

She resigned July 17, 1946. Every effort had been made, including advertising in the local newspaper, to find a successor during the thirty days prior to Mrs. Pledger's resignation. From July 17 to September 9, Miss Martha Suit, who was already an employee of the Hall of Records, substituted as Secretary. On the latter date Mrs. Catharine M. Phillips was appointed. She held the position until March 15, 1947, when she resigned, in turn, to accept a more lucrative place at the Postgraduate School. The position was then given to Mrs. Ruby D. Bauder, who had previously been employed otherwise. Mrs. Bauder stayed until May 31. Then it was necessary to ask Miss Suit to substitute again. Miss Suit finished out the fiscal year, but shortly thereafter she resigned to be married, and Mrs. Judith Palmquist, who also was on the staff in another capacity, was asked to take over.

The case of the Senior Assistant Librarian was a similar one. To take the place of Dr. Elisabeth Hartsook, who had resigned a few days before the end of the previous fiscal year, Mrs. Beulah McLaughlin was appointed on August 5. She resigned the next February 15, and on February 21 Miss Elizabeth W. Meade was appointed. Miss Meade resigned June 1, and the position is still vacant at this writing.

In addition to these changes mentioned above, Miss Lulu V. Ebaugh resigned on August 31, 1946, and Mrs. Judith Palmquist was appointed April 28, 1947.

It is with deep regret that I report the death, on December 20, of Albert E. Graf, who had been a member of the maintenance staff since 1937. His long service at the Hall of Records and his thorough knowledge of all the machinery which was necessary for its functioning made him invaluable. Benjamin Brown, one of the original watchmen, was retired on February 15, 1947, because of illness. The new watchmen are Leonard R. Stinchcomb and Charles W. Heller.

Mrs. Perdella Brown, who had been appointed to the maintenance staff by the Board of Public Works in 1935, died during