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SAC MEETING PLANNED FOR NASHVILLE IN MAY

The Southern Archivists Conference (SAC) will meet May 13-15, 1992, in Nashville, Tennessee, where activities will be hosted by the Tennessee Archivists. Meeting activities will take place at the Historical Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention. Hotel reservations will be made through Clubhouse Inn (formerly Park Plaza), located across from Union Station Hotel.

Sessions begin on Wednesday afternoon with two pre-conference workshops on Records Management and Arrangement of Archival Material. An opening reception will take place Wednesday evening, with concurrent sessions held Thursday morning and afternoon and other special focus sessions on Friday morning. Topics include documenting Southern religion, volunteer programs for archives, unique uses of archives and newsletter editing.

Tours of the Vanderbilt TV News Archives, the Country Music Hall of Fame Library & Archives, and the Southern Baptist Historical Library and Archives will be available Thursday afternoon, while state society business meetings are planned for Friday morning.

Programs containing specific information about meeting times, places, and participants should reach you by the time you receive this issue. Registration for the meeting is \$40 (\$45 after May 1) with the pre-conference workshop fee being \$15 (\$20 after May 1). Tours and two meals are included with registration. There is an additional charge for extra tickets to the luncheon or the reception.

Registration deadline is May 1. Send your registration form and check made payable to "Tennessee Archivists" to David McWhirter, SAC Meeting 1992, Disciples of Christ Historical Society, 1101 Nineteenth Ave South, Nashville, TN 37212. An enjoyable and educational time can be yours in Nashville! Make your plans now to be there.

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SPRING ISSUE.....MAY 1
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SOCIETY OF MISSISSIPPI ARCHIVISTS
Nominations for 1992-1993 Officers

The following slate of nominations is submitted by the Nominating Committee. The slate will be voted on at the Society's annual business meeting held May 15 at SAC in Nashville.

Vice-President/President Elect:	Will Henson Lauderdale County Archives
Director, 1992-1994:	Mattie Sink Mississippi State University
Director, 1992-1994:	Carolyn Neault Columbus Public Library

SMA COUNCIL REPORTS

December 12, 1991

The Executive Council held quarterly meetings on December 12 and March 12, at the Department of Archives and History in Jackson. The following activities took place:

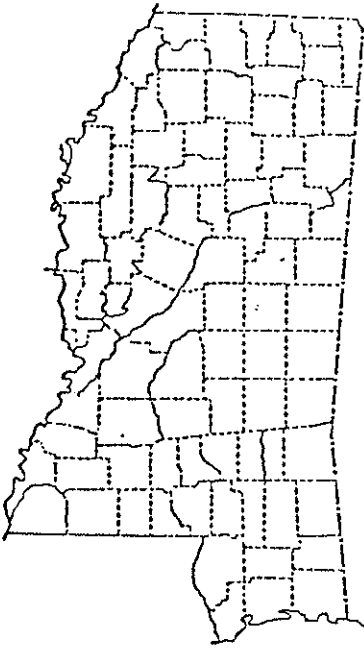
- approved minutes and treasurer's report.
- heard membership chair Carol West report current membership at 86.
- received an update on publications activities:
 - next issue of The Primary Source will be printed as usual. Discussion was held on the subject of establishing a regional newsletter, and contacts were to be initiated on the topic with editors in Alabama and Tennessee.
 - Sales of repository directory are continuing. A printing error was discovered on some volumes, and members decided to insert an errata sheet to explain the problem.
 - no new information available on women's guide.
- discussed continuing education through the MS2000 Fiber Optic Project at Mississippi State University. More information will be presented at the next meeting.
- adopted proposed 1992 budget.
- heard brief reports on activities of Committee for Archival Advocacy, NHPRC Afro-American Records Survey Project, and AIA Historic Study Committee and its interest in a survey of architectural records in the state.

March 12, 1992

- approved minutes and treasurer's report.
- heard update on SAC program (see details on page 1).
- discussed publications projects:
 - The Primary Source has been delayed partially because of lack of information from contacts in repositories and because of editor's new position. It will be held to include nominations so that there will not have to be a separate mailing.
- discussion has been initiated with Alabama about a regional newsletter; further opportunity for discussion will be available in Nashville.
- Julia continues editing the women's guide but did not think she would be able to make corrections in the computer because of lack of a compatible program. Mattie will contact her to see how the project is going.
- discussed special issue of The Primary Source to be focused on the state of archives in Mississippi. Mattie and Sandra will work on the content.
- discussed circulating a revised budget.
- shared ideas for an archives week in Mississippi.
- heard a partial report of the nominating committee; slate will be printed in The Primary Source.
- heard a report on the status of the bill to clarify local government records management. The bill has been introduced and referred to subcommittee; two archives staff positions are requested in the bill.

REMINDER: Annual Business Meeting will be May 15th in Nashville.

MISSISSIPPI NEWS



MADISON COUNTY ANNOUNCES ACCESS TO GANT FAMILY HISTORY COLLECTION

The Carolyn Thompson Gant Family History Vertical File Collection has recently been opened for research. Containing 112 files dating from 1940-1990, the collection includes research, correspondence, wills, census, tax rolls, personal documents, and lineage charts for all family surnames. The collection can be used during library hours, Monday-Friday, 9-6 and Saturday 9-4:30. For a complete listing of the surnames in this collection, send a stamped, self-addressed envelope with two stamps to Madison County-Canton Public Library, 102 Priestley Street, Canton, MS 39046.

GIFT TO COLUMBUS-LOWNDES PUBLIC LIBRARY ALLOWS EXPANSION

The Snowdown Association has awarded a gift of \$100,000 to the Columbus Public Library to enlarge the local history area and allow for housing the recently acquired Lowndes County Archives and to create an exhibit area featuring antiques, books and everyday objects from Snowdown, an antebellum home in Columbus.

Snowdown's last owner, Elizabeth Garth Daniel, desired to further public awareness of Southern history and heritage. The donation is in keeping with her desire and will allow the completion of a state of the art archival facility to house the Lowndes County Archives recently placed at the library by the Lowndes County Board of Supervisors. Documents in the archives date from 1805 through the 1920s. Chairman of the Snowdown Board, Rufus Ward, stated his hope that the new facility will encourage the donation of other Southern history collections.

WELTY PHOTOGRAPH PORTFOLIOS AVAILABLE THROUGH MDAH

The Mississippi Department of Archives and History announces the publication of a limited edition portfolio of eighteen photographs from the Department's Eudora Welty Photograph Collection. Each of the eighteen images was selected for inclusion by Miss Welty, who has also approved, signed, and numbered each print. Miss Welty's photographs have been increasingly recognized as being among the finest produced in the early part of this century.

For more information on the Eudora Welty Portfolio, contact Chrissy Wilson at the Department of Archives and History, (601) 359-6850.

MISSISSIPPI HISTORY DAY PLANNED APRIL 4TH

The Annual Meeting of the Mississippi Junior Historical Society and the Mississippi History Day contests will be held at the University of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg on April 4, 1992. The program will begin at 10:00 a.m. with an opening session that will feature speakers who will discuss this year's theme, "Discovery, Encounter, Exchange in History: The Seeds of Change." Various competitions will be held before and after lunch, and in the afternoon, Dr. Allen Dennis, Delta State University, will conduct a Quiz Bowl on Mississippi history. The program will conclude in mid-afternoon and an awards ceremony. Anyone who wants further information can contact Chuck Bolton at Southern Station Box 5175, Hattiesburg, MS 39406-5175, or at 266-4575. About 250 students and teachers have already made plans to attend this year's meeting; over 125 students have entered the various competitions.

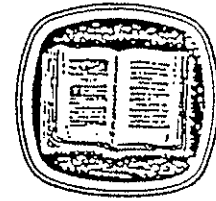
BOOK REVIEW

Wilsted, Thomas and William Nolte.

Managing Archival and Manuscript Repositories.

Chicago: Society of American Archivists, 1991.

105 pp., ISBN 0-931828-78-3, \$19 for Society members, \$25 for others.



The appearance of the Society of American Archivists Basic Manual Series in 1977 was noteworthy for two reasons. First, it signaled a new level of maturation on the part of the Society and the archival community by codifying basic theory and practice in a manner and format suitable for use by both beginning and experienced archivists. Second, the series served as a ground breaking experience for what has become a very successful organizational publications program. The new SAA Archival Fundamentals Series is also noteworthy by the fact that it attempts to update and expand upon the subjects covered in the Basic Manual Series while retaining the utility of a manual type format.

Managing Archival and Manuscript Repositories is a new topic for the publications program. In this volume consisting of ten chapters, authors Wilsted and Nolte introduce the reader to management concepts as they may be applied in archival and manuscript repositories. The first of these chapters acquaints the reader with general management principles and presents factors that may have relevance in an administrative setting. This leads into the second chapter which focuses on the idea of the archivist as a manager. Leadership, time management, communication skills and other competencies that are important for successful management are discussed.

Beginning with the third chapter, topics focus more directly on important concerns in the operation of archives. Organizational structures, planning, dealing with people, financial management, managing facilities, fund raising, public relations, and successfully utilizing new technologies are the major subject areas surveyed. Each in turn is subdivided into topics of direct relevance to the archivist. In these chapters readers will find specific information on matters that may help them manage their repositories more successfully. For example, within the broad area of human resources, the book examines general theories of personnel management, the processes of setting goals and performing personnel evaluations, the importance of job descriptions, suggestions for recruiting and hiring staff members, a review on the value of training and staff development, advice on helping employees succeed, considerations for working with volunteers as well as supervisors, and a host of other useful subject areas.

One of the major challenges faced by the authors was the choice of what to include and how much the information could be condensed and still remain useful to the reader. This volume could have easily been many times its present length and still not have addressed all related areas. Hence, the emphasis tends to be on practical knowledge that has common applicability in an archival setting. In many cases, a topic is merely introduced or mentioned, and it is left to the reader to pursue the subject in greater depth in one of the sources cited as a reference or listed at the end of each chapter. In addition, the final section of the book provides information on relevant professional associations and additional sources of information. SMA readers will be interested in noting that the Academy of Management, based at Mississippi State University, is cited in this section.

In spite of the limitations inherent in a brief work such as this, the authors succeeded in presenting a balanced overview of management in all types of archival repositories. Unlike the SAA Basic Manual Series, the approach taken for this book was to broaden the scope to include information pertinent beyond the confines of an institutional archives in the strict definitional sense. The explanations and examples include applications of relevance to a variety of repository types and sizes. An attempt was also made to structure and present the information so that it would be useful to individuals both new to the archives field and those who have had some years of experience.

Although some readers may quibble with the lack of in-depth treatment given some topics or some minor inconsistencies in style and content, I choose to applaud Wilsted and Nolte for undertaking a challenge of this magnitude. This volume is a good addition to the literature, and I am sure that it will be a "best seller" in the archives community. I recommend that everyone having management responsibility in an archival or manuscript repository take the time to review it.

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NATIONAL & REGIONAL NEWS

WISCONSIN ARCHIVAL EMPLOYEE SENTENCED FOR THEFTS

A longtime archivist at the Wisconsin Historical Society, Janice O'Connell, was sentenced recently to a prison term of seven years for stealing more than 100 items from her employer. She will also have to repay the state and antique dealers more than \$50,000. Items, including jewelry, antique dolls, and rare pottery, began to disappear from the Society's vault in March 1989. O'Connell's accomplice and former boyfriend, Rodney DeFoe, was also given a prison sentence of three years for his role in the thefts. (*Archivists*, Fall 1991)

MARYLAND LAWYER ARRESTED FOR THEFTS AT LC

Barry Marc Goldman, an attorney for the U.S. General Accounting Office, was arrested last summer in connection with thefts of historical letters, signatures, and photographs from the Manuscript Division of the Library of Congress. The thefts included Civil War materials and presidential papers. If convicted, Goldman could be sentenced to ten years in federal prison and fined \$10,000. (*American Libraries*, July/August 1991)

BOSTON COLLEGE LIBRARIAN ASSISTS IN NABBING SMUGGLERS

Robert K. O'Neill, Director of Boston College's Burns Special Collection Library, received a commendation from the FBI for his help in snaring three people who conspired to sell stolen Irish antiquities to the College. Recovered in the operation were four 10th century Irish gravestones valued at \$150,000, which are now in the National Museum in Dublin. The gravestones had been transported from Ireland to Miami on a sailboat. (*American Libraries*, November 1991)

1920 CENSUS OPENS IN MARCH

The 1920 census was opened to researchers on March 2, 1992. It is available in the Microfilm Reading Room of the National Archives Building in Washington, D.C., the 12 regional archives across the nation, and through the National Archives microfilm sales and rental program.

The 1920 census consists of 2,076 rolls of population schedules and 8,585 rolls of Soundex. A 96-page catalog, "The 1920 Federal Population Census," is available for \$2, plus \$3 shipping/handling, from the National Archives Trust Fund (NEPS), P. O. Box 10073, Atlanta, GA 30384.

The National Archives Microfilm Rental Program began accepting advance rental orders for the 1920 census on January 2, 1992. Orders will be filled beginning March 2nd. For information about renting rolls of microfilm, call (301) 604-3699. For information about purchasing individual rolls of the 1920 census for \$23 per roll, write to the Marketing and Fulfillment Branch (NEPS), National Archives, Washington, D.C. 20408. (National Archives News Release, November 6, 1991)

NHPRC RELEASES REPORT ON RESEARCH ISSUES IN ELECTRONIC RECORDS

In November, the National Historical Publications and Records Commission released a report on "Research Issues in Electronic Records." The report is based on the results of a NHPRC-sponsored meeting held in Washington, D.C., in January, 1991, to determine a national agenda for research in the archival management of electronic records.

This 37-page report provides much needed basic information on the problems involved in coping with electronic records and provides a guide to dealing with these new challenges. It also recommends criteria for evaluating proposed projects and suggests that NHPRC and others also support projects beyond the research agenda to analyze electronic records problems, advocate attention to them, and enable archivists to take action on them. For more information or to obtain a copy of the report, write Lisa Weber, NHPRC, National Archives Building, Room 607, Washington, D.D. 20408. (National Archives News Release, November 6, 1991)

ARCHIVES II STATUS REPORT SAYS CONSTRUCTION "AHEAD OF SCHEDULE"

Archives II is an architecturally distinctive building situated on 33 acres in a park-like setting adjoining the golf course at the University of Maryland in College Park. The new building has been planned as both an office building for NARA and storage area for archival materials. The research complex, which can accommodate 390 researchers at one time, spans five floors and provides more than 60,000 square feet for reading rooms, team research rooms, and space for researcher photography. There are 21 stack areas in the building, each one holding approximately 65,000 cubic feet of records. Archives II will contain 520 miles of electric, moveable shelving, the largest such installation in the world. As of November 1991, construction was ahead of schedule on the stacks, reference staff offices, and laboratories, with footings and several levels having been poured for all areas. (*Archives II Researcher Bulletin*, Fall 1991)

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MISSOURI OPENS NEW ARCHIVAL FACILITY, WELCOMES NEW ARCHIVIST

On November 23, 1991, Missouri officials held an open house at the Missouri State Information Center. Located at 600 W. Main Street, Jefferson City, Missouri, the center is the new home of the Missouri State Archives. Tours of the Archives and other special activities were held during the open house. Ken Winn, a resident historian and director of publications for the Missouri Historical Society in St. Louis, was recently named the new Missouri State Archivist. (News notice; The Dusty Shelf, October-December 1991)

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY EXPERIMENTS WITH DATABASE FOR AUDIO ARCHIVES

A Syracuse University project aims to solve the chronic problem for audio archives - preserving the collection yet making it readily accessible to researchers. Called the Distributed Audio Database System (DADS), the project is designed to convert audio materials into digital form and make them available by electronic networks. Computer specialists for the project are developing a prototype which will include a server to store data, a transfer station to convert audio data to digital form, and desktop computers to give researchers access to collections.

For more information on the project, which has been in operation about four months, contact Ronald Kalinoski, Academic Computing Services, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY 13244. (The Chronicle of Higher Education, November 13, 1991)

RLG RESTRUCTURES, ENDS TALKS WITH OCLC

In mid-summer, important changes in the Research Libraries Group's (RLG) membership categories, dues, and governance were announced with the intent of producing a more streamlined, cost-effective organization responsive to research needs. Dues will be decreased to \$25,000 for general members and \$3000 for special members effective September 1, 1992. A new, elected board of directors will replace the current board of governors; a commission will be formed to explore ways to meet the needs of RLG members. Negotiations between RLG's representatives and those from OCLC about linkage between the Research Libraries Information Network (RLIN) and OCLC were also suspended. (American Libraries, July/August 1991; Archives and Museum Informatics, Summer 1991)

CONGRESS PASSES NREN BILL

A final version of the High-Performance Computing Act (S. 272), which would establish a National Research and Education Network, was passed by voice vote in both the Senate and the House in late November. Compromises had been worked out by committees proposing earlier versions of the bill, but provisions for libraries and education remained intact. President Bush signed the measure in December. (American Libraries, January and February 1992)

DECISION REACHED IN SCHOOLCRAFT MAP CASE

A decision in favor of the National Archives has been reached in the U. S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan in the Schoolcraft Map Case. The case involves an 1837 manuscript map depicting government activities in the area of Indian affairs in Michigan. The map had been sent to the Office of Indian Affairs, predecessor of the current Bureau of Indian Affairs, by Henry R. Schoolcraft, Michigan Indian Agent, with his September 15, 1837, annual report. It had been a part of National Archives Record Group 75, and had resided for some time in the custody of the Archives which still contains a photostatic copy made from the original. In 1988 an attempt to sell the original map to the Newberry Library in Chicago led to the confiscation of the map by the FBI. (National Archives News Release, January 29, 1992)

NEW SAA STAFF AND AMERICAN ARCHIVIST EDITOR ANNOUNCED

Two new staff members, Deborah S. Mills and Evelyn Frangakis, have joined the Society of American Archivists. Mills began work in mid-November, replacing Catherine M. Mason, who retired as SAA's meeting planner. Frangakis began her work in November as well, directing SAA's preservation program that will bring a series of preservation workshops to various parts of the country. She is currently developing applications and other literature for the upcoming NHPRC-sponsored preservation activities. (SAA Newsletter, January 1992)

Richard J. Cox is the newly appointed editor of The American Archivist, succeeding David Klassen. Cox is lecturer in archives and information studies at the University of Pittsburgh and author of the recently published American Archival Analysis. (The Dusty Shelf, October-December 1991)

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NEW DIRECTOR OF HISTORIC NEW ORLEANS COLLECTION APPOINTED

Dr. Jon Kukla was named recently as the new director of the Historic New Orleans Collection. Prior to coming to the New Orleans institution where he was curator of collections in charge of the research center, Dr. Kukla had been director of research and publications at the Virginia State Library and Archives. His publications include works on the southern colonies and early American intellectual and political history. (Manuscripts Division Update, Vol. 10, 1991)

COPYRIGHT QUESTION STILL UNRESOLVED

In September the Senate passed a bill that would clarify the fair use of unpublished material, but the House failed to consider the bill before adjournment. William J. Hughes, chair of the House Subcommittee on Intellectual Property and Judicial Administration, which has jurisdiction over copyright matters, has indicated plans to consider the measure this spring, but wants to consider language that varies from that of the Senate bill. This may cause a delay in clarifying the issue.

The latest judicial decision from the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit upheld the right of Margaret Walker to use limited portions from the unpublished letters of Richard Wright in her biography of Wright. The court stressed in its decision that only very insignificant portions of the letters had been quoted; therefore, publishers and authors alike are still awaiting legislation clarifying the "fair use" of unpublished material. (SAA Newsletter, January 1992)

UTAH LEGISLATURE COMMITTED TO IMPROVED RECORDS STORAGE

Recognizing that the State Archives of Utah had inadequate storage space in its two existing storage facilities to house the rapidly growing number of state records, lawmakers recently appropriated money to obtain lease space which would allow centralization of the storage and retrieval program. Lawmakers specified that the lease space have "climate controls and other environmental features conducive to the storage and management of state records;" they also encouraged study of a new building to consolidate all operations into a single facility. (Conference of Intermountain Archivists Newsletter, February 1992)

NEW FLORIDA RECORDS CENTER UNDER CONSTRUCTION

A new facility for storage and access to Florida state records is nearing 60% completion and is expected to become operational in late 1992 or early 1993. The Florida Legislature appropriated funds for this new facility after recognizing that the current center has been filled to capacity for the last decade. This new facility is three times the capacity of the existing building and will contain 17,000 square feet of office space and a records storage area capable of housing 225,000 cubic feet of inactive records. The building will be one of the most modern in the Southeast. (Technical Bulletin, January-March 1992)

GOOD NEWS FROM COLORADO STATE ARCHIVES

Weathering sweeping legislative changes proposed by the governor, the Colorado State Archives will now be "half cash-funded" by user fees. Calls and personal visits to state legislators caused the governor to reconsider his proposal and to restructure services provided by the Archives to other government agencies. State agencies will now have to pay the Archives for storage of security microfilm. (The Dusty Shelf, January-March 1992)

NATIONAL ARCHIVES ENTERS JOINT CIVIL WAR PROJECT

The National Archives has announced its participation in a joint effort to computerize information on Confederate and Union soldiers of the Civil War. Joining the project with the National Archives will be the National Park Service, the Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS), and the Genealogical Society of Utah. Plans are to create a database of names, regiments, and ranks of Confederate and Union soldiers, thereby providing information on 7,000 regiments and units which saw action during the war and on many of the 10,500 battles and skirmishes. Access to the system will be provided at the National Archives in Washington, the 12 regional archives, and all Civil War sites operated by the National Park Service. Data entry by volunteers will begin this year and span a three-year period. (News from the Archives, Fall 1991)

CONSERVATION NEWS

SOLUTION AVAILABLE TO DETERIORATION OF PAPER

According to information in The Dusty Shelf, there is a natural fiber that may one day replace wood in the paper making process. Called kenaf, it is a plant that can be grown from seed. If you would like to grow your own kenaf, you may order seeds from KP Products, Box 4795, Albuquerque, NM 87196-4795. (The Dusty Shelf, October-December 1991)

"PRESERVING THE LITERARY HERITAGE" STATES FINDINGS OF STUDY

At the conclusion of an 18 month study by the Committee on Modern Language and Literature, the group issued its recommendations for addressing the problem of deterioration of resources. They are:

1. Every possible action should be taken to educate our colleagues and our librarians in the magnitude of the problem [of brittle books].
2. We consider the question of bibliographic control to be essential. If the effort of preservation is to be distributed widely, then we need to know that there is a foolproof mechanism in place making sure that each new microfilm will be immediately listed in two major bibliographic utilities, OCLC and RLIN.
3. We urge that every effort be made to encourage the Congress to appropriate even more money for this essential task.
4. The Committee remains anxious about liaison with European libraries. Their problems are presumably as large or larger than our own in this area.
5. We recommend that the Modern Language Association be used as the primary clearing house for recommendations from all the various interest groups for which particular collections in each area are the most important and therefore should be the target of preservation.
6. Finally, we recommend a continuing broad effort on the part of the scholarly community as well as the Commission to alert and inform colleagues, administrative officers at universities, and public officials everywhere about the seriousness of the decaying book problem. We should also begin at once to incorporate this awareness into graduate instruction in research methods.

Committees in various disciplines were appointed to study this common problem of preservation needs. Other reports may be forth-coming from the Commission on Preservation and Access, 1785 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Suite 313, Washington, D.C. 20036-2117

FREE VIDEO DEMONSTRATES CARING FOR MICROFORM COLLECTION

A new 13-minute video, entitled "Caring for Your Microform Collection: The Next Step in Preservation," is available free to librarians and archivists from University Microfilms International's Preservation Division. This video, in VHS format, complements an earlier UMI video, "Providing a Future for the Past."

This latest video includes information about proper storage and handling of microforms, temperature and humidity control, cleaning and inspection techniques, user guidelines, and much more. Copies are available by calling 1-800-521-0600, ext. 3801. (Mid-Atlantic Archivist, Winter 1992)

FIRST PRESERVATION LEAFLET AVAILABLE FROM NCIP

The National Cooperative Information Project (NCIP) plans to publish a series of technical leaflets to provide simple, dependable information on common preservation questions. The first title in the series, "Preservation of Scrapbooks and Albums," is now available. Based on a version originally written for the Congress of Illinois Historical Societies and Museums, the leaflet contains information on collection policies, accession and disposition, storage and environmental matters, handling, and other considerations. The AMIGOS Preservation Service will distribute this and other NCIP publications. Contact Tom Clareson at 800/843-8482 for a copy of this leaflet. (The Southwestern Archivist, Winter 1992)

AKZO HOLDS OPEN HOUSE AT ITS DEZ PLANT

In January, AKZO hosted an open house and tours of its mass deacidification demonstration plant near Houston, Texas. This facility operates as a demonstration and small-scale commercial treatment unit and has the capacity to treat approximately 40,000 books per year.

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AKZO holds an exclusive, world-wide license for the mass deacidification process using the diethyl zinc (dez) gas diffusion method invented by the Library of Congress. The company has begun commercial work for the Moody Museum and will begin document treatment for the Harry Ransom Humanities Research Center this year. (The Southwestern Archivist, Winter 1992)

POSSIBLE MOVE AHEAD FOR CONSERVATION EDUCATION PROGRAM AT COLUMBIA

The Columbia University School of Library Service has announced its interest in moving the Conservation Education Programs to the Graduate School of Library and Information Science at the University of Texas at Austin. Neither institution has officially announced the relocation, which is contingent upon the availability of grant funding to partially support the transfer. Further notice of plans will be announced during the spring. (The Southwestern Archivist, Winter 1992)

PRESERVATION MANAGEMENT TRAINING PROGRAM UNDERWAY

The National Endowment for the Humanities-funded Preservation Management Training Program, developed by SAA, is scheduled to begin this fall. Designed to foster ongoing, comprehensive preservation programs, the program consists of four series of workshops which will be offered across the country during the next two years. Participants will undertake assignments both before the start of the program and between its segments in order to help build systematic preservation programs at their institutions.

Additional information about the program can be found in the March issue of the SAA Newsletter. Requests for information can be directed to Evelyn Frangakis, Preservation Program Director, SAA, 600 S. Federal, Suite 504, Chicago, IL 60605, (312) 922-0140. (SAA Newsletter, March 1992)

GRANTS ACTIVITIES

Duke University, Perkins Library, Durham, N.C. - a grant of \$29,813 to support a conference, with the Smithsonian Institution, to initiate work toward the development of a documentation strategy for American advertising.

North Carolina Central University, Durham, N.C. - a grant of up to \$63,035 to conduct a statewide survey and needs assessment of repositories holding African-American records.



PUBLICATIONS

The Care and Handling of Recorded Sound Materials, by Gilles St-Laurent, is a fast and fairly complete primer on the preservation of sound recordings. Order from: Commission on Preservation and Access, 1785 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Suite 313, Washington, D.C. 20036-2117. Available while supplies last.

Descriptive Cataloging of Rare Books, co-edited by Jackie Doolwy and Ben Tucker, provides the latest guidelines from the Library of Congress about their practices in the bibliographic description of rare books. Contact: Cataloging Distribution Service, Customer Services, Washington, D.C. 20541-5017. Price: \$23.

The Directory of Archival and Manuscript Repositories in California, 3rd ed., compiled by the Society of California Archivists, includes information from more than 800 state institutions that hold manuscript and archival materials. Contact: Peter Blodgett, Publications Committee, Manuscripts Department, Huntington Library, San Marino, CA 91108. Price: \$32.50 (non-members); 22.50 (SCA members); checks payable to the Society of California Archivists.

From Microfilm to Digital Imagery, by Donald J. Waters of the Systems Office of Yale University Library, explores the feasibility of a project to study the means, costs, and benefits of converting large quantities of preserved library materials from microfilm to digital images. Order from: Trish Cece, Communications Assistant, Commission on Preservation and Access, 1785 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Suite 313, Washington, D.C. 20036-2117. Price: \$5. Send prepayment by check made payable to "Commission on Preservation and Access."

A Glossary for Archivists, Manuscript Curators, and Records Managers, by Lewis and Lynn Lady Bellardo. This work is a part of the Archival Fundamentals Series and replaces the 1974 SAA Basic Glossary by Frank B. Evans. Order from: SAA, 600 S. Federal, Suite 504, Chicago, IL 60605. Price: \$19 members; \$25 non-members.

Guide to the Basic Technical Equipment Required by Audio, Film, and Television Archives. Issued by the Coordinating Committee for the Technical Commissions of international organizations for audio, film, and television archives, with the support of UNESCO, the guide is available in the United States from the Belfer Audio Lab at Syracuse University. Order from: Karen Stevenson Edgar, Belfer Audio Lab, Syracuse University, 222 Waverly Avenue, Syracuse, New York 13244. Price: \$15. Contact Edgar for ordering details.

Guidelines for Arrangement and Description of Archives and Manuscripts: A Manual for Historical Records Programs in New York State, prepared by Kathleen D. Roe, is intended to provide basic instruction on arrangement and description practice. Order from: SARA (New York State Archives and Records Administration), Room 9B44 Cultural Education Center, Albany, NY 12230. Price: none listed.

Mass Deacidification Systems: Planning and Decision Making, by Karen Turko, describes five mass deacidification methods. Order from: ARL, 1527 New Hampshire Ave. NW, Washington, D.C. 20036. Price: none listed.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 1, 1992

Elements of Preservation Management, co-sponsored by SAA and The Society of Florida Archivists Contact: Evelyn Frangakis, SAA, 600 S. Federal, Suite 504, Chicago, IL 60605

April 8-10, 1992

A Workshop on Preservation Microfilming, Northeast Document Conservation Center, Andover, MA Contact: Mark Robinson, NDCC, 100 Brickstone Square, Andover, MA 01810 (508) 470-1010

April 29-May 2, 1992

National Genealogical Society Conference in the States, Jacksonville, FL Contact: (703) 525-0050.

May 13-15, 1992

Southern Archivists Conference, Nashville, TN Contact: Bill Summers, Director of Southern Baptist Historical Library and Archives, Nashville.

May 19-22, 1992

Going to the Source, a workshop to help researchers learn to use archives and manuscripts repositories. Contact: Paula Nassen Poulos, Exhibits and Educational Programs Division (NEE), Washington, D.C. 20408 (202) 219-23126.

May 28-30, 1992

Southeastern Archives and Records Conference, Virginia Beach, VA Contact: (804) 786-5579.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 4-6, 1992

American Institute for Conservation of Historic and Artistic Works, 20th Annual Meeting, Buffalo Convention Center, Buffalo, NY Contact: Beth Kline, 1400 16th St, NW, Suite 340, Washington, D.C. (202) 232-6636.

June 15-26, 1992

26th Annual Georgia Archives Institute. Deadline for application: April 1. Contact: Dr. Donald E. Oehlerts, Clark Atlanta University, Atlanta, GA 30314 (404) 325-0778.

June 23-July 2, 1992

Primarily Teaching, a workshop for teachers. Contact: Wynell Schamel, Education Branch (NEEE), Washington, D.C. 20408 (202) 724-0454

July 15-18, 1992

NAGARA's annual meeting, Mayflower Hotel, Washington, D.C. Theme: "Expanding Horizons: Partnerships with Allied Professions." Contact: Marie Allen, NARA, Washington, D.C.

September 11-19, 1992

Society of American Archivists Annual Meeting/ with the Association of Canadian Archivists and the Congress of the International Council on Archives. Contact: SAA, 600 S. Federal, Suite 504, Chicago, IL 60605

October 24-25, 1992

International Conference on Disaster Prevention, Response, and Recovery at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge. Contact: Susan E. Schur, Technology & Conservation, One Emerson Place, Boston, MA 02114 (617) 277-8581.

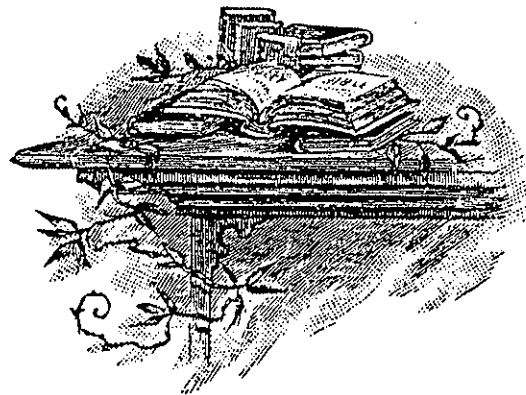
PUBLICATIONS

Photograph Preservation and the Research Library, compiled and published by the Research Libraries Group, consists of five papers presented at an RLG symposium in 1990. Order from: Distribution Services Center, The Research Libraries Group, Inc., 1200 Villa Street, Mountain View, CA 94901-1100. Price: \$5. Check made payable to RLG with the name of item specified.

Preservation of Library and Archival Materials, edited by Frank Pflieger, contains ten articles which focus on preservation as a function of environmental maintenance. Order from: The Association of Higher Education Facilities Officers, Alexandria, VA. Price: not available.

Records Retention for Public Colleges and Universities in Ohio: A Manual, developed by a committee of archivists, records managers, attorneys, registrars, and librarians in Ohio, presents details of the schedule developed for the retention and disposition of records common to public colleges in the state. The method described has relevance nationally. Order from: The InterUniversity Council of Ohio, Suite 800, 175 S. Third Street, Columbus, OH 43215-4101. Price: \$20 plus \$3 postage & handling.

Report on Archival Activity in the United States since Publication of "Planning for the Archival Profession," a two volume work by Victoria Irons Walch. Order from: SAA, 600 S. Federal, Suite 504, Chicago, IL 60605. Price: \$20.



ACCESSIONS

University of Mississippi

WAILES (DR. L.A.). 2pp., n.d.

TLS describes the 1st Mississippi Cavalry and its war service; Wailes was a member of the unit.

FAULKNER (WILLIAM) COLLECTION. ACCRETION. 1 p. April 13, 1922.

TLS of M. C. Falkner, Secretary of the University of Mississippi, regarding his son William's violation of the University's "Campus Rule concerning Drinking."

YOUNG (STARK) COLLECTION. ACCRETION. 15 pp., n.d.

Short story, "The Piano," probably by Stark Young Robertson. A.M., 4 pp., possibly by Stark Young Robertson. Robertson (1918-1936) was the nephew of Stark Young.

HANNAH (BARRY) COLLECTION. ACCRETION.

Long galleys with autograph corrections for his novel Ray.

WILLIAMS (TENNESSEE). ACCRETION. 1 linear ft.

Typescript for his first play Battle of Angels. The play, which was performed only during a short run in Boston, is dated November 26, 1940. The typescript is heavily annotated by the play's stage director and in a few instances by Williams. The text of the typescript differs significantly from the published text printed six years later in Pharos Magazine.

GRISHAM (JOHN Jr.) 1 linear ft.

TLS accompanied by the rough galleys and spiral bound production set galleys of his first novel A Time to Kill.

Mississippi Department of Archives and History

Manuscripts Collections

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY, DEPARTMENT OF MISSISSIPPI, RECORDS. 1940s-1960s. 1 cu. ft.

Included are correspondence, financial records, memoranda, minutes, printed material, and other records of the American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Mississippi. Presented by the Canton Public Library, Canton, Mississippi.

BRUNINI, GRANTHAM, GROWER, AND HEWES RECORDS. 1900s-1940s. 50 cu. ft.

Correspondence, financial records, and legal case files of the Brunini law firm which was originally organized by John B. Brunini and J. K. Hirsch in Vicksburg, Mississippi, in 1903. The law firm continues as Brunini, Grantham, Grower, and Hewes with principal offices located in the Trustmark National Bank Building, Jackson, Mississippi. Of particular interest are a series of politically oriented files documenting the involvement of John B. Brunini and Edmund L. Brunini in various federal, state, and local election campaigns. Presented by Edmund L. Brunini, Sr., Jackson, Mississippi.

CHAMBERLAIN (JOHN DARDEN) DIARY. 1878-1880. 0.10 cu. ft.

Photocopy of an original diary documenting the experiences of Jefferson County, Mississippi, farmer John Darden Chamberlain from January 25, 1878, to September 16, 1880. Made available for photocopying by Kathryn C. Ellis, Port Gibson, Mississippi.

FINE ARTS CLUB (JACKSON) RECORDS. 1930s-1960s. 1 cu. ft.

Included are minutes, scrapbooks, and yearbooks of the Fine Arts Club of Jackson, Mississippi. Presented by Evelyn G. Carter, Jackson, Mississippi.

FORDICE (DANIEL KIRKWOOD) INAUGURAL COMMITTEE RECORDS. 1992. 0.66 cu. ft.

Included are invitations to the inauguration and inaugural ball of Republican Governor Daniel Kirkwood Fordice and a poster and program commemorating the inauguration of Governor Fordice. Presented by Michael Hennen, Jackson, Mississippi.

ACCESSIONS

HOWRY FAMILY PAPERS. 1840s-1960s; n.d. 2 cu. ft.

Included are correspondence, financial and legal records, genealogical, literary, and social papers, photographs, and printed material associated with the Charles Bowen Howry family of Oxford, Mississippi. Howry was the law partner of J. W. T. Falkner, grandfather of writer William Faulkner, and associate justice of the United States Court of Claims, Washington, D.C., from 1897 to 1915. Purchased from Carmen D. Valentino, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

MCPHAIL (HARTWELL) WORLD WAR II MEMOIR. 1990. 0.33 cu. ft.

Typescript memoir entitled "Anchors Aweigh, 1942-1946" documenting Hartwell McPhail's service as a commissioned officer in the United States Navy during World War II. Presented by Hartwell McPhail, Clinton, Mississippi.

MISSISSIPPI HISTORICAL SOCIETY RECORDS, ACCRETION. 1950s-1980s. 0.10 cu. ft.

Included are copies of the charter, constitution, and bylaws of the Mississippi Historical Society and any amendments thereto. Presented by the Mississippi Historical Society, Jackson.

NATCHEZ GARDEN CLUB RECORDS, ACCRETION. 1976-1991. 1 cu. ft.

Correspondence, plans and elevations, reports, and other records documenting the partial restoration of the 1841 William Johnson House by the Preservation Society of Ellicott Hill, a non-profit affiliate of the Natchez Garden Club, after the property was acquired from descendants of William Johnson in 1976. The William Johnson House was later acquired by the National Park Service as a component of the Natchez National Historical Park in 1991. William Johnson was a successful free-black entrepreneur of Natchez who kept a detailed diary of his activities from 1835 until he was murdered in 1851. Johnson's diary was first published by the Louisiana State University Press in 1951. Presented by the Natchez Garden Club, Natchez, Mississippi.

PHILLIPS (TRUMAN) WORLD WAR II DIARY. 1944. 0.10 cu. ft.

Photocopy of an original diary of Truman Phillips, a Mississippian who served in the Eighth Air Force in England during World War II, documenting a series of twenty-five bombing missions in Czechoslovakia, Denmark, France, Germany, and the Netherlands from July 11, 1944, to September 30, 1944. Made available for photocopying by Truman Phillips, Bay Springs, Mississippi.

ROYSTER (W. J.) CIVIL WAR MEMOIR. 1907. 0.10 cu. ft.

Memoir of W. J. Royster, Yazoo City, Mississippi, formerly of Wirt Adams' Regiment, Cavalry, Company K, concerning the sinking of the federal gunboat, the U.S.S. Baron de Kalb, in the Yazoo River in 1863. Transferred from the library subject file, Mississippi Department of Archives and History, Jackson.

SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION (MISSISSIPPI) RECORDS. 1960s-1990s. 0.33 cu. ft.

Included are the constitution and bylaws and scattered correspondence, memoranda, minutes, printed material, reports, and other records of the Mississippi Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. Presented by the Mississippi Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, Jackson.

Graphic Records Collections

CONNER (MIKE) PHOTOGRAPH. ca. 1911. 1 item. 0.10 l.i.

One 3"x4.5" black-and-white photograph of Mike Conner while attending Yale University. Presented by Peter Quinn, New York, New York.

COOPER (FORREST LAMAR) POSTCARD COLLECTION. ca. 1900-1963. approx. 4,600 items. 46 l.i.

Approximately 4,600 black-and-white and color postcards of small towns, railroads, mineral springs, and agricultural and forestry activities representing over 200 locations throughout Mississippi, with the exception of Jackson. The majority of cards predate World War I and about 600 are "Realphotos," actual photographs printed on postcards. Purchased from Forrest Lamar Cooper, Florence, Mississippi.

"GUARD HOUSE, CAMP JACKSON, MISS." PHOTOGRAPH. ca. 1917. 1 item. 0.10 l.i.

One 8"x10" black-and-white photograph of the Guard House at Camp Jackson. Presented by Grady H. Mordecai, Vicksburg, Mississippi.

ACCESSIONS

HEIDELBERG HOTEL ARCHITECTURAL DRAWINGS. 1938-1960. 27 items. 2.70 li.

Twenty-seven sheets of architectural drawings of the Heidelberg Hotel, Jackson, Mississippi; drawings include the 1938 and 1947 alterations and improvements by the firm R. W. Naef and the 1960 addition by James T. Canizaro. Presented by Britt Maxwell, Jackson, Mississippi.

KEESLER AIR FORCE BASE POSTCARDS. ca. 1945. 8 items. 0.80 li.

Four color postcards of Keesler Field, Biloxi, Mississippi, and four color postcards of Gulfport Field, Gulfport, Mississippi. Purchased from Keesler Air Force Base, Biloxi, Mississippi.

MERCANTILE LUMBER COMPANY PANORAMIC PHOTOGRAPH. ca. 1913. 1 item. 0.25 li.

One 6"x33" black-and-white photograph of the Mercantile Lumber Company in Jackson, Mississippi. Presented by Betty L. Duckworth, Jackson, Mississippi.

Cartographic Records Collections

HISTORIC SITES IN PONTOTOC COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI. 1990. 1 item. 0.10 li.

One 46 cm. x 62 cm. map of Pontotoc County, Mississippi compiled by the Pontotoc County Historical Society, with twenty-eight historic sites identified and described. Presented by James E. Garrison, Murray, Kentucky.

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