New Periodicals of 1954–Part I

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Were it not for the fact that societies and institutions launched new journals, the number of new periodicals which appeared during the first six months of 1954 would have been brief indeed. The subjects and style of these journals vary greatly. Some are probably doomed for an early end; others it is hoped can be continued. As usual the bibliography which follows below is based upon the acquisitions of new serials through gift, exchange, or purchase at the Library of Congress.

BIBLIOGRAPHY

The John Crerar Library began publishing Crerar Current in February 1954 for the purpose of informing the public of the resources and activities of that library. The first issue, eight pages in length and informal in style, contains a brief description of the library’s collection on petroleum, mention of noteworthy acquisitions in 1953 and under the heading “Crerar Treasures” a few paragraphs by Mr. Bay describing “Leonard Fuchs’s ‘Herbals’ (1542-43).” Lektuurgids published by Sikkel in Antwerp is an annotated listing of new books in the Dutch language. The first issue included also a brief article on Herman Teirlinck and a chronological listing of his work. The Knights of Columbus Foundation for the Preservation of the Historic Documents at the Vatican Library has been microfilming manuscripts in the Vatican Manuscript Library and is now issuing Manuscripta, a quarterly, numerical listing of the codices so reproduced and available at St. Louis University. The foundation hopes to be able soon to include in the journal the results of the research done in this manuscript material now microfilmed.

ABSTRACTS

Current Chemical Papers is a classified world list of new papers in pure chemistry compiled from periodicals contained in the library of the Chemical Society in London. Entries in the first issue are arranged under ten broad subjects and give author and title of the article and the bibliographical citation including name of journal, date, volume and page.

GENEALOGY

The Louisiana Genealogical and Historical Society has begun to issue a small mimeographed Bulletin. Included in the first issue were cemetery inscriptions copied from tombstones in the Jackson, Louisiana cemetery, the heads of families of Catahoula Parish as reported in the Census of 1810, queries and society news.

LITERATURE

Akzente is a new literary journal from Munich which will publish poetry, stories, essays and critical studies. Audace was started in Brussels to publish prose works in the French language. There will be included in each number a novel, short stories, a play and other pieces of prose. Arabica, Revue d'Études Arabes is included here although in addition to publishing studies on the language and literature of the Arabian world there will be included documents and notes dealing with the history and civilization of the Arabic world and the influence of Arabic culture on the Western world. The sections “Bulletin Critique” (book reviews) and “Revue Bibliographique” should contribute much to the value of this journal. The London Magazine will publish contributions from Europeans, Americans and writers from the Commonwealth countries, whether they are well known and talented or young and unknown. T. S. Eliot contributed “A Message” to the first
number. *Quixote* from England is made up of poetry and stories from new American and English writers. *La Revue des Lettres Modernes* published in Paris has as its aim the comparative study of modern literature. The two principal articles in the beginning issue were "Situation de la Littérature Anglaise d'Après-Guerre" and "Le Thème de Faust dans la Littérature Européenne." *Vindrosen* is a Danish journal publishing poems, fiction, critical articles and a section of book reviews. The contributors to *New Ventures* seem to be limited to Americans. William Carlos Williams' "The Function of Literature: a Lecture Given to Junior Executives" is the opening article. There follow poems, stories and a novelette.

**MUSIC**

The publishers of *The Juilliard Review* state that their journal is going to be devoted "to a serious view of music in our day, as we find it, and in terms of the idea that music is a high art, neither trade, nor entertainment nor commodity."

**POLITICAL AFFAIRS**

Dedication to the exposure of the Communist danger to the Free World is the purpose of *East and West* published in London. To accomplish this the editors will present the case of the Baltic States, Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania, the first Western states to be sovietized by the Kremlin. *Le Monde Diplomatique* whose subtitle announces it to be a "journal des cercles diplomatiques et des grandes organisations internationales" presents such problems as the relations between the U.S. and the Far East, seating Red China in the United Nations, a report from the Geneva conference and brief reports of activities of the United Nations, UNESCO, the Red Cross, etc. The *United Nations Review* supersedes the *United Nations Bulletin* and will report the United Nations story in greater detail than did the *Bulletin*. The first issue discusses the United Nations' efforts to arrive at a treaty of peace for Korea and the reconstruction of that country, the political growth of Somaliland, the progress of the technical assistance program and many other activities.

**RELIGION**

*Istina* published by the Centre d'Etudes Istina, Boulogne-sur-Seine, supersedes the center's *Russie et Chrétienté*. The content of the new journal will be arranged under all or some of the following headings: Russie et Chrétienté; Chrétientés Orientales; Orient et Occident; Problèmes de l'Oecuménisme. The *Journal of Psychotherapy as a Religious Process* "asserts that the understanding of the ills of mankind and their subsequent cure can only take place when the psychotherapist in theory and practice approaches the sick person from a spiritual and religious outlook that goes beyond the limited rationalism of modern scientific psychology and therapy."

**SCIENCE**

The *Eugenics Quarterly* is published by the American Eugenics Society and supersedes *Eugenical News*. In addition to articles, many with bibliographies and references, there are also book reviews and abstracts and a brief annual report of the society in the first issue. The Society of Protozoologists began *The Journal of Protozoology* to publish the results of original work of either descriptive or experimental nature. Articles are illustrated and accompanied by bibliographies. *Norois, Revue Géographique de l'Ouest et des Pays de l'Atlantique Nord* published by the Institutes of Geography of the Faculties of Letters of Caen, Poitiers and Rennes, supersedes the *Bulletin de l'École des Hautes Etudes Géographiques*. *Radiation Research*, the official organ of the Radiation Research Society, is being published to present papers dealing with the physical, chemical and biological effects of radiation. The term radiation is used in its broad sense and includes specifically ultraviolet, infrared, and visible light as well as ionizing radiation. Bibliographies and summaries accompany each article.

**MEDICINE**

The World Medical Association has started *World Medical Journal* to replace the former *Bulletin* as its official journal. This new publication will carry association news as well as articles on medical subjects of interest to doctors. The entire content of the first issue was in each of the three languages, English, French and Spanish.

**LAW**

*The Business Law Review* published in...
England intends to cover the whole field of commercial law and practice, including banking, shipping, air law, insurance, exporting, company law and practice, accounting and taxation, business management and arbitration. While the focus will be on English legal development, sight will not be lost of the fact that commercial law has international ramifications and consequently comparative and international commercial law will be treated. *South Texas Law Journal* is published by the students of South Texas College of Law, Houston. Contributions are by Texas attorneys with one from a member of the college faculty and treat of recent legal findings.

**ENGINEERING**

Nuclear Engineering is now but a single sheet with brief announcements concerning the application of atomic energy for generating power in electric plants. The Institution of Mechanical Engineers is publishing summaries of the papers later published in full in the institution’s *Proceedings*, in *The Chartered Mechanical Engineer*. These summaries will appear in advance of the meetings at which the papers will be presented and discussed. *Industrial Design* is "published for active industrial designers and the design executives throughout industry who are concerned with product design, development and marketing." Such articles as “The Studebaker Story,” and "Design in the Company: Where, What, How?" are typical of the material in volume 1, number 1. Another official publication is *ISA Journal* (Instrument Society of America) which formerly appeared as a section in *Instruments*. Here will be published papers on design and application of instruments in the mechanical, electrical, electronic or optical fields. *British Welding Journal* is the official journal of the Institute of Welding and the British Welding Research Association and incorporates the *Transactions* of the Institute and *Welding Research*. The publication council "is determined to make the journal a technical periodical of first-rate quality." It will disseminate throughout the metal construction industries the results of research based upon the activities of the institute and the association.

**ADVERTISING**

The *Advertising Specialty Counselor* as its subtitle states is "the progressive magazine for the advertising specialty industry."

**PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION**

*Journal of Personnel Administration and Industrial Relations* will publish reports of investigations in the fields of job analysis and evaluation, psychological testing and other personnel measurement techniques, employee and supervisory training, wage and salary administration and other related subjects.

**BUSINESS MACHINES**

The *Association for Computing Machinery* started a *Journal*, the contents of the first issue of which is made up of papers presented at meetings of the association. This would seem to be a valuable publication for persons interested in the application of modern machinery to mathematical and statistical operations.

**Periodicals**


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Pre-prints of Annual Statistics

The annual college and university library statistics will appear in the January 1955 issue of C&RL. Pre-prints will be made available at fifty cents each as a convenience to any librarian who needs the figures for budgetary or other purposes. The pre-prints will be in galley proof form. It is hoped that these will be ready a few weeks before the January issue is distributed. Any who wish copies of these galley proof pre-prints should write to ACRL headquarters, c/o ALA, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago 11, Illinois and enclose fifty cents in stamps, coin or check with the order.