

News From the Field

ACQUISITIONS

• A book published nearly five hundred years ago is the most recent rare acquisition of the Humanities Library Rare Book Room, MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY. Samuel Glaser, '25, has given the library a copy of the *Nuremberg Chronicle*, a history of the world published in 1493. MIT's copy is one of about thirty in this country.

The *Nuremberg Chronicle* was published with movable type only thirty-seven years after the Gutenberg Bible. The book is noted for its illustrations which are integrated with the text. Altogether there are 645 blocks, done by Michel Wolgemut and his stepson, Wilhelm Fleydenwurf. Wolgemut was the leading painter of his time and the master of Albrecht Durer.

The book is nearly the size of a newspaper and about five inches thick. It is remarkably well preserved for its 478 years. The binding has split over the centuries and will be repaired by a New York expert who specializes in the care of rare books. Other signs of age are minor and the ornate Latin text and woodcut illustrations are still very clear.

• A collection of correspondence and miscellaneous materials of the poet Ezra Pound has been acquired by SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY. The collection consists of sixty-six letters, fifty-eight of them written by Pound to poets, editors, and friends, as well as advertisements for Pound's work and enclosures related to it. The correspondence dates from 1909 through 1965. The letters discuss the writings of others more than the poet's own work, but they are indicative of his influence on twentieth-century literature. Letters to T. S. Holmes in the years before World War I record Pound's criticism of U.S. and British monetary systems. Included are letters written while Pound was in St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Washington, D.C. Of interest are letters to poets William Carlos Williams and Richard Johns, and Pound's correspondence with the poet Centrobis in 1909.

• Nearly two years have been spent reading, sorting, and labeling the 296,352 items which comprise the official records of Senator Thruston B. Morton now housed in the Special Collections Department of the UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY, Margaret I. King Library. The seventy-seven crates of material began to arrive on the UK-Lexington campus following the November 1968 election, with the bulk of the items received in April 1969. The collection contains the records and other materials accumulated by the Kentucky senator while serving in the U.S. Senate (1956-68) and the

files representing his term as chairman of the National Republican Committee (1959-61).

AWARDS/GIFTS

• J. Periam Danton, professor of librarianship at the University of California, Berkeley, has been awarded a GUGGENHEIM FOUNDATION FELLOWSHIP for study abroad during the 1971-72 academic year. Professor Danton will be gathering material for a comprehensive treatise on comparative librarianship, one of his long-time research interests. His itinerary includes such academic centers as Berlin, Cologne, London, Munich, and Prague. Professor Danton describes his undertaking as "primarily an information gathering and 'thinking' project, which involves—in advance of the actual writing—the acquisition of as much information from as many different sources as possible; the adoption, adaptation, and/or reconciliation of ideas, concepts, and conclusions; and the creation of a logical and defensible statement for comparative librarianship."

• The University of California Library Schools Alumni Association has presented a substantial sum, to be augmented in the future, to the regents of the University of California for the purpose of establishing the LAWRENCE CLARK POWELL SCHOLARSHIP FUND. Income from the gift will be used for the scholarship, to be awarded annually to a student in the UCLA School of Library Service. The Powell Scholarship parallels a similar one, also presented by the Alumni Association, in honor of the founding dean of the School of Librarianship on the Berkeley campus, Sydney B. Mitchell, who was Powell's mentor and close friend.

• The UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO Library has been awarded a grant of \$400,000 from the Council on Library Resources, Inc., with a matching grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, in partial support of a five-year program for the continuing investigation and development of computerized library data systems. These grants, totaling \$800,000, provide funds for the five-year program's major objective—the development of an efficient computerized system to handle large bibliographic data files. The five-year program calls for developing such a system and applying it to various library services. One application—the control of book circulation—is directly supported by the grants.

Among the remaining and unfunded tasks of the basic five-year program are (1) the development of a system for the control of serial publications; (2) establishment of a system for collecting and analyzing data to monitor

various library operations; and (3) the extension of system capabilities to use externally-generated data bases such as the National Library of Medicine MEDLARS, the Chemical Abstract Service, and other discipline-based information stores.

MEETINGS

JULY 11-13: The School of Library and Information Services, University of Maryland, is planning the fifth annual Library Administrators Development Program to be held July 11-23. Those interested in further information are invited to address inquiries to Mrs. Effie T. Knight, Administrative Assistant, Library Administrators Development Program, School of Library and Information Services, University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland 20742. The January *News* contains complete details.

JULY 11-14: The Section of Librarians of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy will hold its meeting-workshop July 11-14, 1971, at the University of Nebraska, Lincoln. Entertainment, meals, and other events will be shared with the Teachers Seminar on Pharmacology and Toxicology, meeting at the same time. For further information or registration forms contact Mrs. Elizabeth C. Jackson, Program Chairman, Mercer School of Pharmacy, 223 Walton Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303. More details are included in the June *CRL News*.

JULY 11-AUG. 13: The University of Denver, Department of History and the Graduate School of Librarianship, in cooperation with the State Archives of Colorado, will conduct its Tenth Annual Institute for Archival Studies and Related Fields. For complete details see May *CRL News*.

JULY 20-23: The third Cranfield International Conference on Mechanised Information Storage and Retrieval Systems will be held July 20-23 in Bedford, England.

See the December *News*, Meetings section, for complete details on the topics to be covered and general theme outline.

Enquiries or offers to present papers should be sent to the Conference Director, Cyril Cleverdon, Cranfield Institute of Technology, Cranfield, Bedford, England.

AUG. 2-4: August 2-4, 1971 the University of Chicago Graduate Library School will hold its 35th annual conference at the Center for Continuing Education, 1307 East 60th Street, Chicago, Illinois. The topic will be "Operations Research: Implications for Libraries."

The conference is expected to be of particular interest to those concerned with the planning of library services, problems of operational decisions in library management, and library education. For further information, contact the Graduate Library School, University

of Chicago, 1100 East 57th Street, Chicago, Illinois 60637.

AUG. 2-27: The Georgia Department of Archives and History will host its *Fifth Annual Archives Institute* August 2-27. To apply, write Miss Carroll Hart, Director, Georgia Department of Archives and History, 330 Capitol Ave. S.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30334. For further details see May *CRL News*.

AUG. 20-21: University of California Extension, Santa Cruz, and the San Francisco Chapter, American Society for Information Science: Workshop on Mechanization of Library Technical Processes. For information contact Donald Hummel, University of California Extension, Santa Cruz, California 95060 (Tel.: (408) 429-2761).

AUG. 27-28: University of California Extension, Santa Cruz, and the San Francisco Chapter, American Society for Information Science: Workshop on Cost Analysis of Library Operations. For information contact Donald Hummel, University of California, Extension, Santa Cruz, California 95060 (Tel.: (408) 429-2761).

AUG. 29-SEPT. 3: The International Conference on Information Science in Tel Aviv originally announced for August 23-28, has been changed to the week following the IFIP Conference in Yugoslavia, from August 29 to September 3. Group flights at reduced rates will be available from various points including Yugoslavia. Titles and abstracts are due no later than January 1971. Registration fee (\$50) includes a ladies' program and a tour of Jerusalem. For further information contact: The Organizing Committee, International Conference on Information Science, ISLIC, P.O. Box 16271, Tel Aviv, Israel. See also September *News*, page 249.

SEPT. 23-24: The South Dakota Library Association will hold its annual convention in the State Game Lodge near Custer, South Dakota. Further information can be found in the June *CRL News*.

SEPT. 30-OCT. 2: The Indiana Library Association will meet at Stouffer's Inn, Indianapolis, Indiana. Further information can be obtained from Jane G. Flener, President, Indiana Library Association, Indiana University Library, Bloomington, Indiana 47401.

SEPT. 30-OCT. 2: The Missouri Library Association's 1971 convention will be September 30-October 1, 2, in St. Louis, Missouri, at Stouffer's Riverfront Inn.

OCT. 7-9: The South Carolina Library Association will hold its 1971 convention in Columbia, October 7-9, at the Sheraton-Columbia Inn.

OCT. 22-23: The fourth annual institute presented by LIPC (Library Institutes Planning Committee) and cosponsored by the Tech-

nical Services Division and the College, University, and Research Libraries Division of the California Library Association and the Northern California Technical Processes Group. It will be held Friday and Saturday, October 22 and 23, 1971, at San Leandro Community Center, San Leandro Public Library, San Leandro, California. The June issue of the *CRL News* carries further details.

OCT. 22-23: The North Dakota Library Association will hold its 1971 convention in Fargo on Friday and Saturday, October 22 and 23. Headquarters will be the Town House Motel.

OCT. 24-27: The Division of University Extension and the Graduate School of Library Science of the University of Illinois has announced the Seventeenth Annual Allerton Institute: Libraries and Neighborhood Information Centers, to be held October 24-27, 1971, at Allerton House, Monticello, Illinois. Participation is open, but is limited to ninety registrants. Registrations will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

The program includes: (1) Reports of library-based information centers such as Project Aurora, in Elyria, Ohio, and Model Cities Community Information Center, Philadelphia, Pa.; (2) interdisciplinary projects in such areas as health care, trade unions, and legal aid; (3) multimedia information—radio; and (4)

lectures, panel discussions, and problem-solving sessions. For further information write to Graduate School of Library Science, Division of Extension, 116 Illini Hall, Champaign, Illinois 61820.

OCT. 28-30: The Georgia Library Association will meet at The Aquarama, Jekyll Island, Georgia. Further information can be obtained from David E. Estes, President, Georgia Library Association, Robert W. Woodruff Library, Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia 30322.

MISCELLANY

• The ARCHIVES OF AMERICAN ART, formerly located in Detroit, has completed its first year in Washington, D.C., as part of The Smithsonian Institution. Situated in the building housing the National Portrait Gallery and the National Collection of Fine Arts since May 1970, the Washington office now serves as the chief center for archives processing and microfilming, as well as a research center. Field offices in New York, Detroit, and the recently opened Boston office will continue to acquire material for the documentation of the history of art in America, and serve as locations for the use of microfilm.

Although the archives holds material from the late eighteenth century, it is understandably strongest in papers of American artists of the late nineteenth and twentieth centuries. The papers of Rockwell Kent, painter, illustrator, writer, and political activist, have been recently acquired by the archives, and comprise a collection of special significance for art and social historians. Kent's correspondents, writing from 1903 well into the 1960s, include a formidable number of artists: Philip Evergood, Stuart Davis, Arthur B. Davies, Marsden Hartley, Kenneth Hayes Miller, Alfred Stieglitz, and numerous others, as well as union organizers, writers, explorers, and political figures. Kent's papers relate to a continuing archives project, the documentation of New Deal art activity. As one part of this project, the personal papers of Edward Rowan and Edward Bruce, both administrators of the Public Buildings Administration Section of Fine Arts from 1934-1943, have been supplemented by the correspondence, diaries, transcripts, and reminiscences of artists involved in federal art projects: Vernon Smith, Elizabeth Nottingham Day, Adele Clark, Robert Bruce Inverarity, Cesare Stea, and George Constant among them.

Records of a half dozen galleries specializing in modern American painting and sculpture have been filmed or received by the archives within the past eighteen months, among them those of the Ruth White Gallery, New York. Typical of the variety in such a collection, the Ruth White records comprise correspondence with artists from 1936, scrapbooks recording

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gallery activity from 1956, consignment and sale records, photographs of artists associated with the gallery and their work, and exhibition catalogs. Institutional records include papers of the Society of American Graphic Artists, American Abstract Artists, the Federation of Modern Painters and Sculptors, the Society of Arts and Crafts, Boston, and the Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, Skowhegan, Maine.

PUBLICATIONS

• The U.S. National Section of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History has issued the fourth in a series of special publications on Latin American geography and history. The publication, *Manaus, Amazonas—A Focal Point for Development in Amazonia*, was written by Jerry R. Williams of Chico State College. The article traces the process of change that has occurred in Western Amazonia through a case study of the transformation of Manaus and its role in Amazonia. The author surveys the effects that industrialization, a rapid increase in urban population, and the creation of a Zona Franca has had in transforming the traditional function of Manaus as an extrepôt to that of a modern metropolitan center resting on a developing industrial base. The article consists of thirty-eight pages, including maps, tables, graphs, and bibliography; measures 8½ by 11 inches; and costs \$2.00.

Individuals interested in receiving this publication should make their check or money order payable to Dr. Arthur L. Burt, Chairman, U.S. National Section, PAIGH, Department of State (Room 8847), Washington, D.C. 20520.

• During 1971 about 4,000 rolls of the microfilm publications produced by the National Archives and Records Service (General Services Administration) are being sent to each of eleven archives branches located in the Federal Records Centers in Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Atlanta, Chicago, Kansas City, Fort Worth, Denver, Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Seattle. It is anticipated that over the next several years most of the 94,000 rolls of master negative film now available at the National Archives in Washington will be duplicated and deposited in each archives branch. The film will not only be available for use there, but will also be sent to most research libraries through normal interlibrary loan procedures. This use of microfilm duplication is thus making a major historical research source much more convenient to use at a reduced cost to the researcher.

Information on what records are now available and how to obtain them is available by writing or calling the nearest archives branch as listed below.

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Federal Records Center, GSA
380 Trapelo Road
Waltham, Massachusetts 02154
Tele: 617-223-2657

Regional Archives Branch, Region 2
Federal Records Center, GSA
641 Washington Street
New York, New York 10014
Tele: 212-620-5755

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Federal Records Center, GSA
5000 Wissahickon Avenue
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19144
Tele: 215-GE 8-5588

Regional Archives Branch, Region 4
Federal Records Center, GSA
1557 St. Joseph Avenue
East Point, Georgia 30044
Tele: 404-526-7477

Regional Archives Branch, Region 5
Federal Records Center, GSA
7201 S. Leamington Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60638
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Seattle, Washington 98115
Tele: 206-583-4502

• Number 99 in the University of Illinois Graduate School of Library Science's Occasional Paper series, *The North Carolina Union Catalog: An Examination and Evaluation*, written by Eugene Trahin Neely, has recently been published. The forty-two-page pamphlet contains information and statistics gathered up to August 1968 about the single most important bibliographical guide to the library resources of the state of North Carolina. In both purpose and scope, as well as in use, the North Carolina Union Catalog is perhaps unique among union catalogs. It is impressive in size, in the type and number of libraries it attempts to represent, and in its inclusion of all subject areas. Its uses are many and varied, in terms both of the geographical distribution and the types of libraries served. Neely gives a brief history of the "Union Catalog" as well as a physical description of the "Union Catalog" and its uses. He examines the extent of the catalog's coverage and its weaknesses, and offers proposals for improvement.

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• The Ford Foundation has begun sponsorship of a new publication, *Select*. Based on *CHOICE*, it will consist of long review articles about a specific area of Philippine academic study covering material which has appeared within the last twenty years and is still of current interest. The remainder of the magazine will consist of annotated bibliographies of selected materials suitable for undergraduate teaching or for inclusion in a general provincial liberal arts library. The annual price will be P 50 per year, and it can be ordered by contacting *Select*, Xavier University Library, Cagayan de Oro City, L-305, Philippines.

• *Science and Technology: A Purchase Guide for Branch and Public Libraries* contains 468 titles which have been selected for the student and nonspecialist adult from books received in the Science and Technology Department of the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh during the year 1970. The entries carry the name of the first author only, title and bibliographic information, and include the paging and price when readily available. To facilitate ordering catalog cards the Library of Congress number is given. Copies may be obtained from the Director's Office, Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh, 4400 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15213. Payment of \$3.00 must accompany order. Prices include all costs and handling.

• A *Union List of Serials* containing the holdings of three special and nineteen academic libraries in South Central New York State has been issued by the South Central Research Library Council. The list, containing 12,895 unique titles and 14,556 records, is computer-produced for the Council by the Biomedical Communications Network Computer Center. There are 1,751 cross-references.

Serials holdings for Corning Glass Works, Corning Museum of Glass, IBM Electronic Systems Center, the New York State Universities at Alfred, Binghamton, Cortland, Delhi, and Oneonta, the College of Ceramics at Alfred, Alfred University, Auburn Community College, Broome Technical Community College, College Center of the Finger Lakes, Cornell Veterinary Library, Corning Community College, Eisenhower College, Elmira College, Hartwick College, Ithaca College, Keuka College, Tompkins-Cortland Community College, and Wells College are given. Later editions will be expanded to include holdings for additional institutions such as New York State Historical Association, Houghton College, Cornell University, and Westinghouse Corporation.

Copies of this reference tool may be purchased from the South Central Research Library Council, 331 Sheldon Court, College Avenue, Ithaca, New York 14850 for \$15.00 each. ■■