ACQUISITIONS, GIFTS, COLLECTIONS

A "WORKING SCHOLAR'S" library collection of 14,500 volumes has been purchased by the University of California, Santa Barbara. The Jacob Peter Mayer library covers mainly the humanities, and additionally includes a considerable number of books relating to mass media, film and television problems, and studies in psychology.

A RARE RELIGIOUS BOOK setting forth the basic philosophy of the teachings of Buddha has been given to the Yale University library, New Haven, Conn., by Ira Victor Morris. The book, hand-penned in meticulous monastery script in Tibet more than three hundred fifty years ago, measures 10 by 28 inches, and weighs 55 pounds. The exclusive use of gold in the lettering accounts for the weight.

The University of Delaware, Newark, has been given the library of the Delaware Saengerbund comprising about five thousand German books. A large majority are early- or middle-nineteenth century popular novels.

Morrison Library of Southern Illinois University recently received from John W. Allen the bulk of his personal library and files of original material. Included in the gift are some five hundred volumes, dozens of manuscripts, illustrated maps, thousands of pages of typed notes, letters, photographs, negatives and slides. The published books, including Allen's own county histories, comprise a collection on southern Illinois history and pioneer life.

The late Guglielmo Ferrerro's manuscripts, letters, and papers have been presented to the Columbia University libraries, New York City, by his daughter, Nina Ferrero Raditsa.

New York University's Fales collection of nearly forty thousand volumes and approximately ten thousand manuscripts has been augmented by a further gift of DeCoursey Fales that includes a group of letters and notebooks by Ronald Firbank. Also included are some twenty-five letters of Sir Walter Scott, three letters of William Butler Yeats, sixteen manuscript essays by Arnold Bennett, and letters by R. L. Stevenson, Charles Dickens, and William Makepeace Thackeray.

Ohio State University libraries, Columbus, have received a collection of some thirty-five volumes including several journals of horology and watchmaking from the library of the late Herman H. Seff, a pioneer member of the Buckeye Chapter of the National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors. These materials will be kept up to date by contributions from Mrs. Seff and present members of the chapter.

AWARDS, GRANTS, SCHOLARSHIPS

A BIBLIOGRAPHICAL SURVEY on social science literature published in Communist Bloc countries will be supported by a $54,000 grant from the National Science Foundation to the Bureau of Census.

American Mathematical Society has been granted $35,031 by the National Science Foundation to provide Russian and related mathematical literature for abstracting and research libraries. The society was also granted $68,724 to support a program of translation of mathematical research articles.

National Science Foundation has granted the Medical Library Association $16,200 to support the Second International Congress of Medical Librarianship.

University of Florida libraries, Gainesville, offer a number of graduate assistantships for the academic year 1963/64, for study leading to a master's or doctoral degree in a subject field. Stipends of $2,250 for a ten-month period require fifteen hours of library duty each week; stipends of $3,000 for the same period require twenty hours. Holders of assistantships are exempt from out-of-state tuition fees. The deadline for filing formal application is March 15. Application forms may be obtained from the Director of Libraries, University of Florida, Gainesville.

Indiana University libraries announce the continuation of their program designed to give intensive instruction to prospective rare book librarians. Two fellows will be selected, who are required to remain in residence in Bloomington from July 1, 1963, to June 30, 1964, engaged in programs assigned by members of the Lilly library staff. Each fellow will receive a stipend of $5,000 for the
twelve-month period payable in twelve instalments. Fellows are expected to find employment in rare book divisions of college, university or public libraries at the conclusion of the year.

Johns Hopkins University has been granted $15,833 for an operations research and systems engineering study of the university library.

The Medical Library Association again in 1963 will award the Murray Gottlieb Prize of $100, for the best essay on some phase of American medical history by a medical librarian. Mrs. Mildred Langner is chairman of the Murray Gottlieb Prize Essay Committee, Medical Library Association, National Library of Medicine, 8600 Wisconsin Ave., Bethesda 14, Md. April 15 is the closing date for submitting essays.

Arthur D. Little, Inc., of Cambridge, Mass., has been granted a contract by the National Science Foundation for a study of the degree of centralization of facilities desirable for storage and dissemination of scientific documents.

The Council of Higher Educational Institutions in New York City is engaged in a study to improve the use of library facilities of seven member institutions in Brooklyn, working with a grant of $3,750 from the Fund for the Advancement of Education. Rice Estes, librarian of Pratt Institute and president of the Metropolitan College Interlibrary Association, is conducting the study.

The Amy Loveman National Award of $1,000 is being offered for the second year to a college senior who has collected an outstanding personal library. Established in 1962, the annual award is sponsored by the Book of the Month Club, Saturday Review, and the Women's National Book Association.

Syracuse University Research Institute has received a grant of $16,462 to support a user study of translated Soviet journals.

Buildings

Juniata College, Huntingdon, Pa., has received a grant of $25,000 from the Kresge Foundation toward a library building now under construction. The three-floor library got under way last August, and plans call for completion of the building by August 1963, at an estimated cost of $603,000.

The new Beinecke Library at Yale University, New Haven, Conn., which will have a capacity of 750,000 volumes and will house the principal rare book and manuscript collections of the university, is the gift of Edwin J., Frederick W., and the late Walter Beinecke, and their families. The building is now under construction and will be completed in late 1963.

The newly renovated Newberry Library in Chicago arranged an exhibition of rare books and manuscripts, which opened December 1, to celebrate completion of its million-dollar remodeling program.

University of Wichita (Kan.) dedicated their new Ablah library building on November 2. The three-story-and-basement structure costing more than one million dollars was the gift of the Ablah family. It provides approximately one-hundred-twenty thousand square feet of space, with a capacity of three-hundred-fifty thousand volumes. More than a thousand readers can be accommodated, 280 at wall-type study carrels. Expansion of the library can be accomplished by adding a fourth floor.

Ground will be broken for the Francis A. Countway library of medicine in Boston in late March or early April. Occupancy is planned for the spring of 1965. The Countway library will house the combined collections—numbering some four hundred fifty thousand volumes—of the Boston medical library, Harvard Medical School, Harvard School of Dental Medicine, and Harvard School of Public Health. Construction costs are estimated at four and a half million dollars.

Cedar Crest College, Allentown, Pa., began construction of a new library building in December. Cost is estimated at seven-hundred thousand dollars. Plans call for space for one-hundred thousand volumes, and seating for 50 per cent of the student enrollment of five hundred.

Beloit (Wis.) College had datestone-sealing ceremonies on September 23, shortly after their new Colonel Robert H. Morse library was occupied. The building has some fifty-three thousand square feet and cost about one-million two-hundred thousand dollars including furnishings and landscaping. Book capacity is three-hundred-fifty thousand volumes. Nearly half the student body of one thousand can be accommodated, 122 at carrels throughout the three-level building.

Meetings, Institutes, Workshops

American Association for the Advance-ment of Science section on information and
communication discussed the use of foreign science literature at a section meeting late in December.

SYRACUSE University School of Library Science will hold a seminar in the evaluation of filmed and recorded materials on August 12 to 23. Enrollment will be limited to thirty students. For application forms and information, address Dean Wayne S. Yenawine, School of Library Science, Syracuse University, Syracuse 10, N.Y.

The literature of nuclear science, its management and use, was the subject of a meeting at Oak Ridge, Tenn., arranged primarily for the benefit of librarians at AEC libraries, in September.

The college section of the Catholic Library Association's Wisconsin unit discussed "Acquisitions Work, the Balance between Business and Bookmanship," at a meeting of the association in Milwaukee in October.

College and University Archives were discussed by Philip P. Mason of Wayne State University, Detroit, at the twenty-sixth annual meeting of the Society of American Archivists on September 30.

A regional seminar for Latin America, at Mendoza, Argentina, organized by UNESCO and the government of Argentina, recommended that at least 5 per cent of the budgets of Latin American universities be devoted to library services. Changes in Latin American university libraries that should be made under the ten-year plan of the Alliance for Progress and the 1962 Santiago Conference, a clearinghouse for materials and information on library construction, and a pilot project for the exchange of publications were discussed. Recommendations were made concerning UNESCO's proposed program of assistance in planning library services, organizational structure of university libraries, book collections, technical services, personnel training, and cooperation among university libraries.

The USSR has ratified two UNESCO conventions concerning international exchange of publications and exchange of official publications and government documents.

MISCELLANY

The American Institute of Biological Sciences has begun identifying and recording information on the world's serial publications in a bibliographic project leading toward a Biological Serial Record Center. The work is supported by a grant from the National Institute of Health.

Results of a survey on information storage and retrieval equipment conducted by the Research Information Center and Advisory Service on Information Processing of the National Bureau of Standards, under sponsorship of the Council on Library Resources, have been announced in a 176-page report. Fifteen specific systems employing search-type selection principles are described and findings are given in a comparative chart. In addition, microfilm aperture card systems and related devices used for address-location retrieval are discussed.

Problems of mutual interest to the library profession and the Library of Congress were discussed at a meeting of the Librarian of Congress, several LC staff members, and the Librarian's Liaison Committee in November. The report of the Librarian of Congress on the Bryant Memorandum, special LC projects, recent legislation, and LC's plans for the future and its space problem were among the items considered.

BOSTON University School of Education has established plans for an educational film library to be housed in the Law-Education building now under construction. The library will be a memorial to the late Abraham Krasker, founder of the university's pioneer film library.

The third edition of the Union List of Serials incorporating the information in the second edition, the first and second supplements, and added entries for new titles and holdings up to the beginning of the current New Serial Titles of the Library of Congress, will be published by H. W. Wilson Company, probably in early 1965. The third edition has been compiled by the Library of Congress under a grant to the Joint Committee on the Union List of Serials by the Council on Library Resources.

The Institute of Hebrew Studies at New York University has announced that it is undertaking an expanded research program in ancient manuscripts.

American books and reference materials on technical subjects will be exhibited in Moscow and two other Soviet cities by the United States Information Agency during five months from January to May. About seven thousand titles from some seven hundred American publishers will be shown. A counterpart Soviet exhibit will simultaneously tour three American cities.
Robert K. Johnson has been appointed director of libraries at Drexel Institute of Technology to succeed John F. Harvey, who previously had held the position together with that of dean of the Drexel Graduate School of Library Science. Prior to the administrative separation of the library school from the library Dr. Johnson served for three years as assistant director of libraries at Drexel, gaining experience to fit him admirably for his new position. In addition to his administrative duties, he will serve as professor of library science.

Dr. Johnson is supported in his position by a strong background of education and professional experience. An A.B. from Montana State University in 1937, B.A.L. from the University of Washington the following year, and M.S. and Ph.D. from the University of Illinois in 1946 and 1957, respectively, qualify him eminently as an academic person.

Beginning his academic library career in public services at Pacific University in 1938, Dr. Johnson was made acting librarian and instructor in library science the following year. This was followed by two years at Central College, Fayette, Missouri as head librarian and instructor in library science. From 1942 to 1946 Dr. Johnson was an employee of General Motors Corporation for one year, and for three years was in the U.S. Navy, two as a communications officer.

A civilian again in 1946, he returned to Pacific University as head librarian and associate professor of library science for two years, after which he left for the University of Illinois to combine work in technical processes with study toward a doctorate in library science. Leaving Illinois in 1952 he went to Air University until 1959, in administrative positions in technical processes and public services. Following these broad, varied experiences he went to Drexel Institute of Technology in 1959.

Dr. Johnson has held offices and major committee assignments at state and national levels, and has served as a library consultant and library surveyor. In addition to numerous unpublished survey reports, he has contributed to professional library journals and is the author of Air University Library Study of Libraries in Selected Military Educational Institutions, published in the ACRL Microcard Series, nos. 62-77, 82 in 1955/56.

Equipped with sound academic and professional training, varied and successful library experience, natural administrative ability, a good sense of humor, and a warm personality, Dr. Johnson should make a major contribution in the development of the library at Drexel.—E. W. Erickson.

Jack A. Clarke received his appointment as director of libraries at Wisconsin State College, Eau Claire on July 1, 1962.

In addition to a Ph.D. degree in French history received from the University of Wisconsin, Dr. Clarke holds an undergraduate degree from Michigan State. Postgraduate studies in history and library science were completed at Wisconsin also. Dr. Clarke also spent a semester and summer session at the University of Poitiers, at Poitiers, France.

His experience includes an internship at the Library of Congress. Following this he became librarian at Washington Cathedral library and later at Doane College. Previous to his present appointment, Dr. Clarke was assistant librarian for social studies at the University of Wisconsin.

He continues his interest in history by writing articles and book reviews for historical journals. A similar service is given librarianship through articles in library journals. Book reviews chiefly in the fields of philosophy and religion appear in professional library periodicals. He is active in professional associations.

Quick of wit, with a keen sense of humor that comes to the surface at unusual times, he is a stimulating person to faculty and students.
students. His associates find Mr. Clarke a very pleasing and congenial person with whom to work.—Helen Wahoski.

ALAN D. COVEY on August 31, 1962 completed ten years of service to the day as college librarian of Sacramento State College, and on September 1 he became university librarian of Arizona State University, Tempe.

A native Californian, Dr. Covey received his A.B. degree from the University of California, Berkeley, in 1940 and the Certificate in Librarianship from the same institution in 1946. In 1955 he received his Ed.D. degree from Stanford University.

Dr. Covey began his professional work at the University of California, Berkeley, as microfilm cataloger in 1946-47, as head of the library photographic service in 1947-48, and as assistant head of the engineering library in 1948-49. In 1949 he became assistant librarian of San Francisco State College, where he remained until June 1951, when he entered Stanford University to study for the doctorate. In 1952 he was appointed college librarian of Sacramento State College.

Dr. Covey has made impressive contributions to the development of libraries and librarianship in California. Always active in professional organizations, he served as president of the California Library Association in 1959. A perennial committeeman, he has worked vigorously at improving standards of support and service in the libraries of the California State colleges. His doctoral dissertation, “Evaluation of College Libraries for Accreditation Purposes,” has significantly influenced policies in the evaluation of college and university libraries by regional accreditation associations.

California’s loss is Arizona’s gain. Dr. Covey takes to his new assignment a broad experience in library administration, an extensive knowledge of books, and great capacity for warm and enduring friendship. We in California wish him the best of luck in his new responsibilities.—Kenneth J. Brough.

ROY L. KIDMAN returns to California to become the first medical librarian of the University of California at San Diego where the University of California is establishing its third medical school, the other two being in San Francisco and at UCLA. This is a fortunate appointment. Roy Kidman took his undergraduate degree in chemistry at UCLA, his degree in librarianship from USC, and then spent a year as a law cataloger at UCLA before being called to the University of Kansas in 1954. At Kansas he took on a task similar in kind but smaller in scope to the one ahead of him in San Diego. The University of Kansas had just established a new science library to consolidate several departmental libraries. Mr. Kidman’s practical understanding of the library needs of scientists, together with his skill as a librarian and his capacity to gain the confidence of academic people, resulted in a remarkably successful program. In addition to his regular assignments, he was called upon by two science departments to teach bibliography courses for graduate students, and his personal interest in the history of science had an important place in the formative years at the University of Kansas of an academic program in that discipline.

In light of this variety of high level skills it was understandable that Robert Talmadge, on going to Tulane as director of libraries, should want to have Roy Kidman with him as his assistant director. During the past two years he has been Talmadge’s right-hand man in bringing efficiency and imagination to bear on the Tulane library.

First rate medical librarians are a scarce breed. The University of California at San Diego has found one.—Robert Vosper.

RUDOLFO O. RIVERA, has been appointed director of the University of Puerto Rico libraries. Mr. Rivera was with the Duke University Press from 1933 to 1940, when he became executive assistant of the ALA Advisory Committee on Cooperation with Latin America. In March 1942, he went to Managua, Nicaragua, to set up the American Library of Nicaragua, and continued as librarian there until February 1944, although he had some months earlier joined the staff of the American Embassy in Managua. Mr. Rivera has been with the United States Foreign Service since 1944.

DON R. SWANSON, a physicist, has been appointed professor and dean of the Graduate Library School of the University of Chicago, effective in February 1968. Swanson has, since 1955, been head of the Syn-
thetic Intelligence department of Thompson Ramo Wooldridge, Inc., in California. His research has been concentrated in the fields of computer applications, scientific information retrieval, intelligence data handling, linguistics, mechanical translation, and other automatic or artificial methods of storing, organizing, and finding information. During the past eighteen months he has been serving as a member of the panel of experts engaged in a study of the feasibility of automating many of the operations of the Library of Congress.

Swanson took his B.S. at California Institute of Technology, his M.A. at Rice Institute, and his Ph.D. in physics at the University of California at Berkeley in 1952. He served as a communications officer in the Navy from 1943 to 1946; he is married and has three children. He was a member of the Science Information Council of the National Science Foundation from 1958 to 1961, and he has been an invited lecturer before a wide variety of audiences.

His research and other publications reveal, among other qualities: 1) a reasonable concern, but no panic, with the widely heralded "information explosion"; 2) a thorough knowledge of computer capabilities but no disposition to believe that the laws of economics will be set aside by machines or that the machine is necessarily the best solution to all information problems; 3) a general concern with fundamental questions in the field of librarianship and information systems; and 4) a lucid style and perceptive wit.

The faculty of the Graduate Library School, in recommending Swanson's appointment, were particularly anxious to continue and extend the strong tradition of bringing interdisciplinary approaches and techniques to bear on the solution of a variety of basic problems in the field of librarianship. Swanson is unusually well qualified in these respects to enrich the school's program—and, indeed, the whole of librarianship.—Herman H. Fussler.

Appointments

Lee Ash has joined the faculty of Drexel's School of Library Science as assistant professor. He continues as editor and publisher of American Notes & Queries, and maintains his residence at New Haven, Conn.

Barbara G. Bartley has been appointed assistant professor of library science, University of Wisconsin—Milwaukee. She was formerly at Oshkosh (Wis.) State College.

Mrs. Elizabeth Bates is on the staff of the engineering library at University of Southern California, Los Angeles. She was formerly with the University of California, Riverside, in the cataloging department.

Pierre Berry is now head of the original cataloging section of Michigan State University library, East Lansing. He was a cataloger at Johns Hopkins University library, Baltimore, Md.

Constance Bobbie is a cataloger at Ohio State University libraries, Columbus.

Michael J. Briggs has been appointed serials and documents librarian at the National Library, Lagos, Nigeria. He was a cataloger at Duke University library, Durham, N.C.

Helen Britten is on the cataloging staff of Ohio State University libraries, Columbus. She was with the Louisiana State Library, Baton Rouge.

Alice Brunn is library intern at Ohio State University libraries, Columbus.

Mrs. Ruth Bryan is reference assistant and special collections cataloger in the humanities department of Long Beach (Calif.) State College library.

Glenn Bundy is now in the reference department, University of Southern California, Los Angeles.

Mrs. Isabel Buxton is on the staff of the University of Southern California College library, Los Angeles.

Colin Campbell became general librarian at the University of Idaho library, Moscow, in November.

Mrs. Patricia Carmony has joined the staff of University of California at Los Angeles, as librarian in the government publications room of the reference department.

Kenneth E. Carpenter has returned to Bowdoin College library, Brunswick, Me., as reference librarian, and will also work with the Bowdoin archives and manuscript collections. Mr. Carpenter has been with Hough-
ton library at Harvard University, Cambridge.

Kenneth J. Carpenter is now assistant director of the University of Nevada library, Reno. He had been head of the rare books department, University of California, Berkeley.

Ray L. Carpenter has been appointed lecturer in the school of library science, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

Kathy Ch’iu is a cataloger at the Yale University library, New Haven, Conn.

Mrs. Ruth M. Christenson is the new education librarian at Los Angeles State College. She was formerly research assistant to Professor Frank Klingberg, UCLA historian.

Dan Diaz has been appointed chief bibliographer at the University of Connecticut library, Storrs. He has been a reference librarian at Stanford (Calif.) University library.

Marcia Endore is employed in the regional technical reports center of the government publications room, University of California, Los Angeles.

Wolfgang M. Freitag has been appointed chief librarian for undergraduate book selection, Stanford (Calif.) University library. He had been librarian of the division of engineering and applied physics at Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.

Julius Frome has been named deputy for science and technology of the Armed Forces Technical Information Agency, in charge of ASTIA’s acquisition and bibliographic program. Mr. Frome is an attorney, and an expert in technical information retrieval.

Rupert E. Gilroy is now research assistant and reserve book room librarian at Yale University library, New Haven, Conn.

Charles M. Gottschalk is head of systems identification and analysis section of the new National Referral Center for Science and Technology, at the Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Frances Goudy has been named acquisitions librarian at Lafayette College library, Easton, Pa. She had been head librarian at Grove City (Pa.) College for the past three years.

Dale Greseth is the new head of acquisitions at the University of Vermont library, Burlington. He was assistant librarian at Bowdoin College library, Brunswick, Me.

John R. Haak has been appointed assistant social science librarian at University of Nevada, Reno.

Doralyon Joanne Hickey has accepted appointment as assistant professor in the school of library science at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. She has been assistant research specialist at the Graduate School of Library Service, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N.J.

William Highfill is assistant to the librarian at Kansas State Teachers College, Emporia.

Monika Hornsteiner has been appointed serials librarian at Wells College, Aurora, N.Y.

Chia-Pi Hsu is now Chinese bibliographer and research assistant in the Yale University library, New Haven, Conn.

Grace Hsu is reserve librarian at Oregon State College library, Corvallis.

Curtis E. Jenkins has been appointed assistant librarian at Washington College, Chestertown, Md.

Ronald Johnson has been appointed assistant librarian at Bethany College library, Lindsborg, Kans.

Margaret Kahn is librarian, Ohio State University English and speech graduate library, Columbus. She was formerly assistant librarian at Eastern Illinois State University, Charleston.

Mary Karl is on the staff of Michigan State University library science division, East Lansing.

Charles A. Kritzler is a cataloger in the Western Americana collection at Yale University library, New Haven, Conn.

Sam Kula has joined the staff of University of Southern California libraries, Los Angeles, circulation department. Mr. Kula has been deputy curator of the National Film Archives at the British Film Institute, London, England.

Mrs. Mildred Langer has accepted appointment as medical librarian and associate professor of medical bibliography at the University of Miami school of medicine, Coral Gables, Fla.

Herman W. Liebert has been appointed librarian of the Beinecke rare book and manuscript library, now under construction at Yale University, New Haven, Conn.

Charles E. McCabe is newly-appointed as head of the referral services section of the National Referral Center for Science and Technology, Washington, D.C. Mr. McCabe
has until recently been chief of the scientific information branch of the Army research office.

William McCoy has been appointed assistant librarian for administration at the library of the University of California, Davis.

Mrs. Louise McDonough is now on the staff of the engineering and mathematical sciences library at University of California, Los Angeles. She has been with the University of Illinois libraries, Urbana.

Mrs. Marjorie W. MacLeod joined the catalog division of Boston University libraries on September 1.

Sheila McMurray is the new associate humanities librarian at University of Nevada, Reno. She was assistant reference librarian at the University of California, Santa Barbara.

Robert D. Martenson has been appointed cataloger in the Yale University music library, New Haven, Conn.

Le Roy C. Merritt has been appointed editor of the Newsletter on Intellectual Freedom. Dr. Merritt is professor in the University of California School of Librarianship, Berkeley.

Mrs. Evelyn Morgenthaler has accepted the position of assistant librarian at Valdosta (Ga.) State College library.

Mary Jo Munroe is serving as reference librarian at the Washington University School of Medicine, St. Louis, Mo. Miss Munroe was formerly librarian of the Cornell University-New York Hospital School of Nursing library, New York City.

Nelson Piper is assistant librarian, technical services, at University of California Library, Davis.

Richard L. Pratt has been appointed reference librarian at MacMurray College library, Jacksonville, Ill.

Maria Pshenichny is a cataloger at Yale University library, New Haven, Conn.

Ruth Renaud is reference librarian at Loyola University library, New Orleans. She had been head of general services at New Orleans Public library.

Randall G. Rice has been assigned to head the materials sciences division, Armed Services Technical Information Agency, Arlington, Va. He was with Chemical Abstracts Service in Columbus, Ohio, from 1954 to 1962.

Mrs. Maria Rode is a new cataloger in the Stanford (Calif.) University libraries. She has worked as a serials cataloger in John Crerar library, Chicago.

Delores Rovirosa is now assistant social science librarian at the University of Nevada, Reno. She had been head of the catalog department of the National Library of Cuba.

Gladys E. Rowe is the newly appointed library assistant in the Aero-Jet General Corporation engineering project, Sacramento, Calif. She was associate librarian at the University of Chicago Laboratories for Applied Science.

Isabel Sewall is the new reference librarian in the humanities and social sciences division of Stanford (Calif.) University libraries.

Kenneth R. Shaffer, director of the School of Library Science and of the college libraries at Simmons College, Boston, has been serving as U.S. Department of State consultant to the governments of Denmark, West Germany, Yugoslavia, Poland, and the Netherlands, in the areas of architecture, education for librarianship, and library administration.

Mrs. Stella Marie Siagian has received appointment as cataloger at Yale University libraries, New Haven, Conn.

Aurora Gardner Simms has joined the Long Beach (Calif.) State College library as reference librarian in the humanities department.

Mildred Simpson is now in the circulation department in the University of Southern California library, Los Angeles.

Barbara Skerry is assistant in the reference department at Michigan State University library, East Lansing. She was with the Ohio University library, Athens.

Kenneth Smejkal is now assistant librarian at the University of Dubuque (Iowa) library.

Penelope Smith has been appointed librarian in the documents department at University of California library, Berkeley. Miss Smith has worked with the library branch of the special services division of the United States Army in Europe.

Robert G. Smith has joined the staff of the Kansas State University library, Manhattan, as a cataloger. He was formerly a member of the staff of Eisenhower library, Abilene, Kans.

William S. Sparks joined the staff of Kan-
sas Wesleyan University library as assistant librarian on September 1.

PETER SPYERS-DURAN has been appointed to the staff of University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee library as administrative assistant and assistant professor, effective in February. Mr. Spyers-Duran has been professional assistant of Library Administration Division at ALA headquarters.

JOHN F. STEARNS has been assigned by the National Science Foundation to establish the new National Referral Center for Science and Technology at the Library of Congress. Mr. Stearns was deputy director of the office of scientific and technical information in the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Lucille Alm Tolman is a new member of the cataloging staff of the Michigan State University library, East Lansing.

Keith Trost has been appointed public services librarian at Kansas State College, Pittsburg.

Carol Vogel has been appointed library career consultant at the University of Pittsburgh Graduate Library School.

Eldon Wancura joined the acquisitions department of Kansas State University library in October. He was assistant circulation librarian at Oregon State University library, Corvallis.

Willard Webb, former film librarian of the Library of Congress, is administrative director of the American Science Film Foundation, newly-established group to promote films as tools for research and communication of research results.

Eunice Wolf is now circulation librarian at Kansas State Teachers College library, Emporia. She was formerly head librarian, Popular library, Portland, Ore.

Mrs. Ann R. Wood has been appointed science library assistant at Northwestern University libraries, with special responsibility for mathematics and geology libraries.

Foreign Libraries

Agustín Loeray Chávez, formerly director of the State Library School and of the Biblioteca Nacional in Mexico, died on March 10.

Karl Forstner is the new director of the Studienbibliothek in Salzburg.

Witold Stankiewicz is the new director of the Biblioteka Narodowa in Warsaw.

Retirements

Lawrence Heyl, associate librarian at Princeton University library for more than twenty years, retired on July 1 after forty-two years on the library staff.

Bessie Kylberg, head of acquisitions at Fresno (Calif.) State College library, retired on August 30 after fifteen years of service.

Mrs. Sarah G. Mayer retired on October 31 after twenty-nine years as a cataloger in the field of science and technology at the Library of Congress. Mrs. Mayer won commendation for her revision of the classification schedule for medicine, Class R, at LC.

Mildred Stewart retired from the library staff of Case Institute of Technology, Cleveland, on October 31. Miss Stewart had accepted a temporary appointment to the staff in 1956. She has returned to her home in Grinnell, Iowa.

Mary Alvey Zadra has retired as librarian of the Mackay School of Mines of the University of Nevada, a position she held for ten years.

Nathan Zuckerberg, assistant librarian of the research library in the division of employment, New York State Department of Labor, retired in August after more than fifteen years of service.

Necrology

William Hawley Davis, editor of the Stanford University Press from 1925 to 1945, died December 5 at Palo Alto-Stanford hospital.

Mrs. Mary Pike Goodman, who retired in 1942 from the Library of Congress, died in Washington, D.C., on October 22. Mrs. Goodman served LC for more than thirty years, mostly as reference and bibliographical librarian in the periodical division.
LEONARD H. KIRKPATRICK died in an automobile accident on November 29. He began his career in librarianship at Utah State University in 1936, and became librarian at the University of Utah in Salt Lake City, in 1941. Mr. Kirkpatrick served two terms as president of the Utah Library Association, and one term as president of the Mountain Plains Library Association.

STELLA WHITEFORD, librarian with the Navy Department in Washington, D.C. for thirty-five years previous to her retirement in 1950, died on August 1.

FREMONT RIDER, librarian of Wesleyan University from 1933 to 1953, died in Middletown, Connecticut, October 26, 1962, after a long illness. He was one of the library profession's living legends for his vigorous prosecution of many fine projects. Although he came late to the business of libraries, he made a decided impact by his inventions and through the development of valuable techniques. He was the inventor of microcards and pioneered in ways of book storage and in cooperation.

Mr. Rider, born in Trenton, New Jersey, May 25, 1885, had several years as a boy in Middletown, Connecticut, before he went to Syracuse University, graduating in 1905. He was honored by Syracuse in 1937 with an LL.D. He attended the New York State Library School, Albany, and later helped Melvil Dewey with his Decimal Classification.

Fremont Rider then entered business in New York, and for about twenty-five years was engaged in editorial and publishing ventures. He was on the R. R. Bowker staff, and as served as editor of the Publisher's Weekly and the Library Journal.

At Wesleyan University, he was active in many areas and the Olin library profited in many respects. The book collection was increased from 174,272 to 388,809 and as corollaries an annex to the book stack was built in 1958, and compact storage of books was inaugurated in the next decade. As editor of the intermittent Wesleyan library periodical, About Books, he produced statistics to support his theory that American college and university libraries doubled the size of their book collections every fifteen years. This caused some flurry in library circles.

Rider's energies were enormous, as his autobiography (written in the third person), And Master of None (1956), amply attests. He wrote and published books constantly, some of those of most interest to librarians being Melvil Dewey: A Biography (1944); The Scholar and the Future of the Research Library (1944); and Compact Book Storage (1949). Since his retirement as librarian at Wesleyan in 1953, he published a three-volume Preliminary Material for a Genealogy of the Rider (Ryder) Families in the United States (1959), and the 1,217-page Rider's International Classification for the Arrangement of Books on the Shelves of General Libraries (1961). He planned and built the Godfrey Memorial Library and served as the enterprising promoter of its foundation right up to his death. Its primary function is the publication of the American Genealogical-Biographical Index (a revised and enlarged cumulation of a 1942-52 publication) that has now issued volume 41 (Dav-Dee).

Fremont Rider was a pioneer in interlibrary cooperation and during the thirties he was the leading spirit in an attempt to organize the Connecticut Valley academic librarians to share the use of their book collections. Undoubtedly much of the ground work for the present Hampshire Inter-Library Center was laid at this time.

His pioneer thinking in regard to microreproduction of books led to the invention of microcards. It was his most important invention and he refused to patent it as he wanted microcards to be widely used as an aid to scholarship. It was a great pleasure for Mr. Rider to receive the annual medal of the National Microfilm Association in 1961 for distinguished service in microreproduction.

There are many evidences at Wesleyan's Olin library of Fremont Rider's librarianship. His version of compact book storage is in effective use without modification for approximately 50 per cent of the cataloged collection of half a million books. His concept of a large library for undergraduates is evidenced by Wesleyan's book collection, which shows amazing strength in many areas of scholarship. Generous gifts of personal libraries of decided rarity, encouraged during his tenure, have given the book collection a maturity that the library of few small colleges could ever attain.—Wyman W. Parker.