## NEWS

The Austrian Ministry of Education will grant a limited number of scholarships for the academic year 1972–73 to American graduate students now working on doctoral dissertations or other research projects in the field of Austrian history. The grants cover only the cost of tuition and maintenance for one person and may not be used to supplement a stipend received from another scholarship or fellowship. Holders of these scholarships are expected to be in residence at an Austrian university and should have a good command of the German language. Candidates wishing to apply should send a letter of application together with transcripts, letters of recommendation, and an outline of their research project directly to William A. Jenks, Department of History, Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Virginia 24450. The deadline for applications is November 15, 1971.

A Consortium of the Library of Congress, the Center for Research Libraries, the Hampshire Inter-Library Center, and the libraries of Boston College, Yale University, Harvard University, Stanford University, and the University of Virginia has been formed for the microfilming of manuscript and documentary collections in the Austrian State Archives. The project was arranged, with the cooperation of the Austrian State Archives, by the Center for the Coordination of Foreign Manuscript Copying of the Library of Congress; with the closing of the Center at the end of 1970 the Manuscript Division will continue to supervise the Library's participation. The project plans to microfilm about 200,000 pages of material dealing with Great Britain, France, Russia, and Prussia for the period 1848 to 1918. Included will be, among others, documents on the Austro-Prussian War of 1866, the treaty negotiations between France and Italy in 1868-70, the Orient Question of 1877-78, the persecution of Jews in Russia, 1882, the Congo Conference in Berlin, 1884-87, and the British-Portuguese conflict in East Africa, 1889-91. Upon completion of the copying, about the end of 1971, the microfilms will be available for research by qualified scholars at the institutions cooperat-

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ing in the project. A preservation copy of the film will be deposited in the Austrian State Archives.

Commencing with Volume 17 (Spring 1971) Historical Abstracts, published by the American Bibliographical Center—Clio Press, will extend its chronological coverage, previously 1775 to 1945, to include history and current affairs from 1945 to 1970. Historical Abstracts will appear in two parts: Part A, Modern History Abstracts, 1775–1914, and Part B, Twentieth Century Abstracts, 1914–1970.

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