

News From the Field

ACQUISITIONS

The UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, Davis library, has dedicated a collection of books of Irish literature and history to the memory of William Van O'Connor, of the English department. The greater part of the collection consists of books purchased by the university librarian during his recent trip to the British Isles.

A gift of more than two hundred volumes has been given to the FRANCIS BACON library of Claremont, Calif. by Douglass Adair, professor of American history at the Claremont graduate school. The volumes constitute a significant part of the "statesman's library" that James Madison and Thomas Jefferson listed in 1783 and urged the Continental Congress to buy. The collection will be known as the Lee-Bernard collection in American political theory.

SAN DIEGO STATE COLLEGE library has acquired the Ernst Zinner collection on the history of astronomy consisting of 4,192 items including 2,700 volumes, two of them incunabula; autographs of scientists; portraits of scientists; pictures of sundials; a manuscript book, *Leoviti*, 1560; 31 manuscript letters of Schlüter, and 240 pamphlets on the history of medicine.

A group of the papers of Alexander Trocchi, 1925-, British born novelist and editor, has been acquired by WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY, St. Louis. The collection, covering the years 1944-1966, contains both published and unpublished Trocchi writings.

The Bernstein collection of materials concerned principally with the development of the Russian revolution has been acquired from the Newberry library by HUNTER COLLEGE of the City University of New York. Numbering about eight thousand volumes, the collection is rich in political pamphlets published both within and outside Russia. Including many scarce titles, the collection also includes works in literature, art, economics, and religion.

An eleven thousand-volume collection of BRAZILIAN BOOKS and periodicals has been acquired by the New York State University at Stony Brook. The Brasilianna Collection, as it is known, was purchased in two sections from private sources in Rio de Janeiro, and provides students of Brazilian literature and all fields of the social sciences with a wide variety of research materials.

Syracuse University has announced the acquisition of nineteen additional collections to the

manuscripts department of Carnegie library. These are the collections of Louis Bachrach, photographer, 1950-1963; Frank J. Becker, Congressman, 1924-1964; Gertrude Berg, authoress and actress, 1959-1962; Frederick William Betts, Unitarian clergyman, 1885-1932; Marcel Breuer, architect, 1934-1953; the Brockway family, 1805-1923; Edmund B. Chaffee, Presbyterian clergyman, 1912-1935; Ashley Cole, Commissioner of Railroads in New York State, 1889-1916; Eugene Keogh, Congressman, 1934-1966; Leo Lerner, publisher, 1929-1966; Fulton Lewis, journalist, 1938-1966; Alexandre MacDonald, Napoleon's Marshall, 1807-1840; Levi P. Morton, Governor of New York, 1860-1912; William Van O'Connor, author and critic, 1947-1966; Dutton S. Peterson, Methodist clergyman and legislator, 1894-1964; Lawrence M. Rulison, legislator, 1962-1964; Richard Templeton, lawyer, 1899-1952; Dorothy Thompson, journalist, 1917-1961; William F. Sheehan, Lieut. Governor of New York, 1891-1919.

The papers of Stoddard King, of Spokane, Washington, newspaper columnist, and creator of light verse, have been given to the UNIVERSITY OF OREGON library by his daughter, Mrs. Arthur T. Walton. Stoddard King was a close friend of the poet, Vachel Lindsay, and the papers include a number of Lindsay letters, as well as Lindsay broadsides and other printed pieces.

MEETINGS

AUG. 13-19: International Congress of Orientalists meeting, University of Michigan, cosponsored by the American Oriental Society. A grant from the Council of Library Resources will make it possible for the Congress to defray traveling expenses of thirteen librarians from overseas, to attend a panel on library resources for Oriental Studies, basically in charge of Yukihisa Suzuki of the University of Michigan Asia library. About two thousand scholars are expected to attend.

SEPT. 4-9: IATUL seminar on application of international library methods and techniques, at Delft Technological University library. Intended for directors or coworkers from libraries at research level. Official language is English. Number of participants will be limited to twenty-five. Fee is 400 guilders. Address all correspondence to Miss C. D. Wilson, c/o Library Technological University, 101 Doelenstraat, Delft, Netherlands.

SEPT. 10-13: University of Illinois division

of university extension conference on measurement and evaluation in library research, sponsored by the graduate school of library science, at Illini Union, Urbana.

SEPT. 12-22: International Federation for Documentation (FID), thirty-third conference and International Congress on Documentation, in Tokyo, Japan.

SEPT. 17-20: Data Processing in University Libraries Conference. Drexel Institute of Technology. Led by Ralph Parker, director of libraries and dean, graduate library school, University of Missouri.

Nov. 5-8: Division of university extension of University of Illinois announces the 14th annual Allerton Institute, on Trends in American Publishing sponsored by the graduate school of library science, at Allerton Park.

APR. 29-MAY 2, 1968: The department of library science of Indiana State University plans a junior college libraries conference during the period April 29-May 2, 1968. Although emphasis will be on library programming for the community junior college, the conference should be of interest to professional librarians, other junior college faculty, and administrators of all types of post-high school, two-year institutions. Ample accommodations are available near campus in Terre Haute through the university. Meetings and other events will be held in the Student Union. Suggestions and requests for program scheduling and consideration of topics, as well as for further information, should be directed to Helen Wheeler, Associate Professor, Department of Library Science, Indiana State University, Terre Haute, Ind. 47809. (Telephone 612 area code: 232-6311.)

Details will be announced in a future issue. All public junior colleges listed in the 1967 Junior College Directory will automatically receive an announcement by mail.

MISCELLANY

William Bernbach, president of Doyle Dane Bernbach, Inc. has been named chairman of the Steering Committee for the NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK Program, to hold its annual observance from April 21 to 27 in 1968. The formal appointment to the 1968 NLW planning-body of Don Wright, associate state librarian of Illinois, who is chairman of the new ALA-NLW Committee, has also been announced. Made up of seven leaders from the library profession, the committee was created by ALA in response to recommendations embodied in the Association's recent evaluation of the Library Week program.

The Surgeon General of the U.S. Public Health Service has authorized the organizational transfer on July 1 of the Public Health Service

Audiovisual Facility to the NATIONAL LIBRARY OF MEDICINE. The PHS Audiovisual Facility in Atlanta, Georgia, plans, directs, conducts, and coordinates a national program in biomedical audiovisuals and will be renamed the National Medical Audiovisual Center.

On May 12, EDMON LOW received a Doctor of Letters degree from Eastern Michigan University. The following citation was read by Mrs. Roberta Keniston, assistant librarian at the ceremony dedicating the Eastern Michigan University library.

"MR. EDMON LOW: Respected librarian, scholar and author; your counsel is sought throughout the nation in the development of your professional associations, the improvement of library service, the planning of library buildings and the enrichment of library education; Eastern Michigan University honors itself and you by granting to you the degree of Doctor of Letters with all the rights, privileges and responsibilities pertaining thereto. In token thereof I cause you to be invested with the hood appropriate to this degree and present to you this diploma."

A survey to streamline library circulation procedures at the NEW YORK ACADEMY OF MEDICINE is now being made by Henry Birnbaum, director of libraries of Pace College's two campuses: New York City and Pleasantville, N.Y. The academy's librarian, Gertrude L. Annan, points out that the library is faced with the dual problem of supplying large numbers of interlibrary loans as well as serving special borrowing needs of members and subscribers. Mr. Birnbaum has been asked to establish an improved circulation system to gain better control over loans made by the library.

A new approach to circulation charging procedures is being tested at the Frankford branch of the FREE LIBRARY OF PHILADELPHIA. A field trial started in May and will continue for a six-month period. The "Checkpoint" system, pioneered for the Free Library by Metal Edge Industries is designed to prevent unauthorized removal of books from the library and to reduce staff time normally lost in searching for missing books. It consists of special electronic sensing equipment located at the loan desk. Planning for the project began in December, 1965. To evaluate the program, a pretrial inventory of all books in the Frankfort test branch and in a control branch was conducted in May, and similar inventory checks will be made at the end of the program.

PUBLICATIONS

Beginning with Volume II (1967), domestic subscriptions to *Documentation Abstracts* abstracting journal will be sold for \$25 per year.

The Board of Directors of Documentation Abstracts, Inc., however, has decided that individual (non-institutional) members of the sponsoring organizations are eligible for a reduced subscription price of \$15 per year. Back issues of Volume I will be available at \$7.50, or \$22.50 for the entire volume. The program of sending free copies to selected members of the sponsoring associations will be discontinued, with the publication of Volume II.

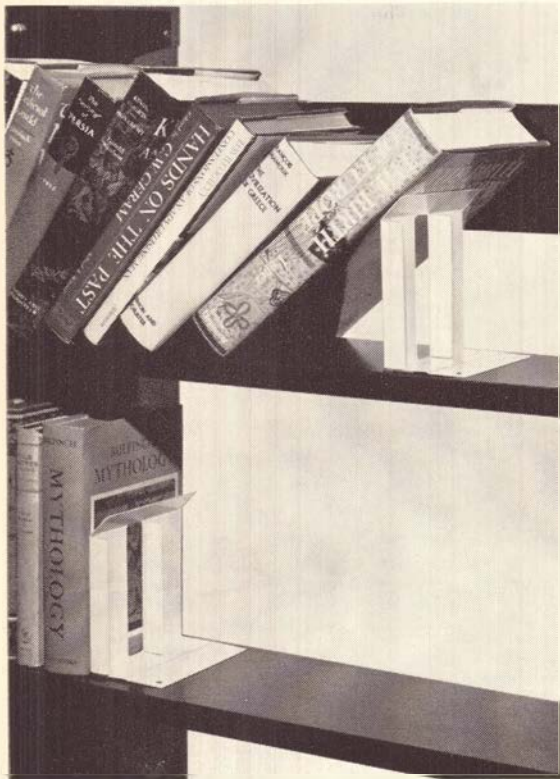
In late 1966, Ben-Ami Lipetz, head, research department, Yale University library, was appointed editor of the periodical. All of the editorial work on *Documentation Abstracts* is contributed by unpaid volunteers from the United States and abroad. Persons interested in abstracting, literature scanning, indexing, bibliographic verification, copy typing, proof-reading, editing, and programing are invited to write directly to the Editor at Yale University Library, New Haven, Connecticut 06520.

Orders for the publication should be addressed to: Documentation Abstracts, P.O. Box 9018, Southeast Station, Washington, D.C.

20003. To receive the reduced subscription rate, a declaration of membership in any of the sponsoring organizations should be submitted with the order.

The Library in the University is a neat 304-page volume brought out by the Shoe String Press for \$7.50. It comprises the first eighteen University of Tennessee Library Lectures (1949-1966), and is No. 7 in the Contributions to Library Literature Series being edited by John David Marshall. The volume contains an informative and gracious introduction by William Jesse.

The Area College Library Cooperative Program of South Central Pennsylvania announces the availability gratis of the revised copy of its Code; a *Union List of Current Periodicals* in its member institutions for \$4.00; and a *Union List of Musical Scores* and a *Selected List of Monographs Pertaining to the Study of Early Music* for \$1.50. Orders should be addressed to the Clearing House Committee, ACLCP, Shippensburg State College, Shippensburg, Pennsylvania 17257. ■■



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