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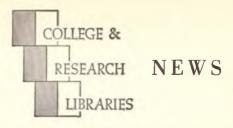
 SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY honored Eva vB. Hansl and officially accepted her papers for the manuscript division of the library at a noon luncheon Friday (Nov. 22) in Lawrinson Penthouse. Mrs. Hansl, a former women's editor and radio producer, began giving her papers to the University in 1943 and has continued to add to the collection. It now fills more than 100 archival boxes. Mrs. Hansl has written articles for many women's magazines and has lectured to women's groups and at colleges and universities. Her collection at Syracuse University is divided into 12 series: Home and Family, Education and Counseling, Occupations and Counseling, Womanpower, War Years and Post-War Years, Part-Time Employment, International and Foreign Women, England, Conferences, Roles and Attitudes, History, and a general series of miscellaneous material.

BUILDINGS

 The Eileen and Kenneth T. Norris Medical Library, the sixth major building to be erected on the campus of the University of SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SCHOOL OF MEDICINE in East Los Angeles, was dedicated in brief ceremonies on Wednesday (Dec. 4). Named in honor of a USC trustee and his wife, who are the sole private donors, the \$1,720,000 building is a three-level 46,000-square-foot structure which will accommodate 200,000 volumes, providing expansion needs until 1980. Classical in appearance and reflecting a design concept based on both function and aesthetics. Norris Medical Library seems to "preside" over the raised 150-by-250-foot plaza on which it is positioned at the center of the campus. The building was designed by Albert C. Martin and Associates, Los Angeles, Two of the three levels of the 90-by-120-foot structure may be seen from the plaza. A third level is below grade and extends the length of the plaza, which gives the building much of its interior space, the area of the sub-grade floor being equal to that of the two upper stories. Entrance to the library is at the middle level, or from the plaza.

Facilities inside the building include a twostory atrium lobby and display center, extensive stack areas, special rooms for USC's rare books, Salerni Collegium History of Medicine, and the John L. Webb Memorial Collections. Staff offices, lounges, a lecture hall, and rooms for a microfilm library, duplicating and copying processes, cataloguing and other library technical processes are also provided. Special electronic security systems provide protection

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Duke University, Durham, N.C. (addition)	926,143	\$1,275,117		1965 1967		
Tulane University, New Orleans, La.	475,253	\$1,327,833		1965 1965		
Ohio University, Athens	1,000,000	536,304		1965 1966		
Rutgers, New Brunswick, N.J. (Science Medicine)	, ,	730,126		1966		
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against both fire and theft. The building has wall-to-wall ceilings of fluorescent light and is completely air-conditioned. Intermingled among the stacks are 100 separate study carrels, small study tables, lounge chairs, and eight group study rooms. The study areas themselves are structured to the particular need of the medical student with a scattering of large tables to accommodate some of the outsized books he must use. Distractions are minimized by the separation of study areas, by only small outside window areas, and by low-velocity air conditioning.

• In June 1968, the University of Hawaii library inaugurated a new main library building. Designed by Iones & Emmons of Los Angeles, California, in association with Hogan & Chapman of Honolulu, the building provides approximately 106,000 square feet of additional space for the library program. It constitutes the first unit of the new University library. Space has been distributed over four floors as follows: 1040 reader spaces, nearly all carrel seating, and open-shelf bookstacks for a maximum of 800,000 volumes. The addition has doubled the total seating capacity and more than doubled the book capacity. Total cost: \$3,451,000, \$1,088,000 of which was granted under the Higher Education Facilities Act. The Gregg M. Sinclair Library, which was constructed in 1956, contains some 117,000 square feet and has been retained for

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library purposes. It is slated for major refurbishing during the current fiscal year, to outfit it for the undergraduate library program. A new emphasis is being placed on independent learning through the installation of approximately 138 audio carrels which will have dial access to 60 program sources. Dr. Ira Harris directs the undergraduate library program. Phase II of the research library building program will be planned in detail in fiscal 70. The main outlines are clear: a book tower, adjoining the new main library, with space for one million volumes and 1,500 reader spaces. Plans are afoot to build a new East-West Center library which will also adjoin the new main library and share the main entrance.

FELLOWSHIPS, SCHOLARSHIPS

- A new \$5,000 scholarship, to be awarded annually, was announced on 10 November by the Council of the CANADIAN LIBRARY As-SOCIATION. Presented by the World Book-Childcraft of Canada Ltd. this award, called "The Howard V. Phalin-World Book Graduate Scholarship in Library Science," is given in honour of Mr. Phalin who recently retired as Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Field Enterprises Educational Corporation in Chicago. It will be administered by the Canadian Library Association. The scholarship, which is designed for advanced study in the field of library science, will be awarded to candidates with several years experience in library work who have clearly demonstrated outstanding qualities of leadership and initiative. The first of the "Howard V. Phalin-World Book Graduate Scholarships" will be given in 1969 for the academic year 1969-70.
- The Biomedical Library, Center for the Health Sciences, University of California, Los Angeles, is offering four traineeships in medical librarianship for the year beginning September 1, 1969. The program provides for a year of planned work in the various departments of the library combined with enrollment in a limited number of courses selected from the fields of the biological sciences, history of science, information science (documentation) and foreign languages. Opportunities for specialized training in certain aspects of medical librarianship are available for trainees with appropriate qualifications. 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 additional 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, 1969.

• The University of Florida libraries offers a number of graduate assistantships for the academic year 1969/70, 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 work-study period, and require 15 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, 1969; necessary forms may be obtained from the Director of Libraries, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida 32601.

GRANTS

- Dr. J. Periam Danton, Professor, school of librarianship, University of California, BERKELEY, has been named director of a study of sixth year specialist programs in library education. The study is a special project of the Committee on Accreditation of the American Library Association, and was awarded one of the two 1969-70 J. Morris Jones-World Book Encyclopedia-ALA Goals Awards of \$12,000 each. The study will survey existing programs of post-Master's study in the library schools accredited by the American Library Association, to determine their aims, content and methods. It will also attempt to evaluate the success of these programs to date, and to recommend appropriate directions for planning of future programs. Collection of the data will begin in December 1968, and it is hoped that the study will be completed by July 1969. The J. Morris Jones-World Book Encyclopedia-ALA Goals Award is an annual grant of \$25,000 to ALA made by the Field Enterprises Educational Corporation, Inc., intended to encourage and advance the development of public and/or school library service and librarianship through recognition and support of programs which implement Goals for Action adopted by the Council of the American Library Association.
- The Council on Library Resources, Inc., has made a grant of \$25,000 to the LIBRARY OF CONGRESS to support a 3-month project to determine the feasibility of converting the Library's retrospective cataloging records to machine-readable form for the Library of Congress and for the American library community. As a result of the Library's 1966-67 pilot proj-



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• The JOHN CRERAR LIBRARY has received a grant of \$69,784 from the National Science Foundation, for partial support of the National Translations Center operated by the library. Translations prepared by government agencies, industries, societies, academic institutions and individuals are contributed to the Center, which indexes them and makes them available to others on request, at a nominal photocopying and service fee. A semi-monthly bulletin, Translations-Register Index, announces new accessions and provides a quarterly cumulating index, using computer techniques. An Advisory Board of fifteen members is being formed, representing major scientific and professional associations.

The Center succeeds the Special Libraries Association Translations Center, established at Crerar by contract in 1953. More than 100,000 translations have been supplied since that date to scientists and industrial users in the U.S., Canada and overseas. This cooperative enterprise helps prevent duplication of expensive translation efforts, and the savings thus far are estimated at some \$10 million. The collection numbers over 135,000 translations into English, about 40 per cent being from Russian scien-

tific and technical periodicals. Most European and some Asiatic languages (especially Japanese) are also represented. Records of translations available from other sources are also maintained. Inquiries on availability and orders for translations on file are welcomed by mail, telephone and teletype. Address: National Translations Center, John Crerar Library, 35 W. 33rd St., Chicago, Illinois 60616. (Telephone 312-225-2526; teletype 312-431-1758.)

Success of the undertaking is dependent upon wide participation by all who prepare and use translated materials. Anonymity of deposits is assured through careful obliteration of all markings which might conceivably trace proprietary origin. If retention copies of translations cannot be provided, the Center will microfilm and promptly return items loaned for the purpose. Translations-Register Index, prepared by the Center, continues to be sponsored by Special Libraries Association, 235 Park Ave. South, New York, N.Y. 10003. Subscriptions and back files at \$30 per year may be ordered from SLA.

· Aided by a \$10,000 grant from the American Council of Learned Societies, a PRINCETON UNIVERSITY historian is laying groundwork for an Historical Data Center with the long-range goal of assembling a vast, computer-readable storehouse of facts about the people—both well-known and little known -who have helped make history. Now in its formative stages, the Center will concentrate on collecting computer tapes of multiple biographies of important historical groups-congressmen, for example, or scientists, bureaucrats or maybe even pirates. Dr. Theodore K. Rabb, Associate Professor of History, is director of the fledgling Center. The eventual usefulness of the Center will depend on the amount of biographical data it is able to assemble. Already the Center has two large bodies of data on file: British historian T. H. Hollingsworth's collection of biographical information about some 28,000 English aristocrats, stored on punched computer cards; and Dr. Rabb's own computer tape of 8,683 members of England's Parliament and investors in English maritime activity in the 16th and 17th centuries. Dr. Rabb foresees that his Center will be useful to a large number of historians five to ten years hence, depending on the level of financial support it continues to receive. The American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS), which is underwriting the project, is one of two sponsors. Its Committeeon Information Technology has joined with an AHA Committee on the Quantitative Data of History in identifying this area of research as: an important one for historians today.

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Mar. 7: The Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidential Library will host a conference on western history. The speakers at the one day conference are Dr. John Hawgood of the University of Birmingham, England; Dr. Joe B. Frantz, Chairman of the History Department, University of Texas; and Dr. William E. Unrau, Professor of History, Wichita State University, Wichita, Kansas. Coinciding with the conference is an art show entitled "The West in Art." This exhibit will open a newly decorated exhibit gallery and will be open to the public for two weeks. The paintings exhibited are select works from General Eisenhower's private collections.

Mar. 24-25: Institute in Los Angeles jointly sponsored by the Library of Congress Information Systems Office, the Division of Library Automation of ALA, and UCLA libraries to explain the organization and use of LC's MARC magnetic tapes which became available for distribution beginning Oct. 1. The program is directed at catalogers, acquisitions librarians, heads of these departments, data processing librarians and heads of technical processes. Registration is limited to 100. Send name and address to: ISAD/LC MARC Institutes, American Library Association, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, Ill. 60611, with fee of \$47.

Mar. 27-29: Fourth Annual Conference on Junior College libraries, University of Southern Illinois, Carbondale, Illinois. The main conference theme will be "The Multi-Media Centers in Action." Main speakers scheduled to date are Louis Shores and Peter Kim. Programs and registration information are available from: Mr. George A. Fox, Dean of Learning Services, Prairie State College, 10th Street and Dixie Highway, Chicago Heights, Illinois 60411.

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May 2-3: Fourteenth annual Midwest Academic Librarians Conference at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio.

JUNE 17-20: Puerto Rico will be the site of the Fourteenth Seminar on the Acquisition of Latin American Library Materials, June 1969. The acquisition of Latin 17-20. American scientific and technological materials will be the special topic for discussion. Other sessions will deal with progress made in the past year on matters concerning the booktrade and acquisitions, bibliography, exchange of publications, official publications, photoduplication of Latin American materials, and archives. Meetings of the Seminar Committees will take place on Wednesday morning, June 18. The first general session will be held Wednesday afternoon

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to initiate committee and progress reports, and the last one on Friday morning, June 20. Meetings of the Executive Board of the newly incorporated SALALM will be held on the evening of Tuesday, June 17, and at luncheon on Wednesday, June 18. Institutional registration in the Fourteenth Seminar is \$15.00, which includes preprint working papers only available through payment of the institutional registration. These papers, including the Progress Report on books in the Americas, will be distributed at the time of the meeting to participants and to those registered but not attending. The registration fee for additional participants from the institution registering is \$7.50, and includes preprint working papers. Additional sets of working papers can be subscribed to in advance for \$5.00 each. The Final Report and Working Papers will be subsequently published by the Pan American Union. Information on the content of the program and working papers can be procured from Mr. James Andrews, Argonne National Laboratory, 9700 South Cass Avenue, Argonne, Illinois 60439. For other information, refer to the Executive Secretary, Mrs. Marietta Daniels Shepard, Pan American Union, Washington, D.C. 20006.

JULY 20-Aug. 1: Third annual Library Administrators Development Program at the University of Maryland's Donaldson Brown Center, Port Deposit, Maryland. Seminar sessions will concentrate on the principal administrative issues which senior managers encounter. Director of the program will be John Rizzo, associate professor, School of Government and Business Administration, George Washington University. Those interested in further information are invited to address inquiries to the Library Administrators Development Program, School of Library and Information Services, University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland 20742.

INTERNATIONAL SCENE

• The U.S. Department of State has been informed by the Director-General of Unesco that the instrument of accession by MALTA to the Universal Copyright Convention was deposited on August 19, 1968. In accordance with Article IX, paragraph 2, of the Convention, Malta's participation in the U.C.C. will be effective on November 19, 1968, 3 months after the deposit of the instrument of accession. Malta is the 56th country to become a party to the Universal Copyright Convention, which came into force on September 16, 1955, and is an international treaty to which the United States is a party. Its practical purpose is to reduce to a minimum the formalities required for securing for the works of citizens in each participating country copyright protection in the other participating countries.

 On Thursday, November 21, 1968, a gathering of more than 1,000 notables celebrated the completion of the new building of the National Diet Library and the 20th year of its establishment. The formalities of dedication of the building were led in an address by Yoshikatsu Kono, the National Diet Librarian, followed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Mitsujiro Ishii; the President of the House of Councillors, Yuzo Shigemune; the Prime Minister, Eisaku Sato; and the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, Masatoshi Yokota. In the audience were members of the Diet, ambassadors and other representatives of foreign countries, and representatives of universities, libraries, publishing companies and the press, and other cultural agencies and institutions. The building is a monumental concrete structure, immediately adjacent to the National Diet building. It is square in plan, 295 feet on a side, with six stories above ground and a seventh below. Total floor area, exclusive of book stacks, is 534,477 square feet. The central book stack is also square, 148 feet on a side, with 17 floors containing 108 miles of shelving, with a capacity for 4.5 million volumes (the collection currently numbers 2.4 million volumes). There is a main reading room and 17 special rooms with a total seating capacity of 1,304. The cost of the building was 4.9 billion yen (\$13.6 million).

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 Formal ceremonies marking the presentation and dedication of a Royal Columbian handpress were held Sunday, Nov. 17, at the UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, DAVIS. Robert H. Power of the Nut Tree, Vacaville, president of the UCD Library Associates, made the presentation of the press on behalf of the organization, and Vice-Chancellor Chester O. McCorkle, Jr., accepted the gift for the University. The press, obtained through the assistance of Roger Levenson of the Tamalpais Press in Berkeley and purchased in England by the Library Associates, was reconditioned there. Levenson has reassembled the press, which was manufactured in Edinburgh, Scotland, sometime between 1832 and 1850, and put it into operation in the department of special collections on the fourth floor of the main library. With this acquisition the Davis campus has joined a select group of colleges in the nation to have, in working condition, a handpress suitable for teaching about the early printing methods. The press is believed to be the first Columbian on an American university campus, and brings to six the num-

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By Jean Key Gates, University of South Florida. McGraw-Hill Series in Library Education. 415 pages, \$7.50.

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ber in the state. Four of these Columbians are privately owned and one belongs to an organization.

- A computerized book catalog of the quarter-million volumes in the library of the University of California, Santa Cruz will replace UCSC's conventional card catalog within a year, according to UCSC librarian Donald T. Clark. One of several such developmental efforts in the nation, the 5,000page printout catalog lists UCSC library holdings by subject. The original set of ten volumes in five copies was ready for use by UCSC students, faculty and the library staff by the second day of classes this fall, Printouts listing the holdings by author and by title will be ready for use for the beginning of Winter Quarter (January 2). The computer catalog will be kept current through supplements issued periodically during the year.
- The school of library service at ATLANTA UNIVERSITY has instituted two programs to improve the administration of libraries in predominantly Negro colleges: a one-year inservice program for librarians which includes a six-week workshop and an internship, and a three-year program which will provide special study grants to enable 60 students to earn master's degrees in library service. A Ford Foundation grant finances the programs.
- With its \$3.5 million addition just completed, Price Gilbert Memorial Library at GEORGIA TECH has established a new section that will provide library services to off-campus commercial users. The director of libraries at Tech, Mrs. J. Henley Crosland, has announced that the Technical Information Service at the library will be headed by James B. Dodd, former graduate librarian at Tech. The service will be available to industrial, research and commercial off-campus users of the library facilities. The service will supplement industries and businesses with existing library facilities and will serve as the total library for smaller businesses and industries that have no facilities. Retrospective literature searches and current awareness literature searching and notification are services that will be available for the first time to off-campus users. Photocopying of journal articles, books, theses, and other materials in the library's collection will continue to be available. An off-campus user may request that photocopies be made of materials that are not in the Tech collection.

Price Gilbert Memorial Library was chosen by the Library of Congress as one of 16 libraries in the United States and Canada to take part in a pilot program to develop procedures for using computers to speed information retrieval. It is also one of 12 libraries in the nation utilized to store various government documents, and scientific reports of private domestic corporations and businesses. It is the only library south of Washington, D.C., with a collection of U.S. patents.

- The Newberry Library and Bell & Howell Company announce plans to make Newberry Library holdings available by photoduplication. Lawrence W. Towner, director and librarian of The Newberry Library in Chicago, and Perry Bourell, Sales Manager of Micro Photo Division, Bell & Howell Company of Cleveland, have announced the signing of an agreement by which the Newberry's holdings, at present totaling almost a million volumes, will be made available to other institutions and to individuals by microfilm, and other methods of photoduplication. Micro Photo will maintain a camera department at the Library in order to provide efficient and economical service to scholars who wish to avail themselves of the Newberry's rich resources in the history and literature of Western Europe and the Americas. They will also make available particularly noteworthy sections of Newberry's collections which form coherent units for study. In some instances material in the library's collections will not be available for duplication for reasons of copyright, potential damage to the original, conditions imposed by a donor, or other valid reasons. The first of the Newberry-Micro Photo film libraries will be the collection of French Renaissance political pamphlets of approximately four thousand volumes, described in two catalogues compiled by Doris V. Welsh and published by the Newberry in 1950 and 1955, which will be issued probably during 1970. Later projects will include Newberry's collection of book catalogues, a particularly rich assemblage of materials of interest to bibliographers and library historians. Information on ordering individual titles can be obtained from Micro Photo Division, Bell & Howell Company, 1700 Shaw Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44112.
- The circulation departments of the graduate and undergraduate libraries at the University of Michigan have been preparing for the January 2, 1969 implementation of an automated circulation system. IBM 1030 data collection equipment will be employed in a manner similar to the IBM 357 system now used in the closed reserve section of the undergraduate library. Initially the circulation files will be updated and printed daily. By 1970 the printout may be replaced by an online teletype inquiry.
- The American Society of Indexers, a new organization of professional indexers, was founded at a meeting held recently at the Graduate Center of the City University of New York. Alan M. Greengrass, of the *New*



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York Times information service, was elected President pro tem. Other officers elected were Mrs. Jessica L. Harris of Columbia University, Secretary, and Dee Atkinson, Mills College of Education, New York City, Treasurer. Theodore C. Hines of Columbia University, presided until the election of officers. Robert J. Palmer, well known indexer and honorary representative of the (British) Society of Indexers, with which the new group will be affiliated, reported on his consultations in London this Fall with Council members of the older society.

Dues for the new group were temporarly set at \$10 per year, which, subject to final arrangements, will include a subscription to the journal The Indexer, which the American Society of Indexers will join in supporting. President Greengrass is appointing a committee to draft a constitution and bylaws which will be presented to the membership at the next meeting of the Society in April. Membership applications and a copy of the address list of those expressing interest in joining the Society are available from Mrs. Jessica L. Harris, Secretary, American Society of Indexers, 43 Wilson Place, Freeport, N.Y. 11520.

The purpose of the group, which has received warm support from free-lance and other professional indexers, publishers, and other interested organizations, is to promote higher standards of indexing, to provide for information exchange in indexing, and to encourage education in the field. A subcommittee under the chairmanship of George Loewy, formerly Chief of Indexing and Bibliography for Crowell Collier and Macmillan, Inc., is considering the establishment of a registry or panel of qualified indexers as a service to the profession and to organizations and publishers.

- The Current Digest of the Soviet Press, a weekly publication, has accepted an invitation to move to Ohio State University from Columbia University. Dr. Leon I. Twarog, professor and chairman of Ohio State's department of Slavic languages and literatures, said the move will be made June 1, 1969.
- At a special meeting of the Board of Directors on September 21, the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies voted to transfer the Slavic Review from Columbia University to the UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, where it will be edited by Donald W. Treadgold. Correspondence concerning editorial matters should henceforth be addressed to Donald W. Treadgold, Managing Editor, 508 Thompson Hall, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington 98105. Correspondence concerning subscriptions and memberships should continue to be addressed to Mrs. Agnes W. Wilson at the AAASS office,

1207 West Oregon Street, University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois 61801.

PUBLICATIONS

• Goldhor, Herbert, ed. Research Methods in Librarianship: Measurement and Evaluation (No. 8), University of Illinois Graduate School of Library Science, Urbana, 1968, 131 pages, \$5, is the latest monograph published by the University of Illinois graduate school of library science. The volume contains 11 papers that were presented at a conference sponsored by the school in 1967.

Three of the papers concern themselves with the newer mathematical techniques of evaluating and measuring research methods. Authors of these papers were John Moriarty, director of libraries, Purdue University; Eugene Jackson, director of information retrieval and library services, International Business Machines Corp., and Robert Pingry, U. of I. professor of secondary and continuing education and of mathematics. Four of the papers deal with the measurement and evaluation methods of various fields. These papers are by Robert Ferber, U. of I. professor of economics and marketing and director of the university's Survey Research Laboratory; Charles Allen, associate dean of the U. of I. College of Education; Wilson Thiede, professor of adult education, University of Wisconsin, and Harry Triandis, U. of I. professor of psychology. The other papers deal with the definition of a criterion for evaluating and measuring. Kenneth Beasley, head of the department of political science, the University of Texas at El Paso; Charles Armstrong, statistician, New York State Education Department; Jean Lowrie, professor and head of the department of librarianship, Western Michigan University, and Maurice Tauber, professor of librarianship, Columbia University, contributed their ideas on this topic.

 Charles E. Swanson, President of Ency-CLOPAEDIA BRITANNICA, Inc., has announced the company's plan to develop a series of comprehensive resource and research libraries in the new medium of ultramicrofiche. Libraries in the ultramicrofiche medium offer several distinct advantages: (1) acquisition cost (including the necessary high-quality readers) is a fraction of the cost of the same collection in book form, (2) space requirements for UMF materials is far less than for book storage, (3) centralized selection and cataloging make possible the achievement of higher standards of library service at much lower costs. The space advantage of a library in ultramicrofiche over one in book form is dramatic. For example, the volumes in the Library of American Civilization would require approximately 2,000 feet of shelf space; the same volumes reproduced in ultramicrofiche could be contained in six small card trays that would fit easily on an ordinary bridge table. Ultramicrofiche is similar to microfiche, the form of document storage and retrieval now in wide use in government and industry. However, microfiche generally contains only 60 to 100 images per card; the ultramicrofiche can contain up to 3,000 images in the same space, at reductions of 150X.

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Some 20,000 volumes will be represented in the first library in the series, The Library of American Civilization, Beginnings to 1914, to be published in the fall of 1970. The UMF Library of American Civilization will range over all aspects of America's culture, treating every field. It will cover every period of American life and literature up to 1914, and will include all points of view-from those of the framers of the Constitution to those of the Indians, Negroes, Mexicans, Orientals, and other groups that have played important parts in the shaping of American society. Future UMF Libraries from Britannica will include collections on Medieval Civilization, English History, International Affairs, Science, Technology and Art. Content of the Britannica UMF Libraries will not include material from the Encyclopaedia Britannica itself.

With the basic Britannica UMF Library of American Civilization, and with each subsequent library in the series, an institution will receive the ultramicrofiches, five sets of book-form catalogs, five sets of book-form bibliographies and research guides, and 20 sets of ultramicrofiche catalogs. Magnetic tape catalogs and standard card catalogs are optional items. Reading and reproduction equipment will be purchased direct from the manu-

facturer. Britannica will be conducting seminars at various locations across the country over the next several months to provide college officials with demonstrations of the ultramicrofiche technology and to give details of the first library in the Britannica series.

- The publication of the Catalogue of Hebrew Books of the HARVARD UNIVERSITY library was celebrated October 23, 1968, at a reception held in the Widener Memorial Rooms. Professor Harry A. Wolfson, Nathan Littauer Professor of Hebrew Literature and Philosophy, Emeritus, and Honorary Curator of Hebraica and Judaica in the Harvard College library, was presented a copy of the Catalogue in recognition of his role as founder of the collection some forty years ago. The publication of the six-volume Catalogue, a photographic reproduction in book form of the 75,000 cards in the library's Hebrew Card Catalogue, is a major event in Hebrew bibliography, and the Catalogue is an invaluable reference tool for students and scholars throughout the world.
- The academic libraries section of the South Dakota Library Association has just published its South Dakota Union List of Serials. This union list serves as a finding tool for periodical and serial holdings in fifteen public and private colleges and universities. The 521 pages of the document were prepared through the use of the IBM 1130 computer system. Libraries interested in purchasing copies may write to James L. Dertien, Norman B. Mears Library, Sioux Falls College, Sioux Falls, S.D. It is available unbound for \$12.00.

VERNER CLAPP HONORED

News comes from Tokyo that Verner W. Clapp, LC's chief assistant librarian in 1947-56 and President of the Council on Library Resources in 1956-67, has been awarded an Order of the Sacred Treasure by the Government of Japan. The National Diet Librarian, Yoshikatsu Kono, presented Mr. Clapp with the magnificent gold and silver medal and the handsome scroll that accompanies the award in ceremonies at the NDL on November 12, while Mr. and Mrs. Clapp were guests of the NDL during their recent visit to Japan to attend the dedication ceremonies of the NDL. The Orders of the Sacred Treasure were instituted in eight classes in 1888 for men and women who have rendered "excellent services" to Japan. The honor was awarded to Mr. Clapp-now Consultant, Council on Library Resources, Inc.-in recognition of his contributions to the planning and development of the National Diet Library in 1947-48.