People

PROFILES

VIRGINIA N. CESARIO, chief librarian since 1976, has retired after a career of thirty-three years at the City College of New York Library.

When I returned to the City College as chief librarian in 1962. Virginia Naille Cesario clearly emerged from the crowd as an individual with evident leadership capabilities. From our very first conversation, Virginia's strong traits were manifest: a high regard, affection, and loyalty to City College; a strong and disciplined intelligence; a finely tuned



Virginia N. Cesario

command of the language; a long and involved experience with the library; a strength of opinion; and an unshakeable candor and honesty. Those characteristics were invaluable in the unsettled personnel and management situation of that period, and I found myself calling upon her for advice and counsel at ever-increasing opportunities.

As I came to rely on her counsel and judgment as staff member, administrative assistant, and finally, deputy chief librarian, I found to my surprise that despite my substantially greater diversity of professional activity, work, and managerial experience, she was frequently well ahead of me in some of the more sophisticated areas of librarianship—areas of operation in which she had had little or no contact in her tenure at City. Throughout the years, she had apparently done her homework well and the library profited immensely from her knowledge of national library affairs and pioneering ventures. She applied that knowledge in what amounted to a continuous mini-crusade to improve services and functions at the library. She was tireless in her critical and detailed analysis of operations and in the examination of the possibility of adopting or adapting services, procedures, or mechanisms which had proved out in other academic institutions.

When she decided to participate in national library affairs, her detailed knowledge of nation-wide currents stood her in good stead. For a decade and a half she has left a lasting impression on the numerous professional areas in which she served.

Her last contribution, however was perhaps her best—to steer the flagship library of the city university system through the shoals of a depression perhaps unequalled in American academic history. Through those strikingly depressing years Virginia kept the course, maintained services with a constantly dwindling staff, and even developed funds for continued professional participation and the required physical reorganization of the library.

The college and the library were remarkably lucky to have Virginia in place at the right time. She is a great lady and an extraordinary librarian. She has earned her retirement.—Bernard Kreissman.

Editor's Note: Dr. Kreissman, Professor Cesario's predecessor at City College, is university librarian at the University of California, Davis. This tribute is reprinted in abridged form from the Autumn 1979 issue of Circum-Spice, the City College of New York Library newsletter.

RICHARD S. HALSEY, associate professor at the State University of New York (SUNY) at Albany School of Library and Information Science, has been appointed dean of

the school.

Active in professional and university affairs, Halsey is president of the New York Library Association (NYLA) Library Education Section and special advisor to the NYLA Legislative Committee. He has been chair of ALA's Reference and Subscription Books Review Committee and a member of the Booklist

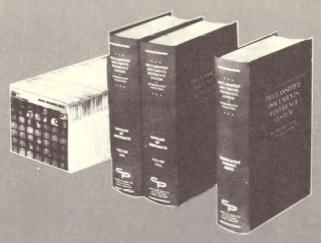


Richard S. Halsey

Editorial Advisory Board and the Dartmouth Medal Award Committee.

Before going to SUNY-Albany, Halsey was on the faculty of the School of Library Science at the University of Toronto. He has also served as chief of the Audio-Visual Department of Washington University Libraries (St. Louis), director of Learning Resources at University City Schools (Missouri), and information scientist at the Central Midwestern Regional Educational Laboratory.

He received his Ph.D. in Library and Information Sciences from Case Western Reserve University. He also holds as M.S.L.S. from Simmons College and M.Mus. and B.Mus. in music education and composition from the New England Conservatory.



THE DECLASSIFIED DOCUMENTS REFERENCE SYSTEM, 1975-1980

THE ANNUAL COLLECTIONS

The size and scope of the Annual Collections have grown dramatically since Carrollton Press inaugurated the publication in 1975. The collections include major documents from the CIA, NSC, State and Defense Departments, White House, and other US agencies on such subjects as US foreign relations, military and intelligence operations, national defense, and internal security in the post-World War II era.

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- THE 1975 ANNUAL COLLECTION contains 1,648 documents, abstracted on a total of 330 pages, and indexed under an average of 3.2 headings in the Subject Index.
- THE 1976 ANNUAL COLLECTION is available in three segments of Abstracts (one double issue covering January-June 1976 and two quarterlies) and the annual Index. The 1976 Collection includes approximately 1,850 documents.
- THE 1977 ANNUAL COLLECTION contains almost 2,000 documents on 203 microfiche.
- THE 1978 ANNUAL COLLECTION is composed of around 2,000 documents which are abstracted on 457 pages and appear on 235 microfiche.
- THE 1979 ANNUAL COLLECTION is more comprehensive than any of the previous Annual Collections.

THE RETROSPECTIVE COLLECTION

- The full texts of 8,032 Declassified Documents are contained on 1,008 microfiche.
- Original abstracts of the documents appear in two hardcover Abstract volumes, arranged chronologically under names of issuing agencies.
- A single-alphabet Cumulative Subject Index to both the Retrospective and the 1975 Annual Collections is contained in one hardcover volume.

Included for the first time in the Retrospective Collection are special groups of documents on Alger Hiss, the Rosenbergs, and Lee Harvey Oswald (including the diary he kept while in the U.S.S.R.). Also included are declassified documents from the papers of several presidential aides and advisors such as Chester Bowles, Clark Clifford, C.D. Jackson, General Lucius Clay and others. The Retrospective Collection also contains a number of technical and scientific documents.

It is important to note that none of the abstracts or microfiche copies of the documents contained in the Annual Collections are included in the Retrospective Collection. However, all entries from the 1975 Cumulative Subject Index have been merged into a combined Cumulative Subject Index in the Retrospective set in order to provide a single source of subject access for both sets of documents.

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HERE ARE EXCERPTS FROM REVIEWS OF THE DECLASSIFIED DOCUMENTS REFERENCE SYSTEM

- -JOURNAL OF CONTEMPORARY ASIA, v. 8, no. 4 (1978). Reviewed by G. Kolko, Department of History, York University, Toronto, Canada, "Superior to the State Department's Foreign Relations series, the System is best compared to the Pentagon Papers, the four most important and hitherto unavailable volumes of which are found reproduced here for the first time. But since no equivalent of the Pentagon Papers for Indonesia, Thailand, Brazil, Malaysia, Korea, Cuba, or India has been issued, in fact it is a major new source for these nations as well as China and Japan. Asian questions and nations are probably the most extensively covered, but anyone working seriously on Latin America, Africa, or European studies will also be required to consult the System's documents."
- -RQ, Reference and Adult Services Division, ALA, v. 15, no. 4, Summer 1976, pp. 353-355. Michael O. Shannon of the Herbert Lehman College, Bronx, New York wrote a comprehensive review of the DDRS in which he stated, "The entire system is characterized by remarkable simplicity of arrangement and ease of searching, and one hopes that it may grow in size and extent."... "This is a major research tool to basically archival-type material and should be worth the price for any major research institution that wishes to provide first rate coverage in the fields of recent government, foreign affairs, and politics."
- -CHOICE, Association of College and Research Libraries, ALA, v. 13, no. 8 (October 1976) unsigned, p. 956. "The catalog and separately available microfiche of the documents themselves form a complete system of information not available elsewhere, neither indexed in the Monthly Catalog nor published by the G.P.O. The catalog, indexed by a former chief of C.I.A. indexing operations, is a unique source of information about formerly secret activities, and of great value to the researcher and the large academic or public library."
- -BOOKLIST, ALA, v. 72, no. 12 (February 15, 1976) "Reference and Subscription Books Reviews" (unsigned) pp. 875-6. "For large academic and public libraries whose patrons do extensive research in subjects in which the government may have a controlling interest, the Declassified Documents Quarterly Catalog and its Index will provide access to materials heretofore unavailable and even unknown, although their existence may have been assumed or suspected. In the expectation that future issues will appear and that coverage will expand, the Declassified Documents Quarterly Catalog with its Cumulative Subject Index is recommended for these large libraries or any library whose patrons require access to this type of information."
- -GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS REVIEW, v. 3, no. 2 (1976). The following was extracted from a review by Professor Robin Higham, Department of History, Kansas State University. Professor Higham is also author of Official Histories (1970) and an Editor of Military Affairs and Aerospace Historian. "The great advantage of what Carrollton Press is doing is that it provides the researcher and the librarian with one compact set of Declassified Documents complete with finding aids. The sooner the system is brought to the attention of scholars the better."
- -SERIALS REVIEW, July/September, 1975, p. 51. Quoted below are excerpts from a review by Bernard A. Block, Documents Librarian at Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio. "The Carrollton Press has made a strong beginning toward developing a good collection of declassified documents, well cataloged, abstracted, and indexed. The importance of such material for historians, political scientists, and other researchers cannot be overestimated. The Declassified Documents microfiche collection and related catalogs and indexes are highly recommended for academic and public research libraries."

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GORDON P. MARTIN, university librarian, California State University, Sacramento, has announced his intention to retire in September.

Martin has been university librarian at Sacramento since 1966. He has served as project director, LIBRARY/ USA Exhibit, New York World's Fair, 1963-1966; assistant university librarian, University of California, Riverside, 1957-1963; reference librarian, University of California, Riverside, 1954-1957; order librarian, San Jose State College, San Iose, Cali-



Gordon P. Martin

fornia, 1953-54; head, circulation department, University of Minnesota, 1952-53; and head of the Reserve Book Room, University of Chicago, 1950-1952.

He has been secretary of the College and University Libraries Division of the California Library Association and a member of the Legislation Committee of ACRL.

He is the author with Dorothea M. Berry of A Guide to Writing Research Papers (New York: McGraw-Hill Book Co., 1971). He earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Chicago in 1948 and a master's degree from the Graduate Library School of the University of Chicago in 1952.

GEORGE SHIPMAN, forty, associate director of libraries for administrative services at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, has been

appointed university librarian at the University of Oregon, Eugene.

He replaces H. William Axford who stepped down as dean and university librarian June 30, 1979. Donald Smith currently is acting university librarian.

At Tennessee, Shipman was responsible for directing technical library services, staff de-



George Shipman

velopment, fiscal control, and library planning, budgeting, and development. Previously, he had worked at the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C., for four years.

Recipient of a master of arts degree in library science from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Shipman also holds a master's degree in American history from Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, and a bachelor's degree in history from Albion College in Albion, Michigan.

He has been active in professional library organizations, including the American Library Association and the Association of College and Research Libraries.

DONALD B. SIMPSON has been named director of the Center for Research Libraries, Chicago, Illinois, effective July 1, 1980. Simpson will suc-

ceed Gordon R. Williams, who will retire at the end of June.

Since 1975, Simpson has been executive director of the Bibliographical Center for Research, Rocky Mountain Region, Inc., in Denver, Colorado. He previously had served as director of the technical services division of the State Library of Ohio and assistant director of the Keuka



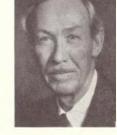
Donald B. Simpson

College Library. He received his undergraduate degree from Alfred University and a master of science in library and information science from Syracuse University.

He is a member of the Council of the American Library Association and is a past president of the Association of State Library Agencies.

GORDON R. WILLIAMS, director of the Center for Research Libraries, Chicago, Illinois, will retire at the end of June. He has been director of the Center since 1959.

Under Williams' leadership, membership in the Center has reached 114 full members and 67 associate members, and the collection has grown to more than three million volumes of material intended to meet the needs of member institutions.



Gordon R. Williams

A graduate of Stanford University (A.B.) and the Graduate Li-

brary School of the University of Chicago (M.A.), Williams served in the United States Navy during World War II. After the war he worked for six years as vice president of Brentano's, Inc. of California. In 1950 he began his library career as executive assistant to the librarian at the John Crerar Library in Chicago. In 1952 he moved to the University of California at Los Angeles Library where he served as assistant librarian until his

appointment as director of the Center for Research Libraries in 1959.

Williams served on the board of directors of the Association of Research Libraries from 1965 to 1968, and he has been chair of the National Union Catalog Committee of RTSD since 1960.

LEE T. HANDLEY has been named executive director of the Southeastern Library Network, Inc. (SOLINET). He has served as acting executive director since the death of Charles Stevens in April 1979.

As acting director Handley has led the network in contract negotiations with OCLC, Inc., and in efforts to establish a cooperative regional support system for libraries in the southeast. He joined SOLINET in November 1978 as technical director and shortly thereafter helped to develop the network's Computer Output Microform (COM) catalog service.

Handley went to SOLINET from Brodart, Inc., of Williamsport, Pennsylvania, where he was vice president in charge of the Library Automation Division. He brought to SOLINET fifteen years of experience in data processing, ten of which were in the field of library automation.

MAXINE JOHNSTON has been named director at the Mary and John Gray Library at Lamar University, Beaumont, Texas. She will succeed R.

Blaine Thomas, who will return to full-time teaching duties in the English department at Lamar.

Johnston has served as associate library director at Lamar since 1970 and has been associated with Lamar University's library services since 1955. She earned a bachelor's degree in English from Sam Houston State University and a master



Maxine Johnston

of library science degree from the University of Texas.

She was Texas Librarian of the Year in 1974.

APPOINTMENTS

CAROL R. ALEXANDER has been appointed head of Cataloging Services at the American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, Massachusetts.

RICHARD AROKSAAR has been appointed catalog librarian at the University of Southern California Norris Medical Library.

MARTHA BAILEY is life sciences librarian for the Purdue University Libraries and Audio-Visual Center, West Lafayette, Indiana.

HOLLISTER K. BERNSTEIN is a cataloging assis-

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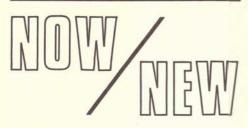
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DORA BIBLARZ has accepted the position of head, Collection and Acquisitions Service at Arizona State University, Tempe.

BRENDA BOUSFIELD has been appointed humanities librarian, Wichita State University, Wichita, Kansas.

GEORGINE BRABEC has joined the Northeastern Illinois University Library staff as an assistant catalog librarian.

MELISSA C. CARTER is a cataloging assistant on the North American Imprints Program at the American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, Massachusetts.

DONNA COKER is OCLC cataloging supervisor for the Purdue University Libraries and Audio-Visual Center, West Lafayette, Indiana.

RHONDA COOPER has been appointed curatorial associate for visual collections in the Harvard University Archives.

PAMELA M. CORLEY has been appointed reference librarian at the University of Southern California Norris Medical Library.

RITA COSTELLO has been promoted to general reference librarian II, Drexel University Libraries, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

MARY J. CULNAN has been appointed assistant professor, School of Library and Information Studies, University of California, Berkeley.

ALAN N. DECUTIS is assistant cataloger on the North American Imprints Program at the American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, Massachusetts.

EILEEN EANDI had been appointed public services librarian at the University of Southern California Norris Medical Library.

MICHAEL FINEMAN is head of the University of California, Irvine, Medical Center Library.

DALE P. FLECKER has been named head of the Office for Systems Planning and Research in the Harvard University Library.

BONNIE L. FLETCHER is now assistant cataloging librarian, Idaho State University Library, Pocatello.

DEBORAH S. GARSON, cataloger in the Gutman Library, Harvard University, has been appointed reference librarian.

MARY KING GIVENS has been appointed instructor-interlibrary Ioan librarian, University of Tennessee Center for the Health Sciences Library, Memphis.

RUTH ANNE GRAHAM has been appointed associate librarian I in the Art Library, University of Maryland, College Park.

MALCOLM C. HAMILTON has been appointed librarian in the Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University.

JUDY HORN has transferred from the Santa Barbara campus of the University of California to become head of the Government Publications Department at the University of California, Irvine.

ANNE M. JOHNSEN has been appointed reference librarian in the Gutman Library, Harvard University.

DAVID V. KOCH has been named university archivist and curator of special collections, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale Library.

BARBARA STECCONI KOVEN has been appointed media specialist in the Gutman Library, Harvard University.

MICHELE ANNE LAING has been appointed reference librarian for the Architecture and Fine Arts Library, University of Manitoba Libraries, Winnipeg, Canada.

JOSEPH MACMANUS is a cataloging assistant on the North American Imprints Program, American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, Massachusetts.

DEANNA MARCUM, formerly training program coordinator, Office of Management Studies, Association of Research Libraries, has joined the private consulting firm of Information Systems Consultants, Inc.

SUZANNE METZGER has joined the library staff at the University of California, San Diego, as assistant head of the Acquisitions Department.

K. LEON MONTCOMERY has been promoted to the rank of professor in the School of Library and Information Science, University of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

JACQUELYN M. MORRIS has been appointed head of the Reference Division of Cornell University's Albert R. Mann Library at Ithaca, New York.

MADELEINE W. MULLIN has been appointed curatorial associate in the Countway Library of Medicine, Harvard University.

WILLIAM Z. NASRI has been promoted to the rank of associate professor, with tenure, School of Library and Information Science, University of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

BRENDA M. PACEY recently became library consultant at Lincoln Trail Libraries System, Champaign, Illinois.

JOE RADER has been appointed associate editor of the *Tennessee Librarian*, the quarterly journal of the Tennessee Library Association. He is head of the Reserve Department, Undergraduate Library, University of Tennessee, Knoxville.

GAYLE REEVES has joined the Government Documents Department, Stanford University Libraries, as a half-time reference librarian.

RUTH RODEN, formerly head of cataloging at California State Polytechnic University, Pomona, has accepted an appointment in the same capacity at the University of California, Irvine.

JOHN SCHMITT is reference librarian for the Purdue University Libraries and Audio-Visual Center, West Lafavette, Indiana.

NORMAN J. SHAFFER has been appointed chief of the Photoduplication Service, Office of the Associate Librarian for Management, Library of Congress.

MIRIAM L. SHEAVES has been appointed geology librarian at the University of North Carolina Library, Chapel Hill.

DEBORAH R. SOMMER has been appointed assistant librarian, Government Documents Department, University of California, Berkeley.

PATRICE STEARLEY has joined the Northeastern Illinois University Library, Chicago, staff as an assistant catalog librarian.

EARL R. TAYLOR has been appointed senior cataloger on the North American Imprints Program at the American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, Massachusetts.

DAVID A. THERIAULT has been appointed serials cataloger in the Harvard College Library.

FRANCIS J. THIEGS has been appointed head of Technical Services, New York University Medical Center Library.

ANN WAKEFIELD has joined the Northeastern Illinois University Library, Chicago, staff as an assistant reference librarian.

ANTOINETTE (TONI) WALDER is the new head of acquisitions at Xavier University's McDonald Memorial Library, Cincinnati, Ohio.

JUDY WEBSTER has been appointed business manager of the *Tennessee Librarian*, the quarterly journal of the Tennessee Library Association. She is head of the Library Acquisitions Department of the University of Tennessee, Knoxville.

EVERETT C. WILKIE has been named affiliate librarian-reference librarian for Rare Books and

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James Williams has been promoted to the rank of professor in the School of Library and Information Science, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

SALLY F. WILLIAMS has been named budget and planning officer in the Harvard College Library.

FAYE M. WILLIAMSON has been appointed head of the Periodical Division of the Serials Department, University of California, Berkeley.

JOAN WORLEY is the new editor of the Tennessee Library Association's quarterly journal, the *Tennessee Librarian*. She is a reference librarian at the Undergraduate Library, University of Tennessee. Knoxville.

WINBERTA YAO, reference librarian and art subject specialist at Arizona State University, has been elected to a two-year term as the Western Regional Representative of the Art Libraries Society/North America.

RETIREMENTS

KAY CUTLER, head librarian of the Branner Earth Sciences Library, Stanford University Libraries, has retired after a library career spanning nearly thirty-eight years.

ACRL Preconferences

Staff development, publishing trends, and ERIC services will be the topics of three ACRL preconferences in June. You may still have time to register for these preconferences; so act now.

The Continuing Education Committee will sponsor a two-day workshop on staff development on Friday and Saturday, June 27 and 28, at the Sheraton City Squire Hotel in New York City. The Rare Books and Manuscripts Section (RBMS) will hold its twenty-first annual preconference at the Copley Plaza Hotel in Boston, Massachusetts, June 24–28. The theme of the preconference is "Books and Society: Publishing Trends and the Factors Affecting Them." ACRL and ERIC will cosponsor an "ACRL ERIC Users Conference" June 27–28 in New York City.

For registration information about the Continuing Education Committee's preconference and the RBMS preconference contact ACRL/ALA, 50 East Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611; (312) 944-6780. To obtain registration materials and information about the ERIC preconference, contact the ERIC Processing and Reference Facility, attention "ACRL ERIC Users Conference," 4833 Rugby Ave., Suite 303, Bethesda, MD 20014; (301) 656-9723.