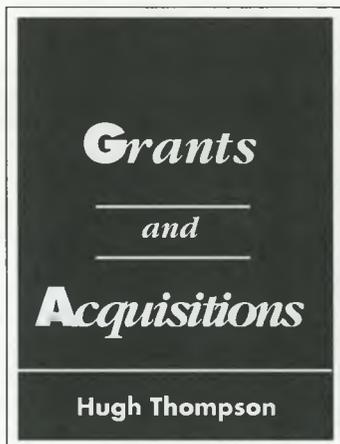


Muhlenberg College's

Trexler Library in Allentown, Pennsylvania, has received a \$125,000 grant from the Arthur Vining Davis Foundation to fund the conversion of 43,000 titles—about one-fifth of the total library collection—to an automated catalog in machine-readable form. Many of the works are rare or unique items pertaining to the Pennsylvania Dutch and the early history of the region.



Northeastern University Libraries' Ar-

chives and Special Collections Department has received a grant of \$60,000 from the National Historical Publications and Records Commission to process and catalog the records of Freedom House in Massachusetts, and the papers of its founders, Muriel S. and Otto P. Snowdon. The materials span 1949–87 and document both a unique community-based social agency in the Roxbury neighborhood of Boston and the lives of the two African American social workers who founded the organization.

The Bern Dibner Library of Science and

Technology at Polytechnic University in Brooklyn has been awarded a grant of \$300,000 from the Dibner Fund of Wilton, Connecticut. The grant supports the Document Image Bank Network Retrieval project to use already established protocols of library material organization to develop a new form of access, delivery, storage, and retrieval of documents and articles in image format. The goal of the system is to permit authorized users to retrieve documents and articles at desktop computers via the Internet, while handling the copyright, intellectual property, and royalties issues associated with document retrieval.

Southern University's John B. Cade Li-

brary has received a \$90,000 grant from the Louisiana Education Quality Support Fund to

enhance the Library Learning Resource Center. The grant will be used to improve technology by purchasing new equipment and software and upgrading the computer equipment in the library.

The Library at the Uni-

versity of California, Berkeley is participating in two cooperative grants from the National Endowment for the Humanities. A \$155,319

grant for a project led by Columbia University, called the Advanced Papyrological Information System, will catalog and preserve important national collections of papyri and develop an online access system, including scholarly tools to make the papyri more accessible to scholars. At least 400 papyri will be cataloged, conserved, and digitized. A \$405,547 grant for the U.S. Agricultural Information Network Project, led by Cornell University, will enable Berkeley to identify state-level literature documenting the history of U.S. agriculture and rural life (1820–1945) needing preservation. ■

Grants available

The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation's "Program for Latin American Libraries and Archives," established in 1996 and administered by Harvard University's David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies, is offering \$80,000 in grant funds each year over four years through individual grants of between \$5,000 and \$10,000. The grants are intended to strengthen the research base for Latin American studies through support of Latin American archives and libraries that need special funding in order to improve the conditions under which their collections are kept, or to expand access to their research holdings. First deadline for applications is September 1, 1996. For full guidelines and application forms, contact Dan Hazen at Harvard University: dchazen@husc.harvard.edu.

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