

Library School Association NEWS LETTER

DR. ERRETT WEIR McDIARMID has been offered the position of Assistant Director of the University of Illinois Library School and President A. C. Willard has approved the appointment, which is to become effective September 1, 1942. The Assistant Director will succeed Miss Amelia Krieg, who resigned the first of this year to become head of the Catalog Department of the Seattle Public Library.

Dr. McDiarmid is a graduate of Texas Christian University with the class of 1929. The following year he received his A.M. from the same institution. In 1931 Emory University granted him a B.A. in Library Science. He also holds a Doctor of Philosophy degree from the University of Chicago, awarded in 1934. From 1934 to 1937 he was librarian of Baylor University, joining the staff of the University of Illinois Library School in 1937. As Assistant Professor he has been in charge of classes in library administration, and during the past semester has headed the school's committee on instruction. From March 1 to September 1, 1941, Dr. Mc-



ERRETT WEIR McDIARMID
Named Assistant Director

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Diarmid was on leave of absence from the University to make a study of administrative organization in American public libraries, under a grant from the Carnegie Corporation. The results of this study will be published shortly. The American Library Association published his book, *The Library Survey*, in 1940. Dr. McDiarmid is Managing Editor of *College and Research Libraries*. His work with various committees of the A.L.A. has given him a wide acquaintance with those in the profession which, coupled with his demonstrated research ability, make him an admirable choice to assist Director Carl M. White in steering the work of the Illinois Library School in so critical a period. The new Assistant Director is married and has a small daughter, aged three.

"I think the Library School will be indeed fortunate if it can secure the services of Dr. McDiarmid as Assistant Director," wrote Miss Mabel L. Conat, President of the University of Illinois Library School Alumni Association, on hearing of the possibility of Dr. McDiarmid's appointment. "Dr. McDiarmid is a young man of high standards of scholarship and professional attainment who has already made significant contributions to his profession. Endowed as he is with considerable research ability and with his experience in scholarly fields, he would seem to me to be a happy choice for the appointment as Assistant Director."

From the President of the American Library Association, Charles H. Brown, Librarian of Iowa State College at Ames, Iowa, comes the following estimate of the new Assistant Director: "For three years I have worked with Dr. McDiarmid, who was first a member of the A.L.A. Third Activities Committee and later Chairman of the A.L.A. Committee on Constitution and By-Laws. My opinion of him has steadily risen. His help and advice have been invaluable to me as President of the American Library Association. In view of his proved ability in research, in view of his sound common sense, I believe he should make an admirable head of any library school."

Dean R. D. Carmichael of the University of Illinois Graduate School comments enthusiastically, saying: "In personality, in professional training and experience, and in the successful pursuit of scholarly investigation, Professor E. W. McDiarmid is a colleague with whom it is a pleasure to be associated. He is mature enough for responsibility and is young enough to permit the expectation of highly useful service as Assistant Director of the Library School."

Miss Frances Simpson, Assistant Director, Emerita, expressed pleasure over the appointment in saying, "It was with real satisfaction that I learned recently of the selection of Dr. Errett Weir McDiarmid as Assistant Director of the Library School. Dr. McDiarmid is no stranger to us since he is completing a fifth successful year on our faculty, and also, since the first of January, has shared with Miss Boyd

the duties of the office which he is about to take over. The Library School and the University are to be congratulated upon Dr. McDiarmid's appointment. As one who knows from her own experience something about this office, may I venture to congratulate 'Mac' on the interesting work which lies before him."

"Because of his ability, his gracious manners, and his excellent work in the field of Library Science, he has earned the confidence of his colleagues in the Library School and in the other Colleges and Schools on the Urbana Campus," writes Director Coleman R. Griffith of the Bureau of Institutional Research of the University of Illinois. He further states, "Under his leadership, the University community can look forward with satisfaction to the further development of one of its most important areas of educational service."

On receiving word of Dr. McDiarmid's appointment Director Emeritus Windsor wrote the following letter:

"To the Alumni:

I wish to add my own good wishes to Dr. McDiarmid as he takes over the Assistant Director's work, and to bespeak for him the loyal support you have always given the School. He has the personality and the professional qualifications which will, I believe, make for unqualified success in the work of the School and in relations with you, our alumni.

Cordial greetings to you all,

P. L. WINDSOR."

1942 Summer Session Program

The University of Illinois has adopted a twelve week summer term for 1942. There will be two terms of six weeks each, the first beginning June 8, and the second beginning July 20 and ending August 29. The Library School will conform to the general university policy and in addition to the two terms will hold an institute for librarians of public libraries on August 5, 6, and 7.

The program has been planned after a careful study of present library conditions and in view of the increasing need for professionally educated librarians. Alumni will doubtless be interested in the following announcement being made by the school.

The University of Illinois Library School announces an accelerated summer session program for 1942. Courses will be offered:

- 1) For undergraduates interested in teaching or in positions as teacher-librarians, permitting total credits of up to eleven semester hours.
- 2) For first year Library School students leading to the degree of B.S. in Library Science.
 - a) New students and students with 7 to 8 hours of credit may earn up to 12 semester hours of credit in 1942 and secure the degree by attendance in a total of three summers.

b) Students with 15 to 16 hours of credit may complete the work for the degree by attendance in both 1942 summer terms.

c) Students with 22 to 23 hours of credit may secure the degree by attendance during the second six weeks term.

3) For advanced first year students and students in the second year's program leading to the Master's degree. By attendance in both six weeks terms a total of three units of graduate credit may be earned, making it possible to secure the Master's degree in three summers.

Institute for Librarians of Public Libraries

A three-day institute for librarians and staff members of public libraries will be held August 5, 6, and 7. Recent developments in public library practice will be the subject of the Institute. Special attention will be given to the activities of public libraries in time of war. Rooms will be available at about \$1.00 per day and meals should cost from \$1.00 to \$1.50 per day. No admission fee will be charged.

Faculty

Carl M. White, Ph.D., Director

Ethel Bond, A.B., B.L.S., Associate Professor of Library Science

Anne M. Boyd, B.L.S., Associate Professor of Library Science

E. W. McDiarmid, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Library Science

Mildred E. Singleton, A.M., Associate in Library Science

Gwladys Spencer, Ph.D., Associate in Library Science

Visiting Faculty

Lura E. Crawford, B.S., B.S. in L.S., Librarian, Gage Park High School, Chicago.

Mae Graham, A.B., B.S. in L.S., Assistant Professor, Department of Library Science, College of William and Mary.

Paul Howard, M.S., Librarian, Gary Public Library, Gary, Indiana.

Sidney Kramer, Ph.D., formerly Librarian, Arizona State Teachers College, Tempe, Arizona.

Wendell W. Smiley, M.A., Librarian, Georgia Teachers College, Collegeboro, Georgia.

Ada M. Wood, A.B., B.S. in L.S., Librarian, Lake Forest Public Schools, Lake Forest, Illinois.

Ellsworth R. Young, A.B., B.S. in L.S., Executive Assistant, American Library Association Committee on International Relations, New York.

Program of Courses

Courses in Library Science for Prospective Teachers and Teacher-Librarians

First Six Weeks

(Emphasizing Elementary School Problems)

Lib. Sci. S8. Reading Guidance in Children's Literature, 3 hours. Wood.

Lib. Sci. S9. School Library Management, 3 hours. Wood.

Second Six Weeks

(Emphasizing Secondary School Problems)

- Lib. Sci. S9. School Library Management, 3 hours. Crawford.
- Lib. Sci. S10. Information Services of the School Library, 3 hours. Crawford.
- Lib. Sci. S38b. Selection of Books, emphasizing adolescent literature, 3 hours. Young.

Courses for First Year Library School Students

First Six Weeks

- Lib. Sci. S2a. Reference and Bibliography, 3 hours. Singleton.
- Lib. Sci. S2b. Reference II, 3 hours. Smiley.
- Lib. Sci. S33b. College Library Administration, 3 hours. Spencer.
- Lib. Sci. S38a. Selection of Books, 3 hours. Young.
- Lib. Sci. S46. High School Library Administration, 3 hours. Graham.
- Lib. Sci. S47. Subject Bibliography, 2 hours. Spencer.
- Lib. Sci. S49. Children's Literature, 2 hours. Graham.

Second Six Weeks

- Lib. Sci. S16. Book-buying, 2 hours. Kramer.
- Lib. Sci. S34. Library Administration, 3 hours. Howard.
- Lib. Sci. S37. Cataloging, 2-3 hours. Bond.
- Lib. Sci. S38b. Selection of Books II, 3 hours. Young and Howard.
- Lib. Sci. S50. Problems in Teaching the Use of the Library, 1 hour. Kramer.
- Lib. Sci. S51. Books and Libraries, 3 hours. Kramer.
- Lib. Sci. S79. Public Relations for Libraries, 2 hours. McDiarmid.

Courses for Advanced First Year and Second Year Students

First Six Weeks

- Lib. Sci. S42. State, Municipal and Foreign Government Publications, $\frac{3}{4}$ unit. Smiley.
- Lib. Sci. S46. High School Library Administration, $\frac{1}{2}$ unit. Graham.
- Lib. Sci. S49. Children's Literature, $\frac{1}{2}$ unit. Graham.
- Lib. Sci. S50. Problems in Teaching the Use of the Library, $\frac{1}{4}$ unit. Spencer.
- Lib. Sci. S101. Thesis, $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 unit. White and others.
- Lib. Sci. S102(e). Individual Problems, $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 unit. White and others.

Courses for Advanced First Year and Second Year Students

Second Six Weeks

- Lib. Sci. S50. Problems in Teaching the Use of the Library, $\frac{1}{4}$ unit. Kramer.
- Lib. Sci. S51. Books and Libraries, $\frac{1}{2}$ unit. Kramer.
- Lib. Sci. S101. Thesis, $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 unit. White and others.
- Lib. Sci. S102(c). Publishers, 1 unit. Boyd.
- Lib. Sci. S102(e). Individual Problems, $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 unit. White and others.
- Lib. Sci. S106. Methods of Investigation in Librarianship, $\frac{1}{2}$ unit. McDiarmid.

Recruiting of Library School Students

From all sides come indications of a possible shortage of professionally educated librarians within the near future. One estimate places the pos-

sible shortage as high as 1000-1200. Whatever the exact figure may be it seems clearer than ever that the University of Illinois Library School has a real opportunity to make an important contribution to the welfare of the country.

While more and more requests are continually coming in for librarians with all types of background, there are certain more immediate shortages. As might be expected the demand for librarians with scientific and technical backgrounds is much greater than the supply. With closer relations developing between the United States and Latin America, the need for librarians who can converse easily and fluently in Spanish is great. Reports from the American Library Association's Committee on Library Cooperation with Latin America call attention to several positions which it has been difficult to fill with properly qualified American librarians who can speak Spanish or Portuguese. More and more requests for librarians emphasize the importance of forcefulness, leadership, and personable qualities.

In recognition of the need for well-educated librarians the Library School has adopted an accelerated summer session program. In addition the School proposes to call to the attention of qualified college graduates the fine opportunities now emerging. Alumni of the School have always been devoted agents in recruiting, and now more than ever can make a contribution to the School and to the profession. But if success is to be attained a positive rather than a neutral attitude is needed. That is, each alumnus should regard himself or herself as a committee of one to discover young persons who give promise of success in librarianship, and call to the attention of these young people the opportunities ahead. The School will be grateful for suggestions or names of persons who might be interested, and who might appreciate a direct word, or further information.

The Placement Situation

Miss Anne M. Boyd, Chairman of the Library School Placement Committee reports on the employment situation as follows:

"The placement picture presents both an encouraging and a discouraging aspect. Encouraging, because the prospects are very good for desirable positions for every graduate in the first year class due to a larger number of positions and to a smaller number of graduates than for some years past. Salaries range from \$1200 to \$1500, depending upon experience. Discouraging—despite A.L.A. predictions of a shortage of 1500 trained librarians—because there are few notices coming to the School of positions offering \$1800 or more. Since most of the Alumni who want to change positions are in this group, in addition to our graduate school students, there may be disappointments in store for many. Colleges and universities, especially, are having to cut salaries, to eliminate positions, or not to fill them, because funds have greatly shrunk in the past few months due to decreased enrollment and to new and expanded programs."

Library School News

During the second semester of the current academic year the Library School under Director Carl M. White has been in charge of two committees. Placement work has been handled by a committee composed of Miss Anne M. Boyd, chairman, and Miss Marie Hostetter, Miss Rose Phelps, Miss Mary Kinney, and Miss Frances Hammitt. The Instruction Committee in charge of applications, schedules, curricular changes, petitions and student relations has been in the hands of a committee headed by Dr. McDiarmid, other members being Miss Ethel Bond, Miss Alice Lohrer, Miss Mildred Singleton, and Miss Gwladys Spencer.

Changes in the Second Year Program

During the current year the faculty has been giving considerable study to strengthening the second year program leading to the Master's degree. Several faculty meetings have been devoted largely to this program. At a recent meeting two plans of study were adopted. Under one plan the student follows the usual program of work which culminates in the writing of a thesis involving investigation and research. A second plan has been provided for those students who need advanced study more than experience in research. Under this plan students will devote more time to subjects, both in the Library School and in other departments of the University, and will substitute for the thesis a paper or essay dealing with their major field of interest. Work in other departments of the University will be correlated with the work in the Library School. Under both plans, each student will work closely with a faculty adviser, best qualified to aid him in his chosen field of interest.

Considerable thought has also been given to specific courses, need to provide a wider variety, and balance of offerings at the second year level. Final decision has had to await the settling of certain budgetary questions, which because of war conditions are particularly difficult to resolve. It appears safe to predict, however, that the 1942-43 offerings will take a long step toward filling some of the present gaps.

Katharine L. Sharp Scholarship Award

The Katharine L. Sharp Scholarship has been awarded to Agnes Lytton Reagan. Miss Reagan is assistant, Agnes Scott College Library, Decatur, Georgia. She received her A.B. degree from the University of Arkansas in 1935, her M.A. degree from Emory University, 1936, and her B.A. in L.S. also from Emory in 1939.

After the applications were carefully studied by all the Library School faculty members, Miss Reagan's name was recommended to the Graduate School of the University of Illinois. She will begin her work at Illinois in September, 1942.

The Spring Inspection Trip

The 1942 inspection trip began April 6 and ended April 10. Although all students went to the Chicago area, two slightly different itineraries were planned, one for students primarily interested in college and university library work, and one for students primarily interested in school and public library work. All students visited the Evanston Public Library, the Chicago Public Library, Northwestern University Library, the American Library Association, and various other institutions. The "college" group visited Illinois State Normal University, LaSalle-Peru Township High School and Junior College, and Rockford College Library. The "school and public" group visited Hinsdale Township High School, Lyons Township High School and Junior College, La Grange, River Forest Public Library, Oak Park Public Library, and New Trier Township High School, Winnetka.

The trip this year was in charge of Miss Marie M. Hostetter and Miss Mary R. Kinney. Director White accompanied the group for the first few days.

Faculty Notes

Director Emeritus Windsor and Mrs. Windsor drove to Rockford, Illinois, May 1 to attend a dinner honoring Miss Jane Hubbell on the occasion of her retirement after fifty years as librarian of the Public Library. Miss Hubbell has been succeeded by Mary C. Bigelow, B.L.S.'10. With the Windsors went Professor Ethel Bond of the Library School, B.L.S.'08, and Theresa Gillett, B.S. in L.S.'31, M.A.'39, of the Catalog Department, University of Illinois Library.

Miss Frances Simpson, assistant director of the Library School, Emerita, has returned to Urbana after spending the winter months at Kappa Hearthstone in Winter Park, Florida. Miss Simpson had the misfortune to break her ankle while in Florida, but is now able to walk about with the aid of a brace.

Miss Marie M. Hostetter has been granted a leave of absence for the academic year 1942-43, during which time she plans to continue her study at the University of Chicago Graduate Library School.

Miss Helen Small, stenographer in the Library School, submitted to an operation in March. Alumni will be happy to learn that she is making a satisfactory recovery and is now back at her desk.

Library Film

Contact with Books is the title of a new motion picture designed to instruct the undergraduate student in the use of the library. It was prepared by a committee of University of Illinois Library staff members under the direction of Wayne S. Yenawine, M.A.'38, now assistant librarian, University of Georgia, and de Lafayette Reid, B.S. in L.S.'40. The filming was done by the University of Illinois Photographic Laboratories. The picture, on sixteen millimeter film, is equipped with sound, including background music and the voice of a narrator. While it depicts the Uni-

University of Illinois Library in particular, the film is well adapted to illustrate the use of any college or university library. It may be borrowed by other libraries through the University's Visual Aids Service.

Alumni With Army and Navy

George B. Brown, B.S.'37, M.S.'40, has received a military leave from his position as assistant order librarian at the University of Illinois to report for duty, April 21, as a first lieutenant at Camp Wallace, an anti-aircraft training center near Galveston, Texas. He is engaged in instructional work.

The librarian of the Brooklyn Naval Hospital Library in Brooklyn, New York, is Eloise Givens, B.S.'40.

Marjorie Hall, B.S. in L.S.'40, who for a short time was assistant in the Binding Department of the State University of Iowa Library, at Iowa City, Iowa, has resigned to accept a United States Navy library position.

A member of the library staff at the Camp Callan Library in San Diego, California, is Louis Kenney, B.S.'40, who entered the army in the summer of 1941. This is the largest library in the ninth corps area and contains over 5,500 volumes. The librarian, Miss Rachel Dent, and six enlisted men form the library staff. Mr. Kenney has a military leave from his position as an assistant in the Engineering Library at the University of Illinois. He writes that fiction is most popular, including everything from mystery stories to the classics, but of non-fiction the mathematics books are most in demand.

Kate Palmer, B.S. in L.S.'32, has been granted a leave of absence from her position as high school librarian in Whiting, Indiana, to become post librarian at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Edward Ratcliff, B.S.'40, assistant in the Agriculture Library at the University of Illinois now on military leave, writes philosophically of army life. "Never before have I in so short a time been able to learn as many different things, most of them applicable to life outside of the military as in. The objectionable things are in no sense the more prevalent, and with reasonable flexibility and adaptability will prevent its being burdensome or unpleasant to the normal person. Most of the fellows I know are draftees . . . and morale is high." He mentions the great joy that mail call produces each day. His address is Battery B, 33rd Battalion, 8th Training Regiment, Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

Elizabeth Roper, B.S. in L.S.'39, resigned her position in the Department of Justice Library and joined the staff of the Naval Hospital Library of the Great Lakes Training Station in Waukegan, Illinois, on April 20, 1942.

Martin Schmitt, B.S.'39, suspended his graduate work toward a master's degree in journalism at the University of Missouri in February to enlist in the armed forces. He is serving on the Library Staff at the Army War College, Washington, D.C.

Sybil Tubbs, B.S. in L.S.'33, librarian of the United States Army Seventh Corps Area Library at Omaha, Nebraska, writes that she attended an Illinois alumni dinner where she had the pleasure of hearing President Willard and of seeing movies of the campus. She was thrilled by the beauty of the Illini Union.

Carl E. Welchner, B.S. in L.S.'35, holds the position of chief, Library Section (Director, Air Forces Field Technical Libraries) Headquarters, Army Air Forces, Washington, D.C.

One of the youngest camp librarians is Evelyn Young, B.S. in L.S.'38, of the library at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri, according to a clipping sent in by Sybil Tubbs of the class of 1933, who also says Miss Young is doing a splendid job.

News of the Classes

Class of 1897

A scholarship for students of library science has been established in honor of Margaret Mann, professor-emeritus of Library Science, University of Michigan. The fund was started in 1938, on the occasion of her retirement, by the University of Michigan Library Science Alumni Association, the Ann Arbor Library Club, and associates and former students of Miss Mann. Two awards have been made, the first in 1941 and the second for the current semester of 1942.

Class of 1900

Adam Strohm is supervisory secretary of the Wayne County, Michigan, Library Board.

Class of 1903

Anna V. Jennings is Nebraska Director of the Victory Book Drive. Since she retired from her position as librarian of the Nebraska State Teachers College at Kearney, she has made her home at 1625 South 23rd Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Class of 1905

In its issue of January 14, 1942, the Nashville Banner paid tribute to the Nashville Public Library, in a feature article outlining the history of the forty-year-old institution. Credit was given to its librarian, F. K. W. Drury, who for the past ten years has played a prominent part in the development of that library.

Class of 1906

Mary B. McLellan, who is in charge of work with the foreign-born of Hartford, Connecticut, Public Library, writes that her home address is now 70 Kenyon Street, Hartford.

Class of 1907

On January 8, 1940, Eva Isabel McMahon died of a heart attack. At the time of her death she was head librarian of the Northern Illinois State Teachers College Library, in DeKalb, Illinois.

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Class of 1910

Mary C. Bigelow has been made librarian of the Rockford, Illinois, Public Library, where she was formerly assistant librarian and in charge of circulation.

Class of 1915

Mabel L. Conat, chief of the Reference Department, Detroit, Michigan, Public Library, is vice-president and president-elect of the Association of College and Reference Libraries, 1941-42. She is also serving as chairman of the Subcommittee on Policy and Reviews of the A.L.A. Committee on Subscription Books.

Grace A. England, librarian, Downtown Library, Detroit Public Library, is treasurer of the Michigan Library Association.

Class of 1916

Beatrice Prall, librarian of the Saginaw, Michigan, Public Libraries, was a welcome visitor to the Library School on March 10, 1942, on her way south for a few weeks' vacation. While in Urbana, Miss Prall interviewed members of the present class for positions which may open on her staff.

Class of 1917

Sarah Lawson retired in November, 1941, from the Catalog Department of the University of Michigan Library. She writes Ethel Bond that she has not had time to get bored and that she enjoys the views of both sunrises and sunsets from the windows of her apartment on the shores of Lake Superior. Her address is 4002 London Road, Duluth, Minnesota.

Class of 1920

Rudolph Gjelsness, chairman of the Department of Library Service, University of Michigan, is unopposed nominee for reelection as treasurer of the American Library Association.

Class of 1921

Fanny A. Coldren, reference librarian of the University of California Library at Los Angeles, is chairman of the Reference Librarians Section of the Association of College and Reference Libraries.

Last June, prior to the consolidation of the bureau libraries in the Department of Agriculture, Margaret T. Olcott was appointed librarian of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, of which she has been assistant librarian for several years.

Class of 1923

After twenty years of service Mrs. Mildred A. Linskey has resigned as supervisor of School Branches in the Dayton Public Library.

Class of 1924

In a brief historical survey of Rosary College Library School in the *Catholic Bookman*, November-December, 1941, Sister Mary Reparata

expresses appreciation of the guidance given its founders by Director Emeritus Windsor of the University of Illinois Library School—"a man distinguished for the nobility of his generous spirit as well as for scholarship and a 'thorough knowledge of scholarship's greatest laboratory, the library'."

Class of 1925

Word has been received of the death on March 6, 1942, of Alma Hook, who for a year previous had been on sick leave from her position as head of the Catalog Department of the University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland.

Class of 1926

Helen Haug, for fifteen years in charge of Dayton's largest branch library, has been appointed supervisor of Branch and Extension Agencies to replace Mrs. Linskey who retired. Her duties will include coordination of branch and bookwagon agencies.

Flora E. Hottes is spending a year in La Paz, Bolivia, in the interest of children's libraries and of the Bahai faith. Miss Hottes, who is on leave of absence from her position as children's librarian in the Gilbert M. Simmons Library, Kenosha, Wisconsin, left the United States on April 3, making the entire trip of seven days by plane.

President of the Illinois Library Association for the current year is Arnold Trotier, M.A.'32.

Class of 1927

The new assistant state librarian in Lansing, Michigan, is Helen M. Clark, who was formerly director of work with schools in the Enoch Pratt Free Library in Baltimore.

Mrs. Myron Getchell, the former Louise Winn, is acting chief of the Catalog Division of the University of Maryland Library, College Park.

Class of 1928

In March, 1942, Edna M. Brown became assistant librarian, Library of Congress, in the Descriptive Cataloging Division. Miss Brown, who received her Master's degree in August, 1930, resigned a position in the Catalog Department at the University of Illinois Library to take the Library of Congress position.

Class of 1929

Anne Benner, librarian, Free Library, Urbana, Illinois, is treasurer of the Illinois Library Association, succeeding George B. Brown, who has been called into military service.

Gladys Johnson is librarian of the Bureau of Fisheries, Fish and Wildlife Service, of the United States Department of the Interior.

Dorothy Besuden Keller is acting head of the Accessions Department at the University of California Library in Berkeley.

Mrs. Esther Price Roerig, A.M.'34, resigned her position on the Univer-

sity of Illinois Library staff to accompany her husband to Washington, D.C., where they live at 6817 Georgia Avenue, N.W., Apartment 412.

Sister Mary Malachy, the former Sylvia Laithwaite, is librarian of Aquinas College, Grand Rapids, Michigan, Catholic junior college for women. Sister Malachy is taking graduate work in the Library School during the summer sessions.

John Paul Stone, M.S.'30, librarian of the State Teachers College, San Diego, California, will soon receive his Ph.D. degree from the University of Chicago Graduate Library School.

Class of 1930

C. U. Faye, M.S.'30, returned late in March from a three months' co-operative cataloging fellowship at the Library of Congress. Summing up the special work he did there he said: "... it is like the work at Illinois, only more so, somewhat more extensive and somewhat more intensive." He spoke of the cordial way in which he was welcomed by other Illinois alumni in the Washington area, particularly the Myron Getchells. On March 21 a luncheon was held at the Dodge Hotel, and twenty-one alumni were present. Dorothy Hill was in charge of the arrangements and has written an interesting letter about the event, the news from which has been incorporated in the class notes.

Donald Kohlstedt, M.A.'35, librarian, Public Library, Grand Rapids, Michigan, is chairman of the A.L.A. Audio-Visual Committee.

Dorothy Cornwell Lewis, who attended summer classes in 1928, works with a collection of maps in the Office of Geographer in the United States Department of Labor.

Wave L. Noggle, M.S.'33, librarian of the Junior College Library, Virginia, Minnesota, is secretary of the Junior College Libraries Section of the Association of College and Reference Libraries.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Little live at 4617 Harvard Road, College Park, Maryland, with their young son, John Wesley. Mrs. Little was formerly Alice Wesley.

Class of 1931

Maysel Baker, librarian of the LaSalle-Peru Township High School and Junior College Library, LaSalle, Illinois, is chairman of the Junior College Libraries Section of the Association of College and Reference Libraries.

D. Genevieve Dixon, librarian of the New Trier Township High School, Winnetka, Illinois, was a featured speaker on the program of the High School Student Librarians' Association at their February conference held in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Ruby C. Wilder is now head of the Documents Department at the University of Nebraska Library in Lincoln.

Class of 1932

Bess Glenn now has charge of all records of the Bureau of Ships, in the Navy Department Archives of the National Archives. She has taken the courses of training for the Red Cross Motor Corps.

Betty Hale transferred to the War Department when the Securities and Exchange Commission Library was moved from Washington recently.

Ruth Heiss is training to be a chief air raid warden in the Enoch Pratt Free Library. She is on the Publications Committee of the Baltimore Official Committee on Civilian Defense and has written about half of the twenty leaflets on air raid precautions which that Committee has published for city-wide distribution.

Dorothy J. Hill has charge of all "finding mediums" work in the Division of Veterans' Administration Archives in the National Archives. She has taken her oath as an auxiliary police warden and serves in the Roosevelt Hotel, where she lives, during a blackout.

Bernita J. Long, librarian of the University of Illinois Law Library is president-elect of the American Association of Law Libraries.

Mildred Shelton, now Mrs. George Wolf, is living in Cucuta, Colombia, South America, where her husband is a geologist for the Colombian Petroleum Company. She spends one morning a week in the small company library, exchanges English lessons for Spanish, and finds much time for Red Cross knitting.

Ruby Wilson Moats has been appointed librarian of the Soil Conservation Service, in Washington, D.C. She was formerly assistant librarian there.

Eugene H. Wilson, M.S.'33, Ph.D.'37, assistant librarian, Iowa State College Library, Ames, Iowa, is chairman of the Agricultural Libraries Section of the Association of College and Reference Libraries.

Class of 1933

L. K. Falk reports that the Army Medical Library is now on a forty-eight hour week, and that he is busy with extra details such as acquiring an additional collection of material for use of the Medical Corps, and ransacking the country for issues of foreign periodicals which they lack.

Gwendolyn Lloyd, head of the Reference Department, University of Florida at Gainesville, is doing graduate work at the University of Illinois Library School this year. She has a General Education Board scholarship.

In February, 1942, Florence E. Noble became librarian of the Wilson School Library in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. She had formerly been employed as a W.P.A. supervisor in Iowa.

Class of 1934

Mabel McColgin (Mrs. Don Krick) is now living in Little Rock, Arkansas, where Mr. Krick is employed at the Arkansas Ordnance Plant. Their address is 1521 West Twenty-Fourth Street, Apartment 4. Mrs. Krick has a position as loan desk assistant at the Little Rock Public Library.

Kathryn Wright, who has been a cataloger in Albion College since her graduation from the University of Illinois Library School, was married on December 27, 1942, to Relis B. Brown, and is now living in Williamsburg, Kentucky, where Dr. Brown is serving on the faculty of Cumberland College.

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An interesting letter from Lucile Huntington Wilkinson, written December 18, 1941, from her home at 3786 Anuhea, Honolulu, T. H., gave her friends at the University of Illinois Library a vivid picture of conditions there during the first air raids and the subsequent ten days. In part she says " knew nothing until about 10:30 when the news was again broadcast. We were told not to use our telephones and to stay off the streets. Since I had to stay at home and wanted to keep busy I got out all the dirty clothes and washed them. I couldn't let a little thing like a raid on Oahu keep me from washing." She continues by telling about some of the actual damage done during the raids, and about the trenches dug in front of the library, where she was working part time. She says, "The patrons are coming back to the library as more of them get rooms blacked out and can read at night." Mrs. Wilkinson is now reorganizing the files of one of the army officials in Honolulu.

Mrs. Catherine McIver Rowland has resigned her position at the National Archives.

Philip J. Stone has been released for three months from his regular duties in the Washington, D.C., Public Library, to carry on two half-time organizational positions. One task is to develop, plan, and organize a War Reading Room in the Central Branch of the Library. The other task is the establishment of a library in cooperation with and in the Office of the Council of Social Agencies. This library will be a more or less technical one, specialization being in welfare, recreational, and health material. As a volunteer project he opens the Petworth Branch, which is the Area Headquarters for civilian defense, for four hours on Sunday afternoons.

Dean Stallings, A.M.'40, librarian of the South Dakota State Agricultural and Mechanical College at Brookings, has been awarded a Latin-American Exchange Fellowship by the United States State Department Division of Cultural Relations. The award provides for one year's study in the Dominican Republic.

Class of 1936

Lewis M. Bright, formerly of the Fort Wayne Public Library, has been added to the staff of the Federal Trade Commission Library in Washington, D.C., as a reference assistant.

Mrs. Christine Taylor Brown has resigned her position at the Enoch Pratt Free Library.

Class of 1937

Paul F. Burnett, who is now librarian, Morton High School and Junior College, was formerly head of the Reference Department of the Southwest Missouri State Teachers College Library in Springfield, Missouri.

Mrs. Margaret Clark has been appointed an assistant in Extension Department of the Queens Borough Public Library in Jamaica, New York.

Katharine Forsyth, formerly acting librarian of the Bureau of Animal Industry, reports that all Bureau libraries in the Department of Agriculture have been consolidated with the Department Library and that they are all busy in the process of moving and transferring records.

Mrs. Elliott Hardaway, the former Sylvia Shaver, is in the office of the editor of the *Union List of Serials* at the Library of Congress.

A daughter, Katherine Stewart, was born on April 8, 1942, to Sue (Hudson) and Stanton Kelton, Jr. The Keltons are living at 4316 Tyson Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Paine announced the birth of a daughter in February of this year. Mr. Paine is librarian of Beloit College. His wife is the former Ruth Moore, also a graduate of the Library School in 1937.

Felicia Marie Sterling was married in New York City, February 12, 1942, to Carl C. Dauterman.

Eudocia Stratton, assistant librarian, Central Teachers College, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan, is first vice-president and president-elect of the Michigan Library Association.

Donald E. Thompson is now acting director of libraries, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. He was formerly research bibliographer business librarian.

News of a daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Rasor comes from Iva Stout, B.S.'29, librarian of the University of Idaho, Southern Branch. Mrs. Rasor was before her marriage Eylene Vessering.

Class of 1938

Evalan Fischer, formerly of the Dayton, Ohio, Public Library is now on the staff of the Woodfield, Ohio, Public Library.

David Glenn Hilts is librarian of the Atlantic Union College in South Lancaster, Massachusetts.

Eugene Jackson, M.S.'41, is assistant in the Science and Technology Department of the Detroit Public Library.

Pansy Myers, for many years head of the Catalog Department of the University of Cincinnati Library, was married on March 5, 1942, in Calgary, Canada, to Gordon Flack, an agriculturalist. Mr. and Mrs. Flack will make their home in British Columbia.

Catherine Ogden is W.P.A. library supervisor in Asheville, North Carolina.

Wanda Claire Pringle, M.A.'41, has a position in the library of the Public Roads Administration, Washington, D.C. Miss Pringle, until recently cataloger in the University of Illinois Library, is living at 4804 Drexel Road, Calvert Hills, College Park, Maryland.

Esther Marion Shubert, M.S.'40, resigned from her position at Southern Illinois Normal University Library in January and is now a cataloger at the University of Texas Library in Austin, Texas.

Mary Stokes, formerly in the Technical Department of the Peoria Public Library, has been appointed to the staff of the Rock Island Public Library.

Class of 1939

Frank Bertalan and Helen Scheck of LaSalle, Illinois, were married on April 6, 1942, in LaSalle. Following a trip through the Great Smoky Mountains the Bertalans returned to Illinois, where Mr. Bertalan expects shortly to be inducted into the army.

Early this year Dorothy Olmstead became librarian of the Lydia Brown Woods Memorial Library, in Falls City, Nebraska. Since leaving Library School Miss Olmstead had been a W.P.A. regional supervisor.

On January 21, 1942, a daughter, Katherine, was born to Mr. and Mrs. H. Richey Beeson.

Until recently Severine Lucille Gurzynski has been assistant in the Adult Education Department of the State Library in Springfield, Illinois, but she has now accepted the position of librarian in the Public Library of Calumet City, Illinois.

Doris Hull, who attended summer sessions in 1939 and 1940, is librarian of the Urbana High School Library in Urbana, Illinois.

Ralph McCoy of the Illinois State Library staff is Illinois director of the Victory Book Campaign. During the second semester Mr. McCoy has been commuting from Springfield to Urbana each week to attend graduate classes in Library School.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Dietz of Cranford, New Jersey, are the parents of a son, Frederick Curt Dietz, Jr., born January 18, 1942. Mrs. Dietz was before her marriage Ruth Otterness.

Rachel Road is cataloger in the library of Ball State Teachers College, Muncie, Indiana.

Mary E. Wattles accepted a position as an assistant in the Serials and Binding Department of the Pennsylvania State College Library, State College, Pennsylvania, last January.

Class of 1940

Gertrude Ackermann has selected May 30 as the day for her wedding to Louis Ogden, who is a research worker at the experimental farm of the University of Nebraska. At present Miss Ackermann is a cataloger at the Iowa State College Library in Ames. The wedding will take place in Scotts Bluff, Nebraska.

The first assistant, Branch Department, Lawson McGhee Library, Knoxville, Tennessee, is Julia Doughty Bennett, who was formerly librarian of Farragut High School in Knoxville, Tennessee.

Alice R. Collins, formerly a teacher in Holmes Junior College, Goodman, Mississippi, is now a teacher-librarian at Delta State Teacher's College, Cleveland, Mississippi.

Curtis Gregory was married on January 9, 1942, to Lieutenant Park C. Myers, Jr., at Akron, Ohio.

Claxton E. Helms has taken a position in the Circulation Department at the Missouri School of Mines in Rolla, Missouri. Gilbert Campbell, librarian, and Paul Beck, assistant, also Illinois graduates, are on the same staff.

Juanita Lang, who attended summer session classes in 1940, is librarian of the Public Library at Alliance, Nebraska.

Leva Lash writes that she has been promoted to the position of reference librarian at the University of Kansas Library. She was formerly an assistant in the Order Department there.

William P. Leonard is now an assistant in the Economics Reading Room of the New York Public Library.

Marjorie Olson has resigned from the Kewanee, Illinois, Public Library to become senior assistant in the Springfield, Illinois, Public Library.

Early in the year Dr. Carrol Quenzel became librarian of the Morris Harvey College in Charleston, West Virginia, where he had been teaching history since leaving the Library School.

Thelma F. Passo has since September, 1941, been high school librarian in the Ottawa, Illinois, Township High School Library.

Rae Rips, for two years assistant in the Northwestern College of Commerce Library, resigned recently to take a position as reference assistant in the Detroit Public Library.

Ruth Schley plans to work on a M.A. degree at Columbia School of Library Service during the 1942-43 academic year.

Louise Turpin has been placed in charge of the Patterson Branch of the Dayton Public Library.

Robert I. Wedding resigned from the staff of Wabash College at Crawfordsville, Indiana, last fall and according to the latest reports from the Library School office is now field representative for the Purdue University Defense Training Program.

Vera Lucile Yowell is now Mrs. David Jones. She will continue working at the Chemistry Library at the State University of Iowa in Iowa City.

Class of 1941

Edith Freedlund of the Rockford, Illinois, Public Library was recently married to Irvin H. Landwehr. The Landwehrs are living at 6971 Hunter Avenue, Normandy, Missouri.

Laurence J. Kipp is librarian of Eureka College Library, Eureka, Illinois.

Bernadine Hanby, A.M.'41, is librarian of the State Teachers College at DeKalb, Illinois.

Louise Keller has accepted a position in the History Department of the Enoch Pratt Free Library. Since graduation Miss Keller had been head of the Business Department of the Peoria Public Library.

Margaret McKee has recently resigned from the Catalog Department, University of Miami, Florida, to become head cataloger at the Georgia School of Technology in Atlanta.

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Lucile Mary Neu resigned her position as librarian of the Robstown, Texas, High School Library, to become a reviser in the University of Illinois Library School in February, 1942.

James E. Platz is now periodical assistant at the City Library in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Mary Louise Siefer, who attended summer school in 1941, is general assistant at Washburn Municipal University.

Irma L. Swank left her position as cataloger in the Historical and Philosophical Society of Ohio in Cincinnati to join the staff of the National Archives in Washington last March. She is in charge of the circulation and reference desk.

Katherine Walker resigned as assistant librarian of the James Millikin University in Decatur, Illinois, on April 15, 1942, to take a position as head of the Circulation Department of the State Teachers College Library at DeKalb, Illinois.

Roy Watkins is teaching English and ancient history at Spalding Institute, a Benedictine preparatory school in Peoria, Illinois. Along with his teaching he finds time to undertake cataloging the school library.

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Election of Library School Association officers will be held at the annual dinner meeting June 24 in Milwaukee. The Nominating Committee is composed of the following members: Willia K. Garver, University of Illinois Library, chairman, Ruth Hammond, Wichita, Kansas, Public Library, and Ernest Miller, Technology Department, Detroit, Michigan, Public Library.

Word has been received as we go to press that Mr. Herman Henkle, Preparations Division, Library of Congress, will be the speaker at the Illinois Library School Association dinner.

Illinois Alumni Dinner

Wednesday, June 24

At the Schroeder Hotel, Milwaukee

Greetings, Fellow Alumni:

We hope that you are coming to the A.L.A. Conference at Milwaukee, and that you will be on hand for the Illinois dinner the evening of June 24. The local committee, under the efficient chairmanship of Milton Drescher, our second Vice-President, has secured for us the Crystal Ballroom at the Hotel Schroeder (Headquarters Hotel), the largest and finest accommodation available. Don't disappoint their faith in Illinois loyalty; they feel sure we will turn out in large numbers in spite of the tire shortage. Put on your seven league boots and come! After you arrive in Milwaukee, be sure to sign up early for the Library School Dinner, and indicate your class after your name, as an effort will be made to arrange the seating by classes.

In the Treasurer's report for last year the statement that only twenty-seven dollars (\$27.00) was received from the annual memberships caught my attention. I would like to think that all the other alumni had life memberships, but we know that this is not so. We all enjoy reading the "Alumni News Letter" and we miss it when it is not forthcoming. To keep it coming, keep the annual dues going to our Secretary-Treasurer!

MABEL L. CONAT, President
University of Illinois Library School Association

See You in Milwaukee