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PUBLICATIONS

Twenty-Third Annual Report of the Archivist

Like earlier reports of the Archivist, this one attempted to give as factually as possible an account of our major activities. In addition, there was a useful report of the first five years of our Records Management program and the preparations for opening our first Record Center.

Maryland Manual, 1959-1960

The *Maryland Manual*, which is a biennial publication, is necessarily always in process. Following the election of November 1958, we began collecting material for the new *Manual* which should appear in January 1960. There will be no alterations in the form of the new *Manual* but the detailed changes required are far in excess of normal. For one thing, changes in the personnel of government caused by the landslide election of 1958 were of historic proportion. Almost every State agency has changed its address and telephone number because of the completion of two new office buildings since the last *Manual*; a new *Code* has appeared, requiring changes in almost every reference; several new agencies were created and some others abolished by the General Assembly of 1959.

Publication Number 12 of the Hall of Records Commission, *The County Courthouses and Records of Maryland, Part One: The Courthouses*

This work was completed by the end of the fiscal year. It is now being printed and should appear in January or February 1960. This book is lavishly illustrated and is being printed in an attractive format. It is our hope that the subject and the popular format will attract buyers and thus help to defray part of the unusually high cost of printing. A second volume, which will contain a description and catalogue of local records, is scheduled for next year.