library's online catalog. The questionnaire asks users to identify problems with features in the catalog. Ultimately the survey will generate data that will improve the system and increase its usefulness, as well as provide demographic information about users and identify the barriers that discourage people from using the system.

J. Matthews & Associates, a California consulting firm, has been awarded a \$99,500 contract to analyze six online public access catalogs in smaller public and academic libraries, including the Claremont Colleges, Mankato State University, Stephen F. Austin State University, and Mission Community College.

Up to \$22,000 has been approved for an assessment of the University of California, Division of Library Automation's prototype on-line public access union catalog, and the Library of Congress will receive up to \$16,351 to support data collection on its SCORPIO and MUMS systems.

The funding for these projects is provided as part of CLR's Bibliographic Service Development Program which attempts to draw upon technology to help solve problems of bibliographic control.



#### NOTICES

• A new Directory of Minnesota Academic Librarians 1980-81 (48 pages, 1981) has been issued by the ARL Division of the Minnesota Library Association. The directory, edited by Allen L. Dollerschell, gives an alphabetical list of the addresses of Minnesota academic library staff with job titles and telephone numbers. It may be ordered for \$4.16 from Bob Suderman, Director, Learning Resources Center, Bethel College, 3900 Bethel Drive, St. Paul, MN 55112.

• An Interim Report on Book Paper (13 pages, April 1981) has been issued by the Committee on Production Guidelines for Book Longevity of the Council on Library Resources. The committee's aim is to encourage the improvement of the physical qualities of publications, especially the use of acid-free paper. Copies of the report are available from the Council of Library Resources, Inc., Suite 620, One Dupont Circle, N.W., Washington, DC 20036, upon receipt of a request and a self-addressed mailing label.

• A Requirements Statement for the Name Authority File Service, published by the Council on Library Resources, reports the progress of a ninemember task force appointed to assist in the planning and implementation of a name authority file service for the nation's libraries. The service is intended to create an integrated, consistent file that can be used by all libraries. The present document explains the background and rationale for the service, specifies general and technical requirements to be met if the service is to meet objectives, and proposes guidelines for ensuring that the content and format of authority records meet established standards. It may be ordered by sending a self-addressed mailing label to the Council on Library Resources, Inc., Suite 620, One Dupont Circle, N.W., Washington, DC 20036.

• Serial Titles in the Academy of Natural Sci-

ences and the Franklin Institute Libraries (Philadelphia) is a combined listing of the journal titles in two complimentary scientific libraries. Approximately 10,000 distinct titles in the natural and physical sciences, ethnology, and engineering are included. A copy may be ordered for \$20 from the Franklin Institute Library, 20th and The Parkway, Philadelphia, PA 19103.

• The Siege of Pensacola, 1781: A Bibliography, by James A. Servies, has been published as Library Publication Number 12 of the John C. Pace Library, University of West Florida. Prepaid orders of \$4 per copy may be sent to the John C. Pace Library, University of West Florida, Pensacola, FL 32504.

#### RECEIVED

(Selected items will be reviewed in future issues of *College & Research Libraries*.)

• Scarecrow Press recently published A Unifying Influence: Essays of Raynard Coe Swank (1981, \$13.50). The essays, edited by David W. Heron, span thirty years of Dr. Swank's career and offer "a vision of library service broad enough to encompass both the classical tradition and the computer."

• Keys to Library Research on the Graduate Level: A Guide to Guides by Harvey R. Gover (University Press of America, 1981, \$5.25) is "designed as a library survival kit for graduate students, enabling them to fully utilize the library resources at their disposal." Topics include the Card Catalog, basic periodical indexes, LC classification, and computer-prepared indexes and abstracts.

• Electronic detection systems are emphasized in **Book Theft and Library Security Systems 1981–** 82 by Alice Harrison Bahr (Knowledge Industry Publications, 1981, \$24.50). Bahr analyses the similarities and differences of the systems available from Checkprint, Sentronic, LPS International, 3M Company, Knogo and Gaylord. Also included is information on how to plan a security program that meets a library's individual needs.

• The Task Force on a Name Authority File Service, Bibliographic Service Development Program, Council on Library Resources, has published a document which "describes the background and rationale for a name authority file service for the nation's libraries, and the steps being taken to make that service a reality." The document, *Requirements Statement for the Name Authority File Service*, has been distributed to a wide range of persons and institutions inviting them to review the document and make comments. Additional copies for review purposes may be requested from CLR.

• The Aslib Reader Series is designed to bring together into a single volume a selection of significant writings on a theme of central importance to librarianship and information work. Volume 3 in this series is now available, *The Professional Development of the Librarian and Information Worker*, edited by Patricia Layzell Ward, Aslib, 1980, £10 (£8.50 to Aslib members); U.S. £12.50 (£10.50 to Aslib members).

• The background of librarians' involvement with the labor movement and the current status of unionization in public, school, and university libraries is examined in *Librarians and Labor Relations: Employment Under Union Contracts* by Robert C. O'Reilly and Marjorie I. O'Reilly (Greenwood Press, 1981, \$25). Organization, bargaining, contract disputes, and arbitration are considered, as are management problems such as budgeting, administration, and grievance resolution.

• Progress in Documentation articles have been a feature of the Journal of Documentation for the last decade. In 1979 the journal's editorial board decided to compile and publish a selection of these articles. The result is Progress in Documentation: Some Themes and Topics; A selection from the Progress in Documentation articles published in Journal of Documentation, 1969-79, Aslib, 1981, £10 (£8.50 Aslib members); U.S. £12.50 (£10.50 Aslib members).

• "Anything that can be described can be indexed with PRECIS—the Preserved Context Index System." In *Introduction to PRECIS for North American Usage* (Libraries Unlimited, 1981, \$27.50 U.S.; \$33 elsewhere) Phyllis Richmond provides a complete course in this system of subject analysis for those involved in processing book and nonbook materials either with or without access to a computer.

• PRECIS is also the topic of a book published by Clive Bingley, Ltd. *Precis: A Workbook for Students of Librarianship* by Michael J. Ramsden is part of the Outlines of Modern Librarianship Series. It is scheduled for U.S. publication in May 1981 and is distributed by Shoe String Press for \$12. • The following five titles are all published by Clive Bingley, Ltd. and are available in the U.S. from Shoe String Press, Inc. U.S. dollar prices are given.

Studies in Library Management, Volume 6: The Coming of Age of Library Management, 1960– 1980, edited by Anthony Vaughn (1980, \$16). Part one covers the general evolution of library practice and librarianship during this period. The papers in part two examine particular aspects of library management during the last twenty years.

Do We Really Need Libraries? An Assessment of Approaches to the Evaluation of the Performance of Libraries by John Blagden (1980, \$18.50). Blagden reviews the attempts that have been made to develop a methodology by which a library's contributions to the goals laid down by its funding body can more easily be assessed.

Systems Thinking in Library and Information Management by David Smith (1981, \$16). The author discusses information concepts, systems techniques, models of library and information systems, and assesses the systems approach to library function and operation.

University Library History: An International Review edited by James Thompson (1980, \$35). Articles study the history and growth of university libraries in the UK, North America, Australasia and Italy, and discuss such topics as the growth of collections, buildings, staffing, organization and financing, cataloging and cooperation.

**Computers for Libraries** by Jennifer Rowley (1980, \$12). Topics include planning and designing the computerized library system, information structure and software, databases, current awareness services, retrospective searching, printed indexes, acquisitions, ordering and cataloging systems, circulation control and document delivery systems, and serials control. *Computers for Libraries* is part of the Outlines of Modern Librarianship Series.

• Compiling and evaluating your. personal word-stock is the topic of *Thesaurus-Making: Grow Your Own Word-Stock* by Helen M. Townley and Ralph D. Gee (Westview Press, 1981, \$31.25). The authors explain the theory behind the compilation of a word-stock, give useful tips for evaluating the effectiveness of the completed thesaurus and discuss methods of maintenance and updating. The contribution that computers can make to the process are also examined.

• The University of Texas at Austin General Libraries have published *Name Authority Control for Card Catalogs in the General Libraries* by R. Bruce Miller (1981, \$10). "This publication is a comprehensive manual that provides the information necessary to manually maintain authority control in a library with multiple catalogs."

• The major enemies of library collections are the subject of **Disasters:** Prevention & Coping; Proceedings of the Conference May 21-22, 1980, edited by James N. Myers and Denise D. Bedford (Stanford University Libraries, 1981). The Conference grew out of the Stanford flood of November, 1978.

• The Annotated Bibliography of Canada's Major Authors, Volume II, edited by Robert

Lecker and Jack David (ECW Press, 1980, \$30 cl, \$18 pa) contains comprehensive, annotated bibliographies of works by and on Margaret Atwood (poetry), Leonard Cohen, Archibald Lampman, E. J. Pratt, and Al Purdy.

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## July

12-25—Administration: "Executive Development Program for Library Administrators," Oxford, Ohio, in two sessions (July 12-18, July 19-25). Contact: Harry F. Brooks, Institute of Business and Education Services, School of Business Administration, Miami University, Oxford, OH 45056; (513) 529-2132.

#### August

- 17-19-Planning: "Improving Planning Skills: A Closer Look at A Planning Process," a workshop designed by Peggy O'Donnell, continuing education specialist at ALA's Public Library Association. PLA will co-sponsor the workshop with the State Library Agency, Wisconsin Division for Library Service. The session, held at the St. Benedicts Center, Madison, Wisconsin, will be directed to public library practitioners with knowledge of PLA's A Planning Process for Public Libraries who anticipate beginning or who have begun to apply the process in their libraries. Registration fee: \$150. Deadline for registration is July 17. Contact: Shirley Mills-Fischer, PLA executive director, ALA, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611; (312) 944-6780, ext. 318.
- 25–26—Public Relations: Public Relations Workshops. August 25, Arlington, Texas; August 26, Houston, Texas. Contact: Anne Hollingsworth, Library Development Division, Texas State Library, Box 12927, Capitol Station, Austin, TX 78711.

### September

17—Politics: "Libraries in the Political Process," Detroit Public Library, a Michigan Libraries Forum sponsored by Gale Research Company. In addition to interacting with several speakers of national prominence in this field, attendees will have the opportunity to participate in a congressional hearing on library services. Contact: Joan Durrance, Coordinator of Continuing Education, School of Library Science, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI 48109.

## October

15-16-Nursing: Annual conference, New England Regional Council on Library Resources for Nursing, Durham, New Hampshire. Conference theme: "Effective Utilization of Uncertain Resources Through Creative Management: Survival in the 80s for the Nurse and Librarian." Fee: \$65. Contact: Tosca N. Carpenter, Mosher Health Sciences Library, Newport Hospital, Newport, RI 02840.

- 21-23—Natural History Bibliography: "North American Natural History Bibliography: Research, Needs, and Prospects," the first conference of the North American Section of the Society for the Bibliography of Natural History, Academy of Natural Sciences, Philadelphia. Contact: Nina J. Root, Chairwoman, Department of Library Services, American Museum of Natural History, C.P. West at 79th St., New York, NY 10023; (212) 873-1300, ext. 381.
- 28-29-Archives: Conservation workshop sponsored by the Society of American Archivists will be held in conjunction with the Midwest Archives Conference at the Missouri Botanical Garden, St. Louis. It will consist of lecture/discussion on various aspects of conservation philosophy and administration as well as hands-on demonstration and practice of basic archival conservation techniques. Enrollment is limited. Tuition of \$50 will cover the cost of a conservation supply kit. Attendees must currently hold a position in a manuscript or archival repository and have little or no previous training in conservation. Contact: Basic Archival Training Program, Society of American Archivists, 330 S. Wells, Chicago, IL 60606; (312) 922-0140.

### November

2-4--Information Technology: "The Challenge of Change: Critical Choices for Library Decision-Makers," the 1981 Pittsburgh Conference, sponsored by the University of Pittsburgh's School of Library and Information Science. A major focus will be on new modes of information storage and delivery and their anticipated impact on libraries and library service over the next 5-7 years. State of the art papers will address the full spectrum of technologies relevant to library operations and services. For further information, contact: Allen Kent, School of Library and Information Science, University of Pittsburgh, 801 LIS Building, Pittsburgh, PA 15260.