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His lifelong interest in reference service is reflected in two sections: "On Reference Librarianship" and "On Reference Sources." In the former he predicted "that in the very next few years the reference librarian will emerge as the most strategic professional in our entire family of world occupations." That was in 1957. The other contains the earliest essay in the volume, one on Noah Webster's Dictionary, written in 1928. His article on the ideal encyclopedia, published first in 1937, accurately predicts the trends in publishing which have taken place in the past twenty years.

The author's long involvement with library education and his visions of the future are evident in six essays written between 1953 and 1964, under "On Library Education." His optimism shines through in "What Is Right With Library Education," his view of its objectives is set forth in "The College of Library Art, 1984."

Those aware of Dr. Shores's current interest in the library arts college may have forgotten that early in 1935, School and Society published "The Library Arts College: A Possibility in 1954?" This is one of the ten essays in the section, "On the Library's Role in Education," which also includes the title essay, "Mark Hopkins' Log." It is not surprising that he identifies the Log as "the universe of the materials of learning," a point reiterated in "The Essence of Learning," in which he states his belief that the book, in its broadest interpretation, is the composite of the school curriculum, and that a better course of study would result if the curriculum followed the book instead of the other way around.

Of necessity there is some unavoidable repetition in the essays, but this does not detract from their usefulness as a source of inspiration to library school students as well as to librarians who view their profession with a somewhat more jaundiced eye than Dr. Shores. For Dr. Shores, like Vachel Lindsay's calliope, is "tooting joy, tooting hope," if not in such raucous notes.

—Frances Neel Cheney, George Peabody College.


This volume is the second in a series of annual reviews, but it is much more than that. With quality of exposition, comprehensiveness of coverage, and clarity of organization, it and its predecessor have created a discipline where previously there was only an amorphous, ill-defined area of interesting problems. As a result, the two together do credit to the National Science Foundation and the System Development Corporation, which provided the resources, and to the American Documentation Institute which provided the professional support. Full honor is due the individual authors, but more than usual is due the editor for the superb quality of this volume. He provided more than simply editorial guidance. He created an entire mechanism—for definition of the structure and coverage, for accumulation of the relevant references, for selection of the reviewers, for critical evaluation and re-evaluation of their analyses, for assembly and production of the final volume.

For the purposes of this review, the fourteen chapters can be divided into four groups: the first three, which present the design techniques; the next five, which present the technical techniques; the next four, which present areas of application; and the last two, which present the social and professional context.

In group 1—

1. Information Needs and Uses in Science and Technology, by Saul and Mary Herner;
2. Design of Information Systems and Services, by Harold Borko;

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