SAA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TESTIFIES
BEFORE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON NHPRC

Testifying before the Treasury, Postal Service and General Government Subcommittee of the House Committee on Appropriations, April 10, Ann Morgan Campbell, Executive Director of the Society of American Archivists, portrayed the need for increased funding for the National Historical Publications and Records Commission.

The mission, membership, appropriations authorization and name of the former National Historical Publications Commission were expanded by Public Law 93-536, approved by Congress and the President in December 1974. The additional appropriation authorized for NHPRC, an increase from the FY75 funding level of $2 million to $4 million, is not included in the Administration's budget.

"It is particularly appropriate, as we approach the 200th anniversary of this nation's birth, that a program be started to make more readily available to the people of this land the records of their heritage and their accomplishments," Ms. Campbell suggested. Citing potential beneficiaries of the program ranging from academic historians to high school students, Ms. Campbell told the lawmakers that her statement reflected the concerns of the American Association for State and Local History, and the joint committee on historians and archives of the American Historical Association, the Organization of American Historians and the SAA.

At the conclusion of Ms. Campbell's statement, Subcommittee Chairman Tom Steed (D-Oklahoma), a congressman particularly interested in sources for historical research, noted that all Americans had joined archivists in appreciating the importance of historical documents during the Watergate controversies.

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NOMINATING COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES
CANDIDATES FOR SAA OFFICES

The Society's Nominating Committee has selected the following candidates for SAA offices:

Vice President (becomes president 10/76)
Harold T. Pinkett, National Archives
Robert M. Warner, University of Michigan

Treasurer
Howard L. Applegate, Balch Institute
Edmund Berkeley, Jr., University of Virginia

Council Seat I (4 year term)
Dennis East, Wayne State University
Edward Weldon, New York State Archives

Council Seat II (4 year term)
Andrea Hinding, University of Minnesota
John Kinney, Texas State Archives

1976 Nominating Committee
Seat I
Kathleen Jacklin, Cornell University
William L. Rofes, International Business Machines Corporation

Seat II
Lynn B. Donovan, California Historical Society
Sara Jackson, National Archives

Seat III
Cleo A. Hughes, Tennessee State Library
A. Robert N. Woadden, Toronto City Archives

Additional nominees may be placed on the ballot by a petition signed by 50 members of the Society. Deadline for receipt of petitions in the executive director's office is July 1, 1975. Ballots will be mailed to SAA individual members around July 20, 1975. Nominating committee members were David Olson, Sylvie Turner, Walter Rundell, Jr., Miriam Crawford and Carroll Hart.
On December 19, 1974, President Ford signed into law the Presidential Recordings and Materials Preservation Act (P.L. 93-526). The law is concerned with the preservation of, and public access to, the presidential materials of Richard Nixon, as well as the establishment of a Public Documents Commission (see January and March Newsletters) to study issues regarding the control, disposition and preservation of records of all federal officials.

In a voluminous report delivered to Congress March 19, 1975, the General Services Administration and the National Archives and Records Service complied with their responsibility under the act to draft regulations to govern general public access to White House tapes, papers and materials. GSA/NARS officials were charged with taking into account a series of specified needs: to provide the public at the earliest reasonable date with the "full truth" of the abuses of governmental power popularly identified under the generic term "Watergate," to make available the tapes and materials for judicial proceedings, to protect the integrity of national security information by restricting it from general public access, to protect individual rights to a fair and impartial trial, to protect any party's opportunity to assert rights and privileges which would prevent or limit access to these materials, to provide public access to materials of general historical significance not related to abuses of power, and to return to former President Nixon any tapes or materials which are not related to abuses of power and are not otherwise of general historical significance.

In an effort to clarify definitions for the project at the outset, the report devotes nine pages to a compilation of "abuses of governmental power identified under the generic term Watergate," and three additional pages to the meaning of "general historical significance," a term not currently defined in any United States statute.

To create a framework in which decisions concerning processing and release of the presidential materials could be made, GSA/NARS established a number of goals: to rely on the professionalism and experience of archivists in screening and reviewing the materials, to ensure that archivists are not subject to improper pressure, to establish an objective review mechanism to make difficult decisions on access and restrictions, to audit the day-to-day work of the professional archivists, and to provide an opportunity for Richard Nixon and other individuals to protect their constitutional rights.

The report proposes the establishment of a panel of senior NARS archivists to assist project personnel in day-to-day decisionmaking. A Presidential Materials Review Board consisting of the Archivist of the United States, the Librarian of Congress and one person nominated by the Council of the Society of American Archivists will have four major functions: rendering specific decisions upon request of the archivists in difficult cases or those involving conflicting objectives (e.g., "full truth" vis-à-vis protection of an innocent person's privacy); reviewing, before public notice is given, categories of materials deemed to be private or personal and proposed for return to the owner by archivists in the course of processing; hearing appeals from all interested parties relating to decisions made by archivists with respect to private or personal materials, those having no general historical significance, and restrictions imposed in accordance with the regulations; and establishing, through their actions and decisions, guidelines for the processing and review of the materials by the archivists in accordance with the law and published regulations.

The 27,000 cubic feet of Nixon presidential materials in the government's possession is currently stored in three locations—the Executive Office Building, the National Archives Building and the Washington National Records Center, Suitland, Maryland.

The GSA/NARS report proposes a staff of approximately 100 persons for the project and plans to process the most sensitive Nixon materials first. In that way, GSA estimates that, soon after the start of processing, some of the most well-known Watergate materials can be made available; and that virtually all of the Watergate materials can be made available to the public within three years from the start of processing. The estimated cost of the three year project is over $7 million.

The report emphasizes that archival processing is a complex and time-consuming procedure. For example, it estimates that approximately four staff days will be necessary to complete
$7,000,000 PROJECT (continued)

archival processing on one cubic foot of high priority presidential materials. The files of the president and his top staff (4,500 cubic feet) and the White House Central files (1,200 cubic feet) are included in this high priority category. A staff of 41 is proposed to undertake papers processing.

Also to be processed are approximately 880 reels of tape, containing some 5,000 hours of conversation reproduced on the voice-activated recorders in the White House, Executive Office Building, cabinet room and Camp David. The Special Prosecutor's Office estimated that their staff expended fifty hours of transcribing time for each hour of taped conversation. In the most difficult cases, this process was repeated five times by different individuals to obtain nearly perfect (99 percent accurate) transcripts. A staff of 41 is proposed for the project of transcribing presidential tapes. Salaries, equipment and supplies are estimated to cost $2,000,000 for the tape project.

Twenty two other staff members are programmed for the project, bringing the total staff level to 103.

The regulations proposed in the GSA/NARS report will take effect after ninety legislative days have elapsed from its submission unless they are disapproved by a resolution adopted by either House of Congress. Hearings have been scheduled to consider the report in May.

Implementation of the proposal, if it is accepted by Congress, is expected to be delayed for up to eighteen months because of court litigation. In an announcement April 21, officials of the University of Southern California said that Mr. Nixon intends to give his presidential papers and tapes to that institution if the Presidential Recordings and Materials Preservation Act is declared unconstitutional. (The Act provides for Federal custody in the Washington, D.C. area.)

KENNEDY LIBRARY SITE ABANDONED

The John F. Kennedy Library Corporation announced that it has abandoned plans to build a memorial museum to the late president in Cambridge. The Kennedy archives may still be housed there. The $27 million library-museum had aroused considerable opposition from residents of the congested Harvard Square area.

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Responding to Representative Clarence E. Miller (R-Ohio), who asked what the consequences would be if FY76 appropriations were not increased, Ms. Campbell suggested that the present historical publications program might, necessarily, be curtailed in order to provide support for added Commission responsibilities in the records field. Complete transcripts of Ms. Campbell's statement are available from the office of the executive director.

In a February meeting in Washington, the expanded Commission, including SAA representation for the first time, considered policy options for the records program prepared by a consultant, Herbert E. Angel, former Deputy Archivist of the United States. It is anticipated that a plan of action will be adopted in a meeting scheduled for the University of Iowa, April 29, 1975. A tentative decision was made in February to earmark $100,000 from available FY75 funds for the records program.

HUMPHREY PAPERS DEDUCTION DISALLOWED; NEWMAN INDICTED IN NIXON DEED CASE

The office of Hubert Humphrey recently announced that IRS disallowed a $199,153 deduction from the Senator's 1969-1972 federal tax returns which was taken in return for a donation of his vice-presidential papers to the Minnesota Historical Society.

The value of Humphrey's papers had been set by Ralph Newman, who had also appraised the pre-presidential papers of Richard Nixon that were donated to the National Archives. Newman was indicted February 19 for his role in the affair in which the former president claimed $482,000 in deductions. They were disallowed when IRS claimed that the deed for the papers had been backdated. In the Humphrey case, however, there was no question of fraud. IRS ruled that his gift did not qualify as a charitable deduction because he had limited access to his papers for 25 years.

ARCHIVES IN AUSTERITY: ARE USERS' FEES AN ANSWER?

Severe budget stringencies which now prevail in many archival and manuscript depositories have led administrators to seek new sources of income and new methods of reducing expenditures.

Several programs planned for SAA '75, the Philadelphia annual meeting, will address this topic. Members of the staff of the Kennedy Library, where volunteers outnumber paid employees, will present a workshop on using voluntary assistance. Another major program session will consider users' fees as a means to increase income as well as strategies to cut operating costs. The art of grantsmanship will be another workshop topic.

A random survey conducted by the executive director's office of institutions presently operating under a fee policy indicated that all respondents charged non-members $1 daily for library privileges.

The Maryland Historical Society has charged for the use of its library by non-members since 1966. However, most Maryland universities participate in a plan which allows students and faculty members privileges if their institution pays a yearly fee of $50. The Virginia Historical Society instituted users' fees in 1972 and offers $8 annual passes as well as a daily fee. The Historical Society of Pennsylvania offers a six month pass for $7.50, an amount which is exactly one half of an annual membership which also includes a journal subscription.

Two California agencies established fee policies in 1975. The Serra Museum Research Library of the San Diego Historical Society offers a $1 daily/$3 annual card. In addition to imposing a daily users' fee, the California Historical Society now charges a minimum of $5 for handling written requests for research information. A survey taken by CHS last fall indicated that less than two percent of their 6000 library users in 1974 were members.

Asked to evaluate fee policies, administrators reported they have led to increases in membership and, in general, no decrease in usage. One institution indicated that the income derived from users' fees (about $3,000 annually) covered library binding costs.

In a statement issued in September 1973, the joint committee on historians and archives of AHA/OAH/SAA argued that users' fees "impose a means test on scholars which would shut out impecunious or poverty-stricken young persons, no matter what their ability, while giving special privileges to those who, in effect, are able to purchase access to materials which is denied to others on grounds which have no relation to their potential scholarly contributions." On the other hand, a director of an institution with a fee policy noted that college students usually have $3 available for movie tickets.

The Society's Committee on Reference and Access is considering conducting a more thorough study of fee systems.

PEOPLE AND PAPERS IN MASSACHUSETTS

A Boston newspaper reported April 17 that "During their recent City Hall housecleaning, Cambridge officials found a trove of old records and ledgers, many going back to the 18th century. Cambridge had lots of English and few Irish names on its records then, and when someone purchased alcohol the seller had to report who bought it and why."

The New Yorker of April 14 covered a commemoration at Harvard of the fortieth anniversary of the death of Oliver Wendell Holmes. The retrospective exhibit of Holmesiana assembled by Morris Cohen, law school librarian, and Erika S. Chadbourn, curator of manuscripts and archives, received the magazine's attention. The exhibit will travel next to the Supreme Court.

Over 10,000 persons attended a Presidential Festival sponsored April 5-12 by the Kennedy Library and Temple Mishkan Tefila. A demonstration of the Library's belief that it serves as a public educational institution with a variety of resources which can be combined in a number of ways to serve a range of different publics, the event featured exhibits, films and speakers such as SAA President and Archivist of the United States James B. Rhoads, former Speaker of the House John W. McCormack, historian Arthur M. Schlesinger, Jr., Secretary of Labor John T. Dunlop, and former White House aides Elizabeth Carpenter and David F. Powers. An educational film, With the Stroke of a Pen, produced by Larry Hackman of the Library staff, was introduced. Heavily dependent on sources from the institution's textual and film archives, it will be shown as a part of an archival film festival at SAA '75, the Philadelphia annual meeting.
The Society's Committee on Reference and Access, chaired by Sylvie Turner of the Kennedy Library, has prepared the following draft statement on the reproduction of manuscripts and archives for noncommercial purposes. Comments of the membership are solicited and should be addressed to the executive director. Members of the committee include Mary Boone Bowling, Columbia University; Joan Lee Howard, Johnson Library; Leona P. Berry, Eastern Michigan State University; Patricia B. Gatherum, Ohio Historical Society; Geraldine N. Phillips, National Archives; Michael F. Plunkett, University of Virginia; Jean F. Preston, Huntington Library; Sue E. Holbert, Minnesota Historical Society; Elaine Everly, National Archives; Richard A. Jacobs, National Archives; William L. Joyce, American Antiquarian Society; Patricia Kennedy, Public Archives of Canada; Mary Jo Pugh, University of Michigan; Brenda Reger, National Archives and Karyl Winn, University of Washington.

Statement on the Reproduction of Manuscripts and Archives for Noncommercial Uses

1. It is the responsibility of a library, archives, or manuscript repository to assist researchers by making or having made reproductions of any material in its possession, for research purposes, subject to certain conditions. Manuscript and archival materials may be reproduced if:
   a. The condition of the originals will permit such reproduction.
   b. The originals have no gift, purchase, or legal restrictions on reproduction.

2. No repository shall be expected to reproduce a complete manuscript collection or archival record group or extensive portions therefrom, the limitation to be set by the owning repository. The repository may, by a special agreement, do so for the mutual advantage of individuals and other institutions and may offer such copies for sale on its own behalf.

3. The price of reproductions shall be set by the repository, which should endeavor to keep charges to a minimum.

4. Copies should be made for the use of individual researchers and educational institutions as follows.
   a. Repositories which permit their manuscript and archival collections to be reproduced in whole or in part must specify before the copies are made what restrictions, if any, have been placed on the use or further reproduction of the copies.
   b. Repositories may require that purchasers agree in writing to abide by any restrictions.
   c. All reproductions should identify the source of the original manuscript collection or archival record group.

5. The repository should inform the researcher:
   a. When and under what conditions permission to make extensive direct quotation from or to print in full any reproduction must be obtained from the institution owning the originals.
   b. That in the case of material under copyright, the right to quote or print, beyond fair use, must also be obtained by the researcher from the copyright owner.
   c. That the researcher assumes legal responsibility for observing common law literary rights, property rights, and libel laws.
   d. Of known retention of literary rights.

6. No repository should be expected to service mail inquiries for photoduplication services which shall require subjective criteria for selection of material to be duplicated. Mail requests must be reasonably specific, and reasonable limits may be set by the repository.
NEH ANNOUNCES SUPPORT FOR ARCHIVAL PROJECTS

The National Endowment for the Humanities has recently announced the following grants of interest to the profession:

Up to $130,000 to the Newberry Library, Chicago, to prepare for publication a catalog of approximately 13,000 pre-1900 printed maps, atlases and city plans of seven midwestern states. David Woodward, project director.

Up to $85,959 to the University of Illinois at Chicago Circle for microfilming and editing of the papers of Jane Addams. Mary Lynn McCree, project director.

Up to $278,000 to the Social Welfare History Archives of the University of Minnesota to produce a guide to sources for the study of women's history in the United States. NEH's grant is supplemented by $50,000 from the University of Minnesota. Clarke Chambers and Andrea Hinding, project directors.

$40,938 to the Academy of American Franciscan History, Potomac, Maryland, to support work on a calendar of documents of the Propaganda Fide in Rome. The Propaganda Fide was established in 1622 to direct mission work. Finbar Kenneally, O.F.M., project director.

$21,563 to the Newberry Library, Chicago, for work on a three-volume work related to Cheyenne Indians. One volume will be a bibliography of books and manuscripts. Peter Powell, project director.

Up to $100,000 to Radcliffe College to microfilm manuscript collections relating to the Women's Trade Union League and its principal leaders. Edward T. James, project director.

Up to $24,949 to the University of California at Los Angeles to establish an inventory of Machiavellian autographs in European and American archives. Fredi Chiappelli, project director.

A morning workshop during SAA '75, the Philadelphia annual meeting, September 30-October 3, will address itself to grants. NEH representatives will be available in the afternoon for conferences with SAA members regarding potential projects.

The SAA Newsletter will cover grants made for archival projects on a regular basis. Members could assist in this effort by furnishing information to the office of the executive director.

PUBLIC DOCUMENTS: AMERICAN ASSEMBLY MEETS--COMMISSION AWAITS APPOINTMENTS

In a report made public April 10, the American Assembly urged that the nation end "immediately" the practice of allowing presidents or their heirs to own all papers of a president's years in office. It recommended that the same principle of public ownership apply to the records of all federal officials—members of Congress, Supreme Court justices and other judges, and officials and employees in federal agencies.

The Assembly reached its conclusions at a three-day session held earlier in the month in Harriman, New York. Participating were archivists, historians, public officials, political scientists, journalists and lawyers.

The group also recommended that the National Archives and Records Service become an independent agency with responsibility to manage all government records, including those of presidents.

Historian Norman Graebner, University of Virginia, a member of the National Archives Advisory Council and the AHA/OAH/SAA Joint Committee on Historians and Archives, prepared a 10,000 word background monograph which was presented before deliberations began. It is available at $1 from American Assembly, Columbia University, New York, NY 10027.

The Public Documents Commission created by legislation signed December 19, 1974 by the President, has not yet been convened to begin its study of problems with respect to the control, disposition and preservation of records produced by or on behalf of Federal officials. Although the President stated in signing the measure last year that he would name Presidential appointees "as quickly as possible," no announcements have been made by the White House. Since one of the three public members appointed by the President will be designated to chair the group, deliberations cannot begin until White House selections are made. SAA will be represented by Herman Kahn, OAH by Frank Freidel and AHA by William Leuchtenburg. Representatives Edward Mezvinsky (D-Iowa) and Robert J. Lagomarsino (R-California) will represent the House.

The Commission's reporting date is March 1976. Unless appointments are made soon, and the Commission convened, the reporting date will probably be extended by Congressional action.

Copy deadline for the July SAA Newsletter is June 18, 1975.
Dear Member:

Do you want to raise professional standards, improve the quality of Society publications, have better programs, and provide more help to members?

Most of the work of the Society of American Archivists is done by its voluntary committees. Here's your chance to take part; committee work gives everyone an opportunity for significant professional development and ensures the growth and vitality of the Society and the profession. If you wish to be considered for a committee assignment for 1975-76, please complete the form below and send it by June 15, 1975, to the office of the executive director.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Hamer Kegan, SAA Vice President

APPLICATION FOR SAA COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT, 1975 - 1976

Please indicate up to three committees in order of preference (1, 2, and 3):

( ) American Revolution Bicentennial (ad hoc)  ( ) International Archival Affairs
( ) Archives - Library Relationships  ( ) Labor Archives
( ) Archives of Science  ( ) Machine Readable Archives
( ) Aural and Graphic Records  ( ) Oral History
( ) Buildings and Technical Equipment  ( ) Preservation Methods
( ) Business Archives  ( ) Records Management
   Church Archives (see Religious Archives)  ( ) Reference and Access Policies
   Collecting Personal Papers & Manuscripts  ( ) Regional Archival Activity
   College and University Archives  ( ) Religious Archives
   Committee to Develop a Publications Program (ad hoc)  ( ) State and Local Records
   Education and Professional Development  ( ) Status of Women
   Finding Aids  ( ) Terminology and Statistics
   Preservation Methods  ( ) Urban Archives

Suggestions for other committees, or comments:

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NAME & TITLE: ________________________

INSTITUTION: ________________________

MAILING ADDRESS: ________________________

BUSINESS PHONE NUMBER: ________________________

RETURN THIS FORM BY JUNE 15, 1975 to: Ann Morgan Campbell, Executive Director, SAA Committee Assignments
The Library, P.O. Box 8198
University of Illinois, Chicago Circle
Chicago, Illinois 60680
Historic buildings and leading cultural institutions will be sites for events during the Society's annual meeting in Philadelphia, September 30-October 3, 1975.

The American Philosophical Society will be the setting for a conservation workshop (another full-day conservation workshop will be presented at the convention hotel at another time) as well as a committee meeting. All convention participants will want to visit the special exhibit the APS Library will mount for the SAA. Among the items on display will be a copy of the Declaration of Independence entirely in the hand of Thomas Jefferson. The document, prepared for Richard Henry Lee, contains Jefferson's marginalia noting suggestions of Adams and Franklin for changes in his draft. With this will be shown one of 18 copies known to exist of the first printing of the Declaration. Another of the copies recently was sold for over $400,000. Also on exhibit will be a copy of the first printing of the Constitution with marginal notes by Franklin, a first edition of Jefferson's Notes on Virginia, and the Lewis and Clark Journals which Jefferson deposited with the Society in 1816.

Independence Hall will be the site for a session in which historians discuss sources for the study of the people of the revolutionary era. The University of Delaware will be host for a complimentary tour and luncheon meeting of the College and University Archives Committee, while the Presbyterian Historical Society will serve as a meeting site for the Religious Archives Committee.

Eleutherian Mills Historical Library will be the destination of a complimentary all-day tour and program session designed particularly for business archivists and records managers.

Among other institutions which will be sites for SAA events are the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia City Hall, the Franklin Institute and Temple University's Urban Archives Collection.

Meeting programs and complete registration data will be mailed to individual and institutional members July 15, 1975. Specific advance information may be obtained on request from the executive director's office.

COPYING AND COPYRIGHT

In Williams & Wilkins Co. vs United States, a case expected to result in a landmark decision regarding the photocopying of copyrighted material, the Supreme Court deadlocked 4-4. Justice Blackman did not participate in the ruling which was announced February 25. Left standing was a decision by the Court of Claims that such copying—in this case by the National Library of Medicine—did not constitute copyright infringement.

The majority ruling of the Court of Claims noted the entire issue was "preeminently a problem for Congress" and expressed the hope that Congress would soon enact "its preferred solution." One of the dissenters, however, termed the majority's decision "the Dred Scott decision of copyright law."

REGIONAL CONSERVATION CENTER GUIDELINES ESTABLISHED

The National Conservation Advisory Council has issued suggested guidelines for planning and organization of regional conservation centers. George M. Cunha, chairman of SAA's Preservation Methods Committee, served as a member of the Council's Regional Centers Study Committee which was chaired by Marigene H. Butler. Copies of the guidelines are available from the executive director's office.
J O B A P P L I C A N T S

POSITION as ARCHIVIST or MSS. CURATOR with supervisory responsibilities desired. B.A. in political science, M.A. in history, Ph.D. candidate in American history. Specialties in colonial period and 19th century; course in archival administration. Two years' with state historical survey, presently serving as its librarian, editing guide to its collections, and supervising full-time staff. Experience with all aspects of archival and ms. work. Eleven years' teaching experience, publications. Resume avail, from Exec. Dir. A-268.

M.A. in AMERICAN COLONIAL HISTORY, attended graduate program with a major in history museum training. Nine years' experience in archives/historical mss. work including donor relations and purchase, accessioning, arrangement, preparation of finding aids, cataloging, reference, public relations, and administration. Seeking a responsible position with archives or historical mss. repository. Resume avail. from Exec. Dir. A-288.

ARCHIVAL or RESEARCH POSITION desired. Ph.D. candidate in European and Canadian history with emphasis on Canadian West; research in French military records. Completion of degree February 1976. Experience in teaching, administration, public relations and archival research. Excellent command of French. Resume avail. from Exec. Dir. A-263.


M.L.S., fifteen years' experience in special collections, historical and literary manuscript, and university archives. Experience includes administration, acquisitions, arrangement and description, and reference. Research with publications; major bibliographical and historical projects in progress. Prefers West but will relocate. Resume avail. from Exec. Dir. A-293.

Ph.D. in recent AMERICAN HISTORY seeking responsible position in archives of ms. repository. Over two years' full-time experience in major univ. archives, including accessioning, arranging and cataloging of collections, and supervision of part-time employees. Resume avail. from Exec. Dir. A-295.

CURATOR of collection of graphic media, especially photographs, prints and drawings, and architectural drawings; experience in cataloging and arrangement, conservation, administration, acquisitions, exhibits and reference. M.A. in American history, teaching experience. Seeking a position in archives or special collections with opportunity for creativity and expansive curatorial responsibilities. Resume available from Exec. Dir. A-295.

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ASSISTANT HEAD of SPECIAL COLLECTIONS DEPARTMENT to assume major role in identification, collection and processing of archival material for Univ. archives. Continue inventorying Univ. records, assist in formulation of record disposal schedules. Responsibilities include supervision of processing of ms. collections, training of ms. processors, supervision of organization of collections, as well as routine reference work, assistance and correspondence. M.A., preferably in history or political science, experience in mss. and/or archival or records management training, supervisory ability required. Knowledge of Univ. and Cincinnati helpful. Apply to: Mrs. Helen Stockin, Head, Special Collections Department, Univ. of Cincinnati Libraries, Main Library, Room 610, Cincinnati, OH 45221.
MUSEUM CURATOR to administer exhibit hall, art gallery, library, archives and gift shop with assistance of staff of two. Klutznick Exhibit Hall is a small museum devoted to exhibits on American Jewish history, Jewish history, Jewish ceremonial objects and fine arts. Seeking person with B.A. and broad museum experience, or M.A. in history or art. Strong Jewish background essential. Available early summer, salary open. Send resume to Yale Goldberg, B’nai B’rith, 1640 Rhode Island Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036.

ARCHIVIST to process the personal and business records of Thomas C. Power, U.S. Senator and frontier entrepreneur. One year grant project has provided an opening at Montana Historical Society which must be filled immediately. Completion of the project must include the generation of a published guide to the Collection. Master’s degree in U.S. history or Library Science, some experience or training in archival/manuscripts procedures is required. A knowledge of western history is desired. Beginning salary is $10,900. Send resume to: Brian Cockhill, Archivist, Montana Historical Society, 225 N. Roberts, Helena, MT 9601.

ARCHIVIST for TEMPORARY POSITION arranging and cataloging business archives. A.B. in history, M.S.L.S., course work in archival administration required. Position offers valuable experience with firm specializing in business archives and records management. Possibility of further assignment; location is near Albany, NY. Apply to Helen Cushman, Director, H. M. Baker Associates, 528 Coleman Place, Westfield, NJ 07090. (201) 232-7664.

HEAD, EAST ASIA COLLECTION, open Spring 1975. Supervise cataloging of Chinese and Japanese language monographs and serials for College Park libraries. Provide reference service in East Asian subject field in Chinese, Japanese and English languages. Responsible for collection development and cataloging in Chinese and Japanese language materials; supervise the cataloging and arranging of special Japanese language collection. Represent library on faculty Committee on East Asian Studies. Accredited M.L.S., native or equivalent fluency in Japanese, reading ability in Chinese, four years' professional experience (with one year comparable to Librarian I) required. Advanced degree in East Asian field may substitute for up to two years' experience. Send resume to Robert L. Beare, Collections, McKeldin Library, Univ. of Maryland, College Park, MD 20742.

DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL COLLECTIONS. Develop and supervise Department of Special Collections, consisting primarily of Texas and Mexican War materials. Requirements: Master's degree from accredited library school plus experience with mss. and rare books, or Ph.D. in history (preferably Southwest U.S. or Mexico) with minimum of three years' administrative experience with mss. and rarebooks. Must have knowledge of the Spanish language and Texas history. Editorial and bibliographic experience, knowledge of Texana collectors and Texas bookmen, certification in archival management desirable. Position open September 1, 1975. Salary $13,000 plus (12 months) depending on experience and qualifications. Equal opportunity, affirmative action employer. Send resume to: John A. Hudson, Univ. Librarian, P.O. Box 19218, Univ. of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX 76019.

ASSOCIATE LIBRARIAN for MSS. and ARCHIVES, Yale Univ. Library. Responsible for management of major ms. collections, official archives of the Univ. Direct staff of 20 engaged in acquisitions, preparation of finding aids, preservation, photocopying, research guidance and consultation to users of the 900 collections. Work closely with Yale and visiting faculty, Univ. officials, students. Formulate policy, handle staff and budget matters, solicit collections and conduct negotiations with donors. Special emphasis is being given to the acquisition of papers of important 20th century public persons. Report directly to Univ. Librarian. Desired qualifications include advanced degree in American history, eight years' experience as director or associate director of major ms. — archives operation, demonstrated administrative competence, ability to deal tactfully with academic and non-academic persons. Salary open and competitive, generous benefits. Position open January 1976, application deadline May 31, 1975. Send resume with references to: Pamela M. Dempsey, Assistant Librarian for Personnel, Yale Univ. Library, Box 1603A Yale Station, New Haven, CT 06520.

CHALLENGING OPPORTUNITY for proven administrator in midwestern state capital directing statewide records management and archives program. The right candidate would combine a background in records management, microfilming techniques, and services and archival storage. Advanced degree desired, experience more important. Supervise staff of 25, develop records management program for counties and municipalities, participate in development of a state COM operation. Salary dependent on experience and qualifications. Must be willing to innovate and develop new programs. Send resume to E-2, SAA Exec. Dir.
A workshop for religious and diocesan archivists is scheduled May 25-30, at Bergamo-Marianist Center, Dayton, Ohio. Sessions will be held on the entire area of gathering and preserving church documents, and on the development of an archival program. Costs, depending on accommodations, range from $150-$1000. Contact Norbert C. Brockman, S.M., Bergamo Center, Dayton, Ohio 45430. (513) 426-2363.

A course in the study of German script will be offered by the Archives of the Moravian Church, June 16-27, 1975, Bethlehem, PA. Training in reading of German script of the 18th and 19th centuries, as used in Germany and in America. $125 tuition, $25 materials. Room and board extra. Prerequisite: reading knowledge of German. Contact Archives of the Moravian Church, 1228 Main Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018. (215) 866-8255.

9th Annual Archives Institute, July 28-August 22, Atlanta. Emory University and Georgia Department of Archives & History. General instruction in basic concepts and practices of archival administration; experience in research use, management of traditional and modern documentary materials. Lectures, seminars, supervised lab work. $450 for those wishing 6 quarter hours graduate credit; $150 for non-credit participants. Contact Archives Institute, Department of Archives & History, Atlanta, GA 30334. (404) 656-2381.

Advanced and introductory workshops on college and university archives, June 8-13. See March Newsletter for details. Contact Ruth W. Helmuth, University Archivist, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio 44106.

14th annual Institute for Archival Studies, June 16-July 17, University of Denver, State Archives of Colorado, National Archives & Records Service. Intense course of study for persons employed in archival, library or related professions; also for advanced students of history, librarianship and related subjects. Presents theory, principles, and applied methodology of archives administration, primary resources, and related manuscript materials, with lectures, discussions and demonstrations. $315. Contact Dolores C. Renze, Director, Institute for Archival Studies, University of Denver, Department of History, Denver, Colorado 80210.

The 33rd Institute: Introduction to Modern Archives Administration, National Archives Building, September 15-26. While emphasizing public records and archives, deals with all phases of work with archives and manuscripts. Offered by the National Archives and American University, co-sponsored by the Library of Congress and the Maryland Hall of Records. Three semester hours of credit. Contact Frank B. Evans, Director, 33rd Archives Institute, Department of History, American University, Washington, D.C. 20016. (202) 686-2401.

5th Annual Archives-Library Institute, July 14-25, Ohio Historical Society, Columbus, Ohio. Concentrated program offering elementary-level archival training in collection, processing and reference of historical research materials. 102 lectures, workshops, discussion groups, demonstrations, allow each participant to choose own areas of study. Certificate. Tuition $200, not including lodging and meals. Contact David R. Larson, Ohio Historical Society, 171 & 17th Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43211. (614) 466-2066.


The Lake Ontario Archival Conference (formerly the New York State Manuscript Curators) is sponsoring a meeting May 16-17 at Buffalo and Erie County Historical Society, Buffalo. Panels, workshops. Contact H. Thomas Hickerson, 101 Olin Library, Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y. 14853. (607) 256-3530.

HISTORIANS, ARCHIVISTS AND THE PRIVACY ISSUE

Reprints of "Historians, Archivists and the Privacy Issue," by Walter Rundell, Jr. and Bruce F. Adams, are available free of charge from Walter Rundell, Jr., Chairman, Dept. of History, Univ. of Md., College Park, MD 20740.

The paper was presented by Mr. Rundell at the luncheon sponsored by SAA and MAC at the December meeting of the American Historical Association. It was first printed in Georgia Archive.
All nominations and submissions for SAA Awards, 1974-75, should be received by the office of the executive director no later than July 15. Selections will be made by appropriate subcommittees of the Committee on Awards which is chaired by Herbert E. Angel. Results will be announced at the annual meeting as a feature of the presidential banquet, October 2, 1975.

The Distinguished Service Award is a trophy presented to the Society by Leon de Valinger, Jr., Mary Givens Bryan and Dolores C. Renze. It confers recognition on archival institutions whose outstanding work has brought credit to the profession. The present holder is the South Carolina Department of Archives and History. The large trophy passes for a year to each institution that receives the award, and a smaller trophy is retained permanently. Nomination forms for this award are available from the executive director.

- SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE TO ARCHIVES INSTITUTE -

Applications are being accepted for a scholarship funded by the Colonial Dames of America and administered by the SAA to the 33rd Institute: Introduction to Modern Archives Administration, to be held at the National Archives in Washington, September 15-26.

The award will be made to a person actually working with archives and manuscripts in an institution whose collection includes a fair percentage of material pre-dating 1825, and which is not in a position to support this kind of training for its younger staff members. Eligible applicants must have been employed two years or less in the field of archives and manuscripts and plan on making the field their career. The award provides for transportation to and from Washington from the applicant's place of employment, tuition for the course levied by American University, and $25 per diem for a maximum of twelve days.

Resumes, accompanied by two letters of recommendation from persons who have a definite knowledge of the applicant's qualifications, should be submitted to Frank G. Burke, National Archives, Washington, D.C. 20408 by July 18, 1975.

The Waldo Gifford Leland Prize is a cash award made annually from the income derived from the Waldo Gifford Leland Prize Fund. The prize is awarded to the author of an outstanding published contribution in the field of archival history, theory, or practice. Finding aids as well as monographs and writings on archival theory or practice published during the preceding calendar year are eligible for the prize, but they must have appeared in letterpress.

The Philip M. Hamer Award of $200 is given annually to a junior editor who has done distinguished work on a documentary publication project sponsored or endorsed by the National Historical Publications and Records Commission.

The M. Claude Lane Award of $50.00 is funded annually by the Society of Southwest Archivists. It recognizes a person who has made a significant contribution in the field of religious archives.

- FELLOWS OF THE SOCIETY TO BE CHOSEN -

The Committee on Professional Standards asks the Society's members to submit the names of persons eligible for election as Fellows in 1975. According to the constitution, candidates for the honor must have been individual members of the Society in good standing for the past five years. They should have had advanced educational training and approximately five years of responsible experience in any field recognized by the Society as essential to the archival profession. In addition to having shown initiative, resourcefulness, and a sense of professional morale in their work, candidates should have produced professional writings of high quality. Send recommendations to the chairman of the Committee on Professional Standards: F. Gerald Ham, State Historical Society of Wisconsin, 816 State Street, Madison, WI 53706.

- JOB APPLICANTS (CONT'D) -

B.A. in HISTORY, M.A. in AMERICAN HISTORY near completion. Major study in American colonial and revolutionary history, minor areas of study include history of modern India and American social history. Desires beginning position in archival administration. Resume avail. from Exec. Dir. A-291.
REVISION OF 1969 TAX LAW PROPOSED

Citing the experience of the Library of Congress after enactment of the 1969 Tax Reform Act, a decrease in the pre-1969 average of 15 to 20 manuscript gifts each year from authors and literary artists, to no reported gifts in 1972 and 1973, and but one in 1974, Senator Jacob Javits and Representative John Brademas introduced bills in Congress April 15 to modify existing regulations regarding charitable contributions of art works by the original artists. Senator Javits also recounted the experiences of Dartmouth, Harvard and the University of California, Los Angeles, in introducing the legislation. For more information, consult the executive director's office or see the next Newsletter.

DIRECTORY OF STATE AND PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES PUBLISHED BY SOCIETY

Texas State Archivist John M. Kinney has compiled a new Directory of State and Provincial Archives. A project of the SAA's State and Local Records Committee, the volume provides information regarding the staff, research facilities and hours, published guides and archival holdings of every state and provincial institution. A statistical section of the work provides comparative data regarding volume of archival and manuscript holdings, records management holdings, budgets, staff size, parent agencies, equipment, and programs of the reporting agencies. Other tables provide data regarding educational and salary levels of archivists. Four state or provincial archivists reported a salary of under $9,999 in 1973 while 21 reported making over $18,000.

The volume is available from the executive director's office. $4.00 to members, $6.00 to others.

All Society publications are distributed now from the Chicago office.