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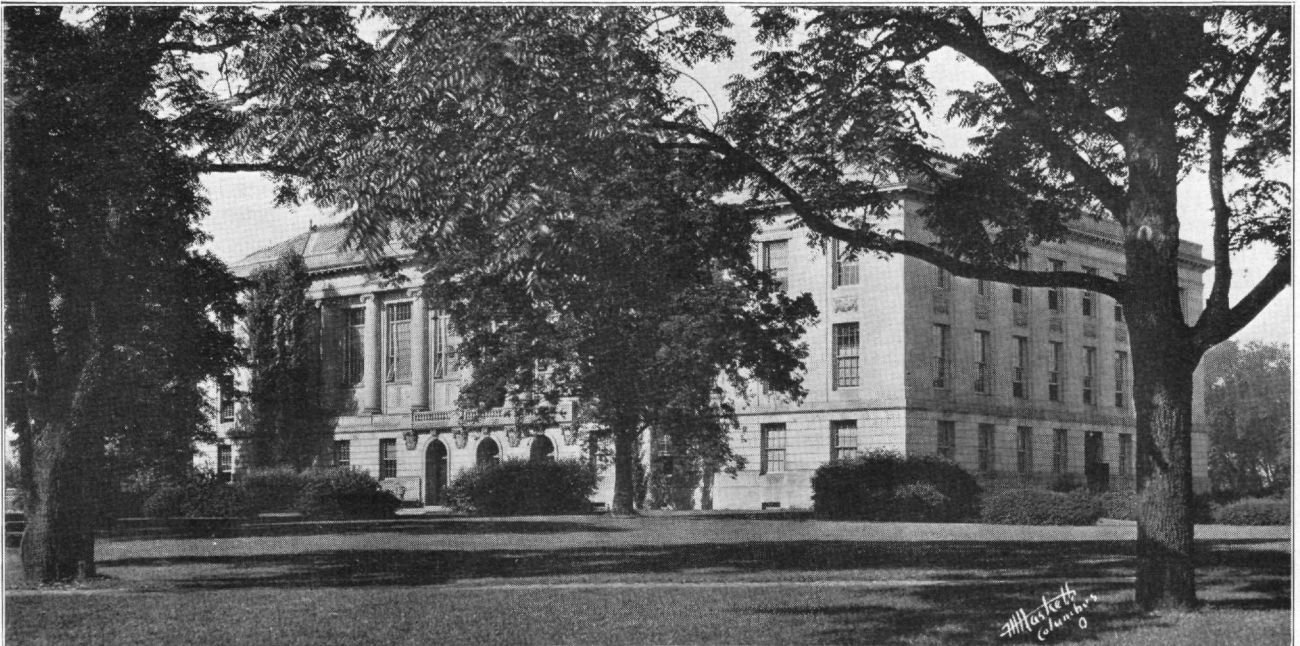
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THERE come many times in the life of every engineering student when he finds it necessary to supplement his information on some subject by referring to books other than those he has at hand.

There are many things that in their least detail an engineer is not supposed to carry in his mind, but that he should be able to find quickly in books. The library is often just as useful to the engineer as the laboratory, for thousands of books give in detail the results of laboratory experiments. Modern civilization depends on written records. Also, we find in books parallel and supporting cases in connection with the facts and principles learned in daily class work.

A card index of all the books in the University Library is kept in the Bibliography room at the south end of the second floor of the Library Building, and may be consulted by anyone. This card index, which is in alphabetical order, gives the books separately by the name of the book, by the author, and by the subject.

The General Library, located in the Library Building, is equipped with large, well-lighted reading rooms for the use of students for reading or for reference work. The special reserve rooms are on the first floor, and the large main reading rooms are on the second floor. Many current magazines and newspapers, arranged in alphabetical order, are available in the rooms at the



THE GENERAL LIBRARY

The University Library as a whole consists of all books owned by the University and contains in all over 300,000 volumes. It is a depository for the official publications of the United States, receives annually thousands of documents from states, cities, and foreign countries, as well as the exchange publications of the Ohio Academy of Science, of the Ohio State University Scientific Association, and of the Ohio Biological Survey.

The University Library is open to the general public for reference, but books may be taken out only by faculty officers and registered students of the University. The main part of the University Library is located in the Library Building, and is known as the General Library. This great building is commonly regarded by those who have visited many university scenes as one of the most beautiful university buildings in the United States. The other collections of books are housed in various other buildings on the Campus.

north end of the second floor of the Library Building. Files of the magazines and newspapers are to be found in more remote locations of the building, and may be visited by asking one of the attendants.

The General Library is open from 7:30 a. m. to 9:30 p. m., Monday to Friday; Saturday from 7:30 a. m. to 5:30 p. m. Vacation hours are from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m., Monday to Friday; Saturday from 8 a. m. to 12 m. The Library is closed on legal holidays.

A collection of books on Architecture, Engineering Drawing, and Civil Engineering is located in the Brown Hall Library, on the first floor of Brown Hall. The collection of plates filed in this library is especially valuable for students of Architecture.

The Lord Hall Library, which is on the second floor of Lord Hall, is an engineer's library of

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Commerce Library, Education Library, and smaller collections connected with various Colleges and departments.

All of the libraries on the Campus have librarians in charge who are glad to assist the students in the search for books. Students are required to show their fee cards to take books out of these various libraries, but anyone may read the books on the premises.

Another valuable source of reference material is the State Library, located at the north end of the second floor of the State House. It contains 280,000 books, and was founded in 1915. Books may be read there, or taken out by citizens of the state.

The Columbus Public Library, at State Street and Grant Avenue, has large reading rooms where books may be read, but books may be borrowed only by citizens of the city of Columbus. It also has magazines and newspapers, as well as books.

As a last resort in the search for a book, it is suggested that the student write to the Library of Congress, Washington, D. C. This National Library has at least two copies of every book legally copyrighted in this country, and is one of the largest libraries in the world. It has at present about 3,000,000 volumes. Books may be borrowed by responsible citizens for research purposes. All interlibrary loans are made through the General Library.

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especial value to students of Ceramic, Mining Engineering, Metallurgy, and of Engineering English. Other libraries of great value to engineers are the ones in Robinson laboratory and in the Chemistry Building.

The Orton Memorial Library, located in Orton Hall, is one of the most complete geological libraries in all our country. It contains about 10,000 volumes. In addition, the Ohio Geological Survey deposits its document exchanges with the library. These two collections constitute a notably complete set of official geological reports from the states, foreign countries, and scientific societies.

The Law Library, which is in Page Hall, is especially well equipped for the study of Ohio laws. It includes all the United States and State Reports, English and Irish Reports, the latest statutes, codes, and session laws of the states, complete sets of important legal periodicals, and an up-to-date collection of text books. Publications respecting inventions and patents will be found especially helpful to engineering students.

The Library of the Ohio Archaeological and Historical Society, which is in the Archaeological Museum Building, is specializing in Ohio History, and a valuable collection has been built up.

Other libraries on the grounds are the Medical and Dental Library in Hamilton Hall, the Botany and Zoology Library in the Botany and Zoology Building, a library in the Veterinary Laboratory,