Indiana University's (IU) Digital Library

Program received a \$147,000 National Leadership Grant to digitize and present on the Web nearly 18,000 Kodachrome slides taken by amateur photographer Charles Weever Cushman (IU graduate in 1917) between 1938 and 1969. The photographs document a wide breadth of American life in skillfully composed and socially revealing images that add color to the World War II era. which was primarily documented in black and white "Remember the movie Pleasantville when the black-and-white world became color? That's what it feels like to see these slides," said Kris Brancolini, director of the Digital Library Program. The slides were unknown until a university archivist discovered them in late 1999. They were found, neatly packed and labeled, still in the suitcases in which they were delivered in 1972. To view some of the images, go to http://www. dlib.indiana.edu/new/cushman/index.html.

The University of Michigan has received a

grant to expand its digital library environment. "The Development of a Distributed Digital Library of Mathematical Monographs" project will create a distributed repository of significant historical monographs in mathematics. The repository will contain material from the collections in mathematics from the University of Michigan, Cornell University, and the State and University Library Göttingen. The work will focus on issues central to the advancement of digital libraries, including distributed repositories and integrations of digital resources, advanced access and retrieval,

IMLS grant deadline's near

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high levels of interoperability, and models for dissemination and use.

The University of California's, Santa

Barbara, Map and Imagery Laboratory (Davidson Library) has completed a one-year retrospective cataloging project for ca. 650 pre-1900 maps of various areas of the Earth and 12,000 mainly 20th-century maps of California. The project was funded by LSTA, federal monies administered by the California State Library. To search these maps visit the California Digital Library Web site at http://www.cdlib.org and select MELVYL Catalog or go to the Davidson Library Web site at http://www.library.ucsb.edu and select PEGASUS; this will require a TN3270 application.

Acquisitions

Edgar Allan Poe's essay "A Reviewer

Reviewed," written in his own hand, has been donated to the New York Public Library's Henry W. and Albert A. Berg Collection of English and American Literature by Professors Burton R. and Alice M. Pollin. In this essay, Poe, writing under the pseudonym Walter G. Bowen, praises himself briefly and with restraint, acknowledging his "scholarship" and "analytic talent." But most of the piece is devoted to sharp and occasionally humorous self-criticism. Primarily, Poe takes himself to task for being too severe a critic of others' literary efforts, pointing out the flaws in his own diction. grammar, and syntax. The unfinished and undated essay, which Poe composed probably in 1848 or 1849 had been intended for publication in Graham's Lady's and Gentleman's Magazine (Philadelphia). It remained unpublished until 1896, when it appeared as a syndicated article in the New York Journal and other newspapers.

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