

LEGISLATION

The following bills are available and should be requested from your congressman: HR 6232, Higher Education Amendments of 1967 (Perkins Bill); Senate Bill Number 1122, Higher Education Amendments of 1967 (Morris Bill).

In a recent *Washington Newsletter*, the following statement was made: "The immediate future of library programs hinges almost entirely on these Congressmen: Reps. Daniel J. Flood (D-Pa.), Chairman; William H. Natcher (D-Ky.); Neal Smith (D-Iowa); W. R. Hull, Jr., (D-Mo.); Bob Casey (D-Texas); Melvin R. Laird (R-Wisc.); Robert H. Michel (R-Ill.); and Garner E. Shriver (R-Kansas)." Many academic librarians have indicated the value of the Higher Education Legislation. Librarians are very aware of the value of this Legislation, but every librarian should be responsible for informing his congressman and senator of the importance of such Legislation. Your contact with your local representative becomes even more important with the beginning of the 90th Congress, which includes many new members who are unfamiliar with library programs.

ALA is quite proud of its Washington Office and the work which it has accomplished in providing extensive federal funds for library development. The effectiveness of this office is dependent on your extensive support.

LIBRARY ASSOCIATION WORKSHOP

A "first-of-its-kind" was held November 9-11, 1966 at the Warwick Hotel, Philadelphia, when the Drexel Institute of Technology graduate school of library science sponsored a Library Association Administration Workshop. Attending the three-day session were representatives of seven national, two regional, two county, and nineteen state, provincial or district, library associations. Total attendance was fifty-three.

Workshop sessions were concerned with a wide range of problems of concern to both volunteer officers and paid staff members of large and small library associations. Topics covered included the function, structure, and influence of professional associations and of library associations in particular, officer-staff relationships, membership promotion and file maintenance, financial, tax and legal considerations, publications, meetings, exhibits and ad-

vertising, and legislation. Education, placement, standards, consultation, intellectual freedom, censorship, and recruitment were considered in small discussion circles.

A workshop advisory council was composed of Nancy Blundon, executive secretary, Pennsylvania Library Association; David Brunton, executive secretary, California Library Association; Alphonse Trezza, associate executive director, American Library Association; John Harvey, dean and Margaret Warrington, administrative assistant, Drexel; and Bill Woods, executive director, Special Libraries Association, chairman.

Conference proceedings will be published by Drexel during the summer of 1967 in the form of a manual of library association administration, the first such instructional manual to be issued. This volume will be part of the *Drexel Library School Series* for which a standing order may be placed. All orders should be sent to the Book Store, Drexel Institute of Technology, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19104.

ISAD PRECONFERENCE

A Preconference Institute on Library Automation, sponsored by ALA's Information Science and Automation Division, will be held June 22-24 in San Francisco's Civic Auditorium, to review the state-of-the-art of library automation today and the prospects for the future. Individual sessions will concentrate on particular areas of library automation, identifying the general types of systems which are now operating in each area and discussing particular systems as examples or exceptions. Speakers scheduled for such sessions include Joseph Becker, Wesley Simonton, Barbara Markuson, Henriette Avram, C. D. Gull, Charles Bourne, Bruce Stewart, Kelley Cartwright, and Connie Dunlap. The Institute will also feature a half day's instruction in library systems analysis by Edward Chapman and Paul St. Pierre, for which a manual of systems analysis will be furnished free to each registrant. Exhibits by data processing equipment manufacturers will demonstrate actual library systems or provide "hands-on" experience for Institute attendees.

The registration fee is \$20, and registration is limited to 900. For further information, write to Preconference Institute on Library Automation, American Library Association, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611. Deadline for registrations is June 5.