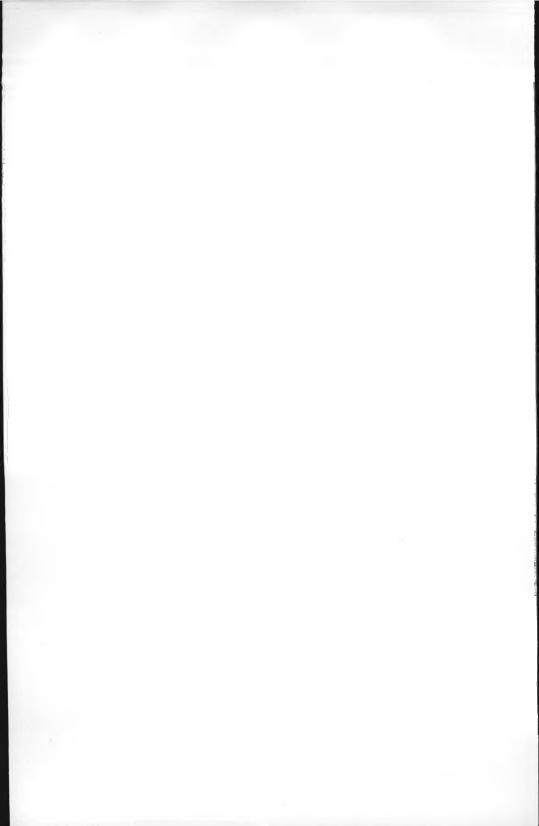
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CORNELL UNIVERSITY LIBRARY

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

1919-1920

To the President of the University:

SIR: As librarian of Cornell University, I respectfully submit the annual report of the condition of the library building and its contents, of the additions made, and the work done during the year to facilitate the use of books and manuscripts under the supervision of the library.

With the return of more normal conditions in the whole University, the library also has shown increased activity, both in the receipt of materials and the use made of these. The opening up of the German book markets to the world has enabled us to resume our purchases in that quarter, not under normal conditions but in a way to enable us to secure things most desired. The terms that have been made by the German booksellers, whereby they have not only increased the price of their books, which was to be expected, but have also artificially increased the selling price of the mark, have caused more or less irritation in the whole American library world, and have curtailed the purchases to some extent.

The growth of the library has made the crowding of the book shelves in the stacks necessary, until the need for added shelving has become acute. The provision already made for one additional floor, with some supplementary shelving elsewhere about the stacks, will relieve the pressure somewhat, but not for long. The need for greater storage and reading space has reached the point where an addition to the building must be seriously considered within the next two or three years, and plans for such additions should be under way.

The library staff has suffered less from depletion than many large library staffs during the war period, when the demand for workers with library training far exceeded the supply. We lost Miss Ayres, supervisor of the catalogue, who gave up her work for personal reasons, but the library was fortunate in having a trained worker in Miss Emma Speed to fill the position. Two minor positions are still unfilled by appointment, the work being done by assistants by the hour, until regular assistants can be found or trained to do it.

The completion of the accessioning of the Charles William Wason Collection of books on China and the Chinese, shows the collection to number more items than at first estimated, the total number as shown by the tabulated report being 9399.

The library has received from Mrs. Sarah L. Kuichling of Rochester, N. Y., for the use of the College of Civil Engineering, the valuable library of her husband Emil Kuichling, dealing with hydraulics and sanitary engineering. The collection numbers 2079 volumes and pamphlets. A small endowment for future growth accompanies the gift.

From Mrs. R. A. Harris, the library has received the mathematical books of Professor R. A. Harris for the use of the mathematical Faculty of the University. As yet these have not been accessioned and the exact number in the collection cannot be stated.

The books belonging to Professor G. F. Atkinson's private library have been given to the University by Mrs. Atkinson and son, Kerr Atkinson, to be incorporated as a part of the general library, in so far as they are not already in the library. This will strengthen the library resources in the field of cryptogamic botany, in which Professor Atkinson worked primarily.

Mrs. A. D. White has supplemented the many gifts of books heretofore received, by a large number that had been held in the president's house. Some of these made up a special collection numbering over 600 volumes for the use of Prudence Risley Hall and the others were incorporated in the general library.

Judge George J. Tansey, '88, sent to the library a facsimile copy of the Kil-

marnock edition of the poems of Robert Burns, privately printed.

The library has been enriched by the many gifts of books that have been given by you, Mr. President, and through your generosity has been able to add to the gifts already made to the Louvain University Library, the books belonging to your philosophical library.

From the editors of the Philosophical Review the library has received many

valuable additions during the past year, as in years before.

As usual, two courses of lectures have been given by the Librarian, continuing throughout the year, dealing with the history of book making and applied bibliography.

ACCESSIONS DIVISION

The general library has added during the year 22,414 volumes, which include the Wason Collection, which had not heretofore been accessioned. Besides this collection, which was the gift of Charles William Wason, 4187 additional volumes have been given to the library, not including the Harris and Atkinson collections, not yet accessioned, and 8828 have been purchased.

BOOKS, BOUND PAMPHLETS, MAPS, MSS., ETC.

	Vols.	
General library, exclusive of the following	433,053	
Anthon collection, purchased 1868	6,770	
Bopp collection, purchased 1868	2,014	
Sparks collection, purchased 1872	5,717	
White Historical library, gift 1891	23,177	
Zarncke collection, gift 1893	13,000	
British Patents, gift 1868	3 108	
		486,839
Fiske Dante collection, gift 1893	8,309	
Fiske Petrarch collection, gift 1905	4,081	
Fiske Icelandic collection, gift 1905	15,522	
Wason collection, gift 1918	9,399	
Emil Kuichling collection, gift 1919	2,093	
Volumes of Cornell University Theses (deposited)	6,611	
Philological Seminary collection	1,076	
Philosophical Seminary collection	816	
German Seminary collection	766	
French Seminary collection	28	
Latin Seminary collection	327	
American History Seminary collection	603	
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Maps in the library Cornell University plans deposited in the library U. S. Coast Survey charts U. S. Geological Survey Topographical sheets U. S. Geological Survey atlases British Geol. Survey maps Manuscripts	983 197 960 2,304 210 600	5,254
		643
General law library, gifts and purchases	40,849	
Moak law library, gift 1893	12,500	
Flower Veterinary library, gift	5,726	
Barnes reference library, gift	2,402	
Goldwin Smith Hall library	2,467	
Stimson Hall library	1,463	
Evans mathematical library	417	
Comstock Memorial collection	469	
Architectural College library	1,162	
Economic Laboratory collection	339	
Entomological collection	2,403	
Prudence Risley Hall collection	694	70,891
N. Y. State Agricultural College library	15,810	70,091
N. Y. State Forestry library	1,181	
N. Y. State plant pathology collection.	388	
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Total books, maps, mss., etc		630,637
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Periodicals added by purchase:

Revue critique de paléozoologie. 22 vols.

New Zealand Institute. Transactions and Proceedings. 39 vols.

Bombay Natural History Society. Journal. 24 vols. Rassegna critica della letteratura italiana. 22 vols.

Revue suisse de zoologie. 25 vols. R. Istituto botanico dell' Università di Pavia. Atti. 16 vols.

Société Linnéene de Bordeaux. Actes. 69 vols.

Pomological magazine. 3 vols.

La nature. 1873-1917.

Manchester Literary and Philosophical Society. Memoirs and Proceedings. 1785-1918.

Societas pro fauna et flora fennica. 32 vols.

Monitore zoologico italiano. 29 vols.

Revue scientifique du Bourbonnaise. 26 vols.

Country life illustrated. 34 vols.

Revue d'histoire ecclésiastique. 13 vols.

Jewish quarterly review. 9 vols.

Revue zoologique africaine. 7 vols.

Poetry. 15 vols. Revue du droit public. 1894–1916. Archaeologia Cantiana. 28 vols.

Bergscher Geschichtsverein. Zeitschrift. 38 vols.

Baltische Studien. 59 vols. Sociological review. 11 vols.

Verein für die Geschichte von Ost-und Westpreussen. Publications. 30 vols.

Verein für Thüringische Geschichte. Zeitschrift. 27 vols.

Verein für Mecklenburgische. Geschichte. Jahrbücher. 76 vols.

Oberbayerisches archiv. 55 vols.

Zeitschrift für die gesammte lutherische Theologie. 39 vols. Oriens Christianus. 16 vols. Forschungen zur christlichen Litteratur. 13 vols.

Periodicals added by gift:

Cincinnati price current. 117 vols. Gift of Mrs. C. M. Waddell. Daily interocean. 1880–1898. Gift of Chicago Board of Trade.

Periodical sets completed:

Gentleman's magazine. 1876-1905. Nordisk Tidskrift. 1878-1908. Linschoten Vereeniging. Werken. 1912-1918.

Books added by purchase: Voyage de "La Bonite." 19 vols. Voyage de l'"Astrolabe." 20 vols. Novara Expedition. 14 vols. Semon. Zoologische Forschungsreisen in Australien. 12 vols. Chenu. Encyclopédie d'histoire naturelle. 15 vols. Donovan. Natural history of British insects. 13 vols. Guevara. Diall of princes, translated by T. North. 1557. Moore. Lepidoptera of Ceylon. 3 vols. Moore. Lepidoptera Indica. 10 vols. Rippon. Icones ornithopterorum. Hewitson. Exotic butterflies. 5 vols. Hall. Horae vacivae. 1646. Blundeville. His exercises. 1597. Daniel, S. Poems. 1605. Studi e testi. 32 vols. Deutsche Texte des Mittelalters. 25 vols. Cambridge University. Catalogues of manuscripts. 22 vols. Bruch. Bryologia Europaea. 6 vols. Hanserecesse. 24 vols.

Siboga Expeditie. 54 vols. Nova Guinea. 21 vols. British Record Society. Index Library. 49 vols.

Books added by gift:

Recueil général des lois, décrets, et arrétés de France, 1315-1887. Gift of I. T. Č. Lowe. Collection of books on naval history. 485 vols. Gift of B. A. Sinn. Miscellaneous books from Mrs. A. D. White. 725 vols.

In addition to the above, the library has made large additions in the field of ancient history, English history, scientific travels, and zoology. There have also been some additions to the history and literature of Latin America, a field in which the library is very deficient.

A list of donors to the library is appended to this report.

PERIODICALS DIVISION

The library has received currently during the year 2366 periodicals, 1218 by subscription and 1148 by gift and exchange. The German and Austrian periodicals that were temporarily interrupted during the war are again coming with fair regularity and the back numbers are being received from time to time, so that the sets bid fair to be finally completed. Many of the foreign periodicals have suspended altogether.

The binding of the periodicals is done by the Periodical Division and during the past year 4692 volumes of periodicals and 1549 books were bound, not including repairs made. Many volumes that formerly were bound abroad before we received them are now coming unbound, and the binding facilities of Ithaca are overtaxed. The only permanent solution of this problem is to establish our own bindery in connection with the library, to facilitate the work and eliminate the fire risk that now attends it.

CATALOGUE DIVISION

The Catalogue Division classifies and catalogues all books received through the Accessions Division, as they are received. The Division has done much extra work this year, because of the large accessions from Mrs. A. D. White and other sources. The Prudence Risley Hall library has been classified by the Library of Congress system, with the assistance of the Readers' Division, under whose supervision it comes.

No. of books and pamphlets catalogued	13,198
No. of maps catalogued	16
No. of titles added to the catalogue	7,274
No. of written cards added	15,749
No. of printed cards added	6,628
No. of cards added to the Library of Congress catalogue	
deposited in the library	26,688

The Catalogue Division has also prepared the annual list of publications appended to the President's report, consisting of about 650 titles.

READERS DIVISION

The library has been open to users 307 days during the year, and during the period of instruction has remained open six days in the week until 10:30 P. M. The number of registered borrowers during the year was 1622, which does not include those using freely the books and periodicals in the reading and reference rooms.

The recorded use of the library is as follows:

Reading room	119,342
Seminary rooms	2.040
Laboratories and departments	5,666
Home use	35,450
Foreign loans	207
Borrowed from other libraries	85

As will be seen by the above table the library has had the largest recorded use thus far in its history, showing gains in every department of use except foreign loans and book reserves.

STACKS DIVISION

The Stacks Division has inventoried during the year all books belonging to the library, which does not include those that are the property of the several colleges and departments, not under library supervision. All books drawn from the library for laboratory and department use and all special collections placed under the supervision of the general library are thus included.

In this inventory many books are found misplaced on the shelves and some are not accounted for, so that at all times there is a list of lost books, many of which are found subsequently or returned. This year the list of lost books has been largely reduced by correction of errors and finding of books that had been misplaced during the war period, when the assistance was not sufficient to do the work carefully.

The crowded condition of the book stacks has necessitated the moving and readjusting of many books in order to preserve at all times the strict order so essential to a much used library. This extra labor is sure to increase until the building is enlarged for future growth.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

The special collections having their librarians and curators have made their usual additions. The White Historical library, owing to the favorable opportunity to buy abroad, has made extensive additions to its many series of German, Austrian, French, and Italian publications.

The Icelandic collection has been substantially increased by purchase and exchange. Volume 12 of Islandica, the annual publication provided for by Mr.

Fiske in connection with this collection, has been published.

The curator of the Dante and Petrarch collections, Miss Mary Fowler, has found it necessary because of ill health to give up her work with this fiscal year. Copy for the supplement to the Dante catalogue is ready for the printer and provision made for printing it, and it is hoped that when the necessary proof reading begins, Miss Fowler will be able to do this work. The inventory of this collection has been cared for this year by the Stacks Division.

DEPARTMENT LIBRARIES

The number of volumes drawn from the general library and deposited in department libraries and laboratory collections, does not increase greatly from year to year. As the older works are superseded by newer ones the older ones are returned to make room. This operates as a natural check and shows that department collections generally speaking may be limited to the books currently needed for work in the department, the little-used literature being stored in the general library.

Volumes deposited in department libraries:

Agriculture	1,804
Architecture	2,175
Chemistry	5,166
Civil Engineering	5,500
Entomology	4,043
Sibley College	2,609
Prudence Risley	694
Hart Memorial library	2,251
Veterinary College	5,726
Goldwin Smith Hall	2,467

Respectfully submitted,
WILLARD AUSTEN,
Librarian.

APPENDIX

TO THE

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

1919-1920

LIST OF DONORS TO THE UNIVERSITY LIBRARY

Academia Nacional de Artes y Letras, Havana, Cuba. Adams, J. Q., Ithaca, N. Y.
Aerial Age Weekly.
Aldrich, H. L., New York City.
Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity.
Alpha Phi Quarterly. Alpha Sigma Phi. American Academy in Rome. American Artisan and Hardware Record. American Car and Foundry Company. American Drop Forger. American Economist. American Federationist. American Judicature Society. American Medicine. American Medico-Psychological Association. American Sociological Congress. American Stone Trade. American Water Works Association. Ames, Charles W., St. Paul, Minn. Amsterdam-Bibliotheek der Universiteit. Anderson, Henrik C., Roma, Italy. Andiron Club, New York City. Asiatic Society of Bengal. Asociación Americana para la Conciliación Internacional. Association of Life Insurance Presidents. Austen, Mrs. Willard, Ithaca, N. Y. Australia-Departments. Avery, Samuel P., Hartford, Conn.

Bailey, T. L., New York City.
Barney, L. C., Washington, D. C.
Becker, Carl, Ithaca, N. Y.
Belgian Official Information Service.
Belgium—Ministre des Finances.
Bettens, E. D., New York City.
Better Fruit.
Bingham, L. J., Ithaca, N. Y.
Blast Furnace and Steel Plant.
Boston—Health Department.
Bouillier, Victor, Paris, France.
Boynton, F. D., Ithaca, N. Y.
Bridgeport Brass Company.
British Columbia Fruit-Growers Association.
British Library of Information.

Brown Brothers and Company. Brown University Library. Budd, J. M., Philadelphia, Pa. Buenos Aires. Universidad. Bulgarian Legation. Burr, George, L. Ithaca, N. Y. Burrett, Susan S. C., Estate.

California—Industrial Accident Commission. California—State Departments. Camp, W. M., Chicago, Ill. Canada—Departments. Capek, Thomas, New York City. Carbonnel, Emile, New York City. Carey, W. F., Seattle, Wash. Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. Carnegie Steel Company. Carnegie United Kingdom Trust. Carter, Mary D., Upperville, Va.
Cautley, John R., Yonkers, N. Y.
Cebrian, J. C., San Francisco, Cal.
Champion, Eduard, Paris, France.
Channing, Sir Francis A., London, England.
Chicago Rabbinical Association. Chicago School of Sanitary Instruction. Chili—Departments. China—Departments. Chinese Student Alliance in the U.S.A. Civics and Commerce. Clarke, John M., Albany, N. Y. Cleveland city record. Coffin, Mrs. Charles, Grand Rapids, Mich. Colman, G. T., Chicago, Ill. Comstock, J. H., Ithaca, N. Y. Condon, Laurence, Ithaca, N. Y. Constitutional Review. Cornell Alumni News. Cornell Annuals, Inc. Cornell Countryman. Cornell Law Quarterly. Cornell Veterinarian. Coville, Dr. Luzerne, Ithaca, N. Y. Crane, Thomas F. Cuba—Departments. Curtis, C. W., Rochester, N. Y. Curtis Service Bureau. Czechoslovak Review.

Dann, Hollis E., Ithaca, N. Y. Family of Henry Gassaway Davis. Dog Fancier. George H. Doran Company. Doubleday, Page & Company. Dyestuffs.

Edwards, O. D., Ithaca, N. Y.

Farm Mortgage Association of America. Faust, A. B., Ithaca, N. Y. Ferrari, Srta. Josefina Martinez de. Fisk, Walter W., Ithaca, N. Y.
Flack, Harold, Ithaca, N. Y.
Flagg, Isaac, Berkeley, Cal.
Florence, Italy—Biblioteca Nazionale Centrale di Firenze.
Flying.
Ford, Albert, Binghamton, N. Y.
France—Direction Générale des Services Français aux États Unis.
Fuller, Henry J., Terre Haute, Ind.

Gage, S. H., Ithaca, N. Y.
Garrett Biblical Institute.
Gas Age.
Gas Industry.
Geographical Society of Philadelphia.
Glasgow University Library.
Good Government.
Griswold, Ralph, Wyoming, N. Y.
Groningen, Rijksuniversiteit te Groningen.
Guernsey Breeders Journal.

Hahn, Benjamin D., Greenville, S. C.
Harris, Mrs. G. W., Ithaca, N. Y.
Hart, Mrs. Clara D., St. Louis, Mo.
Harvard College Library.
Haskoli Islands.
Helvetica Chimica Acta.
Hewitt, Prof. W. T., Ithaca, N. Y.
Hobart College Library.
Hock, Harold L., Buffalo, N. Y.
Hooker, C. G., Rochester, N. Y.
Horseshoers' Journal.
Houghton Mifflin Company.
Hoy, D. F., Ithaca, N. Y.
Hungary—General Convent of the Reformed Church of Hungary.
Huntting Company, H. R.
Hunziker, Otto F., LaGrange, Ill.
Hyde, W. W., Ithaca, N. Y.

Illinois—Centennial Commission.
Illinois—Departments.
Illiuminating Engineer.
Indiana Academy of Science.
Indiana—Departments.
Ingersoll, Robt. H., & Brothers.
Institution Quarterly.
International Correspondence Schools.
Irvine, Judge Frank, Ithaca, N. Y.
Italian Bureau of Information.
Italy—Embassy to Washington.
Ithaca Journal-News.

Japan Society. Jones, Mrs. G. W., Ithaca, N. Y. Journal of Physical Chemistry.

Kappa Kappa Gamma. Karapetoff, Vladimir, Ithaca, N. Y. Kimball, D. S., Ithaca, N. Y. Kip, Frederic E., New York City. Korean Commission.

Laidler, Harry W., New York City.
Landmark.
Landsbókasafn Islands.
La Plata—Universidad Nacional.
Lappin, H. A., Ithaca, N. Y.
Larco Herrera, Alberto, Lima, Peru.
League to Enforce Peace.
Leiden—Rijks-Universiteit te Leiden.
Leland, O. M., Ithaca, N. Y.
Leland Stanford Junior University Library.
Lloyd Publishing Company.
London—Corporation of the City—Library Committee.
Lovatelli, M. Adm. R., Washington, D. C.
Lowe, John T. Carr, New York City.
Lund—Universitets Bibliotheket.

MacBeth, William, New York City. McGeorge, William, jr., Philadelphia, Pa. MacMillan, B. R., Ithaca, N. Y. MacNairy, Amos B., Cleveland, Ohio. Mason, J. F., Ithaca, N. Y. Massachusetts-Departments. Medical Times. Meeker, Royal, Washington, D. C. Merrick, G. Elna, Homer, N. Y. Metropolitan Museum of Art. Mexico—Departments. Michigan—Departments. Michigan University Library. Miller, Frank E., New York City. Mining Congress Journal.
Minnesota State Horticultural Society. Missionary Herald. Monroe, B. S., Ithaca, N. Y. Morgan, J. Pierpont, New York City. Morse, D. P., jr., Northport, L. I. Museu Paulista.

National Bank of Commerce. National City Bank of New York. National Industrial Conference Board. National Nurseryman. National Society of Wool Manufacturers. New Armenia. New Church Messenger. New Jersey Historical Society. New York City—Departments. New York Historical Society. New York Libraries. New York Lumber Trade Journal. New York Meteorological Observatory. New York State-Departments. New York State Teachers Association. New York Stock Exchange. New Zealand Patent Office Journal. Northup, C. S., Ithaca, N. Y.

Ohio—Departments. Ohio State Grange. Our Dumb Animals.

Paix (La) par le Droit.
Palmer, William K., Chicapee, Mass.
Pani, Alberto J., New York City.
Paris—L'Université de Paris.
Phelan, J. J., Toledo, Ohio.
Philippine Agricultural Review.
Phillips, F. W., Ithaca, N. Y.
Philosophical Review.
Poole, Murray E., Ithaca, N. Y.
Portal, Ismael, Lima, Peru.
Positivist Review.
Postum Cereal Company.
Princeton University Press.
Public Service Magazine.
Putnam, F. W., Binghamton, N. Y.
Putnam's Sons, G. P.

Queensland—Government Statistician.

Rainbow of Delta Tau Delta.
Reaman, G. E., Woodstock, Ontario.
Reed, William H., Roxbury, Mass.
Remey, Charles M., Washington, D. C.
Review (The).
Ræbling's Sons, John A., Company.
Rogers, Alson, Warren, Pa.
Russel, Henry, Detroit, Mich.

Schurman, J. G., Ithaca, N. Y.
Seaman, Louis L., New York City.
Seligman, Isaac M., New York City.
Seventh Regiment Gazette.
Shepard, Mrs. Elizabeth D., New Haven, N. Y.
Shoe Workers' Journal.
Smith, Edgar F., Philadelphia, Pa.
Snap Shots.
Snelson, E. L., St. Louis, Mo.
Snyder, Mrs. Augusta, St. Louis, Mo.
Social Service Review.
Soldiers' Record Publishing Association.
South Australia—Public Library.
Southern Pine Association.
Soviet Russia.
Stanton, Theodore, New Brunswick, N. J.
Starry Cross.
Stockholm—Royal University Library.
Stohr, Max W., New York City.
Stokes, Miss O. E. P., Redlands, Cal.
Strong, H. W., Cleveland, Ohio.
Sweet, A. H., Ithaca, N. Y.

Tansey, G. J., St. Louis, Mo. Taylor, Charles M., Camden, N. J. Theosophical Quarterly.

Thomann, Gallus, New York City.
Todd, A. M., Washington, D. C.
Tompkins County Board of Supervisors.
Tompkins County Farm Bureau Association.
Tyler, Rollin U., Tylerville, Conn.

Upsala-Kungl. Universitets Biblioteket.

Vedanta Monthly. Virginia—Governor's Office.

Walker, Guy M., New York City.
Waterman, Richard, Washington, D. C.
Wegner, Oscar, Frankfort, N. Y.
Weld, Mrs. Stephen M., Rockweld, Dedham, Mass.
Western Australia—Departments.
White, A. C., Ithaca, N. Y.
White, Mrs. A. D., Ithaca, N. Y.
White, J. G., Engineering Corporation.
White Pine Series of Architectural Monographs.
Widow (The).
Willox, W. F., Ithaca, N. Y.
Williams, Edgar, Washington, D. C.
Woodruff, E. H., Ithaca, N. Y.
Woolworth, C. C., New York City.
Worden, Mrs. S. A., Ithaca, N. Y.
World's Missionary Conference.
Wright, A. H., Ithaca, N. Y.
Wulff, Fredrik, Lund, Sweden.

Yale Law Journal.
Yale University Library.
Yale University Press.
Young India.
Young, A. A., Ithaca, N. Y.
Y. M. C. A.—National War Work Council.