A grant of $35,000 from the United States Steel Foundation, Inc., makes possible the fifth annual ACRL grants program. Application forms for individual library participation in the 1959-60 program will be distributed in September to eligible libraries—the libraries of privately supported universities and four-year colleges.

The U. S. Steel grant, writes R. C. Tyson, chairman of the Foundation's Financial Policy Committee, is in consideration of "the need to strengthen college and university libraries by improving their collections, equipment, and programs as adjuncts to the teaching and learning processes." He says: "The Trustees in making this grant, directed their attention to the general needs of all colleges and universities, but chiefly to private liberal arts colleges and universities for developing their collections, improving the quality of library service to higher education, and otherwise aiding in the best use of the most modern teaching and learning tools."

This grant brings the total of gifts made to ACRL by the U. S. Steel Foundation in the last five years to $155,000. Additional grants from the Lilly Endowment, Inc., the New York Times, Remington Rand, the C.B.S. Foundation, and the Nationwide Insurance Company make the total in the first five years of the ACRL grants program more than $200,000.

"ACRL is deeply grateful to the United States Steel Foundation for its continued support," says Wyman Parker, ACRL President. "As grateful as we are, we realize that the ACRL grants program must be expanded, not only to justify U. S. Steel's continued participation but, even more importantly, to help meet the needs that the program thus far has so dramatically called to our attention. We shall undertake an intensified drive for broader financial support, and we are confident that the merit of increasing foundation support for college and university libraries will convince other foundations of the wisdom of joining U. S. Steel in making grants to ACRL."

The mechanics of the 1959-60 ACRL grants program will be similar to those of previous programs. The ACRL committee will review applications at a meeting in late fall. Awards will be announced in the January 1960 CRL. Last year grants were made to seventy-six libraries. Robert W. Orr, director of libraries at Iowa State College, is this year's chairman of the committee. Other members are Humphrey G. Bousfield, Arthur T. Hamlin, Edward C. Heintz, Wyman W. Parker, Luella R. Pollock, and Benjamin B. Richards.
ACQUISITIONS, GIFTS, COLLECTIONS

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY LIBRARY has purchased, with the assistance of the M. S. U. Development Fund, the collection of Lincoln books gathered by Mr. Jewell F. Stevens of Chicago. This collection of nearly a thousand bound volumes and comprising more than three thousand separate items was appraised at $7,000 by Dr. Leslie Dunlap, director of the State University of Iowa Libraries. The collection is described at some length in the News of the Friends of the M. S. U. Library, volume 14, number 1.

THE LIBRARY SCHOOL of the University of Southern California has received the late Althea Warren's professional library as a gift from her sister, Mrs. Lee Borden Millbank. Miss Warren was a faculty member at the school.

THE PAPERS of A. Owsley Stanley, governor and senator from Kentucky and for many years a member of the U. S.—Canadian International Joint Boundary Commission, have been placed in the University of Kentucky Library by his family. The material includes not only extensive manuscript collections relating to the Kentucky and the national political scene but also much manuscript material on U. S.—Canadian relations.

PRATT INSTITUTE LIBRARY is the recipient of a gift of 4,000 children's books from the library of the Child Study Association of America. The books are representative of the finest titles published in this field between 1925 and 1950.

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY LIBRARY has benefited by several gifts: contemporary oil paintings of Lincoln and Webster from Phillip Sang of Chicago; an original oil portrait of James Joyce, painted by his friend Budgen in Zurich in 1919, and a set of page proofs of James Joyce's Dublin by Patricia Hutchins with marginal annotations by Stanislaus Joyce, given by Charles Feinberg of Detroit; and $1,000 for library purchases from I. L. Shurman of Chicago.

A significant portion of the Truman presidential papers was opened to researchers at the Harry S. Truman Library in Independence, Mo., May 11. The papers include about three-fourths of two principal segments of President Truman's White House central files, those of some of his immediate staff, and a portion of the papers representing Mr. Truman's service as a senator. It is estimated that they contain about 1,500,000 pages. A collection of books, microfilm, and microprint also will be made available to users of the library.

These materials deal with the nature and history of the Presidency and foreign relations of the United States in the first half of the twentieth century. Many of the books came from the President's personal library. Others have been purchased from a grant of $48,700 made to the Harry S. Truman Library Institute by the Rockefeller Foundation.

Persons wishing to use papers and other materials are requested to make advance application to Dr. Philip C. Brooks, director of the library, informing him of the nature and purposes of their projects. This will give the staff an opportunity to locate materials of interest and will enable the researcher to begin his work with minimum delay. Students will normally be expected to include letters of introduction from their professors with their applications.

The institute has initiated a program of grants-in-aid. These will normally be grants of less than $500 to provide travel and living expenses for short periods of work at the library. For the immediate future grants will be concentrated on those who are working on the period of former President Truman's public career and those who will be using the resources of the Truman Library.

JOHN P. MARQUAND, Pulitzer-Prize winning author, has given all of his literary manuscripts to Yale University Library. The collection includes a dozen or more novels, many short stories and essays, and the dramatized version of The Late George Apley which Mr. Marquand wrote with George S. Kaufman in 1944. Each novel usually is represented by complete first and second
drafts, both with numerous manuscript corrections and revisions, and a final version as sent to the publisher. Altogether the manuscripts fill five large shelves in the Yale Library’s Collection of American Literature.

ALL THE MANUSCRIPTS and papers of the first fifteen issues of New World Writing, pioneer paperbound publication in contemporary literature, have been given to the Yale University Library. At the same time, the New American Library announced that its publication, a literary cross-section from all over the world, will cease publication. New World Writing was begun in December 1951, and was released semi-annually.

BUILDINGS

THE IOWA LEGISLATURE has appropriated $1,312,500 for the first addition to the Iowa State College Library. Preliminary planning of the new space is already under way. The March 30, 1959, issue of The Library at Iowa State (vol. 13, no. 7) gives a nine-page account of the library’s housing problems during its ninety-year history.

SENATOR THEODORE GREEN (Democrat, Rhode Island) has introduced Senate Joint Resolution 97 authorizing a $75,000 appropriation for preliminary plans and estimates for an additional building for the Library of Congress. This is similar to House Joint Resolution 352 introduced by Representative Omar Burleson (Democrat, Texas). The Washington Office of ALA advises that letters to congressmen urging early action on these resolutions would be helpful. Lack of space is one of LC’s most pressing problems.

PRELIMINARY WORK has begun on the new library building at Simmons College, Boston. The structure will consist of two parts, one of two stories, the other of five. The probable cost will be about two million dollars, including furniture and equipment. The library will occupy the first two floors of both buildings and part of the third floor of the taller unit. The main floor will extend through both buildings so that all essential services will be on one level. The School of Library Science will share the upper floors of the taller building with the School of Publication.

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY STATE COLLEGE

San Fernando Valley State College dedicated its new library building early in May. The library is the first permanent building to be completed on the campus of the new school.

GRANTS

A Grant of $430,000 from the Ford Foundation, to be used over a five-year period, has been awarded to the Boston University African Research and Studies Program. The program has a dual purpose of training students in African studies and providing a research resource for scholars whose interests are focused on Africa as an area of study. Part of the grant will be used to augment the program’s library resources.

THE COUNCIL ON LIBRARY RESOURCES, INC., has awarded a $201,531 contract to the Crosley Division of AVCO Manufacturing Corporation, Cincinnati, for development of experimental electronic equipment for library use. The Crosley investigations are expected to take approximately a year. They will be devoted specifically to developing the following:

1. A step-and-repeat camera suitable for preparing high-reduction microphotographic storage fields. The purpose is to demonstrate feasibility of conveniently and faithfully preparing such memory fields from original books and other publications.

3. Electronic buffer storage facilities to mechanisms to demonstrate the feasibility of selecting information stored in three dimensions, and to demonstrate photographic and electronic reproduction of the content of the photo-memory. This is an area in which Crosley had already done considerable work.

3. Electronic buffer storage facilities to demonstrate the feasibility of supplying information from the photo-memory simultaneously in electric or optical form to a number of users.

Assuming that the foregoing investigations produce feasible solutions, there are other elements of the electronic system to be developed. One is a searching system; another is a method for “printing out” hard copy that will be characterized by high
definition and very faithful reproduction. The staff of the Council on Library Resources is working with AVCO on both of these possibilities. Still another element is a method of transmission of the stored images to remote points, with "print out" or "read out" at these points.

The Council hopes that the Crosley investigations will contribute to an eventual library system featured by a significantly great reduction in the storage space required for recorded information; a comparatively indestructible and permanent means of preserving and storing records; ease and rapidity of access (elimination of unnecessary time and motion in entering and removing information from the store); and capacity for rapid transmission of information to any other desired point. This implies further reduction in volume of necessary local storage and the capacity to duplicate any stored material.

DENISON UNIVERSITY has received a Ford Foundation grant of $40,000 to strengthen the teaching of non-western civilizations in the college program. The program calls for a three-year inter-disciplinary seminar which will study, in turn, India, China, and Japan. Funds will be provided for supplementing current library resources pertaining to these areas. An additional grant of $500 a year for three years has been made by Mr. and Mrs. Stewart M. Cram for "any necessary library acquisitions" relating to the Far East.

A TWO-YEAR GRANT made by the Council on Library Resources, Inc., to the Joint Libraries Committee on Fair Use in Photocopying has made it possible for the Committee to secure the services of Webster, Sheffield & Chrystie, a New York law firm, to make a legal study of the problems of photocopying in libraries. The Committee, which represents ALA, the Association of Research Libraries, and the Special Libraries Association, was established in 1957 to work on the problems involving copyright which arise in connection with the photocopying of materials in their collections done by libraries for their users.

PUBLICATIONS

THE SECOND ANNUAL REPORT of the Council on Library Resources, Inc., summarizes appropriations totaling $403,361 for thirty-two new projects during the period ending June 30, 1958. Broadly categorized, the problems under examination are those of bibliographic access and physical access to materials and of administrative arrangements. This last category involves factors such as library organization, and government financing, recruitment and training for librarianship, and development of standards, specifications, and testing methods in cataloging, binding, and equipment. According to the report, "the objective of library work is to be able to provide the reader, no matter where he may be, with information as to what recorded knowledge exists applicable to his interest, and to be able to furnish him with the relevant portion of that record, no matter where it may be located." The Council's aim is to foster solutions to the problems that prevent the objective from being fully realized.

The Southern California Union List of Microtext Editions, compiled by Andrew H. Horn from reports, of participating libraries, has been issued by the libraries of Occidental College and University of California at Los Angeles. The list arranges information about holdings by type of micro-format, and within each type in the order that the reports were received by the compiler. The format is loose-leaf, so that the list may be expanded indefinitely without revising original pages. An alphabetical author and title index precedes the actual listing of library holdings. In the listing of symbols of participating libraries information is provided about the library's policy on lending microtexts. Additional index listings, corrections, additional holdings, and new titles acquired will be reported in an occasional SCULME Newsletter, and from time to time revised index pages and supplements will be issued.

The establishment and first year of operation of the Southwest Missouri Library Services, Inc., are reported by Brigitte L. Kenney in Cooperative Centralized Processing (Chicago: ALA, 1959, $2.25). Founded in 1957 by ten Missouri public libraries, the center receives books purchased by member libraries, catalogs them, reproduces catalog cards, and prepares books for the shelves. Charges to the libraries are based on their
budgets for the previous year. The report describes technical processing by the libraries before the center was established, shows how it was organized, how it functioned during the first year, how its services were used, and what benefits the libraries enjoyed. Seven appendixes present basic data and procedures. Despite problems in organization and relationships, the cooperative venture succeeded in accomplishing its main objectives. During the first year, 36,000 volumes were processed at an average cost of fifty-six cents each, considerably less than the previous costs of the majority of participants.

Bibliographical Essay on the History of Scholarly Libraries in the United States, 1800 to the Present has been published as no. 54 in the University of Illinois Library School Occasional Papers series. In writing this extensive paper, Harry Bach, head of the acquisition department at San Jose State College Library, consulted more than 130 sources dating from 1945 to 1956. Copies will be sent to any individual or institution without charge upon request to the Editor, Occasional Papers, University of Illinois Library School, Urbana.

Libraries with significant holdings in Iranian materials will be interested in Cataloging of Persian Works, by Nasser Sharify (Chicago: ALA, 1959, $3.50). Written originally as a doctoral dissertation, the study establishes rules for transliteration of Persian into the roman alphabet and the entry of Persian names as well as principles of descriptive cataloging.

Science Information News is a new bi-monthly publication that reports on both national and international developments in scientific and technical information. It is compiled and edited by the National Science Foundation's Office of Science Information Service. The publication is designed to meet the need for reporting and exchanging news of worldwide activities in science communication and documentation. It is hoped that contributions from interested groups will make it a centralized news source, hastening progress toward more effective utilization of the world's scientific knowledge.

Directorio de Publicaciones Periódicas Mexicanas contains 610 entries with full information on 840 Mexican periodicals, including title, editor, frequency of publication, data of first issue, and data on type of contents, name of present and first editor, subscription price, circulation, and advertising. The 250-page, paperbound publication sells for $10.00. It can be secured from the Centro Mexicano de Escritores, Rio Volga No. 3, Mexico 5, D. F.

West Virginia University Library, Morgantown, has microfilmed the biographical sections of all known Hardesty Atlases covering West Virginia. The project was a cooperative effort by the library, T. T. Perry of Charles Town and A. B. Stickney of Los Angeles. Copies of the complete microfilm of specific county biographies and photostatic copies may be purchased from the library's West Virginia Collections.


Miscellaneous

Pi Lambda Sigma, oldest library honor society in the United States, founded at Syracuse University School of Library Science in 1903, will merge with and become a chapter of Beta Phi Mu, international library science honor fraternity.

The role of classification in the modern library will be discussed at an institute to be conducted by the University of Illinois Library School and the University Extension Division at Allerton House, Monticello, Ill., November 1-4. Leaders from the field of
classification will discuss such questions as whether classification is accomplishing its stated aims, the value of the classified catalog in research libraries, the use of Library of Congress classification for research collections, the problems involved in classifying special collections, and what the future can be expected to produce. The planning committee consists of Frances B. Jenkins, Donald Strout, Harold Lancour, and Thelma Eaton, chairman. For more complete information write Miss Eaton, University of Illinois Library School, Urbana.

The Library of Congress has accepted the offers of two firms to study the possibilities of the mechanization of its operations, especially in information storage and retrieval. Representatives of the firms will visit LC for a period of about two weeks. They will report their conclusions and make recommendations on the nature and scope of the library's future activities in this area. Acceptance of the offers was recommended by LC's Interdepartmental Committee on Mechanized Information Retrieval. Richard S. Angell, chief of the subject cataloging division, will represent the committee in working with the visiting teams in their survey of the library's operations.

The 250th Anniversary of the birth of Dr. Samuel Johnson will be celebrated in Birmingham, England, September 14-19. Among the events will be an exhibition of books, manuscripts, and portraits of Johnson and his circle. It will display a copy of each of his publications. The materials will be on display from September 14 to October 3.

National Library Week for 1960 will be observed on April 3-9. Preliminary reports on the 1959 program show that more than 5,000 communities participated with increasing participation through local schools, clubs, libraries, and merchants, as well as wide cooperation on the part of broadcasters, newspapers, and magazines. An official annual report was published in June.

Radcliffe College is sponsoring the preparation of a biographical dictionary of American women, Notable American Women, 1607-1950. It will contain sketches of approximately 1,500 women from the colonial period down to those deceased not later than 1950, and will comprise two or more volumes. The project is an outgrowth of the college's expanding collection of materials on the history of American women. The articles will be written by historians and other scholars and, in general, will be on the same scale as those in the Dictionary of American Biography, whose high scholarly standards the new work will strive to equal. The editor is Dr. Edward T. James, recently associate editor of Supplement Two of the DAB. The committee of consultants, headed by Arthur M. Schlesinger, Sr., has been appointed, but the editor solicits names for inclusion and information about possible contributors from librarians and scholars. His address is Radcliffe College, Cambridge 38, Mass.

The School of Library Science of the University of Southern California, is attempting to establish a memorial scholarship fund to honor and perpetuate the memory of Althea Warren. A former faculty member, Miss Warren had been the head librarian of the Los Angeles Public Library for many years, and prior to that, head of the San Diego Public Library. She had served as president of ALA and as president of the California Library Association, as head of the Victory Book Campaign during World War II, and in innumerable ways had advanced the library profession in this country.

Money contributed to this scholarship or loan fund will be used to help some deserving student attend library school each year. To create a permanent interest-bearing scholarship, it is necessary to have a fund of approximately $25,000. A smaller amount may be used for a loan fund.

Contributions should be addressed to Miss Martha Boaz, Dean, School of Library Science, University of Southern California and marked: "For the Althea Warren Memorial Scholarship Fund."

The annual Spring Workshop of the College and University section of the Wisconsin Library Association was held on April 11 at the University of Wisconsin Library School in Madison. A panel discussed education for academic librarianship.

Curt F. Bühlter delivered the Rosenbach Lectures at the University of Pennsylvania on April 9, 16, and 23, 1959, as the Dr. A. S. W. Rosenbach Fellow in Bibliography for 1958-59.
In southern California library circles there was warm and unanimous applause when Lawrence Clark Powell announced locally that Paul M. Miles was his selection to succeed Gordon R. Williams as assistant university librarian at UCLA. The dismay which UCLA's friends felt over the prospect of losing Mr. Williams, at the climax of seven years of distinguished service, was much delayed when it was learned that his work would fall to the quiet, capable, and efficient hands of Paul Miles, one of those backbone librarians whose influence is felt through his work rather than by his words. He doesn't say much; when he does talk, though, it is invariably direct and meaningful. And its only adornment is apt to be a dash of wry humor, usually slipped in slyly. On the other hand, this laconic librarian's capacity for work is so prodigious and the quality of it so extraordinary as to dumbfound even his most loquacious colleagues.

A graduate of the University of Denver, Miles has done graduate work (M.A., University of California, 1947) and research (Mexico City, 1949) in history. Through these studies he has become bilingual, indeed so proficient as to woo and win the charming Mrs. Miles in her native Spanish language. Before he enrolled as an undergraduate at Denver, Mr. Miles had worked a year as a trade paper journalist; but while he was a student he served as a page in the Denver Public Library. Four and a half years in the Army (staff sergeant) during World War II, followed by his graduate study at California where he was also a teaching assistant, brought him almost inevitably to the Berkeley School of Librarianship (B.L.S. in 1950). His first professional assignment was in the serials department at UC (Berkeley). However, most of his library service since 1950 has been at UCLA—reference librarian (1950-51), geology librarian (1951-52), UN documents librarian (1952-57), and since 1957 librarian of the Institute of Industrial Relations and Business Administration and Economics Libraries of the UCLA system.

Paul Miles has been well prepared—within the UCLA library, administrative, and faculty-student structure—for the complex duties of the assistant librarianship. His major assignment will be building planning and space allocation, with increasing responsibility for budget preparation in collaboration with the ranking assistant librarian, Miss Page Ackerman.—Andrew H. Horn.

JENNINGS WOOD has been appointed chief of the Gifts and Exchange Division of the Library of Congress. Mr. Wood has been a member of the staff of the Library of Congress since 1937. He has been assistant chief of the Gifts and Exchange Division since 1948. As chief of the division he succeeds the late Alton Keller.

Mr. Wood was born in Earle, Ark., in 1910. He did both undergraduate and graduate work at the University of Arkansas. CORRECTION: Robert K. Johnson has been appointed assistant director of libraries at Drexel Institute of Technology. John Harvey is director of libraries at Drexel.
Scott Adams, formerly librarian of the National Institute of Health, is program director for Foreign Science Information, Office of Science Information Service, National Science Foundation.

Lee Ash, formerly editor of the Library Journal, joined the Yale University Library's Selective Book Retirement Project on July 1, 1959, as editor and research analyst.

A. R. Meera Bai, assistant librarian, Madras Medical College Library, will serve on the staff of the Denison University Library, Granville, Ohio, in the coming year.

James A. Boudreau, formerly assistant director of the Simmons College Library, is director of the library of the Bentley School of Accounting and Finance, Boston.

Ethel M. Fair, retired director of the Library School of New Jersey, served last year as reference librarian of Denison University, Granville, Ohio.

Thomas J. Galvin, formerly librarian of the Abbot Public Library, Marblehead, Mass., is assistant director of libraries and lecturer in the School of Library Science, Simmons College.

Paula Gibbons is now head of the acquisition department of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Library.

E. J. Humeston, Jr., formerly head of the Library Science Department of the University of Kentucky, is professor in the Library School of Drexel Institute, Philadelphia.


David A. Kronick, formerly medical librarian of the University of Michigan, is librarian of the Cleveland Medical Library.

Arlene Kupis is humanities librarian at Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Rev. Homer Matlin, librarian of Loyola University, Chicago, will succeed Daniel J. Reed as director of libraries of the University of Detroit in the late summer.

Philip L. Miller is chief of the Music Division of the New York Public Library.

Frances Muse is now head of the reference department, Georgia State College of Business Administration Library, Atlanta.

Natalie N. Nicholson is associate director of libraries in charge of reader services, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Everett H. Northrop, formerly assistant librarian, Academy Library, U. S. Merchant Marine Academy, Kings Point, N. Y., has been appointed associate librarian.

Daniel J. Reed, director of libraries at the University of Detroit since 1958, is assistant chief of the Manuscript Division of the Library of Congress.

Ryburn M. Ross is associate director of libraries in charge of technical services, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Gertrude Schutze is manager of library services at Standard and Poor's Corporation, New York.

William L. Stewart, Jr., is head of the circulation department, Georgia State College of Business Administration Library, Atlanta.

Alleyne B. Vandervoort, formerly assistant librarian at Millikin University, Decatur, Ill., has been appointed order and periodicals librarian at Illinois Wesleyan University, Bloomington.

William S. Wallace, formerly associate librarian and archivist, Rodgers Library, New Mexico Highlands University, Las Vegas, has been appointed librarian and archivist, effective September 1, 1959.

Tom V. Wilder is chief of the newly established Natural Resources Division of the Legislative Reference Service, Library of Congress.

Marianne Yates is librarian of the Transportation Center Library, Northwestern University. She was formerly head of public services.
Retirements

FANNY S. CARLTON, librarian at Chapman College, Orange, Calif., for the past fourteen years, will retire this summer.

Miss Carlton went to Chapman in 1945 from the Spanish American Institute, Gardenia, Calif., where she had been secretary to the president for five years. From 1932 to 1940 she was librarian at the Polytechnic Institute of Puerto Rico, having previously been a missionary for twelve years on the island, serving under the United Christian Missionary Society.

A graduate of Hiram College, Miss Carlton received her bachelor of science degree in library science from Western Reserve University, where she was the recipient of a Carnegie Corporation grant. She is a member of ALA, the California Library Association, and the American Association of University Women.

J. VIVIAN HEDGCOCK, librarian of the Rodgers Library, New Mexico Highlands University, since 1924, will retire from her post in August. A graduate of Highlands and the University of Illinois Library School, Miss Hedgcock has spent her entire career at Highlands where, as librarian, she directed the library's expansion from 6,000 to nearly 100,000 volumes.

Necrology

THOMAS S. HAYES, librarian of the University of Puerto Rico, died on May 18, 1959, at the age of 57. He was responsible for the best university library building, collection, and administration south of Miami. He was an effective classroom teacher, a courageous and perceptive columnist (for El Mundo of San Juan), and one of those continentals who came to know and love the island and to lay the foundations for its present position of leadership in Latin America.

Over a decade and a half ago I went to Tom Hayes to secure information about insular politicians for a federal investigative agency. He knew everything worth knowing about the island and its personalities, from the fabulous adventures of the late Bill O'Reilly to the hopes and aspirations of his good friend Luís Muñoz Marín for the future of Puerto Rico. Above all Tom Hayes had the magic touch for scholarly companionship with the faculty. He gave some effective lessons in library administration that were never in any library school curriculum.—L.S.T.

ELEANOR S. CAVANAUGH, librarian of Standard and Poor's Corporation, New York, died on March 18, 1959.

JAMES F. KENNEDY, retired librarian of the Fordham University Law School, died in March 1959.

DOROTHY LAersen, associate librarian of Westmar College, Le Mars, Iowa, died on May 13, 1959.

MURIEL MURRAY, head of the order department at Northwestern University Library, died on April 19, 1959. Graduated from Wellesley in 1928, and holding an M.A. in Psychology from Northwestern and a B.L.S. from Michigan, Miss Murray was a dedicated and able librarian. During the almost thirty years she was associated with Northwestern, she won everyone's admiration for her skill and resourcefulness, the more remarkable because she worked under a severe physical handicap. She was an excellent order librarian and through her work made a lasting contribution to the development of Northwestern's library collections.

MARY ROBERTS, acquisitions assistant in the University of Illinois Library, died on March 23, 1959.

META SEXTON, who retired from the University of Illinois Library in 1951 after thirty years of service, died in Chicago on March 17, 1959.

HUBERT PORTER STONE, assistant professor of library science and head of the reference department at Bowling Green State University Library, died on March 18, 1959.
ACRL at Washington

A fine panel discussion, "The Program of the Federal Government in Education and Research," and exceptionally strong program sessions by the several ACRL sections marked the Washington Conference as an unusually successful one for college and university librarians. Activity on their part overflowed ACRL bounds into most of the type-of-activity divisions’ programming and into many of ALA’s overall activities. A high-spot in such extra-ACRL participation in ALA affairs was Ben Powell’s impressive address at his inauguration as president of ALA.

ACRL’s general program emphasized present federal activity in library and educational affairs, the opportunities for extension of such activities, and the necessity for intensified activity in this direction by both librarians and governmental representatives. Ably planned by Frank Schick of the Library Services Branch of the U. S. Office of Education and as ably moderated by William Dix, librarian of Princeton University, the panel covered concisely and effectively an area of importance and concern to the profession. Senator Jacob Javits of New York and Representative Carl Elliott of Alabama presented the legislative point of view about the government’s program in education and research. Elliot Richardson, Assistant Secretary, Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, expounded the position of the executive branch of government, and Harry C. Kelly, Assistant Director for Scientific Personnel and Education of the National Science Foundation, presented the view of the scientists. Mr. Dix made a brilliant summary of their remarks and of the implications of their remarks before returning the meeting to ACRL President Lewis C. Branscomb. The meeting was concluded with the passing of the gavel to incoming President Wyman Parker.

Outstanding among section activities was the three-day pre-conference program for rare book librarians sponsored by the Rare Books Section at the University of Virginia. More than two hundred participants were registered at this meeting which is more fully reported elsewhere in this issue. Almost as many college and university librarians were registered for the Buildings Institute sponsored by the Buildings and Equipment Section of the Library Administration Division on the campus of the University of Maryland.

Provocative speeches on library organizations were the feature of the program of the University Libraries Section. Frank Lundy, director of libraries at the University of Nebraska, and Ralph McComb, librarian at Pennsylvania State University, were the speakers.

The College Libraries Section and Junior College Libraries Section held a joint meeting with a broadly competent panel discussing “Teaching Students to Use the Library” as its program. The panel’s moderator was Philip Bradshaw, assistant professor of English at the University of Florida. Librarian participants were Virginia Clark, William Quinly, Vail Deale, and Morrison Haviland.

George S. Bonn of the Science and Technology Division of the New York Public Library spoke to the Subject Specialists Section on “Japanese Periodicals in Science and Technology.” The new Art Sub-Section of the Subject Specialists Section held its first program meeting and a luncheon meeting. Kyle Morris spoke at the program meeting on “A New Program in Documentation of the Arts.” An organization meeting looking toward the creation of a sub-section for law and political science specialists was held during Conference.

Earle T. Hawkins, president of State Teachers College, Towson, Md., and Felix Hirsch, librarian of Trenton State College, N. J., were the speakers at the meeting of the Teacher Education Libraries Section. President Hawkins spoke on “What Is Happening to Teacher Education and Its Implications for Our Libraries,” Dr. Hirsch on “The Significance of the New College Library Standards.”

The Conference program of the Rare Books Section was held at the Folger Shakespeare Library and centered around an entertaining speech by book collector C. Wal-
Left to right: Mrs. Elliot Richardson, wife of the Assistant Secretary, Department of Health, Education, and Welfare; Roy M. Hall, Assistant Commissioner of Education; William S. Dix, librarian, Princeton University; and Wyman W. Parker, librarian, Wesleyan University, and ACRL President. Photo taken at dinner preceding ACRL's membership meeting in Washington.

Ler Barrett, "The Motivations and Directions of a Private Collector Assembling Materials for an Institutional Library." Mr. Barrett's talk was followed by a cocktail party.

Important committee sessions were conducted by the Grants Committee, the Committee on Organization, the Standards Committee, the Publications Committee, the ACRL State Representatives, and the executive or steering groups of the various sections. The Advisory Committee on Cooperation with Educational and Professional Organizations held an eminently successful dinner at which ACRL members entertained representatives of a score of other organizations.

Brief of Minutes

ACRL Board of Directors

JUNE 24, 1959

Present: Lewis C. Branscomb, president; Wyman W. Parker, vice-president and president-elect; Eileen Thornton, past president; Richard B. Harwell, executive secretary; Elmer M. Grieder, director-at-large; Laurence E. Tomlinson, Lottie M. Skidmore, H. Dean Stallings, Katherine Walker, Ralph H. Hopp, Herbert T. F. Cahoon, directors representing sections; Fleming Bennett, John H. Ottemiller, Jackson E. Towne, Walter W. Wright, John F. Harvey, Elizabeth O. Stone, Newton F. McKeon, Jr., directors on ALA Council; Edward C. Heintz, Orlin C. Spicer, Carson W. Bennett, Carl W.
Hintz, J. Terry Bender, section chairmen (non-voting members); Mrs. J. Henley Crosland, Robert W. Orr, Giles F. Shepherd, Jr., committee chairmen; and Maurice F. Tauber, editor of CRL.

President Branscomb opened the meeting with a brief report of the year's activities. He called on Mrs. Crosland to begin the business of the day with her report from the Grants Committee. After a description of the work done during the past year in continuing the ACRL grants program, Mrs. Crosland requested an endorsement from the Board for the recommendations in her report calling for an increased grants program and the widest possible support for it by the Board and by ACRL as a whole. Her report inspired considerable discussion and her recommendations were enthusiastically received by the Board. It was voted that the report be received, endorsed in principle, and referred to the Grants Committee itself for implementation.

Mr. Orr reported for the Committee on Organization. The committee recommended changes in the composition of the Publications Committee and the setting of terms for the editors of ACRL's several publications and the editorial boards. The report was accepted unanimously.

President Branscomb called the attention of the Board to the fact that work had been continuing for several years towards the compilation of junior college library standards and that the Junior College Libraries Section now had a draft of standards nearly ready for publication. He noted that the standards, however, had not previously been brought before this Board. The Board voted to refer the draft of the standards to the ACRL Committee on Standards with the recommendation that the work on them be brought to as early as possible completion. Mr. Hirsch, Chairman of the Committee on Standards, called the attention of the Board to the fact that the College Library Standards approved by the Board at its Midwinter meeting would be published in this issue of CRL and that reprints of them would be available for wide distribution in September.

Mr. Branscomb commended Miss Thornton for her fine work in presenting ACRL's budget to ALA's Program Evaluation and Budget Committee and called on her for comments about the budget. She noted that all of the budget items requested for ACRL's program for 1959/60 had been approved. After some additional discussion of the budget, the meeting was adjourned.

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Present: Lewis C. Branscomb, president; Wyman W. Parker, vice-president and president-elect; Richard B. Harwell, executive secretary; Elmer M. Grieder, director-at-large; Laurence E. Tomlinson, Lottie M. Skidmore, H. Dean Stallings, Katherine Walker, Ralph H. Hopp, Herbert T. F. Cahoon, directors representing sections; Jackson E. Towne, Walter W. Wright, John F. Harvey, Elizabeth O. Stone, Newton F. McKeon, Jr., directors on ALA Council; Edward C. Heintz, Orlin C. Spicer, Carson W. Bennett, Ruth M. Heiss (chairman-elect, Subject Specialists Section), J. Terry Bender, section chairmen (non-voting members), Robert B. Downs, Ralph E. Elsworth, Mary D. Herrick, Edmon Low, Frank L. Schick, committee chairmen; and Mrs. Margaret Kototh, editor of the ACRL Microcard Series.

As the first unit of the Board's second meeting, reports from the several sections of ACRL were called for by President Branscomb and were received from all except the Teacher Education Libraries Section. The reports emphasized the variety and strength of ACRL affairs as expressed through the work of its sections. Of particular interest, because it was a report of its first year of full-fledged activity, was the report from the Rare Books Section. Mr. Bender called the attention of the Board to the successful conference held at Charlottesville a week before under the auspices of the Rare Books Section. The conference had drawn an enthusiastic attendance of 212 registrants and its programs had been generally acclaimed as of exceptionally high quality. The Board directed the Executive Secretary to express to Mr. William H. Runge, Curator of Rare Books at the Alderman Library at the University of Virginia, the gratitude of the Board and of all of ACRL for his fine work in managing the Rare Books Conference.

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The Board also directed the Executive Secretary to explore in behalf of the Rare Books Section the possibility of holding a similar conference in conjunction with the 1960 ALA Conference in Montreal.

Reports were heard from the Advisory Committee to Administer the Rangoon Project, the Advisory Committee on Cooperation With Educational and Professional Organizations, and the Committee to Explore the Relationship of the Law Library to the General Library of a University. Mr. Downs, reporting on the Rangoon project, outlined the situation with which Paul H. Bixler is working in establishing a library for the social sciences faculty there and called the attention of the Board to the approbation which Mr. Bixler's work has received in all reports about it. As an addendum to Mr. Downs' report, Mr. Harwell told the Board of a tentative request to support a similar project for a one-year period at the University of Mandalay and received the approval of the Board to coordinate the advisory function for this project, when final authorization for it is received, with the committee already established for the Rangoon project.

The Board commended Mr. Low for his work with other professional and educational organizations and particularly for the successful dinner meeting he had organized as a part of the Washington Conference. They encouraged the continuation of the work of this type and Mr. Low was requested to send to each Board member a

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New ACRL Officers and Appointments

Edmon Low, librarian of Oklahoma State University, is the winner of the principal race in ACRL's annual election. He defeated Mrs. J. Henley Crosland, director of libraries at the Georgia Institute of Technology, for the office of vice-president (president-elect). In the other divisional balloting Neal R. Harlow, university librarian of the University of British Columbia, was elected ACRL director-at-large over Dale Bentz, associate director of libraries at the State University of Iowa. Mr. Low succeeds Wyman W. Parker, now president of ACRL, in the vice-presidency. Mr. Harlow succeeds Mrs. Mary Manning Cook.

New ACRL section officers were also elected in the spring balloting. Donald E. Thompson, librarian of Wabash College, Crawfordsville, Ind., is the vice-chairman (chairman-elect) of the College Libraries Section. Victoria E. Hargrave, librarian of MacMurray College, Jacksonville, Ill., is that section's new secretary. Catherine Cardew, librarian of Briarcliff College, Briarcliff Manor, N. Y., and Mrs. Helen Abel Brown, librarian of Saint Mary's Junior College, Raleigh, N. C., are the new vice-chairman (chairman-elect) and secretary of the Junior College Libraries Section. Frederick Goff, of the Library of Congress, and Tyrus G. Harmsen, of the Henry E. Huntington Library, San Marino, Calif., are the new officers of the Rare Books Section. The Subject Specialists Section elected George S. Bonn, chief of the science and technology division of the New York Public Library, its vice-chairman. Fritz Veit, director of libraries of Chicago Teachers College and Wilson Junior College, won the corresponding election in the Teacher Education Libraries Section. Ralph W. McComb, university librarian of the Pennsylvania State University, is the new vice-chairman of the University Libraries Section. Serving as secretary of that section is Ruth C. Ringo, associate director of libraries of the University of Tennessee.

President Wyman Parker has made twenty-nine new appointments to ACRL committees. Craig Hardin and David Jolly are new members of the Advisory Committee on Cooperation with Educational and Professional Organizations. John Cook Wyllie is chairman for 1959-60. William Dix succeeds Raynard C. Swank as a member of the Advisory Committee to Administer the Rangoon Project. The new Committee on Conference Programs consists of Richard Morin, chairman, Wayne Yenawine, Margaret Fayer, and three Canadian representatives: Effie C. Astbury, Martha Shepard, and Beatrice V. Simon.

Ruth K. Porritt is the new chairman of the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws. New members of the committee are Howard McGaw and Johnnie Givens. Alice Appell is the new member of the Committee on Duplicates Exchange Union. Robert W. Orr has been appointed to fill an unexpired term on the Committee on Grants and will serve as chairman of that committee. Edward C. Heintz is the other new member of the committee.

ACRL’s Committee on National Library Week is H. Vail Deale, chairman, William Bennett, William Lansberg, and Eleanor Peterson. Katherine Walker is chairman of the 1959-60 Nominating Committee. Serving with her will be J. Terry Bender, Richard Blanchard, Richard Farley, Andrew Horn, Dorothy Keller, Frances Meals, Eileen Thornton, and Stanley West. There is no new appointment to the roster of the Publications Committee, but Porter Kellam has succeeded to its chairmanship. New members of the Committee on Standards are Orlin C. Spicer and Norman Earl Tanis.
The First ACRL Rare Books Conference

Over two hundred people—librarians, booksellers, book-collectors, and authors—gathered from all parts of the country at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville from June 18 to June 20 for the first ACRL conference devoted to the problems of collecting, housing, cataloging, and using rare books and manuscripts.

From Thursday afternoon through luncheon on Saturday there were eight panel discussions, three addresses, and any number of unscheduled cocktail parties. The opening panel, under the chairmanship of H. Richard Archer of Chapin Library, Williams College, was concerned with the rare book manual being prepared by members of the Rare Books Section. The consensus of the panelists (James M. Wells, Newberry Library; Cecil K. Byrd, Indiana University; Roland Baughman, Columbia University) and of the audience was that such a publication would be particularly useful to library school students and to librarians just beginning to organize rare book collections. Frequent references to the manual were made throughout the conference—indeed the manual was almost the theme of the conference—and in the course of the discussions there were many valuable suggestions concerning facts and philosophies to be included, expanded, or explained.

The panel on financial problems, with Richard S. Wormser, rare book dealer, Stanley Pargellis, Newberry Library, and Alexander D. Wainwright, Princeton University, chairman, dealt with a subject that was of interest to everybody in the audience and drew the most spirited discussion of the entire conference. The three chief problems discussed were insurance, appraisals, and tax deductions; and the greatest of these was appraisals. Appraisals, the speakers emphasized, should be made only by experienced booksellers and should be based on the current market value of the gift, not on any potential research value it might have for a particular library. In view of the many abuses of this practice by librarians who make their own appraisals and thus subject themselves and their donors to inquisitive visitors from the Bureau of Internal Revenue, Mr. Wyllie recommended that a statement be drawn up outlining a standard procedure for libraries similar to the official statement on appraisals of the Antiquarian Booksellers Association of America. A committee composed of Messrs. Wyllie, Wainwright, and Pargellis was appointed to prepare such a statement and submit it to the members of the Rare Books Section.

The remaining six panels discussed Civil War collecting; cataloging and classification; acquainting the public with rare books; portraits, prints, broadsides, clippings, maps, music, etc.; colonial Americana; history of science; western Americana; and the antiquarian book trade and auction houses. At the end of almost every panel there were questions, answers, and comments from the audience, and once again the practical aspects of acquiring material were discovered—in the lively discussion on bidding at auction—to be of great concern to the librarian. Mr. Babb's eloquent tribute to antiquarian booksellers and to their constant help to librarians and book collectors was warmly applauded.

The address at dinner on Thursday evening was delivered by David C. Mearns of the Library of Congress. He spoke wittily and convincingly of the need for supporting the National Union Catalog of Manuscripts. At the banquet on Friday evening Alexander Davidson, Jr., librarian of the Grolier Club, spoke briefly on the virtues of book clubs. The conference officially ended with luncheon on Saturday and an address by Donald C. Biggs of the California Historical Society on the problems of western historical societies. Immediately after luncheon many visitors to Virginia went on a tour of Monticello.

There was a great show of interest in similar meetings to be held before ALA Conferences, but wherever and whenever these take place, it will be impossible to surpass the University of Virginia in hospitality and efficiency—two factors which made this gathering so eminently successful and pleasant.—Marjorie Gray Wynne, Yale University Library.