The Department of Geology of the Free University, Amsterdam (The Netherlands) invites applications for the position of

full professor in (ore-)petrology

in the group Ore Geology-Petrology-Mineralogy.

Candidates should have a sound knowledge of and substantial research as well as teaching experience in the application of physical chemistry and geochemistry to (ore-)petrological problems.

The duties of the appointee will include teaching graduate students in the field mentioned. He will take active part in the research projects of the group, including the supervision of post-graduate studies.

The appointee will be expected to act as chairman of the group, to contribute to its organizational duties and to promote close cooperation with the corresponding group of the University of Amsterdam.

The salary range is between Dutch guilders 76,000.- and 120,000.-/year (including holiday-allowance), depending on age and experience.

Applicants are requested to agree with the Christian charter of the Free University.

Additional information can be obtained from Prof.dr. J.R. van de Fliert, Chairman of the committee, phone 020-548 24 34.

The applicant is requested to submit his application, with a curriculum vitae, a list of publications, and the names of three referees, before May 1, 1977 to the Personnel Department, De Boelelaan 1105, P.O. Box 7161, Amsterdam, quoting reference number 350-27.
Easy way to run a library

If you let it grow and invite use, you create problems.
That became obvious in the 2nd century B.C. when the scholar Callimachus decided to catalog some of the more than 400,000 scrolls and codices in the pigeonholes (nidi) in the Great Library of Ptolemy II at Alexandria, with its hordes of slave librarians.

When that world was succeeded by the businesslike world of the Romans, record-keeping seemed so important that papyrus from the marshes of North Africa was worth carrying across the Mediterranean, the Alps, the Channel, and the length of today's England to the outposts on today's Scottish border in order that the written word and numeral stand guard against deceit and faulty memory.

The penchant for putting things down on paper brings the need later to find the right piece of paper. A librarian is the person to facilitate that for both the scholarly and the business-minded library users, and there has been a tendency to emancipate librarians from slavery. Where once they saw themselves as guardians of paper, many now claim that in a library big, active, and complete enough to serve for more than casual browsing and relief from tedium, more and more paper must go and be replaced with microforms.

"WHY?" bellow the users.
Answer: Retrievability to fit the need.

If all the literature or administrative records or whatever the library specializes in were microfilmed and the reels of microfilm were kept in old shoe boxes, it would save a lot of valuable space, but the users might be incensed enough to burn down the library, as Ptolemy's was (in 47 B.C. by Caesar, a practical man).

At the other extreme, the users might be quite pleased with a system which instantly reproduces full-sized hard copies of the ten most recent works on any question that can be expressed to a computer—pleased until the inevitable announcement that there is no money left for salaries.

Following are some retrieval techniques worthy of consideration in the light of an individual library's reason for existence, but if and only if they will serve the user quicker or better (or both) than paper will:

ROLL MICROFILM
Flash Target Indexing
Eyeball Coding
Odometer Indexing
Code Line Indexing
Image Control Indexing
Coding for KODAK MIRACODE and
KODAK ORACLE Retrieval
Equipment

MICROFICHE
Title and Index
Title and Index, Frame Eyeball Coding
Column Eyeball Coding
Automated Microfiche Retrieval

The best way to understand what these terms mean is to let an up-to-date, emancipated librarian explain them and their relative merits. Librarians who want to check on whether they are up-to-date may wish to request "Retrieval Techniques" from Kodak, Dept. 55S, Rochester, N.Y. 14650.