

Archivist received favorable comment. In the July 1950 issue of the *American Historical Review* two of our publications were reviewed by Philip Brooks of the National Archives. Our work here is somewhat too specialized for this journal and we were, therefore, pleased to have it reviewed at all and especially pleased that the review was quite favorable. A review of the *Brown Books* by Arthur Pierce Middleton appeared in the *William and Mary Quarterly* in 1949 and another of the same book by Lester J. Cappon was published in the *Journal of Southern History* the same year. A review of the *Annual Report* of the Archivist was published in the *American Archivist* for April 1950. The *Baltimore Sun* for June 16 and July 3 contained reviews of the *Manual*.

MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITIES

Mr. Thomas was appointed to the editorial board of the *American Archivist* for the year and Mr. Skordas continued as a member of the technical committee of the same journal. For half the year the *Archivist* was a member of the Archival Buildings and Equipment Committee of the Society of American Archivists.

Several special tasks for other agencies were performed by the members of the staff. The *Archivist* prepared a report on the chronology of the Old Treasury Building for the Governor and the Department of Public Improvements prior to the beginning of the work of restoration. He also prepared materials for the history of the State House to be used by the Department of Information and he provided the government of Anne Arundel County with the history of its various county seats. Mr. Hively prepared a historical list of its judges for the same county. The *Archivist* spoke to the Lanham Study Club on the purposes of the Hall of Records October 19, 1949, and he broadcast part of his report on the Old Treasury over Station WNAV, August 1, 1949. The same subject was reviewed by Mr. Skordas for the Peggy Stewart Tea Party Chapter of the D.A.R., December 14, 1949.

COURSES IN ARCHIVAL ADMINISTRATION AND GENEALOGY

Because American University decided to offer its course in Archival Administration during the first summer semester in 1950 rather than in the second as it had done previously, two years of this course fell within our fiscal year, July 19, August 3 and August 10, 1949, and June 15, 21, 26, 1950. On June 28, 1950, we were hosts to the class in Genealogy, part