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James Bennett Childs was awarded a citation from the Government Documents Round Table of the American Library Association, on June 21, during the Centennial Conference of the American Library Association in Chicago.

Mr. Childs began working at the Library of Congress in 1925, and retired in 1965. Since his retirement, Mr. Childs has continued to serve the library world as an honorary consultant.

Mr. Childs' publications include Government Document Bibliography in the United States and Elsewhere (three editions), Guide to the Official Publications of the Other American Republics (five volumes), and Author Entries for Government Publications.

In 1971, Mr. Childs received the Isadore Gilbert Mudge Citation for Distinguished Contributions to Reference Librarianship.

The new edition of Government Document Bibliography in the United States and Elsewhere, prepared by Vladimir M. Palic of the Serial Division, LC, represents an eight-fold enlargement of Dr. Childs' earlier work.

The citation presented to Mr. Childs reads as follows:

To James Bennett Childs in grateful recognition of a lifetime of unmatched contributions to the growth and development of government document librarianship, the Government Documents Round Table of the American Library Association presents the first James Bennett Childs Award For Distinguished Contribution to Documents Librarianship.