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Personnel

FRANKLIN FERGUSON HOPPER, director of the New York Public Library since 1941, retires on Oct. 1, 1946. Mr. Hopper has built up an enviable record as a librarian, a bookman, and a man.

He graduated from Pratt Institute Library School in 1901 after receiving his A.B. degree from Princeton the previous year. After a year at the Library of Congress, he went to the Carnegie Library at Pittsburgh, then in 1908 he became librarian of the Tacoma, Wash., Public Library. Mr. Hopper has been with the New York Public Library since 1914, first as chief of the order division, then from 1919 to 1941 as chief of the circulation department.

He guided the circulation department through the major years of expansion, and his feeling for the library needs of minority groups in the city was recognized by the award of the medal of the Order of the White Lion of Czechoslovakia in 1927 for his part in the development of the Czech Collection at the Webster Branch.

Always active in professional organizations, Mr. Hopper has been especially interested in closer relations between publishers and librarians. As the library member of the Executive Board of the Council on Books in Wartime, he performed a noteworthy service in convincing the publishers of the importance of libraries as an agency for the dissemination of ideas.

During World War I he was manager for New York City of the American Library Association campaign to provide books for soldiers and sailors, and during World War II he was one of the two library representatives on the Executive Committee of the Victory Book Campaign.

Mr. Hopper's warm interest in people, his belief in the future of libraries, his progressive approach to any problem, and his human qualities as a gentleman have earned him a host of friends in America and Europe. All will regret his retirement from active library service. His recent air flight to England to resume associations with publishers and librarians that had been interrupted by the war suggests the distinguished service as a book-

man that his profession will continue to ask of him.—*Francis R. St. John.*

THIS is not a biography of Harrison Warwick Craver; the facts of his career may be found in *Who's Who in America*, *Who's Who in Library Service*, and in many other biographical sources. Rather it is a note of appreciation of Dr. Craver as a librarian, practical philosopher, administrator, and man.

When he was President of the American Library Association a group of his former assistants formed the "Craver Alumni Association." That title expresses the feeling of most of us that working closely with Dr. Craver was equivalent to a postgraduate course in library administration. We found Dr. Craver patient with people while intolerant of second-rate work; a hard-headed visionary who constantly thought beyond tomorrow but simultaneously insisted upon practical planning of new projects; a fountainhead of knowledge on all phases of library work; and a philosopher of library administration who almost unconsciously required and stimulated everyone associated with him to grow.

Dr. Craver has a rare appreciation for precision in detail where that is needed together with scorn for detail for the sake of detail. The dynamics of library service were our constant concern when we worked with Dr. Craver; if conventional details of library housekeeping contributed toward intelligent service they were retained, but if they did not they were ruthlessly pruned. While the details of library management of the Engineering Societies Library were, in many cases, unconventional, they were unconventional on the basis of thorough knowledge of the processes and functions of the details and the institution.

To prepare himself for library work Dr. Craver read through the entire library literature several times—a course which might well be recommended to modern librarians regardless of the amount of formal training they have had. This gave Dr. Craver an exceptionally thorough understanding of the problems and methods of librarianship. His thirty

years at the Engineering Societies Library, preceded by some seventeen years at the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh, resulted in many innovations in the philosophy and practice of librarianship and in a tremendous store of experience and practical information which he freely imparted to those who worked with him. He is a leader in the field of education for librarianship, in the field of simplification of library methods, in the fields of what the Europeans call "documentation." His ability to put fundamental principles tersely and in unforgettable form is among his many great attributes. As an example, when speaking of the indispensability of experience, Dr. Craver once said "The reason the devil gets ahead of folks is not because he is so all-fired smart, but just because he has been around such a long time."

Although Dr. Craver has relinquished command of the Engineering Societies Library because of ill health, his contributions to librarianship will go on for many years because his kindly wisdom and intelligent experience will always be sought. His influence will continue to grow.—*Ralph R. Shaw.*

THE ASSUMPTION on October 1 of the directorship of the New York Public Library by Ralph A. Beals is an event to be hailed in New York. During the past four years Mr. Beals has served with great distinction as director of the University of Chicago Library, and for the past year as dean of the university's Graduate Library School.

Despite the fact that most of the period of his administration was the war period, his record in the library was one of progress. He gave the library a new administrative structure, rearranged functions, and gave the students and faculty better service. He consolidated several departmental libraries with the general library. He closed the principal library of the physical sciences to make room for atomic bomb research, yet provided service in the fields involved. He merged the various rare book collections in new quarters and put most reserve collections behind one counter. In view of the growing complexity of acquisitions in the very broad areas of the humanities and social sciences, he appointed principal bibliographers in those areas.

His interest in professional education in his field led the central administration to appoint

him to the deanship of the Graduate Library School in 1945. During the year just concluded, the faculty has considered numerous changes in the program of study for the master's and doctor's degrees in the field of librarianship which will be reflected in the work of the school for many years. In addition, Mr. Beals's long association with adult education put him on responsible committees in that field—wrestling with the problems of off-campus great books programs and radio.

Ralph Beals, in his four years at Chicago, won the respect of faculty and administration. He did the work of two—or even ten—men with intelligence, dignity, and dispatch.—*Robert Maynard Hutchins.*

WILLIAM PORTER KELLAM, librarian at West Virginia University for the past seven years, became librarian of the University of South Carolina on August 1, succeeding John VanMale.

Mr. Kellam received both the B.A. and M.A. degrees from Duke University and in 1931 was awarded the A.B. in L.S. from Emory University, which he attended as the recipient of a \$1000 Rosenwald scholarship.

During his undergraduate years, he was a student assistant in the Duke University Library and later served as head of the circulation department. Upon graduating from library school, he served a brief term under Louis R. Wilson as education librarian at the University of North Carolina, and in January 1932 became head of the circulation department at that institution. In July 1934 he was appointed librarian of North Carolina State College, where he remained until he assumed his duties as librarian at West Virginia University in 1939.

Under his administration at West Virginia University Library major emphasis was placed upon reorganization for more efficient service, upon strengthening the holdings in periodicals, and upon the introduction of audio-visual services. Routines in the technical processes were simplified and standardized, and a film library which extends service throughout the state as well as on the campus was established. The moving of the Carnegie music collection to the library and the installation of microfilming equipment are among recent developments in expanding the library's services.

Better relations between the library and the campus at large were fostered not only by improved service but by the librarian's participation in campus activities. Mr. Kellam was president of the campus credit union, vice president of the local A.A.U.P. chapter, member of the student-faculty forum, served on the executive committee of the faculty association, and was a member of the committees on radio, teacher-training, and visual aids.

Mr. Kellam was also active in promoting better public library service in West Virginia, having served as chairman of the West Virginia Library Commission for the past five years. Under his leadership the first appropriation for instituting and carrying on the work of the commission was made available. He supervised campaigns for state aid and visited many communities in the interest of county libraries. His two terms as president of the West Virginia Library Association were marked by a growth of professional interest among the librarians of the state. He contributed several articles on library problems to *School and Society*, *West Virginia School Journal*, and the *West Virginia Dental Journal*.

On the national level, Mr. Kellam has served on several A.L.A. committees, was coordinator of the West Virginia Federal Relations Committee, and directed the Library Development Fund Campaign in West Virginia. He was chairman of the Agricultural Libraries Section of the American Library Association in 1938 and 1939. He served as 16mm. chairman for West Virginia in the Fifth, Sixth, Seventh War Loan Drives, and the Victory Loan Drive. He is a member of the Joint Committee of the Educational Film Library Association and the American Library Association to Study Film Problems.

His activities in Morgantown included many others than purely professional ones. In May of this year he was given two awards by the Kiwanis Club in recognition of his work with the Boy Scouts and as president of the Monongahela Council of Social Agencies. He was prominent in the Family Welfare Association and the Community Chest and was a member of the Torch and Wrangler Clubs.—*Virginia Alexander and Fleming Bennett.*

J. PERIAM DANTON, for the past spring an associate in library service at Columbia University, has been named dean of the School of Librarianship of the University of California to succeed Sidney B. Mitchell. Dr. Danton brings to his new position a varied experience in college and university librarianship and library school teaching in related fields.

Dr. Danton's educational background has been a cosmopolitan one, beginning in China and including a year at Leipzig. He has his B.A. from Oberlin, in 1928, and an M.A. in Germanic languages from Williams, in 1930. Dr. Danton took his professional training at Columbia and Chicago, receiving his doctor's degree from the Graduate Library School in 1935.

From 1930 to 1935 he had the rewarding privilege of working for and with Carl H. Milam at A.L.A. Headquarters, a rough but rich introduction to librarianship. For the next year he was librarian and associate professor of bibliography at Colby College.

In 1936 Dr. Danton became librarian and associate professor of bibliography at Temple University, a post which he held until he accepted a commission with the U.S. Navy in 1942. His wartime duties involved intelligence work with the Pacific fleet and earned him battle stars for several of the Pacific engagements.

His recently published essay, *Education for Librarianship—Criticisms, Dilemmas, and Proposals*, is evidence of his deep interest in the problems facing our profession. He takes with him to California a wide knowledge of the literature of librarianship, a scholarly, disciplined mind, and the vigor with which to overcome the dilemmas inherent in teaching and training librarians today.—*B.C.H.*

WALTER HAUSDORFER, librarian of the School of Business of Columbia University for the past sixteen years, resigned on July 1 to become librarian of his alma mater, Temple University.

Mr. Hausdorfer's library career began at Temple as a student assistant from 1922 until 1925. After receiving his A.B. degree in 1925, he served the university as assistant librarian for a year.

Twenty years ago he came to New York

to enter the first class of the School of Library Service at Columbia University, which had just been organized by the merger of the New York State Library School at Albany and the Library School of the New York Public Library, under the directorship of Charles C. Williamson.

Hausdorfer's first position after receiving his B.S. at Columbia in 1927 was at the New York Public Library as reference assistant in the economics division, where he remained for the next three years, continuing to work for his M.S. degree at Columbia which was granted in 1930.

His appointment as librarian of the School of Business at Columbia came in 1930. He has worked zealously in developing the collection, which has more than doubled in size during his incumbency.

His outside interests have been wide and varied, particularly in the service of the Special Libraries Association, and have included the presidency of the New York chapter of S.L.A. as well as that of the national organization.

He succeeds J. Periam Danton and Lucy E. Fay at Temple. Dr. Danton held the post from 1936 until his entry into the armed forces. Miss Fay acted as librarian during Dr. Danton's absence.

Both he and his wife, Abigail Fisher Hausdorfer, who has been librarian of the School of Library Service at Columbia since 1927, will be greatly missed by their many friends in New York library circles.—*Mark Kiley.*

CHARLES W. MIXER, who for the past eight years has been librarian and associate professor of the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md., has been appointed assistant director: general administration, of the Columbia University Libraries. He has succeeded Stephen A. McCarthy who resigned to become director of the Cornell University Libraries.

Mr. Mixer is a graduate of Harvard and of the Columbia University School of Library Service and has carried on graduate study at the Harvard School of Education. He obtained a familiarity with book manufacturing processes during his association with Ginn and Company from 1928 to 1931 where he was on the manufacturing and editorial staffs. Since graduating from the School of Library

Service in 1934, he has been circulation assistant in the Teachers College Library in the summer of 1934, cataloger at the Library of Congress from 1934 to 1935, reference assistant and later assistant chief of the central reference department of the Public Library of the District of Columbia, 1935 to 1938, and librarian and associate professor of the U.S. Naval Academy from 1938 to 1946.

He has been active in library association work. For three years he was A.L.A. Membership Chairman for Maryland, edited successively the journals of the D.C. Library Association and the Maryland Library Association, and was a member of the M.L.A. Executive Board for three years. At the time of receiving his appointment to the Columbia University Libraries he was a member of the Federal Relations Committee for Maryland, secretary of the Maryland Committee on the Conservation of Cultural Resources, and president of the Maryland Library Association.

For the past four years he has been on the Civil Service Efficiency Rating Board at the U.S. Naval Academy. Personnel work, which has been of much interest to him, will form a large part of his work at Columbia.—*B.C.H.*

ON JULY 1, 1946, Robert W. Orr assumed the duties of librarian of Iowa State College Library, with the title of director. The career of Mr. Orr is another excellent illustration of the possibilities, as well as the value, of in-service training.

Mr. Orr was born at Winterset, Iowa, in 1905. He graduated from Iowa State College in 1930, majoring in chemical technology. He was elected a member of the honorary and professional societies, Alpha Chi Sigma and Phi Lambda Upsilon. During his four undergraduate years Mr. Orr was employed as a student attendant in the library. Upon graduation he accepted the appointment of library assistant and worked in the order, cataloging, loan, and reference departments in successive years.

In 1938 he enrolled at the School of Library Service, Columbia University, and was enabled, as a result of his ability and experience, to pass the comprehensive examinations covering the first year's curriculum without enrolling for the first year's courses. He qualified for the second year's program and in 1939 received the M.S. degree.

As head of the reference department, Mr. Orr made an outstanding contribution to the instructional and research programs of Iowa State College. His major in chemical technology gave him a background in science, greatly needed for the specialized activities of the college. A few of the casual remarks made by research scholars on the campus will illustrate Mr. Orr's admirable qualifications. "Mr. Orr saved the college each year thousands of dollars in the prevention of duplication of research and in assistance he gave to scholars in obtaining a background for their research." "I never thought of consulting reference librarians about my specialized research, but now I don't see how I ever got

along without their help. It is still a mystery to me how they locate the material they do." "I always hated to go into a library, but our reference librarians are different. They really seem to want to help you."

With the exception of one year, 1938-39, Mr. Orr has been connected with Iowa State College Library since 1926. His promotion is a well-deserved tribute to his ability to make the library, in effect as well as in name, really a *service* institution. His force and determination will have in the future a marked influence on the development of the Iowa State College Library as a scientific and technical institution.—*Charles Harvey Brown.*

Appointments

John Dale Russell, former professor of education at the University of Chicago, has been appointed director of the Division of Higher Education in the U.S. Office of Education.

Jerrold Orne, of the library division of the Publication Board, has been named librarian of Washington University at St. Louis.

Two other members of the library staff of the Publication Board have accepted new administrative positions. Lawrence S. Thompson is now librarian of the Western Michigan College of Education at Kalamazoo. Robert H. Muller is librarian of Bradley University at Peoria, Ill.

Carl W. E. Hintz, librarian of the University of Maryland, has been appointed librarian of the Field Museum of Natural History in Chicago.

Rolland E. Stevens, a member of the staff of the University of Illinois Library, has been appointed head of the reference department and assistant to the librarian of the University of Rochester Library.

David K. Maxfield, assistant librarian of Cooper Union, New York City, has been appointed librarian of the recently established Chicago branch of the University of Illinois.

Raymond W. Holbrook, associate director of the University of Georgia Library, has been appointed librarian of the Russell Sage Foundation in New York City.

Everett T. Moore, recently discharged from the U.S. Army, is now reference librarian on the Los Angeles campus of the University of California.

Marion Magee is now librarian of Drury College, Springfield, Mo. Miss Magee succeeds William A. Daggett, who retired because of illness.

Earl J. Randolph has succeeded Gilbert L. Campbell as librarian of the Missouri School of Mines. Mr. Randolph has been a reference assistant at the Georgia Institute of Technology.

George P. Hammond has been named director of the Bancroft Library and professor of history of the University of California at Berkeley. Prior to coming to the university Dr. Hammond was professor of history and

dean of the graduate division at the University of New Mexico.

Lucy E. Fay, who has been acting librarian of the Sullivan Memorial Library of Temple University at Philadelphia for the past two years, has retired.

Lawrence E. Wikander, recently returned from military duty, has been appointed supervisor of technical processes and acquisitions librarian of the Sullivan Memorial Library of Temple University.

Helen C. Baird, instructor of library science at Our Lady of the Lake College, San Antonio, is now assistant librarian at St. Benedict's College, Atchison, Kan.

Ray C. Janeway, librarian of Bradley Polytechnic Institute, has been appointed assistant director of the University of Kansas Library.

Sadie Elizabeth Hall is now head of the circulation department of the Washburn Municipal University Library, Topeka, Kan.

Willa M. Boysworth, acting librarian of Hampden-Sydney College, has been appointed librarian at Huntington College, Montgomery, Ala.

Richard H. Shoemaker, acting librarian at Washington and Lee University, has been appointed librarian to succeed Foster E. Mohrhardt.

Dorothy W. Reeder has been appointed librarian of Radford College, Radford, Va.

Mrs. Ethel Taylor Crittenden, librarian of Wake Forest College, N.C., has retired after serving as librarian for thirty-one years. Carl P. West, a member of the department of social sciences, will succeed Mrs. Crittenden as librarian.

Stith Malone Cain, librarian of the New Mexico State Teachers College in Silver City, is now librarian of Union College, Barberville, Ky.

Since July 1 the administrative direction of library activities at the Louisiana State University has fallen upon two officers, the acting associate director and the chief of technical processes. Andrew J. Eaton, formerly chief reference librarian, has become acting associate director. Dr. Eaton's counterpart in technical processes is Robert Maxwell Trent, who has served as chief acquisitions

librarian for the past year. Ruth Walling has been named chief reference librarian.

Melvin J. Voigt, director of the library and publications for the research department of General Mills, Minneapolis, is now librarian of the Carnegie Institute of Technology of Pittsburgh.

James Gerard Baker, of the cataloging staff of the University of Illinois Library, is now head of the catalog department of Alabama Polytechnic Institute at Auburn.

Bernard R. Berelson, a member of the staff of the Bureau of Applied Social Research of Columbia University, has been appointed assistant professor of education and library science at the University of Chicago. Dr. Berelson will be a member of both the education and library school faculties.

Robert F. Beach has been appointed librarian of the Garrett Biblical Institute, Evanston, Ill.

Eileen Weber will be a lecturer in library science at the University of Toronto Library School for the current academic year. She is on leave of absence from the Public Library, Kitchener, Ont.

Louis N. Bolander has been appointed librarian of the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis.

Edwin C. Mirise, librarian of the Western Maryland College at Westminster, is now librarian of Eastern New Mexico College at Portales.

Lt. John P. Binnington, U.S.N.R., is now assistant librarian of the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy at King's Point.

J. Gormley Miller, recently discharged from the Army, has been appointed librarian of New York State School of Industrial and Labor Relations at Cornell.

Hester Meigs, of the staff of Queens College, Flushing, N.Y., has become librarian of Wagner College, Staten Island.

Genevieve Porterfield, reference librarian of the Texas Technological College at Lubbock, has been appointed reference librarian of the University of New Mexico at Albuquerque.

Howard Rovelstad has been named acting director of libraries of the University of Maryland to succeed Carl W. E. Hintz.

David K. Wilder, fellow in the A.L.A. International Relations Office, has been appointed associate librarian of Hamilton College, Clinton, N.Y.

Robert M. Agard, reading room supervisor of the Library of Congress, is now librarian of Ripon College, Ripon, Wis. Victoria E. Hargrave, former librarian at Ripon, will be in residence at the Graduate Library School of the University of Chicago beginning the autumn quarter.

The following staff changes have been announced by the Stanford University Libraries: Florence M. Craig, chief of the bibliography division, has resigned on account of ill health. Miss Craig will continue her connection with the Stanford University Libraries as senior bibliographer. Alice Charlton, formerly chief cataloger at the John Crerar Library, has been appointed chief of the bibliography division. Dorothy J. Phelps, recently librarian of the Naval Air Station in Honolulu, has been appointed assistant reference librarian. Selma J. Sullivan, recently a lieutenant in the United States Navy and assistant district officer, 12th Naval District, San Francisco, has been appointed assistant reference librarian. F. J. Priddle has been appointed chief of the circulation division to succeed William Owens, associate librarian, who retired August 31. Minna Stillman, associate librarian and chief of the document division, retired August 31 after thirty-four years in the Stanford University Libraries.

Mrs. Nell Hargrove Ives has been appointed reference librarian and Frances Clayton, assistant librarian, of the College of Mines and Metallurgy, at El Paso, Tex.

Emma L. Holman is assistant librarian, Mary Baldwin College, Staunton, Va.

R. Mitchell Lightfoot, Jr., is supervisor of circulation, Louisiana Polytechnic Institute, Ruston. He was formerly with the American Red Cross assigned to the Pacific area of operation.

Personnel and Salary Trends, Fall 1946

In the latter part of August, the School of Library Service of Columbia University sent a letter of inquiry to all graduates who were registered with the school for placement. In addition to verifying home and business addresses, the letter sought to discover possible changes in salary as the information in files was from three to ten months old.

The returns, particularly in the college and university field, have been so interesting that the editors feel that a short summary would be of value to readers of *College and Research Libraries*.

Forty graduates of the first-year program with two or more years of experience have replied to the questionnaire. Their present positions are fairly evenly divided among technical processes, service to readers, and administration. The age range extends from twenty-five to fifty-five.

The salaries recorded through June ranged from \$1800 to \$4200, with a median of \$2700. The range of the September salaries is \$2160 to \$4900, with a median of \$3000. The increases are particularly noticeable in the upper salary brackets. In the spring only one person in ten was making a salary of \$3500 or more. Now one in four has passed that mark. The augmented salaries noted above are not peculiar to any one area but indicate a general reaction to changing economic conditions. A percentage of the increases takes the form of a cost-of-living bonus but in the majority of cases it represents a direct salary increase. Whether or not, when economic conditions reverse themselves, this proves to have been a

desirable trend remains to be seen.

Even more pointed is the increase in the minimum salary at which the individual would consider a new position. In the spring the range was from \$2000 to \$4000, with a median of \$2850. The present range is \$2500 to \$6000, with a median figure of \$3600.

From the above figures it would seem that there has been a perceptible increase in the realism with which librarians are facing present conditions. Last winter half of the group would have considered a new position at the same or a lesser salary. Now there is a spread of \$600 between present salary and the minimum the individual would accept. Although the present situation increases measurably the budgetary difficulties of the library administrator, it marks a definite step forward in staff welfare and mental health. Difficult housing conditions and increased living costs have created untenable situations for many librarians who have changed positions recently at slight increases in salary. Immediate resignations have ensued in several cases.

Without question, the increase of \$750 in minimum salaries in less than a year's time represents, in the final analysis, a further restriction of the labor market, since library salary budgets have been unable, for the most part, to keep abreast of spiraling demands.

With war widows leaving their temporary jobs and marriage taking an increasing toll, the return of men and women from war service has been more than offset. The profession faces a difficult winter in its search for trained, experienced personnel.—B.C.H.

News from the Field

General Marywood College, Scranton, Pa., announced formal approval of its department of librarianship by the American Library Association on June 17, 1946.

Olof von Feilitzen, assistant librarian at the Royal Library in Stockholm, is now at the Yale University Library. During a six months' visit, he will study Yale's Scandinavian collection and offer his suggestions for improving it. Mr. von Feilitzen will also examine current library practices throughout the United States.

Buildings Certain physical changes are now under way in the main library building of the University of Pennsylvania. A new roof will be placed over the original stack, ventilating and air purifying equipment will be installed throughout the stacks, and a 15 per cent increase in shelving capacity will be achieved by utilizing empty loft space. Part of this new stack is designed for rare book storage and is adjacent to a large seminar room which will be converted into a rare book reading room. A curator and assistant will be placed in charge of this new department in the near future.

Hampden-Sydney College, Hampden-Sydney, Va., is working on plans for a new library building. More than half of the \$150,000 needed for this purpose is already available.

Gifts and Collections The University of California at Los Angeles recently acquired the excellent chamber music collection developed by the late, Vienna-born Joseph Schnerer. Interested in becoming a professional musician, Schnerer was forced by an

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ear impediment to turn to another career. He chose medicine but remained the friend of many Viennese musicians and his home served as a distinguished chamber music salon. Driven from Austria by the Nazi threat, he settled first in Des Moines and later in Los Angeles. His collection contains the works of standard composers as well as the chamber music of Verdi, Chopin, Rubenstein, Kornauth, Fibich, Hummel, and many others, less well known. This material supplements the music library that came to the university several years ago from the Federal Music Project.

Mrs. Nancy Cortelyou Prewitt has been appointed assistant director of the Western Historical Manuscripts Collection of the University of Missouri. Recent acquisitions to this collection include additions to the Herbert S. Hadley Collection made by Henry C. Haskell. These new materials are in the form of letters and cover the period from 1912 to 1920. Herbert S. Hadley was governor of Missouri from 1909 to 1913 and served as Roosevelt's floor leader at the Chicago Convention of the Republican Party in 1912. Among the recently acquired letters are some from Theodore Roosevelt, William Allen White, and others who were concerned with the Republican Convention of 1912 and the Progressive Party during the early years of this century. The Western Historical Manuscripts Collection has also received the Ted Malone Collection of war letters. Letters from service men and women from all parts of the world are contained in this collection. The library has also acquired the papers of Dwight H. Brown, who served as Secretary of State of Missouri from 1933 to 1944 and was active in politics, journalism, and civic affairs.

The Porter Library of Kansas State Teachers College recently installed a faculty table. It is used for displaying outstanding books on curricula, instruction, and personnel guidance. New material, of interest to faculty members, is placed on this table.

Luther College Library, Decorah, Iowa, has received a gift from Norway. It comprises a handsome collection of forty volumes

donated by the Nordmandsforbundet, an international league of Norwegians, in appreciation of the aid given Norway during the war by people of Norse descent, and others, in America. All of these books were published in 1945 and among them is Hans P. Lødrup's biography of the world-famous Norwegian sculptor, Gustav Vigeland. Most of the books are concerned with the war and the German occupation.

The Honorable John Bassett Moore has donated five thousand books from his personal library to the law library at the University of Virginia. This gift supplements the extensive collection on international law granted previously. The Institute on Foreign Service and International Law recently established at the University of Virginia finds this collection and the growing collection on international law at the Alderman Library extremely useful. The Alderman Library, University of Virginia, numbers among its recent gifts an addition of 128 volumes to the Clifton Waller Barrett collection of first editions of English and American authors. Other gifts include books concerned with Admiral Bligh and the story of the Bounty; books and manuscripts from St. George Tucker Grinnan, of Richmond. Some of these books were originally in the private library of James Madison. Stephen H. Watts, of Charlottesville, gave the library an important group of rare medical books bearing European imprints and published in the sixteenth, seventeenth, and eighteenth centuries.

The Virginia State Library recently received two thousand volumes from the library of the late John E. Roller. The gift includes a group of Confederate imprints, first editions of American authors, and Virginia items. From the estate of Edward N. Eubank, by bequest under his will, have come some three hundred volumes on military affairs, principally concerned with the Napoleonic Wars.

The University of Kansas City has acquired a collection of books from the Lyle Stephenson estate which includes first editions of all of Edna St. Vincent Millay's works and signed first editions of most of Eugene O'Neill's. In addition, there are first editions of *Uncle Tom's Cabin*, *Kim*, and the *Hoosier Schoolboy*.

The late Bishop John Carlisle Kilgo served as president of Trinity College, now Duke

University, from 1894 to 1910. During his administration, Trinity College saw its first library building constructed. Throughout the sixteen years of his presidency, Bishop Kilgo advocated the development of a great collection of books in the Trinity College Library. On April 4 the children of Bishop Kilgo presented their father's private library, containing more than two thousand books, to Duke University.

Conferences, Courses, Curriculum, Surveys The Pacific Northwest Library Association held its general conference in Vancouver, British Columbia, on September 4, 5, and 6. Headquarters for the conference was the Hotel Georgia. Buildings, publicity, and adult education were discussed at three of the general sessions. W. Kaye Lamb, librarian of the University of British Columbia and president of the P.N.L.A., presided.

In July Gladys Coryell, reference librarian on the Los Angeles campus of the University of California, completed a six-week survey of library services in the public elementary schools of San Diego County. Miss Coryell visited more than one hundred schools ranging in size from large city institutions to small, one-room schools in mountain and desert communities. She examined present library services and made recommendations for improving these services in the future, wherever needed.

The Reference Librarians' Council of the San Francisco Bay region met in March. Officers for 1946-47 were elected. Dorothy Clark, Mechanics Institute Library, San Francisco, was elected chairman; Ethel Blumann, Oakland Public Library, vice chairman; and Catherine Baker, Oak Knoll Naval Hospital Library, secretary. The council is working on a project concerned with indexing the biographies included in the various California county histories.

A welfare committee of staff members was appointed at the University of Utah Library in July to investigate salary and promotion schedules and to study departmental relations policies as practiced in other universities.

On July 1 O. C. Carmichael, president of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, announced a five-year

program in which thirty-three selected universities and colleges in the South will join to "vitalize instruction." The project will be financed by a grant of seven hundred thousand dollars from the Carnegie Corporation of New York plus two hundred thousand dollars from the cooperating institutions. Some of the practices that will be examined include heavy teaching loads, low salaries, and inadequate library facilities. University centers have been set up at Atlanta, Nashville, New Orleans, and in North Carolina. These centers will serve as the focal point for several colleges in their immediate vicinity.

The North Carolina Library Association met at Raleigh in April. Blanche Prichard McCrum spoke on "The Idols of Librarianship" at the college and university librarians section meeting.

The Rounce and Coffin Club of Exhibits Los Angeles opened its first exhibit of Western books since 1942 at the University of California Library on June 3. The exhibition comprises fifty-five books, produced by twenty-five printers and published in the area west of the Rockies. The itinerary for the exhibition includes showings in the following libraries: the U.C.L.A. Library in Los Angeles from June 3 to 16; the Los Angeles Public Library, June 19 to July 13; University of Southern California, Berkeley, August 1 to 15; California State Library, Sacramento, September 4 to 19. Other libraries on the Pacific coast also plan to exhibit the books.

In July the University of California, Los Angeles, offered an exhibition of fine printing, water colors, monotypes, calligraphy, brush and pen sketches, typography, and ephemera by the artist Wilder Bentley. The exhibit material forms part of the graphic arts collection given to the William Andrews Clark Memorial Library by the artist.

The Colby College Library celebrated its commencement with an exhibit of fifty books chosen from the Treasure Room to illustrate nearly eight hundred years of printing history. Carl J. Weber, curator of rare books, prepared a catalog, copies of which may be had upon application to the librarian. The catalog, printed by the Southworth-Anthoensen Press, features a reproduction of the great "B," the beautiful two-color initial that

stands at the head of the first page of the *Great Psalter* of 1457.

The University of Pennsylvania Library has received an outstanding collection of Bibles from T. Edward Ross in memory of Lucien Bonaparte Carpenter. Three fourteenth-century illuminated manuscripts are included, one of which is the Wycliffe translation, a rare Tyndale second edition, first editions of practically every printed English Bible through the King James version of 1611, and many other rarities such as the Souer and John Eliot translations in the first editions.

Seventy-eight libraries have contributed records of holdings to the fourth supplement of the *Union List of Microfilms*, issued by the Philadelphia Bibliographical Center and Union Library Catalogue (Philadelphia, 1946). One of the suggestions made in the foreword is that any library or institution planning an extensive project on microfilm might aid others by reporting such plans to the center. Plans for a subject index are being carefully considered.

In order to meet the demand for copies of the lists of dissertations submitted to Columbia University during the war years and immediately preceding, the libraries have prepared a microfilm strip of these lists covering the years 1936-45. Positive copies of this film strip may be obtained at fifty cents each by addressing an order to the Photograph Division, Columbia University Libraries, New York City 27.

In *The Annual Report of the Publications Librarian of Congress for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1945*, Luther H. Evans indicates his anxiety that "the library shall forward, to the full extent that it can forward, the research programs fostered by the universities, the foundations, the learned societies, and the councils which represent them."

This first annual report by Dr. Evans contains considerable material of interest to college and research librarians. Problems of acquisition, preparation, and service are discussed. The description of the reorganization of the Library of Congress, 1939-44 (a reprinting of an article by Archibald Mac-

Leish) is also included in the volume. Since so many American libraries depend on the services provided by the Library of Congress, the developments and plans hold great promise for the future.

The Virginia State Library has published, under the editorship of Wilmer L. Hall, state librarian, volume five of the *Executive Journals of the Council of Colonial Virginia* covering the period from 1739 to 1754.

The unexpected reception given to the jubilee edition of A. E. Housman's *A Shropshire Lad*, which was published by the Colby College Library last February, has prompted a reissue. This second issue is entirely reset, revised, and enlarged but retains the original format. Like the first, it contains annotations by Carl J. Weber and a detailed list of some seventy editions which the *Shropshire Lad* has gone through in its half-century of existence.

Studies of Descriptive Cataloging, a report to the Librarian of Congress by the director of the Processing Department (U.S. Government Printing Office, 1946), undertakes to present a general review of the work done on the development of a descriptive cataloging code for the Library of Congress. It contains an analysis of comments received on a proposed statement of functions and principles which should underlie the code, and recommendations for further action. In order to speed the work on the code, an advisory committee met in Washington June 23-27 to aid in resolving conflicts of opinion.

College and Research Libraries recently received from the author, Teodoro Becu, a booklet entitled *La Bibliografía en la República Argentina*. This thirty-four-page booklet discusses the need for a more complete bibliographical coverage of printed materials in Argentina.

Copies of Carlos A. Rolando's *Las Bellas Letras en el Ecuador* (1944) may be acquired by writing to the American Consulate General, Guayaquil, Ecuador.

Lawrence Clark Powell's interesting and charmingly written, "The Librarian's Occasional Letter to the Faculty," continue to appear. Dr. Powell discusses library matters

of national and local interest and various other topics in these mimeographed, informal open letters to the faculty of the University of California at Los Angeles.

The Baker Library, Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration, has issued *The Pioneer Period of European Railroads; A Tribute to Mr. Thomas W. Streeter*, as Publication No. 3 of the Kress Library of Business and Economics. It contains a list of items relating to European railroad development, published in 1848 or earlier, which are available in the Baker and other Harvard libraries.

Many of the problems involved in the rapid expansion of educational facilities needed to permit accommodations for veterans and other students desiring to go to college are considered in the report, *The Veteran and Higher Education*, by the director of war mobilization and reconversion (U.S. Government Printing Office, 1946).

William J. O'Donnell, city messenger of Boston, has written *College and Research Libraries* that his office is ready to distribute free, to libraries, documents issued by the various city boards and departments.

College and Research Libraries is planning a special issue, in honor of Charles H. Brown, who has retired as librarian of Iowa State College. A committee has been appointed to collect material for this issue. The committee is composed of E. W. McDiarmid, Robert W. Orr, and Maurice F. Tauber.

The Illinois Unit of the Catholic Library Association continues to publish *The Illinois Catholic Librarian*. Published three times a year, this official organ of the Illinois unit contains association news and articles on library practice and procedure.

Toby Cole, librarian of the American Russian Institute, has compiled an annotated bibliography, "The Soviet Union in 100 Books." This useful list runs to eleven mimeographed pages and all titles listed are in English. Miss Cole is at present preparing a directory to Russian collections in American libraries. She would appreciate it if libraries holding Russian materials would communicate with her.