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New Periodicals of 1947—Part I

The more promising of the new periodical publications of the first six months of 1947 appear to be in about the same fields as were those of 1946. For the purpose of presenting facts regarding our complicated international relations many scholarly organizations began new journals which propose to keep us informed on the progress of the United Nations and world government, to present the facts of American foreign policy, and to show the economic and social background of areas of special international importance. A newly aroused concern over our complicated economic, social, and political problems may account for the new interest in the humanities. This new interest has resulted in a number of well-edited new publications. College and university students seemed eager to "get into print;" as a consequence, a number of new undergraduate publications appeared. Few new literary magazines appeared of a quality worthy of mention. A single new periodical is devoted to each of a variety of subjects ranging from women's club programs through foreign employment and from military science to accountancy.

International Relations

United Nations World came into existence in February 1947 through a merger of Asia, Inter-America, and Free World. Its purpose is to inform as to the work and operation of the United Nations. Its point of view is purely international with little regard for national slants or sovereignties. With the establishment of the United Nations and its specialized agencies, the number of nonofficial international organizations and their publications has increased tremendously. The World Peace Foundation will print summaries of the work of these organizations in International Organization. The Committee to Frame a World Constitution commenced its monthly report, Common Cause, with the issue for July 1947. This committee originated among members of the University of Chicago faculty. It believes that support of and opposition to world government generally is not based on a clear-cut understanding of this type of government. It hopes by means of its journal to be of service in clarifying the issues. Also, it is making plans for an unofficial "World Constituent Assembly" in Geneva in 1950. The Foundation for Foreign Affairs in its new American Perspective will present the international problems currently confronting the United States and examine the political and economic forces at work in the countries with which the United States is dealing. The Middle East Institute began The Middle East Journal in January 1947 in recognition of the increasingly important role now played by that somewhat unfamiliar area. Our increased interest in the economic possibilities of Latin America stimulated the Institute of Inter-American Studies to launch the quarterly, Inter-American Economic Affairs. It hopes to stimulate research in the United States in the field of Latin American economic problems and to report on the results of such research. To keep the Americas abreast of what is going on within their countries is the objective of Bulletin: Digest of the Americas, published in New York in Eng-
lish and also in Spanish. Of a highly specialized nature is the International Bulletin of Industrial Property (IBIP), an organ of up-to-date information regarding the international aspects of patent, trademark, and copyright protection.

**Humanities**

*The Pacific Spectator*, published for the Pacific Coast Committee for the Humanities of the American Council of Learned Societies has for its purpose “the interpretation and discussion of enduring human values, past and present, which have found expression in literature and the arts.” The first issue contains literary criticisms, articles on education, the theatre, and other subjects. *The Humanities Review*, published by the editor, Gertrude Horgan, in San Antonio, Texas, purports “to provide a common ground for all who may be interested in saving and strengthening the humanities.” Besides original articles, it contains condensations of articles from other periodicals. *Utah Humanities Review*, published at the University of Utah by the Humanities Research Foundation, will publish articles interpreting all aspects of the culture of the region centering around Utah. Of somewhat similar purpose is *The Georgia Review*, published by the University of Georgia. Its aims are “to be specially honest and sensible” and to try “to make its contents of special concern to Georgians.” An examination of the first issue shows adherence to a “program of being always explicitly ‘Georgian.’” From abroad come *Sinologica; Zeitschrift für Chinesische Kultur und Wissenschaft* and *Vigiliae Christianae*, a Review of Early Christian Life and Language. The latter contains “articles and short notices of a historical and cultural, linguistic or a philological nature on early Christian literature in the widest sense of the word, as well as on Christian epigraphy and archaeology.” *Realidad; Revista de Ideas*, from Buenos Aires, is made up of articles on philosophy, politics, and literature, and signed reviews of books published in Latin America.

**Student Publications**

Perhaps it is due to the present large enrolment of older and more thoughtful students in the universities and colleges that there are appearing new periodicals edited or published by students. In these periodicals students express themselves on the problems of the day. Of such there is the *University Observer; A Journal of Politics*, published at the University of Chicago under the editorship of students with contributions by professors and other authorities on various subjects. Then there is the *Yale Political Journal; A Magazine of Student Opinion*, whose contributors are students from all over the country. The *Columbia Journal of International Affairs*, organ of the School of International Affairs at Columbia University and edited entirely by students of the school, is to be the medium for the publication of the results of their original work. Two new literary magazines published by undergraduate students are *Cornell Review* and *The Dartmouth Quarterly*. From Ohio State University comes *Cronos*, another literary magazine, with contributions by students, faculty, and others.

**Literature**

’47, the Magazine of the Year which is to change its title each calendar year (alas, another problem for the cataloger!) is “owned and controlled by people who write, paint and photograph professionally.” Among the contributors to the first issue are Vardis Fisher, Pearl Buck, Raymond Swing, and Sigmund Spaeth. *Mainstream*; a Literary Quarterly, published in New York
under the direction of a board of editors, intends to fight anti-Negro, anti-Semitic, antilabor, and anti-Communist influence in life and letters. Its contributors are to be persons "who identify themselves with the people and the working class." It will strive to "stimulate Marxist thinking in literature and other creative arts." Because the Poetry Workshop of Bridgeport, Conn., believes the reader finds little pleasure in abstruse poetry, he is to be given poetry he can understand and appreciate in its new quarterly, *The Poet's Pen*.

**Libraries and Bibliography**

*Harvard Library Bulletin* follows a succession of similar publications from the Harvard University Library. In a foreword the librarian outlines the field of this new publication. It will publish, first, the results of bibliographic research based on materials in the Harvard libraries; second, descriptions of important sections of the library's collections; third, general accounts of the various libraries or other units which make up the Harvard University Library; fourth, discussions of problems of university libraries in general; fifth, discussions of university library problems as applied to the Harvard Library and of other libraries when of a character to affect the Harvard Library. The bulletin will be addressed to the Harvard community and to the scholarly world in general. *UNESCO Bulletin for Libraries* will promote and facilitate the exchange of publications throughout the world. There will be annotated lists of new bibliographical publications, lists of publications wanted, lists of exchanges available, and other types of information. *Erasmus: Speculum Scientiarum* is an "international bulletin of contemporary scholarship." It is published in Antwerp and edited by a board of fourteen European and American scholars. Reviews of publications in the field of the moral and political sciences which seem likely to be of lasting worth will be contributed by competent specialists from all over the world. Besides reviews, each number will contain a list of recently published works.

**Medicine**

Two new journals representing methods of medical treatment important in our post-war era are *The American Journal of Occupational Therapy* and *American Journal of Psychotherapy*. They are the official organs of the American Occupational Therapy Association and the Association for the Advancement of Psychotherapy, respectively. *Annals of the Orgone Institute supersedes International Journal of Sex-Economy and Orgone Research*. In the successive issues of *Postgraduate Medicine*, the official journal of the Interstate Postgraduate Medical Association of North America, will appear the *Proceedings* of that association.

**Technology**

The American Institute of Architects has inaugurated a bimonthly *Bulletin* of professional notices and technical information. *The Oil Forum* concerns itself with the economics of the petroleum industry over the world. The *Quarterly Transactions of the Society of Automotive Engineers* supersedes the *Transactions* formerly issued annually. It includes papers presented at meetings of the society and includes the discussion thereon. *Traffic Quarterly: An Independent Journal for Better Traffic* aims to be the medium for the expression and dissemination of the ideas and views of experts in the field of traffic.

**Hobbies**

For gardeners and gourmets there is *The American Herb Grower* containing advice

**Miscellaneous**

*Agenda, a Magazine for Program Planners*, published by Printers' Ink Publishing Company, has ideas and suggestions for club programs. *The Export Buyer*, published by Commodity Research Bureau, Inc., lists commodities wanted or for sale, with the name and address of the exporter or importer desiring or offering such commodities. *Foreign Jobs*, published in Baltimore, serves as a guide for persons seeking foreign employment. It indicates the fields in government and private business, and in some cases the special jobs, available in foreign countries. The *International Journal of Opinion and Attitude Research* publishes studies on the organization and technique of opinion surveys. *Pacific Science*, published by the University of Hawaii, is "a quarterly devoted to the biological and physical sciences of the Pacific region." *Sintesis Militar*, another "digest," this one in Spanish and of nonpolitical material published in the United States, is intended for circulation among the armed forces of Latin America to whom it is sent gratis. *The Virginia Accountant* is published by the Virginia Society of Public Accountants. *World Biography; Who's Important in Every Field in All Countries* is published monthly from material being assembled for the next annual edition of the *Biographical Encyclopedia of the World*. The usual brief biographical facts are given as in any who's who. Each issue includes a cumulative index from January of each year and a list of the heads of governments of the principal countries of the world.

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received by institutions affiliated with this association. The catalog represents much progress in the technique of cataloging periodicals. It is the best specimen of its kind in our country, worthy of comparison with similar first-class foreign works. The entries, based on A.L.A. catalog rules, are carefully made. Changes in titles, editors, and other bibliographical data are shown, together with locations and subject classifications. The list is arranged alphabetically by subjects and geographical divisions, making it an extremely useful tool from the point of view of librarians and researchers.

The activities of libraries in the Argentine Republic in the field of centralized and union catalogs are not extensive, but they demonstrate sound techniques and an understanding of the problem. Experience with the several projects described above may be helpful to institutions in other centers interested in such undertakings.