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Introduction

This shortened version of the three-volume *Guide to reference material* (v.1. 4th ed., 1979; v.2-3. 3rd ed., 1975-7) is an updated guide to what are considered by the editor to be the basic items in those volumes, plus more recent material. It comprises about 2,560 main entries, with several hundred subsumed entries, arranged by the Universal Decimal Classification, slightly adapted so as to avoid separation of related matter, *eg*, on marketing, British/English history. The cut-off date is 29 March 1980, with additions at the galley-proof stage up to 25 November 1980.

Reduction of titles to about one-sixth of the original has meant that the English-language and British emphasis has become more pronounced. Entries for individual men of letters have been restricted to Shakespeare. Annotations have normally been kept to their original length, with cuts in the lengthy original annotations for the *Encyclopaedia Britannica*, *Dictionary of national biography*, *Oxford English dictionary*, *Chemical abstracts*, etc. The proportion of subsumed entries is greater, and more use has been made of quotations from evaluative reviews.

The aim of the parent three volumes — 'to provide a signpost to reference books and bibliographies published mainly in recent years . . . for librarians, in the building up and revision of reference library stock; for use in general and special library enquiry work; as an aid to students taking examinations in librarianship; and for research workers, in the initial stages of research' — needs to be modified here to cater particularly for the needs of smaller reference libraries and the bibliographical information seeker in general.

Prices have been checked in *British books in print*, 1980, and American publishers'/distributors' names and U.S. prices are those recorded in *Books in print*, 1980-81. Items were personally examined, as far as possible, in some thirty public, university, national, government department and special libraries, chiefly in the London area. The University of London Library has been an invaluable standby throughout. The index covers titles as well as first authors and subjects.

Special thanks are due to L.J. Taylor for a major contribution in checking proofs and compiling the index, and D.R. Webb, of Bishopsgate Institute Reference Library, for drawing my attention to various recently published reference books.

December 1980

Abbreviations

A.L.A.: American Library Association

Aufl. [German]: Auflage: edition

bearb. [German]: bearbeitet: compiled,

edited

col.: colour, coloured

C.U.P.: Cambridge University Press

DM [German]: Deutsch Mark

ea.: each

F.: French francs

fasc(s).: fascicule(s)

GmbH. [German]: Gesellschaft mit besschränkter Haftung: (Limited Company)

H.M.S.O.: Her [His] Majesty's Stationery

Office

hrsg. [German]: herausgegeben: edited,

published

illus.: illustrations, illustrated izd. [Russian]: izdanie: edition

I.: leaves

L.A.: Library Association

O.U.P.: Oxford University Press

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0 Generalities

Indexing

001.815(022)

KNIGHT, G.N. Indexing, The art of: a guide to the indexing of books and periodicals. London, Allen & Unwin, 1979. 218p. £8.95; \$25.

13 chapters: 1. Introductory — 2. The mechanics — 3. Headings and subheadings — 4. Proper name headings — 5. Subject headings — 6. References and cross-references — 7. Alphabetical arrangement — 8. The indexing of periodicals — 9. Newspaper indexing — 10. Cumulative indexing — 11. Editing the index — 12. The correction of proofs — 13. Humour in indexing. Appendixes: 1. The Society of Indexers; 2. The American Society of Indexers . . . 5. The Wheatley Medal — 6. The Carey Award. Many examples. Detailed, analytical index, p.203-18. The author was late President of the Society of Indexers. 'A very worthwhile book' (British book news, November 1979, p.910).

001.815(038)

BUCHANAN, B. A glossary of indexing terms. London, Bingley, 1976. 144p. diagrs. £4. (Hamden, Conn., Shoe String Press, \$11).

More than 500 entries for terms 'chosen for inclusion are thought to be necessary when discussing indexing at basic levels' (Introduction). A-Z order, word-by-word, preceded by coding figures; initials are filed at the beginning of the sequence, but recognised acronyms are filed as words. Basic definitions, with examples; fuller definitions where necessary ('Chain procedure': 1 page). Cross-references. The glossary is criticised in Library Association record, v.78, no.7, July 1976. p.322) for 'inadequate display of relationships between the terms defined'. Sources consulted, p.9.

Documentation Services

UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION. The terminology of documentation: a selection of 1,200 basic terms published in English, French, German, Spanish and Russian. Compiled by G. Wersig and U. Neveling. Paris, Unesco Press, 1976. 274p. F65; New York. French & European Pubns. \$22.50.

5 main classes (40 sub-divisions): basic aspects; activities; systems; organizations and professions. Fields covered include linguistic problems; communication theory: documentary languages; systems

analysis, design and evaluation; general concepts of electronic data-processing. Indexes in all 5 languages, plus index by U.D.C. numbers.

002(058:7)(4/9)

Encyclopedia of information systems and services: a guide to information storage and retrieval services, data base producers and publishers, online vendors, computer service companies, computerized retrieval systems, micrographic firms, libraries, government agencies, networks and consortia, information centers, data banks, clearinghouses, research centers, associations, and consultants. 3rd ed., edited by A.T. Kruzas, with L.V. Sullivan. Detroit, Mich., Gale, 1978, xiii, 111, 1030n, \$110.

First published 1971. 2,094 detailed entries A-Z on more than 2,500 organisations, including 420 entries on foreign organisations in 56 countries. Data on organisations include description of system or service, scope and/or subject matter, input sources, computer-based products and services, publications, projected publications and services. The 18 indexes include personal name, geographic and subject indexes.

Updated by New information systems and services (Inter-edition subscription, with binder, \$60).

002(058.7)(4/9)

UNISIST. Information services on research in progress: a world-wide inventory... Edited by the Smithsonian Science Information Exchange and compiled in cooperation with Unesco. Budapest, Hungarian Central Technical Library and Documentation Centre (OMKDK), 1978. 462p. \$17.

3 sections: 'World trends in information on research in progress: an overview' (with a select bibliography) — Profiles of information systems and services on research in progress (data on 43 international and regional, planned, pilot and operational systems dealing with current research information; and on 136 national and subnational systems) — Indexes to organisations and systems names, acronyms, persons responsible and subject coverage of systems and services. (Based on review in UNISIST newsletter, v.7, no.1, 1979, p.13-14.)

002(058.7)(410)

FINER, R., and BOWDEN, P.L., comps. Guide to selected British non-computer-based commercially available information services. London, Aslib, 1975. vi, 106p. £4.40 (£3.70, to members).

Details of 69 services, A-Z. Data: name & address; telephone number; subject & scope; date of first operation; nature of service; cost; source. Excludes

publishers of indexing and abstracting services with no back-up provision of copies of articles covered, and Trade a

Computer-based Services

002:681.3(4/9)

HALL, J.L. On-line bibliographic databases: 1979 directory. London, Aslib, 1979. x, 94p. tables. £9.50 (£8, to members).

Table 1: Data bases 1-116, plus 'Some related to data bases' (British & foreign) — Table 2: On-line service suppliers' addresses (25), p.vii-ix. 'Concentrates on data bases which are readily available. Most in-house data bases are not included '(General notes). Details on each data base: name/acronym; supplier; subject field; file details; on-line supplier(s), with cost per connection/and per off-line citation); documentation available. Subject guide/name index. Selected references, p.x. Fills an important gap. 'Given the 1979 directory, perhaps the need now is for a 1980 terminal location guidebook, giving where-to-go and how-much-it-could-cost-you data' (Library review, v.28, Winter 1979, p.283).

002:681.3(4)

TOMBERG, A., ed. Data-bases in Europe: a directory to machine-readable data bases and data banks in Europe. 3rd ed. London, Aslib, 1977. vi, 73p.

Consists of 3 indexes to publicly available data bases: index of bibliographic files, by broad subject area; index of data banks by broad subject area; A-Z index of originators and operators of these data bases, with addresses, telephone numbers and telex numbers, and names of specific contacts.

002:681.3(410)

WILSON, C.W.J., ed. Directory of operational computer applications in United Kingdom libraries and information units. 2nd ed. London, Aslib, 1977. [iv], 196p. £10 (£8.50, to members).

First published 1973.

Data on applications in 170 libraries, A-Z by name: name and address, telephone number; name of contact; computer facilities used; computer applications (eg., accounting; cataloguing; serials list; subject or other printed indexes; circulation). Non-analytical index.

002:681.3(73)

Directory of computerized data files and related software. 1974-. Washington, U.S. National Technical Information Service, 1974-. Annual. \$80.

A guide to 60 U.S. agencies which are 'making available to the public over 500 machine-readable data files' (College and research libraries, v.36, no.4, July 1975, p.310).

Abbreviations. Acronyms

003.083

CROWLEY, E.T., ed. Acronyms, initialisms & abbreviations dictionary: a guide to alphabetic designations, contractions, acronyms, initialisms, abbreviations and

similar condensed appellations... 6th ed. Detroit, Mich., Gale, 1978. 3v.

- 1: Acronyms, initialisms and abbreviations dictionary. 1103p. (7th ed. 1980, \$70).
- 2: New acronyms, initialisms and abbreviations (annual suppt, to v.1; 1979 ed. xvi, 115p, \$42).
- 3: Reverse acronyms, initialisms and abbreviations dictionary, 1100p. (7th ed. 1980, \$74).

V.1: c.120,000 entries. Covers many fields, from aerospace, domestic and international affairs, labour, medicine, religion, sports, to technical drawings and specifications, transportation and other fields. Entries state abbreviation, full name (translated, if necessary) and country of origin or subject category. The fullest of abbreviations dictionaries, although terms are mostly U.S. or British in origin.

Reverse acronyms and initialisms dictionary, edited by E.T. Crowley and R.C. Thomas (Detroit, Mich., Gale, 1972. x, 485p. \$48) takes the 80,000 entries in the 3rd ed. and lists them under their full form. 'Practically indispensable' (RQ, v.12, no.3, Spring 1973, p.313-4).

003.083

DE SOLA, R. Abbreviations dictionary: abbreviations, acronyms, anonyms and eponyms, appellations, contractions, geographical equivalents, historical and mythological characters, initials and nicknames, short forms and slang, shortcuts, signs and symbols. New international 5th ed. New York, Amsterdam & Oxford, Elsevier, 1978. xiv, 654p. £17; \$27.50.

First published 1958.

More than 60,000 entries. Where an abbreviation has several applications, these are massed under the one entry (eg, ANS; Dun; FAO). Appended specialised lists (Airlines of the world — American eponyms, nicknames and sobriquets ... Railroads of the world ... Wedding anniversary symbols — Zodiacal signs). U.S. slant.

003 083

PAXTON, J. Everyman's Dictionary of abbreviations. London, Dent, 1974. xiii, 384p. £4.50. (Totowa, N.J., Rowman & Littlefield. \$11.50).

About 25,000 entries, with over 37,000 definitions, 'many extended by explanations' (*Pretace*). Full form of abbreviation, with English translation, plus country, if relevant. Includes acronyms, signs and symbols. British and Commonwealth slant. Much overlap with standard sources, but some terms and definitions are not to be found elsewhere.

003.083

PUGH, E. A dictionary of acronyms & abbreviations: some abbreviations in management, technology and information science. 2nd rev. and expanded ed. London, Bingley, 1970. 389p. £6.25. Hamden, Conn., Gaylord, \$9.95.

First published 1968.

Over 10,000 entries, consisting of abbreviation, full name (translated into English, if foreign) and country of origin (if not obvious from full name) and parent body, if any. The 'Selective subject index' (p.364-89), grouping acronyms and abbreviations under subjects ('Data processing': c.1,000 entries) is particularly handy. An essential tool in its field. 'Whilst it could be too much to expect any one dictionary of this nature to be fully comprehensive this one is certainly the nearest to this

objective, and will prove to be a most useful source of reference! (Marine engineers review, December 1971, p.49).

- Second dictionary of acronyms & abbreviations... London, Bingley, 1974. 410p. £6.25; Camden. Conn., Shoe String Press, \$18.50 adds a further 10,000 entries. The introduction stresses that some of the acronyms listed are registered trade-names.
- Third dictionary of acronyms & abbreviations... London, Bingley, 1977, 208pf. £4.50; Camden, Conn., Shoe String Press, \$15 adds c.5,000 entries bringing the total to over 25,000. Aims to avoid duplication with v.1-2, up-dating entries when there is a change of name. Subsidiaries of larger organisations are so designated.

New cumulated dictionary of acronyms & abbreviations, by E. Pugh, has been announced for publication in 2v. by K.G. Saur (London, Munich, etc.) in November 1980, at £45.49. Updated text; c.5-6,000 additions. No subject index.

Cybernetics

007(032)

GILBERTSON, G. Encyclopaedia of cybernetics. English ed. Translated from the German, Lexikon der Kybernetik. Manchester, Univ. Press, 1968. [v], 214p.

Original ed. 1964.

About 600 entries, covering 3 main branches: engineering, cybernetics; bio-cybernetics; information science. Data: term/synonym, with German, French and Russian equivalent; simple explanation (in italics) precise scientific definition; bibliography. 'Information psychology': 3 columns, 6 references. Numerous cross-references. Appended: German-English, French-English and Russian-English word lists.

Humanities

009:016

British humanities Index. 1962. London. L.A., 1963. Quarterly, with annual cumulation. £46 pa. (£38, to members).

Preceded by Subject index to periodicals (annual, 1915-22, 1926-53; quarterly, with annual cumulations, 1954-61). Since 1947 confined almost entirely to British periodicals.

B.H.I. now indexes 375 British periodicals. Entries under subjects and countries A-Z, and under authors (1961-). Many cross-references. Covers the humanities, plus some periodicals in the social sciences, but omits titles covered by British education index and B.T.I.; excludes fiction, poetry and other belies lettres. Selective coverage; particularly valuable for indexing of local history items. Indexes many leading articles from the Times, Guardian, Observer, Economist, etc. As from 1968 issued in 4 quarters plus annual cumulation, instead of 3 quarters and an annual cumulation.

Humanities Index (New York, Wilson, June 1974-. v.1, no.1-. Quarterly, with annual cumulation. \$30 pa, if cooperative indexing is done) is one of the two indexes superseding Social sciences and humanities index (v.19-27. April 1965-March 1974), which developed from International Index (v.1-18. 1908-March 1965). It indexes

c.250 journals, of which some 40 are British. Main sequence of author and subject entries; appended sequence of book reviews under author of the books, A-Z.

009:016

ROGERS, A.R. The humanities: a selective guide to information sources. Littleton, Colo., Libraries Unlimited, 1974, 400p. (2nd ed. 1980, 355p. \$19.80; \$13.50).

Lists and describes 1,376 information sources in philosophy, religion, visual arts, performing arts, and language and literature. Author-title and subject indexes. Chapters on backgrounds and trends in each discipline are thin, according to RO (v.14, no.2, white 1974, p.179), intended as a counterpart to C.M. White's Sources of information in the social sciences (2nd ed. 1973), at 3:016.

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GRAY, R.A. Serial bibliographies in the humanities and social sciences. Ann Arbor, Mich., Pitrian Press, 1989.
xxiv, 345p. \$14.95.

1,409 numbered items and cross-references. 'In contrast to Besterman, this work includes concealed bibliographies such as "Literature of the Renaissance" in the journal Studies in philipsed in the journal studies in the journal

... in the journal Studies in philology' (Introduction). Coverage: philosophy, religion, language, literature, art, architecture, music, political science, economics, education, law, geography, history and other related subjects. Well annotated. Classified by Dewey. Indexes: title; author, publisher, sponsor; subject, keyword-incontext; selected characteristics.

01 Bibliography

011/016

Current bibliographic directory of the arts & sciences: an international directory of scientists and scholars. 1978 annual. Philadephia, Pa., Institute for Scientific Information, 1979. 2v. v.p.

Formerly ISCs Who is publishing in science (WIPIS). Author section: v.1, columns 1-7470 (A-McGE); v.2, cols.7471-12826 (McGE-Z)

Organization section: v.2, cols.1-594.

Geographic section: v.2, cols.1-3230.

'Journal coverage list': over 7,000 titles; 'Non-journal

coverage list': c.2,500.

Statistical summaries' states the number of publishing authors included, — obviously selective. While WIPIS listed only authors in the sciences and social sciences, to CBD we are adding overage of the arts and humanities. CBD includes the names of authors whose work is indexed in the Arts & Humanities Citation Index (A&HCI) as well as the new CC edition. Current contents/Arts & Humanities. CBD also lists authors whose work is indexed in the Index to Scientific and Technical Proceedings (ISTP). This, along with the inclusion next year of Index to Social Sciences & Humanities Proceedings (ISSHP), will increase its coverage to both "hard" and social sciences' (Preface, v.1).

011/016:016

BESTERMAN, T. A world bibliography of bibliographies and of bibliographical catalogues, calendars, abstracts, digests, indexes and the like. 4th ed., rev. and greatly ent. throughout. Lausanne, Societas Bibliographica, 1965-66. 4v. and index. (Totowa, N.J., Rowman & Littlefield. \$200).

First published 1939-40 (2v.).

Records over 117,000 separately collated volumes of bibliographies, in more than 40 languages. Lists items up to 1963 or 1964. Arranged by subjects A-Z; more than 16,000 headings. Excludes general library catalogues but admits patent abridgements and lists of MSS. No annotations, but estimated number of entries per volume is normally stated, 'as an alternative to critical annotation'. Occasional bibliographical notes (eg. number of copies printed). 'Education' (v.2, cols.1825-1914) has 32 subheadings. Author, editor, etc. and anonymous title index. A monumental compilation by a single bibliographer.

'The Besterman world bibliographies' series (Totowa, N.J., Rowman & Littlefield. 1971-.) reprints entries in various major subject fields covered in the 4th ed. (Thus, Besterman, T. Bibliography, library science and reference books: a bibliography of bibliographies. 1971. 271p. \$10).

A world bibliography of bibliographies, 1964-1974: a list of works represented by Library of Congress printed catalogue cards: a decennial supplement to Theodore Besterman's 'A world bibliography of bibliographies', compiled by Alice F. Toomey (Totowa, N.J., Rowman & Littlefield, 1977. 2v. (xii, 586; vi. 587-1166. \$85: £70) has nearly 20,000 entries under subjects (A-J. L-Z). No author index; no statement of the estimated number of entries per volume.

Besterman's A world bibliography of Oriental bibliographies (Oxford, Blackwell, 1976, 725p. £45. Totowa, N.J., Rowman & Littlefield, \$75), based on entries in his World bibliography of bibliographies, is updated to the end of 1973 by J.D. Pearson — a 68% increase. A world bibliography of African bibliographies (Oxford, Blackwell, 1976, 241p. £17.50. Totowa, N.J., Rowman & Littlefield, \$25) is similarly based and updated to the end of 1973 by J.D. Pearson.

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Bibliographic Index: a cumulative bibliography of bibliographies, 1937-. New York, Wilson, 1938-. Originally quarterly, now (1970-) 2 pa. Cumulated annually and c.3-yearly.

V.17, 1977 has c.15,000 entries for bibliographies, bibliographical lists in books and pamphlets and over 2,000 periodicals. (A bibliography must contain at least 50 citations to be included.) Arranged by subjects, A-Z; no author index. Clear layout. 'Economics': 2 columns; 6 sub-heads (bibliography & history; information services: mathematical models; psychological aspects; research; study and teaching); 55 cross-references. Valued for extensive coverage, though criticised for failure to use classified arrangement.

011/016:016

Bibliographical services throughout the world, 1950/59. Paris, Unesco, 1961-.

'The culmination of a series of reports prepared on the initiative of the International Advisory Committee on Bibliography which Unesco set up in 1953'. (Foreword, 1950/59 ed.). The 1950/59 ed. by R.L. Collison, by no

means supersedes the earlier reports (1st [1951/52] and 2nd [1952/53] annual reports, by L.-N. Malclès; 3rd [1953/54], 4th [1954/55] and 5th [1956] annual reports, by R.L. Collison (1955, 1957, 1958). 1960/64 (1969) and 1955/69 (1972) are compiled by Paul Avicenne.

The latest Unesco 5-year survey is *Bibliographical* services throughout the world, 1970-74, by Marcelle Beaudiquez (1977, 419p. £9; \$20). Part 1: Development of bibliographical services during the period 1970-74; part 2: Bibliographical activities in the various member states (137 reporting countries) under 8 heads (1. National commission for bibliography — 2. Legal deposit — 3. National bibliography — 4. Types of material — 5. Current bibliographies of special subjects — 6. Periodical indexes — 7. Library co-operation — 8. Training in bibliography.

No longer updated in Bibliography, documentation, terminology (which ceased publication with v.18, no.6, November/December 1978), but an annual Supplement on bibliographical services throughout the world is issued with General information programme — Unisist new letter (1979, covering 1978).

011/016:016

DOWNS, R.B., and JENKINS, F.B., eds. Bibliography: current state and future trends. Urbana, Chicago & London, Univ. of Illinois Press, 1967. vii, 611p. (Illinois contributions to librarianship, no.8). £6.70.

Reprints the 37 contributions in *Library trends*, January & April 1967, plus an index of titles of all items (over 2,000 cited). 29 of the contributions concern subject disciplines (p. 123-570). International coverage with some US slant. Table 1: 'Characteristics of current national and trade bibliographical services' (p.17-24). Most of the contributions are well documented and of a high standard. A fresh survey is now called for.

Translations (See also 5/6:8.03(022).)

011:8.03:016

Index translationum/Répertoire international des traductions/International bibliography of translations. Paris, International Institute of Intellectual Co-operation (nos.1-31, 1932-40, Quarterly); Paris, Unesco, 1949v.1-(New series)-, Annual. (v.29: 1976, 1980, £42).

V.26 (974p.) lists 46,976 titles published in 1973 in some 70 countries. Arranged under countries in which the thanslations were published, A.Z (French form of name); sub-divided by UDC classes. Entries give translated and original form of title and price. Author index includes indexes of translators and publishers. Statistical summary by countries and U.D.C. classes. Gives original ed. when information is supplied by national bibliographical services. (This is more consistently provided by Chartotheca translationum alphabetica (Frankfurt am Main, Bentz, 1954. v.1) — a monthly card service in 160 series, cumulated annually, 1961-).

Index translationum: cumulative index to English translations, 1948-1968 (Boston, Mass., G.K. Hall, 1973. 2v. (1,100p.). \$410) has 44,000 entries for translations made in 7 predominantly English-speaking countries (Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Eire, Republic of South Africa, UK, USA.), as listed in Index translationum, v.1-21 (New series).

011:8.03:016

Internationale Bibliographie der Übersetzungen/International bibliography of translations: [Compiled by] Henry Van Hoof. Pullach/München, Verlag Dokumentation, 1973. xv, 591p.

Contents: A. Bibliography of translation (p.3-521; including: Theory of translation. Teaching in translation. Bibliographies p.505-21) — B. Organisation (1. Translator's associations; 2. Study and research centres; 3. Terminology centres) — C. Publications (1-4. Journals; 5. Publications on mechanical translation; 6. Terminological publications; 7. Bibliographical publications). Index of authors and periodicals.

011:8.03(058.7)

Translation & translators: an international directory and guide. Edited and compiled by Stefan Congrat-Butlar. New York & London, Bowker, 1979. 356p. \$35; £23.

Contents: Recent history and breakthroughs — Associations, centers — Awards, fellowships, grants, prizes — Training and access to the profession — Guidelines: codes of practice, model contracts, copyright, legislation — Journals, books — Register of translators and interpreters (5 categories: 1. Agencies; 2. Industrial/scientific/technical translators; 3. Humanities/literary translators; 4. Conference translators; 5. Conference interpreters) — Translators and interpreters marketplace (countries, A-Z).

Large-type Books

014:655.2

Large type books in print, 1978: subject index; author index; stills index. 3rd ed. New York & London, Bowker, 1978. xvi, 674p. \$17.50.

First published 1970.

Over 3,300 titles, in 18 point type. 68 publishers. Broad subject groups, A-Z. (Children's books — Fiction — Foreign languages — General non-fiction — Home economics — Literature — Reference — Textbooks — Business and personal skills — English language arts — Foreign language arts — Music and art — Science — Social studies — Tests. Data on each title: title: author; date; point size; book size; price. Author and title indexes.

Anonyma & Pseudonyma

014.1(410)

HALKETT, S., and LAING, J. Dictionary of anonymous and pseudonymous English literature. New and enl. ed. by J. Kennedy [and others]. Edinburgh, Oliver & Boyd, 1926-34. 7v. (Reprinted Haskell, 1971. \$225), v.8-9; edited by D.E. Rhodes and A.E.C. Simoni, 1956-62. v.9. £5.

First published 1882-88. 4v.

The main work (v.1-7) is under c.70,000 titles A-Z, including authors names and sometimes adding authority for attributions (eg, 'B.M. catalogue'). V.6 includes the first supplement; v.7 has indexes of pseudonyms and real names, plus a short second suppt. V.8-9 (c.17,000 entries) list new material, 1900-50, plus corrigenda, and cover a rather wider field than English literature.

A new edition is being published by Longman in 6v. (v.1-5; periosis; v.6; index). V.1; 1475-1640. 1980. £60.

Handbook of pseudonyms and personal nicknames, compiled by H.S. Sharp (Metuchen, N.J., Scarecrow Press, 1972. 2v. (1104p.). \$32.50; First suppt. 1975. 2v. (1395p.). \$37.50). The parent work lists c.15,000 real names (in upper case; with dates and brief descriptions) and c.25,000 nicknames and/or pseudonyms, A-Z, with birth and death dates and brief descriptions. Mostly for the Western world; living persons included. More comprehensive than other similar guides (Wilson library bulletin, v.47, no.8, April 1973, p.703). First supplement also lists c.15,000 real names and c.25,000 nicknames and/or pseudonyms. 'No time, geographical or occupational limitations are imposed' (Library journal, v.100, no.7, 1 October 1975, p.1813). No one is likely to supersede this tremendously useful compilation' (American notes & queries, v.14, no.5, January 1979, p.80).

NATIONAL BIBLIOGRAPHIES

015(4/9

International books in print: English-language titles published outside the USA and the United Kingdom. Munich, New York, London, Paris, K.G. Saur, 1979. 2v. (xxii, 1251p.). \$168; 992.

About 80,000 entries under authors, A-K, L-Z. References from titles (italicised) to authors. V.2 has appended list of publishers under 89 countries, Afghanistan... Zambia. Complements Books in print and British books in print.

Commonwealth

015(41-44):016

COMMONWEALTH SECRETARIAT. Commonwealth national bibliographies: an annotated directory. London, the Secretariat, 1977; [ii], 98p. £0.50.

Details of the bibliographical services provided by 40 countries or areas, A-Z (Bahamas, Lesotho, Swaziland: no national bibliographies reported). Data not only on the national bibliography (title: compiler; frequency; scope; contents; arrangement and indexes; cumulation of indexes; cataloguing; bibliographical notes; special features; subscription) but also on national government publications, film, music, etc. catalogues, periodical indexes, lists of serials and other such services. Valuable and extremely cheap.

Great Britain

015/410)

British books in print: the reference catalogue of current literature, 1965. London, Whitaker, 1965. Annual (1980. 2v. (cxxxiv, iv, 5677p.). £48. New York, Bowker. \$85.

As The reference catalogue of current literature, 1874-1961 (c.four-yearly). From 1874 to 1932 consisted of publishers' catalogues bound together (A-Z by publisher), plus an index. Title changed with the 1965 volume. As an annual, is planned to appear every October, recording books in print at the end of the previous month.

The 1980 annual records over 321,538 titles from 10,133

publishers, in one A-Z sequence of authors, titles and inverted-title catchwords. Series are no longer given entries. Month of publication, net and non-net prices and SBN are stated. 'List of publishers', 'Publisher prefixes in numerical order', 'A book trade bibliography' and Series and their publishers' precede the A-Z sequence.

As from 1978 British books in print (including Paperbacks in print, qv) has been available, updated monthly, on microfiche (£198 for 12 months).

015(410)

The British national bibliography: a subject catalogue of new British books received by the Copyright Receipt Office of the British Library, arranged according to the Dewey Decimal Classification and catalogued according to the British text of the Anglo-American Cataloguing rules, with a full author & title index, a subject index, and a list of publishers. London, British Library, Bibliographic Services Division (previously Council of the British National Bibliography), 1950- Weekly, (£52.50 pa; ea. £1), with 3 cumulations pa and annual volume £125 pa.

Coverage excludes (a) Periodicals (except the first issue of a new periodical and the first issue of a periodical under a new title (see heading 'Periodicals' in BNB author and title index); (b) Music (see British catalogue of music); (c) Maps; (d) Certain government publications; (e) Publications without a British imprint, except those published in the Republic of Ireland. Each weekly issue has author and title (including series) index, cumulating monthly. Annual volume has a list of publishers. 18th ed. of Dewey is used. Cumulations; 1950-1954; 1955-1959; 1960-1964; 1965-1967. Cumulated subject indexes: 1951-1954; 1955-1959; 1960-1964; 1965-1967. The 1950 v. has its own index. A unit printed catalogue-card service began in 1956. BNB records are now in machine-readable form in MARC format at BNB is the authoritative current British bibliography, more reliable than the Bookseller and Whitaker's Cumulative book list (since cataloguing is done from the books themselves), but less speedy (hence the recent cataloguing-in-publication (CIP) scheme for providing brief but sufficient records in advance of publication). Valuable for inclusion of non-trade material, society publications and free items. BNB has been regarded as a model of its kind.

015(410)

Papertracks in print: a reference catalogue of over 47,000 paperbacks in print and on safe in Great Britain, November 1978; arranged in one alphabetical author, title and subject list. 26th ed., Winter 1978-79. London, Whitaker, 1979, xxiv, 1056p. (27th ed.: Winter 1979-80. £15).

'47,033 titles available in the United Kingdom at November, or forthcoming to the end of 1978' (preface). The author, title and subject index is preceded by: 'Paperback publishers and their addresses'; 'Series and their publishers' and subpreviations."

Whitaker's Configurative book list. London, Whitaer, 1924.
Quarterly, deputating annually and 3-5 yearly, (1978 annual, £12).

Based on the list of new books in the weekly Roseler (£25 pa.; Spring and Autumn issues ea.

Monthly cumulations as Whitaker's Books of the month & books to come (1970-, £16 pa.)).

The 1978 Cumulative book list (xxxv, 860p.) records 38,766 titles, including 9,296 reprints and new editions, in one A-Z sequence of authors, titles and subjects (where these form part of the titles). (The subject and form classes were dropped as from 1976.) 'Publishers in the United Kingdom and their addresses' precedes the A-Z sequence.

O15(410)"1475/1640"
POLLARD, A.W., and REDGRAVE, G.R., comps. A short-title catalogue of books printed in England, Scotland and Ireland, and of English books printed abroad, 1475-1640. London, Bibliographical Society, 1926 (reprinted 1950). xvi, 609p.

Known as STC. An author list of c.26,500 items (each with identifying number), giving full imprints, plus selective locations in 133 British and 15 American libraries. STC 'has not been compiled as a Census of Copies, but only to inform students where copies can most conveniently be consulted. Thus, when a book is in the British Museum' the existence of other copies at Lambeth Palace and Sion College is not generally mentioned' (Preface).

A short-title catalogue of books...; first compiled by A.W. Pollard and G.R. Redgrave. 2nd ed., rev. and enl., begun by W.A. Jackson & F.A. Ferguson; completed by Katharine F. Pantzer (v.2: I-Z. London, Bibliographical Society, 1976. xi, 494p. £40; OUP. \$115) has over 450 library locations. V.1 (A-H; due in 1980) is to contain a detailed statement of scope; the final volume will be the index.

015(410)"1641/1700"

WING, D.G. Short-title catalogue of books printed in England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales and British America, and of English books printed in other countries, 1641-1700. New York, Index Society, 1945-51. 3v.

About 50,000 entries. Continues Pollard and Redgrave's Short-title catalogue 1475-1640 (qv) with locations in more than 200 libraries; does not attempt to list more than 5 locations in Britain and 5 in the US. Has omissions and errors, but is none the less a valuable and important work for this period.

Supplements include W.G. Hiscock's The Christ Church holdings in Wing's 'Short-title catalogue, 1641-1700' of books of which less than 5 copies are recorded in the United Kingdom. [Oxford]. Christ Church, 1956. 165p. Mimeographed) and The Christ Church supplement (Oxford, Holywell Press, for Christ Church. 1956. 47p.), which records variant imprints, editions and works not in Wing and lists errata to Wing.

——— 2nd ed., rev. and enl. New York, Index Committee of the Modern Language Association of America, 1972.

v.1: A1-E2926. xx, 622p. \$65.

Running numbers used in the 1st ed. are to stay; numbers for entries suppressed in this edition are being re-allocated (a source of potential confusion). Locations: over 300. Nearly 120,000 publications are dealt with. The critical review in TLS (no.3699, 26 January 1973) quarrels with the continued use of short-title recording. D.G. Wing that in 1972.

Scotland

015(411)

Books in Scotland. Edinburgh, Ramsay Head Press, 1978-no.1-, Quarterly. £2 pa.

Published with financial assistance from the Scottish Arts Council. Each issue includes 'New books from Scottish publishers' and 'Readers' guide to books of the quarter'. Issue no.4, Summer 1979, includes 'Recent Scottish fiction', 'New poetry', 'Books for children', 'Writers who's who' (4, with portraits), 'Edwin Muir' and 26 book reviews.

Noted: Bibliography of Scotland: a catalogue of books published in Scotland and of books published elsewhere of Scotlish relevance, prepared from accessions received by the National Library of Scotland, 1976-77 (Edinburgh, the National Library, 1979. x, 366p. £8).

ireland

015(415)

EAGER, A.R.A guide to Irish bibliographical material: being a bibliography of Irish bibliographies and some sources of information. London, L.A., 1964. xiii, 392p.

3,803 numbered entries, broadly classified by the Dewey Classification. More than a bibliography of bibliographies, it includes works that are not bibliographies as such but are standard or representative works carrying bibliographies. Articles in periodicals and press, and unpublished material and work in progres are also recorded. Biography, history and topography occupy one third of the whole. Very occasional annotations. Author and subject indexes. Fills a gap. A 2nd ed., with over 9,500 entries, is due in November 1980.

Wales

015(429)

Bibliotheca Celtica: a register of publications relating to Wales and the Celtic peoples and languages. Aberystwyth, National Library of Wales, 1910. Irregular. (1971/72. 1976).

1st series, published 1910-34, covers 1902-28 and includes works in English written by Welshmen (excluded from later series unless on Celtic subjects). 2nd ('New') series, 1939-63, covers 1929-52; 3rd series, 1954-, covers 1953 to date. This last has entries for periodical articles on Celtic studies, and uses a classification more relevant to the scope of the work. Scope includes Ireland, Scotland, Isle of Man and Brittany.

Germany

015(43)

Deutsche Bibliographie. Wochentliches Verzeichnis, bearb. von der Deutschen Bibliothek. Frankfurt am Main, Deutsche Bibliothek, 1947-.

Published as Bibliographie der deutschen Bibliothek, 1947-52, and set up as the German Federal Republic rival to the Democratic Republic's Deutsche Nationalbibliographie. The Wochentliches Verzeichnis has 25 classes; author and subject indexes are cumulated monthly and quarterly. Aims to record all material in German published at home and abroad.

3 series since 1965; Reihe A (weekly): trade publications with cumulative monthly index; B (every 15 days): non-trade publications, with cumulative annual index: C (annual): dissertations and writings qualifying for lectureships. Supplement (quarterly): Maps, with annual index. Half-yearly (1951-) and 5-yearly (1953-) cumulations.

Deutsche Nationalbibliographie... Bearb.: und hrsg. von der Deutschen Bücherei, Leipzig, Deutsche Bibliographie, 1931-. (Reihe A.B. 1931-; Reihe C. 1968-).

Also claims to cover German-language publications, but is less complete than *Deutsche Bibliographie*. Reihe A (weekly): trade publications B: non-trade; C: dissertations and lectures. Annual and (normally) 5-yearly cumulations.

015(43)
Verzeichnis lieferbarer Bücher/German books in print.1971/
1972- Frankfurt am Main. Verlag der BuchhändlerVereinigung GmbH, 1971- Annual. (9th ed.: 1979/80.
1979)

The 9th ed. has a main sequence of author title and catchword entries in 3v. (A-GUA, GUA-PHY, PHY-Z. £95). 281,903 titles; 2,732 publishers (West German, Austrian and Swiss). Entries state exact pagination. Many cross-references.

Also available is a Subject guide (2v. £82.50; \$150.50) and an ISBN register (£37.75; \$69).

015(43)"1700/1910"

Gesamtverzeichnis des deutschsprachigen Schrifttums (GV), 1700-1910. Munich, New York, London, Paris, K.G. Saur, 1979-

v.1-2 (1979): A-ALA.

Planned (in 150v., at £5,400) to precede the above bibliography and eventually to displace the older national and other German bibliographies such as those compiled by Kayser, Heinsius and Hinrichs — among many others.

015(43)"1911/1965"

Gesamtverzeichnis des deutschsprachigen Schrifttums (GV), 1911-1965. Munich, New York, London, Paris, K.G. Saur, 1976- £5,850 the set.

v.1-116 (1976-80): A-SCHP.

Bibliography of German-language publications, 1911-1965', to be published in 150v., listing 2,500,000 German titles. Aims to consolidate, in one A-Z sequence of authors, anonymous titles and series, the existing 5 and 10-year, annual and semi-annual bibliographies (Deutsche Bücherverzeichnis, Titelverzeichnis, Deutsche Nationalbibliographie, Deutsche Bibliographie, Osterreichische Bibliographie). It includes dissertations and also (separate sequence) periodicals.

France

015(44

Bibliographie de la France; ou, Journal général de l'imprimerie et de la librairie. Paris, Cercle de la Librairie, 1811. v.1. Weekly.

1e partie: Bibliographie officielle (copyright material books, pamphlets, etc. — received and catalogued by the Bibliothèque Nationale; ten broad subject groups, with sub-divisions; annual author and title index. Roughly comparable to BNB.

Suppléments: 1. Publications en série (monthly) — 2.

Publications officielles (6 pa) - 3. Musique (quarterly) -

4. Atlas, cartes et plans (2 pa).

26 partie: Chronique (book-trade news).

3e: Annences (publishers' announcements of new books, and a slassified list of them) - weekly, 8 pa., quarterly and half-yearly.

As from 1 January 1972 Bibliographie de la France (3e partie: Annugues combined with Biblio: catalogue des ouvrague dans en langue française dans le monde entien Octobre 1933-71. Paris, Hachette, 1933-70. Annual, cumulated from the monthly Biblio (10 pa.; quarterly, 1972-74). Current title of this annual is Les livres de l'année - Biblio: bibliographie générale des ouvrages parus en langue française (Paris, Cercle de la Librairie, 1972-), a dictionary catalogue of authors, titles and subjects, and also series - under the heading 'Collections'.

015(44) Les livres disponibles/French books in print, 1979: la liste exhaustive des ouvrages disponsibles publiée en langue française dans le monde... Paris, Cercle de la Librairie, [1979]. 2v. Annual.

- v.1: Classement alphabétique par auteurs. (xxi), 1841, 35, 31p. \$265.
 - 2; Classement alphabétique par titres. [xxi], 1784, 35, 31p. \$172.

Lists 227,615 titles, issued by 6,164 publishers in 45 countries.

Each volume has appended lists of publishers and distributors, and 9,255 series. Entries state pagination and page size.

Also a 3v. ed., v.3 covering suitilects.

Italy

015(45)

Catalogo del libri in commercio. Milan, Associazone Italiana Editori (now Editrice Bibliografice),. 1970-. (Sole supplier outside Italy: Bowker).

Previously as Catalogo collettivo della libreria italiana (1948, 1955, 1959 eds.). Catalogue of Italian books in print (1979. 3v. £75) lists 119,000 titles currently available from 691 publishers. Three sequences, 1 per volume: Autori -Titoli - Soggetti. Each volume has a list of publishers preceding the text.

Spain & Hispanic America

015(46) Libros en venta en Hispanoamérica y España. 2 ed. Buenos

Aires, Bowker, 1974. 2v. (2185p.). \$57.50. Supplements (eg, 1976-1977, 1978).

First published 1964.

Lists c.120,000 titles in print issued by 1,300 Spanish and Hispanic-American publishers, and available at the end of 1972.

The 1976-77 supplement has c.40,000 entries classified by the Dewey scheme (18th ed., 1971), with subject index and list of publishers. Author and title indexes precede.

Monthly updating in Fichero bibliográfico hispanoamericano (Buenos Aires, Editorial Sudamericana, 1961. International Publications Service). Entries are arranged by subjects and authors; publisher, advertiser and subject indexes in each issue. Contents now include articles and essays.

U.S.S.R.

015(47):016 SIMMONS, J.S.G. Russian bibliography, libraries and archives: a selective list of bibliographical references for students of Russian history, literature, political, social and philosophical thought, theology and linguistics. Oxford, the Author, 1973, xviii, 76p.; 2p insert (corrigenda and addenda)

714 numbered entries in 8 sections (1. General - 2. General bibliographies and reference works... 8. Bibliography of linguistics). Indexes of authors and title entries. The young research student in particular will find it a mine of information and his more experienced mentors will also turn to it repeatedly and gratefully' (British book news, May 1976, p.322).

South Africa

015(680)

S.A.N.B. Suid-Afrikaanse nasionale bibliografie/South African national bibliography, 1959-, Publications received in terms of Copyright Act no.9 of 1916 [later, as Copyright Act, 1965]. Pretoria, State Library, 1960. International Publications Service. Quarterly, with annual cumulation.

Formerly as a mimeographed annual list (1938-). The first cumulative issue, 1959-67, is in preparation, in 9v., and work is proceeding on the retrospective ed. of S.A.N.B. for 1926-1958.

The 1978 annual v. has a main sequence classified by Dewey, a list of publications of the South African Bureau of Standards, a list of periodicals received for the first time, a list of South African authors writing under pseudonyms, index of authors and titles, and a list of publishers

As from January 1967 also available as a weekly card service

Canada

015(71)

Canadiana: publications of Canadian interest received by the National Library... 1950. Ottawa, National Library of Canada, 1951-. Monthly, with annual cumulation. \$15 pa. (Canada); \$18 (foreign).

Succeeds The Canadian catalogue of books published in Canada, about Canada, as well as those written by Canadians . . . (Toronto Public Libraries, 1923-50. Annual, covering 1921-49), preceded by A check-list of Canadian imprints, 1900-1925, compiled by D.D. Todd and A.

Cordingley (Ottawa, Cloutier, 1950-, ivp., 370 l.). Redesigned format as from 1981 (2 classified parts plus 5 indexes). 8 parts: 1. Monographs. Juvenille — 2. Theses in microform — 3. Serials and monographic series — 4. Pamphlet file material — 5. Sound recordings — 16. Films, film strips and videotapes, — not included after December 1976) — 7. Publications of the Government of Canada — 8. Publications of the provincial governments of Canada. Parts 1-5 are classified by the Dewey scheme; parts 7-8, arranged A-Z. 3 indexes: A. Authors, titles, series; B. Subject headings in English; C. Subject headings in French. These indexes cumulate quarterly and annually.

Canadian books in print (1967-. Toronto, etc., Univ. of Toronto Press, 1968-. Annual. \$35) includes Frenchlanguage titles published by predominantly Englishlanguage Canadian publishers. The 1977 ed. (1978) is in 2v. (1. Author and title index, Iviiii, 1093p.; 2. Subject index. Iviiil, 680p; \$22.50.), each volume has a publisher index and publishers' prefixes.

U.S.A.

015(73)

Books in print, 1978-1979: 31st annual ed. New York. Bowker, 1978. 4v. annual. \$92.50. (1979-1980. \$99.50). Supplement, 1978-1979. \$49.50. Microfiche ed. 1980. £300 pa.

First published 1948.

The 1978-79 ed. consists of Authors (2v. A-J, K-Z) and Titles (2v. A-J, K-Z), — c.496,283 items available from 6,900 US publishers. Covers hardbacks, paperbacks, trade books, textbooks, adult books and juveniles.

Updated by Forthcoming books (1966-, 6 pa.), with author and title indexes.

Subject guide to books in print: an index to 'The publishers' trade list' annual (New York, Bowker, 1957-Annual, 1978-1979 ed. 2v. A-J. K-Z. 1979-1980. \$72.50) lists over 380,000 items/from more than 2,000 US publishers; indexed under c.65,000 subject headings, with numerous cross-references.

Updated by Subject guide to forthcoming books (1974-6 pa.).

The Publishers' trade list annual (New York, Bowker, 1873- (1979, \$54.50)) consists of current catalogues of nearly 2,000 US publishers, A-Z, bound in a 6-volume set. By no means all major publishers are represented. The 1979 ed. includes a preliminary section, grouping publishers into 63 subject and form categories.

015(73)

The Cumulative book index: a world list of books in the English language. New York, Wilson, 1898. Price on service basis.

Frequency varies; now monthly (except August) cumulating quarterly, annually.

One A-Z sequence of authors, titles and subjects, the author entries being the most complete. Excludes government documents, most pamphlets, cheap paperbound books, maps, music, limited editions, local directories and ephemera. Works wholly in a foreign language are not listed. Entries state pagination, price and ISBN. The monthly list has a prefatory 'Checklist of recent English language publications issued in countries other than Great Britain, Canada and the United States'—running to only 5p. in the March 1979 issue.

015(73)

EVANS, C. American bibliography: a chronological dictionary of all books, pamphiets and periodical publications printed in the United States of America, from the genesis of printing in 1639 down to and including the year 1820, with the bibliographical and biographical notes. Chicago. III., the Author, 1903-59. 14v. (v.13-14 published by the American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, Mass.). \$182-50.

39,162 items, arranged under year of publication; tocations of copies are frequently noted. Author, classified subject, and printer and publisher indexes in each volume. V.14 (by R.P. Bristol) is an author-title index, with entries also for names of people, ships and Indian tribes.

Evans is continued for 1801-19 by American bibliography: a preliminary checklist, by R.R. Shaw and R.H. Shoemaker (New York, Scarecrow Press, 1958-66. 22v.); for 1820-29 by R.H. Shoemaker's Checklist of American imprints for 1820-1829 (Scarecrow Press, 1964-71, 10v. \$114) — being continued to 1875, edited by Scott and Grace Bruntjen; for 1820-1861 by O. Roorbach's Bibliotheca Americana (New York, Roorbach, 1852-61. 4v.); for 1861-70, by J. Kelly's American catalogue of books published in the United States from January 1861 to January 1872 (New York, Wiley, 1866-71, 2v.); for 1876-1910 by American catalogue of books, 1876-1910 (New York, Publishers' Weekly, 1880-1911, 13v.); and for 1899-1927 by United States catalog: books in print (4th ed. New York, Wilson, 1928, 3164p.).

015(73)

Weekly record. New York, Bowker, 1974-. Weekly. \$12.50 pa.

Formerly included in *Publishers' weekly* (Bowker), 1872-1973. The standard author list of new US books (omitting government publications, dissertations, etc.). Entries have very brief descriptive notes.

The American book publishing record (ABPR) is the monthly, annual and five-yearly cumulation (1960- \$21 pa.) of the Weekly record listings. The sequence of entries is, however, classified by Dewey, with author, title and subject indexes. The Annual cumulative 1977 (\$45) has entries for c.34,000 books published in 1977. American book publishing record cumulative, 1950-1977: an American national bibliography. New York, Bowker, 1978. (15v. (c.23,400p.). \$1,500) has c.850,000 catalogued entries.

Australia

015(94)

Australian national bibliography, 1961. Canberra, National Library of Australia, 1961. Weekly (1967; previously monthly), cumulating monthly and annually, \$A115 for full series. (International Pubns, Service, \$52.50).

Succeeds Books published in Australia, cumulated in Annual catalogue of Australian publications (no. 1, 1936). Lists books and pamphlets published in Australian those dealing wholly or substantially with an Australian subject, or written by an author believed to be Australian. 4 sections: Dewey classified sequence; author, title and series index; subject index; directory of Australian publishers. Includes government, publications, except for inidividual acts, bills and ordinances, new serial titles and those issued with changes in bibliographical details.