

February 1 after 29 years of service. Woodman joined Harvard in 1958 as a cataloger in the Gordon McKay Library and was named acting librarian there in 1965, remaining until 1968. From 1968 to 1970 she was a part-time cataloger in the Widener library, becoming editor of the catalog at the Fine Arts Library (1970-72), and serving as cataloger in the Geological Sciences Library (1971-74). From 1974 to 1978 Woodman was cataloger in the Manpower and Industrial Relations Collection at the Littauer Library.

## Deaths

**FREDERICK HENRICH**, associate librarian emeritus of the State University of New York at Buffalo, died November 10, 1986, at the age of 74. Prior to his retirement in 1982, Henrich was head of the Documents and Microforms Department. He

joined the staff in 1964 as a reference librarian for history, economics, and business administration, following a career in accountancy. Henrich held a bachelor's degree from Princeton University, a master's degree from Harvard University, and a Ph.D. and MLS from SUNY-Buffalo.

**EMILY OLSON**, head of the Cubberly Library of Stanford University from 1954 to 1976, died late last year in Osceola, Wisconsin. Olson earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Wisconsin-Superior and taught in Wisconsin public schools for several years before receiving her MLS from the University of Southern California. She worked in the USC Library before coming to Stanford. Following her retirement Olson returned to her hometown where she became the town's unofficial archivist and secretary of the Historical Society. ■■

# NEW TECHNOLOGY



• **The H. W. Wilson Company** now offers a CD-ROM retrieval service called WILSONDISC that allows both CD-ROM access to bibliographic data on an optical disc searchable through a microcomputer, and online access through the WILSONLINE retrieval system and WILSEARCH software to the most current data or other Wilson databases not yet available in CD format. WILSONDISC features four different access modes of increasing complexity: Browse, WILSEARCH, WILSONLINE, and Expert. The latter mode offers the same search capabilities as WILSONLINE, but with expanded screen handling and windowing functions, and a continuous view of search strategy development through the use of a log screen. Twelve different databases, including the Humanities Index, the Index to Legal Periodicals, and Library Literature, will be accessible when the service begins later this year. Full details will be announced at the ALA Midwinter Meeting. Contact the H. W. Wilson Co., 950 University Ave., Bronx, NY 10452; (212) 588-8400.

• **K-F Industries** is marketing a surface water alarm system that immediately detects surface water incursion and displays the distance to the leak on a digital read-out. When water touches the sensing cable of the Model #333 alarm system, an alarm

sounds in the controller that calculates the distance to the point on the cable first contacted by the leak. Contact: K-F Industries, Inc., 2310 N. American St., Philadelphia, PA 19133; (213) 425-7710.

• **Lundia** has introduced an improved mobile storage system, the Fullspace FS 2000, that offers three operational options—manual, mechanical assist, and electrical. The primary design criterion was to provide a cost-effective mobile carriage system to meet the majority of medium-size to large mobile shelving requirements with carriages up to 21 feet long. The new model incorporates a new carriage design with an increased strength-to-weight ratio. The electric drive model features options for increased fail-safe operation including a safety sweep, waist-high safety bar, and safety cord. Contact: Harry L. Ford, Lundia, 600 Capitol Way, Jacksonville, IL 62650; (217) 243-8585.

• **Memphis State University Libraries**, working with the university's Office of Handicapped Student Services, are developing an online catalog workstation for the blind and sight-impaired. The system is now in test mode to determine the best method for allowing public access. The workstation is composed of a Zenith Z-158 microcomputer with 512K memory, a Vert Plus speech synthesizer and keyboard control software, and the Acculink

Micro/16 communications terminal emulation software. The system can be used with headphones as well as a speaker. In operation the workstation allows the user to choose which elements of the screen displays are to be made audible. Memphis State's online catalog is the CLSI LIBS 100. Contact: Ross Johnson, Reference Department, Memphis State University Libraries, Memphis, TN 38152; (901) 454-2208.

• Modulex, a manufacturer and distributor of architectural signage, offers several varieties of interior and exterior signs, designed to meet the flexibility demands of a changing work environment. One line of signage features interchangeable letters that are suitable for directories, door signs, and bookstacks. Custom colors, sizes, and typestyles are available. Modulex will offer suggestions to individual libraries in planning an effective sign package based on the traffic patterns, reading distances, and design scheme of each facility. Contact: Modulex, Inc., 2920 Wolff St., Racine, WI 53404; (800) 632-4321 or (414) 632-5330.

• SilverPlatter Information Services offers a special discount to library schools needing the ERIC CD-ROM database for student training and instruction. Students can access the database using the SilverPlatter Information Retrieval System to learn the fundamentals of searching prior to going online. The retrieval software allows boolean searching with AND, OR, NOT, proximity searching, free text or field-specified searching, right-hand truncation, and numeric range and limit searching. The discount offer is restricted to library schools and is intended for instruction and training purposes only. Contact: Christopher G. Pooley, SilverPlatter Information Inc., 37 Walnut St., Wellesley, MA 02181; (617) 239-0306.

SilverPlatter is also distributing three major occupational safety databases on a single CD-ROM disc: NIOSHTIC, from the National Institute for Safety and Health (U.S.); HSELINE, from the Health and Safety Executive (U.K.); and CISDOC, from the International Labour Organization.

• The Singer Safety Company has introduced a fully automatic Insta-Wall system designed to protect high-risk storage and production areas from fire and smoke damage. When fire breaks out, Insta-Wall immediately releases its flame-resistant curtain, confining smoke and fire extinguishing foam so that the fire can be put out quickly. Insta-Wall is a 16-gauge steel cabinet containing a special flame-resistant curtain. The actuator mechanism easily connects to all popular fire extinguishing systems or can be used independently with an available smoke detector. The cabinet mounts directly to any overhead structure, doorway or wall opening. The curtain is chain-weighted in the hem to accelerate its drop and to provide for a close, floor-level seal, although it is easily lifted for a quick and safe escape. Contact: Owen Thompson, Product Manager, Singer Safety Co., 3800 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, IL 60641; (800) 621-0089 or (312) 286-1000.

• The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee School of Library and Information Science has been selected as a beta test site for the new CD-ROM version of the *Science Citation Index*. Students and faculty of UWM will use a microcomputer to access the database. Based on responses from users here and at other beta test sites, the Institute for Scientific Information will develop a final product for distribution worldwide.

• The University of Southern California's Norris

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•Wei T'o Associates has improved its nonaqueous deacidification sprays and solutions to protect books against embrittlement and yellowing from acid attack in response to requests for pH-neutral deacidification agents and the elimination of all ink stability problems, particularly in the graphic arts. The new sprays and solutions will offer a wide range of pH values, from a slightly acidic 6.0 to a moderately alkaline 10.5, to choose from. This new technology avoids the use of an alcohol co-solvent and the higher alkilinity of magnesium that may cause color changes or smudging on sensitive inks. It also offers the potential for lower treatment costs and alternate solvent choices if chlorofluorocarbon solvents are found to affect the Ozone Layer. For more information contact Richard D. Smith, Wei T'o Associates, P.O. Box 40, Matteson, IL 60443; (312) 747-6660. ■■



# PUBLICATIONS

•*Bibliographic Displays in the Online Catalog*, by Walt Crawford, Lennie Stovel, and Kathleen Bales (359 pages, 1986), is a report on large-scale tests conducted by the Research Libraries Group with display alternatives. The volume focuses on the following questions: How should bibliographic records be displayed? How many different displays should an online catalog provide? How often will a design force patrons to view more than one screen to see a complete record? The book suggests alternatives for record display and shows examples of each to allow readers to evaluate them. More than 400 screen images are included. Copies may be ordered for \$30 from Knowledge Industry Publications, Inc., 701 Westchester Ave., White Plains, NY 10604. ISBN 0-86729-198-2.

•*Bilindex Supplement I, 1985-86: A Bilingual Spanish-English Subject Heading List* (334 pages, 1986) supplements the *Bilindex*, first published in 1984 by Hispanex. The supplement adds 2,500 new and updated standardized Spanish subject heading equivalents to the more than 13,000 that were listed in the first edition. The two volumes together allow Spanish access to English-language collections and English-language interaction with Spanish-language users and searches. Copies may be ordered for \$55 from the Floricanto Press, Hispanex, Inc., 16161 Ventura Blvd., Suite 830, Encino, CA 91436. ISBN 0-915745-02-X.

•*Cooperative Preservation Efforts of Academic Libraries*, by Susan E. Bello (52 pages, October 1986), has been published as Occasional Paper no. 174 of the University of Illinois Graduate School of Library and Information Science. The booklet analyzes the major national plans for preservation programs in the United States from 1954 to 1985 and shows the extent to which aspects of these plans have been achieved by academic libraries. Copies are available for \$3.00 (plus \$.50 postage and handling) from GSLIS, Publications Office, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 249 Armory Building, 505 E. Armory St., Champaign, IL 61820.

•*Costs of Microfilm Preservation at Research Libraries: A Study of Four Institutions*, by Paul B. Kantor (November 1986), describes the costs of microfilm processing at the libraries of the University of Chicago, Columbia University, the New York Public Library Research Libraries, and the Library of Congress. The report presents an analysis of data supplied by the libraries and information obtained from site visits to each library, interviews with key personnel, detailed work logs kept during the first six months of 1986, and work sampling data collected during the same period. Kantor found that one-third of the cost of filming is generated by record-keeping and administrative activities, and he suggests that costs can be reduced by