

# From Inside the DLP

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Letters dated January 1, announcing the 1972 Title II-A Library Resources Program were sent to the presidents of all institutions listed in the *Educational Directory: Higher Education 1970-71*. The application materials, dated January 15, were addressed to the librarians of these approximately 2,600 institutions. Both mailings were made by the end of December.

The Grant Application and Instructions are packaged in beige covers and will be addressed simply "Librarian," followed by the name and address of the institution. It is hoped that the confusion of last year's program, when applications were sent to the presidents, with only letters to the librarians, will be avoided. The application is to be submitted by March 1 or earlier. Because of stringent economies this year the extra assistance usually available to

process and evaluate this huge mass of material will not be called in. Therefore, the staff will appreciate early submissions to expedite handling.

The level of funding for the program, \$11 million, is higher than 1971's \$9,900,000. Except for the applications for basic grants to new institutions, only those with high scores on the criteria for supplemental grants will be eligible for a basic grant. Only those institutions achieving scores of 21 or more on their supplemental applications were awarded basic and supplemental grants in 1971. It is hoped that the slightly larger appropriation and changed criteria for this year's program will make possible the funding of more than last year's 531 awards, possibly on scores of a few points less than 21.

In the criteria for special purpose grants a new emphasis has been placed on an institution's involvement in the preparation of graduate students for leadership roles among economically disadvantaged or minority groups. The application form for Types A and B special purpose grants has been combined with that for Type C in order to avoid the repetition of data required in forms of previous years. ■■

## News From the Field

### ACQUISITIONS

• The UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA library will receive a 2,500-volume personal library as a British Columbia Centennial gift from a noted Icelandic expert and his wife. Dr. Richard Beck and Mrs. Beck of Victoria will present their library of Icelandic and Scandinavian books to the university in memory of their pioneer parents.

The library, representing one of the largest personal collections of its kind in North America, will come to the university over a number of years. It consists of volumes covering classical Old Icelandic literature, nineteenth-century prose and poetry, and cultural and general histories of Iceland. Scandinavian authors and history books are included.

• The UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII library has recently purchased with the help of Friends of the Library of Hawaii, the Charles M. and Anna C. Cooke Trust, and other patrons, over 1,500 distinguished books from the library of the late Ethelinda Castle. Editions of *Don Quixote* including the first English translation by Shelton (1612-1620) and a number of famous illustrated copies including the unusual stencilled Japanese one by Keisuke Serizawa

(1936) were acquired. Nineteenth-century literature is represented by such authors as Melville, Hewlett, Lang, and Ruskin, and the twentieth century by D. H. Lawrence, Somerset Maugham, and William Beebe. There are famous books such as the first edition of Johnson's *Dictionary*, and Spenser's *The Fairie Queene*. There are representative works from famous presses such as Aldine and Baskerville. Mrs. Castle's unusual interest in fine books is represented by many editions from well-known private presses and book clubs as well as works beautifully illustrated by contemporary artists, many of special interest to children's literature. Her interests in gardening, art and architecture, and travel have resulted in the acquisition of many volumes which will enrich the university's collection of rare books. A well-selected group of reference and bibliographic tools is also included.

• The SOUTHERN OREGON COLLEGE library

### ACRL Membership

January 31, 1970	12,249
January 31, 1971	12,101
January 31, 1972	12,309