

Seattle Aquarium

The underwater dome at the Seattle Aquarium. The Aquarium is also noted for its successful efforts in breeding sea otters.

## Seattle '84

As with past ACRL national conferences, the major program elements for the Third National Conference will be contributed papers and theme sessions. For the Seattle Conference, however, the Conference Executive Committee has invited proposals for alternative format sessions. Of the proposals received, four were selected. These sessions are briefly described below.

"Automating a Community College Library: An Opportunity To Be Solved" is the theme of a presentation organized by the ACRL Community and Junior College Libraries Section. Marilyn Houseman, Director, and Charity Kirkpatrick, Special Projects Librarian, Rio Hondo Community College Library, Whittier, California, will address the issues of vendor research, database conversion, MARC format, financing and consortium development for resource sharing for a total online library system.

"Public Services in Research Libraries: Today's Realities" will examine the assisted self-study process which has been applied to public services in six research libraries in a developmental program operated by the Association of Research Libraries's Office of Management Studies and supported by the General Electric Foundation. A panel of speakers involved in the self-studies will assess the useful-

ness and effectiveness of the assisted self-study format in enabling a library staff to address complex public services issues and analyze, improve and adapt library programs and facilities to new technologies, to changing economic conditions, and to users' needs. Speakers are Paula T. Kaufman, Columbia University; Karen S. Seibert, University of North Carolina; Nancy Huling, University of California, Riverside; Clifford H. Haka, Michigan State University; and Duane Webster and Patricia K. Swanson, ARL Office of Management Studies.

"Comprehensive Access to Library Holdings: Integrating Archival Management with Library Networks" will be moderated by Barbara J. Brown, Research Libraries Group. Speakers for this session are Larry Dowler, Harvard University; H. Thomas Hickerson, Cornell University; and Alan Tucker, Research Libraries Group. In past years, archivists and manuscript curators seeking to benefit from the use of library bibliographic networks have been faced with the inapplicability of library methodology and systems. The speaker in this session will discuss the successful effort to develop a common bibliographic format for archival control, enhancements to the Research Libraries Information Network designed to facilitate the management of archival holdings, and the potential benefits of comprehensive access to library holdings.

"A House Divided: Public Service Realities in the 1980's" will discuss the development of an integrated role model for public services librarians. Participants in the program are Charles Martell, California State University, Sacramento; Kathleen Gunning, University of Houston; Patricia Swanson, University of Chicago and ARL/OMS; and Phyllis Jaynes, Dartmouth College.

To help conference attendees become better acquainted with the Seattle area, several tours will be offered. These include a Wednesday morning gen-

eral city tour and several post-conference trips on Saturday afternoon and Sunday. These trips include: a tour of Seattle's International District followed by a tea ceremony at the Japanese Tea House in the University of Washington Arboretum, a marine life exploration cruise, a tour of the Ste. Michelle Winery and Snoqualmie Falls, and a trip to Mt. Rainier. More information on the tours and a reservation form will be included in the preregistration packet mailed to all ACRL members in early December.

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## **ACQUISITIONS**

•The John Jay College of Criminal Justice, City University of New York, has received from the New York Correctional Association the original worksheets from which Richard Dugdale compiled tables for his criminal and genealogical study, *The Jukes*. These sheets contain handwritten raw data on over 800 individuals collected during a tour of New York county jails in the summer of 1874. They are in the process of being cleaned and encapsulated.

•Pennsylvania State University's Pattee Library, University Park, has received the papers of Richard S. Schweiker, former Secretary of Health and Human Services, U.S. Congressman, and Senior U.S. Senator from Pennsylvania. The collection consists of legislative and bill files, press notices, speeches, political campaign materials including those from the 1976 Vice-Presidential race, photographs, and audio and videotapes covering 22 years of public service.

•Texas A&M University's Sterling C. Evans Library, College Station, has acquired the book collection of Henry Seldis (1925–1978), noted lecturer and art critic. A figure of international respect in the art community, Seldis is remembered most as art critic for the Los Angeles Times from 1958 to 1978. The Seldis Collection, consisting of over 4,000 rare exhibition and museum catalogs and 1,500 monographs, reflects Seldis's lifelong concern as a critic with contemporary art and the makers of the modern movement.

•The University of Michigan Music Library, Ann Arbor, recently acquired a Women's Music Collection. The core of the collection consists of 2,000 scores by women composers published in Europe from about 1780 to 1960 and illustrates the work of some 400 women. Included are over 100

pieces of sheet music by the French composer Cécile Chaminade (1857–1944), and nearly as many by Loïsa Puget (1810–1889), Augusta Holmes (1847–1903), and Liza Lehmann (1862–1918). The first catalogue of scores will be available at cost in early fall of 1984.

 The University of Pittsburgh's Archives of Industrial Society has been given over 16,000 photographic images by the Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Railroad depicting its history from 1903 to 1970. The railroad began operating in 1879, financed in part by the Harmony Society, a communal religious sect located at Economy, Pennsylvania. The photographic records, along with other historical documents and business records, capture railroad operations and various aspects of life in the cities, small towns, and rural areas along the P&LE's lines in southwestern Pennsylvania and eastern Ohio. Complementing the still photographs are over 2,000 feet of 16mm movie film which depict such scenes as railroad work crews in the 1930s, construction projects, and a parade of boats along the Monongahela River.

## **GRANTS**

•The Academy of Natural Sciences of Phila-Delphia Library has received an HEA grant of \$19,060 to enter its 3,500 current serial titles into the Pennsylvania Union List of Serials (PaULS) online database. Approximately 500 non-current titles will also be entered during this 12-month project.

•The Boston College Library, Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts, has received a grant of \$250,000 from the Pew Memorial Trust. The money will be used to further the computerization of the library. Boston College already has in operation a Geac circulation system and an online catalog that includes