
Mr. René Poupardin, one of the co-editors of the *Romanischer Jahresbericht*, has become secretary of the Ecole des Chartes (at the Sorbonne). Mr. Poupardin has many friends among Americans who have worked in the Salle des Manuscrits at the Bibliothèque Nationale.

Mr. Shirley Gale Patterson, who was last year Traveling Fellow of Cornell University, has accepted an instructorship in Romance languages at Chicago University. Mr. Patterson is a graduate of Amherst College, and was a student at Columbia University before going to Cornell.

Mr. Park Powell, a graduate of the University of Missouri who has been studying for the past fifteen months in France, Italy and Spain, will go to the University of South Carolina as Instructor in Romance languages.

At the moment of going to press, news is received of the sudden death, from an attack of cerebral hemorrhages, of John E. Matzke, since 1893 Professor of Romance Languages at Stanford University, and widely known both in this country and abroad, for his important contributions to Romance scholarship. At the time of his death Dr. Matzke was in attendance at the formal opening of the New National University of Mexico, as a representative of Stanford University. For an adequate appreciation of the career of this distinguished scholar there is not now opportunity; it must suffice to give expression here to heartfelt sorrow for the personal loss and the loss to scholarship occasioned by Professor Matzke’s sudden and untimely death.