

### Manuscript Society Information Exchange Database

The Department of Archives and Manuscripts, University Libraries of Arizona State University, will establish a database of manuscripts held by personal collectors. The database will provide scholars with information concerning many previously unknown or unavailable primary source materials. For a fee, researchers will be

able to search the database, which will become operational when 5,000 items have been entered. For additional information, please contact Edward C. Oetting, Head, Department of Archives and Manuscripts, Hayden Library, Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona 85287-1006 (602-965-3145).

## REPOSITORY NEWS

### Bowling Green State University Popular Culture Library

The Popular Culture Library of Bowling Green State University has acquired a unique collection of books and periodicals, personal papers, and other research materials dealing with the counterculture of the United States in the 1950s - 1970s, from the estate of William F. Ringle. The collection reflects various aspects of Ringle's research, teaching, and bibliographic work in the areas of cultural anthropology, ethnobotany, and ethnopharmacology, and covers such topics as radical social history and politics, the drug culture, mysticism and spiritual life, communal living, and the underground press. Several hundred rare small press monographs, plus broadsides, leaflets, flyers, pamphlets, and clippings are

also included in the collection. Ringle (1933-1984) received a B.S. in Anthropology in 1963 from Arizona State University and did graduate work there and at the University of Illinois, where he taught from 1964-68. Ringle spent seven years teaching anthropology at Iowa State University. Ringle established the Bluff Creek Theoretical Institute, that he hoped would become a subsistence commune of working scholars and artists in Boone, Iowa, where he lived until his death. For further information, contact: Brenda McCallum, Head Librarian, Popular Culture Library, Libraries and Learning Resources, Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, OH 43403-0600 (419-372-2450).

### Exhibit of United Methodist Photos on Display

An exhibit of United Methodist photographs prepared by DePauw University Archives is on display at the Northern Indiana Historical Society Museum, South Bend, through March 30. After the South Bend exhibit, the schedule for displaying the photos is Fort Wayne Historical Society, April 1-30; Bartholomew County Historical Society, Columbus, Indiana, May 2-30; Willard Library, Evansville, June 1-29; and DePauw University Archives, July 1-31. The exhibit includes approximately

60 photographs selected from the "Images of Indiana United Methodism, ca. 1860-1980" project coordinated by the Archives and Special Collections at DePauw. Supported by a grant from the Indiana Humanities Council, the DePauw Archives is producing a computer-generated index and videotape copy of the entire photo collection of 3,500 images from the archives of Indiana United Methodism.