

Adams State College Library,

Alamosa, Colorado, which serves as a major resource for a large rural area in southern Colorado, has received an LSCA Title III grant for \$11,519 to enhance the formal partnership between the College's School of Education and the 14 public school districts in the area. The money will purchase a kit of print and video science fair preparation materials for each school district thus enhancing the abilities of elementary and middle school students to successfully prepare for science fairs. Another goal of the project is to assist in the academic preparation of these students for better use of the Adams State Library when they reach high school.

Students at Adrian College in Adrian, Michigan,

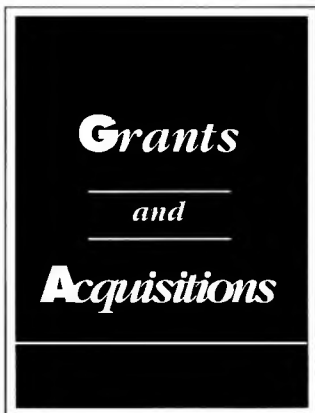
opened their academic year with a new full-text database service thanks to the college's class of 1992. As their parting gift, the class pledged \$23,000 to endow library subscriptions online and CD-ROM databases which provide the full text of periodicals, reference works, and other documents.

Hahnemann University Library received

a three-year \$445,000 grant from the National Library of Medicine to build an integrated information and communication system to support the university's research community. The grant will support the development of databases of faculty research expertise and resources, online document ordering with delivery of full text to the researcher's workstation, and a communications module for conferences, bulletin boards, calendars, and information on funding opportunities. These services, which also include on-site access to GenBank and other sequence databases, will be called the Research Information Service (RIS).

Laramie County Community College Library

has received a \$50,000 grant from the Union Pacific Foundation. The gift will be used to establish an endowment (70%) and to make some immediate purchases of books and equipment (30%).



The Northeast Document Conservation Center

(NEDCC), Andover, Massachusetts, received an \$889,000 grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities to provide funds to NEDCC's field service program for institutions in New England and the Mid-Atlantic states. The goal of NEDCC's field service program is to bring preservation to institutions in its area by emphasizing the prevention of deterioration

and the need for systematic planning for the protection of collections, to stimulate preservation activity, and to improve the ability of institutions to maintain their collections.

Reed College received a \$30,000 grant

from the Oregon Community Foundation to help purchase the personal library of noted Portland architect A. E. Doyle. The Doyle collection consists of about 500 books and folios and is valued because it was once the working resource library of one of Portland's leading architects at the turn of the century.

Reed College also received a \$65,000 planning grant from the M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust of Vancouver, Washington. The grant is for the Portland Area Library System (PORTALS), a cooperative endeavor of academic, public, and special libraries to provide improved library and information services. The goal is to create the capabilities of an electronically accessible research library in the Portland area.

St. John's College, Santa Fe, New Mexico,

received a \$67,438 grant from the U.S. Department of Education enabling its Meem Library to become a contributing member in state and national library networking activities. The library will join OCLC through AMIGOS, the New Mexico Education network NEDCOMM, and will participate in the sharing of serial holdings through the state CD-ROM project.

The University of Alabama Libraries has

been given assets which will result in a \$1 million permanently endowed fund known as the John H. and Carolyn Cobb Josey Library Endowment Fund. The donors, Mr. and Mrs. John

H. Josey of Birmingham, chose to support the libraries as a way of contributing to the future of higher education in Alabama. The money will assist the libraries' development of information technology.

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (UNC-CH) will receive state-of-the-art multimedia computer equipment valued at \$1 million from International Business Machines Corp. (IBM). The equipment will be used to access digitized audio and video materials and to support projects that take advantage of multimedia and a fiber-optic network coming to UNC-CH next year. The library plans to digitize original documents, images, recordings, and video materials from its Southern collection. That database of electronic materials will be available to students and faculty on the network and in specially equipped classrooms. Students will be able to prepare electronic term papers that incorporate interviews and video clips on the computer screen.

Whitman College's Penrose Memorial Library received a \$240,000 endowment from the estate of Ruth McBirney, Whitman class of 1939. McBirney, retired director of libraries and professor emerita of Boise State University, died in March 1991. She was head librarian of the American Library in Paris (1947-53) and received the Palmes Academique from the French government for this work. Proceeds from the McBirney endowment will be used for library materials and automation at Penrose.

Acquisitions

The 70,000 volumes of the Nazareth College (Kalamazoo, Michigan) Library were acquired by the **Baker College** system for its seven campuses in Michigan after Nazareth College closed its doors at the end of the 1992 academic year. The Nazareth collection provides a liberal arts balance to Baker College's computer, business, and medical collections.

George Orwell's original handwritten manuscript of *Nineteen Eighty-four* has been given to **Brown University's** John Hay Library by Daniel G. Siegel, Brown Class of 1957 and president of M & S Rare Books. The manu-

script, containing about 44% of the published text, is the only known holograph manuscript of the work, and is the only extensive Orwell manuscript known to survive. As Orwell's widow wrote in a letter to Siegel, this manuscript is a very "rare document" for "George always threw away all his mss. letters etc., so his actual working methods are very badly documented." The manuscript consists of 143 leaves written on 183 pages and contains both handwritten and typed sheets. The latter are heavily overwritten. *Nineteen Eighty-four*, published in 1949, was Orwell's last work; he died in 1950.

A total of 232 editions of Melville's *Moby Dick*, in 31 languages, were donated by alumnus William S. Clark, class of 1942, to **Dartmouth College**, which already has a substantial Melville collection. Clark says he was motivated by an urge to collect books, not by a love of the epic itself: "I found it difficult to get through."

The papers of the Beckwith-Fox family have been acquired by the **Huntington Library**. The 1,000-piece collection details the careers of Edward G. Beckwith and John L. Fox. Beckwith was instrumental in the completion of the government survey for a Central Pacific Railroad route. During the Civil War he served under General Banks in Union-occupied Louisiana. Fox served as a surgeon in the U.S. Navy during the Union blockade of southern ports.

The Janet Hobhouse (1948-1990) papers documenting her life and career as a novelist, art critic, and biographer of Gertrude Stein have been donated to **Rutgers University Libraries** by Anne Virginia Hobhouse Bergen. The Hobhouse papers include letters, appointment books, manuscripts of published works, an unpublished autobiography, unpublished essays and reviews, and reviews of her work.

The papers of poet James Arlington Wright have been acquired by the **University of Minnesota**. Wright (1927-1981) was a poet and teacher who held positions at the University of Minnesota, Macalester College, and Hunter College. He received numerous awards and published widely, including eight books of poetry. The collection includes correspondence, journals, manuscripts of Wright's poetry and prose, photographs, clippings, writings about Wright, and teaching notes from his various posts. ■