Personnel

When LAWRENCE E. WIKANDER becomes librarian of Williams College on Sept. 1, he will be returning to his alma mater after an

absence of thirty-one years. He has not been idle in the interim. Graduation from Columbia University school of library service in 1939 was followed by stints at the Pittsburgh and District of Columbia public libraries. He served from 1942 to 1946 as a Captain in military intelligence. He picked up his ca-



Mr. Wikander

reer at Temple University, first as supervisor of technical processes and then as assistant librarian. While in Philadelphia, he also acquired a master's degree in medieval history from the University of Pennsylvania. In 1950, Larry moved to the Forbes library in Northampton, Mass., where he has been since.

With the position at Williams, he reenters an academic phase of his career, but his public experience will not be lost. The deftness with which he handled relationships with trustees and town officials will find full scope with academic administration, faculty, and students. Larry is fortunate to succeed an excellent librarian (Wyllis E. Wright) in an excellent college library. There will be, however, developing problems of space, service, and collection building to test his talents.

A fortunate aspect of the change of jobs is that Mr. Wikander will not be lost to his friends and associates in the process. He has contributed greatly to the effectiveness of professional and public service organizations in Massachusetts and New England. He is past president of the Western Massachusetts Library Club and the Massachusetts Library Association, and is currently president of the New England Library Association. He has been a moving force in the cooperative developments of Western Massachusetts. In addition to the more local professional participation, he is on the ALA Council and serves on sundry ALA committees. We trust there will be no diminution of his contributions to the library life of New England.

We can neither welcome him to Massachusetts nor are we forced to say farewell. We can, however, confidently wish Lawrence E.

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APPOINTMENTS

RUTH JANE BUZBY has been appointed assistant serials catalog librarian at the Pattee library, Pennsylvania State University.

JOSEPH J. COSTA has recently been appointed to the position of librarian at the Schuylkill campus of the Pennsylvania State University libraries.

NANCY GROSS has been appointed to the staff of the catalog division of Smithsonian Institution libraries.

WILFRED DANIELSON has been appointed to the professional staff of the documents department of Northwestern University libraries.

Mrs. Deva R. Howard is now in charge of the university archives, a unit of reference and special services of Northwestern University libraries.

MARY A. HUFFER has been named assistant director of libraries, Smithsonian institution.

Mrs. Helen M. Kovar joined the Pennsylvania State University library on March 1 as assistant catalog librarian.

ANN LIIVAK assumed the duties of library science librarian in the reference department of Drexel Institute of Technology libraries on March 18.

The appointment of Mrs. Marjorie Wallace MacLeod as director of the library at Curry College in Milton, Mass., has been announced.

Basil Mitchell has been named executive director of the Southeastern New York Library Resources Council with offices at 103 Market Street in Poughkeepsie, New York.

MRS. TWYLA MUELLER has joined the staff of Eastern Michigan University library as acquisitions librarian.

Appointment of Mrs. Margaret J. Oaksford as chief librarian of the college center of the Finger Lakes' new Library Center in Ithaca has been announced. She will have responsibility for original cataloging and non-machine functions of the center.

DAVID J. PATTEN has been named librarian of the art and architecture library at Washington University.

MARGARET A. SEALOR has been appointed to the staff of the catalog division, Smithsonian Institution libraries.

JEAN C. SMITH, assistant director of libraries of the Smithsonian Institution libraries from 1965 through May, 1967, has been appointed to the position of special assistant to the director of libraries for biological science programs.

THOMAS WILDING, formerly in charge of gifts and exchange in the Smithsonian Institution libraries, has been named assistant to the director of libraries.

RETIREMENTS

George T. Smisor is retiring June 30 after serving as head of acquisitions for fifteen years and as Latin American bibliographer for the past year at the University of California at Riverside.

NECROLOGY

Bessie E. Wilder, documents librarian at the University of Kansas libraries from 1925 until her retirement in 1957, died on March 17, 1968. Miss Wilder continued to work on library-related research projects for several years after retirement and her latest effort, a history of Lawrence, was interrupted by her death.

ELIZABETH M. RICHARDS died suddenly on November 25, 1967, in Oberlin, Ohio, where she had made her home since 1956 (with Eileen Thornton, librarian of Oberlin College). Miss Richards was librarian of Flora Stone Mather College of Western Reserve for many years before becoming head readers services librarian of Vassar College in 1945. She retired from that position in 1955.

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