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Honors

*“The high wire is everything;
anything else is just waiting around.”*

Bob Fosse, *All That Jazz*

SLA HALL OF FAME 1961

In announcing the selection of Thelma Hoffman to the SLA Hall of Fame for 1961, President Winifred Sewell commented "...Thelma Hoffman's pioneer work in recruitment for special librarianship has provided for the continuing influx of the type of member of whom we can all be proud and the influence of her Five-Year Plan will be felt throughout the Association for many years to come."

Thelma Hoffman joined the San Francisco offices of Shell Development Company in 1930 to establish a technical library, and when it was consolidated with the library at the Emeryville (California) Research Center, Miss Hoffman assumed charge of the combined operations. When she retires at the end of 1961, she will leave a library, which started as a one-woman operation, with a trained staff of 21. A member of SLA since 1931, Miss Hoffman has served as President of the San Francisco Chapter, 1933-34, Chairman of the Petroleum Section, 1940-41, and Chairman of the Science-Technology Division, 1950-51. She was a member of the Recruitment Committee when it was organized in 1953 and during her chairmanship, 1954-55, developed the Five-Year Plan which established goals for the Association's recruitment efforts. Miss Hoffman is currently working on the Convention Executive Committee.

A frequent contributor to petroleum journals, she also assisted in the preparation of the Petroleum Section's forthcoming SLA publication, *U.S. Sources of Petroleum and Natural Gas Statistics*.

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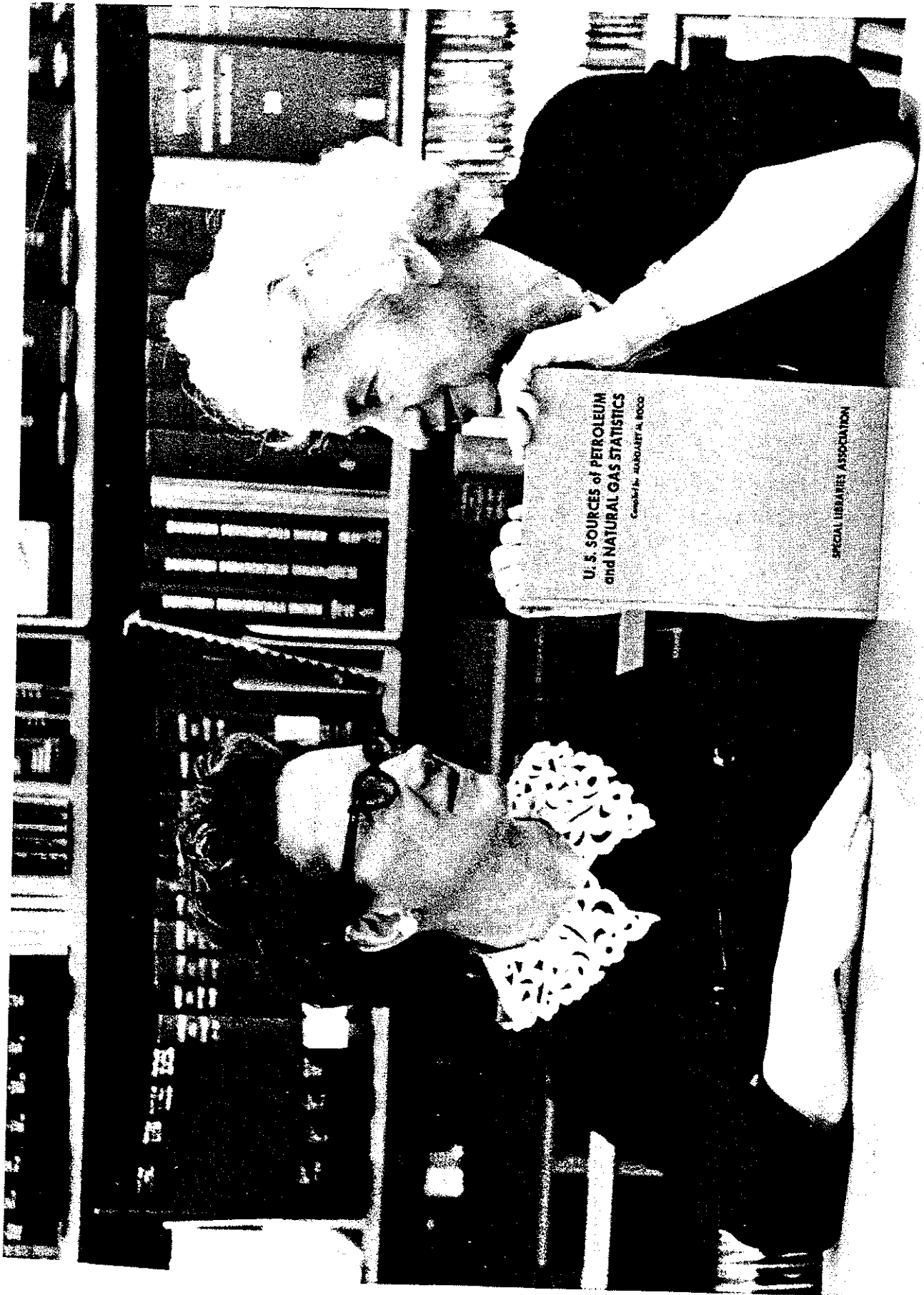
Thelma Hoffman

SLA HALL OF FAME 1962

Three special librarians have been selected for the 1962 SLA Hall of Fame in recognition of their sustained service and many contributions to the development of the Special Libraries Association. President Eugene B. Jackson has announced "All three have held important library positions, all three have evidenced pride in and devotion to their profession by giving unstintingly of themselves and their experiences to promote special librarianship.....Mrs. Margaret M. Rocq's concern with improving technical research led her to participate on a number of indexing, abstracting and union list of serials committees, and recently she was chief editor of the Petroleum Section's *U.S. Sources of Petroleum and Natural Gas Statistics*, published by the Association in the fall of 1961..."

Mrs. Margaret Miller Rocq began her library career in the Los Angeles Public Library after receiving her A.B. degree from the University of California, but four years later, in 1929, she shifted to special library work when she joined the staff of three of the Standard Oil Company of California Library in San Francisco. In 1934 she became Chief Librarian, and when she retired in December 1958, she left a large, well-organized library with a staff of 15 persons. Mrs. Rocq became a member of SLA in 1930 and immediately became active in the San Francisco Bay Region Chapter in which she held all major offices, including President, 1934-35, and Consultant Officer, 1957-62. In the Science-Technology Division, she served as Secretary-Treasurer, 1950-51, and was Chairman of the Petroleum Section, 1955-56. She assumed leadership in the preparation of the Section's index, *U.S. Sources of Petroleum and Natural Gas Statistics*, and has been a member of the Student Loan, Recruitment, Development of Promotion Techniques and 1961 Convention Committees. Since her retirement she has been Chairman of a Subcommittee of the Regional Resources Coordinating Committee of the California Library Association and is currently working on its second edition of *California Local History: A Centennial Bibliography*.

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Elizabeth Roth and Margaret M. Rocq
in the Standard Oil of California Library

Fellows of the Special Libraries Association

The designation of Fellow of the Special Libraries Association is given to individual members of SLA, not presently on the Board of Directors, in recognition of their leadership in the field of special librarianship and for their outstanding contributions and expected future service to the Association.

1989

Lou B. Parris

Lou B. Parris, Supervisor, Information Center, EXXON Production Research Company has been an active member of the Texas Chapter serving as both a bulletin editor and president of the chapter. In 1986 she was awarded the Texas Star Award which is presented "to honor a member of the Texas Chapter who has given distinguished service and dedication to the chapter (and) has contributed to Chapter achievements and effectiveness." Lou served as Chairman of the PER Division when the PER Division Bulletin began in 1978.

On the Association level, Lou served on the Nominating Committee for the 1978 elections, on the Board of Directors, 1984-1987, as Chairman of the Long Range Planning Committee, 1985-86, and as Chair of the Conference Committee for the San Antonio Annual Conference in 1989.

(For more about Lou's term as Chairman of Petroleum and Energy Resources see Section III - Remembrances)

1989

Mary Lou Stursa

Mary Lou Stursa, Steenbock Library, University of Wisconsin-Madison served as 1978-79 Florida Chapter President while working as a librarian for the Florida Dept. of Natural Resources and the Governor's Energy Office. She served as Bulletin Editor and as Secretary of the Natural Resources Division,

On the Association Level, Mary Lou served on numerous committees and as Chair of the Joint Chapter Division Cabinet's Archives Study Committee, the Board of Directors, and as Chair of the 1988 Denver Annual Conference Committee.

For PER Division, Mary Lou and Susan Hughes provided the spark that eventually became the *Bibliography of Petroleum Information Resources* by writing *Petroleum Reference and Information Sources*, an outline of a proposed petroleum reference course for library school students at the University of Oklahoma.

In 1982 Mary Lou returned to the University of Wisconsin where she worked until retirement in 1989. She passed away in 1991.

1993

Marilyn McAnally Stark

Marilyn Stark, Regional Librarian and Chief, U S Geological Survey Denver Library, will become an SLA Fellow at the 1993 Annual Conference.

Marilyn has been active in Colorado library activities including the Colorado Alliance of Research Libraries (CARL), and is a member of the Geoscience Information Society.

The Rocky Mountain Chapter awarded Marilyn their Meritorious Achievement Award for her service on various committees and as President of the chapter.

Association-wide Marilyn is serving on the President's Visioning Committee, has served on numerous committees, as Chapter Cabinet Chair, and as Deputy Chair for the 1988 Denver Annual Conference.

Marilyn's division activity includes the Library Management Div. Continuing Education Committee, and Bulletin Editor and Chair of PER. Her remembrances are included in Section III.