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EDITORS AND THEIR WORK

FAY KIDD, the indefatigable, cheerful secretary in the NHPRC office since 1962, recently retired and insisted that no farewell party mar her last day at work. Her colleagues and friends insist that they will not allow her to drop from sight so easily, however, and are taking contributions for a suitable gift. . . . MERRILL JENSEN, editor of the Ratification of the Constitution project, and JULIAN P. BOYD, editor of the Jefferson Papers, are both recovering from recent surgery. . . . G. THOMAS TANSELLE of the Guggenheim Foundation has been nominated for a councillor's post at the American Antiquarian Society. . . . THOMAS A. MASON has been appointed associate editor of the Madison Papers at the University of Virginia. . . . BERNARD MAYO, editor of the three-volume Instructions to the British Ministers to the U.S., 1791-1812, died recently in Charlottesville, Va. He was 78.