

## New Periodicals of 1950—Part II

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AS HAS BEEN true for the preceding two or three semiannual periods few significant new journals were launched during the last six months of 1950 if Library of Congress acquisitions can be considered typical of the output. Two carefully prepared abstract journals appeared as did a few promising bibliographical publications. Other subjects seemed to have been neglected or at best represented by only one or two new titles which were considered as being of value.

### *Abstracts*

In *Library Science Abstracts* the Library Association has initiated the abstracting of library literature. At the start British journals predominate among those abstracted but the hope is to extend the present coverage of foreign periodicals. Abstracts are arranged by broad subjects as cataloging, classification, indexing, professional education, cooperation and others. *Meteorological Abstracts and Bibliography* was begun in January 1950 for the purpose of keeping American meteorologists informed on the contents of current meteorological publications appearing throughout the world. Each issue is planned to be in three sections: first, current abstracts in English of important meteorological literature in every language; second, annotated bibliographies on subjects of immediate and

special interest to meteorologists; third, bibliographic references to other items of interest to the profession. Abstracts are arranged by Universal Decimal Classification numbers and Library of Congress subject headings. The first issue presents 177 abstracts including a review of the nature, contents and history of 30 current meteorological or geophysical periodicals.

### *Bibliography*

*Agrar-Bibliographie*, prepared by Oswald Asten in Düsseldorf, is a classified annotated listing of new German agricultural publications including a few periodicals. *Book Previews* published in New York since November 1950 promises to be a helpful acquisitions and selections aid for American books. It is a classified, monthly listing of books to be published in the coming six weeks. In addition to the necessary trade items there are given brief, descriptive notes about the contents of the books. There will be no book reviews but there will be, each month, an article by an authority who will comment on some recently published books. Sterling North was the person chosen to prepare such an article for the first issue. There will be no advertising, but a scheme for handling readers' book orders will be used to help finance the publication of the periodical. *Das Deutsche Buch* prepared by the director of the Deutsche Bibliothek in Frankfurt-a-M. is a listing of new German books which it is thought may be of interest outside Germany. The arrangement is by subject with

author index, and gives the usual trade items and a brief descriptive note about contents. At the end there is a listing of new or recently published periodicals. *Edition, International Book Advertiser* published in Zürich under the auspices of the Swiss Publishers' Corporation, aims to facilitate the international book trade. It will publish reports from all countries on the facilities for the import and export of books, together with particulars of the formalities to be compiled with and the way payments are arranged, valuable information on new methods of distribution and publicity abroad, condensed surveys of the market situation and of intellectual currents in 75 states, and many other useful suggestions. *Libri e Riviste* is a listing of new Italian publications giving the usual trade items. Also included in the first issue are brief, descriptive notes on books in the fields of politics, economics, law and literature as well as brief reviews of the contents of magazines and one specialized bibliography.

#### *Digests*

*The Monthly Digest of Tax Articles* draws largely from law school journals, such as the *Harvard Law Review*, for its abridgements of significant, current articles on taxation.

#### *Literature*

*Intro*, published in New York, is another magazine whose purpose is to search for the new and relatively unknown present-day writers and artists whose efforts are deserving of recognition. It "will seek to embrace the literary and artistic work of those who look deeply within themselves and who are not afraid to express exactly what they see therein." Alternate monthly issues of *Paragone*, published in Florence, will be devoted to subjects in the fields of literature and art. The first number was composed

of illustrated, historical and critical studies on art. It is under the direction of Roberto Longhi. *Recurrence, a Quarterly of Rhyme*, from Los Angeles, had no introduction, made no promises and stated no aims or purpose. The first issue is a thin pamphlet containing a dozen or more poems, not all of which came from beginners. *Shenandoah* is a student-faculty publication from Washington and Lee University.

#### *Art*

Three new art journals were examined during the last six months. *Eidos, a Journal of Painting, Sculpture and Design* is published bimonthly in London. This journal "takes the whole world of painting, sculpture and design, ancient and modern, eastern and western, for its province and would seek in principle to serve them all." Included in volume one, number one, are articles on art in the Stone Age, realism and abstraction in modern art and reproductions of nine oil paintings of John Constable. Also included are brief reviews of new books and announcements of exhibitions. *Gallery* published in Portland, Maine, has for its purpose the announcements of significant art exhibitions, including facts on each show, informal notes on the artists, the mediums, the exhibition places, etc. The editors of *Transformation: Arts, Communication, Environment* feel that art, science and technology are too often treated as though they were culturally isolated from one another and mutually antagonistic. In this journal their interrelations and their modern development are to be shown. Articles on art predominate in the first issue.

#### *Religion*

*Cross Currents* is a new Catholic journal published in New York. Its purpose is to

help solve the social and political problems of our time. This will be done by reprinting in their entirety significant, pertinent articles from journals of world-wide origin. Such articles as "Christian Faith and Civilization," by Emmanuel Mounier, "Christianity and Anti-Semitism," by Nicholas Berdyaev, "The New Man: the Marxist and the Christian View," by Henri de Lubac, give some idea of the contents of the first issue.

#### *Political Affairs*

Definitely anticommunistic is *The Freeman* which supersedes *Plain Talk*. It is published fortnightly in New York under the editorship of John Chamberlain and Henry Hozlett to further the "cause of traditional liberalism and individual freedom." The point of view of *People's China*, published in Peking by the Foreign Languages Press, is shown in such articles as "Stalin—Friend of the Chinese People," and "Long Live Comrade Stalin."

#### *History*

Under the direction of Prof. E. Simões de Paula, of the Universidade de São Paulo there is being published in São Paulo *Revista de Historia*. It is to be a journal of general history and will include papers written by professors and students. Volume one, number one, includes articles ranging in subject from ancient Greece, through medieval England to the 1848 revolution in Pernambuco.

#### *Law*

One new law school journal appeared, *The Catholic University of America Law Review*. The journal was started under student editorship for the purpose of publishing some of the better papers written by students. *The Legal Digest* from Wilmington will publish monthly condensations

of the opinions of the federal and state courts of Delaware.

#### *Mathematics*

A new international journal, *Zeitschrift für Angewandte Mathematik und Physik*, will publish articles in German, English, French and Italian. Its aim is to bridge the gap existing between periodicals devoted to pure mathematics and physics and those limited to the constructive engineering sciences.

#### *Medicine*

In the continual effort to keep the general practitioner informed on the subject of cancer research comes *CA, a Bulletin of Cancer Progress* published by the American Cancer Society. Each issue will contain an article or two written about a specific clinical aspect of cancer, a question-answer section based on cancer questions most frequently asked by doctors, abstracts from periodical literature, reports on conferences, etc.

#### *Geography*

The American Geographical Society launched their monthly *Focus* in October. The first issue, four pages in length, is devoted to Korea. Discussed were such features as climate and raw materials. A brief bibliography is included.

#### *Agriculture*

*Australian Journal of Agricultural Research* is published by the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization. It is to be the medium for the publication of the results of original investigations in the field of scientific research on soils, plants and domestic animals.

#### *Gardening*

The *Camellian*, the official magazine of

the South Carolina Camellia Society, will provide camellia growers with new and reliable information and advice. *Green Thumb, Gardening in the Deep South* is

published in St. Petersburg in the interest of inexperienced gardeners. The first issue includes articles on plant nutrition, hydroponics, orchid growing and other subjects.

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## A.C.R.L. Buildings Committee to Sponsor Cooperative Conferences

At a meeting during the A.L.A. Midwinter Conference in Chicago, on Feb. 1, 1951, the A.C.R.L. Buildings Committee voted to offer its services as a clearinghouse for the promotion of *regional cooperative conferences on library building problems.*

Since 1944, the nonaffiliated Cooperative Committee on Library Building Plans has held a number of meetings at which the librarians, architects and administrative officers of institutions engaged in library planning have met together for the purpose of exchanging suggestions and ideas on problems of common interest. At each of these meetings it has been the practice for several sets of preliminary plans to be presented and discussed.

The success of these conferences has been notable, but they have been concerned primarily with very large university buildings. The cost of travel has prevented many medium-sized and smaller institutions located too far away from sending representatives. In addition, several requests for participation could not be granted since the very nature of the meetings has required that they be limited in size. Therefore, the A.C.R.L. committee feels that there may be a need for several similar meetings, perhaps to be conducted on a regional basis.

Any librarian who now feels that his or her institution might like to participate in such a regional informal conference in the near future should write to Robert H. Muller, chairman, A.C.R.L. Buildings Committee, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Ill. Mr. Muller will then contact the member of his committee located in the region from which a sufficient number of requests have been received and ask him to make arrangements for a regional conference to discuss building plans of institutions planning new library buildings in that region.