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GEORGE M. BAILEY, executive secretary of ACRL since November 1, 1963, has resigned from his position effective August 31. The Board of Directors of ACRL, in its search for a successor to Mr. Bailey, requests the membership to submit names of candidates to the President, with a copy to the Executive Secretary of ACRL at ALA Headquarters.

The description of the position and qualifications are as follows:

**DESCRIPTION:**

The position of Executive Secretary of the division is one of high professional responsibility. It involves provision of staff service to the members to enable them to develop the divisional program; representation of the division and of ALA to other associations, government officials, other professions, and the public at large; and provision of consultant service to administrators and librarians of junior colleges, colleges, universities, and research institutions on the problems of academic libraries. A great deal of travel, public speaking, and writing for publication is involved.

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

Four years of college plus an MS in LS degree. Appropriate experience and knowledge of materials and activities related to academic libraries; ability to handle detail and to meet deadlines; to make public appearances; and to work cooperatively with a great variety of people.

—James Humphrey, III  
President, ACRL  
The Metropolitan Museum of Art  
New York, New York 10028

*George Bailey has served with distinction in the position of Executive Secretary of the Association of College and Research Libraries, the largest division of the American Library Association, for the past five years. When he came to us in 1963 he brought with him the benefit of his library experience at the University of California at Berkeley and Davis, and Northwestern University. George has devoted himself to the cause of improving and helping libraries and librarianship in all the types of institutions the Association represents: junior colleges, colleges, universities, research and special. Although the membership has increased by 65 per cent between 1963 and 1968, with the inevitable increase in the work load, by dint of long hours and hard work, he has kept pace with it. His sense of professionalism, his ability to work with the members as well as his colleagues at headquarters—not to mention "his" president!, are qualities which make him a model executive secretary.*

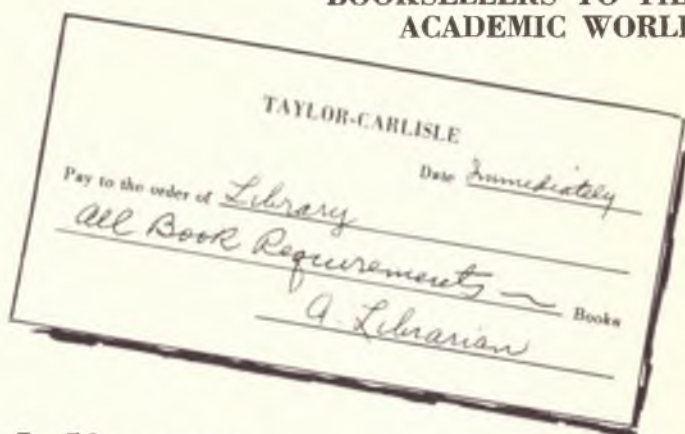
*In his new position as librarian and professor at one of the municipally supported institutions of higher education in New York City—York College—George, by his ACRL experience in all its variety, as well as his previous service in libraries, is admirably equipped to develop a first-rate library. We are all agreed that ACRL's and ALA's loss is York's gain. We will miss George in his present post, but we'll put him to work in the Association—in another capacity—when he assumes his new post. It is inevitable, and right, that George should move on to another important library position—we wish him well in the new endeavor and at the same time vote him a rousing and unanimous round of thanks for a singularly outstanding job at ACRL. Speaking selfishly, I'm relieved that my term of office expires before George's; speaking from experience, I'm pleased that Dave Kaser will have been president of ACRL*

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for several weeks before George leaves. To put it another way, working with George in pursuing goals to which we are all devoted, is a privilege and a pleasure.—James Humphry III.

NOTE: See profile on pages 194-195.

## CONFERENCE NOTES

• The RESEARCH COMMITTEES of the Library Education Division of ALA and of the Association of American Library Schools will co-sponsor an open program meeting on research in library science at the annual ALA conference in Kansas City, on Wednesday morning, June 26, at 8:00 to 9:30 A.M.

John McCrossan, assistant professor of the department of library science, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, and program chairman, will preside. Directors of three recent library research projects will describe the organization, research methods, and results of their work.

Mrs. Florence D. Cleary, project director, and Mrs. Ruth Allen, chief investigator, of the College of Education, University of South Florida, Tampa, will report on "The Effect of a Librarian-Centered Reading Guidance Program on the Reading Skills and Habits of Elementary School Pupils."

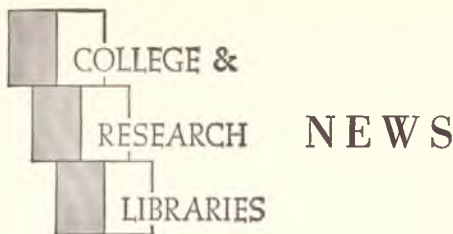
Haynes McMullen, professor of library science, graduate library school, Indiana University, Bloomington, will report on "The Use of a Computer in the Study of American Libraries in Existence before 1876." A computer was used for sorting data, performing simple arithmetic processes, and producing graphs as an aid in the study of approximately 6800 libraries founded in the United States before 1876. The computer was used because it saved enormous amounts of time in handling data and eliminated many clerical errors that would have resulted from non-computer methods.

Marina E. Axen, associate professor, department of library science, Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana, will report on "Teaching the Use of the Library to Undergraduates; An Experimental Comparison of Computer-Based Instruction and the Conventional Lecture Method." Two groups of undergraduates were taught an introductory course in library science, one by a computerized program and the other by the conventional lecture methods. Results of the two methods were analyzed and compared. A doctoral dissertation at the University of Illinois.

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