

form (1981, \$16) by Marion Casey, a study of the life of Charles McCarthy. McCarthy was the "person most responsible for Wisconsin's reform accomplishments in the first two decades of the twentieth century, after Robert M. La Follette," according to the preface on this cloth cover. McCarthy served as librarian at the Legislative Reference Library, researcher for the Federal Commission on Industrial Relations, assistant to Hoover in the Food Administration, and intelligence gatherer for Frankfurter on the War Labor Policies Board.

• Martha L. Manheimer's *OCLC: An Introduction to Searching and Input* (Neal-Schuman, 1981, \$9.95, revised edition) is a workbook designed to provide students in library schools and practitioners in the field with a practical introduction to the mechanics of bibliographic searching, card modification and input on OCLC. Five copies are available at the reduced rate of \$24.75.

• An introductory account of operations research is found in *Operations Research: A Tool for Library Management*, by Jenny and Peter Rowley (\$10). The emphasis of this softcover, published in 1981 by ALA, is on "the problem, the way that it is tackled, and the interpretation of the solution rather than the mathematical techniques involved in the solution." The book presents "ideas to prepare the manager to question and communicate efficiently with an operations research specialist and to encourage the manager to benefit from the analytical approach associated with an operations research study."

• Howard R. Bowen's *The State of the Nation and the Agenda for Higher Education* (Jossey-Bass, 1982, \$13.95) is directed primarily at educators in colleges and universities and addresses itself to these questions: "What kind of people do we want our children and grandchildren to be? What kind of society do we want them to live in? How may education—especially higher education—be guided and shaped to help nurture such people and to help create this kind of society?"

• *Weeding Library Collections II*, by Stanley J. Slote, is now available from Libraries Unlimited. This second edition (\$21.50 U.S., \$26 elsewhere) builds upon and expands the material presented in his 1975 publication. Part I discusses the broad background of weeding and weeding practice, and Part II is a step-by-step guide to three methods of weeding: the Book Card Method, the Spine-Marking Method, and the Historical Reconstruction Method.

• Knowledge Industry Publications has published a *Guide to Electronic Publishing: Opportunities in Online and Viewdata Services* (\$95 softcover). Electronic publishing, as used in this report, means the dissemination of information by electronic rather than print media. The first part of the publication, written by Fran Spigai, discusses online and database publishing, while the

second part, written by Peter Sommer, examines viewdata publishing—the transmission of text and graphic information over telephone or cable lines to home terminals—from the perspective of the prospective publisher.

• Microform Review has published its first two issues of *Videodisc/Teletext* (Volume 1, numbers 1 and 2, Winter and Spring 1981). This quarterly publication will feature articles on current application of videodisc and the various teletext systems in education, training, industry, and mass media. "We will report the latest developments and will reach out as new technologies impact on video information and entertainment systems," writes George L. Abbott, editor. Subscriptions are \$52 per volume year, or \$15 for individual issues. Add \$5 for foreign subscriptions. Copies are available from Microform Review, 520 Riverside Ave., PO Box 405, Saugatuck Station, Westport, CT 06880.

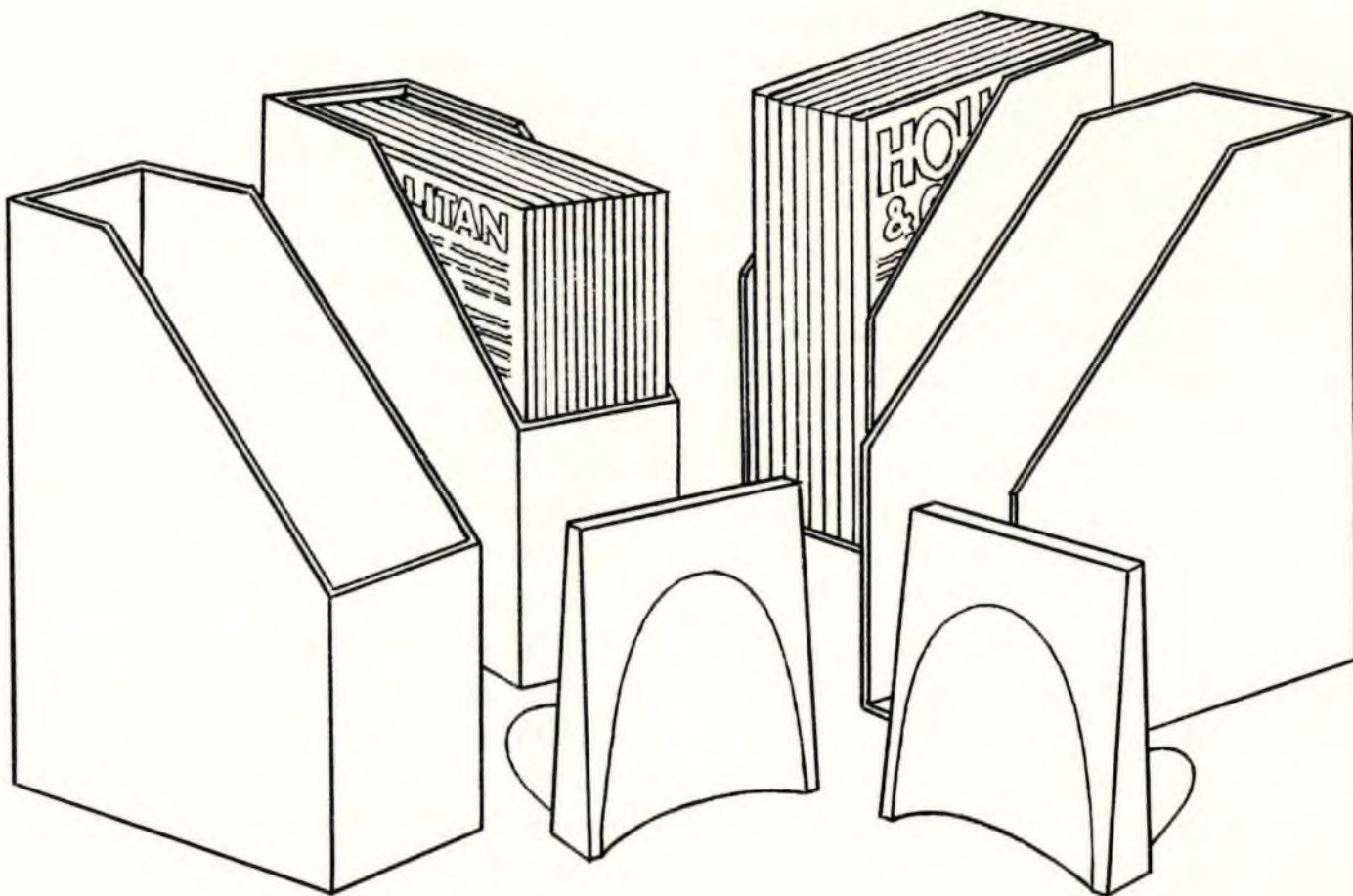
• The 16th volume (1981) of the *Annual Review of Information Science and Technology (ARIST)* produced by the American Society for Information Science (ASIS) is available for \$42.50 through Knowledge Industry Publications. Edited by Martha E. Williams, the volume contains eleven articles which fall under these topics: planning information systems and services; basic techniques and tools; applications; and the profession.

• *Access: Microcomputers in Libraries* (Volume 1, number 1, July 1981) is available for \$3 an issue, or \$11 per year. This quarterly publication is intended to keep readership "informed and educated about micro-automation" and to "give a voice to the needs of libraries." Features include short articles and interviews, and departments include editorials, news, a calendar, letters, a preview of the next issue, new products, book reviews, and classifieds. Copies are available from Access, PO Box 764, Oakridge, OR 97463. ■■

LEGISLATIVE NETWORK

The ACRL Legislation Committee will hold a joint meeting with members of the ACRL Legislative Network at Philadelphia Annual Conference. The purpose of this meeting, the first to be held in at least four years, is to discuss ways of improving the composition and effectiveness of the network.

The ACRL Legislative Network currently consists of approximately 220 academic librarians nationwide. Network members will receive an invitation to the meeting, which will be held Sunday, July 11, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Location of the meeting will be given in the official conference program. Interested observers are invited to attend. ■■



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