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REVIEWS OF INDEXES

Information Please Almanac 1947

... the index is masterly ... and so smoothly strung together that the information is easily absorbed.

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Helen E. Haines, Pasadena Star-News

I Wanted to Write (Kenneth Roberts)

. . . a generous, carefully compiled index. Dorothy Canfield Fisher,

New York Herald Tribune

A History of Europe (Ferdinand Schevill)

I have gone through the index with some care. It is very well done. Ferdinand Schevill

Ancestors' Brocades (Millicent Todd Bingham)

. . . its value definitely enhanced by an effective and accurate index. Pasadena Star-Ledger

Building America (5 vols.) 1948

. . . a thorough index.

Subscription Books Bulletin

How to Cook for Profit (Gray and Lo Padua)

I am grateful indeed for your marvelous index.

Madeline Gray

Selected list of indexes prepared by JOHN ASKLING ASSOCIATES

Bell Laboratories Record 1953, 1954

Bell Laboratories Reporter 1952-53

Bell Telephone System *Monographs* 1953, 1954 Cumulative index 1950–54

Bell System Technical Journal 1953, 1954

DUNBAR, FLANDERS

Emotions and Bodily Changes, 4th revision, 1954. Columbia University Press

HATCH, ALDEN

Red Carpet for Mamie, Holt, 1954

Landmark Books, Random House, 1950-54

Allabout Books, Random House, 1953

Gateway Books, Random House, 1953

Carnegie Corporation of New York Index to Reports of Officers 1921–1951

Pace Report. Research and Related Services in the U.S. Department of Agriculture (3 vols.), 1950

A Soldier's Story, Omar Bradley, Holt, 1950

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GENERAL REFERENCE TEXTS

Americana Encyclopedia (29 vols.) 1946, 1950

Americana Annual (1947), index 1946, 1947

Building America (5 vols.) 1948. Recommended by Subscription Books Bulletin

Grolier Encyclopedia (10 vols.) revisions 1945, 1946, 1947

Encyclopedie de la Jeunesse (14 vols.) complete index in French (252 pp. index)

Information Please Almanac (1947) Prepared original index (61 pp.)

Language Skills Harcourt, Brace

grade nine 1946 grade ten 1947 grade eleven 1948 advanced course 1949

United Nations Bulletins (1949)

TRADE BOOKS AND COLLEGE TEXTS

BINGHAM, MILLICENT TODD Ancestors' Brocades
CROW, JOHN A. The Epic of Latin America Doubleday
DUNBAR, FLANDERS Your Child's Mind and Body Random House Synopsis of Psychosomatic Diagnosis and Treatment C. V. Mosby Emotions and Bodily Changes, 4th revision Columbia University Press
FINNEY, THEODORE M. History of Music Harcourt, Brace
FREEDMAN, SAMUEL Two-Way Radio Ziff-Davis
GARDNER, HELEN Art Through the Ages Harcourt, Brace
GEDDES, DONALD PORTER Franklin Delano Roosevelt—A Memorial Dial
HAINES, HELEN E. Living with Books Columbia University Press
KROEBER, A. L. Anthropology Harcourt, Brace
The City and the Tsar Doubleday The March of Muscovy Doubleday
ROBERTS, KENNETH Moreau de St. Méry's American Voyage. Doubleday I Wanted to Write Doubleday
SCHEVILL, FERDINAND History of Europe Harcourt, Brace

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Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, New York University of Southern California Library School University of Denver Library School U.S. Department of Agriculture Graduate School

Mr. Askling has had special work in cataloging, and in the study and building of subject headings in the vocabularies of specialized professions (in French, English, Italian and German) through courses and association with Dr. Marion Kenworthy, Dr. Gordon Hamilton, and the late Dr. Alfred Adler for the vocabulary of psychiatry and social work; with the late Dr. Leonard Freeman, Denver, Colorado, for the vocabulary of surgery and medicine; with Dr. Flanders Dunbar on the vocabulary of psychiatry and psychosomatic medicine; with the late Dr. Walter Van Dyke Bingham on the vocabulary of psychology; with Minnie Maddern Fiske for the vocabulary of the theatre; with the late E. Robert Schmitz and Mme. Wanda Landowska on the vocabulary of music.

His personal background is listed in Who's Who in the East (1954); Who's Who in Commerce and Industry (1954); and The Directory of American Scholars (1951).

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John Askling has prepared the works listed below as aids to his many lecture series. Each work may be found in the publication listed with it.

"Confusion Worse Confounded" California Librarian, Dec. 1951

"The Indexer Goes to Work" California Librarian, Sept. 1951

"Personality Prototype of the Indexer" D. C. Libraries, Jan. 1952

"Riddle MeThis, or Who's Responsible for an Index?"

Contemporary Catholic Trade Book Symposium, May
1952

"What Is an Index?"

California Librarian, March 1951

"What Makes an Indexer Tick?" California Librarian, June 1951

"Words at Work"

Library Journal, Nov. 1, 1953

MISCELLANEOUS TEXTS

TRADER VIC Bartender's Guide Doubleday	GUNTHER Alexander the Great Random House
TRADER VIC Book of Food and Drink Doubleday	FORESTER The Barbary Pirates Random House
BERG Challenge of Polio Dial	REYNOLDS The Battle of Britain Random House
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SMITH, JANET K. Design: An Introduction Ziff-Davis	JENNINGS Clipper Ship Days Random House
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MANDEL Guide to the Soviet Union Dial	KJELGAARD The Explorations of Père Marquette Random House
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Greenberg MARGOLIUS	The First Overland Mail Random House
How to Buy More for Your Money Doubleday GRAY AND LO PADUA	WHITE George Washington Carver Random House KANTOR
How to Cook for Profit Greenberg	Gettysburg Random House
Living with Books Columbia University GUIDE BOOK	Joan of Arc Random House
Michigan Oxford	John Paul Jones, Fighting Sailor . Random House
Our Fighting Ships	King Arthur and his Knights Random House
Pikes Peak or Bust Doubleday	The Louisiana Purchase Random House
SAYERS AND KAHN Plot Against the Peace Dial	The Man Who Changed China, The Story of Sun Yat-sen Random House
Principles of Art Appreciation Harcourt, Brace	PRATT The Monitor and the Merrimac and Other Naval
Roosevelt and the Russians Doubleday	Battles Random House WINWAR
VON URBAN Sex Perfection and Marital Happiness Dial	Napoleon and the Battle of Waterloo Random House
Soldier of Democracy Doubleday	Prehistoric America Random House NEUBERGER
DENNEN Trouble Zone Ziff-Davis	Royal Canadian Mounted Police . Random House JOHNSON Random House
YAKHONTOFF USSR Foreign Policy Coward-McCann	Sam Houston, The Tallest Texan . Random House LAWSON Thirty Seconds Over Televis . Random House
HEYMAN We Can Do Business with Russia Ziff-Davis	Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo Random House SHEEAN Thomas Jefferson, Father of Democracy
COOKE Winning Tennis Doubleday	Random House
WALSH Adventures and Discoveries of Marco Polo	The Story of the U.S. Marines Random House
Random House	The Winter at Valley Forge Random House

December 29, 1954

Miss Josephine Curry, 536 W. 113 St., New York, 25, N.Y.

Dear Josephine,

At last I can report to you about the indexing project mentioned in my letter of November 16. At an Executive Committee meeting yesterday it was decided to postpone the indexing of the library register at this time. It is actually part of a larger problem of providing indexes for other collections of private papers and the overall policy cannot be finally determined for some time.

For that reason Miss Adams wishes me to tell you that it would not be advisable for you to reserve any time for us as was at first contemplated. I am sorry it has turned out this way as it sounded like an interesting possibility.

I hope you will have good luck in 1955 in finding parttime jobs to your liking. You seem to have been very successful so far in attracting worthwhile projects.

With best wishes for the New Year, I am

Sincerely yours,

Marguerite Burnett

November 16, 1954

Miss Josephine Curry, 536 W. 113 St., New York, 25, N.Y.

Dear Josephine,

I have just obtained your address from Florence Wagner so that I can find out whether you are at present engaged on any job. I have been asked about the possibility of getting someone to index a listing of the contents of alprivate financial library of some 600 pages. It is not as yet at hand but is expected shortly, and no final decision about the indexing aspect has yet been made.

But I thought I would make preliminary inquiries about your availability, because I think it is just the kind of job that would interest you. Could you give me some idea about how much you would charge? On previous indexing jobs were you paid by the hour, or the page, or on a full-time weekly basis? Since the cost enters into the decision about having the indexing done any figures you could supply, even if tentative, would be helpful.

You may not have heard about my new job. I am working part-time (afternoons) with the above committee, which has its head-quarters at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. There are at present four of us on the staff, including the Research Director Miss Mildred Adams. It promises to be very interesting work.

Sincerely yours,

Marguerite Burnett

INTERVIEWING TECHNIQUES

See under LIKERT, Rensis

April 16, 1954

Dear Mrs. Jay:

Before further time goes by, I should like to thank you most warmly for turning over to us the two excellent photographs of the early Reserve Board and of the Dawes Plan group. It was more than kind of you to see me at your home, and I might say too that we are most grateful to you for your earlier generosity in turning over the late Mr. Jay's papers to the Reserve Bank here which now repose in the central archives. I am sure they will be of interest to those who at a later time undertake the actual writing of studies for this Committee.

Sincerely yours,

Mildred Adams

Mrs. Pierre Jay 133 East 64th Street New York City

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February 25, 1954

OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

, Miss Adams	3UBJECT:
FROM K. McKinstry	REgent 4-1381

Mrs. Pierre Jay telephoned in response to your inquiry about Mr. Jay's papers having to do with the early days of the Federal Reserve Bank. She said that her recollection is that she sent down to this Bank shortly after Mr. Jay's death (she thought in response to Mr. Sproul's request) a lot of material, which she advised the Bank they could keep in the files or throw out. She said she could not now remember what was in this lot, but she thought it contained everything that was of interest to the Bank, since she personally had no knowledge of or interest in those papers.

She said that she had been looking through all the data remaining in her possession and thought there was very little that had to do with the Bank. She said her eyes were poor, and she could not undertake to try to read the various documents. They were, I take it, labelled on the outside, and she said they had to do with various things, but she thought there were almost none bearing on the early days of the Federal Reserve. She mentioned specifically that she had a photograph of Governor Strong and Montagu Norman taken at this Bank. She said there might be some resolutions passed when Mr. Jay left.

OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

	DATE February 25, 1954
, Miss Adams	SUBJECT:
FROM K. McKinstry	pay war on yapadda abada abada in 200 ya ni arisis o iliyo kaba tiyada a ili ababa baba a ta talab ili adalah abada abada ili arisis o ili arisis o ili arisis o ili abada aba

I said I thought we might have an interest in his work on the Dawes Plan, and she thought there might be something on the later period of his life still in her hands.

I suggested that we should first inventory what was here in the Bank, and asked her permission for you to look over the remaining hoard at some future time. She agreed to this, and said it would be all right for you to telephone her (but not tomorrow, Feb. 26, because she will be busy all day). I said I expected you would be spending the first two weeks in March in New York and would have a chance to telephone her then.

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Her voice sounded very tremulous, and I suspect that she is not too well. I tried to emphasize that we were anxious not to put her to any trouble in this matter, and that you would do the cataloging of whatever items you pointized for FRASERhad an interest in, so that she need not go through the papers.

February 15, 1954

Dear Mrs. Jay:

This Committee has been at work for about a month locating and listing the papers of men who were active in the early days of the Federal Reserve System. Among those men, your distinguished husband, with his wide banking experience and his long service as Chairman of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, ranks high.

We are wondering whether, in the course of so busy a life, Mr. Jay kept diaries which still exist, or any collection of memoranda and other papers which deal with the banking and fiscal affairs with which he dealt. If he did, could you tell us where they have been deposited, and whether any index of them exists which we might see?

The Committee asks me to thank you for any information you can give us in locating what would be a most important collection. I should, perhaps, add that no writing or publication is contemplated at this time; we are mainly carrying on an inventory and preliminary survey study.

Very sincerely yours,

Mildred Adams

Mrs. Pierre Jay 133 East 64th Street New York City

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HOWARD M. JEFFERSON

Officer, Federal Reserve Bank of New York, Dec. 16, 1914 to July 31, 1926.

Mr. Jefferson was appointed to the Bank as Auditor on December 16, 1914. He became Manager of the Personnel Department on September 1, 1919. On April 15, 1921, his title became Manager of the Personnel Development Department. On September 11, 1924, he again took on the title of Manager of the Personnel Department. It was from this position that he resigned on July 31, 1926 to take a position with the First National Corporation of Boston which had a New York office at 100 Broadway, New York City. The last communication to Mr. Jefferson from the bank was in 1949 at which time his address was 313 North Wayne Avenue, Wayne, Pennsylvania.

Information obtained from Miss McManus, Secretary's Office

Mr. Jefferson was born in Nova Scotia. He was graduated from New York University in 1905 and later taught banking there. He was one of the founders and a former president of Alpha Kappa Psi.

He was connected with the Federal Reserve Bank of New York from its beginning. In 1926, while with the First National Corporation of Boston, he was a member of a financial mission headed by E. W. Kemmerer of Princeton University, which, by invitation, investigated banking methods in Colombia, Ecuador, Bolivia, and Chile. For this work he was decorated by the Governments of Colombia, Ecuador and Chile.

In 1948, Mr. Jefferson retired from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, with which he had been associated for twelve years.

Mr. Jefferson died on November 15, 1954 at the Madison Nursing Home in Basking Ridge, New Jersey at the age of 76. He left his wife, the former Isabel R. Douglas; a son, Stuart E. of Pelham Manor, N. Y.; a daughter, Miss Margaret Jefferson of Bernardsville, and a brother, William of Elizabeth.

Information obtained from Obituary, New York Times, Tuesday, Nov. 16, 1954.

June 4, 1954

Dear Mr. Jennings:

On behalf of Miss Adams, I should like to thank you for your letter of June 1st. She intends to get in touch with Mr. Pole immediately.

Miss Adams has asked me to thank you for your help. She will be much interested in securing any information you can give her on Mr. Charles Starek.

Sincerely yours,

Research Assistant

Mr. L. A. Jennings Deputy Comptroller of the Currency Treasury Department Washington 25, D. C.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT

COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY

WASHINGTON 25

ADDRESS REPLY TO "COMPTROLLER OF THE GURRENCY"

June 1, 1954

Miss Mildred Adams
Research Director
Committee on the History
of the Federal Reserve System
33 Liberty Street
New York 45, New York

Dear Miss Adams:

This is to advise you that former Comptroller of the Currency, Mr. John W. Pole, is now residing at Fairfield, Illinois. It is my understanding that Fairfield is a small community where Mr. Pole is well known and a street address is unnecessary.

We have sent to St. Louis, Missouri for our personnel file on Mr. Charles Starek who was a National Bank Examiner many years ago and later Vice Chairman of the Foard of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. Our old personnel files are stored in St. Louis so it will be a matter of a few days before the information will be made available to you.

I am sorry to say that we have been unable to find any material in our files dealing with the activities of various Comptrollers of the Currency who, under the old statute, were members of the Federal Reserve Board. It would appear that the files in question have been destroyed.

Sincerely yours,

L. A. Jennings

Deputy Comptroller of the Currency

JENNINGS, L. A.

Deputy Comptroller of Currency

See letter June, 1954 under STAREK, Charles

December 14, 1954

Dear Jack:

Don Woodward is in the hospital at this moment (not serious, I think), but if he were out, he and I would both bow simultaneously in thanks for the compliment.

Your other suggestions for what I now think of as The Historian are very interesting and valuable. Living as I do, among monetary experts, it is wonderful to have the estimates of someone who thinks not only in terms of knowledge, but also in terms of writing.

Gratefully yours,

Mildred Adams

Mr. John K. Jessup, Editor Life Magazine Time and Life Building Rockefeller Center New York 20, N. Y.

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EDITORIAL OFFICES

December 4, 1954

Dear Mildred:

In answer to your rather exacting appeal of December 3d, the first names I should have thought of for such an assignment are your own and Don Woodward's. But I suppose you both have other things to do. I suppose you have also considered the best-writing economists, namely George Strigler and Kenneth Boulding, who could presumably "get up" what knowledge of monetary theory they may lack. Among journalists, the best equipped is probably John Davenport, but he is just returning from Barron's to FORTUNE and is presumably unavailable.

I begin to see your difficulty. Let me consult a colleague or two and see if we can make a realistic suggestion.

Sincerely,

John K. Jessup

Miss Mildred Adams

Research Director

Committee on the History of the Federal Reserve System 33 Liberty Street
New York 45, New York

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December 3, 1954

Dear Jack:

I think you know about this Federal Reserve History project on which I've been working for nearly a year. Now that we have our five-year grant from the Rockefeller Foundation in hand, we find the spending of it harder than seemed possible when we were merely working to get it.

Specifically, we are having trouble finding a first-rate expert in monetary and banking matters (and with a sense of fiscal policies) who has some feeling for history and who can write. The Committee members, and their research director, have been circling about that one since September. Thus far, we have come up mainly with negative judgements - Mr. X is a fine monetary theorist, but he can't write the English language; Mr. X knows about money and fiscal policies but only from now on - he has no sense of history or development; Mr. Z writes well, but is not sound in monetary matters; and so on.

It is from this morass that I make my present appeal. Obviously, it is time we stopped conning academic names over and over, and asked help from the best editorial brains available. So - if you wanted a bang-up sketch of Federal Reserve history for <u>Time</u> or <u>Fortune</u> or a careful and interesting article on the effect of the Federal Reserve type of central banking on forty years of the American economy, whom would you pick to write it?

I'll be deeply grateful for any suggestions, and so will my distinguished Committee. Thanks in advance for your kindness to this informal appeal.

And the best of personal greetings to you.

Cordially yours,

Mildred Adams

Mr. Jack Jessup Editorial Board Time Magazine 9 Rockefeller Plaza New York, N. Y. See correspondence file WRITERS (PROPOSED)

JOHNSON, Evans C.

See under UNDERWOOD, Oscar (Senator)

April 20, 1956

Dear Mr. Hammond:

Thank you so much for your letter of April 17th in reply to my query about the Hiram Johnson papers. Even though the papers are not yet arranged, we are glad to know for our records just what state they are in presently. We would appreciate your letting us know when the collection is opened for use and when a description is available.

With many thanks for your kind help,

Very sincerely yours,

Irma Burstein Assistant

Mr. George P. Hammond, Director The Bancroft Library University of California Berkeley 4, California

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April 17, 1956

Miss Irma Burstein, Assistant Committee on the History of the Federal Reserve System 33 Liberty Street New York 45, New York

Dear Miss Burstein:

In response to your letter of April 10, 1956, inquiring about the papers of Hiram W. Johnson, I am sorry to say that we are not yet able to answer your various questions.

As a matter of fact, the University of California purchased the collection and did not receive it as a gift. It is still boxed up, and so it is not possible to give a description of the number of items or of the footage of shelf space that it occupies.

For the time being, also, the collection is restricted, and will be until such time as it can be properly organized and arranged for use.

Trusting that this information will serve your purpose for the present --

Very sincerely yours,

George P. Hammond

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April 10, 1956

Dear Mr. Hammond:

We are pleased to note in the April 1956 issue of "The American Archivist" that the papers of Hiram W. Johnson were acquired by the Bancroft Library earlier this year.

Last fall you kindly supplied us with information on the Franklin K. Lane papers, and we would now like to add to our records similar data concerning the Hiram Johnson collection. Could you let us know the following:

- 1) The name of the donor or donors and date of acquisition?
- 2) How many feet of shelf space (or other measure) the collection occupies?
- 3) Approximately how many items are included in it?
- 4) Has any listing or inventory been made of which we might have, or make, a copy?
- 5) Have any restrictions been put on these papers as to literary rights or use by properly qualified research students, and if so, what?

Any information you can give us on this collection will be most gratefully appreciated.

Very sincerely yours,

Irma Burstein Assistant

Mr. George P. Hammond, Director The Bancroft Library University of California Berkeley 4, California

MEMORANDUM

TO: Miss Burnett

FROM: Miss Adams

Miss Burnett, will you please note on cards that the papers of Senator

Hiram Johnson of California were on loan in the Library of Congress but have been removed by Hiram Johnson's son. The rumor is that they are being offered for sale.

The papers of Senator Robert F. Wagner of New York are at the Riggs Memorial Library, Georgetown University, Washington.

I am told by Miss Brand that the Georgetown University Library is setting up quite a manuscript center for papers of this type.

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JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY

See correspondence May, June 1954 under HOLLANDER, Jacob

1705 S. Pierce St., Little Rock, Ark., August 10, 1954.

Miss Mildred Adams, Research Director, Committee on the History of the Federal Reserve System, 33 Liberty St., New York 45. N. Y.

Dear Miss Adams:

Referring to your letter of August 3, I regret Breckinridge Jones, who represented the Eighth District on the Federal Advisory Council from 1925 to 1927, passed away a number of years ago. His widow and children are also dead now.

I worked at the Mississippi Valley Trust Company, of which Mr. Jones was Chairman, for several years, and knew Mr. Jones well. I doubt that he left a collection of papers that would be interesting to us. However, I expect to be in St. Louis in the near future, and will make some inquiry. If there are any favorable developments, either I or Miss Minnie Smith, who was my secretary from 1920 until my retirement August 1, will let you know.

I enjoyed our discussions in St. Louis, as did also former President Martin and the bank's present officers.

Yours sincerely,

Clarence M. Stewart.

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August 3, 1954

Dear Mr. Stewart:

You knew of course when you were kind enough to offer further help that that offer would surely be taken up. Here I am on returning to New York with a immediate query.

Would you happen to know Mr. Breckinridge Jones of St. Louis who was a member of the Federal Advisory Council for the 8th District from 1925 to 1927? (He was Chairman of the Mississippi Valley Trust Company at one time.) And do you happen to know whether any member of his family is still living? The reason I ask is that I note he was Vice President of the Missouri Historical Society for about twenty years. Any man with that kind of a record may very well have left a collection of papers which would be interesting to us or he might have collected books and pamphlets on the early days of the Reserve System. In any event, he sounds like the kind of person we ought to know more about and I can imagine no one more likely to be able to tell us than yourself.

Thanks for any light you can shed on him and my continuing gratitude for your kindness when I was in St. Louis.

Most sincerely yours,

Mildred Adams Research Director

Mr. Clarence Stewart 1705 South Pierce Street Little Rock, Arkansas See under HAMMOND, Bray letter 12/22/54 about his book