

# Personnel

**H**ERMAN H. HENKLE, director of the Processing Department of the Library of Congress since Jan. 26, 1942, has accepted the position of librarian of the John Crerar Library, Chicago, effective September 1.

Mr. Henkle came to L.C. from Simmons College, Boston, where he had been director of the school of library science since 1937. He had served previously in the public libraries at Berkeley and Oakland, Calif., and in the Biology Library at the University of California. In 1936-37 he was associate in library science at the University of Illinois. He was born at Colorado Springs in 1900, was awarded the degree of bachelor of arts from Whittier College in 1928, and received his certificate in library science and master of arts degree from the University of California School of Librarianship in 1931 and 1933, respectively.

Active in professional organizations, Mr. Henkle is a member of the Special Libraries Association (president in 1945-46), the American Library Association (member of the Board of Education for Librarianship from 1942 to 1944), the Society for the Advancement of Management, and the History of Science Society. He is the author of numerous articles and papers on library science, principally in administration, cataloging, and education for librarianship.

To Mr. Henkle's vigorous initiative in tackling the many complex organizational and policy problems connected with cataloging and other processing activities, the Library of Congress and American and foreign libraries in general already owe much. The greatness of their debt will, I believe, be realized even more fully as years go by and recent developments are seen in proper perspective. Mr. Henkle's intense interest in the improvement

of organization and procedures in his own department and his active cooperation in the development of over-all policies in the library have been a source of strength to the Library of Congress and the library profession generally. In his new position Mr. Henkle will have an opportunity to apply his technical and administrative talents directly to the scientific field, which is his major interest and his field of specialization.—*Luther H. Evans.*

**L**EWIS F. STIEG, assistant director of the library school and professor of library science at the University of Illinois for the past four years, has been appointed to the directorship of the University of Southern California Graduate School of Library Science.

Acknowledged as an eminent authority in his field, Dr. Stieg is the first president of the Library Education Division of the American Library Association, which he was instrumental in organizing. He is known for his contributions to national media in fields of library administration and education.

During an eight-year period Dr. Stieg served as librarian of Hamilton College, N.Y., and John B. Stetson University, DeLand, Fla. He was graduated from the University of Chicago Graduate Library School in 1935 with the degree of Ph.D., having earned his A.B.L.S. from the University of Michigan in 1933 and previously his A.M. from Harvard University. In 1930 he was graduated with the degree of A.B. from the University of Buffalo with *summa cum laude* honors. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and numerous national library associations.

Dr. Stieg will assume his new position at Southern California in September, succeeding Hazel Adele Pulling, acting director.

## Appointments

Verner W. Clapp has been appointed chief assistant librarian of the Library of Congress. Mortimer Taube has been appointed acting director of the acquisitions department.

Elmer M. Grieder assumed his duties as librarian of West Virginia on July 1. Mr. Grieder has been a general assistant to the librarian of Harvard University.

Donald B. Engley has been appointed librarian of Norwich University at Northfield, Vt. Since his return from the service he has received his M.A. in library science from the University of Chicago.

Alan D. Covey, microfilm cataloger of the University of California Library, has been appointed head of the newly-enlarged photographic service of the university.

Lois E. Engleman, assistant to the librarian at Wellesley College, has been appointed librarian of Western College for Women, Oxford, Ohio.

Giles F. Shepherd, Jr., head of the circulation department of the University of North Carolina Library, has been appointed assistant director of the Cornell University Library. He succeeds E. R. B. Willis, associate librarian, who retired on July 1.

Howard P. Linton, research analyst of the Far Eastern Section of the State Department, has been appointed librarian of the East Asiatic collections of Columbia University Libraries.

Violet A. Cabeen, who was assistant acquisitions librarian and associate in library service at Columbia University, is now chief cataloger of the Documents Section of the United Nations.

John M. Connor is chief of the circulation section of the Intelligence Reference Division

of the Department of State, Washington, D.C.

Blanche V. Houston is now head cataloger of the Frick Art Reference Library, New York City.

Thomas V. Reiners, formerly librarian-archivist of the Brooklyn Preparatory School, is now head of technical processes of the Cardinal Hayes Library, Manhattan College, New York City.

Eulin Klyver Hobbie, librarian of Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, N.Y., assumes her duties as organizer and director of libraries of the American International College, Springfield, Mass., on September 1.

Helen M. Brown, librarian of MacMurray College, Jacksonville, Ill., will become librarian of Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, N.Y., on September 1.

Dorothy B. Hammell, of the staff of the Brooklyn College Library, is now librarian of the education library of the University of Southern California, Los Angeles.

Margaret Gleason, assistant reference librarian of the Wisconsin State Historical Society at Madison, has been appointed reference and loan librarian and instructor in library science on the staff of Beloit College Libraries.

Elizabeth J. Ebright has been appointed librarian of the Washburn Municipal University at Topeka.

## Recent Personnel Changes in French Libraries

Caen, Bibliothèque de l'Université. Mlle. Dupasquier became head librarian on Apr. 17, 1946, succeeding M. Vacher de LaPouge.

Dijon, Bibliothèque de l'Université. M. Gras became head librarian on Mar. 1, 1942, upon the retirement of M. Oursel.

Lille, Bibliothèque de l'Université. Mlle. Bruchet became head librarian on Nov. 1, 1942, succeeding Mlle. Wetzel.

Paris, Bibliothèque Nationale. M. Marcel Rieunier has succeeded M. Émile Leroy, who died on June 30, 1941, as secretary general of the administration. M. Robert Brun became "conservateur" of the department of acquisitions on Oct. 1, 1945, succeeding M. Jean Forcher. M. Jean Vallery-Radot became "conservateur" of the department of prints on Sept. 16, 1942, succeeding M. Jean Laran upon the latter's retirement. M. Jean Cordey has been "conservateur" of the de-

partment of music (created on Mar. 16, 1942) since July 24, 1944, succeeding M. Guillaume de Van.

Paris, Bibliothèque de l'Arsenal. M. Franz Calot is now the head librarian. Previously he had borne the title of adjutant "conservateur" and acting "conservateur."

Paris, Bibliothèque Mazarine. M. Renoult has been "conservateur" since Aug. 24, 1944, succeeding M. Jean Laillier.

Paris, Bibliothèque d'Art et d'Archéologie. Mlle. Damiron has been acting in charge since Apr. 1, 1945. M. Lambert retired on Dec. 31, 1941, as the head librarian, and between his retirement and the appointment of Mlle. Dameron, M. Pierre LeLievre, at present inspector general on the staff of the director general of the Direction des Bibliothèques, served as head librarian.—*Lawrence S. Thompson.*

# News from

## *Acquisitions, Gifts, and Collections*

Frank D. Fackenthal, acting president of Columbia University, announced in April a gift of \$1,509,389 from the late Frederic Bancroft, librarian, lecturer, and author, the income of which will be devoted to building up the university's resources for research in American history. The gift will make available an income of about \$38,000 annually to the Columbia University Libraries for the purpose of expanding these collections.

It was revealed by Dr. Fackenthal that the carefully devised program of book purchases which is contemplated in administering the funds will insure new and important resources for the use of scholars in the field of American history. These will reflect especially the donor's interest in the history of the South and of slavery.

To head the work of selecting books and literary materials under the new bequest, Reinhard H. Luthin, associate in history at Columbia, has been appointed to the staff of the libraries as bibliographer in American history.

Lehigh University has received a gift of Napoleonic manuscripts for the treasure collection of the university library. The donor, Robert B. Honeyman, is a prominent New York and California attorney. The entire collection, bound into a folio volume, is composed of letters and portraits covering the period from Nov. 6, 1797, to May 15, 1839. The letters will be translated by Allen J. Barthold, head of the department of Romance languages at Lehigh.

Early in the year Northwestern University Library acquired collections of underground publications from Denmark, Norway, and Greece. This acquisition probably gives Northwestern the largest Danish collection of this type of material in the country. All three collections are interesting and valuable in the picture they afford of resistance to Nazi domination. The materials are supplemented by facsimile reproductions of underground publications from other countries.

Yale University Library has acquired sev-

eral valuable additions to its existing collections through the will of the late Gabriel Wells, well-known dealer in rare books and manuscripts. Mr. Wells bequeathed the equivalent of ten thousand dollars to the library, to be selected from the rare books and manuscripts remaining in his possession. Among the items thus acquired, as reported by the librarian, James T. Babb, are the quarto of Shakespeare's *Macbeth*, 1674; the edition of Dante published 1477, which was the first to contain Boccaccio's life of the poet; and Charles Lamb's first published prose work, *The Tale of Rosamund Gray*, 1798.

Yale has also acquired one of the most extensive collections now in existence of materials relating to the history of the American petroleum industry during the latter half of the nineteenth century. In February Mr. Babb announced the receipt of the collection, presented to the library by T. W. Phillips, Jr. The late Roger Sherman of Titusville, Pa., assembled the collection. Mr. Sherman, father-in-law of Mr. Phillips, was an outstanding lawyer of the Pennsylvania oil region and a leading Democratic politician. He inspired two successful movements of the independent petroleum producers and refiners in their struggle against the larger companies of the period. Included in the gift are personal letters, ledgers, scrapbooks, and legal papers. Also included are thirty-seven of fifty-eight original bound volumes of valuable miscellaneous contemporary pamphlets from Mr. Sherman's private library.

Yale has announced extensive additions to its James Weldon Johnson Memorial Collection of Negro Arts and Letters. Books, music, pamphlets, and manuscripts from Mr. Johnson's library were presented to Yale by the widow of the distinguished poet and author. The memorial collection was founded in 1941 by Carl Van Vechten, novelist and music critic.

In February Helen Channing Pollock presented her father's private library to Northwestern University. This collection of the late playwright, Channing Pollock, contains



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more than three thousand volumes.

The library of the California Academy of Sciences added 37,437 items to its archives during the past year. The largest single collection received during 1946 was the library of George Davidson. Included in the accessions were over nine thousand maps, gift of the Army Map Service.

Early this year the Kent Library, Southeast Missouri State College, Cape Girardeau, acquired the Charles L. Harrison library of rare and fine books. The late Mr. Harrison was an enthusiastic collector with wide-ranging interests. The collection provides examples of fine typography, illustrations, and bindings with manuscripts and incunabula being well-represented.

In March Hamilton College, Clinton, N.Y., created a new center for the study of central New York regional history with the formal establishment of the Samuel Hopkins Adams Historical Collection. The collection will be supervised by a sixteen-member executive committee including Mr. Adams, Carl Carmer, Walter D. Edmonds, and Harold W. Thompson. David T. Wilder, Hamilton's associate librarian, serves as executive secretary to the committee.

*Buildings* At a meeting in Baton Rouge on March 13 the local chapter of the American Association of University Professors passed a resolution requesting the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University to give the highest priority on its building program to the erection of a new library building for the university.

The first step in the building expansion program at the University of Kansas City will be an addition to the library building. The addition is expected to provide adequate space for ten or fifteen years but is not planned as a permanent solution. Construction costs have been estimated at three hundred thousand dollars. Stack space for 350,000 additional volumes and the expansion of present reading room facilities will result.

On February 16 the College of the City of New York opened its Army Hall extension at

1560 Amsterdam Avenue. This extension made it possible to put back into use some of the sixty thousand volumes that had been stored for several years beyond the reach of students. Jerome K. Wilcox, librarian, indicated at the time that the seating capacity in the library was still far from adequate and that either a new building or an addition to the old library was sorely needed. The reading room in Army Hall, however, did increase the library's seating capacity from seven hundred to one thousand seats. Army Hall now houses all books on social studies and texts assigned as reserved reading.

*Committees and Conferences* The New England Library Association will meet at the New Ocean House at Swampscott, Mass., October 19-21.

The Third Summer Institute on the United States in World Affairs is being conducted by the American University in Washington, D.C., from June 16 through July 25. The basic course focuses attention upon important issues of national and international policy, emphasizing the interrelation of domestic and foreign developments and problems. The earlier sessions, 1945 and 1946, attracted more than one hundred teachers from thirty different states to hear the lectures and to participate in the class discussions. Sessions are being held on the American University campus where facilities have been made available for housing institute members. The institute program includes visits to Congress, embassies and legations, and government departments and agencies.

Carnegie Corporation of New York has granted \$175,000 for a two-year study of how well existing public libraries are serving American communities and whether libraries should become future custodians of noncommercial radio, films, and television. Robert D. Leigh, who has been appointed to head the inquiry, served as director of the Commission on the Freedom of the Press whose comprehensive reports on mass communications were published earlier in the year. Experi-

enced in analyzing major American institutions, Dr. Leigh formulated and put into operation the educational plan for Bennington College in 1932 and served for fourteen years as its first president. He is at present acting as consultant to the New York State Temporary Commission on the Need for a State University.

The subject of the twenty-eighth annual meeting of the Franciscan Educational Conference was libraries. This year, the conference, composed of friars of the various branches of the Franciscan family, met at Santa Barbara, Calif., the latter part of June and discussed the historical, physical, technical, legal, and moral, as well as the apostolic phase of librarianship in the Seraphic Order. The Franciscan Educational Conference was founded in 1919, and the Very Reverend Thomas Plassman, O.F.M., of St. Bonaventure College, is completing his twenty-eighth consecutive year as president.

Representatives of 110 theological libraries located in the United States, Canada, and Puerto Rico assembled at a conference in Louisville on June 23-24. An earlier meeting of the theological librarians of the Chicago area under the chairmanship of Robert F. Beach, librarian of Garrett Biblical Institute, Evanston, Ill., was mentioned in the April issue. This Chicago conference paved the way for this national conference in June under the chairmanship of Dr. L. R. Elliott, librarian, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Tex. An interesting program, based on suggestions received from various librarians, was devised for the conference.

*Curriculum* Jerrold Orne, director of libraries, Washington University, St. Louis, reports that plans have been drawn up for establishing a full course in librarianship at that institution. The program is expected to begin in October and the plans call for courses that will train students for librarianship in secondary schools, special libraries, and small general libraries.

*Publications* "The Guide to Comparative Literature and Intercultural Relations," to which one hundred twenty-five scholars throughout the country are contributing on a voluntary basis,

is expected to appear in 1948 under the A.L.A. imprint. The Rockefeller Foundation is helping to meet the publishing expenses. Charlton G. Laird, head, Department of English of the University of Nevada, is the editor-in-chief, having been appointed after the untimely death of Arthur E. Christy, who was one of the prime movers in the organization of this ambitious project.

*Psychological Abstracts* has introduced several new features. Among these are full names of authors, addresses of authors when available, and lists of periodicals currently received. In addition, more complete analyses of collections and symposia will be included. Theses and dissertations in psychology and related fields will be cited. Articles in library periodicals dealing with psychological studies will also be abstracted. The editors welcome any suggestions or criticisms from librarians.

Humphrey G. Bousfield, librarian, Brooklyn College, has issued two photo-offset publications, a *Library Handbook for the Faculty and Clue to the Resources and Services of the Brooklyn College Library*. The second of these, which is illustrated, is intended for students.

Tracy E. Goodwin has issued two volumes which should be helpful in guiding veterans in their educational problems, *Veterans Handbook and Guide and Educational Opportunities for Veterans*. These are issued by Goodwin Publications, 1778 Fairmont Ave., Cincinnati.

The Special Libraries Council of Philadelphia and Vicinity has issued the seventh edition of *Directory of Libraries and Informational Sources in Philadelphia and Vicinity*. It has been completely revised and provides information on holdings, staff hours, library privileges, interlibrary loan policies, reproducing facilities, and indication of whether holdings are listed in the Philadelphia Union Library Catalogue, for approximately 275 libraries in Philadelphia, Wilmington, Delaware, and the surrounding area. Subject and personal indexes are included.

Fisk University, Nashville, Arna Bontemps, librarian, has issued *Selected Items from the George Gershwin Memorial Collection of Music and Musical Literature*. The collection was founded by Carl Van Vechten and enlarged by many other benefactors. The

selected list of items is excellently printed and contains illustrations.

The library of the Florida State College for Women has published an attractive mimeographed library bulletin, directed to faculty and students, titled "Calling All Readers." It offers information on new books and points out the various facilities offered by the library.

"Some Statistical Methods Useful to the Medical Librarian" by Estelle Brodman, Fred J. Pheulpin, and J. Deutschberger (*Bulletin of the Medical Library Association* 35:7-57, January 1947) discusses such matters as the use of statistics, collection of data, measures of central tendency, distributions, correlations, charts, and diagrams. Examples of graphical methods are also included in this study which should be helpful to college and research librarians who have had difficulty understanding statistical procedures.

Walter Hausdorfer, librarian, Sullivan Memorial Library, Temple University, has issued an attractive booklet, *Guide to Sullivan*, which is a chart of the resources and services of the library.

*Mural Painters in America, 1800-1940: a Biographical and Geographical Index* compiled by Esther A. Park, reference librarian at Kansas State Teachers College, Pittsburg, is being brought up-to-date for publication in the fall. The original work was done at the University of Illinois Library School in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the master's degree. The bibliographical index will include the place of birth, dates, and references to periodical and book information about the artist. The geographical index will contain a directory of the murals, arranged alphabetically by state, city, or town, and the building in which the mural may be found; and will provide references to periodicals and books containing material on the mural.

*The Organization and Administration of a Special Library*, edited by Lucille Jackson, librarian of the Vanadium Corporation of America, is a 38-page mimeographed booklet issued by the Pittsburgh chapter of the Special Libraries Association. It outlines the steps and procedures for organizing industrial,

business, hospital, and other types of libraries. The material is based on lectures presented in the annual education course of the S.L.A. in 1943. The publication should prove of value to the unoriented special librarian and to the experienced librarians as well. Copies may be ordered from Ross C. Cibella, librarian, Hall Laboratories, Inc., P.O. Box 1346, Pittsburgh 30, at 50¢ each.

Paul B. Foreman and Mozell C. Hill have compiled *The Negro in the United States: A Bibliography*, which is included in the Bulletin Series of the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College (vol. 44, no. 5, February 1947). Books, monographs, and pamphlets, and primary periodical references are listed.

S. R. Ranganathan, librarian of the Hindu University Library, in Benares, has written *National Library System—A Plan for India* (published by the *Indian Librarian*, P.O. Forman College, Lahore). It is the first publication in a series, *Library Science in India*. In one chapter of the pamphlet, Mr. Ranganathan discusses "Academic Libraries." Libraries at the school and university levels are considered as are also libraries of learned societies. Attention is called to a scheme of coordination and interlibrary loan between the libraries of the universities and learned societies in the country.

The Extension Division, Virginia State Library, has compiled and published *Statistics of Virginia Public Libraries, 1945-1946*. It contains information on regional, county, city, town, college, and university libraries.

Earlier in the year the history of *Exhibits* arctic and antarctic exploration as told in books, pictures, and maps was on display in the Low Memorial Library at Columbia University. The collection, from which the exhibit was prepared, was purchased in 1945 from Bassett Jones of New York and "presents the most complete literature of the subject that has ever been assembled in one place." Among other items it contains a number of volumes formerly in the library of Vilhjalmur Stephansson, the noted arctic explorer.