

this kind of work. The number of record volumes bound was increased from forty to sixty, ten less than the average for previous years.

There is some explanation: so far as laminating is concerned, one of the two women engaged in this work had to undergo surgery during the year and she was out for several months. Besides she worked on materials from the Land Office which were in very bad condition. Our present binder does more careful and more time-consuming work than his predecessor, and we are hopeful that he will soon exceed in quantity as well as in quality.

PHOTODUPLICATION

The photoduplication department was harassed by frequent changes of staff. Mr. Saddler, who is listed as Photographer I, shortly after the end of the fiscal year was tempted away from us by another agency of the state government with the offer of a higher classification. Mr. William Mays stayed with us only a few months and then left to return to school and to moonlight as an employee of a private detective agency. We have had other employees who have chosen the Annapolis Police Department as offering more money and more future than the State. Moreover, we require all of our non-professional employees to work with wretched equipment, our microfilm cameras average about thirty years of use and our photostatic camera is about twenty-five years of age. The photostat camera which we inherited from the Land Office was purchased by that office in, I think, 1917, and is ready to be displayed at the Smithsonian Institution. It is nothing less than remarkable that we were able to fill all of our orders last year albeit they were later in getting out than in the past.

The work of the Land Office is not included in the figures given here below.

	<i>No. of Orders</i>	<i>Exposures</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<i>Photostats:</i>			
Cash	1,008	9,705	\$4,511.75
Office	29	1,009	—
<i>Projection Prints:</i>			
Cash	170	950	526.50
Office	1	5	—
<i>Microfilm:</i>			
Cash	8	962	59.35
Office	62	163,012	—

SUMMARY

Photostats	1,037 orders	10,714 pages	\$4,511.75
Projection Prints	171 orders	955 pages	526.50
Microfilm	70 orders	163,974 exposures	59.35
			<u>\$5,097.60</u>