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brary humor in 1999. Any and all kinds of contributions are welcome. Nominations should be sent no later than February 29, 2000, to Norman D. Stevens, director, Molesworth Institute, 143 Hanks Hill Road, Storrs, CT 06268. Nominations need only include the piece being nominated; in the case of Web sites or other electronic

publications, electronic submissions to [norman.stevens@uconn.edu](mailto:norman.stevens@uconn.edu) will suffice. The winner, whose award will be tailored to the submission, will be announced on April 1, 2000.

### New Minnesota archives named

On the occasion of his 90th birthday, the University of Minnesota (UM) has renamed the Library Archives/Access Center (currently under construction) the Elmer L. Andersen Li-

brary, in honor of former Minnesota Governor Andersen. This is the first time a UM Library has not been named after a university president, and it recognizes Andersen's many contributions to and support of the library and the university.

The \$40-million project will be completed early in 2000 and will house eight UM special collections and archives and the MINITEX Information Network offices and services; lesser-used materials from the university and other libraries in the state will be housed in two environmentally controlled caverns mined for this project.

### Project Muse announces pricing options for 2000

Firm prices for the 2000 calendar year are now available for Project MUSE, the electronic journals database managed by the Johns Hopkins University Press. MUSE now offers 112 journal titles from nine publishers, such as Carnegie Mellon University Press, MIT Press, and the University of Texas Press. A variety of packages and discounts are available. Details may be found at <http://muse.jhu.edu> or contact Melanie Vandemark at [melanie@jhupress.jhu.edu](mailto:melanie@jhupress.jhu.edu). ■

## "Curmudgeon" Madden remembered at CSU Fresno

"Curmudgeon," "Bibliophile," and "Scholar."

Henry Miller Madden was remembered at a gathering held on August 27 at California State University, Fresno, to commemorate the 50th anniversary of his arrival at the library that now bears his name. The celebration recognized the central role Madden played in the library and in the profession in California. In September 1949, Madden joined what was then Fresno State College as college librarian; he retired in 1979. In 1981, the library was named for him, a great honor requiring an exception to CSU policy. He died the following year.

Madden became a recognized leader in the library profession, particularly in the area of intellectual freedom, but his most important accomplishment was the development of a library collection that, for its size, is un-

paralleled in diversity, quality, and depth. He believed that an "academic librarian [has an] obligation to bequeath a living institution that will be a mainstay for generations unto generations."

Madden valued his staff and proclaimed them as "unmatched in competence." He issued unique memoranda written in an idiosyncratic style ("Do not . . . conclude calls with 'Bye-Bye,' 'mmimbye,' or other mush.").

In accepting the position of college librarian 50 years ago, Madden answered a true calling for librarianship. He cherished the importance of the written word. Madden closed his last annual report with, "The things that are most with me are things that I have read, for they both open and store the mind. Reading is the means and the measure of intellectual life."—*Janet Bancroft, Henry Madden Library, California State University, Fresno* ■

