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It has become increasingly apparent that the Society must have additional resources if it is to develop into a strong professional organization. Resources are needed for a publication program and other professional services; but most important, the Society must be able to afford a full-time, paid secretary in the near future.

As a result of the pressing need for funds, the Council has directed the president and the secretary to invite archival institutions to become Sustaining Members, each for the fee of \$100 a year. As of March 23, 1971, twenty-two institutions have joined as Sustaining Members. The realization of the Society's goal of one hundred Sustaining Members will enable it to make definite plans for a permanent secretariat.

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Technical Notes

CLARK W. NELSON, *Editor*

NEW PRODUCTS & DATA

Library Lighting Report

Lighting libraries is the subject of a study prepared for and recently published by the Association of Research Libraries with the assistance of a grant from the Council on Library Resources, Inc. The author of *Library Lighting* is Keyes D. Metcalf, emeritus Harvard College librarian and dean of library building consultants. During a career extending well over half a century, he has seen library lighting change from a few footcandles to the 100-plus footcandles found in some modern libraries. Mr. Metcalf's nontechnical book is for the use of academic administrative officers, faculty building committees, librarians, architects, and laymen. In preparing his study he had the assistance of more than 50 consultants including architects, consulting and construction engineers and contractors, illuminating engineers, interior designers, ophthalmologists, psychologists and reading experts, and—representing users of libraries—research scholars and librarians. The study considers five major lighting problems—quality, functional aspects, aesthetics, intensity, and costs—and presents Mr. Metcalf's own conclusions after a study of the relevant literature and consideration of his consultants' varying opinions. It does not deal with the relative merits of polarized lighting, incandescent bulbs, fluorescent tubes, or mercury-vapor and sodium-vapor lamps, except as they relate to function, intensity, and cost. In *Planning Academic and Research Library Buildings* (1965), sponsored by the Association of Research Libraries and the Association of College and Research Libraries under an earlier council grant, Mr. Metcalf referred to lighting as "complicated and sometimes controversial." In the present work he says that because of differing points of view "lighting remains the most controversial problem that the writer has found in his work with librarians, architects, and building committees, both in planning new library buildings and in renovating and adding to old buildings." The 99-page work is available for \$2 from the Association of Research Libraries, 1527 New Hampshire Ave. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036.

Contributions to this department should be addressed to Clark W. Nelson, Archivist, Mayo Clinic/Foundation, Rochester, Minn. 55901.

Fine Arts Handbook

How to Care for Works of Art on Paper, believed to be the first general guide on the preservation of valuable prints, books, and treasured documents, is available from the Museum of Fine Arts Sales Desk, 465 Huntington Ave., Boston, Mass. 02115, for \$2, with a minimum handling and shipping charge of 50¢. The museum published the handbook in connection with an exhibition on the Conservation of Works of Art on Paper and in response to countless queries received from private collectors, galleries, museums, libraries, historical societies, and artists and framers. Written by Francis W. Dolloff and Roy Perkinson, conservator and assistant conservator of the museum's department of prints and drawings, respectively, and made possible by a grant from the Mohawk Paper Mills, Inc., the 46-page, illustrated handbook explains the nature of paper and the fundamentals of preservation. Mr. Dolloff states: "Paper is taken for granted. It is an essential material and yet is poorly understood. Unless its characteristics are understood, there is danger that the graphic records of our historic and artistic heritage will not survive." A concise account of the evolution of papermaking, which focuses on the innovations affecting the durability and consistency of paper, is included, and the different methods of manufacture are cited to explain the wide variety of quality available today. Subsequent sections deal with the manifold "enemies" of paper, both internal, such as the weakness born in short-fibered paper, and external, such as discoloration from the harmful chemicals in city smog. Simple preventive measures against mold fading, paper pests, air pollution, and other destructive agents in the environment and storing and handling instructions are presented. A chapter including step-by-step illustrations explains how to mat and frame prints and drawings and the dangers of using improper techniques and inappropriate materials. The handbook also includes a list of sources for paper materials and services and a select bibliography for further reading.

Fire Protection Consultant

Horatio Bond, the former chief engineer of the National Fire Protection Association and a private consultant since his recent retirement from the NFPA, has set up an office at P.O. Box 393, Hyannis Port, Mass. 02647. His telephone number there is 617-771-1606 or 617-775-1647. His fields include the formulation and interpretation of building codes, fire department management, and the protection of historical collections and historic buildings. He will evaluate site conditions affecting fire protection and water supply and offer advice where the threat is riot-set or incendiary. Appointments to meet clients in Boston or elsewhere can be arranged.

Vapor Phase Deacidification Evaluation

The article by R. N. DuPuis, J. E. Kusterer, Jr., and R. C. Sproull, "Evaluation of Vapor Phase Deacidification Process," in *Restaurator*, 1:149-164 (1970), covers the work done on the vapor phase deacidification

process at the W. J. Barrow Research Laboratory in Richmond, Va. The objectives of the study were to determine: whether the CHC (cyclohexylamine carbonate) used in the process would raise the pH of acid paper above 7.0; the stability of the treatment and its effects on paper; and what effects the CHC vapors have on humans. A considerable part of the report deals with the physiological effects of CHC; despite the chemical benefits, the toxic qualities of CHC make its use questionable. In conclusion the authors note:

(1) CHC treatment of separate sheets of various types of papers increased the pH of book papers. (2) CHC treatment increased the percent retention of fold endurance and tear resistance over untreated samples after equivalent heat-ageing cycles. (3) CHC hydrolyzes to cyclohexylamine, an odorous and toxic chemical, on exposure to moist air. (4) The CHC treatment appeared to destroy the effect of rosin sizing. (5) The CHC treatment decreased the brightness and fluorescence of papers treated. (6) Even if more extensive tests showed that the CHC treatment penetrated all pages of a book reasonably uniformly and no other harmful effects resulted, the toxicity of cyclohexylamine would seem to cast serious doubt on the feasibility of the process despite indicated advantages of increased pH and increased percent retention of fold endurance and tear resistance. It is, therefore, suggested that the users or potential users of the Langwell vapor phase deacidification process form their own opinions on the precautions they must take, not only to insure adequate deacidification, but to avoid possible health hazards to themselves and to those who handle treated books and papers.

Microfilm Retrieval Aids

Two digital display devices have been introduced by Eastman Kodak Co., 343 State St., Rochester, N.Y. 14650, to facilitate the retrieval of specific microfilmed documents. The Recordak Image Control Keyboard, Model IC-5, and the Recordak Image Count Display, Model IC-D, electronically "count" index marks on microfilm and simultaneously display the number of each image passing through the film gate of a Recordak Microstar reader. The IC-5 keyboard automatically searches Recordak microfilm magazines (at transport speeds up to 8 feet a second) until it locates the image number keyed in by the operator. The transport then "stops" the film at that particular image, and the screen displays the code number as visual verification of a successful search. Users have the option of adding "duo" capability that enables the unit to search two tracks of microfilm in the same magazine. Both the IC-5 and the IC-D units feature a five-digit readout display and are compatible with Microstar readers now in service and with any projection lens for the readers (though 27× through 45× lenses should be used with the duomode option); all Microstar reader viewing features (scanning, zooming, image rotation, etc.) may be operated in conjunction with the searching routine. Model IC-D, lets the Microstar reader operator conduct a similar search visually. The IC-D readout panel displays each image number as it passes the film gate. By referring to the displayed numbers and manually controlling the film transport speed, the operator can quickly locate the desired image. Since the microfilm images are consecutively numbered, the operator can often transport the film at speeds

of up to 8 feet a second, slowing the speed as the correct image approaches the film gate.

Preservation Supplies

The 1971 catalog of TALAS, published by the Technical Library Service, 104 Fifth Ave., New York City 10011, lists tools and supplies for bookbinding, book repair, art and book conservation, and archives. Though most of the items in the 32-page listing are not of interest to archivists, there are enough archival materials cited to make the catalog a worthwhile order book. Among the acid-free papers mentioned are lining, wrapping, and mat boards. Permalife paper products listed include envelopes for microfiche, sheet film, and regular use; file and map folders; and 20-pound sheets. Transparent cellulose acetate envelopes for protecting fragile documents are also included. Pamphlet boxes, document cases, manuscript cases, portfolios, map tubes, and other acid-free storage boxes can be ordered to specifications. Storage boxes are available for two 5- or 7-inch audio-tape reels. Rolls of 100-foot mylar sheeting can be supplied in widths from 22 to 50 inches. Flat stainless steel paper clips, rustproof staples, Plexiglas sheeting that absorbs ultraviolet rays, and Plexiglas tubes that slip over fluorescent lights and minimize damaging radiation are also included.

Fumigation Equipment

A major manufacturer of vacuum fumigating equipment, Vacudyne Corp., 375 East Joe Orr Rd., Chicago Heights, Ill. 60411, has been designing and manufacturing fumigators for almost two decades. Currently they offer a selection of systems for handling from 100 to 1,000 cubic feet of records. The systems, which feature 4-hour operating cycles, designs to accommodate the type of fumigant to be used, door and chamber configurations permitting maximum material handling efficiency, and easy-to-understand manual or automatic controls, are assembled and tested before shipment. According to Vacudyne their vacuum fumigators use common sterilizing gases to penetrate thoroughly the entire contents of their chambers. As archivists know vacuum fumigation is more effective, more rapid, and safer than atmospheric fumigation. In a vacuum fumigator records are placed in a chamber, which is vacuumized; toxic sterilizing gases are then released to quickly exterminate destructive insects and their larvae and destroy fungus and mold. As the toxic gases are in the chamber only while it is under vacuum, the possibility of exposure to the operator and the surrounding area is minimal. Vacudyne's standard fumigation system uses a 12 to 88 ethylene oxide gas mixture.

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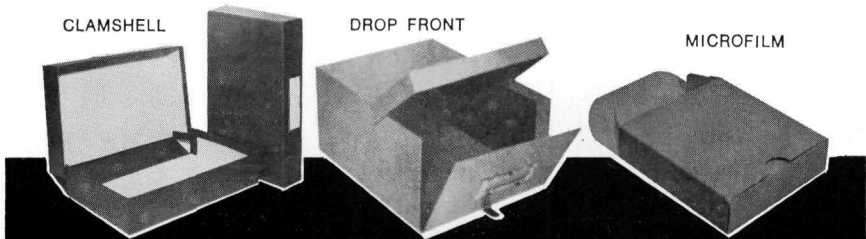
Xerox Flat-Plate Process

George M. Cunha, conservator of the Boston Athenæum, recently reported that in response to an appeal by the Athenæum Conservation

Laboratory and as a contribution to the conservation of our heritage, Xerox Corp. has decided to keep one of its early Standard Xerox copiers (with no. 4 camera, processor, and heat fuser) in service to perform what is commonly called the flat-plate process. The pioneer equipment, now supplanted for commercial work by more rapid and efficient Xerox copiers, is important to custodians and restorers of textual materials and artworks on paper. According to Mr. Cunha it will reproduce missing or damaged pages in valuable books or parts of important broadsides, maps, and prints on any hand- or machine-made paper of appropriate weight, tone, and texture. The reproductions match or complement the originals, making high-quality and aesthetically pleasing repairs possible. Reproductions of book pages have no shadows outlining the edges, and back-to-back pages are in register. Flat-plate copies of black-and-white illustrative materials are equally satisfactory. The service is available from the Xerox Reproduction Center, 230 Second Ave., Waltham, Mass. 02154.

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News Notes

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SOCIETY OF AMERICAN ARCHIVISTS

Thirty-fifth Annual Meeting

The thirty-fifth annual meeting of the Society will be held in San Francisco, Calif., October 12–15. Headquarters will be the Sheraton-Palace Hotel, 639 Market St. at New Montgomery St. On Tuesday, October 12, there will be registration and meetings of Society committees. Five concurrent sessions are to be held during each of four periods—Wednesday afternoon, Thursday morning and afternoon, and Friday morning. The sessions will deal with donation of archival material; documentary publications; college and university archives; oral history; the role of historical societies in preserving local public records; security classification of Federal records; archival accessioning controls; inventorying, appraising, and scheduling records; appraising scientific and technological records; descriptive control of archives; the use of archives in teaching history; microfilm; archival instruction in the library science curriculum; State and local records; archival reference problems; preserving audiovisual materials; work of the church archivist; archival technical assistance for developing countries; and records centers.

On Wednesday morning, October 13, there will be a buffet breakfast (courtesy of Eastman Kodak Co.), a general meeting with welcoming remarks by San Francisco Mayor Joseph Alioto, and a session at which the SAA Committee for the 1970's will present an interim report. Thursday's special events will include the Presidential Dinner and SAA Awards Presentation preceded by a reception. The annual business luncheon is scheduled for Friday.

Special room rates at the Sheraton-Palace Hotel for the meeting are: single, \$19; double or twin, \$26; and triple, \$31. Arrangements on an individual basis can be made with a travel agent at the hotel for tours of San Francisco, Muir Woods, the "Wine Country," and the Monterey-Carmel area. Travel agents and the SAA Local Arrangements Committee Chairman (P.O. Box 454, San Francisco, Calif. 94101) can furnish

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information concerning airline excursion rates to San Francisco with side trips to Hawaii or Mexico City.

Endowment Fund

Contributions to the SAA Endowment Fund are earnestly requested by the Council. The fund was established in October 1969 at the Society's annual meeting to give SAA members an important opportunity to make bequests and cash contributions for use in the long-range development of the Society. The principal and earnings of the fund are not to be expended until together they total \$75,000. Thereafter only the earnings are to be expended. Donors making contributions of \$100 or more are to be listed in the *American Archivist* as "Charter Contributors to the Endowment Fund." As of May 1971 the Charter Contributors are:

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American Archivist and SAA Proceedings

Lyle J. Holverstott, a founding member of the Society, offers for sale a complete set of the issues of the *American Archivist* and copies of *SAA Proceedings* for 1936 and 1937. Inquiries concerning this offer should be sent to Mr. Holverstott at 740 West Broadway, Granville, Ohio 43023.

Deaths of Members

PHILIP MAY HAMER, Editor of *The Papers of Henry Laurens*; Executive Director emeritus of the National Historical Publications Commission; founding member, Fellow, and past president of the Society of American Archivists; and director and editor of *A Guide to Archives and Manuscripts in the United States*, the 2-volume guide *Federal Records of World War II*, and the *National Archives Guide* (1948); on April 10, 1971, in Bethesda, Md. A commemorative statement appears on p. 339 of this issue.

ICKO IBEN, retired Archivist of the University of Illinois Library and emeritus vice president, American Water Resources Association, died in Urbana, Ill., on March 10, 1971. Born in Ostfriesland, Germany, on January 21, 1900, he attended public schools and college in Europe, receiving the Ph. D. degree from Martin Luther University, Halle-Wittenberg in 1923. He came to the United States in 1924. Two years later he began studying library science at the Library School of the University of Illinois, where he received the B.S. and A.M. degrees. For several years after graduation he worked as a bibliographer in the Acquisitions Department of the university library. In 1934 he became director of the Oklahoma State University Library in Stillwater, where he remained until 1939. During the next 5 years he served as an archivist in the Illinois State Library. Returning to the University of Illinois in 1945,

Dr. Iben assumed responsibility for developing the library's newspaper collection and archives. Under his direction this division of the library became a major research facility of the university and the State of Illinois. Dr. Iben's scholarly and professional activities reflected a broad range of interest and competence in literary, historical, bibliographical, and archival fields. An outstanding linguist, he was at home with English, German, French, Spanish, Latin, Greek, Dutch, Flemish, Norwegian, Italian, Afrikaans, and Frisian. This linguistic ability was evident in his long service of abstracting foreign periodicals for the *American Archivist*. After his retirement in 1968 he was very active in the American Water Resources Association, of which he was a founder. As editor of *Hydata* and *Water Resources Abstracts*, publications of the association, he used his great bibliographic and literary talents to make new scholarly contributions.

DAVIS COLLIER WOOLLEY, executive secretary-treasurer of the Historical Commission, Southern Baptist Convention, died in Nashville, Tenn., on January 15, 1971. The son of a Baptist minister, he was born in Alabama on September 22, 1908, and attended college in Montgomery and Birmingham. He earned the master and doctor of theology degrees at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky., and was the pastor of several Baptist churches in Kentucky and Florida. Before coming to Nashville in 1959 he was director of the Extension Department Service of Howard College (renamed Samford University) in Birmingham. For 11 years thereafter he was the principal executive officer of the Southern Baptist Convention's Historical Commission. Unfortunately his death occurred just before the completion of one of his most important commission projects, the publication of volume 3 of the *Southern Baptist Encyclopedia*, which he edited. Dr. Woolley was the author of several works dealing with Baptist history and received praise for his contributions to his denomination as a historian, pastor, teacher, and administrator.

NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS SERVICE

Office of the Archivist

The National Archives Conference on Research on the Second World War, cosponsored by the American Committee on the History of the Second World War, was held June 14-15, 1971, at the National Archives Building. Topics dealt with included trends and problems in current World War II research, the role of science and technology in the war, the contributions of military biography to the study of the war, and access to records of the war period.

In "The Role of Archives in the 1970's," a lecture delivered at the University of Louisiana at Baton Rouge on January 21, 1971, James B. Rhoads, Archivist of the United States, indicated that in the coming years the National Archives and Records Service will be concerned with commemorating the bicentennial of the American Revolution, expanding

its data archives program, and revitalizing its finding aid and publication programs—especially by the publication of a new general guide to the National Archives of the United States scheduled for this year and the preparation of guides relating to black studies and urban history.

Office of the National Archives

Recent accessions include records (1939–54) of the Bureau of the Budget relating primarily to domestic programs but also to foreign aid and other commitments abroad; records of the National Commission on Reform of the Federal Criminal Laws, established in 1966 to recommend legislation that would improve the Federal system of criminal justice, including the final report, interim reports of 1968 and 1969, an administrative subject file, and staff members' research and reading files; general correspondence (1965), an addition to an Office of the Secretary of Agriculture subject file begun in 1906; and interrogation reports of the War Department Historical Interrogation Commission received from the Office of the Chief of Military History, Department of the Army. The interrogation reports, which supplement the reports on German foreign relations of the DeWitt C. Poole Special Interrogation Mission to Germany of the Department of State, were made at detention and interrogation centers in Europe, where the Commission functioned from July to November 1945. Other accessions are staff members' records from terminated organizational units of the National Archives, including the Division of Agriculture, Treasury, and Interior Department Archives and the Offices of Civil and Military Archives; most of the records of the 88th Congress, 1963–64, chiefly general correspondence, legislative files, hearings, petitions, memorials, and committee papers of standing and select committees (Agriculture, Armed Services, Banking and Currency, District of Columbia, Education and Labor, Foreign Affairs, Government Operations, House Administration, Interior and Insular Affairs, Interstate and Foreign Commerce, Judiciary, Merchant Marine and Fisheries, Post Office and Civil Service, Public Works, Science and Astronautics, Veterans Affairs, Ways and Means, Government Research, and Small Business); and central foreign policy files (1945–49) of the Department of State. Because the files for 1945 are within the restricted period of Department of State records (1942–45), access to them must be granted by the Department; departmental records for 1946–49 are generally closed to nonofficial researchers. As the annual volumes in the Department's documentary series, *Foreign Relations of the United States*, are published, the beginning date of the closed period is advanced.

Among other recent accessions are a few manuscript and annotated maps and plans of study and project sites in Washington, D.C., compiled or used by the National Capital Planning Commission from 1909 to 1966. This accession brings the total cartographic holdings (1791–1966) for the central agency planning the conservation of important natural and historical features in the National Capital area to over 1,000 sketches, maps, and plans. Also accessioned are Department of State maps and

diagrams of post-World War II territorial problem areas of the world, complementing a similar series of departmental maps and relating to population, religious groups, communication patterns, resources, and historical and potential frontier problem areas; the central correspondence file (1916-54) of the U.S. Tariff Commission; the Abbie Rowe White House collection (1941-63) consisting of photographs taken by a National Park Service photographer that relate to the activities, families, and aides of Presidents Roosevelt, Truman, Eisenhower, and Kennedy and to the ceremonial and state occasions during their administrations; Forest Service photographs (1896-1910) relating to Service functions and activities, the first part of a continuing accession that will cover the period 1896-1955; and Universal Newsreels (1946-48), with related indexes and reference and finding aids. Universal will gradually transfer its entire film collection (1929-67) to the National Archives. Among other accessions are the first major acquisition of motion picture film from the Department of the Navy, films (1942-60) that relate to World War II and the Korean action and that include captured Italian, German, and Japanese footage; instructional films used in technical assistance programs and other documentary films (1932-55) of the U.S. Information Agency, relating to life in the United States, South America, Europe, North Africa, and the Soviet Union; microfilm copies of non-population census schedules for Kansas (1860-80), Nebraska (1860-80), and Virginia (1850-80); and administrative files of the Public Land Law Review Commission, consisting of records and published reports on the history and administration of public lands and Federal, State, and non-governmental programs involving the public domain.

In keeping with guidelines established in 1965, the National Archives reviewed the records of the President's Commission on the Assassination of President John F. Kennedy (the Warren Commission) in 1970. Two feet of basic source materials furnished to the Commission by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Secret Service, and the Central Intelligence Agency were made available for research. Other records of the Commission withheld from research in a 1967 review will be reviewed again in 1972.

Revised National Archives publications include General Information Leaflet No. 17, *Suggestions for Citing Records in the National Archives of the United States*, and Staff Information Paper 19, *The Selection and Preparation of Records for Publication on Microfilm*, by Frank B. Evans. Additions to the *Guide to German Records Microfilmed at Alexandria, Va.*, are: No. 62, *Records of German Field Commands: Corps (Part VII)* and No. 63, No. 64, and No. 65, *Records of German Field Commands: Divisions (Part III); (Part IV); and (Part V)*. Records recently microfilmed by the National Archives include Records of the Department of State Relating to Internal Affairs of Persia, 1910-29 (37 rolls).

Regional Archives

NEW YORK CITY: The Archives Branch has accessioned Internal Revenue Service assessment lists.

CHICAGO: The Archives Branch has accessioned records (1869–1940's) of Bureau of Indian Affairs field offices in Michigan, Wisconsin, and Tama, Iowa. In the process of being accessioned are records (1802–1946) of the U.S. District Court, Southern District of Ohio, including files on bankruptcy, criminal, civil, and admiralty cases and records concerning U.S. commissioners, grand jury actions, and naturalizations. Also accessioned are Internal Revenue assessment lists (1870–1917) concerning taxes paid by manufacturing and commercial firms in the Detroit district. ¶ A symposium on “Research Use of Federal Court Records,” to be held in cooperation with the University of Chicago Law School, is being planned for early November. An exact date will be determined in July, when the school schedules its fall classes.

KANSAS CITY: Internal Revenue Service original monthly assessment lists for the Districts of Dakota, 1915–17, Iowa, 1873–1917, Minnesota, 1866–1917, and Nebraska, 1906–17, have recently been accessioned by the Archives Branch. The records document IRS administration and corporate economic development.

SAN FRANCISCO: The Archives Branch has accessioned Internal Revenue Service assessment lists showing individual and corporation tax assessments in the Honolulu District and records (1854–1958) of the San Francisco Branch Mint, documenting mint operations and including records about assaying, melting and refining, and coinage for foreign governments and the United States.

LOS ANGELES: The Archives Branch has recently accessioned records of the U.S. District Court, Southern District of California.

SEATTLE: The Archives Branch has accessioned Internal Revenue Service assessment lists through 1917, including those of the District of Montana (1897–1917), the District of Oregon (1910–16), and the District of Washington (1909–17).

Herbert Hoover Library

The Library has begun to organize, arrange, and edit papers, press releases, and other public statements of President Herbert Hoover, 1929–33, for publication by the National Archives and Records Service as part of the *Public Papers of the Presidents of the United States* series. The editor of the project will be Dwight Miller, senior archivist at the Library, according to a January 4, 1971, announcement by Library Director Thomas T. Thalken.

The Colorado River Commission–Hoover Dam Project records (1915–54) have been reprocessed and an improved register has been prepared. President Harding appointed Secretary of Commerce Hoover as the Federal Government representative on the Commission in 1921, and the records reflect Hoover's interest in conservation and the development of the river basin.

Franklin D. Roosevelt Library

Among the recent accessions of the Library are copies of Henry Wallace's account of President Roosevelt's funeral and a copy of the

oral history transcript, "An Autobiography of Dillon S. Myer," from the University of California, Berkeley. Also received was a small addition (1945) to the papers of Samuel I. Rosenman including documents that relate to the disposition of Roosevelt's papers; correspondence with Eleanor Roosevelt, Grace Tully, Wilson Brown, and Henry Hackett; and lists of papers, possessions, and speeches of President Roosevelt. ¶ Preparation, including review, of the Henry Wallace papers for microfilming began on March 1, and microfilming is scheduled to begin in July. The Library is cooperating with the University of Iowa and the Library of Congress in microfilming records (1941-45) of Wallace as Vice President.

Harry S. Truman Library

The Harry S. Truman Library Institute awarded grants-in-aid to Arthur F. McClure II, Central Missouri State College; Edward J. Pfeiffer, Claremont Graduate School; and Philip H. Vaughan, University of Oklahoma. The next date for receipt of applications for grants is October 1, 1971. ¶ Two copies of each book published in the biennium 1970-71, to be considered for the \$1,000 David D. Lloyd Prize, should be submitted to Prof. Thomas C. Blaisdell, Jr., Chairman, David P. Lloyd Prize Committee, c/o Department of Political Science, 210 Barrows Hall, University of California, Berkeley, Calif. 94720.

The Library has accessioned papers of Walter S. Salant, specialist in economic affairs and presently a senior fellow at the Brookings Institution. The papers (1934-52), which cover his Government service, consist primarily of memoranda written by Salant and others regarding economic matters but also include correspondence, reports, charts, and tables. Complementing the papers is a recently accessioned transcript of an interview of Dr. Salant. ¶ A transcript of an oral history interview of Roger Tubby, assistant press secretary in the White House, 1950-53, was also accessioned. Tubby discusses high points of his White House service and remarks on Truman's press conferences and dismissal of General MacArthur, Presidential vacations at Key West, the 1952 presidential campaign, and the resignation of Attorney General J. Howard McGrath.

The Library staff has started to review closed White House staff files in the Truman papers. Reviewed and opened for research are the files of Administrative Assistants to the President David E. Bell and George M. Elsey; Special Counsel to the President Clark M. Clifford; Matthew J. Connelly, the President's Appointments Secretary; Naval Aide to the President Rear Adm. Robert L. Dennison; Special Consultant Fleur Fenton; and Special Assistants to the President James V. Fitzgerald and Martin L. Friedman.

A new publication, *Historical Materials in the Harry S. Truman Library, an Introduction to Their Contents and Use*, was sent to past and prospective researchers in the Truman period and donors of papers to the Library. The list, which covers papers, microfilm, and oral history

transcripts, explains the nature of the materials, research procedures, and restrictions and suggests ways to cite Library materials in publications.

Dwight D. Eisenhower Library

The Library has recently received papers of Maj. Gen. Emil F. Reinhardt, commanding officer of the 69th Infantry Division on April 25, 1945, when American forces met the Russian Army on the Elbe. Most of the papers are photographs and newspaper clippings in several languages, describing the cooperation between the 69th Infantry Division and the 5th Ukrainian Army.

Also accessioned are papers (August 10–November 3, 1952) of Stephen Benedict, a member of Eisenhower's speechwriting staff as an assistant to Gabriel Hauge, relating to General Eisenhower's 1952 campaign speeches. Included are miscellaneous speech materials (including suggestions, correspondence, and teletype messages), itineraries, and statements by people other than Eisenhower. Also received were papers of Frederic A. Fox, Special Assistant to the President from 1956 to 1961. The papers (1944–69) include personal papers, White House correspondence, manuscript drafts, photographs, reports, speeches, and articles written by Fox.

John F. Kennedy Library

Recent accessions include personal and official files (1945–70) of Adam Yarmolinsky's activities as an executive of the Fund for the Republic, 1955–57; as Special Assistant to the Secretary of Defense and Deputy Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs, 1961–66; and as professor of law at Harvard University and a member of the John F. Kennedy School of Government, Institute of Politics, 1966–70.

Lyndon B. Johnson Library

On May 22 the permanent building of the Library on the University of Texas campus, Austin, was dedicated, and its exhibit areas were opened to the public. The Library is not yet open for research purposes.

National Historical Publications Commission

At its February 19, 1971, meeting the Commission considered matters of general policy as well as prospective projects and made a terminal grant to the National Park Service for a project begun in 1970—the publication of a volume of documents relating to the centenary of Yellowstone as the first national park and the origin of the national park concept. The Commission also chose five Fellows in Advanced Editing of Documentary Sources for American History for 1971–72 and assigned them to five different letterpress projects. The fellows and the project directors training them are Maxine F. Benson, nominated by The Papers of Joseph Henry, Nathan Reingold, editor; Walter B. Edgar, nominated by The Papers of Henry Laurens, George Rogers, editor; William E.

King, nominated by The Papers of Andrew Johnson, LeRoy Graf and Ralph Haskins, editors; Harold D. Moser, nominated by The Papers of Daniel Webster, Charles Wiltse, editor; and Charles A. Myrans, nominated by The Papers of Benjamin Franklin, William Willcox, editor. The stipends for the fellows will be paid from the interest on a Ford Foundation grant made to the Commission in 1964.

With funds from a Ford Foundation grant, the Commission is offering three to five Fellowships in Advanced Historical Editing, 1972-73. Fellows will spend one calendar year working with a Commission-approved documentary publication project in American history, such as those to which fellows were assigned for 1971-72. Candidates should indicate an order of preference from among 15 or more projects that have expressed a willingness to receive fellows. As soon as completed applications (including full academic transcripts) are received, they will be circulated to the editors in the order the applicants request, meaning earlier applicants may have some advantage. Candidates must be under 35 and must have the Ph. D. or have completed all requirements for that degree except the dissertation or they must have equivalent qualifications as shown by writings or edited publications demonstrating exceptional ability. The deadline for applications is December 1, 1971, with awards to be announced no later than March 1, 1972. The fellowship year may begin between July 1 and October 1, according to the preference of the grantee. Stipends range from \$8,500 to \$10,000, depending on qualifications, marital status, and dependents. For further information and application forms write to Executive Director, National Historical Publications Commission, National Archives, Washington, D.C. 20408.

Office of Records Management

The General Services Administration has issued the *Source Data Automation Equipment Guide* for use in selecting equipment to record information in machine-readable format. The guide defines the critical factors involved in selecting various types of machines and describes manufacturers' equipment in terms of these factors. Federal personnel can purchase the guide from the Federal Supply Service depot serving their office. Others can purchase it for \$3 from the Office of Records Management (NRP), National Archives and Records Service, Washington, D.C. 20408.

Office of the Federal Register

The 1969 volume of the *Public Papers of the Presidents of the United States* covering President Nixon's first year in the White House can be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402, for \$14.50 a copy. The volume contains verbatim transcripts of the President's news conferences, public messages and statements, and other selected papers released by the White House from January 20 through December 31, 1969. Similar

volumes are available on the administrations of Presidents Truman, Eisenhower, Kennedy, and Johnson. Volumes covering Herbert Hoover's administration are being prepared.

The 1971 edition of the *Guide to Record Retention Requirements* has been placed on sale by the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402, for \$1 a copy. Compiled from U.S. statutes and regulations issued by Federal agencies, the 90-page reference tool, revised as of January 1, 1971, contains over 1,000 digests detailing the retention periods for the many types of records required to be kept under Federal laws and rules. The guide is fully indexed, with over 2,200 items listing the categories, companies, and products affected by Federal records retention requirements. New agencies included for the first time are the Environmental Protection Agency and the National Credit Union Administration.

STATE AND LOCAL ARCHIVES OF THE UNITED STATES

Florida

The *Biennial Report* of the Department of State Division of Archives, History, and Records Management states that neither facilities nor personnel are available to provide public access to its nearly 2,000 cubic feet of accessioned records. Because of student assistants, however, it has been possible to handle certain requests including those from persons seeking information about relatives who received or are receiving pensions for Confederate Army service.

Michigan

Among recent Historical Commission accessions are minutes, transcripts, notes, memoranda, correspondence, and tape recordings of House committees, 1943-68, and the House Committee on Statutory Implementation of the Constitution of 1963, 1965-68; records (1913-68) of the Michigan Securities Bureau, Department of Commerce (for which a microfilmed index is available); papers of Representatives William Ballenger, James Del Rio, Stanley Powell, Robert Waldron, and J. Harold Stevens; and papers of State Senator Raymond Dzendzel and Stanley Johnston, professor at Michigan State University and the developer of all commercially grown strains of Haven peaches and blueberries. Johnston's papers also include records (1936-49) of the Michigan Blueberry Growers Association.

Mississippi

Records accessioned by the Department of Archives and History include archeological research reports (undated and 1939, 1951); Civil War papers (undated and 1861-62); a Clifton Plantation account book (undated and 1870-99); First Baptist Church, Jackson, records (1881-1969); a Harmony Church (Cumberland Presbyterian) session book (1885-89); the Lewis B. Harris family papers (1849-1917); the Henrietta M. Henry

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North Carolina

The Local Records Section, Division of Archives and Records Management, has arranged and transferred to the State Archives a volume of early Tryon County court dockets and records of deeds, 1769 and 1772-78, and Lincoln County estates and land records and lists of taxables, 1778-1847. Other accessions include Duplin County court dockets, wills, and land, estates, tax, and other records, 1786-1933; Alleghany County bonds and court, election, and miscellaneous records, 1862-1944; and microfilm records of Graham, Guilford, and Scotland Counties. The State Records Section transferred microfilm copies of North Carolina Supreme Court case records. The May Thompson Evans papers (1871-1971) were also accessioned.

Thornton W. Mitchell, records management consultant in the Department of Administration, has received a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities to complete editorial work on the collected writings of Margaret Cross Norton, retired Illinois State Archivist, on archives and records management. The publication is tentatively entitled *Norton on Archives*.

Utah



Fire damaged the Iron County Courthouse at Parowan last winter. With the assistance of firemen and the cooperative effort of three classes of local high school students, all records were removed without damage. In the future land and court records will be microfilmed, and the microfilm will be stored in secure locations.

CHURCH ARCHIVES

Reported by William B. Miller

Items for this section should be sent direct to William B. Miller,
Presbyterian Historical Society, 425 Lombard St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19147.

Baptist

Garwood Baptist Historical Collections, Stetson University, DeLand, Fla., announces that a history of Florida Baptists by E. Earl Joiner is to be published this year by the Florida Baptist Convention (Southern Baptist).  Rev. R. J. Kerstan, editor, has been appointed denominational Archivist at the North American Baptist General Conference, 7308 Madison St., Forest Park, Ill.  The Fleming Library, Southwest-

ern Baptist Seminary, Box 22,000-2E, Fort Worth, Tex., is indexing records (1898-1922) received from the executive office of the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

Roman Catholic

The Archives of the Diocese of Natchez-Jackson, 237 East Amite St., Jackson, Miss., has microfilmed Mississippi parish records of baptisms, marriages, and deaths of the past decade. ¶ Outstanding holdings of the Notre Dame Archives, Box 513, Notre Dame, Ind., include microfilm of Vatican documents pertaining to the Catholic Church in the United States. ¶ Selected records (1706-1850) of baptisms, marriages, and deaths in New Mexico are in the Chancery, Archdiocese of Santa Fe, 202 Morningside Dr. S.E., Albuquerque, N. Mex. ¶ Rev. Francis Fox, S.J., Archivist of the Diocese of Tucson, 192 South Stone, Box 31, Tucson, Ariz., is doing research in France and Italy on the former bishop of the diocese. ¶ Early records of Jesuits in the Eastern United States, especially in Maryland and New York, are in the Woodstock College Library, 637 West 125th St., New York, N.Y. Gerard Fogarty is Archivist. Recent accessions include the papers of John LaFarge and John Courtney Murray. ¶ Records of the Most Reverend Lawrence B. Casey, Bishop of Paterson, concerning the Second Vatican Council have been deposited in the Archives of the Rochester Diocese, 2260 Lake Ave., Rochester, N.Y.

Christian Reformed

Recent accessions of Heritage Hall, Calvin Library, Knollcrest Campus, Grand Rapids, Mich., include records of the National Union of Christian Schools, Classis Illinois, Classis British Columbia, and the Reformed Bible Institute.

Protestant Episcopal

John Kilbourne, curator of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, 1300 Locust St., Philadelphia, Pa., has been appointed historiographer of the Diocese of Pennsylvania. ¶ The Church Historical Society, P.O. Box 2247, Austin, Tex., has expanded its shelf and office space. In progress at the Archives are the doctoral dissertations *Life and Times of James Theodore Holly, 1829-1911*; *Study of Samuel Peters*; and *The Protestant Element of the Religious Question in Brazil, 1872-1875*. ¶ The Diocese of Alabama, previously coterminous with State borders, has been divided: the lower half of Alabama and west Florida now comprise the Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast. At the primary convention of the new diocese Madison Currin, Christ Church, P.O. Box 1967, Pensacola, Fla., was elected historiographer.

Society of Friends

The Indiana Historical Society recently published *Abstracts of the Records of the Society of Friends in Indiana, Part Three*. The *Abstracts*,

volume 7 of the *Encyclopedia of American Quaker Genealogy*, was edited by William Heiss. ¶ Frederick B. Tolles has retired from the directorship of the Friends Historical Library of Swarthmore College. Dorothy G. Harris, associate director, has been named acting director. The library recently received papers of Joseph Wharton, Philadelphia Quaker who served on the Swarthmore College Board of Managers from 1883 to 1907 and founded the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. His correspondents included James A. Garfield, Theodore Roosevelt, Andrew Carnegie, and Isaac Clothier. Letters of John Greenleaf Whittier and English Quaker John Bright were added to the Archives. ¶ Minutes and other records (1680 to the present) of the 33 oldest meetings comprising the North Carolina Yearly Meeting of the Society of Friends are in The Quaker Collection, Guilford College Library, Greensboro, N.C. The collection recently received letters and papers (1830-ca. 1915) of Levi Cox, North Carolina farmer, businessman, teacher, postmaster, and minister.

Lutheran

The Archives of the American Lutheran Church, Wartburg Theological Seminary, Dubuque, Iowa, is continuing its microfilming of congregational records. During the past year 104 rolls of 35mm. film were produced. It is anticipated that records of 75 congregations will be filmed this year. Robert C. Wiederaenders is Archivist. ¶ Carl Wypich, who retired as historian of the Eastern District, Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, 2500 Kensington Ave., Buffalo, N.Y., has been succeeded by Walter E. Succop.

Mennonite

Delbert Gratz, librarian, Mennonite Historical Library, Bluffton College, Bluffton, Ohio, is planning a sabbatical leave to continue compiling inventories of manuscripts relating to "Free Church" groups (including Anabaptists, Mennonites, and Amish) in German, Swiss, and eastern European depositories.

United Methodist

During June the Archives of the Southern New Jersey Conference was moved to the Pennington School Library, Pennington, N.J. The Archives has acquired the conference journal (1912-39) of the Methodist Protestant Church and microfilm minutes of the Delaware Conference and records (1836 to the present) of the Southern New Jersey Conference. ¶ Recently received by the Commission on Archives and History, Lake Junaluska, N.C., were missionary correspondence (1962-67) of the Board of Missions, World Division, and financial ledgers (1819-1949).

Seventh Day Baptist

Patricia Williams has been appointed assistant at the Seventh Day Baptist Historical Society, P.O. Box 868, 510 Watchung Ave., Plainfield, N.J.

United Church of Christ

The renovation of rooms for special collections and archival materials is in progress at the **Hammond Library**, 5757 University Ave., Chicago, Ill. In the library are church records and conference minutes of Midwestern Congregationalists. Albert E. Hurd is librarian.

UNIVERSITY ARCHIVES AND MANUSCRIPT REPOSITORIES

Personnel

Elsie Freivogel, former associate librarian in special collections at the University of Maryland, has become assistant curator of the **Archives of American Art**. Russell W. Fridley, director, **Minnesota Historical Society**, has announced the appointment of Leland I. Anderson as assistant curator of manuscripts.

Program

In 1969 the Committee on the Afro-American Contribution to the Culture and History of New Jersey was organized to collect material on education, art, music, family life, and history; church records; and records of organizations and businesses. Among the gifts received are the papers of Assemblyman J. Otto Hill, author of the New Jersey Fair Employment Act. The library is located at the **New Jersey Historical Society**, 230 Broadway, Newark, N.J. 07104.

Publications

Dartmouth College, in cooperation with University Microfilms, Inc., has published the first comprehensive edition of the papers of Daniel Webster, Dartmouth graduate and American politician in the first half of the 19th century. The microfilm edition, sponsored by the National Historical Publications Commission, was edited by Prof. Charles M. Wiltse of the Dartmouth history department.

Accessions

The aeronautical collection of the late Col. Richard Gimbel, USAF (ret.), spanning 5,000 years of man's dreams and attempts to fly, has been donated to the **Air Force Academy Library**. The large collection includes books, prints, medals, letters, and 5,000-year-old Babylonian cuneiform seals inscribed with a discussion of man's ambition to fly. The **Archives of American Art** has acquired the papers of New York gallery owner Kirk Askew; painters George Constant, Joseph Floch, and Hughie Lee-Smith; and Charles Keller, relating to artists' organizations. Papers and memorabilia of Maya Deren, experimental film maker, have been donated to the 20th Century Collection in the **Boston University Mugar Memorial Library**. The collection also contains papers of Martin Luther King, Jr., Samuel Beckett, Maxwell Geismer, Nathaniel Benchley, former

Speaker of the House of Representatives John W. McCormack, Ella Fitzgerald, and Bette Davis.

The Regional Oral History Office of the Bancroft Library at the **University of California, Berkeley** has completed oral history interviews with two active participants in and observers of agricultural life in this country since the turn of the century—Henry Erdman, agricultural economist, and Wofford B. Camp, cotton farmer and farm organization leader. Further information may be obtained from the Regional Oral History Office, Room 486, Bancroft Library, University of California, Berkeley, Calif. 94720. The **Chicago Historical Society** has recently acquired records (1914–65) of the Welfare Council of Metropolitan Chicago; correspondence, account books, and other business records (1884–1960) of the estate of Levi Zeigler Leiter and a few personal papers of the noted Chicago merchant, business associate of Marshall Field and Potter Palmer, and real estate investor; records (1942–68) of Friendship House, the headquarters of a national Catholic interracial social action movement; correspondence and other papers (1958–70) of Nathan F. Leopold concerning his life subsequent to his release from Stateville Prison, Joliet, Ill. (closed to the public until 5 years after Mr. Leopold's death); records (1904–54) of the Jewish Community Centers of Chicago, formerly the Chicago Hebrew Institute and the Jewish People's Institute; papers (1939–55) of Chicago attorney Irving Meyers; records (1945–70) of Marillac House, a community center operated by the Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent DePaul in the Lawndale area of Chicago; manuscripts of railroad car magnate and inventor George Mortimer Pullman, including letters (1845–63) written by Pullman; and the initial installment of records (1968–71) of the Afro-American Patrolmen's League, Chicago.

G. K. Hall & Co. has begun to reproduce at the **University of Illinois** the Mereness Calendar in book form. Prepared by Newton Dennison Mereness during 1913–37, it calendars documentary materials relating to the history of the Upper Mississippi Valley. The project was sponsored, financed, and directed by the Conference of Historical Agencies of the Upper Mississippi Valley, members of which were the Illinois Historical Survey, University of Illinois; Indiana State Library; the State Historical Society of Iowa; the Michigan Historical Commission; the Minnesota Historical Society; the Ohio State Archaeological and Historical Society (now the Ohio Historical Society); and the State Historical Society of Wisconsin. The calendar describes records of such Federal agencies as the Departments of State, War, and the Interior and the Senate. Construction and renovation at the **Massachusetts Historical Society** should be completed this fall. In the interim, the library will remain open but on a severely restricted basis. A large part of the manuscript and rare book collections will probably be available; over half the local history and biography sections are temporarily available. All other holdings, including newspapers, are now closed.

The **University of Montana Library** has prepared *Manuscript Collec-*

tions in Montana Depositories, a guide to manuscripts in Eastern Montana College, the Montana Historical Society, Montana State University, and the University of Montana. The Special Collections Division of the U.S. Naval Academy Library has received personal and official correspondence (1902-52), logs, itineraries, photographs, war diaries, notebooks, campaign reports, and published and unpublished writings of Vice Adm. Wilson Brown, Jr., Naval Aide to Presidents Coolidge, Hoover, and Franklin D. Roosevelt and Superintendent of the Naval Academy, 1938-41. An inventory and guide to the papers is available. The library of **The Pilgrim Society** at Pilgrim Hall has acquired records of the Plymouth County Court of General Sessions, Common Pleas, and Sessions of the Peace, with miscellaneous common pleas dockets and writs, 1686-1851. A catalog is being prepared for publication. Inquiries may be addressed to L. D. Geller, Director, The Pilgrim Hall Library and Museum, The Pilgrim Society, Plymouth, Mass. 02360.

The George Arents Research Library at **Syracuse University** has recently acquired papers of Stuart Gerry Brown, 1934-68, political scientist, author, and former professor at Maxwell Graduate School of Citizenship and Public Affairs in Syracuse; Thomas S. Szasz, 1949-70, professor of psychiatry at the State University of New York; the American artist L. Jean Liberté, 1924-70; William Lloyd Imes, 1881-1966, Presbyterian minister and educator; and Roscoe Drummond, 1967-70, nationally syndicated columnist. The Archives of Labor History and Urban Affairs of **Wayne State University** has begun publication of a newsletter to provide researchers, donors, prospective donors, and the university staff with information on the collections and programs of the Archives. The newsletter will be issued three times a year and will be sent on a continuing basis to interested individuals and institutions. The first issue of the publication (Winter 1971) gives a brief history of the Archives and lists its major groups of records and historical manuscripts. These groups include records of the United Automobile, Aerospace, and Agricultural Implement Workers and several other labor organizations and personal papers of individuals associated with the labor movement and urban affairs.

CANADA

Reported by Alan D. Ridge

Items for this section should be sent direct to Alan D. Ridge, Provincial Archivist, Provincial Museum and Archives of Alberta, 12845 102d Ave., Edmonton, Alta., Canada.

Public Archives of Canada

Manuscript Division: Statistics for 1970 indicate considerable increases in accessions and reference work, with the number of researchers increasing by 40 percent. Recent accessions include records of the Departments of Trade and Commerce, Immigration, Labour, and External Affairs and the Royal Commission on Bilingualism and Biculturalism,

1963-70. A labour archives program has been initiated and the co-operation of labour unions, labour historians, and others is being solicited. We are indebted to Prof. Philip Mason, director of the extensive labour archives at Wayne State University and SAA president, for his expert advice and assistance in the development of the project. Progress has been made in developing a data base to be used in automating the control and retrieval of public records in Government departments as well as in the Public Archives.

Picture Division: The Manoir Richelieu collection including 2,500 oil paintings, water colours, drawings, lithographs, engravings, and maps on Canadian history to about 1867 has been accessioned. The collection is being catalogued, and plans are being made to exhibit the materials in galleries and museums across the country within the next 2 years. Other accessions include negatives from Alexandra Studios, Toronto; Expo '67 still photographs from the National Film Board; and Duncan Cameron's photographs from Capital Press Limited. A program for the systematic acquisition of historical photographs has been developed by Andrew Birrell. It will involve major newspapers, the best known photographers and studios, and owners of outstanding collections. The work of William Gallaway in collecting historical motion picture footage continues; the Public Archives has assumed responsibility for preserving video tapes of television programs on both Government and private networks.

Map Division: Work continues on the development of a National Union Catalogue of Maps. *County Atlases: a Descriptive Catalogue* was published recently. The atlases, first published in the 1870's and 1880's, are of special interest to local historians and genealogists. Catalogues describing the atlases in the National Map Collection are being prepared by L. Sobock; the first volume will concern Dutch atlases. Five sets of 10 coloured slides each, entitled "History of Canada in Maps," are being prepared by the National Film Board. On December 11, 1970, in a brief ceremony Dominion Archivist Wilfred I. Smith accepted the first major acquisition of the new National Architectural Archives.

Alberta

Provincial Museum and Archives: Recent accessions include records of the Deer Park Mutual Telephone Co., letters patent appointing G. Hoadley as Minister in the United Farmers of Alberta government of the 1920's, papers of the Lamoureux family, and a manuscript history of and notes on the Athabasca area. Procedural notes for persons to be interviewed on tape and interviewers have been printed. Revised forms for Public Documents Committee procedures in disposing of Government records came into use on March 1. Over 3,000 cards have been prepared for the index to the Brown and Pollard photograph collections.

Glenbow-Alberta Institute: Recent accessions include North West Mounted Police records consisting of diaries and letters (chiefly 1874-1900) and a biographical manuscript, all written by Capt. William Par-

ker; Social Credit records, chiefly scripts of radio broadcasts and addresses given by William Aberhart in the late 1930's, a chronology of the party, and related correspondence, clippings, and leaflets; photographs relating to the development of the Peace River area of Alberta, 1911-28; and manuscripts and typescripts of pioneer interviews (1922-36) of Elizabeth Bailey Price, Alberta writer.

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14-16/Annual Meeting of the Western History Association, La Fonda Hotel, Santa Fe, N. Mex. Apply to: A. M. Gibson, Secretary-Treasurer, Western History Association, Faculty Exchange, University of Oklahoma, Norman, Okla. 73069.

24-29/Annual Meeting of the American Medical Records Association, Chicago, Ill. Apply to: American Medical Records Association, John Hancock Center, Suite 1850, 875 North Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60611.

29-31/Fourth Annual History Forum sponsored by Duquesne University, William Penn Hotel, Pittsburgh, Pa. Apply to: James G. Lydon, Director, Department of History, Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, Pa. 15219.

NOVEMBER 1971

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