(averaging less than two pages apiece). Nigeria occupies almost as much space as all other countries and the general section combined. The following have many name index listings: S. B. Aje, A. Akinhotu, R. Benge, J. Harris, S. Kotei, D. Obi, and F. Ogunsheye.

This bibliography is a relatively large and useful piece of work, at least for Nigeria and multination papers. In the introduction, its frank appraisal of general library science bibliography usefulness is helpful. Further, a bibliography for which a third edition is required has obviously been more useful than most.

However, the search for items was not comprehensive but was limited to titles which Davies saw in British libraries. She admits that this eliminated many otherwise useful listings. So the work has a British slant and is weak in items which might have been found in France, the United States, and other European countries, and in the African countries themselves. Even within the United Kingdom, she seems not to have searched thoroughly the British Library, School of Oriental and African Studies Library, Library Association Library, or any other library school library. Nor did she search extensively for theses, government reports, or other unpublished material. — John F. Harvey, International Library and Information Science Consultant, Lyndonville, Vermont.

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Papers on art libraries, librarianship, and documentation presented at the 1982 International Federation of Library Associations (IFLA) conference include: (1) "The Tyranny of Distance: Art Libraries in Canada," a description by Mary F. Williamson of Canada's regional art libraries that serve both art students and the general public; (2) "A Checklist of Some Art Bibliographies Not Included in Arntzen and Rainwater's 'Guide to the Historical Perspective and Summary of Recent Developments'"; (3) "Canadian Art Publications: A Historical Perspective and Summary of Recent Developments" by Loren Singer; (4) "Popular Religious Images: A Many Faceted Subject Which Could Benefit from an Automated Approach" by Michel Albaric (France); (5) "AGAP ART: A Cooperative Automated Catalogue of Art and Archaeology Journals Held in the Art Libraries of Paris and the Paris Area" by Denise Gazier (France); (6) "Visual Resources: The State of the Art," a description by Nancy De Laurier (United States) of methods of slide conservation and the training and activities of slide curators; (7) "The Indivisibility of Art Librarianship" by Wolfgang M. Freitag (United States), which advocates coordination between book and visual resources librarians; and (8) "Documentation of Design History: Past, Present and Future" by Anthony J. Coulson (United Kingdom), which discusses reference sources for design history, particularly industrial design.

**School Libraries and Intellectual Freedom.** Ohio Educational Library/Media Association, Columbus. 1982. 33p. ED 225 545. MF—$0.83; PC—not available from EDRS.

Compiled by the Intellectual Freedom Department of the Ohio Educational Library Media Association (OELMA), this booklet contains varied materials related to issues of intellectual freedom, including an eight-point statement of the purpose of the department, the American Library Association's Library Bill of Rights, and guidelines for writing a materials selection policy. Policies, guidelines, and procedures statements for two city school districts, a rural school district, and a parochial school are also
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**Intellectual and Bibliographical Access to the Original Library Collection, 1794–1827.** By Cleo Treadway and Lee McDavid. Tusculum College, Greenville, Tennessee. Sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities (NFAH), Washington, D.C. 1982. 19p. ED 225 575. MF—$0.83; PC—$1.82.

This progress report delineates activities completed during the first year of a federally funded project to catalog and preserve the Charles Coffin Collection, located in the Tusculum College Library at Greenville, Tennessee. The Coffin Collection is described as the nearly intact original library of Greenville College, which was a frontier college established in 1794 and Tusculum’s antecessor. The number of volumes in the collection is noted as approximately two thousand. Project activities from June 1, 1981, to June 30, 1982, are described in the areas of descriptive cataloging, indexing, identification of rare items, book conservation and preservation, and participation in the Eighteenth-Century Short-Title Catalogue/North America. The impact of membership in OCLC on the project and plans to publish a short-title catalog of the Coffin Collection are reported. Three appendices comprise the résumé of the assistant project director; a letter outlining the cataloging agreement between OCLC and Tusculum College Library; and a press release announcing funding of the project and the proposed collection catalog, along with a list of press-release recipients.

**Censorship: Changing Reality.** By L. B. Woods and Cynthia Robinson. 1982. 16p. ED 226 740. MF—$0.83; PC—$1.82.

Based on data compiled from issues of the American Library Association’s *Newsletter on Intellectual Freedom*, this paper analyzes more than five hundred censorship cases occurring in U.S. educational institutions and public libraries from 1976 through 1980, and makes a comparison with a previous study of U.S. censorship covering 1966 to 1975. Information is presented on censorship attempts by year and level of educational institution affected; number of items censored by year; formats of censored material; sources of censorship attempts; reasons for censorship attempts; and titles of censored books, dictionaries, and films. A censorship index by state and geographical region is also presented. Eight tables and three references are provided.

**An Interdisciplinary Philosophy of Librarianship.** By Curtis H. Wright. 1982. 14p. ED 227 864. MF—$0.83; PC—$1.82 plus postage.

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