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NEWS REELS

ARCHIVES ABROAD, a study program involving Winthrop College in Rock Hill, South Carolina and the University of Liverpool, the Chester City Records Office, and other institutions in the northwest of England is now accepting applications. No less than six and no more than twelve students will be selected to participate. Only undergraduate students in their junior or senior year of study and graduate students will be eligible; a personal recommendation from a faculty member will also be required. Winthrop will award three hours of semester credit for successful completion of the program. For further information contact ARCHIVES ABROAD, Archives and Special Collections, Winthrop College, Rock Hill, SC 29733; (803) 323-2131.

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On 27 September 1983 the Mobile (Ala.) Municipal Archives was established by the city commission. Six thousand cubic feet of records which date back to the city's founding in 1814 are now housed in the new facility. The archivist is Jay Higginbotham. The archives is open to the public Monday through Friday, 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

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The Historic Preservation Section of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources has begun an Architects and Builders in Georgia research project. While the focus of the project is on architects and builders who were in business before 1940, some currently active individuals will also be included. The project has established files on the individuals who may aid in research on their accomplishments. Although the files themselves do not contain actual drawings, they will lead researchers to architectural drawings in archives and historical societies. For more information contact: Ken Thomas, Historic Preservation Section, Georgia Department of Natural Resources, 270 Washington St., Atlanta, GA 30334.

Information, clippings, blueprints, maps, journals, and historical documents on Appling County, Georgia are being sought by the Appling County Historical Society. Persons with materials that shed light on the county's history, buildings, and homes should contact Carlos F. Crosby, Jr.; President, Appling County Historical Society, Inc.; P.O. Box 1063, Baxley, GA 31513-7063.

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With the help of an NHPRC grant, the Appalachian Consortium is surveying the manuscript sources in south central Appalachia. The project will produce a directory from the survey and will sponsor a free workshop for those in the region who desire archival training. The workshop will be held at Mars Hill College, Mars Hill, North Carolina. For more information contact: Kathy Wheelock, East Tennessee State University, The Sherrod Library, Johnson City, TN 37614; (615) 929-4338.

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The University of Georgia Press received a certificate of Commendation from the American Association for State and Local History for publishing Vanishing Georgia, a photographic essay on the state's history. The Georgia Department of Archives and History was also commended by the AASLH for collecting the photographs. The awards were given at the association's annual meeting in Victoria, British Columbia.

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A proposal to move the George Eastman House photographic archive from Rochester, N.Y. to Washington, D.C. has mobilized three universities in the state of New York. The officials of the State University of New York's College at Brockport, the Rochester Institute of Technology, and the University of Rochester are each trying to get the Eastman House directors to consider keeping the archive in the state by depositing it at one of the universities. The archive contains more than 500,000 photos,

100,000 negatives, 5,000 motion pictures, and 10,000 items of photographic equipment. Officials at the Eastman House state that they cannot afford to maintain the archive properly and are considering donating it to the Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C.

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The National Endowment for the Humanities has awarded the following grants in the southeastern states: University of Tennessee (Knoxville) for an edition of the papers of Andrew Johnson, up to \$50,673; for an edition of the papers of Andrew Jackson, up to \$59,395; the East Tennessee Historical Society (Knoxville) for collecting and publishing community histories of ten counties in the area, up to \$110,000; Florida State University (Tallahassee) for work on a comprehensive microfilm edition and selected printed edition of the papers of black Americans active in the antislavery movement between 1830 and 1865, up to \$188,469; University of Florida (Gainesville) to support the preparation of a guide to the collected papers of Ismael Boulian, a 17th century astronomer, up to \$53,681; Berea College (Berea, KY) for appraisal, arrangement, and description of photographs relating to settlement institutions in southern Appalachia and development of Berea College photographic archives, up to \$69,515 plus a matching grant of \$28,307; University of Kentucky Libraries (Lexington) to conduct the Kentucky Newspaper Bibliographic Control Project, up to \$142,136; University of South Carolina (Columbia) for work on the national database on U.S. newspapers, up to \$60,000; Mississippi Department of Archives and History (Jackson) for the documentation of Mississippi furniture between 1790 and 1865 through the cataloging and description of photographs, up to \$20,000.

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The National Historical Publications and Records Commission recommended funding the following projects: Georgia Department of Archives and History (Atlanta) to plan and develop a Georgia program for local governmental records, \$30,000; the University

of Louisville (Kentucky) to arrange, describe and microfilm selectively the records of the Louisville Defender, an Afro-American newspaper, and the papers of one of its editors, Frank L. Stanley, Sr., \$10,718; and Cumberland College of Tennessee (Lebanon) to develop a college archives and records management program, \$24,084.

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The Association of College and Research Libraries is considering publishing a journal devoted to library practice in rare books, manuscripts, and special collections. The association is surveying the profession with a questionnaire on the journal's marketability. For more information write Sharon J. Rogers, President, ACRL, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago, IL 60611

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To celebrate the Bicentennial of the University of Georgia, the Georgia Museum of Art is staging an exhibit titled, "Georgia Decorative Arts, 1733-1860". The museum needs assistance in locating decorative arts that have descended through Georgia families. Please send any information (and photographs, if available) to Jane Webb Smith, Georgia Museum of Art, The University of Georgia, Athens, GA 30602.