

News from the Field

ACQUISITIONS

• The CINCINNATI HISTORICAL SOCIETY reports the following recent accessions: the Little Miami Railroad Company records, 1830-90, including correspondence and legal papers; David Walker diaries, 1776-1806, covering his experiences in the Revolutionary War; the Children's International Summer Villages, Incorporated, records, 1951-75, a summer camp program designed to promote international good will; the Air Pollution Control League scrapbooks, 1959-72; and the Southwestern Ohio Lung Association records, 1910-74, an association primarily concerned with fighting tuberculosis and improving sanitary conditions. This collection includes about eighty glass-plate slides taken around 1919-20 by the National Social Unit Association, showing health and slum conditions in Cincinnati.

• The largest collection of Civil War naval history materials on the West Coast has been donated to the library of the UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN DIEGO. The collection focuses in particular on the famous engagement between the U.S.S. *Monitor* and the Confederate States Ship *Merrimack*, called "the first battle of modern naval history."

More than forty books, monographs, and papers, many of them rare and previously unobtainable, dealing mainly with the two ironclad battleships, were presented to the library by James A. Leftwich of La Jolla, California, a noted author of the Civil War. Leftwich used these materials for almost half a century in researching newspaper and magazine articles on the *Monitor* vs. *Merrimack* battle. His large collection of photographs documenting the construction of the two ships, donated to the library with the written materials, was published by Time/Life Books, Inc., in 1969 in the book *Duel of the Ironclads*, which Leftwich edited.

The *Monitor-Merrimack* naval engagement at Hampton Roads, Virginia, on March 9, 1862, was important, not only as a conflict of the Civil War, but as a significant advance in military technology. The collection donated by Leftwich covers all aspects of the battle and includes letters and government documents from the Civil War era and biographical material on the engineer of the *Monitor*.

According to Associate University Librarian John R. Haak, who accepted the donation, Leftwich is regarded as a national authority and writer on the "ironclads." He is a native of Newport News, Virginia, located a few miles from the scene of the battle, and is listed in

Who's Who in America as a writer and public relations consultant and author of a number of biographies, historical monographs, and one volume of short stories.

• Bella S. Abzug has given her congressional papers to COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, which is in the district she formerly represented. The collection's 500,000 pieces cover the former Democratic congresswoman's six-year legislative career representing New York's Nineteenth and Twentieth Congressional Districts (1970-76). They document Ms. Abzug's legislative and political work on urban problems, aid to New York, women's issues, housing, employment, health, mass transportation, the environment, foreign policy, impeachment, the peace movement, amnesty, and other matters.

The materials include correspondence, drafts of bills, research files, manuscripts, speeches and testimony, reports, hearing transcripts, and publications. Also included are papers relating to her work as the only New York City member of the House Public Works Committee and as chairperson of the House Subcommittee on Government Information and Individual Rights, which oversees the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act.

The papers will be housed in Columbia's Rare Book and Manuscript Library and will be known as the Bella S. Abzug Papers.

Except for constituent correspondence and other confidential material, the papers will become available to scholars, researchers, and students by this summer, following inventory and cataloging. The confidential materials will be available only with Ms. Abzug's permission.

Ms. Abzug is a member of the Columbia Law School class of 1944 and was an editor of the *Law Review*. She said she hoped the materials dealing with women's issues and with programs to end discrimination against women would enable students and other women "to increase their participation in our nation's political life." She also said that "a study of the concerns, problems and proposals of my constituents would help illuminate the urban crisis we now face."

The Abzug Papers join other collections of papers of prominent figures in American government already in the Columbia Libraries, including those of Herbert H. Lehman, Frances Perkins, James T. Shotwell, and Seth Low. Mr. Low was president of Columbia and later mayor of New York at the turn of the century. The university's Oral History Collection also contains extensive memoirs of New York political leaders.

● **CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY** Libraries, Cleveland, Ohio, have received a gift of 20,000 items on city planning from Princeton University Library.

The collection, which traces the development of public housing from its early stages to recent times, represents the report files of the American Civic and Planning Commission and Princeton's former Bureau of Urban Research pamphlet collection.

The Princeton gift will supplement the university's Bohn Housing and Planning Library, an outstanding historical planning collection. The Bohn Library was donated to CWRU Libraries by Ernest J. Bohn, public housing pioneer and city planner.

GRANTS

● The **SCHOOL OF INFORMATION STUDIES** at SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY has been awarded a two-year grant by the National Library of Medicine to examine and develop ways of facilitating the flow of health information in a community. The purpose of the project is to identify and assess the potentials and the problems of a semi-formal and decentralized health information network. The first year of the project, which started January 1, 1977, is funded at a level of \$104,520.

Principal investigator for the project is Professor Marta Dosa, assisted by Professors B. K. Genova and Michael McGill, all of the School of Information Studies.

Work will be directed toward the development of a prototype Health Information Sharing Project (HISP) in Syracuse and Onondaga County, New York. There are three principal functions of HISP: (1) to identify types of planning and management data produced by health-related organizations and agencies; (2) to determine location and forms of data and the terms of their use; and (3) to produce a directory of non-proprietary data resources and disseminate it to health organizations, agencies, and medical libraries. In addition key information personnel from health organizations will be brought together in a series of workshops to facilitate interaction and communication and to assist in information utilization and sharing techniques.

A field experiment will assess the effectiveness of HISP, and methods for continuous directory updating and use will be examined.

For further information, contact Professor Marta Dosa, School of Information Studies, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY 13210; (315) 423-2743.

● The **IMMIGRATION HISTORY RESEARCH CENTER** at the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, has awarded grants-in-aid to nine scholars from North America and Europe for

research to be conducted in the center's library and archives. This program has been made possible by grants from the Rockefeller Foundation and the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The Immigration History Research Center was established in 1964 to aid and encourage research into the migrations of people from Eastern, Central, and Southern Europe and the Middle East. The center encourages examination of the sub-societies these people established in America, the formation of such groups, their internal structure, and their impact upon major institutions in this country. Since a major obstacle to the study of ethnic groups has been a lack of collections of source material, the center established a library and archives to provide such a national facility. The library and archives holdings include an imprint collection of more than 30,000 volumes, 4,000 reels of microfilm, and approximately 2,400 linear feet of manuscript materials.

● The **LIBRARY RESEARCH CENTER OF THE GRADUATE SCHOOL OF LIBRARY SCIENCE, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA-CHAMPAIGN**, has received a \$22,430 grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The funds will be used for a study of public library holdings in the humanities. The collections of twenty randomly selected U.S. libraries will be evaluated.

Herbert Goldhor, director of the school, is principal investigator.

● The National Endowment for the Humanities has announced that the **GEORGE C. MARSHALL RESEARCH FOUNDATION** of Lexington, Virginia, has received a \$48,613 grant under the Endowment's Centers of Research program. This program is designed to provide access to the humanities collections of libraries, archives, museums, and historical organizations.

During the next three years, the George C. Marshall Research Foundation will use this award to organize its collection of more than one million papers. The archives contains a wealth of information concerning George C. Marshall, the distinguished military officer, statesman, and humanitarian.

The National Endowment for the Humanities has also agreed to match gifts totalling \$48,614 which are donated to the Endowment for this project from the private sector.

MEETINGS

APRIL 28-29: The 1977 **MARYLAND LIBRARY ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE** will be held at the Hunt Valley Inn, Hunt Valley, MD 21031. For more information contact Julia M.

Losinski, Maryland Library Association, Program Committee, c/o Prince George's County Memorial Library, 6532 Adelphi Rd., Hyattsville, MD 20782.

MAY 13: The Spring Meeting of the College and Research Libraries Division, **PENNSYLVANIA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION**, will be held at the Keller Conference Center, Pennsylvania State University, University Park. Thomas Galvin, dean of the University of Pittsburgh Library School, will speak on "Beyond Survival: Management in Interesting Times." For further information contact George M. Jenks, Ellen Clarke Bertrand Library, Bucknell University, Lewisburg, PA 17837.

MAY 16-18; MAY 18-20: Two administrative development programs for library administrators will be offered at the University of South Dakota, Vermillion, by the School of Business. The **LIBRARY MANAGEMENT SEMINAR**, May 16-18, will cover in depth the fundamentals of library administration. It is designed to assist administrators in improving their managerial effectiveness. The **LEADERSHIP AND BUDGET SEMINAR**, May 18-20, will allow participants the opportunity to examine in depth the development and use of budgets and the various leadership styles. The concentration on fundamentals in both programs will make the seminars valuable to all kinds of library administrators—public, academic, special, etc.

The fee is \$125 for one seminar, \$225 for two seminars. For more information see the *March C&RL News*.

MAY 17-20: The use of micrographics in public, private, and special libraries will be discussed at the **NATIONAL MICROGRAPHICS ASSOCIATION'S (NMA) ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND EXPOSITION** to be held in Dallas.

"Although librarians have used microfilm for back issues of publications for many years, there are many new micrographic technologies available today, such as computer output microfilm (COM)," said the general conference chairman, Warren A. Cole of Eastman Kodak Co. "We have, therefore, scheduled a special interest session on library applications for Tuesday, May 17, so that librarians can learn about new techniques, plus how to increase user acceptance of microforms."

Attendees will also be able to see examples of the new technology discussed in their special sessions. An exposition of hundreds of micrographic products and services, including readers, printers, computer output microfilm (COM) systems, microfiche, jackets, micropublishing services, and many other exhibits will be open concurrently with the seminars on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

The exhibits and seminar sessions are open to NMA members and nonmembers alike. For further information and registration forms, contact John B. Bidwell, Conference Director, National Micrographics Assn., 8728 Colesville Rd., Silver Spring, MD 20910; (301) 587-8444.

MAY 19-21: The **AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR INFORMATION SCIENCE (ASIS)** will hold its Sixth Mid-Year Meeting in Syracuse, New York, at Syracuse University. The conference theme is "The Value of Information." For further information contact Dean Taylor, School of Information Studies, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY 13210. For registration details contact ASIS Headquarters, 1155 Sixteenth St., N.W., Washington, DC 20036.

MAY 20-24: Members of interested professional organizations have been invited to attend the 19th Annual Meeting of the **HEALTH SCIENCES COMMUNICATIONS ASSOCIATION** to be held in Indianapolis.

"Interpersonal Human Relations: Biomedical Communications Management and Professional Development" will be the theme of the three-day program, which will begin on the evening of May 20 with a reception for Indiana Governor Otis R. Bowen, M.D.

A NASA ATS-6/CTS demonstration of health sciences education by satellite will highlight the program. Scientific programs carrying the major theme will touch on the areas of patient education, biocommunications management, library sciences, instructional development, and media production and distribution.

Workshops preceding the meeting will include a hands-on session on computers connected to AVline and sessions on interpersonal relations, transactional analysis, patient simulation, and the team approach to education.

For information write to: Elmer Friman, HeSCA/Indy '77 Program Chairman, Medical Educational Resources Program, Indiana University School of Medicine, 1100 W. Michigan St., Indianapolis, IN 46202.

JUNE 2-3: The **NINTH ANNUAL SUNYLA MEETING** will be held at the State University of New York College at Purchase Campus in Westchester County, New York. In addition to business meetings, there will be a banquet and several seminars, tentatively including workshops on "Library User Surveys" and "The Teaching Role of Academic Librarians." A panel discussion on the "Changing Role of Women's Magazines and Books" is also being planned. For registration forms and further information contact Joe Petraitis, The Library, SUNY College at Old Westbury, Box 229, Old Westbury, NY 11568; (516) 876-3151.



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JUNE 9-11: A conference on lexicography will be held during the meeting of the **SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF DICTIONARIES AND LEXICOGRAPHY** at Indiana State University. For further information, write to J. E. Gates, Department of English and Journalism, Indiana State University, Terre Haute, IN 47809.

JUNE 9-15: Fifteen hundred librarians from throughout Canada are expected to converge on Montreal in June to attend the **32d ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE CANADIAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION**.

To be held at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel, the conference will focus on the theme of "Increasing Library Effectiveness," as delegates meet in plenary sessions, seminars, and workshops to discuss ways of improving library service in Canada within the constraints of a shrinking library dollar.

Requests for registration forms and further information should be addressed to: Conference 77, Canadian Library Association, 151 Sparks Street, Ottawa, Ontario K1P 5E3, Canada.

JULY 25-AUGUST 19: The eleventh annual **ARCHIVES INSTITUTE** at the Georgia Department of Archives and History, Atlanta, will include general instruction in basic concepts and practices of archival administration, experience in research use, and management of traditional and modern documentary materials. The program will focus upon an integrated archives/records management approach to records keeping and will feature lectures, seminars, and supervised laboratory work. Instructors are experienced archivists and records managers from a variety of institutions. Subjects will include appraisal, arrangement, description, reference services, records control and scheduling, preservation techniques, microfilm, manuscripts, and educational services, among others. Fee: \$528 for those wishing six quarter-hours graduate credit from Emory University; \$175 for

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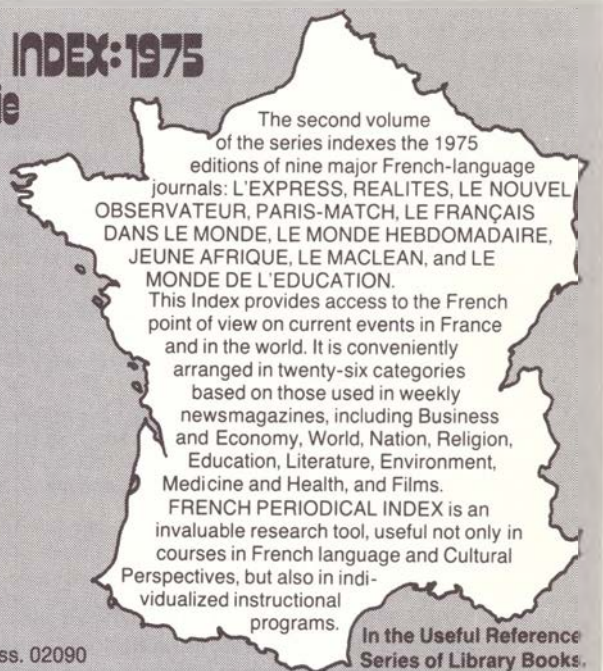
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SEPT. 9: The Graduate School of Library Science of the University of Illinois will sponsor a one-day workshop, **MAPS IN LIBRARIES; AN UPDATE**, at the Travelodge Motel on U.S. Highway 45 north of Urbana. The main speaker will be David A. Cobb, who is map and geography librarian at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

The workshop will begin at 9:30 a.m. and end by 4 p.m. In the morning, Mr. Cobb will discuss such topics as map acquisitions, map cataloging, housing and storage of maps, etc. In the afternoon, there will be presentations on the maps and/or services of the University of Illinois Map and Geography Library, the Illinois State Library, the Illinois State Geological Survey, Illinois State Department of Transportation, the U.S. Geological Survey, and the Midwest Map Catalog.

The afternoon program will emphasize maps of Illinois and is designed for persons in public, school, and college libraries; no previous experience in working with maps is assumed or expected. Registration for the workshop will be limited to ninety persons, and applications will be accepted in the order of receipt. The registration fee is \$10, including lunch. For a registration blank or other information, write or call Edward C. Kalb, Office of Continuing Education, 116 Illini Hall, University of Illinois, Champaign, IL 61820; (217) 333-2884.

SEPT. 13-16: The Library Management Research Unit will hold its fourth international seminar on **LIBRARY MANAGEMENT AND LIBRARY MANAGEMENT RESEARCH** at Loughborough University of Technology in England. The unit previously held three successful seminars when located at Cambridge University and intends to continue holding the seminars annually.

Further details and an outline program can be obtained from the course director: J. L. Schofield, Director, Library Management Research Unit, Department of Library and Information Studies, University of Technology, Loughborough, Leicestershire, LE11 3TU, England.

MISCELLANY

• **UNIFO PUBLISHERS**, specialists in international documentation and microform publishing, have entered into an arrangement with the

United Nations to provide a comprehensive sales service for UN publications and documents in microfiche.

Previously, microform editions of UN materials were only available direct from the United Nations, generally as sets and on a prepayment basis. The new UNIFO service eliminates the need for prepayment and in addition enables libraries to acquire specific documents—both sales and non-sales items—as well as runs of the Treaty Series and Official Records. It is expected that the new service will contribute to the overall distribution and use of UN materials.

Enquiries should be addressed to Dept. UNMF, UNIFO Publishers, Ltd., P.O. Box 89, Gedney Station, White Plains, NY 10605.

• The first regional showcase for new books, available to librarians in a convenient setting and combined with sessions featuring top figures in government, publishing, and education, is being offered by **BAKER AND TAYLOR** in Chicago, Atlanta, Los Angeles, Dallas, and metropolitan New York during 1977.

The New Books Showcase program began February 28 in Chicago at the Pick Congress Hotel with a three-day program that included displays by dozens of publishers and individual presentations by Louise Weiner, cultural affairs director for President Carter's transition team; Peter Mollman, vice-president of Random House; Elizabeth Hoffman, director of graduate library studies at Villanova University, Villanova, Pennsylvania; and Lois Rose, director of children's literature at the Library of Congress.

Librarians may attend future programs for all three days, for one day, or individual sessions.

Highlight of the Showcase program is a series of new book presentations by knowledgeable publishing representatives. Librarians will have an opportunity to examine the books personally and talk with publishers informally in their exhibit areas after the special sessions, at coffee breaks, and during free periods throughout the three-day event.

Scheduling of presentations has been designed to give the participating public, school, and academic librarians optimum time for personal review of new releases in adult, young adult, reference, technical, and children's literature. Time for discussions with publishers on current and planned publications as well as time for discussion with other librarians of shared and specialized problems has also been allocated.

Other Showcases are scheduled for Los Angeles (April 25-27), Dallas (May 23-25), Atlanta (September 26-28), and the metropolitan New York area (October 17-19).

Registration and additional program information is available from Kitty O'Hara, Baker & Taylor, 1515 Broadway, New York, NY 10036. (212) 730-7650.

• Friends attending the December 1976 celebration honoring Louis Round Wilson received several publications prepared for this special occasion. A limited number of copies of two of the publications are available for free distribution. They are: *Louis Round Wilson Bibliography: A Chronological List of Works and Editorial Activities, Prepared on the Occasion of His Centennial Celebration, December 2, 1976*; and *Louis R. Wilson: A Biographical Sketch Presented to the Friends of Louis Round Wilson* (including Maurice F. Tauber's biographical sketch prepared in 1956 and Frances A. Weaver's "Louis R. Wilson: The Years Since 1955").

Address requests to the Administrative Office, Wilson Library 024-A, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC 27514.

• A forty-year quest will come to an end this month when Joyce Ann Tracy, curator of newspapers and periodicals at the AMERICAN ANTIQUARIAN SOCIETY (AAS) begins shelving newspapers from the George P. Rowell Collection. This collection was originally assembled for the Newspaper Pavilion of the Centennial Exposition at Philadelphia in 1876. Rowell, founder of one of the first newspaper advertising agencies and publisher of the annual *American Newspaper Directory*, conceived and assembled the exhibit which invited Exposition visitors to "come and see a paper from home." Rowell had attempted to collect under one roof a copy of every newspaper and periodical published in the United States in 1876. At the close of the Exposition, all but a few sample sets of periodicals and newspapers were sold as scrap, and it was these rare sample sets which have been of interest to AAS.

In 1916 Clarence S. Brigham, then librarian at the society, received from the Chicago Historical Society the volumes of the Rowell Collection containing newspapers from the Atlantic Coast. Brigham added in 1931 a complete set of the periodicals, but the remainder of the newspapers eluded him in spite of numerous inquiries to individuals and libraries who might have knowledge of the newspaper collection. In 1976, after lengthy correspondence with M. A. McCorison, the trustees of the Chicago Historical Society voted to send the Rowell Collection to Worcester, retaining only the Illinois newspapers.

From the earliest days of the society's library until the present, the material most studied by researchers has been the newspaper collection. Grown now to three million issues, it is pre-

eminent for the period 1690 to 1820 and is surely one of the best to the year 1876. Since World War II several thousand newspapers have been added through purchase or gift from Harvard University, Franklin and Marshall College, Yale University, Dartmouth College, The Essex Institute, Buffalo and Erie County Historical Society, Boston Athenaeum, and numerous other institutions and private collectors.

When the society realized its inability to cope with all printed material down to the present, it limited its collecting to those publications printed before 1877 in Canada, the United States, and those Caribbean Islands whose official language is English. However, the varied periods of printing development in different sections of the continent have led to flexibility in final cutoff dates as follows: East Coast and Mississippi Valley—to 1876; Plains States—to 1880; Rocky Mountain States—to 1890; Southwest and Northwest—to 1895; Alaska—to 1900. Although the emphasis of the society in acquiring newspapers has been placed on the usual kinds, the society also has collected and remains interested in the more unusual and peripheral types such as amateur newspapers, lottery newspapers, advertising or real estate newspapers, and school and college newspapers.

The AAS collection of newspapers for the years 1690 to 1820 is one-third larger than that of the Library of Congress and the holdings for 1821 to 1865 its equal. Clarence S. Brigham's *History and Bibliography of American Newspapers, 1690-1820*, lists the society's holdings as well as those of other libraries.

The 18th- and early 19th-century South American and West Indian papers held by AAS are the best in the United States and those of Bolivia the best anywhere. The bibliography listing for this special collection is *Latin American Newspapers in the United States Libraries* by Stephen M. Charno.

Today the society's files of newspapers occupy two floors which contain five miles of shelving. Formerly, newspapers were bound with leather covers, but expense and the need for easier access have determined that newspapers be shelved in folders made of binder board and lined with acid-free paper.

The use of the newspaper collection by readers has increased sharply in recent years, a rise of 20 percent having been recorded in fiscal year 1976.—*Newsletter of the American Antiquarian Society*.

• The EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES INFORMATION CENTER (ERIC) CLEARINGHOUSE ON INFORMATION RESOURCES was transferred to Syracuse University (SU) January 1, according to Donald P. Ely, professor of education at SU,

who is the center's new director. Pauline Atherton, professor of information studies, and Richard E. Clark, associate professor of education, are associate directors.

The National Institute of Education has given SU \$217,700 for the first year's operation, Ely said. The clearinghouse, one of sixteen such centers in the United States, had been at Stanford University since 1966.

ERIC clearinghouses form the world's largest screened knowledge data base about education. The network acquires, selects, abstracts, and indexes information concerning all aspects of education and makes it available to educators throughout the country. ERIC includes citations to more than 200,000 technical reports, articles, speeches, and other documents related to education. More than sixteen million ERIC microforms are purchased each year, most of them by the 600 institutions and organizations which maintain complete collections of the ERIC file.

The Syracuse clearinghouse will be responsible for the areas of educational technology, library science, and information science and will serve the information needs of teachers, administrators, policy makers, program planners, researchers, and students. Specialists in these areas will also be users of the SU clearinghouse, which will be part of a nationwide computer-based information system in the field of education.

- Two of Arkansas' community colleges have new Learning Resource Centers.

EAST ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE AT FORREST CITY recently moved its library to the new Betty Jo Hodges Learning Resources Center. The facility is a combination of the library and audiovisual department and houses the Learning Skills Laboratory. Seating sixty, the building will offer a variety of functions related to its learning materials.

GARLAND COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE AT HOT SPRINGS will be moving to its new learning resource center located at the Mid-America Park. The park will include the college, the Quapaw Vocational Technical School, the Mid-America Museum, and the Outdoor Drama Amphitheater. The new learning resource center of the college includes space for 20,000 items; microfilm, seminar, typing, and conference rooms; instructional materials production center, including a darkroom, taping room, and viewing room; the Human Development Center; and offices. The learning resource center will seat 100 students and serve an enrollment of around 1,600 students.

- The **UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE (UWM)** held a special ceremony at its campus on January 30 to commemorate the ac-

quisition of the one millionth volume for its library. The volume representing this milestone in the library's growth is *The Genuine Principles of the Ancient Saxon, or English Constitution*, by "Demophilus," and was published in Philadelphia on July 8, 1776, by Robert Bell.

This small volume presented a statement in support of the system of government that existed in England prior to the Norman conquest, and on its last pages it includes the text of the Declaration of Independence, which had been adopted a few days earlier by the Continental Congress. This was the first appearance in book form of this basic document for the new nation. The university has prepared facsimiles of the volume, and they are available at \$2.00 each from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Library Business Manager, Charles MacLeod, P.O. Box 413, Milwaukee, WI 53201.

The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee has also announced the impending acquisition of a major new resource for the library. The American Geographical Society (AGS) of New York voted in September 1976 to present its library and map collection to UWM. The collection consists of approximately 180,000 volumes, 347,000 maps, 33,600 pamphlets and documents, 45,000 photographs, 5,500 atlases, and 65 globes. On October 15, the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System accepted the gift and has promised funds to cover moving costs, an annual operating budget of \$275,000 for the collection, and 35,000 square feet of space in the UWM library. As 1976 ended, there remained several legal obstacles to the completion of the move, which will save an important national resource. On February 11, 1977, a petition to relocate the AGS collections to UWM was filed with the New York State Supreme Court.

- The acquisition of a millionth volume is an important milestone in the growth of a research library. In the case of **COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES**, this occurred in the centennial year of the State of Colorado, and the volume chosen to celebrate and commemorate this outstanding growth represents the university itself and the libraries' relationship to teaching and research programs on campus.

Colorado State's library began in 1879 when the first president, Elijah E. Edwards, put out some of his own books for students to use. Since then, the library and the university have grown together, and the millionth volume represents both a huge quantity of resources and a high quality of professional service. The collections at Colorado State are administered by a staff of 115, serving an academic community in Ft. Collins of 17,400 students and 1,187 faculty. The libraries also provide materials and services to a large number of individuals and

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UPDATING

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