

Minutes of the Business Meeting, A.C.R.L., San Francisco, July 3, 1947

THE meeting was called to order at two-thirty P.M., President E. W. McDiarmid presiding.

PRESIDENT MCDIARMID: Ladies and gentlemen, this is the annual business meeting of the Association of College and Reference Libraries, and though we have no long agenda or docket there are a few items that we must act upon in order to carry on as we would like next year. The first item deals with a problem in the committee that has been at work for the association for the past year or more, which the Board of Directors at its meeting yesterday decided to alter somewhat in its scope and nature. I refer to the Committee on the Study of Relations with A.L.A. and a subcommittee of that group on policies and programs for A.C.R.L., and N. Orwin Rush, our Executive Secretary, will read the action which is recommended to you by the board of directors.

MR. RUSH: The Board of Directors recommends that the Committee on Relations with the A.L.A. be thanked for their services performed, that the committee be discharged, and that its functions be transferred to the Board of Directors.

[The motion to adopt the recommendation was made, seconded, put to a vote, and carried.]

PRESIDENT MCDIARMID: A second matter relates to the program for next year as presented in the inaugural address of President-Elect William Hugh Carlson. Again the Board of Directors has considered this proposal and comes to you with a specific recommendation for action. Mr. Rush, will you report that action?

MR. RUSH: The Board of Directors recommends that four special committees be created as proposed by President-Elect William Hugh Carlson. These committees are to be:

a. A committee on membership in the Association of College and Reference Libraries

b. A committee on recruiting the type of librarian needed in the college, university, and reference fields

c. A committee to consider the educational preparation and qualifications needed by college and university librarians; to promote development of these qualifications through in-service training; and to work closely with the library schools to assist them in transmitting to their students the needed qualifications.

d. A committee to consider the financial needs of our association and to suggest a program for their realization.

PRESIDENT MCDIARMID: You heard the recommendation of the Board of Directors for the creation of these four committees which automatically carries with it the authority to appoint the members of the committee by the president of A.C.R.L. What is your wish with respect to this recommendation?

[The motion to adopt the recommendation was made, seconded, put to a vote, and carried.]

PRESIDENT MCDIARMID: Next I should like to call for the report of the Constitution Committee, with the preface that there are two matters involved here; one, the second approval of amendments to the Constitution voted at the Chicago meeting last December and which are occasioned by the establishment of the office of the Executive Secretary and the transfer of the office of secretary to the Executive Secretary; two, a new proposal for amendment to the By-Laws to change our committee year somewhat. Raynard C. Swank, chairman of the Constitution Committee, will report these recommendations.

MR. SWANK: I shall first read Article 10 in our Constitution regarding amendments to the Constitution.

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of members present at any general session of two successive annual conferences not less than four months apart upon a written recommendation of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws appointed by the president, provided that notice of the proposed amendment is published in the official publication of the association not less than one month before final consideration.

I am going to read now a set of proposed amendments to the Constitution which were passed for the first time by the association at its general session at Buffalo last June or at its Chicago meeting on December 29, the latter being a continuation of the Buffalo meeting. These amendments were published in the April 1947 issue of *College and Research Libraries*.

[Mr. Swank read the first proposed amendment.]

Article IV. Membership

Sec. 5. Life Memberships. Contributors to life membership in the A.L.A. whether before or after July 1, 1940, may be received as life members in the A.C.R.L. by complying with conditions as provided in the By-Laws.

PRESIDENT MCDIARMID: You heard the proposed amendment. What is your wish?

MR. POWELL: May I ask what income if any does the division derive from life members?

CHARLES V. PARK [Mt. Pleasant, Mich.]: Mr. chairman, I think I can answer that. I am not personally sure, but I think the A.L.A. Constitution provides that we will be assigned two dollars per year for life members who elect our section.

PRESIDENT MCDIARMID: The answer given by Mr. Park is that it is his understanding the A.L.A. Constitution provides the allotment of two dollars to the division per year for those who elect membership in A.C.R.L.

The one exception to that that I know of is the early life memberships which have been carried on and were established under the old annuity rates where no allotment to the division was to be made and the divisions were asked to accept those members without allotment.

MR. POWELL: That is the reason I asked the question. I thought that was true.

[The motion to adopt the amendment was made, seconded, put to a vote, and carried. Mr. Swank read the second amendment.]

Article V. Officers

Sec. 1. Officers and Duties. The officers of the association shall be a president, a vice president, [a] an executive secretary, and a treasurer, who shall perform the duties usually attached to these offices.

PRESIDENT MCDIARMID: This is the second

approval of this amendment and changes the position from secretary to Executive Secretary. May I have a motion for adoption?

[The motion to adopt the amendment was made, seconded, put to a vote, and carried.]

MR. SWANK: The next item relates to the term of the office of the Executive Secretary.

Article V. Officers

Sec. 2. Terms. The president and the vice president shall be elected from the membership of the association and shall serve for one year or until their successors are elected and qualified. *The executive secretary shall be chosen by the board of directors and shall hold office at its pleasure.* [The secretary and] the treasurer shall be elected from the membership of the association and shall serve for three years, or until [their successors are] *his successor is* elected and qualified

[The motion to adopt the amendment was made, seconded, put to a vote, and carried.]

MR. SWANK: Next with respect to the Board of Directors, it is proposed that the Constitution be amended.

Article VI. Board of Directors

Sec. 2. Members. The board shall consist of the president, vice president, retiring president, [secretary] treasurer, three directors-at-large, the directors elected by the sections, and the association representatives on the American Library Association Council who are serving the last year of their terms. *The executive secretary and the chief officer (or, in his absence, the vice chief officer, or the retiring chief officer, in this order) of each section [is an ex officio member] are ex officio members* without vote.

[The motion to adopt the amendment was made, seconded, put to a vote, and carried.]

[Mr. Swank read the fifth proposed amendment.]

Article IX. By-Laws

Sec. 1. Adoption, Suspension, and Amendments. By-laws may be adopted, suspended, and amended [by a majority vote of the members of the association present at any general session of any annual conference, upon a written recommendation of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws appointed by the president], *upon a written recommendation of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws appointed by the president and by a majority vote of the members of the association attending any general session of any annual conference or casting ballots in a vote by mail.*

[The motion to adopt the amendment was made, seconded, put to a vote, and carried.]

MR. SWANK: That takes care of the Constitution. The Committee on Constitution and By-Laws now recommends that Article 4 Section 2 of the By-Laws of the Association be amended to read as follows:

Article IV. Committees

Sec. 2. Appointment of Committee Members. Committee members shall be appointed by the president unless it is otherwise provided in the action authorizing the committee or in the Constitution and By-Laws. The vice president (president-elect) shall appoint committee members selected in advance to serve during the term of his presidency.

PRESIDENT MCDIARMID: I should like to add a word in explanation of this. I found last year that the president was expected to appoint committees and had no authority to do so until the conclusion of the annual conference. Therefore the selection and appointment of committee members went on following the Buffalo meeting and was not really under way until late in the fall. It seemed to me it would be a tremendous advantage to us in our committee work if the authority for the appointment of committees for the coming year was vested in the vice president (the president-elect), so that those members could be designated in advance and begin to meet during the annual conference. This new provision would change that and make it a regular and standard feature of the Constitution and By-Laws and requires only the action of the annual meeting for this adoption.

[The motion to adopt the amendment was made, seconded, put to a vote, and carried.]

PRESIDENT MCDIARMID: I should like next to introduce Dr. Charles W. David, executive secretary of the Association of Research Libraries, who has kindly agreed to present a matter which is of concern to that association as well as to the A.C.R.L., and which he has kindly agreed to explain to us.

DR. DAVID: Yesterday there came to my attention for the first time a bibliographical instrument which is quite unique and it seemed to me, on hasty examination, to be highly important. It was drawn to my attention because it was threatened with financial difficulty and I have undertaken during

the last twenty-four hours to see whether I can bring any influence to bear to help out.

The publication in question is entitled *Polibiblon, Polibibliografia, Argentina, Espanol, Americana*. That is to say, it is an attempt to add a complete current bibliography of all publications of Argentina and of the other South American Spanish-speaking republics and of Spain. It does not, unfortunately it seems to me, include Portugal or Brazil. It is definitely a Spanish language enterprise. It first appeared at the beginning of April, as I recall it, and the attempt was to bring out two pamphlets like this a month on the first and the fifteenth of every month, and so far five have appeared, the last one being for June 1. It is promoted and edited by Argentineans who have been educated in the library school of Columbia University, and I gained the impression from talking with Senor Penna, who is the technical editor, and Senor Cortazar, who is one of his assistants, that they are competent and enterprising and are prepared to do a good job. It is published in Buenos Aires, and subscriptions are here recorded as \$7 a year. At the end of each year they propose to accumulate the issues—I think there are twenty-three—so as to give you an annual volume which is also included in this subscription.

I understand they went ahead without any advertising and without any organized financial support from a foundation or from the government or anything of that kind, and now they are finding that with rising printing costs the enterprise has proved more expensive to garner and prepare for publication than they had anticipated. Though they are prepared to work out of all proportion, they are librarians with jobs and are carrying this as a side issue.

They are still in financial difficulty and something is needed to rescue them and keep this going. Now, several things are proposed. First, I believe it is their intention to issue monthly instead of twice monthly, and secondly, they are advancing the subscription rate from \$7 a year to \$10. They say it costs \$1,500 a month to maintain it or \$18,000 a year. A \$10 annual subscription rate does not seem to be excessive. Yet, at first blush, \$18,000 a year for an enterprise of this magnitude seems to me high.

I have talked to some of the subscribers

who have had experience with it. The Librarian of Congress subscribes to four copies and he is giving good reports of it. David A. Jonah, acting librarian, Brown University, said that he knew it and thought it a good job. Therefore, I am under the impression, after a hasty examination, that it is an enterprise worthy of our support, something that we ought to try to keep going because it is precisely the kind of a bibliographical instrument that we have been calling for for a number of years, and UNESCO, as you know, is calling for this kind of an instrument from each of the nations of the world.

I have some suggestions to make. I think it would be admirable if you would place subscriptions. They should, I think, be addressed directly to Senor Carlos Victor Penna, technical director, *Polibiblon*, Avenida de Mayo 847, Buenos Aires. Also, I thought it would be well if I circularized the whole membership of the Association of Research Libraries. I leave it to your officers to consider whether I might well circularize the whole membership of the Association of College and Reference Libraries, but in any case, A.R.L. at its meeting last night proposed that there should be appointed a joint committee of A.R.L. and A.C.R.L. to study this whole matter and do what it could to help. I have accordingly had a conference with Mr. McDiarmid and we have agreed upon the appointment of such a joint committee, and so far as A.R.L.'s part in the bargain is concerned it will be put underway with great promptitude.

PRESIDENT MCDIARMID: As one librarian who actually has had experience with this for several months, I can say with full confidence that it is eminently useful and valuable, and I hope that those of you who are concerned will take this to heart and will pass it on to others. Of course, it is the sort of thing that one doesn't hear of in the pages of *Wilson Library Bulletin*, *A.L.A. Bulletin*, and so on, but I am sure that given adequate publicity there will be enough subscriptions to make a material difference in the success of this venture.

MR. THOMPSON: I would like to inquire into one point of the inclusiveness of the *Polibiblon*. It is an excellent piece of work. However, it does not include all current publications in Spanish-speaking countries. The

issues I have looked at, and so far I have seen two issues, make the statement that it includes all current Argentine publications and such other publications of Spanish-speaking countries that may come into the Argentinean trade. I have been able to compare it with certain other publications, notably in Porto Rico and Mexico, and it does not include everything that is current. So it is not an exhaustive bibliography of current Spanish and South American books. That would be a tremendous test, of course, and probably beyond the powers of these men who are working very hard on this publication at present. But the point should be clarified.

DR. DAVID: In conversation with these two gentlemen, I gained the impression that when they said "complete" that was a matter of ambition, perhaps, rather than of fact. I am sure it is their intention, but as I find, unhappily, in the case of some of my South American friends, they do not always accomplish their full program, but I think North Americans also have their complications too.

MR. MCNEIL: It seems to me Argentine would be the logical place for something like that to be done, in view of the fact that they take the majority of all books published in South America. As they are the largest publishing nation in South America, I think they should undertake such a work.

DR. DAVID: I am being fragmentary about this, but there is one other fact they reported to me in conversation that I should pass along. They talked about the possibility of finding some South American subsidy which in such a country as Argentine one would normally seek from the government. But they expressed the view that if they did that and were successful, then the government would control it and it would be spoiled. They expressed a strong ambition to maintain it as a private enterprise and avoid the rescue through government channels, and indicated they were not wholly happy about the government in Argentine and wished to be clear of it.

PRESIDENT MCDIARMID: One of the great advantages of being an officer of this association this year has been the chance of working with the new Executive Secretary. It has made a tremendous difference in the few months that he has occupied that post and

I know how much difference it will make in the future. It is my pleasure to present to you—most of you know him already—N. Orwin Rush, Executive Secretary of the A.C.R.L.

MR. RUSH: I appreciate very deeply the confidence the board has shown in selecting me for the position of Executive Secretary. I am sure that with the constant aid of the board and the interest of all members of the association we will go forward. There has been some question in my mind as to what program I should put forth or outline, but I think that has been well taken care of by the splendid program which our president-elect, Mr. Carlson, presented yesterday. Naturally there are many obvious things which an executive secretary of any association should attempt to do, but there is always that question of just what road we should travel first. That, I believe, has been pretty much settled for my work for next year—get behind President-Elect Carlson's program. Nevertheless, I want to hear from all of you at any time regarding any matter that might be of interest to A.C.R.L. members. I hope that all sections will keep in touch with me, and I intend to keep in touch with them as much as possible. Write me at any time. I would also appreciate having you send me any printed materials or what-not that your division, section, or library might issue. Use my office as a general clearing house, you might say.

PRESIDENT MCDIARMID: I should like to next introduce the officers elected by mail ballot recently, and who assume their new duties at the conclusion of this session.

The first, your A.L.A. Councilors, of which this year we have elected two:

Foster E. Mohrhardt, former chief of the Bibliography and Reference Division of Department of Commerce, Office of Technical Services, and next year to be on the faculty of Columbia University. Mr. Mohrhardt could not attend the conference this time.

The second elected representative: Arthur M. McAnally, librarian of the University of New Mexico.

Your new treasurer is: Robert W. Orr, librarian of Iowa State College, who also unfortunately was unable to attend this conference.

We have just this afternoon abolished—I should say not abolished but transferred, the office of secretary and the duties of that position to the Executive Secretary. Charles V. Park was elected by mail ballot to the position of secretary which now ceases to exist, but the Board of Directors at their meeting Monday appointed Mr. Park to membership on the board to fill the vacancy that has occurred. So we will have Mr. Park's counsel and valuable help for at least another year, even though we have abolished the position to which he was elected.

You all know Mr. Park, but I would like for him to stand.

The new director-at-large, selected as a representative of the membership as a whole is: Anne M. Smith, Reference Department, University of British Columbia, Vancouver.

Your new vice president and president-elect is a man who has long served as an officer of A.C.R.L. I believe I am right in saying that he was the association's first secretary, Benjamin E. Powell, librarian, Duke University.

And finally, automatically succeeding to the presidency, William Hugh Carlson, director, College Libraries, Oregon State System of Higher Education, who wants to have some time with you this afternoon.

MR. CARLSON: It has been observed this afternoon that North American librarians lay out programs for themselves which they do not quite manage to swing or carry through to their completeness. But we have laid out a program for next year for special committees, and I ask your help very sincerely in the appointment of these committees. As soon as I get back to Corvallis, I intend to contact the various officers, section heads, and directors of the association, asking them for recommendations for membership on these committees. I am quite concerned that the committees be representative committees. I do not want them filled up entirely with just college and reference librarians which are the group of our members whom I know the best. I would like to have junior college librarians and reference librarians from the public libraries who hold membership in our organization. So I invite all of you now to give me names of people whom you think and whom you know would take a committee assignment seriously and work hard at it during this next year.

I particularly want to get as many good, young people on these committees as possible. I would be very happy to get some young people who never had a committee assignment before of any kind. We could get them on a committee where they would have an opportunity to cut their teeth on a really significant piece of work. So I invite your suggestions. I invite you to ask your friends to make suggestions, and I ask the help of all of you for this.

PRESIDENT MCDIARMID: It has been customary in A.C.R.L. for the retiring president to present a brief report. I see so many members of the Board of Directors sitting here who know all of this that I hesitate to go over it again. I may say that if any of you have other engagements or wish to walk out, you are welcome to do so. I intend to take only a few minutes because there are only a few things that I would like you to know about.

One of our principal concerns during the past few years (year-and-a-half, to be exact) has been the study of our relations with A.L.A. A committee under the chairmanship of Charles Harvey Brown and later under Andrew D. Osborn of Harvard has, I think, done an excellent job in focusing our attention on several issues which badly needed solution. One of them has been settled I think to everyone's complete satisfaction. We have now established and budgeted from funds of A.L.A. the office of Executive Secretary which Mr. Rush now fills.

But it seems to me the second achievement of that group has been a careful consideration, in terms of our present problems and needs, of the program and principles of A.C.R.L. elaborating on the excellent report of the committee under Carl M. White which in 1940-41 arrived at a statement of policies for A.C.R.L. I hope that you will all examine it and see it as one of our guideposts for action next year and in the years to come.

The office of Executive Secretary has been established. There have been most cordial and friendly relations with all divisions of A.L.A. and particularly the Headquarter's staff. Mr. Rush has gotten acquainted with our own unit's sections, committees, etc., and next year will be able to devote more and more of his time and energy to assisting

the various groups of A.C.R.L. in carrying on their activities for the year.

College and Research Libraries always occupies a large share of our interest and attention. Next year the Board of Directors has budgeted for this publication four ninety-six page issues. We have had frequently in the past few years special issues because good material had accumulated and it seemed so long to wait for publication. Next year we are going to budget a sum to take care of four ninety-six page issues, which will give us a standard size and more space for important articles and discussions of matters of interest to members of A.C.R.L.

I should like to remind you—many of you do not yet know of it, but you will soon after you return—of the special issue of *College and Research Libraries* published in July in commemoration of the retirement of Charles Harvey Brown, now associate librarian emeritus of Iowa State College Library. An issue of essays in honor of Mr. Brown has been collected by a committee of this association and I think a very fine volume and a very fine tribute to Mr. Brown will be off the press in July.

A word about the budget. We are undertaking an expanded program next year. We are budgeting for the first time more money than we actually expect to receive during the next year, unless (and there is a very good possibility) our income goes up as it might well do. We have accumulated from many years back a surplus of funds which has not been spent and, therefore, reverted to the general treasury; so that we are in good financial condition and next year seems to be an excellent time to give a little push along the lines of Mr. Carlson's proposals to really strengthen A.C.R.L. We have improved the organization and structure of the association, some of it by final action today. The appointment of committees now comes more in line with the year in which those groups will be working and will enable them to make better progress than in the past.

We have changed our fiscal year to coincide with the elective year. When I came into office last year I operated for six months under a budget that had been approved a year previous. Now we have a budget year which begins in September and which enables the officers of the association to carry on a

program and budget within their year and not have to depend upon the budget of the previous year.

Our committees have been active, and though we have no specific reports today from any except the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, you will soon see direct evidence of that.

The Publications Committee has considered various publication proposals—some of them have been before A.C.R.L. for some time and some are new—and expects to have recommendations for the association during the coming year.

The Committee on Budgets, Compensations, Schemes of Service has been working hard. I have seen the first draft of a new score card for institutions of higher education, colleges, and universities. I believe it is the only one now finally completed. We, as you know, have had the classification and pay plans, but have not had those adjusted to recent conditions so that we could compare our own standing with others. A tentative draft has now been made and after revision and criticism will be ready for submission to the association, and, of course, through the proper channels of A.L.A.

Statistics is a matter of vital concern to all of us. We have negotiated with the U. S. Office of Education in order that their statistics collection may serve the needs of college and university libraries. It appears very likely that next year and the year following that may well be true. We did, however, appoint a special committee on statistics this year which handled the regu-

lar forms that you have filled out for many years, the results of which will be in the July issue of *College and Research Libraries*, so we have at least eliminated one of the years for which there would have been a gap.

I should like to say that the work of this committee has been entirely on a voluntary basis. It has been time-consuming, and I think we owe a great tribute to those persons who participated in it. G. Flint Purdy was in charge of the statistics for institutions that A.L.A. listed as Group I, that is, university and large college libraries; Eileen Thornton, librarian, Vassar College, for the college statistics; and Lawrence Sidney Thompson, librarian, Western Michigan College of Education, is in charge of the teacher-training and normal college statistics.

I think that the greatest hope for the association lies in the leadership which you have selected and which I can testify from my past year of experience is a very devoted and experienced one.

It has been a pleasure to work with this Board of Directors and I know that Mr. Carlson will have the same sympathetic cooperation and support that I have had as well from all of you.

That concludes our business meeting, unless there are matters that you would like to present to the association. If not a motion to adjourn is in order.

[The motion to adjourn was made, seconded, put to a vote, and carried. The meeting was then adjourned.]

Recruiting for the Library Profession

A conference on recruiting for the library profession, held at A.L.A. Headquarters Nov. 22-23, 1947, resulted in a recommended program of nation-wide and profession-wide scope. The Board of Education for Librarianship, as the A.L.A. group officially responsible for recruiting, called the conference in response to a need which is affecting every type of library and of library work. Convinced that recruiting is a responsibility of every librarian, library and library organization, the board invited representatives of seventeen library groups which have made recruiting a major activity in their current programs. The report is published in full in the January 1948 issue of the *A.L.A. Bulletin*.

C. Lawrence Lynn, Wright Junior College, Chicago, and Lawrence S. Thompson, Western Michigan College of Education, Kalamazoo, represented A.C.R.L. at the meeting.

Brief of Minutes, Meetings of Board of Directors, A.C.R.L., San Francisco

*Meeting of Monday, June 30, 1947,
9:30 A.M.*

President McDiarmid called the meeting to order stating that his plan was to take up most of the "minor business items" at this meeting, and at the board meeting on Wednesday morning take up "plans for the future."

Mr. McDiarmid read a communication from Mr. Milam regarding a proposal for a four-year plan in which all divisions of the A.L.A. were invited to participate. The letter was read so that the board members could be thinking about the plan and bring in suggestions at the Wednesday morning board meeting.

President McDiarmid read the names of the newly elected officers. Mr. Park was appointed to fill the position on the board left vacant by Mr. Powell's election as vice president. The appointment was for one year.

As provided for in the By-Laws of the Constitution of the A.L.A., because of our increased membership this year we were allowed an additional Councilor. Since the spring ballot allowed for the election of only two Councilors to replace Florence M. Gifford and Grace van Wormer, whose terms expired this year, Eleanor W. Welch was appointed to serve as a Councilor for one year.

Mr. McDiarmid asked that all papers presented before the various sections be given either to the Executive Secretary or the editor of *College and Research Libraries* for possible publishing in that journal.

A communication from J. M. Hutzler, assistant administrative secretary of the American Association for the Advancement of Science was read, inviting the A.L.A. or any of its divisions to hold meetings at the same time or in joint session with their centenary celebration to be held in New York City between Dec. 26-31, 1948. It was decided not to accept their invitation, but it was suggested that the Executive Secretary keep in mind the possibility of meeting with learned

societies when their meetings are held in Chicago.

Final action was taken on the proposed amendment to Article IV, Section 2. The committee of the By-Laws originally presented this to the board in June 1946. It was voted to amend this section to read:

Sec. 2. Appointment of Committee Members. Committee members shall be appointed by the vice president (president-elect) unless it is otherwise provided in the action authorizing the committee, or in the Constitution and By-Laws.

The time and other considerations regarding the meetings of A.C.R.L. were discussed. It was agreed to continue pretty much as usual for the present.

It was voted to apply for a constituent membership with the American Council on Education.

The board approved the ordering of reprints of the special Charles Harvey Brown issue of *College and Research Libraries* to cost between thirty dollars (\$30) and fifty dollars (\$50).

It was voted to recommend to the A.L.A. Executive Board that the institutional part of the contributing annuity contract with the Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of America for the A.C.R.L. Executive Secretary be disbursed by the A.L.A. It was further voted that providing the A.L.A. Executive Board did not approve of this action, the A.C.R.L. treasurer be instructed to pay the annuity out of the association's treasury. The institutional part of the contributing contract amounts to 5 per cent of the salary.

President McDiarmid announced that the A.L.A. Executive Board had recently agreed to carry advertising in the *A.L.A. Bulletin*, and suggested that this might be one means of defraying some of the increased costs of publishing *College and Research Libraries*. It was voted to approve in principle the carrying of paid advertisements in *College and Research Libraries* with a committee consisting of the editor, Executive Secretary, and Mr.

Carlson to look into the matter. This committee was given power to act as they saw fit.

*Meeting of Wednesday, July 2, 1947,
10:30 A.M.*

The Board of Directors of A.C.R.L. met in the San Francisco Public Library with President McDiarmid presiding.

It was voted to recommend to the association at its business meeting on Thursday, July 3, 1947, that the Committee on Relations with A.L.A. be thanked for its services performed, and that the committee be discharged, the functions of the committee to be transferred to the Board of Directors and its committees.

It was voted to authorize President-Elect Carlson to confer with the subcommittee on relations with A.L.A. as to their continuance or discontinuance. After such consultation Mr. Carlson was to consider the possibility of a new committee on the aims and policies of A.C.R.L.

The A.C.R.L. budget for 1947-48, as drawn up by President-Elect Carlson and

N. O. Rush, was discussed. Because of our inability to understand clearly Mr. Dooley's figures regarding his recommendations for the annual subvention for *College and Research Libraries*, it was agreed to defer decision on the budget until the board could meet with Mr. Dooley.

It was agreed to support the A.L.A.'s 75th Anniversary—Four Year Program by paying special attention to recruitment and increasing A.C.R.L.'s membership by at least 1200 members.

The board voted to recommend to the association the establishment of four special committees as proposed by President-Elect Carlson in his inaugural address.

The Executive Secretary was given five minutes to discuss with the board the duties of his office.

Meeting of Thursday, July 3, 1947, 2:00 P.M.

The board met a few minutes before the annual business meeting of the association to hear Mr. Dooley's explanation of certain items of the budget. Budget for the year approved.

Now Let Us Score!

Appeal is made to college and reference librarians in support of the federal Public Library Service Demonstration Bill (S.48 and H.R. 2465). The bill, sponsored by the A.L.A. and each of the state library associations, progresses well in Congress. The support of college and reference librarians can be decisive. Briefly, the bill provides an initial uncontrolled federal grant of \$25,000 to each state library for a five-year demonstration of good public library service in some area chosen by the state library, to show remaining parts of each state effective service at low cost. Additional provision is also made for uncontrolled matching federal grants to each state up to \$75,000. All appropriations would be made annually for five years.

The bill is particularly important to college and research librarians as an educational project. At least one half of the users of the scholarly libraries come from and later increasingly return to the use of public li-

braries. The Public Library Service Demonstration Bill, in seeking to reach the large unreserved area of the nation, promises partially to complete the American library picture and, indirectly, to stimulate morale as well as to promote the work of all libraries.

Specifically, college and reference librarians can aid by getting copies of the bill and consulting public librarians about it; then by editorials, interviews, and letters, request trustees, administrators, faculty, students, alumni, and friends to ask U.S. senators and representatives to enact the bill. Since it will soon receive a vote in both Houses of Congress, immediate and sustained action is necessary until the bill is passed. Each librarian will be amazed at his influence in thus aiding to develop a reading nation. We are at the goal; NOW LET US SCORE!

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Constitution and By-Laws of the Association of College and Reference Libraries

(Revised to July 1947)

CONSTITUTION

Article I. Name

Sec. 1. The name of this organization shall be the Association of College and Reference Libraries, a division of the American Library Association. (The word "college" is understood to include college and university. The term "reference libraries" is used to include such libraries as the Library of Congress, the John Crerar Library, the Newberry Library, the reference department of the New York Public Library, and the reference departments of other public libraries.)

Article II. Object

Sec. 1. The object of the association shall be to promote library service and librarianship in the kinds of libraries enumerated in Article I. The association shall direct and carry on a program of activities to advance:

- (a) the standards of library service, in the broadest sense, in these kinds of libraries, and
- (b) the continued professional and scholarly growth of those engaged in work in these libraries.

Article III. Relationship to A.L.A.

Sec. 1. This association is organized as a division of the American Library Association under the Constitution and By-Laws of that Association and its Constitution and By-Laws (and any amendments thereto) are binding upon this association, insofar as they relate to divisions of the American Library Association.

Article IV. Membership

Sec. 1. Personal Members. Any person interested in, or associated with, the work of the kinds of libraries enumerated in Article I may become a member of this association by becoming a member of the American Library Association and by complying with

other conditions prescribed in the By-Laws.

Sec. 2. Institutional Members. Any library of the kinds enumerated in Article I, or any other institution or organization approved by the Board of Directors, may become an institutional member by becoming an institutional member of the American Library Association and by complying with other conditions prescribed in the By-Laws.

Sec. 3. Contributing and Sustaining Members. Any person or institution eligible to membership may become a contributing or sustaining member upon payment of the annual sums provided in the By-Laws.

Sec. 4. Honorary Members. On nomination of the Board of Directors, honorary members may be elected by two-thirds vote of the members present at any annual meeting of the association. Members of foreign library associations and those outside the library profession who have consistently aided the kinds of libraries enumerated in Article I are eligible to election as honorary members. Honorary membership shall be for life, subject to Sec. 6.

Sec. 5. Life Memberships. Contributors to life membership in the American Library Association whether before or after July 1, 1940, may be received as life members in the Association of College and Reference Libraries by complying with conditions as provided in the By-Laws.

Sec. 6. Suspension and Reinstatement. The membership of any individual or institution may be suspended by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors. A suspended member may be reinstated by a three-fourths vote of the board.

Article V. Officers

Sec. 1. Officers and Duties. The officers of the association shall be a president, a vice

president, an executive secretary, and a treasurer, who shall perform the duties usually attached to these offices.

Sec. 2. Terms. The president and the vice president shall be elected from the membership of the association and shall serve for one year or until their successors are elected and qualified. The executive secretary shall be chosen by the Board of Directors and shall hold office at its pleasure. The treasurer shall be elected from the membership of the association and shall serve for three years, or until his successor is elected and qualified.

Sec. 3. President-Elect. The vice president shall be the president-elect, and shall succeed to the office of president at the end of the president's term.

Sec. 4. Representation. The persons who are officers at any one time shall be chosen so as to represent as many of the various interests and groups in the association as is possible.

Article VI. Board of Directors

Sec. 1. Duties and Authority. The Board of Directors shall have general oversight and direction of the affairs of the association, and shall perform such specific duties as may be given to it in the Constitution and By-Laws. It shall conduct all business pertaining to the association as a whole between annual and other meetings of the association, and shall have authority to make decisions for the association during the periods between meetings. It shall decide upon the expenditure of all funds belonging to the association as a whole, and shall be authorized to allot such funds to sections and committees.

Sec. 2. Members. The board shall consist of the president, vice president, retiring president, treasurer, three directors-at-large, the directors elected by the sections, and the association representatives on the American Library Association Council who are serving the last year of their terms. The executive secretary and the chief officer (or, in his absence, the vice chief officer, or the retiring chief officer, in this order) of each section are ex officio members without vote.

Sec. 3. Terms. The directors-at-large and directors representing sections shall be elected from the members of the association for three-year terms, which terms shall overlap so as to insure continuity of policy.

Article VII. Meetings.

Sec. 1. General Meetings. The association shall hold an annual conference at such place and time as may be determined by the Board of Directors. Meetings may be called for any time by the board.

Sec. 2. Section Meetings. Meetings of the sections shall be held at the time of the annual conference, and may be called for other times by the chief officer or other controlling agency of any sections with the approval of the Board of Directors.

Sec. 3. Admission to Meetings. General meetings are open to all interested in the work of the association. Sections may, with the approval of the Board of Directors, hold closed meetings.

Article VIII. Sections

Sec. 1. Establishment. Any group of twenty or more members of the association, representing a field of activity in general distinct from those of then existing sections, may organize a section upon receiving approval from the Board of Directors. Sections shall be composed only of association members.

Sec. 2. Representation on the Board of Directors. Any section of 50 or more members shall elect from its voting membership one representative on the Board of Directors.

Sec. 3. Autonomy and Authority. Each section shall, with the approval of the Board of Directors, have autonomy in, and responsibility for, its own affairs and the expenditure of funds assigned to it by the Board of Directors. Each section may close its meetings to all but its own members. It shall have power to elect its own officers, to appoint committees relating to its own affairs, and to nominate such representatives on American Library Association committees as may be authorized by the Board of Directors. When conflicts of interest arise between sections, the questions shall be referred to the Board of Directors for decision.

Sec. 4. Affiliation. Members of the association may affiliate under the provisions of the By-Laws with as many sections as they wish. A member affiliating with more than one section may vote for the sectional officers and director in each section with which he affiliates.

Article IX. By-Laws

Sec. 1. Adoption, Suspension, and Amendments. By-Laws may be adopted, suspended, and amended upon a written recommendation of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws appointed by the president and by a majority vote of the members of the association attending any general session of any annual conference or casting ballots in a vote by mail.

Article X. Amendments

Sec. 1. This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of members present at any general session of two successive annual conferences not less than four months apart upon a written recommendation of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws appointed by the president, provided that notice of the proposed amendment is published in the official publication of the association not less than one month before final consideration.

BY-LAWS

Article I. Dues

Sec. 1. Personal Members. Dues for a personal member shall be the allotment to which the association is entitled from the American Library Association. Each personal member of the association must designate the association as the division of the American Library Association to receive allotment of American Library Association dues whenever he belongs to a class of American Library Association members from whose dues allotments are made. A member affiliated with more than one section shall pay to the treasurer of the association additional dues of 50¢ annually for each section with which he affiliates beyond the first.

Sec. 2. Institutional Members. Dues for an institutional member shall be the allotment to which the association is entitled from the American Library Association. Each institutional member of the association must designate the association as the division of the American Library Association to receive allotments of American Library Association dues whenever such allotments are made.

Sec. 3. Contributing and Sustaining Members. The annual dues for contributing members shall be \$25; and for sustaining members, \$100. These dues are payable annually to the treasurer during the first month of the fiscal year.

Sec. 4. Honorary Members. There shall be no dues for honorary members.

Sec. 5. Life Members. A contributor to life membership in the American Library Association after July 1, 1940 may be received as a member in the Association of College and Reference Libraries by designating this division to the American Library Association treasurer who shall allot to the

Association of College and Reference Libraries treasury \$2 per year during the lifetime of the member. A contributor to life membership in the American Library Association before 1940 may become a life member in the Association of College and Reference Libraries by the payment of \$10 to this division, or an annual member of the division by the payment of 50¢ annual dues.

Article II. Nominations and Elections

Sec. 1. Committee. A committee to nominate candidates for elective positions to be filled for the association as a whole shall be appointed by the vice president (president-elect), with the approval of the president, at such time as to enable this committee to meet during the annual conference preceding the one at which elections are to be made from the nominees. This committee shall, as far as possible, represent the various groups and interests of the association. It is the duty of this committee to select the ablest persons available for the positions to which nominations are to be made. In making its selection the committee shall keep in mind the following objectives: (a) the importance of developing leaders among the younger members of the association; (b) the desirability of rotating important offices among the various sections composing the association; (c) the necessity of securing a Board of Directors on which all sections will have as equal a number of representatives as is possible at any one time. Candidates for elective positions for sections shall be chosen as each section determines.

Sec. 2. Reports. The Nominating Committee shall report nominations to the executive secretary not less than six months before

the annual conference at which nominees are to be considered. Nominations shall be published by the executive secretary in the official publication of the association not less than two months before the annual conference.

Sec. 3. Nominations by Others. Nominations other than those by the nominating committees, signed by not less than ten members of the association shall be filed with the executive secretary not less than two months before the annual meeting and must be accompanied by written consent of these nominees.

Sec. 4. Right to Vote. All members of the association shall be eligible to vote on the elective positions of the association. Only members affiliated with a section shall vote for its officers and the director who will represent that section on the Board of Directors.

Sec. 5. Elections. (a) Association. Elections to elective positions for the association as a whole shall be made by mail vote in such manner as the Board of Directors shall determine. The candidate receiving the largest number of votes shall be elected. In case of a tie vote the successful candidate shall be determined by lot.

(b) Sections. Elections to elective positions for sections shall be made as each section determines. The election of directors representing sections must be reported in writing by a section's retiring chief officer to the executive secretary of the association before the adjournment of the annual conference. Any section failing so to report such election by this time shall lose its right to be represented on the board for the following elective year. The election of chief officers of sections, and vice chief officers, if any, shall be reported to the executive secretary in the same way and at the same time.

Article III. Quorum

Sec. 1. Board of Directors. A majority of the voting members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum.

Sec. 2. Association. Fifty members shall constitute a quorum of the association for the transaction of all business except elections to the elective positions of the association.

Article IV. Committees

Sec. 1. Authorization. Committees of the association as a whole shall be authorized by

action of the association or the Board of Directors, except as otherwise provided in the Constitution and By-Laws.

Sec. 2. Appointment of Committee Members. Committee members shall be appointed by the president unless it is otherwise provided in the action authorizing the committee or in the Constitution and By-Laws. The vice president (president-elect) shall appoint committee members selected in advance to serve during the term of his presidency.

Sec. 3. Discontinuance. A committee may be discontinued only by the agency authorizing it.

Article V. Chapters

State, regional, or local chapters of the Association of College and Reference Libraries may be established by the Board of Directors on the petition of a sufficient number of members of the Association of College and Reference Libraries resident in the territory within which the chapter is desired and according to the following regulations:

(1) Each chapter may establish its own constitution and by-laws.

(2) Chapters may be discontinued by action of the Board of Directors of the Association of College and Reference Libraries.

(3) At least one meeting shall be held each year.

(4) Each chapter shall send a report of its meetings to the executive secretary of the Association of College and Reference Libraries at least two months before the annual conference of the American Library Association.

Article VI. Vacancies

Sec. 1. Elective Positions. Appointments to fill vacancies in elective positions of the association as a whole (except president and vice president) shall be made by the Board of Directors until it is possible for the association to fill the vacancy at the next regular annual election in accordance with the By-Laws.

a. A vacancy in the office of president shall be filled, for the remainder of the term, by the vice president. This succession shall not prevent a person who succeeds to the presidency because of a vacancy, from serving his normal term as president the next year, as is provided in the Constitution.

b. A vacancy in the office of vice president

can be filled only by election as provided in the By-Laws.

c. If vacancies occur in the offices of president and vice president within the same term the Board of Directors shall elect as president one of the directors or the directors-at-large for the remainder of the term. When a regular election is next held, a president and a vice president shall be elected.

d. Vacancies on the Board of Directors shall be filled by election at the next regular election after the vacancy occurs.

e. Appointments to fill vacancies on a committee of the association as a whole shall be made by the president, unless otherwise provided in the action authorizing the committee, or in the By-Laws.

Article VII. Years

Sec. 1. Membership Year. The membership year of the association shall be the calendar year.

Sec. 2. Fiscal Year. The fiscal year of the association shall be September 1 to August 31.

Sec. 3. Elective and Appointive Year.

The term of office for elective and appointive positions of the association filled annually shall be the period beginning with the adjournment of the annual conference and ending with the adjournment of the next succeeding annual conference. Terms of office for elective positions occupied longer than one year shall be calculated from the adjournment of the annual conference. This By-Law shall not apply to the term of office of any person elected by the association to represent it on the American Library Association Council, or on any other American Library Association body, which may have terms of office differing from terms specified in these By-Laws. In such cases the term specified by the American Library Association shall prevail.

Article VIII. Rules of Order

Sec. 1. The rules contained in Robert's *Rules of Order* shall govern the association in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are not inconsistent with the Constitution and By-Laws.

Library Lighting

Librarians concerned with the problem of determining the number of foot candles of light necessary in reading rooms or with the whole problem of library lighting should find the following publications helpful:

1. "Illumination Levels: Brief Explanation of the Method of Determining Illumination Levels Developed by the Medical Research Council and Department of Scientific and Industrial Research of the British Government." *Bulletin* 1. Department of Applied Research, Holophane Company, 342 Madison Ave., New York City 17.

2. Accompanying this publication is a wheel type "illumination levels indicator" developed by the Holophane Company. This device permits the manipulation of the basic data for determining proper illumination levels in terms of the degree of efficiency desired. Librarians

will undoubtedly find this device convenient.

3. Logan, H. L., *Light for Living*. Department of Research, Holophane Company, Inc., 342 Madison Ave., New York City 17. This publication is important, because it throws new light on the methods necessary in determining proper light. It emphasizes the necessity of taking into consideration color treatment of all planes within the entire line of vision, whereas, in the past most people have considered only the surface of the printed page in relation to the light source.

4. *Good Lighting for People at Work in Reading Rooms and Offices* by Holway and Jameson. Division of Research, Graduate School of Business Education. Harvard University Press, 1947.

RALPH E. ELLSWORTH.

Personnel

BERNARD R. BERELSON, the new dean of the Graduate Library School, University of Chicago, comes to his new position with a background of experience in education for librarianship and research. A graduate of Whitman College in 1934, he later obtained his bachelor's degree in library science and his master's degree in English at the University of Washington. He was a member of the library staff at Washington from 1936 to 1938. His doctoral dissertation, at the grad-



Bernard R. Berelson

uate library school, was concerned with "Content Emphasis, Recognition and Agreements: An Analysis of the Role of Communication in Determining Public Opinion."

Dr. Berelson has continued his interest in content analysis, and his recent positions have been in this direction. After a short period of research work on a special project for the Rockefeller Foundation in 1941, he went to the Foreign Broadcast Intelligence Service of the Federal Communications Commission as an analyst. For three years he worked at the task of analyzing and interpreting broadcasts which were emanating from enemy countries. Late in 1944 he moved to Columbia University, where he was research

director of the Bureau of Applied Social Research. In 1946 he became assistant professor at the University of Chicago, with responsibilities in both the Graduate Library School and the School of Education. His recent appointment as dean also includes a promotion to the rank of associate professor.

Dr. Berelson is the author of a number of books and articles on the effects of reading, public opinion, and communication of ideas.

As an outstanding researcher and able thinker, he is well qualified to direct the program of graduate study at Chicago. As a pleasant personality who can meet effectively both faculty and students he is prepared for the administrative and public relations tasks which go with his position.—*M.F.T.*

LESLEY M. HEATHCOTE has been appointed librarian of the Montana State College at Bozeman, succeeding Mrs. Lois Payson. The regret felt by all members of the P.N.L.A. on the loss of Mrs. Payson from the region has been tempered by the return to the Northwest of Miss Heathcote and her advancement to the post of librarian in chief.

Miss Heathcote is a graduate of the Uni-



Lesley M. Heathcote

versity of Alberta where she received the A.B. and A.M. degrees. She is a graduate of the School of Librarianship of the University of Washington and has completed at this institution a goodly portion of the work leading to a doctorate in history.

Her library experience has been mainly acquired at the University of Washington Library. During the years 1929 to 1944, she held the position of serials librarian and brought together an unusually fine set of research publications including periodicals and foreign documents. She demonstrated capacity for sustained scholarship combined with businesslike ability. It was through her persistent efforts that this library secured and maintained its outstanding serial files. In the preparation of the national *Union List of Newspapers*, Miss Heathcote collected and edited the entries from Washington and Alaska. Her promptness was cited in the preface to that work: "Miss Lesley Heathcote of the University of Washington, sent in the first completed list and set a very high standard for those to follow."

Miss Heathcote has served on numerous committees of professional library organizations. One of her substantial contributions to the P.N.L.A. was made as chairman of the committee that revised and codified its constitution. She was chairman of the Serials Section of the A. L. A. for the two-year term beginning 1938.

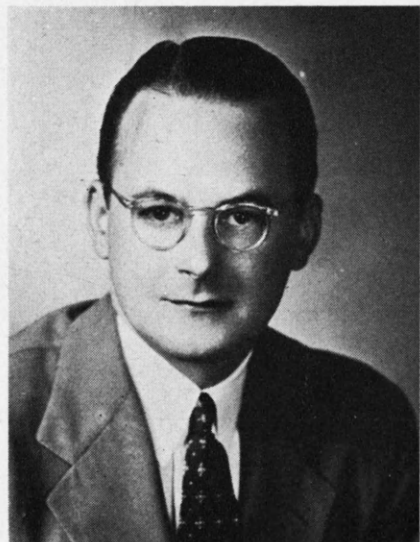
During the years 1945-46, Miss Heathcote was research assistant in the International Labor Office, Montreal. In this position, she did bibliographic work, indexed laws, and carried on research in colonial labor problems. Her fine equipment in modern languages proved most useful.

All who have an interest in the future scholarship of the Pacific Northwest can but view with satisfaction the recent appointments to the research institutions of this area. Montana, Oregon, and Washington each have a state college and a state university library administered by trained librarians. These six librarians have each not less than a master's and a library school degree. Two have completed the work for a doctorate in librarianship. Six different library schools are represented. The average age is about forty-two years. The newest member of this group of young administrators, Miss Heath-

cote brings a trained mind, an honest and friendly disposition and an enthusiasm for hard work.—*Charles W. Smith.*

OF SIDNEY BUTLER SMITH, newly appointed librarian of the University of Vermont, Burlington, it may be said that he entered librarianship by, in the current idiom, doing what came naturally. In fact, librarianship in his case was virtually unavoidable, for his mother was closely identified with the Washington Public Library as trustee during Sidney's formative years, and his father's position as chief Alaskan geologist led to the son's interest in scholarship. He insisted, however, on working out a career strictly on his own.

After taking his undergraduate work at Williams (A.B., 1934) and his basic profes-



Sidney Butler Smith

sional training at Columbia (B.S., 1936) he served as assistant librarian at George Washington University and at Bard College, and later as reference librarian at Union College. He enrolled in the graduate library school in 1934, and completed all requirements for the doctorate in 1947. His principal publication to date is an article entitled "College and University Library Cooperation" which appeared in the *Library Quarterly* for April 1946. His doctoral dissertation, consisting of a comprehensive analysis of the biblio-

graphical activities carried on by the several agencies of the federal government, bears the title "The United States Government as Bibliographer."

Personally, Mr. Smith is a cultured and affable young man, thirty-four years of age. His appointment to the librarianship of the University of Vermont represents the third in a sequence of Chicago actual or potential doctors. He is an able addition to the already strong group of academic librarians in the Northeast.—*Leon Carnovsky.*

HELEN M. BROWN, who has been librarian of MacMurray College, Jacksonville, Ill., since 1944, became librarian of Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, N.Y., on September 1.

Miss Brown has her A.B. degree from



Helen M. Brown

Vassar College and both the B.S. and the M.S. degrees from the School of Library Service of Columbia University.

With her new position, Miss Brown returns to the field of her previous experience—the New York State woman's college. The headship of three departments in the Vassar College Library from 1936 to 1944 gave her an excellent groundwork in administrative practices. As head of circulation, order work, and then reference, Miss Brown gained valuable experience in both reader services

and technical processes. While at Vassar, her work for the master's degree in library service, taken in four successive summers, emphasized the management aspects of college library service. Her thesis examined the conditions contributing to the efficient service of student assistants in a selected group of college libraries.

At MacMurray, Miss Brown has concentrated on the development of the professional staff, the growth and better organization of the book stock, and the addition of needed reader services. Her tenure has witnessed a rapid physical development of the college, with which the library has more than kept pace.

For her charm, her interesting personality, and her keen mind and imagination, Miss Brown will be a welcome addition to the increasing circle of top-notch administrators who are guiding the destinies of our Eastern women's colleges.—*B.C.H.*

SEYMOUR ROBB, the medical librarian of Columbia University became the librarian of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute in Blacksburg, Va., on Oct. 1, 1947. Mr. Robb came to the medical library on Sept. 1, 1944 from his position as director of the Vested Film Program of the Alien Property Custodian. Before that time he was in charge of the science and technology reading room of the Library of Congress, and earlier, director of stacks in that institution. During that time he also taught reference and bibliography at the graduate school of Catholic University of America.

Mr. Robb has seen the medical library grow from a collection of about 125,000 volumes to one of about 140,000 volumes. He endeavored to ease the crowded conditions at the medical library by installing several hundred feet of shelving, both in the stacks and in the reading rooms as well as working with the architect on plans for a new medical library building. He has built up exchange relations with the libraries in Europe, Asia, and South America. During his period as medical librarian, Mr. Robb has been chairman of the committee for the disposal of foreign duplicates of the war years of the Medical Library Association, and member of the college and university



Seymour Robb

committee of the New York Library Association. He has spoken at the annual meetings of both the Medical Library Association and the Special Libraries Association.

It is with real regret that the members of the medical library staff see Mr. Robb leaving. Only because they feel that he will be happier in his native state of Virginia, are they reconciled to his departure.

The library of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute, to which Mr. Robb is going, contains well over 100,000 volumes in the fields of engineering and agriculture. It is entering a stage of dynamic expansion, with a new library building and methods of bringing the library and its users closer together planned for the near future.—*Estelle Brodman.*

FRANCES HENNE, the new associate dean and dean of students of the Graduate Library School of the University of Chicago, received her bachelor's degree from the University of Illinois in 1925 and her M.A. from the same institution in 1934. Her library degree was obtained from Columbia University, School of Library Service in 1935. She has continued her graduate work in librarianship at Chicago since 1938, when she was awarded a Carnegie fellowship, and has almost completed her requirements for the doctoral degree.

She has held library positions in public li-

braries in Springfield, Ill., and the New York Public Library. She was on the faculty of the Albany State Teachers College, and from 1939-42 she was librarian at the University High School at the University of Chicago. She has been a member of the faculty of the graduate library school since 1942.

Miss Henne has specialized in children's work and school libraries, in which she has become a recognized authority. She is the author of many articles in professional and educational periodicals, and at present has three books in preparation. She has been a frequent speaker at library meetings and is vice chairman of the American Association of School Librarians.

She is chairman of the Britannica Junior Advisory Committee of the University of Chicago and also chairman of the Committee



Frances Henne

on Education for Librarians Working with Children and Young People for the Division of Libraries for Children and Young People. This committee has a two-year research project under way in which a systematic analysis is being made of the problem of education for librarians working with children and young people. Miss Henne was one of the chairmen of the twelfth annual institute of the graduate library school in August 1947. The topic of this institute was "Youth, Communication, and Libraries." Within the last

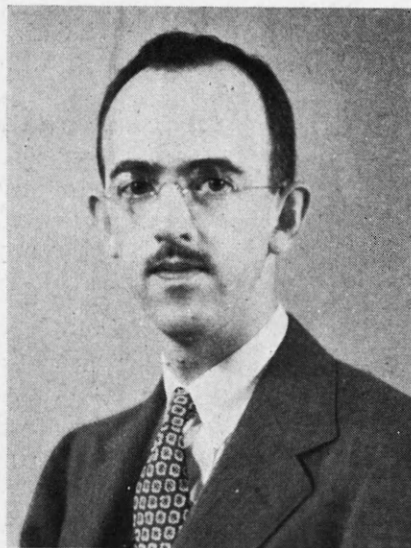
few years she has conducted surveys of school libraries in many school systems. These surveys were made in cooperation with the Department of Education of the University of Chicago.

She brings to her new position a rich experience in the field of education for librarianship, a high competence for research on library problems, and a personality that well qualifies her for advisory work with students.—*Jesse H. Shera.*

RICHARD H. SHOEMAKER, librarian of Washington and Lee University, recently resigned to become librarian of the Newark Colleges of Rutgers University. The Newark Colleges consist of Rutgers University College of Pharmacy, Law School, School of Business Administration, and Newark College of Arts and Sciences. Mr. Shoemaker will be in direct charge of the general library, known as the John Cotton Dana Library, in addition to being responsible for the law library and the pharmacy library.

A native of Pennsylvania, Mr. Shoemaker, received his A.B. from the University of Pennsylvania and his M.A. from Washington and Lee University. He also holds a B.S. degree from Columbia University, School of Library Service. Mr. Shoemaker came to the library profession with a good background of banking experience. This is evidenced in the efficient business methods which he applies to library procedures.

His library career started at Temple Uni-



Richard H. Shoemaker

versity in the cataloging department. From there he moved to Washington and Lee University as chief of the cataloging department. He then advanced to assistant librarian, acting librarian, and librarian. While at the latter institution, he consolidated and streamlined the technical processes into a well-organized unit.

Mr. Shoemaker's work shows the happy blending of cultural interests, a scholarly background, and practical business techniques. He should meet well the challenge at Newark.—*Foster E. Mohrhardt.*

Appointments

The following changes in major positions at the Library of Congress from June to September have been reported by the librarian.

Robert T. S. Lowell, Jr., succeeded Karl Shapiro as consultant in poetry and English literature.

Frederick H. Wagman, formerly assistant director for the public reference service, reference department, is now the director of the processing department.

Archibald B. Evans, who was assistant chief of the serials division, was made chief

of the division on the forty-first anniversary of his employment in the library.

Henry S. Parsons retired August 31 from the position as chief of the serials division after almost forty years service in the library.

Nathaniel Stewart resigned from the position as chief of the card division to accept a teaching fellowship in the Columbia University, School of Library Service.

Edward A. Finlayson, formerly assistant chief of the card division, has been appointed chief of the division.

Dan Mabry Lacy, formerly assistant archi-

vist of the United States, has been appointed assistant director for acquisitions, processing department.

Mortimer Taube, who held the position of assistant director for operations, acquisitions department (now merged with the processing department), has been made chief of the science and technology project.

Alva B. Walker, assistant secretary of the library, is now administrative secretary to the librarian.

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Dr. Louis B. Wright has been appointed director of the Folger Shakespeare Library in Washington, D. C. Dr. Wright succeeds James G. McManaway, who has served as acting director since the death of Joseph Q. Adams a year ago.

Joseph Reason, who has been supervisor of the reference department of Howard University, Washington, D. C., has been appointed librarian.

Gordon C. Abrams, head of the purchase searching section of the Library of Congress, is now reference librarian of Dartmouth College.

Niels H. Sonne has left the reference librarianship of Trinity College, Hartford, to become assistant librarian of the General Theological Seminary, N.Y.

H. Tyler Gemmill, chief of the catalog department of the New Jersey College for Women, has become librarian of Sweet Briar College, Sweet Briar, Va.

Gladys V. Sanger, head cataloger of the Union College Library, Schenectady, N.Y., is now head cataloger of the University of Missouri Library.

Walter W. Wright, of the staff of Johns Hopkins University Library, Baltimore, is now head of the circulation department of the University of Pennsylvania Library at Philadelphia.

William A. Kozumplik is now assistant librarian of Notre Dame University.

Hubbard W. Ballou is now librarian of photographic processes of the University of Illinois Library at Urbana.

Laura G. Giles has been appointed librarian of the medical library of the University of Saskatchewan at Saskatoon.

Joseph C. Borden, on the staff of the reference department of the New York Public Library since 1935, has been appointed asso-

ciate librarian of the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville.

Helen A. Dooley, librarian of Monticello College, Alton, Ill., is now assistant librarian at Illinois State Normal University.

Gladys M. Brownell, cataloger of the Colby College Library, Waterville, Me., is now assistant librarian of Bard College, Annandale-on-Hudson, N. Y.

Bess Olson, formerly librarian of the Scarsdale, N.Y., High School, is now librarian of the Long Beach, Calif., City College.

Elizabeth C. Borden, copyright catalog office of the Library of Congress, has been appointed librarian of the Penniman Library of the University of Pennsylvania.

Ivan G. Grimshaw, who has been the rector of the Instituto Ingles in Santiago, Chile, for the past two years, is now director of libraries of Youngstown College, Youngstown, Ohio.

Wilfred L. Morin, assistant to the executive secretary of the American Library Association, has been appointed head of circulation of the Cornell University Library at Ithaca.

Edmund P. Gnoza has been made administrative assistant of the University of Oregon Library at Eugene.

Charles E. Rothe has been appointed librarian of Southwestern University, Georgetown, Tex.

Katheryn Sullivan is now bibliographer of librarianship in the library service division of the U.S. Office of Education, Washington, D.C.

Mary Swisher, assistant reference librarian at West Virginia University, is now reference librarian at North Texas Agricultural College, Arlington.

Don Bernard Theall is now reference librarian of Mullen Library, Catholic University of America, Washington, D. C.

Virginia M. Zingsheim, on the staff of the Milwaukee Public Library, has been appointed medical librarian of the University of Vermont at Burlington.

John Dulka has been appointed reference librarian of Milwaukee State Teachers College.

Willard A. Heaps is now administrative officer of the UNESCO Documentation, Library and Statistical Services in Paris.

Barbara Estep, who has been in Japan with

the Army library service, has been appointed librarian of the Walter Hervey Junior College, N.Y.

Pauline C. Ramsey, cataloger with the Columbia University Libraries, has been named head of the cataloging department of the Notre Dame University Library.

Florence M. Hopkins, formerly head cataloger of the Middlebury College Library, is now librarian of Thiel College, Greenville, Pa.

Dorothy F. Lucas, on the staff of the New Jersey State Library since 1924, is now head cataloger of Peabody Institute Library, Baltimore.

Lillian B. Goodhart, cataloger in the law school library of Yale University, has been appointed chief of the cataloging department of the New Jersey College for Women Library at New Brunswick.

David K. Easton, of the reference staff of the Columbia University Libraries, is now assistant librarian of the American Institute of Foreign Trade, Phoenix, Ariz.

Alma Bennett, extension librarian at Kansas State Teachers College, Emporia, has become librarian of the social science reading room of the University of Missouri Library.

Gertrude Lemon, librarian of the Parsons, Kan., Public Library, has succeeded Miss Bennett at Emporia.

R. Paul Bartolini has taken the newly-created position of assistant librarian in charge of public services at the University of Wichita Library.

Dorothea Welch Hughes, reference librarian at the Wichita Municipal University,

has become librarian of Southwestern College, Winfield, Kan. Mrs. Hughes succeeds Pearl G. Carlson, who has joined the library staff of Tulane University, New Orleans.

Mary A. Hawkins has been appointed head of circulation for the University of Wyoming Library at Laramie.

Harriet Modemann has been appointed librarian of the New London, Conn., Junior College.

Louise Annus has been named assistant librarian of Dunbarton College, Washington, D. C.

Owen Johnson has been appointed librarian of the visual education library of the University of Minnesota.

Effie A. Keith retired as assistant librarian of Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., after thirty-one years of service to the university. Although relinquishing her administrative responsibilities, Miss Keith will continue as a special consultant in cataloging, in charge of the cataloging of arrears.

Clarence S. Paine, director of libraries at Beloit College, Beloit, Wis., has been appointed librarian of the Oklahoma City Carnegie Library.

New appointments to the staff of the Cornell University Library include the following: Felix Reichmann, formerly on the staff of the Library of Congress, as acquisitions librarian; Josephine M. Tharpe, who has been on the reference staff at Duke and Illinois, as reference librarian; and Dagny V. Anderson, cataloger at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, as classification librarian.

Necrology

Thomas Asher Meade, librarian, General Motors Institute, Flint, Mich., died in November following an illness of several months.

Mr. Meade was born in Kirksville, Mo., on May 4, 1910, and was a graduate of Harvard University, School of Business Administration, University of Illinois Library School, and Graduate Library School, University of Chicago.

In addition to his position with General Motors, Mr. Meade had been reference assistant at the Queens Borough Public Library, librarian of the Joseph Schaffner Library of Commerce, Northwestern University, and director of market research for Montgomery, Ward and Company, Chicago.

His many colleagues and friends will remember his warm personality.

News from

A survey conducted by the U.S. General Office of Education shows that student fees in institutions of higher learning have increased materially during the past few years. Operating costs in the colleges have been responsible for this increase. Dr. John D. Russell, director, Division of Higher Education, U.S. Office of Education, Federal Security Agency, has stated that student fees have increased to such an extent that many intellectually capable young people are unable to attend college. The survey notes that more than half of the total annual college expenditures are now paid by student fees whereas in earlier years they provided for only a third of the annual expense bill of the colleges. At the present time more than half of these student fees are being paid by the government. It seems obvious from the findings of this survey that the colleges and the country will face a serious problem in their efforts to provide a college education for many intellectually capable students after federal support, in the form of veterans' benefits, has ceased.

A group of alumni and other friends of *Acquisitions, Gifts, and Collections* Yale presented a perfect copy of the *Bay Psalm Book* to the library in September. Purchased a year ago by Dr. A. S. W. Rosenbach at a New York auction for \$151,000 (the highest price ever paid for a book) this famous item is one of three perfect copies in existence. Printed by the Puritans in the 17th century and adopted by a majority of the congregations in the Massachusetts Bay Colony, this psalm book is one of the world's most famous books and is, as James T. Babb, librarian of Yale

University has said "far rarer than a Shakespeare first folio."

It was printed as one of an edition of 1700 copies at the Stephen Daye Press, Cambridge, Mass., in 1640. The book was exhibited in the Yale University Library during the fall.

The Evanston Campus Library of Northwestern University has acquired the rare first edition of Robert Hooke's *Micrographia; Or Some Physiological Descriptions of Minute Bodies Made by Magnifying Glasses*. Published in London in 1665 this book was the second to be printed in English on the microscope. It is valuable for the history of physics, chemistry, biology, and astronomy. Its beautifully engraved plates are the work of the author.

Study facilities for 100 students and storage facilities for 40,000 books have been provided by an emergency "library annex" at Union College, Schenectady, N.Y. The building measures 30' x 125' and was moved from the Rome Air Base. The new annex is designed primarily for the use of commuting students who need study facilities during the day, according to Helmer L. Webb, librarian. Even after the present emergency has passed the building will be used to house books. It will relieve the pressure on the main library until a new college library has been constructed.

The University of Minnesota has established temporary study halls to provide overflow reading room space for the library. These rooms are entirely unsupervised and contain no books. Edward B. Stanford, assistant librarian, states that these rooms have greatly relieved the pressure on the main library. Other libraries in the region

the Field

have adopted similar temporary arrangements to good effect.

On Sunday, October 5, University of Nebraska's new Don L. Love Memorial Library was formally dedicated. The closed stack is avoided in this new building and the student is surrounded by thousands of books on open shelves. These open shelves are located in four large reading rooms devoted to the following broad subject fields: the humanities, science and technology, social studies, and education. Each reading room will be under the supervision of a librarian trained in the particular subject field to which his room is devoted. Costing slightly more than one million dollars the Love Library provides space for over eight hundred thousand volumes. It has a seating capacity of one thousand and provides sixteen graduate seminar rooms, and thirty-nine faculty study rooms.

Committees, Conferences, and Curricula Dartmouth College has inaugurated a course required of all seniors titled, "Great Issues." The course is designed to expose students to "national and international issues which they will face as adult citizens and to give them an urgent sense of their primary public duty as educated men." Various nationally prominent men have been announced as visiting lecturers and discussion group leaders. The college has received a grant of \$75,000 from Carnegie Corporation of New York to help defray the expenses of this experimental program for the first three years. A public affairs laboratory has been installed in Dartmouth's Baker Library to supplement the course. The laboratory will contain government publications, newspapers, and periodicals,

and private group literature which will be studied and compared as to scope, intent, and reliability.

The formation of the American Theological Library Association was announced in this column in April 1947. One of the first responsibilities assumed by this recently organized association was the gathering of data concerning the nature and extent of the demand for certain out-of-print religious books. A questionnaire and checklist of titles was prepared and mailed to libraries and other groups interested in purchasing religious books. When these checklists have been returned and the data formulated a report will be forwarded to the Religious Publishers' Group (New York) for their use in determining the possibility of republishing certain titles. Additional copies of the questionnaire and checklist may be had from Robert F. Beach, secretary, American Theological Library Association, c/o Garrett Biblical Institute, Evanston, Ill.

During the time of the Freedom Train's visit to Albany the New York State Library offered an exhibit titled "New York State Freedom Train." Where possible the exhibit duplicated the books or displayed facsimilies of documents carried in the Freedom Train. Some original manuscripts owned by the library were shown: the manuscript copy of Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation of Sept. 22, 1862; the engrossed copy of the federal Constitution with the appended and suggested Bill of Rights amendments; New York's first constitution of 1777 and others.

Publications Yale's collection of the late Gertrude Stein's works and correspondence now contains her entire library. In October

Yale University Press published a manuscript Miss Stein completed in 1933 under the title "Four in America."

In this book Miss Stein rewrote the biographies of George Washington, General Grant, Wilbur Wright, and Henry James.

The October 15 issue of *Library Journal* was published in two parts; part two was devoted to "Films in Public Libraries" by Hoyt R. Galvin. A project of the Audio-Visual Committee of the American Library Association, this supplement is illustrated by Bertha Landers and contains a selected list of films by Mrs. Patricia O. Blair and Paul F. Gratke.

The University Library of Oslo, Wilhelm Munthe, librarian, has issued two interesting publications, *The University Library, Oslo; A Brief Survey of Its History, Collections and Buildings*, and *Norwegian Bibliography: A Brief Survey*. The first of these contains excellent photographs of parts of the library, as well as detailed floor plans.

This fall, the first volume of *Library Literature* since the publication of the 1940-42 circulation appeared. This volume indexes 1946 material only; material for the years 1943-45 will appear in a later volume according to a letter received from H. W. Wilson. This first postwar volume generally resembles its predecessors but a few variations do occur. Items are annotated rather than abstracted and annotated

under only one of the subject headings assigned to the item. Cross references are made to the subject heading under which the item is annotated.

Under the editorship of W. Stanley Hoole, the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education of the Southern Association of College and Secondary Schools has issued a revised edition of *The Classified List of Reference Books and Periodicals for College Libraries* (Birmingham, Ala., 1947). The list of books is arranged by major categories (general, biological sciences, humanities, physical sciences, social sciences) and then by subject. Titles are arranged alphabetically by author. An index of authors and titles makes it possible to locate specific items without difficulty. The periodical list is also classified by subject. There has been an increase of 484 new titles in the book list, and 67 in the periodical list. Chairmen of the advisory and editorial committees are: A. F. Kuhlman, Frances Neel Cheney, and Virginia Trumper.

The staff of Vassar College Library has need for material which will assist them and other officers of the college in preparing a revision of academic statutes of the college. Any documents pertaining to the government of a college or university, its library, and the status of its library staff will be gratefully received. Address Eileen Thornton, librarian, Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, N.Y.

Exemption from Consular Invoices

TREASURY DECISION 51699, effective June 20, 1947, provides an exemption from the requirements of consular or commercial invoices for importations of materials accorded free entry under paragraph 1631, *Tariff Act of 1930*, as amended. The cited paragraph specifies that:

Any society or institution incorporated or established solely for religious, philosophical, educational, scientific, or literary purposes, or for the encouragement of the fine arts, or any college, academy, school, or seminary of learning in the United States, or any state or public library, may import free of duty any book, map, music, engraving, photograph, etching, lithographic print, or chart, for its own use or for the encouragement of the fine arts, and not for sale, under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe.