

News from the Field

ACQUISITIONS

• **CORNELL UNIVERSITY** has been credited with preserving intact six cartons of heretofore unknown personal papers belonging to the poet William Wordsworth, a cache that should be of immense value to scholars for years to come.

It includes more than thirty letters and fragments of correspondence between the poet and his wife, Mary. Previously, only one letter was known from Wordsworth to his wife. In addition there is his side, in his own words for the first time, of the Coleridge-Wordsworth feud and even one early draft of a Coleridge poem.

Alan Hamilton of the *Times* (London) wrote that "the letters demolish the image of Wordsworth as a cool, rather distant figure who found more inspiration in his sister Dorothy than in his wife."

Although Cornell purchased the collection in an auction at Sotheby's in London last summer, the university was not able to bring the collection to Ithaca, New York. British law prohibits the export of national treasures if a British institution can match the price for which the treasure was sold.

Dove Cottage, a museum in the Lake District where most of Wordsworth's papers are kept, became aware of Cornell's purchase and matched the price of about \$73,000 in March. As a result of negotiations, Cornell received a full microfilm set of the papers.

According to the *New York Times*, "Sotheby's labeled the whole collection 'The Property of a Gentleman,' but ownership was eventually traced to a young man in Carlisle, on the Scottish border. Until last year he was a carpetfitter, then he set up in business buying old paper for the stamps. He said that he had bought the old Wordsworth treasure for 5 pounds and was about to burn some of it when he saw the name Wordsworth. He called Sotheby's and then the police called on him, but he stuck to his story that one of the great library finds of the century had been sold to him by someone, he could not remember who, as junk."

Cornell Library officials saw the auction item in Sotheby's catalog and placed a bid. There was only one other bid. If the auction house had not received a predetermined amount for the collection, it was to have been split up and each lot sold as signatures.

The Dove Cottage trustees have formally thanked Cornell for preventing the dispersal of a valuable scholarly resource and a British national treasure.

Cornell has one of the most extensive

Wordsworth collections in the world. Stephen M. Parrish, a professor of English at Cornell, is editing the Wordsworth manuscripts being published in a series by the Cornell University Press. He is now in England working on the project, but the microfilm of the new find will be invaluable to his work when he returns to Ithaca in the fall.

• A letter dated January 11, 1497, and initiated by King Henry VII of England has been presented as a gift to the department of Rare Books and Archives at the **UNIVERSITY OF TOLEDO's** William S. Carlson Library by Toledo attorney-industrialist Edward Lamb.

The letter was originally loaned to the university for display as part of the Carlson Library's exhibit marking the 500th anniversary of printing in England and publishing in the English language by William Caxton, who was employed by Henry VII to promulgate his laws.

Also part of the same exhibit was another gift of Lamb, a printed copy of the Magna Carta, published in 1576 near the end of the first century of printing in that country. This printed version of the document is thought to be the only one in the United States. Incorporated with the Magna Carta in the bound volume are other landmark legal texts written in legal French, probably used as a "law school" text, plus handwritten lecture notes in the margin.

• The Oral History of the Arts Archive, established in 1974, is located in the library at **CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LONG BEACH**. It is designed to preserve and develop archival material pertaining to the cultural development of southern California in the early twentieth century, with primary emphasis on the period from 1920 through 1935, although some materials extend beyond 1950. A particular aspect is to establish the situation into which the émigrés from Nazi Germany came to southern California in the 1930s.

The archival material is composed of tape-recorded interviews and related personal documents. At present, the archive has nine specific units. The first eight units relate to individual items of southern California culture, while the ninth is a broad and varied set of interviews relating to the total topic. In all cases, an aural aspect is central to each collection, although for the first eight units, significant written documents have also been preserved.

The units include the Wesley Kuhnle Repository, which documents this southern California performing musician's research in early keyboard music; the Gerald V. Strang Collection; material of the Southern California Chapter of the American Musicological Society Archive; and the Dane

Rudhyar Collection, which contains copies of most of his articles and books on music, many of which are unpublished.

Nearing completion is the Richard Buhlig Collection, which contains his papers, hundreds of concert programs and reviews, letters, and related biographical documents. The Morris H. Ruger Collection documents this southern California composer and educator, and there is also a unit that documents the exile writers, George Froeschel, Wilhelm Speyer, and Hans Wilhelm. At a time when new cultural values were just being formulated, the Pasadena Community Playhouse offered a unique cultural group to southern California. This is the subject of the eighth unit. The final and ninth unit is the Oral History Collection.

Collections of a related interest are located at UCLA and USC, including Shoebberg Institute, Toch, and Zeisl.

The emphasis of archival personnel so far has been on making and securing taped interviews. A complete listing of these interviews and performances, which are available on tape, is located in the Special Collections and Archives Department at California State University, Long Beach.

- At a recent auction at Sotheby's in London, the FOLGER SHAKESPEARE LIBRARY acquired a large archive of the Ferrers family of Tamworth Castle on the Warwickshire-Staffordshire border. The manuscripts date largely from the mid-sixteenth to the mid-seventeenth century, with some papers going back to as early as 1500.

The Ferrerses were an important local family, and these papers provide an interesting insight into their personal and official affairs. Portions of the manuscripts touch on legal matters, memorial affairs, Staffordshire officeholders, militia and muster papers, as well as household purchases and stewards' accounts. Contemporary events, such as Prince Charles' visit to Spain, parliamentary elections, and plague in London are mentioned in the family papers.

In 1955, the library acquired a smaller group of papers of the Bagot family of Staffordshire. Giles Dawson, curator emeritus of rare books and manuscripts of the Folger Library, who calendared those papers, has already discovered in the newly acquired Ferrers papers correspondence with Richard Bagot. In addition, correspondence of well-known historical figures, such as Sir Francis Walsingham, Thomas Egerton, and Sir Thomas Mainwaring, has been found in the collection.

Tamworth Castle was sold by the heirs of the Ferrers family in 1811, and at some time in the mid-nineteenth century, the archive was acquired by the great English collector, Sir Thomas Phillipps. The manuscripts are now loosely contained in boards bearing Sir Thomas Phillipps' manuscript numbers.

As the collection contains some 3,400 pieces, it

will be several years before the manuscripts can be sorted and calendared for the use of Folger readers. The manuscripts will also be microfilmed for deposit in the British Library. When the cataloging is completed, however, the collection will be an important source for the English Renaissance scholar.

- The Sheen Archives at ST. BERNARD'S SEMINARY Library, Rochester, New York, have completed the preliminary organization of their second major gift of Sheen materials. These were received in October 1977 and came from Archbishop Fulton John Sheen and his family. These consist of periodical articles, newspaper clippings, photographs, and correspondence dating from 1925.

Included in the correspondence are letters from President Franklin Roosevelt, Cardinal Hayes, John McCormack, Pius XII, etc. Periodical articles authored by the archbishop were included and helped complete the files given earlier to the Sheen Archives. Original notes for several books and articles, along with publishers' announcements, photographs, broadsides (poster-size notices), spiritual bouquets, and letters of appreciation are also included.

The syndicated column "Bishop Sheen Writes . . ." for the years 1957-58, 1961-62, 1964-68, 1970, and 1972-74 has been cataloged and is available for public use.

Some associated items (people, places, and events associated with Archbishop Sheen) were received, including a substantial file of clippings and articles on communism. A copy of the *Christianity Today* interview that appeared in the June 3, 1977, issue and a program and other mementos of the St. Genesius Award, which was given to the archbishop by the Catholic Actors' Guild on November 12, 1977, have also been added to the collection, according to the Rev. Jasper Pennington, director.

- Because of one small book published in 1918, many books have come into existence, and the poets of the world, along with readers of their poetry, have had a new view of what poetry is and does. *Poems of Gerard Manley Hopkins Now First Published* was edited with notes by Robert Bridges, Britain's poet laureate, and published in London by Humphrey Milford, Oxford University Press.

The copy of this edition at Crosby Library, GONZAGA UNIVERSITY, derives a special importance from the fact that it is one of the basic works included in their Hopkins Collection, described in a (London) *Times Literary Supplement* review of July 16, 1976, as ". . . the great Hopkins Collection at Gonzaga University."

It was first published in an edition of 750 copies. Of these, 50 were given away, and in the first year after publication (1919) only 180 copies were sold. In the following year, 240 copies were sold, and for the next six years the average was a



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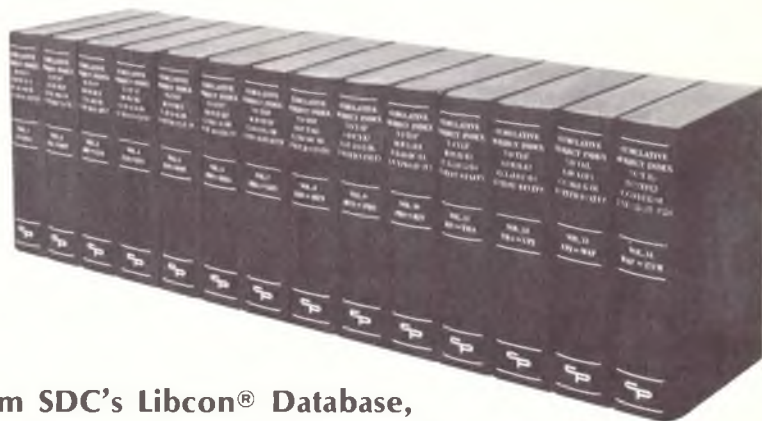
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sale of 30 copies per year, rising to 90 copies in 1927. The last four copies were sold in 1928 at a price of twelve shillings, sixpence. The book is now very rare, and the few copies that do appear occasionally for sale at auction command extremely high prices.

If Robert Bridges, a friend of Gerard Manley Hopkins from their days at Oxford, had not edited and published these poems nearly thirty years after the poet's death, recognition of Hopkins' genius may not have occurred. Yet today Father Gerard Manley Hopkins, S.J., is memorialized in the Poets' Corner of Westminster Abbey with John Masefield and T. S. Eliot.

Arrangements for use of Crosby Library's Hopkins Collection may be made with the collection's curator, Ruth Seelhammer, whose bibliography, *Hopkins Collected at Gonzaga*, is the standard scholarly reference work for Hopkins scholars.

- The **NORTHERN ILLINOIS REGIONAL HISTORY CENTER** has been established at Northern Illinois University in DeKalb, supported in part by a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. The center's staff has begun an intensive three-year program to accession historical materials, especially manuscript collections, and will emphasize agricultural, business, and religious history in the first year. J. Carroll Moody, chairperson of the History Department, is coordinating and directing the project.

AWARDS

- The 1977 John Cotton Dana Award for outstanding public relations among college and university libraries has been presented to the General Libraries at the **UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS**.

The award was presented by the American Library Association during its Annual Conference in June. The citation noted that the honor was for "a well-conceived and competently executed program aimed at all present and potential users through a variety of well-designed publications." The UT Austin recognition was one of four top awards, chosen from 180 entries, and the only one presented to a college or university library.

The General Libraries' contest entry included a selection of materials published for its user education program, such as a handbook for faculty and graduate students, printed reference sources for various academic disciplines, and study guides for the Undergraduate Library. Also part of the entry were newspaper clippings about the celebration that marked the addition of the four millionth volume to the UT library and the opening of the new Perry-Castaneda Library.

During the June 25-28 conference in Chicago, the award was presented to Gary L. Menges, assistant director for public services, and Mary Pound, publications coordinator. Winning entries were exhibited throughout the conference.

The award, which is sponsored jointly by ALA and the H. W. Wilson Company, is named in

honor of John Cotton Dana, who was innovative in stimulating public use of libraries. He established the first branch library in the United States devoted to business and founded the first special library department for children.

GRANTS

- The Graduate School of Library Science, **DREXEL UNIVERSITY**, has been awarded a \$229,000 grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF) to continue its Individualized Instruction in Data Access project. The project, which began in 1975 with a grant of \$72,000, has been renewed for two more years to bring it to an end.

Charles T. Meadow, professor of the library school faculty, will be principal investigator. Working with him will be Thomas T. Hewett, of Drexel's Psychology and Sociology Department, and staff members of the Franklin Institute Research Laboratories.

The objective of the project is to develop a computer system that will assist scientist-users to search computer-based bibliographic files. In the Drexel system, the computer would work cooperatively and actively with the searchers. It would have the ability to detect and help overcome errors, as well as suggest new search approaches. A small intermediary computer, acting as a monitor, will be connected both to the user's data communications terminal and to the large, remotely located search computer. In this way, scientists and engineers, working in their own laboratories or offices, can make searches of the world's published literature.

If successful, Meadow foresees using this technique for a variety of applications, almost any one in which a computer performs or controls a complex operation under overall human control.

- Work has commenced on the compilation of a Near East Union List by the Near East Section of the **LIBRARY OF CONGRESS** under the auspices of the Middle East Studies Association of North America. The project is supported by grants totaling almost \$300,000 provided by the al Dir'iyyah Institute, philanthropic association with headquarters located in Geneva, Switzerland, and with operating offices in Arlington, Virginia, and the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The Near East National Union List Project will produce a computerized catalog in the Roman alphabet locating Arabic-, Persian-, and Turkish-language monographs and serials found in American libraries. It will also perfect a computer program for file creation, maintenance, retrieval, file inversion, and report generation. It proposes the editing of 150,000 card reports already in the files of the Near East Section of the library and their ultimate publication in a multivolume work. Universities in this country with Middle Eastern programs will benefit greatly from the project.

The publication of the list will, it is hoped, raise the Near Eastern research facilities in the Library of Congress to and maintain them on a par with Western-language resources. The achievement of this project will open new vistas for research on a nationwide basis for scholars working in the humanities, the social sciences, and other fields of Near Eastern studies.

George Atiyeh, head of the Near East Section, and George D. Selim, the Arab area specialist, will supervise the overall operations. Dorothy Stehle has been appointed editor of the project.

• Mrs. Vincent Astor (Brooke Russell Astor), honorary chairperson of the **NEW YORK PUBLIC LIBRARY**, has announced that David and Laurance Rockefeller have donated a sum of \$1.5 million to the New York Public Library, Astor, Lenox, and Tilden Foundations, in response to the \$5 million challenge grant made last November by the Vincent Astor Foundation.

The Rockefeller donation comes on top of \$1.1 million already raised for the Research Libraries and helps toward the goal of \$10 million the library needs to raise by November 1982 to fulfill the terms of the Astor Foundation grant. This is part of a larger development campaign designed by the library's trustees for the following purposes: capital improvement of the library's research collections, improvement of the building facilities, and important work in the area of conservation and preservation and endowment.

Richard Salomon, chairperson of the library, has designated the main lobby, or Great Hall, of the library, as "Astor Hall" in recognition of the nearly two century involvement of the Astor family with the New York Public Library. A plaque on the north wall of Astor Hall was unveiled in the presence of Mrs. Astor, president of the Vincent Astor Foundation.

• Announcement has been made by the National Endowment for the Humanities of a three-year, \$119,520 grant to the **AMERICAN ANTIQUARIAN SOCIETY** for the purpose of cataloging its collection of early American broadsides. The grant will extend from October 1, 1978, through September 30, 1981.

The program will be under the direction of Frederick E. Bauer, Jr., associate librarian. Cataloger for the project will be Carol R. Alexander, graduate of Northwestern University, with a MLS from Wayne State University. Georgia B. Bumgardner, Andrew W. Mellon Curator of Graphic Arts, will assist in coordinating the program.

The broadside collection consists of approximately 6,500 items printed before 1831, which like the rest of the society's holdings are national in scope. When fully cataloged, these materials will provide researchers with information on previously unrecorded broadsides dealing with religious and temperance organizations, industrial arts, agriculture, trades, mechanics societies,

political parties, government proclamations, sermons, ballads, and accounts of unusual events and natural disasters.

The bibliographical information from this project will be made available in MARC format to libraries throughout the United States through libraries participating in the OCLC catalog network. A published catalog is envisioned sometime after 1980.

• A grant of \$15,000 has been awarded the **HARVARD UNIVERSITY** Library by the Carnegie Corporation of New York to support conversion of the catalog records of the library's Middle Eastern serial collection into machine-readable form. The grant will be administered through the University Library Office for Systems Planning and Research as part of its ongoing HUL/CONSER (Conversion of Serials) Project and in close cooperation with the Middle Eastern Department of the College Library. The effort will encompass titles in Arabic, Persian, Urdu, Ottoman Turkish, Modern Turkish, and Armenian.

The aim of the conversion project is to integrate the serial cataloging information held by the Middle Eastern Department—one of the world's foremost Middle Eastern collections—with other CONSER data for the University Library. The information thus integrated would become available for use by present and future participants in the CONSER Project, members of OCLC, the Library of Congress MARC-S (Machine Readable Cataloging—Serials) Distribution Service, and Harvard's own scholarly community. Conversely, too, adaptation of its records to machine-readable form will enable the Middle Eastern Department to make efficient use of LC's data services in years to come.

This continuation of Harvard's commitment to CONSER represents the first major retrospective conversion of Middle Eastern serial records to machine-readable form ever undertaken and serves to complement LC's efforts in converting the records for current Middle Eastern serials. By designing applications for the CONSER data distributed by OCLC, the University Library enhances the value and viability of the project both at Harvard and nationally.

• Teachers College Library, **COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY**, has been awarded a grant of \$10,000 from the National Endowment for the Humanities for its Department of Archives and TCana to arrange and describe the records of the National Council for the Social Studies, 1920-70. The records constitute a primary source for study of the history of professional activities in the field. They detail the efforts of historians, sociologists, economists, scientists, and geographers who came together to consider the teaching of social studies. The papers provide historical perspective for the study of changes in social studies curriculum, strategy, and design. An inventory will be published to make the records accessible to scholars.

MEETINGS & WORKSHOPS

SEPTEMBER 18-21, OCTOBER 16-19, NOVEMBER 13-16, DECEMBER 11-14: The Graduate School of Library and Information Sciences, University of Pittsburgh, will hold an **ON-LINE TRAINING CENTER FOR BIBLIOGRAPHIC AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS**. Access is provided to subsections of many data bases (three per session) in science/technology, social science, business, and humanities using "emulations" of the commercially available search systems such as Lockheed/Dialog or SDC/Orbit. Each of ten trainees is given access to a terminal for personal use during the three-day sessions, with extensive practice time.

Inquiries should be directed to Dr. Elizabeth Duncan or Professor Allen Kent, Room 801, L.I.S. Building, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA 15260; (412) 624-5218.

OCTOBER 6-8: The Southeastern Library Association and the Southwestern Library Association will meet in a joint conference at the Hilton Hotel, New Orleans, Louisiana. Three thousand librarians from sixteen states are expected to attend.

The theme of the conference is **LIBRARIES AND ALL THAT JAZZ**. Approximately ten preconference workshops are being planned for October 4 and 5 by a task force headed by Sandra Coleman, University of New Mexico Library, Albuquerque.

For further information contact G. Sheppard Hicks, Program Chairman, Box 2081, Anniston, AL 36201; or Hester B. Slocum, Local Arrangements, 6800 Morrison Rd., Apt. #105, New Orleans, LA 70126.

OCTOBER 9: To celebrate the sixtieth anniversary of the founding of the Wason Collection on China and the Chinese, Cornell University Libraries will hold a one-day **CONFERENCE ON INTERLIBRARY COOPERATION AMONG THE EAST ASIAN LIBRARIES IN NORTH AMERICA**. Speakers will be T. H. Tsien, professor at the University of Chicago; Warren Tsuneishi, of the Library of Congress; and Eugene Wu, librarian of the Harvard Yen-ching Library, Harvard University. Richard Howard, Library of Congress, will be moderator.

Charles William Wason, a Cornell alumnus, bequeathed his private collection to his alma mater with an endowment of \$50,000 in 1918. It was the earliest collection founded to focus on China in a university library in North America. Continuous interest and development have brought forth a holding of close to 300,000 volumes together with maps, microfilms, and manuscripts. The collection, with fully integrated multilingual materials, is most convenient for scholarly research, and the Western-language collection is among the world's finest on East Asia.

To share its rich resources with other libraries, a *China Catalog of the Wason Collection* is being compiled by Paul P. W. Cheng, East Asia librarian, with a grant from the National Endowment

for the Humanities. The catalog will be published by the ARL Center for Chinese Research Materials, Washington, D.C. For further information on the conference, please contact Paul Cheng, Cornell University Libraries, Ithaca, NY 14853.

OCTOBER 10, OCTOBER 19: Two workshops will be held culminating the project **MODEL JOB DESCRIPTIONS FOR LIBRARY/MEDIA PARAPROFESSIONALS**. The October 10 workshop will be at Griswold's Inn, Fullerton, California, and the October 19 workshop at Holiday Inn, San Jose, California.

The project, currently being implemented, was made possible through a grant from Welfare Reform Act funds by the State Personnel Board of California to the Mt. San Antonio College Foundation, Walnut. Objectives of the project are development of an inventory of job descriptions and suggested salary ranges for all library and media paraprofessional classes; development of three model job descriptions and suggested salary ranges that can serve as a benchmark for agencies hiring library/media-type paraprofessionals; illustration of how model job descriptions can be modified to make them accessible to the physically handicapped; and development of a programmatic text.

The only cost will be for lunch. Preregistrations are accepted. For further information contact Mt. San Antonio College Foundation, Attn. Project Director, Harriet Genung, 1100 N. Grand Ave., Walnut, CA 91789.

OCTOBER 12-13: The **4TH ANNUAL LIBRARY MICROFORM CONFERENCE**, sponsored by the ALA RTSD Micropublishing Committee and Microform Review will be held at the Washington Hilton, Washington, DC. For further information contact A. Meckler, Microform Review, 520 Riverside Ave., Westport, CT; (203) 226-6967.

OCTOBER 26-28: Come, help tell others what you know or want to know about the information avalanche (storage, retrieval, transfer), media systems, and automation at the **NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF EDUCATORS AND SCHOLARS**. This is a foremost interdisciplinary conference, with main themes of information coping, library trends, public media for the millions, and educational communications, along with other timely topics. Exciting speakers, panels, receptions. Program roles invited. Celebrating a new \$12 million library. Registration, \$14; budget accommodations on campus. For further information write Dr. Jay W. Stein, Executive Secretary, 403 Stipes Hall, Macomb, IL 61455; (309) 298-1528.

OCTOBER 29-31: The Colorado Library Association convention will be held at the Four Seasons Motor Inn at Colorado Springs. The conference theme will be **CRISIS MANAGEMENT FOR THE 1980s: PEOPLE, MONEY, PERFORMANCE**. For further information contact Dr. Claude J. Johns, Jr., President, Colorado Library Association, University of Northern Colorado, Greeley, CO 80639.

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DATE: September 19
LOCATION: Columbia, S.C.
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TITLE: Effective Delegation
DATE: September 25-26
 December 4-5

LOCATION: Ann Arbor, Mich.
SPONSOR: University of Michigan
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CONTACT: Peggy Grantz, (313) 763-1000

TITLE: Managing the Unsatisfactory Performer
DATE: September 27-29
 December 6-8
LOCATION: Ann Arbor, Mich.
SPONSOR: University of Michigan
COST: \$325
CONTACT: Peggy Grantz, (313) 763-1000

TITLE: CE 4, General Biomedical Reference Tools
 CE 11, Interlibrary Loan and Copyright
 CE 39, Women and Biomedical Library Administration
DATE: September 28
LOCATION: Madison, Wis.
SPONSOR: Midwest Regional Group, MLA
COST: \$35.00 MLA members/\$52.50 nonmembers
CONTACT: Elizabeth Merriam, 2818 Ridge Road, Madison, WI

OCTOBER

TITLE: Cost-Effective Purchasing Management
DATE: October 2-4
LOCATION: Ann Arbor, Mich.
SPONSOR: University of Michigan
COST: \$340
CONTACT: Sheila J. Curran, Program Coordinator, University of Michigan, Graduate School of Business Administration, 1735 Washtenaw Ave., Ann Arbor, MI 48109

TITLE: Finance for the Non-Financial Manager
DATE: October 4-6
 December 11-13
LOCATION: Ann Arbor, Mich.
SPONSOR: University of Michigan
COST: \$375
CONTACT: Ann Walton, Program Coordinator, University of Michigan, Graduate School of Business Administration, 1735 Washtenaw Ave., Ann Arbor, MI 48109

TITLE: Information Resources: Social Indicators

DATE: October 6
LOCATION: Philadelphia, Pa.
SPONSOR: Drexel University Graduate
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COST:
CONTACT: Howard White, (215) 895-2481

TITLE: CE 46, Library Management/
Budgeting

DATE: October 6
LOCATION: Denver, Colo.
SPONSOR: Colorado Council of Medical
Librarians

COST: \$35 MLA members/\$52.50
nonmembers

CONTACT: C. Korkmas, (303) 753-1111

TITLE: Library Services for the Hand-
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DATE: October 7-November 4
LOCATION: Kalamazoo, Mich.
SPONSOR: Western Michigan University
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hour

CONTACT: Registration Office, (616) 383-
1849

TITLE: 4th Annual Library Microform
Conference

DATE: October 12-13
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Review

COST: \$55

CONTACT: Microform Review, (203)
226-6967

TITLE: Teaching the Library User

DATE: October 13
LOCATION: Philadelphia, Pa.
SPONSOR: Drexel University, Graduate
School of Library Science

COST: \$55

CONTACT: John Hall, (215) 895-2482

TITLE: The Assessment Center Meth-
ods for Measuring and De-
veloping Management for
Potential

DATE: October 16-18
LOCATION: Ann Arbor, Mich.
SPONSOR: University of Michigan
COST: \$345

CONTACT: Juliana Lord, Program Assis-
tant, University of Michi-
gan, 1735 Washtenaw Ave.,
Ann Arbor, MI 48109

TITLE: Multi-Ethnic Understanding,
Literature Approach

DATE: October 21
November 4

LOCATION: Huntsville, Tex.
SPONSOR: Sam Houston State University
Library Science Department

COST: \$20

CONTACT: Lesta Burt, (713) 295-6211,
Ext. 2153

TITLE: CE 32, Statistical Sources for
Health Science Librarians

CE 33, Literature of Health
Care Administration

CE 22, Planning Hospital Li-
brary Facilities

CE 41, Introductory Data Col-
lection and Analysis

DATE: October 22

LOCATION: Baltimore, Md.
SPONSOR: Johns Hopkins University,
Welch Medical Library

COST: \$35.00 MLA members/\$52.50
nonmembers

CONTACT: Robert Gresehover, Johns
Hopkins University, Welch
Medical Library, Baltimore,
MD 21205

TITLE: Managing Management Time

DATE: October 23-24
LOCATION: Ann Arbor, Mich.
SPONSOR: University of Michigan
COST: \$290
CONTACT: Peggy Grantz, (313) 763-1000

TITLE: CE 36, Patient Education
CE 39, Women and Biomed-
ical Library Administration

CE 45, Library Manage-
ment/Mktg.

CE 42, Working with Groups

DATE: October 24

LOCATION: Baltimore, Md.
SPONSOR: Johns Hopkins University,
Welch Medical Library

COST: \$35 MLA members/\$52.50
nonmembers

CONTACT: Robert Gresehover, Johns
Hopkins University, Welch
Medical Library, Baltimore,
MD 21205

TITLE: Managing People

DATE: October 26-27, Los Angeles
December 7-8, Houston
SPONSOR: The Wharton School
COST: \$465

CONTACT: Registrar, 14th Floor, Whar-
ton Conference Center, 360
Lexington Ave., New York,
NY 10017

NOVEMBER 1-2: The ARCHIVES-LIBRARIES COMMITTEE OF THE AFRICAN STUDIES ASSOCIATION will hold its fall meeting at the Baltimore Hilton Hotel. For details consult *Africana Libraries Newsletter*, no. 18 (July) or no. 19 (September), or contact David Easterbrook, *Africana Bibliographer*, E. S. Bird Library, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY 13210; (315) 423-4176.

NOVEMBER 1-2: The 1978 ANNUAL FALL CONFERENCE OF THE RHODE ISLAND LIBRARY ASSOCIATION will be held in Newport, Rhode Island, at the Sheraton-Islander Inn. For more information contact: Janice Sieburth, Reference Department, University of Rhode Island Library, Kingston, RI 02881.

NOVEMBER 3-4: The fourteenth annual CONFERENCE ON EDITORIAL PROBLEMS will be held at the University of Toronto. The theme of this year's conference is the "Editing of Correspondence" and the writers to be discussed will include Walpole, Rousseau, Scott, Disraeli, and Zola. Presenting papers will be Wilmarth S. Lewis, Ralph A. Leigh, Alan S. Bell, John P. Matthews, and John A. Walker. Registration forms and further information are available from Desmond Neill, Librarian, Massey College, University of Toronto, Toronto M5S 1A5, Canada.

NOVEMBER 6-8: The Graduate School of Library and Information Sciences, University of Pittsburgh, in cooperation with the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science, announces the 1978 Pittsburgh Conference, TOWARD THE WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE: THE STRUCTURE AND GOVERNANCE OF LIBRARY NETWORKS IN LIGHT OF A DEVELOPING TECHNOLOGY.

The purpose of the 1978 conference is to examine library networks in terms of management and organization, standardization, criteria for network membership, choices among complex technological options, interrelationships among networks, measures of network performance, and financing.

It will provide an opportunity to participate in the definition of problems that may constitute a significant part of the agenda of the White House Conference on Libraries and Information Science, scheduled for October 1979, which has as its theme "Equal Opportunity of Access to Information."

Five position papers will be prepared before the conference is held and will be sent to all advance registrants before they arrive in Pittsburgh. The final program with topics, speakers, and registration information will be distributed in the near future. Early inquiries may be directed to: Allen Kent, Distinguished Service Professor, Graduate School of Library and Information Sciences, University of Pittsburgh, 801 L.I.S. Building, Pittsburgh, PA 15260.

NOVEMBER 15-17: The NEW ENGLAND DOCUMENT CONSERVATION CENTER will conduct a three-day seminar in Providence, Rhode Island, covering records conservation management and

preventive conservation techniques.

Designed both for those with no previous conservation instruction as well as those with some familiarity with the subject, the seminar is aimed at archivists, librarians, manuscript curators, records managers, and town clerks in Rhode Island and southeastern Massachusetts.

The Rhode Island Historical Society and Brown University's John Hay Library are sponsoring the seminar, which will be held at the John Hay Library. Funded by a grant from the National Historical Publications and Records Commission, the seminar costs only \$10 per person. Registration will be limited to fifty people. The deadline is October 20.

For additional information and a registration form, contact Nancy F. Chudacoff, Librarian, Rhode Island Historical Society, 121 Hope St., Providence, RI 02906; (401) 331-0448.

NOVEMBER 30-DECEMBER 1: A CONFERENCE ON RETRIEVAL AND USE OF EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES will be held at the University of Arizona, Tucson.

The purpose of the conference is to provide an opportunity to obtain current information on retrieval of information and the analysis of data bases that will be helpful in curriculum development, planning, management, policy formulation, research, and related areas.

The conference is sponsored by the Office of Information and Instructional Studies and the Program of Higher Education, College of Education, University of Arizona.

For more information and an early registration form contact: Lotus M. Knief, OIIS, College of Education, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ 85721.

NOVEMBER 30-DECEMBER 2: The VIRGINIA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION will hold its annual conference in the conference center of Colonial Williamsburg, Williamsburg, Virginia. Library instruction, networking, and the politics of library funding are among the topics to be addressed. For additional information contact Berna Hayman, Earl Gregg Swem Library, Collège of William and Mary, Williamsburg, VA 23185.

DECEMBER 4-7: The INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON ANIMAL HEALTH AND DISEASE DATA BANKS will be held in Washington, D.C. It is designed to provide mutual awareness and develop ongoing cooperation among established data banks. Primary users and other interested persons are invited to attend.

Brief, concise descriptions of data banks will be presented by participating authorities in the following areas: bibliographic information; numeric, statistical, and epidemiological data; laboratory diagnostic reporting; current research information; animal production and economic data.

Time will be scheduled for informal discussions. Prepared papers will be published in a directory of specialized animal health and disease data banks.

Persons interested in participating in the symposium should contact Dr. Edwin Pilchard, Emergency Programs Information Center, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Room 757, Federal Center Building, Hyattsville, MD 20782.

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• **COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY** has received a gift of \$256,500 from alumni in Taiwan to strengthen and expand its East Asian studies program.

According to W. Theodore deBary, executive vice-president for academic affairs and provost, the university will use the funds to bolster teaching and research in Chinese studies and to help finance a major renovation and expansion of the East Asian Library.

The gift, by more than 100 Columbia alumni in Taiwan, was made through the Columbia Alumni Fund Raising Committee in the Republic of China. It was given as part of a larger campaign being conducted in both the Far East and the United States to support Columbia's position as a leading national center for East Asian studies.

"This gift renews a long-standing tradition of support by Chinese for our library and instructional programs that dates back to the beginning of this century," deBary said.

Noting that participation by alumni is of the "utmost importance to the university's continuing capability to advance knowledge of Chinese history and culture," deBary cited the leadership of Vivian Wu Yen, who led the volunteer effort in Taiwan.

Yen, who is chairman of the Tai Yuen Textile Company in Taipei, received her Master of Arts degree from Columbia's Department of Political Science in 1955.

Columbia's programs on East Asia, which today are among the most comprehensive offered at any university, began shortly after the turn of the century with formalized instruction in Chinese. Throughout the years, a wide spectrum of both graduate and undergraduate courses have been added in modern and classical Chinese, the humanities, and the social sciences.

The development of instructional courses in Chinese and in such other East Asian cultures as Japanese, Korean, and Tibetan paralleled the growth of the university's East Asian Library collection, which today numbers 385,000 volumes. It is one of the most frequently used university East Asian libraries anywhere and is both a national and international working library and a depository for East Asian lore.

Other beneficiaries of the \$10.5 million campaign to expand the university's East Asian studies program will be the East Asian Institute, the Department of East Asian Languages and Cultures, the University Committee on Oriental Studies, and several university seminars on the East Asian area.

• Keeping up with what is being said at meetings and what is being published in the conference literature is nearly impossible. The **NEW ENGLAND RESEARCH APPLICATION CENTER (NERAC)** can now find such information by searching the newly acquired Conference Papers Index data file.

Conference Papers Index is an effective method for keeping up with ongoing research and development in science and technology. By relying on programs of meetings, rather than on the formal journal literature, Conference Papers Index can report new research and development more than a year before services based on the journal literature. In fact, some conference proceedings are never published in archival literature.

The average time lag between completion of a research project or engineering development work and publication of the results in a formal journal is well over a year. Delays of more than two years are not uncommon. By contrast, information on research and development is presented at a conference within an average of less than five months of the completion of the work and often while the work is still in progress. Conference Papers Index informs the scientist and technologist quickly enough to permit meaningful exchange of information among researchers.

NERAC specializes in multiple data base searches on more than thirty-five files. Every question accesses all appropriate files at no extra cost. This greatly reduces failure to retrieve relevant information due to utilization of only one or two data bases. This multiple-file approach is very effective for both retrospective and current awareness/update searches.

For more information contact: Dr. Daniel U. Wilde, New England Research Application Center, Mansfield Professional Park, Storrs, CT 06268.

• **THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING** Libraries got some bad news and some good news at the close of the Wyoming Legislature's biennial budget session this spring.

Since the construction bid on the main library's addition, currently under construction, had come in about \$1 million under the appropriation, the university went to the Legislature requesting about \$250,000 of the surplus for refurbishing the existing Coe Library building, built in 1958. The Legislature Budget Committee rejected the refurbishment but accepted the suggestion of Legislator T. A. Larson, a retired university professor, that the \$250,000 be added to the library's biennial acquisitions budget.

This windfall of about \$125,000 each for fiscal '78-79 and '79-80 brings the '78-79 acquisitions budget to nearly \$881,000. The regular acquisitions appropriation had been \$755,951, an increase of 8 percent over 1977-78. ■■