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Introduction

The would-be compiler of a bibliography to honour the retirement from office of a distinguished, prolific and still-active author is obliged to labour under handicaps additional to those that might ordinarily be encountered in a bibliographical project. Assuming that the subject is to be taken by surprise, he or she cannot be openly approached for assistance without, as it were, breaching security and making it clear that past activities are under surveillance. Consequently, the compiler is frequently in the position of one of Graham Greene's hapless and inadequate agents, heavily dependent on consulting secondary sources, wheedling information out of contacts and profoundly unhappy that the data obtained cannot be verified at source.

In these circumstances, this documentation of Kenneth Humphreys's contributions to bibliography, librarianship and palaeography cannot attempt to be complete or definitive. Nevertheless, it does present a fairly comprehensive picture of his published work over a period of some 34 years, from his first publications on books and libraries in 1948 up to the present time. Much of his writing, papers for committees and the like, has not been published. Indeed, as the stock-in-trade of a busy academic librarian it was never intended to be. However, there is a quantity of 'grey' literature, such as reports arising out of consultancies, visits and tours abroad. Some of this material exists in a small number of copies. It is occasionally recorded in library catalogues or elsewhere but a large part of it is not generally available.

Therefore, the scope of this bibliography may be summarised thus: first, it records Kenneth Humphreys' books and the great majority of his contributions to books and periodicals in the period 1948 to early 1982. Secondly, it includes such 'grey' literature as could be reliably identified and reasonably well-documented without seeking the help of its author. Thirdly, it excludes book reviews. Fourthly, it also excludes papers prepared for library organisations, learned societies and committees unless the material was subsequently published or is otherwise generally accessible.

Arrangement

Entries are arranged chronologically and, within each year, alphabetically by the first significant word in the title. Fairly detailed bibliographical data is provided for books whilst for articles in periodicals the volume number and pagination is normally stated. Contributions to Festschriften, conferences and works by divers hands are specified as accurately as circumstances permit but, unavoidably, there is some variation in the quality of entries. The publication of papers presented at meetings of IFLA sometimes raises slight difficulties as regards dating. When there is a difference between the date ascribed to a paper in *A Bibliography of IFLA Conference Papers, 1968 — 1978* and its date of publication, the year of publication determines the placing of the entry on the grounds that it is more readily accessible in its published form. In a few cases, an item has no specific or obvious title and an entry has been assembled from available data in the form most likely to assist in identification of the piece. Whenever it is thought to be helpful, a note of explanation or amplification is added to illustrate or elucidate an entry.

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1949

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1952

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1953

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1962

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