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## POST-LIBRARY SCHOOL TRAINING<sup>1</sup>

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Miss Pierce's *Graduate Study in Librarianship in the United States*<sup>2</sup> states that thus far there has been a relatively small amount of post-professional study undertaken by librarians. She points out that post-professional education in any field is closely related to: (1) pre-entry education; (2) practice in the field; and (3) stage of professional evolution reached by the group. The need for post-professional education in the library field is, however, now being felt and the interest in it is increasing.

In 1937 Mr. Carnovsky discussed the question of advanced study in "Why Graduate Study in Librarianship?"<sup>3</sup> in the *Library Quarterly*. And in 1942 Mr. Russell, Associate Dean of the Division of Social Sciences of The University of Chicago, in an article, "Professional Education for Librarianship",<sup>4</sup> wrote of the librarian as citizen, scholar, administrator, personnel worker, and technician and the type of training needed in each of these five capacities.

There are other publications which will be found suggestive. A very recent one is Mr. Reece's *Programs for Library Schools*,<sup>5</sup> a 1943 pamphlet, in which he specifies the librarian's field for study.

Detailed references to the articles mentioned above are given that any librarian in the state who is interested may be able to secure them. Books, pamphlets, and periodicals dealing with professional library subjects may be borrowed through Mrs. Mary Peacock Douglas, State School Library Adviser, Raleigh; Miss Marjorie Beal, North Carolina Library Commission; Mr. Guy R. Lyle, Librarian, The Woman's College of The University of North Carolina, Greensboro; The School of Library Science of The University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

Post-library school professional training today may be carried on by: (1) study towards an advanced degree in library science; (2) study towards an advanced degree in an academic field; (3) private or formal study to fill in gaps in the individual's preparation for his present position or for the type of position towards which he is working.

<sup>1</sup> A summary of a talk at the Junior Members Round Table breakfast.

<sup>2</sup> Pierce, H. F. Graduate study in librarianship in the United States. A.L.A. 1941. Mimeographed.

<sup>3</sup> Carnovsky, Leon. Why graduate study in librarianship? *The Library quarterly*, 7:246-261, April, 1937.

<sup>4</sup> Russell, J. D. Professional education for librarianship. *The Library quarterly*, 12:775-793, October, 1942.

<sup>5</sup> Reece, E. J. *Programs for library schools*. Columbia University, 1943. 64 p.