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January 22, 1976

Professor Charles P. Bourne 1619 Santa Cruz Avenue Menlo Park, California 94025

Dear Professor Bourne:

I have just received notification from our warehouse that your METHODS OF INFORMATION HANDLING is completely out of stock and that it has become financially impractical to consider reprinting it. We've had a nice run with the book since publication in 1963 and a 8401 copy sale is something we can all take pride in. May I now ask if we can realistically expect a revision of the book? I'm not terribly optimistic judging from the tone of your last letter to me in October, however, I would appreciate your latest thinking on this.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely Mavtham. III

Publisher

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January 28, 1976

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Walter J. Maytham, III Publisher Wiley-Interscience 605 Third Avenue New York, New York 10016

Dear Walter:

Thank you for your recent note saying that METHODS OF INFORMATION HANDLING has gone out of stock and will not be reprinted. This strikes me somewhat as if an old friend had passed away.

As you correctly observed, I think it is unrealistic to expect a revision of this book. I think we'd better just let this one fade away.

Thanks for your continued interest.

Sincerely,

Charles Bourne Director, Institute of Library Research Professor, School of Librarianship

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October 3, 1974

Melville Publishing Co. 11661 San Vicente Blvd. Suite 913 Los Angeles, California 90049

Dear Walker:

I had hoped to get more done on my manuscript during the Summer, but unfortunately the time was just not there to do it. At this rate I don't expect to be able to submit a complete manuscript during the coming year.

Best regard,

Charles Bourne ILR, Director

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September 16, 1974

Professor Charles P. Bourne, Director Institute of Library Research UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY Berkeley, Ca. 94720

Dear Professor Bourne:

It is the time of year when we must begin our planning in terms of manuscripts which we would expect to review, edit and process for publication during the following year. For this reason we are writing to inquire about the status of your writing.

Perhaps you could also inform us as to the approximate date that we could expect to receive your manuscript.

We will sincerely appreciate hearing from you within the next ten days.

Very Eruly yours

Walker G. Stone President

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October 8, 1970

Mr. Charles P. Bourne Charles Bourne and Associates 1619 Santa Cruz Avenue Menlo Park, California 94025

Dear Charles:

It was good to see you at the recent networks meeting and also to talk with you about the status of <u>Methods of</u> <u>Information Handling</u>. I didn't press, nor did you volunteer, a suggested completion date for the revision. Now that you have reflected on it, can we establish a target date? If the past is any indication of your busy schedule, we should seriously consider bringing in a coauthor. The coauthor will not discredit the senior author and in fact, in most cases, it reinforces the leadership that you have already established with your publication. If you agree this is a good idea and certainly a way to get the revision out, may I suggest that you give this idea serious thought and that you amplify it with a list of candidate coauthors.

If it will be difficult to find a qualified person willing to take on this assignment on the West Coast, then we should seriously consider the multi-contributor editor approach.

I was also intrigued by your mentioning that you would like to prepare a book on cost effectiveness. If we can work out the problem which we mentioned above, then you will be free to concentrate on the latter.

In my mind each project is important to you and to your future, and we should find some way working together to accomplish the same.

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Mr. Charles P. Bourne October 8, 1970 Page 2

Please let me hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Walker J. Stonepe

Walker G. Stone, Vice President Communications and Publications Division BECKER AND HAYES, INC.

P.S. I agree with you that Ed Parker has an excellent idea. I have his material and the more I have read the more impressed I am with the important characteristics of his proposal.



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March 22, 1967

Dr. Charles P. Bourne, Director Advanced Information Systems Division Programming Services, Inc. 493 Middlefield Road Palo Alto, California 94301

Dear Charles:

Several months have gone by since we last exchanged letters and I wonder whether you now have been able to estimate how long it will take you to revise and update your book on METHODS OF INFORMATION HANDLING?

I look forward to hearing from you.

Cordially yours,

Walker G. Stone, Vice President PROFESSIONAL & REFERENCE BOOK DIVISION

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March 9, 1962

Dr. Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, Caliarnia

Dear Dr. Bourne:

In Walker Stone's absence on an extended business trip which will keep him away from the office until the end of the month, I should like to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated March 7th.

We appreciate having your status report - even though your progress has been slower than anticipated, it is encouraging to know that you continue to proceed with the development of this work. We hope, of course, you will be able to meet your May deadline and look forward to receiving the manuscript for DEVICES AND TECHNIQUES FOR INFORMATION PROCESSING, STORAGE AND RETRIEVAL as soon as it is ready for us.

I am forwarding a copy of your letter on to Mr. Stone for his information.

Sincerely yours,

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B. Hollender, Editorial Research Assistant to Walker G. Stone, Editor-in-Chief THE PROFESSIONAL & REFERENCE BOOK DEPT.

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December 27, 1961

Dr. Charles Bourne Research Engineer Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Charlie:

Ken Brown has told me of his recent talk with you and of course the good news that the two additional chapters for "Information Processing, Storage and Retrieval" that were recommended by our reviewers are nearing completion. I understand that as soon as these are done you will turn your attention to the remainder of the work with the intent of making the finished manuscript available to us in February. I hope this schedule proves possible, for we are eager to get on with the job.

With best regards and best wishes for the New Year,

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Walker G. Stone, Editor-in-chief The Professional & Reference Book Dept.

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Dear Walker, my golgies for not writing some. The two additional depters have been completed, and the sensing orginal we depters are being re-organized and re-assembled to form a mother recurles A shorters. I am Taying to have the warmsongit finished in Edwary, but of course I can't promin it. Ill let you levous what the story is as we reach that time. thanks for the Thompsful christings cand, and fast wister for the New year. Sincery, set 5 for



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November 30, 1961

Dr. Charles Bourne Research Engineer Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Charlie:

Would much appreciate learning how you are coming developing the manuscript for your proposed book on INFORMATION PROCESSING, STORAGE AND RETRIEVAL.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Cordially yours

Walker G. Stone, Editor-in-Chief THE PROFESSIONAL & REFERENCE BOOK DEPT.

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September 22, 1961

Dr. Charles Bourne Research Engineer Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Charlie:

I attended WESCON for one day and this made it impossible for me to schedule a visit with you.

I hope that you are well underway with the final draft of the manuscript for INFORMATION PROCESSING, STORAGE AND RETRIEVAL. Will appreciate a progress report from you at your convenience.

Cordially yours,

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August 21, 1961

Dr. Charles Bourne Research Engineer Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Dr. Bourne:

Your letter of August 17th arrived just after Mr. Stone had left the office for San Francisco where he will be attending the WESCON Meetings. A copy is being forwarded to him for his information.

We were, of course, much interested to learn that you soon expect to begin work on the final draft of the manuscript for INFORMATION PROCESSING, STORAGE AND RETRIEVAL at which time you will, where appropriate, attempt to incorporate some of our reviewers' suggestions. We will be looking forward to receiving your material when it is ready for us.

Sincerely yours,

B. Hollender, Editorial Assistant to Walker G. Stone, Editor-in-Chief THE PROFESSIONAL & REFERENCE BOOK DEPT.

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Mr. Wallow G. Stone, Editor - in - Chief sent 21 aug 61 the Reference Bools Dept. John Wiley & Sons, Inc. 440 Parts ave. Joseth new york 16, n. y. Dear Wallan, I have finished going over the reviews & have come art I wishing that I were thisser-steined . I that agree with most of the constructive criticism that was provided, & I aquente this valuable advice. One of the common criticisme was the lock of continuity from one chopter to another. I fully threated this because of the modular way in which I collected & described the data in each Ageter. I have to be able to serve this is wy find dift. that One big modification that I flow to pursue is the the organization of moterial into the potter described by Deviener A. I think this squeedly a much more logical way to present the material. I can not to much about the criticism that the books is a compandium of devices + Testruques --- since that was one of the usin objectives. I will start the find drift Atto monupority at il comments, fitte sections & try, to modify un work ashere I think it is appropriate, to incorporate the suggestions. thanks again for your help I potience . Timenty



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July 28, 1961

Dr. Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Charles:

As agreed during our phone conversation earlier in the week, I am inclosing copies of the four reviews we have obtained on your book "Information Processing, Storage, and Retrieval." I shall be considerably interested in your reactions to the various comments and recommendations made and shall look forward to hearing from you after you have been able to study and evaluate them.

Sincerely,

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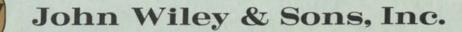
Dear Dr. Bourne:

Just a note to advise you that I have returned to you by separate post the initial draft material for your proposed book on DEVICES AND TECHNIQUES FOR INFORMATION PROCESSING, STORAGE AND RETRIEVAL which you provided us several months ago for examination purposes. This material, which has now served its purpose here in the office, should reach you in a few days.

Sincerely yours,

B. Hollender, Editorial Assistant to Walker G. Stone, Director & Editor-in-Chief ENGINEERING, MATHEMATICS & PHYSICS

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September 11, 1962

To Wiley Authors:

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The Wiley Agency Plan has replaced the two-edition system that we established in 1955. This system was very successful in encouraging the distribution of our books in domestic technical and trade bookstores, but for some time it has been evident that the two-edition plan was difficult for the bookseller and customer, and costly to Wiley, calling for separate bindings, jackets, and inventory maintenance. We are confident that our new plan will enable us to eliminate these difficulties at the same time that it increases our general marketing effectiveness.

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the single edition. In no case do we think the price differentials are significant, nor will they be detrimental to sales.

We can assure our authors the widest possible domestic and worldwide distribution and will continue to improve our marketing facilities as new techniques are developed. We hope that you are as pleased with these prospects as we are.

Andrew H. Neilly, Jr.

Vice President

December 28, 1962

Mr. Walker Stone John Wiley & Sons, Inc. 440 Park Avenue, South New York 16, New York

Dear Walker:

Happy New Year! Here is the last chapter. I have been assembling the illustrations together and will send all of them (except for about 20) to you next week along with an illustrations status report. A Xerox copy of the complete manuscript is also being sent to you under separate cover.

I still haven't received any of the Hayes-Becker galley samples (for font, layout, etc.), or any note about the editorial board. Mas this gone astray?

Because of this last minute windup on the manuscript, I have not had an opportunity to review Borko's outline or Jonker's manuscript. Would you accept my apologies (and pass them along to Don C. Ford). I hope to get at that material in the next two weeks. Thanks.

Sincerely,

Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer

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December 19, 1962

Dr. Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Charles:

Chapter 9 amived in good order today. It is being sent on to the reviewer who is looking over for us the seven chapters which you left with me when you were here in our office earlier in the month. Our consultant has agreed to provide us with his review shortly after the Holiday period.

I now look forward to receiving the final chapter and a complete Xerox copy of the DEVICES AND TECHNIQUES FOR INFORMATION PROCESSING, STORAGE AND RETRIEVAL manuscript.

Best wishes to you for a Happy Holiday Season.

Cordially yours,

Walker G. Stone, Editor-in-Chief THE PROFESSIONAL & REFERENCE DEPT.

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November 21, 1962

Dr. Charles P. Bourne Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Charles:

I look forward to seeing you during the week of December 3rd.

Please call me or my secretary as soon as you arrive in town. I say this because I am planning to go to Philadelphia to the Eastern Computer Conference and it may be that we will be able to get together there instead of New York City. I will be in Philadelphia from the night of the 3rd through the 6th. At any rate, I hope we will not mess up our signals and miss each other.

Cordialay yours,

Walker G. Stone, Director & Editor-in-Chief DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING, MATHEMATICS & PHYSICS

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October 18, 1962

Dr. Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Charles:

Your recent letter was most encouraging. I shall look forward to the receipt of the manuscript right after the Christmas Holidays. I have informed Bob Hayes of your excellent progress.

Kindest regards,

Cordially yours,

Walker G. Stone, Director & Editor-in-Chief ENGINEERING, MATHEMATICS & PHYSICS

WGS: bh

October 10, 1962

Mr. Walker G. Stone John Wiley & Sons, Inc. 440 Park Avenue South New York 16, New York

Dear Walker:

Thanks for your interest in the manuscript. I have not forgotten you or the manuscript, and have actually been spending quite a bit of time on it.

The book consists of nine chapters, all of which have been written. All but one of the chapters have been edited by one of the SRI technical editors. All of the chapters have been critiqued and edited by a former professor of library science (this was the main source of delay). Five of the chapters have been cleaned up after editing, and have been typed in final form on bond. Two more chapters are in the final typing process. The primary work remaining is the clean-up and final typing of the last two chapters. I don't know specifically when this will be finished, but I suspect it will be in a couple of months. Essentially all of the illustrations have been collected.

I'll keep you informed.

Sincerely,

Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer

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September 26, 1962

Dr. Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Charlie:

We anxiously await receipt of the manuscript for your proposed book on DEVICES AND TECHNIQUES FOR INFORMATION PROCESSING, STORAGE AND RETRIEVAL. When can we expect to receive it?

Would much appreciate hearing from you.

Kindest regards,

Cordially yours,

Walker G. Stone, Director & Editor-in-Chief ENGINEERING, MATHEMATICS & PHYSICS

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AIR MAIL

January 2, 1963

Dr. Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Dr. Bourne:

We are pleased to acknowledge the safe receipt of Chapter 7 for your book on METHODS OF INFORMATION HANDLING. Your letter and the last chapter has been passed on to Mr. Stone for his attention and you will hear from him shortly.

Sincerely yours.

(mrs) margaret Cagan Editorial Department

The Xerox copy of the complete manuscript P.S. also arrived safely today. Thank you. M.Eagan

January 28, 1963

Mr. Walker Stone Wiley & Sons 440 Park Avenue South New York 16, New York

Dear Walker:

Here are some more illustrations on account. The enclosed illustrations (Figs. 2-6, 5-49, 6-12, 7-10, 7-11, 7-12, 7-14, 7-22, 9-36) have all been cleared for re-publication. I could not obtain a good photo of Fig. 5-39 and so I will drop it from the text. This then leaves the following 14 illustrations outstanding:

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The remaining illustrations will be forwarded as soon as I receive them.

I have noted the detailed corrections of your reviewer. His points are well taken, and I shall incorporate most of them with the changes that develop from your editor's work. However, I balk at the suggestion that another chapter be added to state and discuss the criteria to determine the applicable devices or techniques for a given situation. The main criteria of cost has been, as techniques for a given situation. The main criteria of cost has been, as you suggested, implied throughout the book. However, the proper treatment of criteria for selection and determination of techniques and devices (or "What System to Use for My Problem") is a topic for a separate book. As a matter of fact, we recently finished a \$35,000 study for NSF just to try to determine what the criteria and evaluation procedures should be.

I would hope to leave this topic for another book.

Where do we go from here? What's happening to the manuscript? I'm looking forward to hearing from you. Sincerely,

Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer

P.S. I received your note adknowledging receipt of the Borko review, but you haven't said anything about the Jonker notes. Let me know if they got lost enroute, and I'll send another set.

December 31, 1962

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Mr. Walker Stone Wiley & Sons, Inc. 440 Park Avenue, South New York 16, New York

Dear Walker:

There are about 180 illustrations in my book. All but about 25 of them are enclosed with this letter, and have been cleared for republication. I am taking the necessary steps to clear up the remainder. The figures that are missing are:

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I find that I've loaned or misplaced my 2-book series of Wiley's Instructions to Authors. Would you please send me another set. Thanks. (Perhaps I should have read it before I sent in the illustrations.)

The remaining illustrations will be forwarded as soon as I receive them.

Happy New Year,

Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer



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February 19, 1963

Dr. Charles P. Bourne Computer Technology Laboratory Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Dr. Bourne:

We are about to send your manuscript DEVICES AND TECHNIQUES FOR INFORMATION PROCESSING STORAGE AND RETRIEVAL to the printer for an estimate and sample pages. I expect that this will take about three weeks and as soon as possible after that we will assign a copy editor to the manuscript. In your letter of February 11th to Walker Stone you mentioned that you visit the east coast about once a month and I think if you can arrange to come to our office in the latter part of March, a discussion at that time with the copy editor and perhaps our Illustration Manager would be productive. If you decide to make such a visit I would appreciate your letting me know at your convenience when we might expect to see you.

Sincerely yours,

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James A. McNeish Manager PRODUCTION DIVISION

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February 5, 1963

Dr. Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Charles:

Received your letter of January 28th and the illustrations. I note that fourteen are still missing.

I agree that most of the corrections noted by the reviewer can be incorporated after you receive the edited manuscript for a check.

I note too that you feel the reviewer's suggestion for an additional chapter might best serve as the basis for a companion book. This is not a bad idea at all.

In view of your final decision to reject this final chapter, I am turning the manuscript over to our production people. You will, of course, hear from them in due time. Keep the missing figures coming, however, even though you do not hear from me in the near future.

We decided against publishing the Jonker material and have so advised Mr. Jonker. Mr. Ford was going to acknowledge your very thoughtful report but had to make several field trips which interfred with his getting an acknowledgement off to you. I am sorry indeed.

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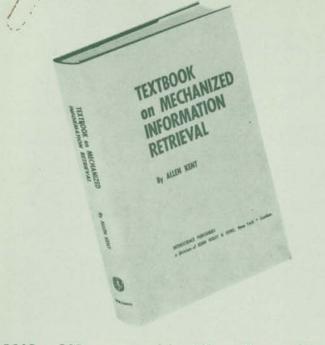
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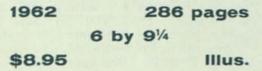
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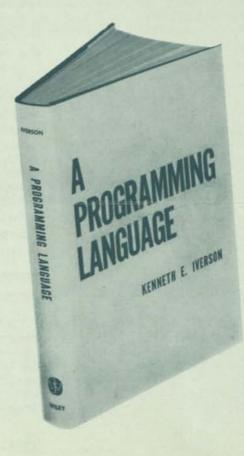
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Dear Walker:

In my capacity as Editor of the Literature Notes Section of American Documentation, I have asked Mrs. Lea Bohnert to review the Becker-Hayes book. Her response on the attached post card suggests that are could use a complimentary review copy. Could you send it to her at her address?

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Charles P. Bourne, Editor Literature Notes Section <u>American Documentation</u> c/o Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

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Dear Mrs. Sieven:

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Sincerely,

Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer

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September 12, 1963

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Dear Dr. Bourne:

Mrs. Zener is no longer with John Wiley and Sons, and I have taken over your book. In answer to your letter of August 9, I have noted the following.

Figure 2-1 should have had two parts, but somewhere the figure for the human engineering card was omitted. I have looked the chapter over carefully, and there is no way of inserting the missing part without renumbering the whole book, which would be very expensive and time consuming. If it will suffice, even a little, to leave it as is, with the wording changed to compensate for the missing figure, I will do this. I will have revises made of the page so you can see if I have made the proper changes.

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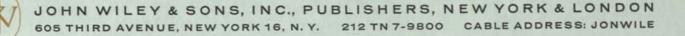
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Sincerely yours, Carelyn Survey (Mrs.) Carolyn Sieven

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August 8, 1963

Mr. Charles P. Bourne Systems Engineering Department Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Mr. Bourne:

Mr. McNeish has asked me to reply to your letter, wherein you inquired about the possibility of including a library card in your forthcoming book METHODS OF INFORMATION HANDLING.

After considerable research and investigation, I have learned that the Library of Congress discontinued their service of "Cataloguing in Source", in February of 1960. Actually, the project was initiated as an experimental one, with the knowledge that it would be abandoned at a later date. The people at the Library Journal have informed me that no other organization performs this function. They have explained that it would be best to simply include a catalogue card number.

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Sincerely yours,

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August 9, 1963

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Dear Mrs. Zener:

- In Fig. 2-1 (pg. 16 of page proof) I seem to recall that two cards were to be shown: one for <u>display</u> and one for <u>human engineering</u>. The present proof shows only one card. It seems that we have two choices.
  - a) Let it go as is. (Then line 8 of the 1st column of page 16 should be changed to explain what is really shown in Fig. 2-1. The next sentence should also be modified. And the caption should be changed to singular form.)
  - b) Show both cards in the figure. (This requires a change in the figure, and I prefer this route.)

In any case, the top of the card(s) should have a label, display or human engineering.

- 2. Will I get to see the final makeup of pages 47-49 before printing?
- 3. I don't have any reason to split Fig. 5-9 between two pages (88-89) with text in between. Can 5-9g and 5-9h be included with the rest of 5-9?
- 4. When will I see the front matter (preface, acknowledgement, etc.)?
- 5. What has been done to get a copy of this book's library catalog card printed with the book?
- 6. I'm working on the index now.
- 7. It looks good.

Sincerely,

Charles P. Bourne REsearch Engineer

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Dear Mr. Bourne:

This is to advise you that the first page proof of your book METHODS OF INFORMATION HANDLING will leave our office on August 6th, with the remaining pages leaving August 19th.

I hope this information will prove of value in planning your time.

Sincerely yours,

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Dear Mr. Bourne:

Mrs. Zener has shown me your letter of May 15th in which you inquired about our plans for including a library card in the book. Frankly, I had been under the impression that you were going to let us know how to go about obtaining the library cards. I believe you told me that these cards are actually printed by the Library of Congress and that our problem was to attend to having them inserted in the bound book. I have made no inquiries to the Library Congress because I honestly wouldn't even know what to ask for. We certainly will need some help from you if these cards are to be included.

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James A. McNeish Manager PRODUCTION DIVISION

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Dear Mr. McNeish:

Thank you for your letter regarding the inclusion of a library card in our forthcoming book. Three approaches come to mind for including this kind of information in the book:

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- (2) Include a reprint of a card in the book.
- (3) Include just the number of the LC catalog card.

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Ih les. I Teh. Service Four 1959 sincerely,

Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer

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November 11, 1963

Dr. Charles P. Bourne Systems Engineering Department Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Charlie:

Your fine contribution, METHODS OF INFORMATION HANDLING, should be in your hands by this date or within a few days. The physical product appeals to me and, of course, I hope you will like it too. A complimentary copy is, of course, also going forward to each member of the Advisory Board. Now we would like to sell this work of yours in large quantities and our Marketing Division has assured me they will devote all their energies to doing so.

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Mr. Becker graduated with a bachelor's degree in aeronautical engineering from the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn and, some years later, earned a master's degree in Library Science from Catholic University of America. He gained his early experience as librarian at the New York Public Library. From 1958 to 1960 Mr. Becker was Research Fellow at the Western Data Processing Center at the University of California at Los Angeles.

In addition to his work for A.L.A., Mr. Becker has lectured and written several articles on the non-numerical uses of computers. Mr. Becker is a member of the Association for Computing Machinery and is actively involved in professional publishing. Robert M. Hayes received his Ph.D. in mathematics from the University of California at Los Angeles, where he also did his undergraduate work and earned his membership in Phi Beta Kappa. He has been teaching, doing research, and solving problems in the field of information storage and retrieval for many years. In addition, his experience covers many other phases of modern information systems research and development.

Dr. Hayes has worked for the National Bureau of Standards, Hughes Aircraft Company, National Cash Register, and The Magnavox Company. For many years he has also been a lecturer on the mathematics faculty and in the Library School of UCLA where he has presented upperlevel and graduate courses in information storage and retrieval, advanced numerical analysis, and data processing in general. He has also presented similar courses at the American University in Washington, D. C., and at the University of Washington in Seattle.

Dr. Hayes is President of the American Documentation Institute, a member of many professional societies, and holds editorial posts on two major professional journals.

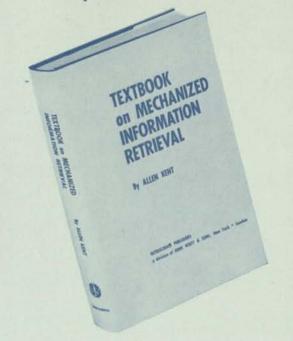
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#### About the author . . .

Allen Kent is Associate Director of the Center for Documentation and Communication Research and Professor of Library Science at Western Reserve University. Before coming to Western Reserve in 1955, he served for two years as Principal Documentation Engineer at the Battelle Memorial Institute. The author or co-author of 12 books and over 100 papers, he has lectured extensively on documentation not only in this country but also in Western Europe, Latin America, and the U.S.S.R.

Mr. Kent holds a B.S. in chemistry from City College of New York. During World War II, he served as a chemist with the Chemical Warfare Service and later as an analyst with the Air Documents Research Office of the U.S. Air Force. From 1946 to 1947, he was associated with Essex Chemicals, from 1947 to 1950 as Associate Editor of Interscience Publishers, and from 1951 to 1953 he was research associate at M.I.T.

The author has been Chairman of both the Advisory Council and the Committee on Special Classifications of the Special Libraries Association. In addition, he has been Chairman of the Committee on Chemical Documentation of the American Chemical Society's Division of Chemical Literature. He is General Secretary of the International Continuation Committee on Information Retrieval and Machine Translation.

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Translated by Rosalind Kent.

Edited by Allen Kent, Director of the Knowledge Availability Systems Center, University of Pittsburgh

Here is a book that is certain to end a great deal of conjecture—and equally certain to start wide controversy. Written by a leading Russian scientist, it deals with memory devices, and the basic principles of their operation.

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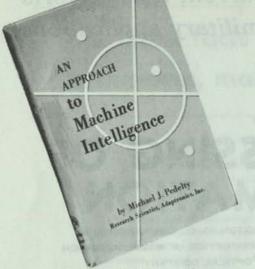
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#### Words Chosen from Text and Consideration of Syntactical Relationships between Indexing Terms

In addition to all the vocabulary control measures taken in the preceding methods, the indexing system could also show the functional or syntactical relationships between the indexing terms used to describe the content of a single document. For example, the indexing terms man, bites, and dog appearing in an index would not distinguish whether a document indexed under these three terms was about a dog biting a man, or vice versa. Some of this ambiguity can be reduced by assigning role indicators to the index terms to show the role or application of each term, as well as to indicate which terms are being acted upon by the other terms, and in what manner.

For sorting into numerical sequence the SF and 0 holes are ignored and the deck is sorted in the manner described for the 7-4-2-1 code. The single-figure position on some manufacturers' cards is represented by a V. With double-row punching the effect of an SF position can be achieved by deep-punching the single digits (Fig. 5-6*i*). The following approximation for the dropping fraction was derived from a different approach than that used for the previous approximation: <sup>41</sup>

$$F_d \approx \frac{\binom{M}{m}}{\binom{F}{m}} = \frac{\frac{M!}{m!(M-m)!}}{\frac{F!}{m!(F-m)!}}$$

<sup>21</sup> Costello, J. C., "Uniterm Indexing Principles, Problems, and Solutions," *American Documentation*, Vol. 12, No. 1, pp. 20–26 (January 1961).

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CRIS. The CRIS (Command Retrieval Information System), developed in 1962 by a subsidiary of Information for Industry, is an outgrowth of some earlier work done by Avakian in 1956.\* This system stores images photographically on a scroll of microfilm 400 feet long by 17 inches wide; each scroll contains over 500,000 page-size images or over 28,000 large drawings. A keyboard device is used to enter a CRIS address, and the image at that address is displayed to the operator or is provided in aperture card form (see Fig. 9-36).

Material Composition or Characteristics. As mentioned earlier, techniques are available for describing chemical compounds with a general and systematic coding scheme. But the majority of card files for chemical data seem to use category coding, with a particular compound or element assigned to holes on a one-for-one basis. Cards have been designed in this way for special chemical data, geological or mineral data, metallurgical data, and many other special types of data.\*

#### METHODS FOR SYSTEMATICALLY ABBREVIATING ENGLISH WORDS AND NAMES

There are many instances in which it is useful to abbreviate \* English words such as people's names, places, street addresses, proper nouns, or continuous text material. Common subjects for abbreviation

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Interpreter (RR)	90	5,900	250
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are addresses in telephone directories, customer account number identifications in some data-processing systems, and commercial teletype or ham radio vocabularies. There will always be a need for abbreviation or coding schemes to make efficient use of the storage media in computers, punched card systems, and other storage and processing systems. Abbreviation techniques may also improve the efficiency of communication systems by decreasing the number of characters transmitted. If the abbreviations are to be made automatically or semiautomatically, they must be obtained by some systematic method.

The objective of most of these studies has been to develop methods for the systematic coding of words which satisfy the following requirements.

1. Each word should be coded to require as little storage space as possible.

2. Each word should retain the same degree of discrimination and uniqueness that it had in the

original sample. (For example, if there were 2082 unique words in the original list of words or names, hopefully there will still be 2082 unique items after abbreviation.)

The machines can find logical sums (i.e., "term A oR term B"), logical products (i.e., term A AND term B), complements (i.e., NOT term A), and some combinations of these operations. The result of the search is a list of selected document numbers. On the IBM 9900 this list can be printed out on an electric typewriter. On the COMAC Mark-2 this list can be automatically punched out into tab cards by a keypunch unit.

Commercial, government, and amateur radio and teletype operators use a variety of standard code terms to save transmission time and effort. Examples of these code terms are:

GM -	Good Morning	
CUL	See You Later	
BCNU	I'll be seeing you	
73	Best regards	
QRM	Are you being interfered with?	
	I am interfered with.	

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Title of Book: METHODS OF INFORMATION HANDLING

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Spelling and Compounding of Words

lph apinanumeric catalog coordinate cross-correlation (n &a) disc drop-out (n & a) hard copy (n & a) indexes interconnection, etc., but inter-relationship job-holder key punch (n & a) keypunching) (v)

key word (n & a) letterpress look-up (n & a) micro-abstract, micro-image, semi-authmatic, etc. but microfilm, etc. mis-filed, etc. multi-column, etc. non-periodical, etc. one-half, etc. over-all penciled, etc. ( 1 el) percent pre-sorting, etc.

printout (n & a) programing, etc. re-positioning, etc. superimposed thesauri sub-files, etc. unit-record (n & a) ultra-violet un-numbered uppercase, lowercase

#### Hyphenation

For special compound words see list above. Other compounds are written solid, according to the lakest Webster.

Certain adjectival combinations are hyphenated but many others are not (and these combinations not hyphenated when used as nouns).

1. In general, nonm-and-participle (present or past) combinations are hyphenated: carbon-backed papers, card-handling equipment, edge-notched card, file-searching applications, well-developed language. However, there are these notable exceptions: data processing equipment, image handling operations, information handling problems.

2. Numerical adjectival expressions tend to be hyphenated: 3-by-5 card or 3-by-5-inch card, 2400-foot reel, equal-interval tables, full-size page, four-/= letter word, three-digit number, single-column list.

3. These miscellaneous adjective phrases are hyphenated: book-form index, current-awareness searching, high-speed computer, library-type material, machine-/= language representation, machine-readable form, mark-sense cards, short-title catalog, special-purpose (general-purpose) files.

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No punctuation after item in list unless it's a complete sentence.

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- I have tried to develop a consistent hyphenation scheme, according to your apparent preferences.
- 3. I have probably managed to louse up your plan for handling numbers. If you tell me what your desired system is, I'll be glad to rectify any mistakes I have made.
- 4. Incidentally, could you use "3-by-5 card" more often than "3-by-inch-5-(= inch card"? I think the former is the neater, more common expression, and its meaning should be clear to everyone.
- 5. I couldn't unders tand the reasoning behind your ordering of separate references in the same footnote. Are they simply arranged in order of importance?
- All your footnotes ( and all separate items within the same numbered footnote)will be paragraphed. I'll take care of this on the return of the manuscript.
- 7. You will find many queries on footnotes and additional references. These are mainly concerning consistent form. There is nothing really wrong with any citation you give so long as it includes sufficient information to enable a reader to locate the source.
- 8. Please help me out by checking on the proper typographical handling of equipment names (capitalization, hyphenation, etc.). Also, please check on the exact trade name in each case; only that needs special typography. I was at a special loss on this point in trying to e dit the illustration legends.
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and such designations in reference material as "AD" and "JFRS" numbers). People in very different fields (various sciences, business, library work) will be using your bock, and abbreviations that are clear to one group may not be to another. I have already spelled out just about everything I wanted spelled out and had any knowledge of how to do so, but you will find gaps-most of them encircled or queried in the manuscript.

- 10. If you have time, I would appreciate your double-checking my footnote numbering ( it would be expensive to correct mistakes in proof).
- 11. By the way, with numbered footnotes, you can now give the footnote number after your "cited earlier" references if you wish (e.g., "fn. 16").
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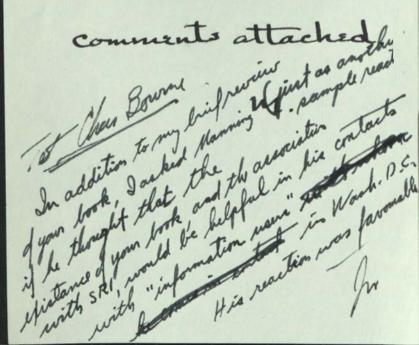
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All but one of the questions on the margin of the manuscript have been answered on the manuscript. Would you make a note to omit Figure 5-39 (Card Selection Mechanism). I have not been able to obtain a good glossy photo for it. When might I expect to receive the entire works to check over?

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#### PAPER-TAPE EQUIPMENT

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One of the limitations to the use of paper tape with electric typewriters is the difficulty of correcting errors or making changes in the tapes. For example, a typing error on a conventional typewriter can, in most cases, be corrected simply by striking over the character or backspacing to type a character in a spot that was left as a space or blank. These methods cannot be used with paper tape equipment.

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### Words Chosen from Text and Consideration of Syntactical Relationships between Indexing Terms

In addition to all the vocabulary control measures taken in the preceding methods, the indexing system could also show the functional or syntactical relationships between the indexing terms used to describe the content of a single document. For example, the indexing terms man, bites, and dog appearing in an index would not distinguish whether a document indexed under these three terms was about a dog biting a man, or vice versa. Some of this ambiguity can be reduced by assigning role indicators to the index terms to show the role or application of each term, as well as to indicate which terms are being acted upon by the other terms, and in what manner.

For sorting into numerical sequence the SF and 0 holes are ignored and the deck is sorted in the manner described for the 7-4-2-1 code. The singlefigure position on some manufacturers' cards is represented by a V. With double-row punching the effect of an SF position can be achieved by deeppunching the single digits (Fig. 5-6*i*). The following approximation for the dropping fraction was derived from a different approach than that used for the previous approximation: <sup>41</sup>

$$F_{d} \approx \frac{\binom{M}{m}}{\binom{F}{m}} = \frac{\frac{M!}{m!(M-m)!}}{\frac{F!}{m!(F-m)!}}$$

<sup>2)</sup> Costello, J. C., "Uniterm Indexing Principles, Problems, and Solutions," *American Documentation*, Vol. 12, No. 1, pp. 20-26 (January 1961).

<sup>22</sup> Frick, B. M., "Suggestions for the Beginner in Subject Heading Work," an introductory chapter in *Scars List of Subject Headings*, 8th ed., by B. M. Frick (H. W. Wilson Co., New York, 1959). SELECTIVE DROP-OUT BY A SINGLE RANKING OF BIGRAM (LETTER PAIR) USAGE. Using an empirical ranking of the composite frequency of occurrence of bigrams (i.e., ignoring the position of bigram occurrence within the words), examine each word to determine the ranking of all the possible letter pairs (adjacent letters only). The elimination process considers the association of each letter with the neighboring letters and rejects the letters which make up the most common bigrams. With the exception of the initial letter (which is retained by policy) each letter contributes to two different bigrams. The total ranking of the frequencies of these two bigrams is the selection criterion for that particular letter.

CRIS. The CRIS (Command Retrieval Information System), developed in 1962 by a subsidiary of Information for Industry, is an outgrowth of some earlier work done by Avakian in 1956.\* This system stores images photographically on a scroll of microfilm 400 feet long by 17 inches wide; each scroll contains over 500,000 page-size images or over 28,000 large drawings. A keyboard device is used to enter a CRIS address, and the image at that address is displayed to the operator or is provided in aperture card form (see Fig. 9-36).

Material Composition or Characteristics. As mentioned earlier, techniques are available for describing chemical compounds with a general and systematic coding scheme. But the majority of card files for chemical data seem to use category coding, with a particular compound or element assigned to holes on a one-for-one basis. Cards have been designed in this way for special chemical data, geological or mineral data, metallurgical data, and many other special types of data.\*

### METHODS FOR SYSTEMATICALLY ABBREVIATING ENGLISH WORDS AND NAMES

There are many instances in which it is useful to abbreviate <sup>4</sup> English words such as people's names, places, street addresses, proper nouns, or continuous text material. Common subjects for abbreviation

\* This discussion refers to the "abbreviation" of words, but actually it is concerned with "coding" the words, or transforming the source words into new patterns. It happens that in satisfying some of the objectives of code design the word is abbreviated. However, some of the schemes and transformations described in the following sections bear little resemblance to what might normally be considered as abbreviation.

#### TABLE 6-2

#### Lease, Purchase, and Maintenance Costs for Some of the Remington Rand (RR) and Other Punched Card Equipment

Item	Monthly	Purchase Price	Annual Service Charges
Alphabetic Punch (RR)	\$ 40	\$ 2,430	\$ 98
Automatic Verifier (RR)	60	4,170	177
Interpreter (RR)	90	5,900	250
Reproducing Punch (RR)	125	7,640	324
Tag-to-Card Converter (RR)	185	12,600	535
Varityper ForoLIST (model 90)	395	9,750	350
Varityper FOTOLIST			
(model 270)	700	17,850	500
Recordak LISTOMATIC			
Model 1-S	425	8,750	415
Benson-Lehner comac Mark-2	N.A.	25,000 to 35,000	N.A.

are addresses in telephone directories, customer account number identifications in some data-processing systems, and commercial teletype or ham radio vocabularies. There will always be a need for abbreviation or coding schemes to make efficient use of the storage media in computers, punched card systems, and other storage and processing systems. Abbreviation techniques may also improve the efficiency of communication systems by decreasing the number of characters transmitted. If the abbreviations are to be made automatically or semiautomatically, they must be obtained by some systematic method.

The objective of most of these studies has been to develop methods for the systematic coding of words which satisfy the following requirements.

1. Each word should be coded to require as little storage space as possible.

2. Each word should retain the same degree of discrimination and uniqueness that it had in the original sample. (For example, if there were 2082 unique words in the original list of words or names, hopefully there will still be 2082 unique items after abbreviation.)

The machines can find logical sums (i.e., "term A or term B"), logical products (i.e., term A AND term B), complements (i.e., NOT term A), and some combinations of these operations. The result of the search is a list of selected document numbers. On the IBM 9900 this list can be printed out on an electric typewriter. On the COMAC Mark-2 this list can be automatically punched out into tab cards by a keypunch unit.

Commercial, government, and amateur radio and teletype operators use a variety of standard code terms to save transmission time and effort. Examples of these code terms are:

GM	Good Morning
CUL	See You Later
BCNU	I'll be seeing you
73	Best regards
QRM	Are you being interfered with?
	I am interfered with.

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FIG. 7-5 Close-up of dual access arms on the disk memory unit for the IBM RAMAC 305.

Among the minor notes I made as I read the document are the following:

Figure 1-1 will be extremely difficult to reproduce legibly in a small page format. I have seen it reproduced (<u>American Documentation</u>, April 1962, p. 161) and it is just not useful.

Page 2-11 (bottom): C. L. Bernier is no bin functs of longer with Chemical Abstracts, but with the Armed bene to leve down Services Technical Information Agency.

Figure 2-5 (p2-35): even though this may be a "lovely" card, it would serve the purpose better to use a standard Library of Congress card with tracings on — ine the front.

Page 2-47ff: it might be useful to have an illustration of Garfield's Citation Index.

Page 3-24: the legend on the figures refer down

Page 4-11 Footnote: should be Dekker, J. down

Page 4-23: I still object to awkward split infinitives, for example: "to directly and uniquely describle", first line, 2nd paragraph.

Pages 9-81-82, 9-84: exactly same set of facts appear in different sentences: "It is estimated that 90 per cent of the current U. S. newspapers are available in microfilm form." Not only is this needless redundancy, but the first time there is no reference, but the second time there is.

I seriously question the need for some of the illustrations - particularly those of widely-known equipment or devices: for instance, Figures 5-2 (Simple hand punch); 9-1 (16 mm Microfilm); 9-2 (35 mm Microfilm).

(Contid.)

When published, this will be a useful book. However, as with all descriptions of equipment and techniques in a fast-developing field, it will be outdated in a few years. Bourne has done a good job of bringing together the developments of the past decade.

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Dear Dr. Bourne:

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With the information you have provided, we will now begin active planning of the promotion for your book. Since the preparation of technical copy takes time and thought, it may be a while before we are in tuch with you again. Rest assured, however, that before too much longer we will be sending material along foryour approval.

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Dear Dr. Bourne:

We are planning to return your manuscript METHODS OF INFORMATION HANDLING to you around the end of next week for check of editing. I would like to let the printer know approximately when he can expect the manuscript for composition and I wonder if you can get it back to us by May 3rd. If this is not possible I would appreciate your suggesting a more realistic date.

Sincerely yours,

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March 25, 1963

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Dear Dr. Bourne:

We have started work on the preparation of the illustrations in Devices & Techniques For Information Processing, Storage, & Retrieval and note that there are two pieces of poor halftone copy on hand. I am enclosing a Xerox copy of each for identification. Would you ne kind enough to round up a glossy

print of each suitable for reproduction and send them on to us at your convenience?

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George S. Flohn Manager Illustration Planning Production Division

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Now, with respect to your request for suggestions concerning Bourne's draft, I feel it would be extremely presumptuous of me to make such suggestions. However, since you have asked for them, I have the following thoughts which I will try to present in a useful sequence which you can handle in any way you want.

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It is not at all clear, in either the structure of the book or the flow of the writing from one chapter to the next, what Charlie is trying to say. It may be that he is not really trying to say anything but merely to provide a very useful and complete collection of equipment developments together with comments and illustrations of their usage. Such a collection, as I indicated, would be extremely useful, but it seems to me that something more is possible and Charlie has the opportunity, based on the material in this draft, to accomplish this something more. I have therefore tried to see whether a re-arrangement of the material might not indicate a direction toward this aim. I would like to suggest the following:

(1) The first chapter should be based on the present Chapter 13, "Special Problems and Characteristics of Large Files", and oriented in such a way as to serve for an introduction to the remainder of the book. In effect, this chapter should define the purpose of the book as a means of illuminating the variety of techniques available for solution to the problem posed by the present Chapter 13 and, therefore, by the proposed Chapter 1.

- (2) The second chapter, which may well have enough material for two or three chapters, should collect together all of the material concerned with "coding", most of which is concentrated in Chapter 12 but a large part of which is scattered throughout the remainder of the book. The emphasis of this chapter on coding should be to build-up to the problem of representing natural language in mechanized form - which is in fact the major contribution of the present Chapter 12. This would involve, for example, the problem of representing information, illustrating this with several of the codes now scattered throughout the text, developing some of the more esoteric techniques of coding (such as prime number and superimposed), and then presenting the coding of natural language information as a necessary part in any mechanized solution of the problem posed by Chapter 1. Now that I think about it, incidentally, the material on coding of natural language could well be Chapter 3 and the generalized discussion of coding and coding techniques be Chapter 2.
- (3) The fourth chapter, therefore, could reasonably be concerned with the material now covered by the present Chapter 5 concerned with "The Application of General Purpose Computers". This would represent a natural transition from the representation of data to the processing of it for purposes of abstraction, indexing, and similar intellectual processes.
- (4) This, then, leads naturally into Chapters 5, 6, and 7 which essentially duplicate the present Chapters 6, 7, and 8 concerned with precisely such problems of intellectual natural language processing.
- (5) The material now represented by Chapters 1, 2, 3, 4, and 9 should then be considered as a group, possibly forming one or two chapters concerned solely with the storage of coded data and the specialized machinery for handling the storage media.
- (6) The present chapters on microfilm techniques and components, microfilm records, microfilm systems, and mechanized image storage systems represent a similar natural grouping concerned with the problem of storing image data rather than coded data.
- (7) The case study information which is presently scattered throughout the book should be collected into one or possibly two chapters with the intent of showing how these various techniques for data representation, data processing, data storage, and image storage have been utilized in the solution of particular problems.

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Viewed in this organization, the book then consists of the definition of a problem, the description of the mechanized tools which can be used for its solution, and a series of case studies illustrating this usage. Incidentally, with respect to the case studies, it seems to me that in certain places in the book this term has been improperly used. The distinction which I am making is between case study as illustrations of application and some of his "case studies"

With this re-organization I feel the book would take on a far more unified picture and have a greater rationale than it presently has. To accomplish this re-organization will probably require writing of transition paragraphs or even whole sections - perhaps even additional chapters - but the major portion of the book I feel has been written and is available in this first draft. In reviewing Bourne's book on <u>Information Processing</u>, <u>Storage</u> and <u>Retrieval</u>, I find it difficult to avoid a bias due to my own specific interests and requirements in a book of this sort. It turns out that most of my remarks are negative, but I should say first of all that, by and large, the book is accurate and, except in a few sections, readily understandable. The best portions of the book are those that deal with Bourne's own work, since it is here that he contributes something new. Largely, though, the book is a compendium or catalogue of devices and techniques, with little in the way of added perspective or evaluation. I know of no similar compendium, however, in this field. Aiz 61

With respect to the audience to whom this book is addressed, Bourne states in the preface, "I expect this book to be of interest to any individuals or organizations who are organizing or operating information systems." I think this statement is occurate if taken literally. I doubt, for example, that the book is really intended for either teachers or research workers, since it tends to deal only superficially with a large number of techniques. Incidentally, the original title, "Devices and Techniques for Information Processing, Storage and Reprieval," although cumbersome, is more accurate than the briefer title apparently selected. Let me consider now some of the individual chapters. To begin a book of this kind with a chapter on edge-punched cards keynotes the work as an inventory of devices and techniques. It would seem to me that if the book were intended to educate the student, the layman, or the research worker, it ought perhaps to begin with a discussion of the nature of the problem itself, or something similarly thought-provocative. The treatment in chapter 1 of the searching of chemical compounds as well as the treatment of production scheduling problems serves to identify these subjects but does not go into sufficient depth to satisfy anyone interested beyond the point of identification. The character of chapters 2, 3, and 4 is similar to that of chapter 1, and I have no further comments in detail.

Chapter 5, "The Application of General Purpose Computers," continues in the vein of brief, superficial equipment discussions which I think take too much for granted from the point of view of the uninitiated layman but go into too little depth for anyone already acquainted with the subject. I noted that in this chapter, and throughout the book, the literature citations at the end of the chapter were usually not tied to specific comments in the text of the book; instead they constitute only a general bibliography. I should think it would be not difficult to improve matters by a brief sentence or two, where the reference signal appears, which comments on the nature, significance, or relevance of each citation. (In a few cases I felt that the cited references were not relevant to the material of the chapter.) In chapter 5 a second brief discussion is given of chemical compound searching but again too perfunctory to do more than invite attention to this highly interesting aspect of information retrieval.

The chapter on automatic indexing and abstracting treats in considerable detail a rather controversial technique developed by Luhn. Bourne presents an accurate account of Luhn's work, but does not cover any new material nor does he contribute evaluation or perspective with respect to the other work in the field. For example, on page 3 Bourne

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correctly states several basic assumptions that Luhn makes. These assumptions are critical to the question of whether or not the technique has any validity. Yet Bourne does not indicate whether attempts have been made to test these assumptions, and if so, with what results. Incidentally, one of these basic assumptions, namely, "The more often a word appears in a document, the more it becomes representative of the subject matter of the document," is refuted by preliminary experiments which I and my colleagues have performed i

This material at present is discussed only in an unpublished report. These experiments were not on a large, scale to be conclusive, but I do believe the whole question of how one should go about evaluating the validity or soundness of any work on automatic indexing and abstracting should be mentioned somewhere.

Bourne includes a section on probabilistic indexing, an approach developed by Maron, Kuhns, and Ray, which, as he notes, is not on the subject of automatic indexing. Kuhns and Ray, incidentally, have been involved in other work on automatic indexing which is indirectly referred to on page 6 of the chapter on automation of technical writing. Again, the discussion on probabilistic indexing is purely descriptive and not evaluative, though useful evaluative remarks could be made.

On page 5 Bourne quotes results of investigations on the percentage of time that topic sentences appear as the first sentence of a paragraph and as the last sentence of a paragraph. I suggest that he cite references to these results and perhaps look further into how they were obtained, since the whole question of how one defines a topic sentence and whether, indeed, it is susceptible to consistent definition, is critical to the evaluation of the procedure. For example, in my group we have performed a number of experiments (under an Air Force contract on "Automatic Abstracting") on sentence extraction by people and have

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found only a very slight bias toward selection of the first sentence of a paragraph as a "key" or "important" sentence for the purpose of an extract-type abstract. Although we have made no attempt to define "topic sentence," I can see no way of doing so which would be likely to lead to a consistent interpretation by different individuals. Although Bourne notes (page 10) that the techniques of automatic abstracting are controversial, his quoting of what might be dubious results or assumptions could lend unjustifiable weight to such results and assumptions. Is think the remedy is to include some of the pro-and-con arguments rather than merely to mention the question as being controversial. Another remedy would be to omit the chapter on automatic indexing and abstracting, since in this area the lack of evaluation and perspective is, I think, a more serious omission than it is in those chapters which describe equipment.

The chapter on automation of technical writing introduces what would seem to be an interesting subject but never quite comes to grips with the subject. Again, pages 7 and 8 typify an approach that describes but does not evaluate related work in the field. In particular, for example, Bourne discusses Allen's technique for logical analysis of legal statutes and accepts Allen's terminology that the subject of "logic" is involved. Mathematical logic per se is involved only in an almost trivial sense; the essence of the problem Allen is attacking is that of syntax analysis. Far more significant "syntax recognition" work has been done in the field of linguistics and in machine translation than has been done by Allen, and it seems to me that a proper perspective on Allen's work can be gained only by placing it in the context of other work on syntax.

While I realize that no two human beings organize their thoughts alike, I might remark, nonetheless, that quite a few portions of the chapter on technical writing belong with automatic indexing and other portions with the subject of mechanical translation. For example, a

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reference to Swanson is cited on page 6, which work, it seems to me, is not nearly so relevant to the subject of that chapter as it is to the subject of the preceding chapter on automatic indexing. The title of chapter 7 appears to me inappropriate, since I can find nothing which explains how one might conceivably go about automating the function of technical writing except for the comments on mechanical translation. The latter, I agree, are valid, since machine translation involves sentence "recognition" procedures for the "source" language and sentence "generation" in the target language.

I have no new comments on the chapter on image coding and processing and so will skip to "Magnetic Tape and Card Systems." The technical language of this chapter, I suspect, is understandable only by the expert; yet the substance of what is said is pitched at the level of the layman (see page 5 particularly). This situation could be remedied. either by more definitions of terminology to help the layman or by incorporating more substance for the expert. On page 3, for example, there is an opportunity to digress usefully into a number of interesting analyses, such as, how much magnetic tape would be required to store Chemical Abstracts or perhaps the card index to a large library; how long would it require to search such indexes and abstracts, and what are some of the search strategies appropriate to the use of magnetic tape?

The sentence on page 5, "Thus, the tape searchers can hardly be justified if they are more expensive than some computer systems," omits a crucial point, namely, that it is not the expense of the system but the cost per search which is the relevant factor. The cost per search, of course, involves an amortized machine cost per unit of time together with a factor involving speed of search and another factor involving total utilization time. I think the issue of special purpose machinery versus general purpose machinery is a crucial one from the point of view of economics and deserves discussion in this light. Again, the remedy would be either to provide the appropriate depth or to lengthen the

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explanatory portion to clarify matters for the uninitiated. Discussions of specific machines, such as the CCC and the GE-250, would be particularly strengthened by an economic cost-per-search type of analysis.

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The next four chapters on microfilm techniques, records, systems and mechanized image storage systems continue as a cataloguetype encyclopedic inventory of equipment. Again, I think the discussion could be strengthened by more cost-versus-speed analysis. This is particularly so when comparing such extreme examples as the multimillion-dollar Minicard system with the conceptually similar but more primitive Filmorex device. On page 9 of the chapter on mechanized image storage systems, we do learn that the Minicard system is over a million dollars (I think the actual figure is closer to \$7 million) and that the Filmorex system is only \$18,000. These figures do not tell us whether it is better to buy 200 Filmorex devices or one Minicard system for the same price, since one would have to do some analysis of speeds and probable load factors.

The chapter on special coding topics is easily the most interesting. I think, though, that it needs a certain amount of expansion and clarification. The section on prime number coding is quite good, but the significance of the method as an information retrieval tool could be brought out more clearly by some remarks on the comparative effectiveness of this method with respect to other coding methods. The same remarks can be made about supe posed coding techniques. Bourne might also expand certain mathematical questions which the serious student would be interested in. On page 7, for example, an explanation of the difference between sampling with replacement and sampling without replacement is called for, as is a more complete discussion on the limits of validity of the approximations to the drop-out fractions developed by Wise and Mooers. It is furthermore true that in Perry's punched card book Wise makes some errors

in failing to identify the nature of the approximations he has made. These errors are serious in certain cases wherein the available number of holes is small. So far as I know, the first published, rigorous formulation of the problem is one given by <u>Maloney</u> in a reference which Bourne does not cite--International Conference on Scientific Information, vol. II, pp. 1379, 1380.

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The data on letter and digram frequencies is quite useful as is the discussion of abbreviation techniques.

The last chapter on "large files" devotes a considerable amount of attention to questions which are characteristic of any file regardless of size (particularly pages 2, 3, 4, and 5). The subject matter discussed has considerable potential which is not exploited by Bourne. Perhaps he could touch upon approaches to solving some of the problem areas mentioned.

I hope these comments have been of some help; please do not hesitate to call upon me if you wish anything clarified or augmented, or if I can be of help in any other way. I have reviewed the draft manuscript entitled "Information Processing, Storage, and Retrieval," by Mr. Charles P. Bourne. The manuscript is being returned to you by registered mail under separate cover.

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Frankly, I am confused about the probable audience the author had in mind when assembling the manuscript. He treats a number of equipment types and systems for storing information, but his treatment is erratic, varying from reasonably comprehensive to rather superficial. For example, his treatment of the comparative frequency of initial letters in proper names and similar topics is in the nature of a research paper rather than a reference book. His chapter on the The Application of General-Purpose Computers, on the other hand, is sketchy, inadequate, and poorly organized.

The manuscript deals with punched card systems which have been in use for many years, and also discusses the beginnings of automation in technical drafting, writing, and editing. A book cited by Mr. Bourne, <u>Punched Cards: Their Application to Science and Industry</u>, Second Edition, by Casey, Perry, Kent, and Berry, Reinhold Publishing Corporation, stands head and shoulders above the present manuscript in its discussion of punched card equipment, systems, practical applications, and coding problems.

The sections on microfilm systems for information storage and retrieval appeared among the best in the manuscript. I believe there is need for, and room for, a first-class book on this subject, similar to the book mentioned above on punched card systems.

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In addition to these general observations, I found several sections of the manuscript written amateurishly, and noted several instances of duplicative material appearing in more than one section (such as the description of the Minicard System). It seems to me the author needs to restrict his subject to something he can manage.

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REVIEWER C'S REPORT ON BOURNE'S INFORMATION PROCESSING, STORAGE, AND RETRIEVAL

"It is obviously a very thorough job, representing a fine-tooth combing of the literature.

"Initial reaction is that the manuscript lacks overall logical structure. While each section covers its own material well, the collection of sections seems to need a single thread to help the them all together.

"Technical content presumes that the reader is already familiar with basic fundatmentals.

"Overlap between this and the Hayes-Becker effort is small but it does exist. It is more evident in the sections dealing with intellectual concepts rather than those concerned with technical equipment.

"I should like to suggest that you consider publishing the book in handbook or compendium form. In doing this, I foresee little change in the manuscript content, but it will require an editorial reorganization in order to gather the material under similar technical headings. This form of presentation has merit as follows: First, I think it would be an easier and quicker job to do than an editing revision designed to overcome the present segmented approach; second, the technical descriptions in the manuscript are already grouped under appropriate categories; third, the IR field needs this kind of presentation as it would contribute toward the standardization of terminology, and last, the suggested form would complement our planned textbook in a way that will reduce the chance of redundant treatment of material."



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Dear Dr. Bourne:

As expected, our Chief Staff Editor, Miss Redwine, confirmed my own views on the adequacies of your partial manuscript. She has, as a matter of fact, edited your Chapter XIV and provided me with a statement which I will enclose with the manuscript. In summary, we are agreed that your manuscript has no major deficiencies and that your final presentation will be far better than the average one we receive, work on and process.

Sincerely yours,

Malker G. Stone, Editor Engineering Sciences

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#### To Mr. Stone:

#### Re: Charles P. Bourne's DEVICES AND TECHNIQUES FOR INFORMATION PROCESSING, STORAGE, AND RETRIEVAL

"Very well-prepared manuscript" -- this is the way we would describe Dr. Bourne's sample chapters. I have examined all the copy that he gave us and have edited the first of the chapters (IIV). The changes that I have made are minor, most of them to make the manuscript consistent in the style he has chosen, such ass putting a comma before "and" in a series and a hyphen in adjectival combinations (33-mm film, low-speed operation). I have read critically th detect unpleasant repetition of certain words ("used," for example) and vague, hackneyed expressions ("in the case of"). A few of the paragraphs are so long as to appear rambling (see page XVI-7), and here and there I felt that Dr. Bourne had put in unnecessary commas.

I have only one really drastic change to suggest in the way the manuscript has been organized. The letters and numbers that precede the topical headings give the manuscript an outline appearance. We shall set these headings in distinctive type, which should set them off from the text with sufficient clarity.

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Sarah Redwine

June 14, 1960

#### COMMENTS ON: "DEVICES AND TECHNIQUES FOR INFORMATION PROCESSING, STORAGE AND RETRIEVAL"

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Chapter 2 -- Edge-punched Card.

Good general description.

I feel that there were slightly too many illustrations of different cards. You were trying to show different applications, but you relied too heavily on the illustrations to make the point for you. Descriptive verbal material would do the job more clearly.

I feel that the biggest drawback in this chapter is the lack of evaluative data. For example, in one figure you show a number of different systems for coding dates, but you don't evaluate these in any way. I think it would be helpful if you suggested when to use one system and when another, i.e., use 12 boxes for the months of the year when you do a great deal of sorting by month. The reader is interested in your opinion, as the expert, on the advantages and disadvantages of the different coding systems. You were content to simply collect the information, but did not evaluate it.

Chapter 2 -- Interior-Punched Card System

Very brief.

Why not include some case histories here? You do this very effectively in Chapter 3.

Chapter 3 -- Tab-Card System

I especially liked the case histories.

Do you plan to indicate the appropriate bibliographical references in the text? I noticed that you did not do this, and that makes the bibliography a little less useful. For example, I wanted to find out if there was a publication on how the State of Ohio handled its accident statistics, and I eventually found that this report was indexed under IBM.

Chapter 4 -- Paper Tape Equipment

Good.

Chapter 5--Computers

It may be desirable to distinguish between different phases of programming:

mathematical formulation flow charts coding.

I would probably stress--to a greater extent--the use of procedural languages like ALGOL, FORTRAN, etc.

June 23, 1961

#### COMMENTS ON: "DEVICES AND TECHNIQUES FOR INFORMATION PROCESSING, STORAGE AND RETRIEVAL"

Chapter 6--Automatic Indexing and Abstracting

I was particularly interested in this chapter. It is a good, brief, discussion of the topic.

Hol Borles

June 23, 1961

Reviews of DEVICES & TECHNIQUES FOR INFORMATION PROCESSING, STORAGE & RETRIEVAL: by Charles P. Bourne

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General comments can be summarized by our reviewers reactions that this is an extremely important book and that Mr. Bourne has done a superb job of organization. They felt that in view of the chapters presented for their consideration, he has a good style. From the user's standpoint the most important considerations are that he is providing broad and thorough coverage of vitally important material. Not only is he discussing the characteristics of individual devices and tools in great detail, but he also is covering the equally important characteristics of applications and problems.

Our first reviewer indicated one questionable point which he raised not as criticism, but simply to provide more than just a "isn't it wonderful". This questionable point relates to the size of the problem which Mr. Bourne has set for himself. Our advisor states, "I know from personal experience, (in attempting to perform a similar task as part of my working responsibilities) of the troubles which Mr. Bourne is going to have in doing all he has indicated. I suspect, therefore, that he must, of necessity, eventually reduce the coverage which he will provide. If this is so, he should be extremely careful not to make this reduction in a way which will affect the value of the book."

Our second advisor has mentioned another questionable point which is a somewhat more basic one. It concerns the possible impression which the book may give as a mere collection of data. He has pointed out that mere collections of data are themselves extremely valuable, but he suspects that that is not the purpose of Mr. Bourne and of Prentice-Hall in publishing this book. Our advisor has stated, "This can be said in another way: I get the impression of a lack of integration of the material. This impression may be false, but I feel that the possibility should be carefully examined."

### Review of Bourne--DEVICES AND TECHNIQUES FOR INFORMATION PROCESSING, STORAGE, AND RETRIEVAL

I was very interested in reviewing the chapters in Mr. Bourne's new book on <u>Information Processing</u>, <u>Storage</u>, and <u>Retrieval</u>. I believe there is a need for such an all-embracing book on the subject, and based on the chapters I read, Mr. Bourne's book does fairly well. The table of contents is quite impressive in its scope. However, I wonder about the omission of traditional library and bibliographic techniques. From the title, one would expect to find these subjects treated in this volume, too, but Mr. Bourne has limited his book to non- conventional devices and techniques. While I believe it is well to divorce the two subjects, I believe the book title should make this division clear.

My general impression is that Mr. Bourne intended to cover a large mass of material in a descriptive and not too detailed fashion. Such a treatment should be buttressed by a plentiful supply of references at the end of chapters for those readers who need more detailed information.

This same thought applies to his use of examples, as in Chapter XVI, page 10. I believe either more information should be provided in the book or else references be given so that people can get more details as desired.

I was particularly interested in his section on "The Tools for Storing and Searching." While he has in his chapter outline for Chapters IX and X a consideration of the limitations and cost of manual punched and machine punched cards, he does not include a consideration of limitations and cost for optical and magnetic tape searching systems. Yet, it is precisely in these more sophisticated systems where we need the best cost data and a better understanding of the limitations of the system. So long as I was reading the material, I took the liberty to make some marginal notes, and I spotted a few typographical errors, which are indicated. I believe Mr. Bourne should be congratulated for having grasped in a very capable manner the details of a very intricate subject. The manner of presentation was good, and I found the text easily readable.

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January 10, 1963

Dr. Charles P. Bourne, Research Engineer Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Charles:

Enclosed are some minor errors and suggestions which our reviewer has submitted to us.

Our reviewer believes you have organized a most worthwhile book. He finds little to criticize and does like the organization.

He has, however, come up with one major suggestion which appeals to me greatly. He would like to see a summary chapter written that would state and discuss the criteria useful in determining the devices or techniques applicable to given situations. This, of course, may or may not be looked upon as within the announced scope of the volume. The inclusion of this chapter might well, even in necessarily tentative form, tie the book together. This is said because, as you have presented the material, the criteria is implied and isolated throughout the text.

I will await your reaction with greatest interest.

Sincerely yours,

Walker G. Stone, Editor-in- hief THE PROFESSIONAL & REFERENCE DEPT.

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April 24, 1961

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Dear Charles:

I was glad that you found our review helpful.

By mentioning your reviewers and mine I was referring to qualified individuals whom you would select as candidates to review the manuscript and those I would select. They may or may not be people you would select. At any rate, I believe it is appropriate for us to ask Mr. Knox to review the manuscript and will take action.

I see no reason now, however, why you should not invite reviews from some of your friends. Get out a stamp and stamp on the material "copyright pending 1961." Even though you have not actually taken out copyright this little notice would frighten anyone who might harbor ideas. Generally speaking, it is very very unlikely that any of the people you submit the material to would even think of using it for their own purposes. After you have selected your reviewers, I would appreciate your letting me know who these people are.

I wish I could say exactly when you will receive all of the reviews of the manuscript. Rest assured, however, that we will forward them to you just as soon as we can.

Condially yours.

Walker G. Stone, Editor-in-Chief THE PROFESSIONAL AND REFERENCE BOOK DEPARTMENT

WGS: bh

April 18, 1961

Mr. Walker G. Stone, Editor Engineering Sciences John Wiley & Sons, Inc. LhO Park Avenue, South New York 16, New York

Dear Walker:

Thank you for your note and the comprehensive review of the preliminary material. I thought it was an excellent reviewing job, and am grateful for many of the points which were brought out. I hope you let the same reviewer examine the complete draft that I just sent you. As you suggested, some of his comments have already been answered with the rest of the draft material, although there are a number of points which I want to correct and modify -- based on the reviewers comments.

The fourth paragraph of your last letter mentioned,"...your reviewers and mine..." and left me with some questions. Are you going to request Mr. Knox to make a review or should I? When can I expect to receive the reviews of the complete manuscript? Outside of your office and my secretarial help, no other people have seen the manuscript. Should I invite reviews from some of my friends? I have not done this in the past because of possible copyright conflicts.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer

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Mr. Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer General Systems Department Engineering Division Standard Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Charlie:

Thank you very much for the draft on your book for Wiley. Of course I have seen parts of it as you sent them to me but it is quite impressive to see the entire set in so complete a form.

Sincerely yours,

Bob Hayes

RMH/ra



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March 30, 1961

Dr. Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Charles:

Thank you for your letter of March 27th. We look forward to the receipt of three copies of the complete first draft of your book on INFORMATION RETRIEVAL. As soon as this material is on hand we will return the initial material which we utilized for one purpose or another.

I was glad to note too that you have also sent one copy on to Dr. Hayes.

Yes, I think it would be a good idea to have this material reviewed as well as utilized for the purpose of obtaining an estimate of costs, setting up sample pages, etc.

I note too your suggestion that Mr. William T. Knox might be an excellent candidate to review your material. Your reviewers and mine should provide us with the necessary final reviews which will enable us to agree on all details for the final copy.

I believe you will also be interested in the review, which I solicited, of the preliminary material. Enclosed is a copy. Perhaps you have already taken care of some of the questions he has raised in the material you forwarded to us. At any rate, I would appreciate receiving your specific reactions to the various aspects of his thoughtful report. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

Walker (BH)

Walker G. Stone, Editor Engineering Sciences

WGS:bh Encl.

Reading Dr. Bourne's manuscript carefully has taken me longer than I expected, and I simply cannot find the time to look up references to check the accuracy of my first impressions.

Please understand therefore that what follows has come straight out of my head and needs checking for accuracy. I have tried to write down ideas that may be helpful, but it is more than likely that my memory may be at fault over several points.

Dr. Bourne has undertaken a tremendous task, and an important one, because this field of activity that he is talking about is definitely on the move, and a comprehensive book like this is badly needed. Much of the text sets out important matters, and sets them out very well indeed. I kept on finding myself saying, "Glad he said that, it needs saying."

I do feel, however, that the part of the manuscript that I have seen could be improved in a number of ways, and I will concentrate on recommendations for such improvements, rather than on appreciation of the many passages that I find altogether satisfactory.

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First I feel that, if I didn't know quite a lot about the subject already, it would have been difficult to see the significance of many of the recent developments.

This is particularly true in the sections that deal with indexing and index search. I think there should be a passage setting out the problems that people are worrying about.

Readers are likely to be misled by the way some of the material is arranged, and by the fact that there is no clear distinction between equipment and methodology that can be classed as conventional, evolutionary, revolutionary, or merely pipe dreams.

For example the special IEM machines that represent Luhn's ideas for adapting tab and card technology to indexing and index search problems are described in the same section as conventional punched card equipment, while the Minicard system, representing probably the most advanced ideas on index search, is given a brief mention in a section on film cards, where it appears on equal terms with the relatively trivial Actifilm cards.

Incidentally I was expecting the Minicard system to be mentioned in the section on digital computers, because in its search function it is really a special purpose digital computer using film as a storage medium. The CCC search selecter is mentioned, in a section on magnetic tape, but its close connection with Minicard is not mentioned.

I suppose what I am saying is that the important basic problems are somewhat obscured by dividing the book according to engineering techniques.

It is very hard indeed to give an intelligible account of the various stages of complexity in indexing and I believe it would help if Dr. Bourne could illustrate by examples what type of complexity causes each of the progressively more sophisticated methods of indexing and index search to break down. At present I doubt if an uninformed reader would get much idea of the vast difference between the simple problems that can be handled by allocated fields on tab cards and the highly sophisticated problems that were worrying the people who designed the logic of index search for Minicard.

Perhaps what I am trying to say is illustrated by the attached "Notes for a discussion." Please remember, however, that these were simply notes to remind me of topics that I wanted to discuss, that I am very much an amatems in this field, and that I have had to remove the more interesting sections of the notes because they reveal some of our company objectives.

Incidentally, in connection with current work in the field, I am not sure that Dr. Bourne gets across how much activity is actually going on. A booklet put out periodically by the National Science Foundation, and entitled "Current Research and Devalopment in Scientific

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Documentation", is very helpful in this respect. The last copy that I have is dated May 1960, and its reference number is NSF-60-25.

A small point: - Some parts of the book are so IBM oriented that I'm afraid they will offend many readers. I must admit that they offended me, with my background of Whirlwind - Engineering Research Associates-Remington Rand - Ferranti - Powers-Samas - and now Itek. It sometime seems that Dr. Bourne is passing on what IBM would like the public to think, in fact their sales talk. As a miner example, the list of important input media for digital computers does not include punched paper tape, whereas all other computer manufacturers provide direct input from punched tape. Again under Concordances, the work on Dead Sea Scrolls is attributed to an IEM-705, while the pioneering work on the Bible is not attributed to Univac.

Incidentally I would like to see some reference to foreign punched card equipment manufactured by BTM, Powers-Samas and Bull. (BTM and Powers-Samas are now merged in ICT.)

In view of the detail given on edge notch cards, I feel that perhaps a little more detail on the tab cards might not be out of place. For example the code structure is based on an upper curtate of three punching positions in each column and a lower curtate of nine punching positions. In conventional equipment, (without special characters), at most one hole is punched in each curtate, so that one can use an extremely simple conversion from the 3 plus 9 position code on tab cards to a 2 plus 4 binary code suitable for punched tape and computers.

It might be a good idea to discuss the simplicity of this conversion and the troubles one can run into in conversion to and from unsuitable codes. Somewhere I think Dr. Bourne gave the impression that any punched tape code that is used to control printing can be converted into punched card code, which of course, is not so.

It is of interest also that in conventional Powers-Samas equipment (and Rem Rand too I believe) the whole set of punching positions on a card are dealt with independently and simultaneously. This has several results. For example, when a key punch is being used, the actual punching is not done until the pattern of the whole card has been set up, which makes it possible to correct the commonest type of keyboard error, namely the one that is know to the operator as soon as it is committed. As another example, in numerical columns the punching positions of the upper curtate are not needed, and may be used individually or in groups for other purposes, thereby increasing the effective capacity of the card. The ingenuity with which this feature has been used is quite fascinating.

I feel also that the ovalizing technique, which permits automatic verification, and the inter-punching technique, which doubles the capacity of a card, are worthy of mention.

Another small point is the reason why the IBM and Powers-Samas codes differ in the representation of the last 8 letters of the alphabet. (IBM

wanted to avoid having two heles in adjacent positions.)

Of course it is not possible to include all the intriguing aspects of tab cards, but I do feel that Dr. Bourne might well go a little further than he has.

I felt also that, having given a very interesting account of edge notch techniques, it is a pity that Dr. Bourne has not given an equally full account of such ideas as superposition coding, which I found very fascinating when I first ran into it.

I have been rambling, and it is time to get down to some specific comments that I noted as I went through the manuscript.

#### Edge Punched Cards

I enjoyed this section very much. I thought I knew a fair amount about different types of codes, but found many that were new to me. I was a little bothered by not knowing whether some of the codes mentioned were actually in use, or just ideas. The methods of sorting were quite new to me, and very interesting.

### Interior Funched Cards

I am familiar with the Peek-a-Boo type of application, but suggest an explanation of how the sensing is done in category coding systems. I don't see it. I would also have liked to see a fuller description of Omnidex.

### Tab Card Machines and Systems

I have already stated my feeling that this section mixes up conventional and evolutionary ideas, with no clear distinction between the two.

Under "Reproducing Punch" Dr. Bourne mentions the accumulation of totals. Powers-Samas have an electronic multiplying reproduction punch, which punches in extensions. I am not sure if IBM has a equivalent machine.

Under "Collator" it might be well to mention the file updating and file purging functions. It might also be a good idea to say how many output bins are needed, and why. (I never can remember this myself, though I used to know.)

Under "Line Frinting" it seems inappropriate to mention the IBM 409, if, as I gather, it prints on cards. It would seem that "line printers" are intended for printing line by line on paper stock, and I wonder why Dr. Bourne did not mention at this point that many high speed line printers are on the market.

I have already suggested that the Statistical Sorter, Special Index Analizer, and Universal Card Scanner are examples of evolutionary

equipment that should be clearly separated from the conventional sorter, collator, reproducer and tabulator.

On page 27 I would like to know whether this scheme of double punching is in use or not. On page 35 I would suggest a clearer explanation of what is actually punched in the Index Medicus Cards, (numerical codes used for sorting only), and would point out that the citation is not typed directly.

#### Application of General Purpose Computers

My general feeling is that general purpose computers will be valuable for trying out now techniques, but that in the end the problem of index search will be more aconomically handled by special digital equipment yet to be developed.

On page 5 Br. Bourne refers to the high storage capacity of magnetic tape. Has he compared the number of coded characters that can be recorded on a square inch of magnetic tape with the number of printed characters that can be recorded per square inch on ordinary paper? The comparison is rather surprising, and illustrates the fact that for some purposes graphic storage has tremendous advantages over digital storage.

On page 12 I was confused by the reference to coordinate indexing in a section which seems to be concerned with a complete file search. I haven't looked up the meaning of "Coordinate indexing", but an under the impression that it is essentially the uniterm approach, which avoids a complete file search.

On page 18 I have already suggested that, if I am correct, credit should be given to Univac for pioneering work in Concordances.

On page 15 I wondered whether Luhn's work was done on General Purpose Computers or on one of the special devices that he developed. (Incidentally his name was not mentioned as the originater of these devices. He did originate at least one of them, didn't he?)

#### Automatic Indexing and Abstracting

I have already talked about what I believe to be the weaknesses of this section. In particular I believe that there are more organizations working in this area than is suggested by the text, and that a reference to the MSF booklet might help.

Although Luhn's special machines have been introduced earlier, complex indexing is not mentioned until now, and the need for it is not explained.

The need for specific examples is particularly apparent on page 6, where prepositional phrases are discussed. (Many readers, including myself,

will ask "What the hell is a prepositional phrase?")

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The very important problem of the recovery of "irrelevant documents" is, I believe, mentioned for the first time on page 9. This problem deserves far more emphasis, as one of the main reasons why sophisticated indexing systems are sometimes needed.

On page 10 I was surprised by the implication that Luhn of IBM alone had reported on Automatic Abstracting. If this is the case, how can there have been so many "technical arguments" on the subject.

#### Magnetic Tape and Card Systems

This is a weak section, probably because magnetic tape is merely a tool. The information on page 3 seems repetitive, and I am not at all sure what type of animal a "tape searcher" is. I found the top line on page 6 very obscure.

I doubt if the CCC Index Searcher belongs here. Its important feature is the type of questions that it can answer, not the fact that it happens to use magnetic tape.

On page 13 I was surprised to see the statement that "other costs" are relatively minor in comparison with capital equipment cost. I would have expected that operating costs, and particularly input costs, would be a major factor.

When I said that this section, entitled "Magnetic Tape and Card Systems" is weak, I did not mean to give the impression that its contents are unimportant. Indeed the section includes brief comments on some of the most interesting pioneering developments in the field, such as the Western Reserve University machine and Magnacard. What I am suggesting is that the importance of these machines lies in the problems that they are trying to solve, and in the engineering advances that they represent, rather than in the fact that they happen to use magnetic tape or magnetic cards.

Incidentally the AM-GSQ-26 built by CCC, is essentially the Minicard search selection system using magnetic tape instead of film cards as a storage medium. The fact that the two equipments use the same type of legic to answer the same type of questions is far more important than the difference in storage media.

Would it be possible to group together all the pioneering index search systems that use electronic techniques?

#### Microfilm

I liked the account of microfilm techniques and components, and thoroughly approve of many of Dr. Bourne's comments. I wish I could compare ideas freely, but unfortunately I cannot do so without revealing the trend of developments in Itek. I shall have to restrict myself to a few minor comments

Toward the bottom of page 2 it is stated that the most significant costs are in the information processing areas such as file maintenance or retrieval. I wonder if Dr. Bourne intends this to include costs of input and output, which will be significant in some applications.

In the section on Diazo and Kalfax I feel that the reader may be confused because there is no clear distinction between the following:-

- a) Paper to paper by contact printing
- b) Paper to microfilm by photography (with size reduction)
- c) Microfilm to microfilm by contact printing

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d) Microfilm to paper (hard copy) by projection printing. (With enlargement).

For example on page 3 the discussion starts with microfilm and then switches without warning to what I take to be paper to paper contact printing (bex copier).

It might help the reader to emplain that both Diazo film and Kalfax film are unsatisfactory for microphotography or projection printing, because they depend on ultraviolet light, which suffers serious loss of intensity when going through an optical system using glass lenses. They are good for contact printing.

On page 5 I was very surprised by the statement that there are more viewer-printers than viewers on the market, and that most of the equipment is for 35 mm. Is the first statement really true?

On page 7 the "basic principles of xerography" are mantioned, but I don't think the term "xerography" has been introduced before.

#### Microfilm Records

Of the many commercially available forms of opaque microcopy, only Microcard and Microtape are mentioned. I think the others should be included.

At the bottom of page one the impression is given that there is only one Fosdic machine. This is corrected later, but I suggest "Fosdic systems" on page one.

Page 3 was probably written before Filmsort was acquired by MMM. Their new affiliation should be noted.

Also on page 3 it is stated that "the use of punched card stock allows the user to use the aperture card with conventional accounting equipment". This statement is qualified later on, when it is pointed out that as a rule the cards are bandled by machine before the film cards are insected in the apertures, not afterwards. To avoid the danger of giving a wrong impression, it would be better to make this qualification on page 3.

### Mr. Walter G. Stone - 8 - March 8, 1961

Page 6. I have already suggested that the Minicard system deserves a more distinguished place in the book than this.

Microfilm Systems

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Page five was missing in my copy.

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AIR MAIL

April 7, 1961

Dr. Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Dr. Bourne:

This is to advise that three copies of the complete first draft of your book on INFORMATION RETRIEVAL has been safely received in this office. You may expect to hear from the editor who is handling your work within a reasonably short time.

Sincerely yours,

Margaret ran Editorial Department

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March 27, 1961

Mr. Walker Stone John Wiley & Sons, Inc. hh0 Park Avenue, South New York 16, New York

Dear Walker:

I am sending you, under separate cover, three copies of what I would consider to be a completed first draft of my book on information retrieval. When you receive these three copies would you please send back all of my manuscript material that you have collected up to now? This will avoid the complication of completing and arranging a broken set. I have also sent one copy to Dr. Hayes.

The writing could go on and on with additional topics, but I think---and I would appreciate your comments on the matter----that the manuscript is currently about the right size and should be pushed to completion in order to be timely.

Some of the material has already become slightly out of date, and there overlaps between the chapters. I plan to go over the material now to prepare a final draft. I am also in the process of obtaining illustrations and clearances.

I have sent you this first draft with several thoughts in mind: (1) it might help you in your planning to know what progress is being made, (2) you might be able to assist with strategic comments about whether the book should be expanded, abbreviated, etc., (3) you might obtain some initial reviews regarding the scope, contents, reader reaction, etc.

If you decide to have it reviewed now, might I suggest that you send it to Mr. William T. Knox, Esso Research and Engineering Co., Technical Information Division, P.O. Box 51, Linden, New Jersey. I feel that he can provide a good technical review. In addition, he represents the point of view of one type of user who is the target for this book.

I'm looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer

CPB/sj

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February 24, 1961

Dr. Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer Stanford Research Institute Engineering Sciences Division Menlo Park, California

Dear Dr. Bourne:

Your letter arrived as Mr. Stone was preparing to leave the office on a business trip and he asked that I drop you a note acknowledging its receipt.

We note that you will send one copy of DEVICES AND TECHNIQUES FOR INFORMATION PROCESSING, STORAGE AND RETRIEVAL on to Mr. Hayes. We note too that the two additional copies you will forward to us will contain four more chapters than we currently have on hand. Mr. Stone is looking forward to the receipt of this material.

Sincerely yours,

B. Hollender Editorial Assistant to Walker G. Stone Editor, Engineering Sciences

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February 20, 1961

Mr. Walker G. Stone, Editor Engineering Sciences John Wiley & Sons, Inc. 440 Park Avenue, South New York 16, New York

Dear Walker:

In accordance with your suggestion I will send one copy of the manuscript to Bob Hayes and two additional copies to you. However, I will delay the shipping for several weeks in order to include four more chapters that are in press.

You and I are the only people who currently hold draft copies of the manuscript. I have not given copies to anyone else for review or other purposes, nor do I have any particular plans yet for doing this.

Sincerely,

Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer

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February 7, 1961

Dr. Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer Division of Engineering Research Stanfrd Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Charles:

I wish to confirm our telephone conversation in which I requested that you send one copy of your manuscript to Bob Hayes and two additional copies of the currently prepared material to me. Also, I would like to know to whom you have distributed copies for personal review and other purposes.

Bob Hayes address is as follows:

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Cordially yours.

Walker G. Stone, Editor Engineering Sciences

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AIR MAIL

January 13, 1960

Dr. Charles P. Bourne Computer Laboratory Engineering Division Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Dr. Bourne:

This is to advise that your manuscript entitled DEVICES & TECHNIQUES FOR INFORMATION PROCESSING, STORAGE, AND RETRIEVAL has been safely received in this office. You may expect to hear from the editor who is handling your work within a reasonably short time.

Sincerely yours,

margaret Eagan Editorial Department JOHN WILEY & SONS, Inc.

January 10, 1961

Mr. Walker G. Stone Editor, Engineering Science John Wiley & Sons, Inc. hhO Park Avenue, South New York 16, New York

Dear Walker:

Here is the first batch of rough draft chapters to give you some indication of progress to date. The chapters which I have finished and enclosed, are:

Edge-punched cards Interior-Punched cards Tab card machines and systems Application of General Purpose Computers Automatic indexing and abstracting Magnetic tape and card systems Microfilm techniques and components Microfilm records--the basic forms Microfilm systems and applications

The work is proceeding rapidly, with several other chapters partially completed. I have a limited number of extra copies of these chapters, and I have not sent them to anyone else. If you want extra copies distributed, would you please give me a list of names and addresses, ranked in order of priority. Thanks.

Sincerely,

Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer

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G. S. IERARDI ASST. VICE-PRESIDENT

November 1, 1960

Dr. Charles P. Bourne Computer Laboratory Engineering Division Stanford Research Institute Meilo Park, California

Dear Dr. Bourne:

It was impossible for me to get out to the West Coast to attend the American Documentation Institute meeting held at Berkeley last week. As a matter of fact, it is a good thing that I was not out there since I had a difficult dental problem to cope with.

At your convenience I would appreciate receiving a summary from you on the significant factors brought out at this meeting.

I think now that the earliest opportunity I will have to visit the West Coast will be some time in Japuary.

Sincerely yours

Walker G. Stone, Editor Engineering Sciences

WGS:bh

15 June 1960

Mr. Walter G. Stone, Editor Sciences Division John Wiley & Sons, Inc. 440 Park Avenue South New York 16, New York

#### Dear Mr. Stone:

Thank you for your letter and invitation to get together at WESCON. At this time, I do not know whether or not I will be able to attend. I will try to make the meeting, but this is dependent to a great deal upon the worth of the WESCON technical program and possible SRI business in the Los Angeles area at that time. In any case, I will let you know as soon as possible, whether or not I can be there.

As an additional note for your records, I might point out that you are being overly generous by referring to me as "Dr.". I am currently doing some part-time graduate work at Stanford, but it will be a long time before I can use that title. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer

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June 10, 1960

Dr. Charles P. Bourne Computer Techniques Laboratory Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Dr. Bourne:

My associates and I were delighted to receive your recent letter with the signed agreement for the publication of your proposed work, DEVICES AND TECHNIQUES FOR INFORMATION PROCESSING, STORAGE AND RETRIEVAL.

As soon as our chief copy editor has had an opportunity to go through the current material on hand, we will return this material to you with our suggestions and recommendations.

I have advised the Messrs. Hayes and Becker that you were working with us and of the desirability of the three of us working closely together on the development of your books.

It is my plan to attend Wescon in August, and I hope that we will be able to get together at that time. Please advise me whether you will be able to attend this meeting.

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Sinderely yours

Walker G. Stone, Editor Sciences Division

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Industrial and Business Book Division

June 21, 1960

Dr. Charles P. Bourne Division of Engineering Research Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Charles:

I am of course disappointed to learn that we will not be acting as your publisher for DEVICES AND TECHNIQUES FOR INFORMATION PROCESSING, STORAGE AND RETRIEVAL. I was aware of the nature of the competition, and while feeling sincerely that we were an ideal choice, I wish you every success with John Wiley and Sons.

I am returning the materials in my files to you under separate cover. It is also my hope that the future will bring forth other Bourne manuscripts for consideration by McGraw-Hill.

Cordially,

Walter G. Wulff Editor

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April 25, 1960

Mr. Charles P. Bourne Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Mr. Bourne:

It was a pleasure to talk with you yesterday regarding your book and McGraw-Hill's interest in working with you as publisher. I am enclosing with this letter our standard Memorandum of Agreement for publication of DEVICES AND TECHNIQUES FOR INFORMATION PROCESSING, STORAGE, AND RETRIEVAL. You will find the terms as outlined during our conversation; but, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me collect (Extension 2981) or contact our West Coast Editor, Alden Paine (Fullerton, California, TRojan 1-4904).

As an expression of our confidence in the project we are offering our maximum 15% on domestic sales with the exception of singlecopy sales by mail which carry a 10% royalty. This permits us to explore and promote various marginal lists in achieving maximum sales. All McGraw-Hill royalty terms are based upon full list price of the book, beginning with the first copy sold. Because of this fact, there is a considerable difference between our contract and that of any publisher who pays royalties on discounted prices.

Our reviewers have reported back various reactions to your work and in addition to the reviews already forwarded to you I feel that the one enclosed will prove both informative and valuable. We shall want to work very closely with you in obtaining reviews along the line as the manuscript develops in an effort to establish it as THE BOOK. I should stress, however, that these reports are offered for your consideration and that it is not our intention to urge you along lines which might run counter to ideas of your own. I am returning one copy of your sample manuscript which contains some marginal notes of the third reviewer.

Our editing department is ready to assist you at any time on the needs of your book as regards editing and styling. They will go over your first draft chapters in detail and give you comments and suggestions for the preparation of final manuscript if you so desire.

I think that you will find their help will expedite your work considerably. It also assures us that the final manuscript will be in the best possible condition for the printer and that it will move through the production process smoothly without delay and with a minimum chance of error in galley and page proof stages.

Under separate cover I am sending you a booklet entitled "Preparing a Technical Manuscript," which should be helpful to you and your typist, and a brochure, IMPRINT ON AN ERA, which will give you some background information on the company and an idea of the breadth of promotion and distribution which McGraw-Hill can give to your book.

As you consider this proposal, I hope that you will come to share our conviction that McGraw-Hill is the logical publisher for your work. I can assure you that all of us here look forward to working with you on such a worthwhile project and that we will extend every conceivable effort to produce a volume of which both you, as the author, and we, as the publisher, will be justly proud.

Very sincerely yours,

Walter G. Wulff

Editor

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27 May 1960

Mr. Walter Wulff Industrial Book Department MaGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc. Englewood Cliffs New Jersey

Dear Walter,

I have finished reviewing the publication agreements of several organizations, and have decided to work with John Wiley and Sons for my book, "Devices and Technique for Information Processing, Storage and Estrieval".

You have been patient and considerate in your dealings with me, and I sincerely appreciate it. I hope that we may have another opportunity to work together at some time in the future.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Charles P. Hourne

cc: Alden Paine Langdon White

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April 1, 1960

Mr. Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer Stanford Research Institute Divison of Engineering Research Menlo Park, California

Dear Mr. Bourne:

As you are no doubt aware, our reviewers took longer than anticipated to report on their reading of your partial manuscript for INFORMATION PROCESSING, STORAGE AND RETRIEVAL.

The enclosed pertinent comments seem to me both encouraging and constructive, and I look forward to having your reactions to them. The reservations expressed are fortunately all in the area of style and organization rather than content and coverage. The former can be improved and polished by careful writing and considered reviewing along the way.

I hope to be in touch with you soon with a formal publishing proposal, but I wanted you to have the enclosed comments as soon as possible.

Sincerely yours,

Walter Wulf

Walter G. Wulff Editor

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The attached manuscript from C. P. Bourne looks good in some respects and not so good in others. As proposed, it would serve as a most useful reference text on the types of systems and equipment which are emerging as useful for information handling activities. A good feature appears to be the emphasis placed on the practical aspects of newer techniques to the problem. Too much has been written on the theoretical possibilities of such systems, and this should be a welcome relief to those who have been searching for tangible evidence of ways to approach problems of information control. The author is obviously competent to discuss his subject and what he says is accurate. The subject is so treated that a revised edition would be in order after about five years.

My reservations are on the proposed organization of the book, based on the Table of Contents as submitted. Possibly his Introduction will clarify this to some extent, but I can't see how he can avoid being repetitive in at least some of his chapters. It would be unfortunate if, for this reason, the book suffered in reviews published in professional journals. Lacking improved organization of materials, it would seem essential to have careful editing to avoid unnecessary repetition. Review #2 Bourne

I have examined the enclosed material by Charles P. Bourne and have a somewhat mixed reaction, which I will convey to you as accurately as possible.

First, the outline appears to be generally sensible, but possibly a trifle too ambitious in terms of the number of different applications to be covered. That is, the number of specific problems referred to (see particularly chapters VI, VII, XVI) seems to be so large that adequate treatment of each may be difficult. With the exception of this reservation the outline appears satisfactory with respect to content and organization.

It is difficult to tell from the four chapters just what the book will be like. I find the writing rather dull; chapters XIV, XV and XVI read like a handbook, reciting a long list of unexciting details. Chapter XXI, on the other hand, could use beefing up, for my taste, to clarify the concepts presented. At any rate, much of chapter XXI seemed to me to be unnecessarily obscure.

I do not, unfortunately know enough about Mr. Bourne to asses the probability that the book will be sound on that basis alone. I hope these remarks are of some assistance to you; I'm sorry I could not be more definitive.

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March 9, 1960

Mr. Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer Stanford Research Institute Division of Engineering Research Menlo Park, California

Dear Mr. Bourne:

Thank you for your letter of March 3 and your partial manuscript for INFORMATION PROCESSING, STORAGE, AND RETRIEVAL. It is delightful to see a manuscript presented in such good form.

We have both copies out for review, and have asked for speedy reactions. I hope to be in touch with you again very soon.

Sincerely yours,

Walter BUlulfs

Walter G. Wulff Editor

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3 March 1960

Mr. Walter Wulff Editor, Industrial Book Department McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc. 330 West 42nd Street New York 36, New York

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Dear Mr. Wulff:

I believe that I have reached the point where enough of my book material is finished, and in a form which is suitable for your review. Mr. Dorial I have enclosed a rather detailed outline of the book contents, as well Valar as four of the complete chapters. Naturally, these items will be subject to change as the writing continues. I have chosen several sections from Bard Const the middle of the book to give an example of the writing style and depth arguestil the of coverage. These sample sections were chosen so that there are examples of equipment and application descriptions, as well as an academic discussion of some information processing techniques. of wonting

If there are questions of technical competence, or a requirement for the analysis of the submitted copy, I suggest that Dr. Robert Hays, Vice President of Research at Electrada Corporation, 9744 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, would be a good person to contact. He has taught classes on this subject at UCLA and American University, and will be the chairman of the session on Information Retrieval at the 1960 Western Joint Computer Conference. I have also included a personal resume to describe some of my previous experience in this field.

The Institute will continue to provide whatever support services that are required for the book. This should serve to speed up the delivery of the final manuscript.

I think that you should know that I have taken the liberty of submitting this proposal to several other publishers who have shown an interest in this subject. If there is any further information that I can provide, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer early inster

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December 14, 1959

Mr. Charles P. Bourne Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Charlie:

I was pleased to learn that we may look forward to receiving your proposal soon, and also that SRI is being so cooperative.

Thanks for sending Dr. Hayes' address; we plan to contact him immediately.

Cordially,

alex

Alexander A. McKenzie Editor, Engineering Books

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December 8, 1959

Mr. Alexander A. McKenzie Editor, Engineering Books McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc. 330 West 42nd Street New York 36, New York

Dear Alex:

Thank you for your letter of November 24 and your helpful pointers. I have chosen the single-author approach and have already started the draft work on some of the sections. When I have finished with several of the chppters, I will forward them to you (in proposal form) for a more detailed evaluation. In the meantime, I am happy to report that SRI has agreed to furnish me with all the clerical help and support services that I need for this work.

In answer to your previous question, I can't think of any reason why you shouldn't contact Bob Hayes regarding his book. He can be located at the following address:

Dr. R. M. Hayes Magnavox Research Lab 2255 Carmelina Ave. Los Angeles 64, Calif.

Sincerely,

Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer

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November 24, 1959

Mr. Charles P. Bourne Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Charlie:

Thank you for your letter of November 20 about your information retrieval project. There are a number of interesting points including the fact that Dr. Bob Hayes of Magnavox has nearly finished a book on the subject. We are naturally much interested in the possibility of publishing his book and should like very much to correspond with him. I would appreciate it if you could give me his full name and address if you feel that there is no reason why I should not write him.

I can see that it is going to be necessary to feel our way along on this project, and there is nothing wrong with this technique. Books with multiple authorship are much more common these days because there seems to be so little time and things do not stand still long enough for one man to write a definitive book on anything. To answer your question No. 1 directly, I believe that multiple authorship can be a great virtue providing that such a book is under the iron control of an editor who knows exactly what he wants and is capable of getting it out of his authors. It should, however, be perfectly possible for such an editor still to be on friendly terms with his authors after the book has been published! As for question 2, it is generally better for a publisher to deal with a minimum number of people, and in this case, we should prefer to work directly with you as the sole contracted party. Although we would help as much as possible, it would probably be incumbent upon you to get the necessary authors and to arrange with them the satisfactory reimbursements. When there are more than two or possibly three co-authors, the royalties become less and less significant. The real value in being a co-author of a successful and distinguished book is the prestige it brings. On this account, handbooks (which may involve scores of authors) pay the individual contributors very little in cash. A very good technique is to decide how many pages you wish from any given author, multiply this number of pages by your page rate (which may be as high as \$5) but then offer the author the dollar product rather than specifying the page rate. For example, if you agreed to pay an author \$5 per page for 20 pages and he turned in 50 pages, of which only 21 were usable, he might expect to be paid \$250. If you

Charles P. Bourne

November 24, 1959

had initially offered him \$100 and specified the approximate limit, he would then hold to the specification.

Although your list of selected topics on the Mechanization of Information Retrieval are interesting, I think we should have to have some adequate sample of the writing before we can come to any definite publishing decision.

Cordially yours,

alex

Alexander A. McKenzie Editor, Engineering Books

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November 17, 1959

Mr. Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Charlie:

As you know from my September letter, we are interested in your proposal for a book on information retrieval. We had hoped to receive a table of contents before the beginning of November. How is this item coming along?

I trust you received the copy of the McGraw-Hill AUTHOR BOOK that was sent to you early in September.

Cordially yours,

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Alexander A. McKenzie Editor, Engineering Books

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November 20, 1959

McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc. 330 West Forty-Second Street New York 36, New York

Attention: Alexander A. McKenzie Editor, Engineering Books

#### Dear Alex:

Thank you for your very subtle reminder that I am late with the sample copy that I had promised earlier. I have not been idle, but I have taken some false starts, and have had some interruptions from my other work. In particular, I had sketched out the outline, method of approach, and an introductory chapter. However, further discussions with a colleague of mine (Dr. Bob Hayes, Magnavox Research Lab, Los Angeles) revealed that he was nearly finished with a book on information retrieval which was based on a two-week course that he had just finished teaching at U.C.L.A. At that time, he had still not submitted the book to any of the publishers, and was anxious to finish it before contacting anyone. A discussion of the contents of the book revealed some similarities and parallel coverage which led me to alter the approach that I had planned. When I discussed my revised approach with him, he could see no conflict, and even suggested that the two books might go well together as a series. However, we did not pursue this line of thought in any more detail.

My recent thinking about the market potential for a book on this subject is that the most salable product would be an edited collection of coordinated and integrated sections which were written by people who have already achieved some recognition in this field. This might have the added advantage of producing a final product in a shorter time scale. The accent would be on the mechanization of information retrieval by systems other than manual means. My very tentative outline for the contents are described on the attached page. To date, none of the contributors which are under consideration have been contacted, but I feel certain that all of them would be willing to contribute to this effort.

Before I take any more action, I would appreciate hearing from you with regard to the following items.

- 1. With regard to this topic, what are your feelings about collections of contributions instead of the works of a single author?
- 2. What arrangements should be made with the contributors, and how should this be handled (for example: contracts, re-imbursement, editing, and checking)?

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I did receive your AUTHOR BOOK, and it has been helpful. Arrangements are being made so that I can do some of the work, and obtain clerical support at SRI. This will help quite a bit.

I'm looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Charles P. Bourne

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SELECTED TOPICS ON THE MECHANIZATION OF INFORMATION RETRIEVAL

Some Fundamentals Types of Operations which can be mechanized The use of computers for searching patents searching chemical compounds automatic indexing automatic abstracting automatic routing and dissemination searching document collections using conventional techniques 8 searching document collections using unusual techniques The use of conventional punched card machines and systems (IBM cards) The use of special punched card machines and systems (aperture cards, CIM cards) The use of optical systems for storage and retrieval (Minicard, etc.) The use of special magnetic media searching systems (GE-250, Magnacard, etc.) The present status of character recognition systems The present status of memory systems for information storage and retrieval The processing and interpretation of pictorial data The special characteristics of very large file systems

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September 8, 1959

Mr. Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Charlie:

I was glad to see you at WESCON and I hope that you will go through with your plan for submitting sample material for a book on information retrieval. As you know, this is an area in which we are much interested, and although we have been trying to interest a number of people, we still have no definite commitments. I believe that this is the kind of book that should be written with a view toward filling the greatest needs and perhaps a bit more steering will be necessary than the average book. We shall be happy to work as closely as possible with you on it.

We are sending you a McGraw-Hill AUTHOR BOOK, which you should find constructive and useful.

Cordially yours,

alexander Q. mcKenzie,

Alexander A. McKenzie Editor, Engineering Books

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Charles P. Bourne

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Mr. Charles P. Bourne Stanford Research Institute Division of Engineering Research Menlo Park, California

Dear Mr. Bourne:

Thank you for your letter of July 7th. I am only sorry that we did not move faster on this project but our advisors took too long examining the material so we were not able to come to a decision on this matter soon enough.

I hope you will not regard us in a too unkindly light because of our dilatory work.

I also hope that you will let us examine future manuscripts you may develops. We would be interested in any further work you might do on the computer classification project.

Our Admiral Kinert will probably visit you from time to time and will discuss any other projects you may have up your sleeve.

Congratulations on signing your contract with John Wiley. We wish you success.

Sincerely yours,

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Mr. Richard Meyer Engineering Division Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Dick:

This is just a note to let you know how much I enjoyed visiting with you on my recent trip to California.

I hope that your colleague Mr. Templeton has recovered his health by this time. I also hope that Mr. Bourne has not gotten too impatient with us on the appraisal of his manuscript on Information Storage and Retrieval. My boss, Mr. Enslow, is hard at work on it.

I trust that Admiral Kinert will be in to see you from time to time, and that he will be able to discover other manuscripts in your department.

Thank you again for your kindness to us.

Sincerely yours,

George

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GEORGE F. HAWKINS

ROBERT TEITLER EDITOR

ELSA GRANADE EDITING SUPERVISOR

Mr. Charles P. Bourne Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Mr. Bourne:

We have had your manuscript Devices and Techniques for Information Processing, Storage, and Retrieval gone over carefully by two experts. While they agree that this manuscript has good possibilities, they feel that there would have to be quite a bit of work done on it to make it a publishable manuscript.

Before we go into the problems involved in this manuscript, I would like to learn from you whether or not you have received an offer from another house. If you have not, we would like to consider the possibility of our publishing this book providing you would be willing to make certain changes which we hope would substantially improve its organization and content.

Your cooperation is appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

George 7. Howking

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P. S. How are you coming along with your project on classification of computers?

7 July 1960

Mr. George F. Hawkins, Managing Editor The Macmillan Company 60 Fifth Avenue New York 11, New York

Dear Mr. Hawkins:

Thank you for your recent note which reported on the reviewing of my partial manuscript of "Devices and Techniques for Information Processing, Storage and Retrieval". When I talked to you early in April, you stated that you would have the manuscript reviewed and be in touch with me in three or four weeks. I was interested in getting a reply from Macmillan as soon as possible, because I had already heard from the other publishers and was delaying a decision until I heard from you. When several months passed by without any word from your organization, I assumed that you had lost interest in the project. Consequently, I then signed a publication agreement with John Wiley for this work. I'm sorry that I didn't hear from you sooner. I think I would have enjoyed working with you. In any case, thank you for your interest and consideration.

As a side note, I should mention that we have postponed work on the computer classification project because our current and projected work schedule is rather full. However, you might be interested in some of the results which came out of our study. The paper which I have enclosed was presented as the opening paper at the 1960 Western Joint Computer Conference.

Sincerely,

Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer

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Mr. Walter G. Stone, Editor Engineering Sciences John Wiley & Sons, Inc. 440 Park Avenue South New York 16, New York

Dear Mr. Stone:

After reviewing all of the proposal agreements from the interested publishers, I am convinced that I would prefer to work with Wiley. I am returning a signed copy of your agreement, while retaining a copy for myself.

I'm not sure what your first step will be, but I would appreciate it if you would have a copy editor check the partial manuscript that you have. The manuscript was checked by an editor at the Institute, and I would like to know what differences exist between our editing, and what you require. This would guide our editing effort and possibly eliminate the need for some future corrections.

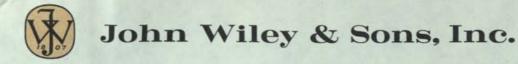
I feel certain that I am going to enjoy my working relations with Wiley, and I am glad that there will be an opportunity to coordinate the text with the work of Messrs. Hayes and Becker. Thank you for your patience and consideration.

Sincerely,

Charles P. Bourne Research Engineer

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Dr. Charles P. Bourne Computer Techniques Laboratory Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Dr. Bourne:

In accordance with our telephone conversation of last Friday, I am enclosing with this letter our proposed contract for the publication of your work tentatively entitled DEVICES AND TECHNIQUES FOR IN-FORMATION PROCESSING, STORAGE, AND RETRIEVAL. Please read the proposal carefully and if questions come to mind, by all means telephone me collect.

The suggested royalties pertain to both domestic and foreign sales.

We of the editorial division and our associates in the marketing division are agreed that your work will make for an excellent reference and companion volume to our basic book on INFORMATION STORAGE AND RETRIEVAL by Messrs. Hayes and Becker. We feel very strongly that the two books would complement each other and would serve to give both the student and professional a basic comprehension of the problem and the tools and techniques which will be available to resolve practical problems. You should know too that Dr. Hayes hopes very much that you will publish with us since your book and his will make for an excellent firm foundation in this field and each book will help the other in attracting interest and further research and development work. As a matter of fact we believe that the two books will in effect be the foundation for a program of books on information systems and documentation which we are in the process of developing.

As we visualize the sales picture today, we anticipate a projected sale of 8000 copies of which perhaps 15% will be sold through domestic trade book stores at a 33-1/3% discount, 30% through our domestic direct mail efforts (no discount), 35% of the sales should be forthcoming through domestic textbook outlets at a 20% discount, and foreign sales will account for 20% or more at 35% discount.

I should like to elaborate briefly on the three major parts of our publishing process. <u>The Editorial</u> phase encompasses the part in the development of the book up to the point where it is considered final from the point of view of professional contact. Our active participation will begin immediately upon your signing our contract. We would propose

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TODr. Charles P. Bourne

to have portions of your final manuscript reviewed as they are prepared by qualified professional people and with the addition of our own comments, would expect to provide you with constructive suggestions which you may reject or accept as you see fit. Dr. Hayes has already stated his interest and willingness to exchange knowledge with you with a view to making each volume self-contained and at the same time complementary to each others work.

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TODr. Charles P. Bourne

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My associates and I are enthusiastic about your planned book and we look upon it as a forerunner of many which will eventually be written on specialized technical aspects of the subject. We consider your planned work as one which will make an important contribution to the literature and believe sincerely that it will be an effective writing which will stimulate wide interest and further work and research on this important problem.

We shall look forward hopefully to working with you and publishing your book.

Sincerely yours

Walker G. Stone, Editor Engineering Sciences

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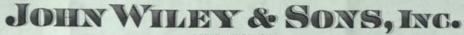
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March 11, 1960

Mr. Charles P. Bourne Division of Engineering Research Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Mr. Bourne:

I should like to acknowledge the receipt in good order of your manuscript, DEVICES AND TECHNIQUES FOR INFORMATION PROCESSING, STORAGE AND HETRIEVAL. I have informed the editor concerned and you will hear from him shortly.

Sincerely yours,

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June 3, 1960

Mr. Charles P. Bourne Division of Engineering Research Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Chuck:

I was very sorry to hear that you will be working with Wiley rather than Prentice-Hall on your "Information Storage and Retrieval" book. I have the feeling that it will be a very good book and one that will command a good deal of respect in the field. You have chosen a good publisher, and I think that you will probably be happy with them. I hope that in the future we may be able to work together on another project.

Best regards,

John H. Davis Associate Editor

JHD/mhh

P.S. I am enclosing your outline and four sample chapters.

27 May 1960

Mr. John H. Davis Associate Editor, Engineering Prentice-Hall, Inc. Englewood Cliffs New Jersey

Dear John,

I have finished reviewing the publication agreements of several organizations, and have decided to work with John Wiley and Sons for my book, "Devices and Techniques for Information Processing, Storage and Retrieval".

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

Charles P. Bourne \* Research Engineer

cc: Dean C. Smith Gene L. Mason

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### Comments:

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This is not a flash-in-the-pan subject. There has been an increasing amount of interest in this subject during the last several years. For example, within the last two years the IRE and the ACM have devoted special sessions for this topic at their national conferences, where previously no papers were presented in this subject area. There have also been an increasing number of articles (and Senate Hearings) on this subject.

Books which have previously been published in this general subject area are:

- Casey, R. <u>Punched Cards Their Applications in Science and</u> <u>Industry</u>, second edition (Reinhold Publishing Corp., N. Y., 1958.
- Perry, T. Tools for Machine Literature Searching: Semantic Code Dictionary, Equipment, Procedures (Interscience Publishers, N.Y., 1958)
- Doss Information Processing Equipment (Reinhold, 1955)

Perry, T. Machine Literature Searching (Interscience, 1956)

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March 8, 1960

Mr. Charles P. Bourne Division of Engineering Research Stanford Research Institute Menlo Park, California

Dear Charles:

Thanks for your letter of March 3rd and for sending the duplicate copies of your detailed outline and four sample chapters of your proposed manuscript on DEVICES AND TECHNIQUES FOR INFORMATION PROCESSING, STORAGE, AND RETRIEVAL for our consideration. The material was received safely in our office and immediately went out for review to one of our editorial advisors. Just as soon as I have some definite information from the field as to the publication potential for such a text, I will be in touch with you again.

I appreciate very much your thought of Prentice-Hall and want to thank you for giving us this opportunity to see your work. In the meantime, if there is any way in which we can help you on this interesting project, be sure to let us know.

Sincerely yours,

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