News From the Field

A C Q U I S I T I O N S

The University of Arizona has purchased a two thousand-volume collection of rare books, maps, pamphlets, and journals concerning agriculture in Mexico. The collection had been developed by Professor L. Fourton, who taught at the National School of Agriculture in Chipingo near Mexico City for fifty-seven years prior to his death in 1964.

THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA has acquired three thousand items concerning all aspects of life in Panama—a collection built over a half century by the noted Panamanian historian, Professor Ernesto J. Castillero.

NORTHERN ARIZONA UNIVERSITY library is the depository for a unique collection of more than seven hundred photographs of the Grand Canyon taken by the Kolb brothers in the sixty-five years since 1902. Emery C. Kolb, surviving member of the pioneer exploring and photographic team, recently presented the documentary collection to the Northern Arizona Pioneers' Historical Society whose manuscript and photographic collections have been merged with those of the university library.

Major General John Bruce Medaris has presented to the library of the Florida Institute of Technology a collection of his scrapbooks, photograph albums, copies of speeches, and other papers including the manuscript of his book, *Countdown for Decision*, military decorations, and souvenirs.

Collections of rare medical books were recently presented to the Francis A. Countway library of medicine at Harvard by Boston heart specialist Dr. Paul Dudley White.

Washington University, St. Louis, has recently added to its special collection of modern literature a group of the autograph manuscripts, revised typescripts, and editorial matter of Samuel Beckett, Irish-born writer now living in France. These manuscripts augment a large collection of Beckett first editions.

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY library is the recipient of a gift of approximately one hundred seventy volumes by Martin Luther, or relating to Luther's role as the central figure in the Protestant Reformation, the gift of Bernhard K. Schaefer of New York City.

Princeton University has also received a rare copy of William Blake's illuminated book, Songs of Innocence and of Experience, the gift of Caroline Newton, of Berwyn, Pa.

The RUTGERS UNIVERSITY library has announced the acquisition of the six-hundred-volume collection on modern Mexican literature of Dr. Elias Nandino.

The M. D. Anderson memorial library at the University of Houston has added to its private collections by the acquisition of the Carlos Gonzalez Pena collection from Mexico on the literature of the romance languages, valued at \$25,000.

A collection of 275 volumes of fifteenth and sixteenth century books has been purchased by BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY library. The collection was formed by Marco Heidner, who attempted to represent in it the work of every great printer of the period.

AWARDS, GIFTS, GRANTS

A bequest of \$120,000 from the estate of the late Thomas Y. Cooper has been willed to the Gettysburg College library. The funds from the endowment will be used toward the support of the college libraries.

Two grants, totaling \$112,875, to the Library Technology Program of the ALA by the Council on Library Resources. A grant of \$50,125 will support the program of tests of currently available audio-visual equipment. Three categories of equipment will be evaluated: 16 mm. motion picture projectors in the \$500 to \$900 price range; filmstrip and combination filmstrip-slide projectors in the \$30 to \$150 price range; and, magnetic tape recorders and tape players in the \$75 to \$250 price range. The tests will be conducted by the United States Testing Company, Inc., Hoboken, New Jersey, under conditions similar to institutional use.

Fifty plastic and wood chairs will be tested in the second investigation, supported by a grant in the amount of \$62,750. Structural strength, durability of finish and other characteristics will be evaluated. A major objective of the project is to identify specific data on which librarians can base purchasing decisions. Another objective is to learn whether performance standards can be arrived at which might later be used to establish manufacturing specifications. There are at present no standards for wood and plastic chairs used for general seating in libraries. The tests will be conducted by Buyers Laboratory, Inc., New York City.

Mrs. Dorothy Hill Gersack, archivist, records appraisal division, The National Archives and Records Service, Washington, D.C., has been elected a Fellow of the Society of American Archivists at the national organization's annual meeting in Santa Fe, New Mexico. The rank of Fellow is conferred by the society upon a limited number of individuals who have

distinguished themselves in the field of archival administration and preservation.

BUILDINGS

Milne library, one of four new buildings on the campus of State University College at Geneseo (N.Y.), was dedicated on October 22.

Nearly four years of planning and building Bowling Green University's new ten-story library was climaxed with a two-day dedication program on Nov. 3-4. The \$4.5 million structure, which currently holds six hundred forty thousand volumes, was opened this summer.

The DIETRICH GRADUATE LIBRARY CENTER, second unit in a \$10 million library complex at the University of Pennsylvania, was dedicated on October 13. The six-story, \$5 million library at 36th and Walnut Streets is adjacent to the Charles Patterson Van Pelt library which opened in 1962. The two buildings now house some one million five hundred thousand of the university's two million volumes, and have an over-all capacity of two million five hundred thousand volumes.

The new \$3.3 million addition to the M. D. Anderson memorial library, UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON was completed in October. It has space for one million volumes and two thousand student seats.

RANDOLPH MACON WOMAN'S COLLEGE dedicated the Charles A. Dana wing of Lipscomb library on October 23.

FELLOW SHIPS, SCHOLARSHIPS

The biomedical library, University of California Center for the Health Sciences, Los Angeles, is offering four traineeships in medical librarianship for the year beginning Sept. 1, 1968. The program provides a year of planned work combined with enrollment in a limited number of courses selected from the following fields: biological sciences, history of science, information science (documentation), and foreign languages. The program has been approved for level II certification by the Medical Library Association, and is supported by a grant from the National Library of Medicine.

Applicants must be citizens of the United States (or have applied for citizenship), and hold master's degrees from American Library Association accredited library schools. Preference will be given to recent library school graduates who have strong backgrounds in the biological sciences. Application forms and further information should be requested from Miss Louise Darling, Librarian, Biomedical Library, Center for the Health Sciences, University of California, Los Angeles, California

90024. The deadline for submitting applications is April 1.

The University of Florida libraries offers a number of graduate assistantships for the academic year 1968/69, primarily for practicing professional librarians interested in study leading to a master's or doctoral degree in a subject field other than library science. Stipends of \$2,400 are awarded for a nine-month workstudy period, and require fifteen hours of library duty each week. Holders of assistantships are exempt from out-of-state tuition fees but pay resident registration fee. Awards are conditional on admission to the graduate school of the university, and formal applications, including graduate record examination scores, must be submitted by February 15. Necessary forms may be obtained from the Director of Libraries, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida 32601.

A publication listing scholarships and other financial assistance available for 1968-69 to students entering the profession of librarianship has been announced by the Library Education Division of the ALA. The guide for parents, counselors, and students, Fellowships, Scholarships, Grants-in-Aid, Loan Funds, and Other Financial Assistance for Library Education, is available through the Office for Recruitment of ALA, 50 East Huron St., Chicago, Ill. 60611.

The publication provides a list of scholarships and grants administered through state library agencies, national and state library associations and associations of school librarians, ALA accredited library schools, and other institutions offering graduate or undergraduate programs in library education. National associations, foundations and other agencies known to grant financial assistance for library education are also listed.

The Catholic Library Association announces a scholarship in library science to be awarded for graduate study toward a master's degree. The scholarship consists of an award of \$1,000 to the person chosen by the Scholarship Committee of the Catholic Library Association. Promise of success based on collegiate record and evidence of need for financial help have been established as a norm for awarding the scholarship. Religious, as well as lay people, are eligible for the award. The recipient may enter the graduate library school of his choice. Applications must be filed at the CLA Headquarters by February 15. The award will be announced at the annual convention of the association in April in St. Paul, Minnesota.

INTERNATIONAL SCENE

Saad M. el-Hagrassy after working several years in the Ministry of Higher Education, United Arab Republic, is now associate professor of library science, Faculty of Arts, Cairo University. In addition, he sends word that he is working as library consultant to the American Libraries Book Procurement Center in Cairo. He has just prepared an annotated Bibliographical Guide to Reference Works in the Arab World, both in Arabic and English/French editions (Cairo, 1965).

MEETINGS

JAN. 7-14: ALA Midwinter Meeting, Bal Harbour, Florida.

FEB. 8-10: Third Library History Seminar at Florida State University, Tallahassee. It is jointly sponsored by Florida State University's library school, history department and Strozier library and by the *Journal of Library History* and the American Library History Round Table. The registration fee for the seminar is \$12, including a banquet. Room and other meals are extra. For reservations for the seminar, applications for student scholarships and further information write Third Library History Seminar, Library School, Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida 32306.

Mar. 29-30: Third Annual Conference on Junior College Libraries Multi-Media Centers, sponsored by the Illinois Library Association, Illinois Association of Junior College Presidents, and Northern Illinois University, at University Center, NIU, DeKalb, Ill.

Aug. 11-23: Second Annual University of Maryland Library Administrators Development Program. Senior administrative personnel of large public, research, academic libraries and school library systems will study organization and administration under the direction of management consultants, professors of business and public administration and library scholars. The program will be held at the University of Maryland's Donaldson Brown Center, Port Deposit (Md.), and will be directed by John Rizzo of the school of government and business administration, George Washington University.

MISCELLANY

The U.S. Office of Education has selected System Development Corporation to design a series of on-the-job training courses to improve the working skills of library personnel. The training program will be designed to better prepare library personnel, in all types of libraries throughout the nation, to effectively meet the increasing demands on library services. The \$184,673 project supported by USOE and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is to be conducted over a twenty-month period. The courses will be adaptable to personnel in all categories—professional librarians, library technicians, clerks, subject specialists,

language specialists, and systems specialists.

During the initial phase, researchers will study library operational requirements that are not being adequately met. This part of the study will also explore the new skills necessary for personnel to adjust to a computerized systems approach to library operations and to be able to communicate effectively with automation specialists. Later, selection will be made of the most effective instructional techniques and tools necessary to develop the courses. A major emphasis in preparing the library courses will be that instruction is to be given on location at the student's library of employment.

Phase two of the contract will start with testing the training courses at selected libraries throughout the nation. After necessary modification and trial documentation, SDC will turn over the completed educational system, including instructional guidelines, teaching texts, and testing documentation, to the USOE and the

U.S. Army for implementation.

Early in the summer 1967, word got around that the academic librarians in the Florida System of Higher Education had lost their academic standing and had been included in the clerical category by the statewide personnel survey made by the management consultant firm of Cresap, McCormick and Paget. This would have been true had the CMP plan been accepted completely. However, the Board of Regents was able, in July of 1967 (the date the plan was implemented), to get the university librarians exempt from the CMP plan and restored to the Board of Regents in their Administrative and Professional Faculty category.

There are still problems with the classification and pay schedules which the Board of Regents took over in their entirety from the CMP plan, but the Board has shown much more flexibility in administration of these schedules than has been true of the State administration of the rest of the CMP plan.

The Ohio State University libraries celebrated the addition of its two-millionth volume on November 21. OSU celebrated the addition on their one-millionth volume in 1953 with the addition of Toynbee's *The World and the West* and the acceptance on deposit of the Talfourd P. Linn collection of the works of Cervantes.

The chemistry, petroleum and pharmaceutical divisions of Special Libraries Association have formed a committee to attempt to obtain scientific journals on 16mm microfilm. The committee's efforts are also being directed to the availability of these journals in Recordak, 3M or Bell and Howell cartridges at a reasonable price. The American Chemical Society's division of chemical literature plans

to join S.L.A. in this project. Further information may be obtained from the Committee chairman, Miss Dolores Hartman, Dow Chemical Co., Chemical Library, P.O. Box 566, Midland, Michigan 48640.

PUBLICATIONS

A new 181-page Annotated Bibliography of Bibliographies on Selected Government Publications and Supplementary Guide to the Superintendent of Document Classification System has been prepared and published by Alexander C. Body, documents librarian at Western Michigan University. Its three hundred annotated bibliographies represent an aggregate in excess of a half million entries issued by the U.S. Government between May 1963 and June 1967. It contains an alphabetical list of seven hundred abbreviations and symbols used by government agencies, and there is a classed list of current government authors, departments, and agencies. There are several useful indexes.

Last year the United Kingdom published 28,883 new books and new editions, a figure exceeded only by the United States and the Soviet Union. To accommodate this marked increase in British book production (a 9 per cent gain over 1965), British Books in Print will now be revised annually instead of every four years and will be issued each October. U.S. distributor is R. R. Bowker Company, New York.

Impact of Technology on the Library Building is available, at no charge, from Educational Facilities Laboratories, 477 Madison Ave., New York 10022.

In 1968, the Library-College Newsletter will be expanded and merged with the Library College Journal, a magazine of educational innovation, to be published by the Library-College Associates. Subscription to the quarterly journal is \$8 per year.

A grant has been made to ALA to enable its recently established Information Science and Automation Division to publish a quarterly Journal of Information Science and Library Automation. The grant, in the amount of \$21,009, was made by the Council on Library Resources and is expected to assist publication for the first three years, after which it is expected that the journal will be self-supporting. Frederick G. Kilgour, formerly associate librarian of Yale University, has agreed to serve as editor of the journal in addition to



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his present duties as director, Ohio College Library Center. No date for start of publication has been set. The journal will be available to non-members of the Division on a sub-

scription basis.

Re-Classification: Some Warnings and a Proposal is Number 87 in the Occasional Papers series published by the University of Illinois graduate school of library science at Urbana. The paper was written by Jean M. Perreault, lecturer, University of Maryland school of library and information services.

The SUNY Biomedical Communication Network announces the publication of the second edition of the SUNY Union List of Serials. The one thousand page volume contains entries for more than twenty-five thousand periodical titles which are held by the sixty libraries in the State University of New York. In addition, information about titles held by the libraries of the City University of New York, and some other state libraries such as Roswell Park Memorial Institute in Buffalo and the State Medical Library in Albany, is included. Copies are available at a cost of \$25.00 each and orders should be sent to the Upstate Medical Center, 766 Irving Avenue, Syracuse, New York 13210.

ALA REPRESENTATIVES AT INAUGURATIONS, DEDICATIONS AND OTHER ACADEMIC CEREMONIES

On June 18 Kenneth M. Fagerhaugh represented ALA at the inauguration of Arthur M. Blum as president of Point Park College; and on September 16 Donald S. Mac Vean attended ceremonies dedicating the new library

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of Quincy College. Sister M. deMontfort represented ALA at the dedication of Marymount College's Gloria Gaines memorial library on September 23. At the inauguration of Burton Crosby Hallowell as president of Tufts University on September 24, Helen Brown represented ALA; at the dedication of Eureka College's Melick library on September 28 Joe W. Kraus represented ALA; and at the dedication of the Harrisburg Area Community College on September 29 Anna M. Carper was the ALA representative. On October 1, Wayne S. Yenawine attended the dedication of the Catherine Spalding College library and Robert M. Trent attended the inauguration of J. O. Perpener, Jr., as president of Jarvis Christian College; on October 4, Mary Constance Mc-Carthy represented ALA at the inauguration of the Rev. Reginald A. Redlon as president of St. Bonaventure University.

At a convocation and dinner commemorating the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of Ithaca College on October 6, Dorothy McGinniss represented ALA. James C. MacCampbell attended the inauguration of Thomas Hedley Reynolds as president of Bates College on October 7; LeMoyne W. Anderson, the inauguration of Maurice B. Mitchell as chancellor of the University of Denver on October 20; and Mrs. Mary Jane Reed, the inauguration of Walton Allen Brown as president of the State University of New York Agricultural and Technical College at Cobleskill, on October 21.

At the University of Hartford, John P. Mc-Donald represented ALA at the inauguration of Archibald M. Woodruff as chancellor, on October 22; Mrs. Ruth M. Christensen at the inauguration of Robert C. Kramer as president of California State Polytechnic College, on October 24; and William Page, at the dedication of new headquarters and the fortieth anniversary of BioSciences Information Services, on October 25 and 26.

Stuart Forth represented ALA at the inauguration of the president of Berea College on October 26; Edwin E. Williams, at the inauguration of Richard Chapin as president of Emerson College on November 3; also on November 3, Sarah D. Jones attended the dedication of the new Anne Arundel Community College.

Patrick Barkey represented ALA and ACRL at the dedication ceremonies of Bowling Green State University library on November 4. Hazel Baity represented ALA at the inauguration of Prezell Russell Robinson as president of St. Augustine's College on November 4. On November 10, Roscoe Rouse represented ALA at the inauguration of Eugene Swearingen as president of the University of Tulsa; on November 15 Mrs. Alice B. Griffith attended the