

NORTH CAROLINA LIBRARIES

Fund to Aid Research Libraries

The Council on Library Resources, Inc., an organization whose purpose is to assist in solving the problems of libraries generally and of research libraries in particular, was formed September 18, at an initial meeting in New York, at which it elected officers and voted to accept a \$5,000,000 grant of funds from the Ford Foundation to support its initial activities over a five year period.

Elected as president and executive head of the council is Verner W. Clapp, who resigned his position as chief assistant librarian of the Library of Congress to accept this post. He has had a long experience with the problems of research libraries and with efforts to solve such problems through interlibrary cooperation and the application of labor-saving devices.

North Carolina's research libraries undoubtedly have problems with which the new Council could assist. Is this something which an NCLA committee should investigate or is it more legitimately a function of the Research Triangle of the Chapel Hill, Durham, Raleigh area?
