NOTICES

• The first publication of the MARAC Archival Series of the Mid Atlantic Regional Archives Conference is Paper and Leather Restoration: A Manual by Paul Mucci, edited by Mary Boccaccio. Copies are available at $3 each from: Mary Boccaccio, Archives & Manuscripts, McKeldin Library, University of Maryland, College Park, MD 20742. Checks should be made payable to MARAC.

• A Guide to Newspaper Indexes in New England has been published by the New England Library Association (NELA). Prepared by the NELA Bibliography Committee, this ninety-one-page list includes all newspaper indexing projects in New England identified in a 1977 survey of public, academic, and state libraries and of historical societies. Entries, organized by state and then by the town in which the newspaper is (or was) published, provide title, frequency, and dates covered, plus data on the format, type, scope, and location of the index. The guide is available at $5 (prepaid) from Nan Berg, NELA, P. O. Box 273, Holden, MA 01520.

The second volume of the Index to New England Periodicals, now in progress, incorporates changes in format designed for easier use, including a combined subject, illustration, and author index with differentiating typefaces. Ten titles have been added to the coverage. Annual subscriptions (three quarterly indexes with annual cumulation) are $35 ($45 if cumulation is hardbound) from the Atlantic Indexing Company, P. O. Box 262, Brookline, NH 03033, (603) 673-7994. This is the only index available for many of the local journals covered.

The directory of ethnic library resources in New England, which is being compiled by the NELA Ethnic Services Task Force, should be ready for distribution in early 1979. It is expected to serve as a “working” edition that will be amplified as more libraries and other ethnic resources add reports of their holdings.

• An eighty-one-page pamphlet, the proceedings of a program sponsored by the Committee on Statistics for Reference Services of LAD/LOMS at the 1976 ALA Annual Conference, is now available from the Library Administration and Management Association of ALA.

The publication includes seven papers by librarians and others who are deeply involved in attempts to develop a reliable method for measuring reference service. The authors include Kathryn J. Gesterfield, director, Illinois State Library, writing on the use of statistics at the state level; Theodore Drews, discussing the National Center for Educational Statistics; Katherine Emerson, archivist, University of Massachusetts, on national reporting on reference transactions; and Vern P. Pings, Wayne State University, writing on reference services accountability and measurement.

The pamphlet is available for $2 from the Library Administration and Management Association, American Library Association, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611.

• The automation of acquisitions functions has helped standardize processes and has resulted in more efficient use of staff, but few libraries report reduced costs for processing as a result of automation, according to a recent SPEC Kit and Flyer, Automated Acquisitions in ARL Libraries (May 1978, #44).

The two-page flyer and ninety-five-page kit report on the results of a recent SPEC survey, which was answered by seventy-seven ARL libraries. Of that number, thirty-six have instituted some kind of automated acquisition activities. Most libraries use campus-wide computers and a batch or combination batch-on-line mode of operation. Of libraries without automated acquisitions, most cite lack of funds as the main prohibitive factor. The most often reported applications of automation are for order generation, claiming, and record keeping.

Kit #44 contains analysis of SPEC survey responses, two planning documents, three descriptions of system use, and four evaluation documents. It is available to SPEC subscribers and ARL members for $7.50, and to all others for $15.00, prepayment required, from: Office of Learning Resources

The Fourteenth Annual Community College Learning Resources Conference, to be held in conjunction with the North Carolina Learning Resources Conference on March 26, 27, and 28, 1979, at the Sheraton Center Inn in Charlotte, will have as its theme "Realities for Learning Resources." Societal and economic conditions will be discussed by James Wattenbarger, Department of Educational Administration, University of Florida. Political realities will be the subject of a presentation by Julie Virgo, ACRL executive secretary, while Alice Naylor and Joleen Bock of Appalachian State University will share their insights on the front-desk image of the LRC. Other sessions will cover networking and resource sharing, using time effectively, and developing instructional material for learners. For more information contact Ernie Tompkins, 203 Groveland Ave., Raleigh, NC 27607.
Correction

With respect to the October 1978 News issue (B) of College & Research Libraries, vol.39, no.6, p.279, I fear that I may have been misquoted in your report on my remarks at the New England Chapter of the ACRL Conference on "Alternative Catalogs."

The last sentence of your paragraph on my remarks reads "... that through-put speed be emphasized over precision in bringing an individual record into agreement with an institution's holdings."

I should like to take this brief opportunity to clarify the point that I may have attempted to make with some brevity.

Each library should consciously select those criteria upon which a decision will be made whether or not to accept the match between the shelflist item and a MARC record already converted. These criteria can include main entry, title, edition, imprint, collation, and series statements. Certain conditions of discrepancy in all or some of these descriptive cataloging entries may be accepted in the interest of completing the work in hand in a respectively short amount of time. The point to be made, though, is that certain of these discrepancies cannot be ignored in the final analysis. For example, you may accept short-term inadequacies with respect to completeness of entry in the main entry match, but some post-editing should be done in order to check for consistent spelling, syntax, punctuation, and uniformity of the heading.

The key point is that there are two steps in conversion. The first step is selecting individual records and determining that you are indeed identifying the same edition or imprint and that the cataloging is essentially acceptable to the institution performing the conversion. The second part of the conversion is to edit sets of related filing entries in order to determine what revisions must be made to choice of entry and form of heading.

This, then, leads to my statement that it is necessary for management to predefine "guidelines" to aid editing teams in both phases of the conversion.

Based upon our experience with large-scale conversions in the academic community we have found that it is very important to make this distinction in order that the project is completed in a reasonable amount of time and with a reasonable amount of cost and with benefits to users in both public and technical services in a respectively short amount of time.—Michael J. G. Moen, Blackwell North America, Inc.


• A staff development directory and bibliography has been released by the ALA/LAMA Personnel Administration Section's Staff Development Committee. Called Staff Development in Libraries: A Directory of Organizations and Activities, with a Staff Development Bibliography, it is the second edition of the publication. The first issue was compiled as a handout for the participants in the Staff Development Resources Forum and Fair held during the 1976 Annual Conference of the ALA. The directory of organizations has been revised, but the bibliography is the same as was included in the first edition. The compilers, under the direction of John DePew of Florida State University, wish to be notified of other organizations involved in staff development that were missed in the present directory.

The thirty-four-page directory includes fourteen organizations known to be active in the field of staff development and provides information about each, such as funding sources, organizational objectives, program areas, publications, availability of training materials, and consultants. The bibliography, compiled by Andrea Hawkins and Charles Bolles, contains thirty-three annotated entries under the headings "Bibliography of Bibliographies," "Management," and "Staff Development Programs."

The directory is available for $2 from the Library Administration and Management Association, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611; telephone: (312) 944-6780, ext. 301.

• In January 1979 Ablex Publishing Corporation will publish Volume 1, Number 1 of Library Research. This new quarterly journal will report results of library and library-related research to practicing librarians, pointing up the application of new research to the planning, management, and operation of libraries.

Library Research invites manuscripts covering recently completed research related to libraries and librarianship. Send to Melvin J. Voigt, Central University Library C-075, University of California, San Diego, La Jolla, CA 92093; or to the associate editors, Millicent D. Abell, Central University Library C-075, University of California, San Diego, La Jolla, CA 92093; Thomas J. Waldhart, College of Library Science, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY 40506; Ellen Altman, Graduate Library School, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN 47401.

• The popular Video and Cable Guidelines for Librarians is still available from the Library and Information Technology Association of ALA. Many librarians have used it as their beginning orientation into the world of video and many libraries have used it as a staff development manual. It has also been used as a textbook in library schools.
The handbook is intended for anyone who is interested in gaining a view of the use of video in libraries and who would like to understand the technology without fighting technical jargon. It is also of value in ascertaining who the leaders are in the field.

Some of the chapters include video for library services, video for patron use, programming for special groups, financing, hardware, sources for programming, software, regulations and franchising, and community organization and resources. The book includes checklists of things to do, sources for information, and an extensive annotated bibliography.

Copies are available (prepaid only) at $3.50 each from the Library and Information Technology Association, American Library Association, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611. Please make checks payable to the American Library Association. Payment must be included with the order.

• Academic library directors report that the development of alternative funding sources is becoming an integral part of their job, according to the October 1978 SPEC Flyer/Kit External Fund Raising in ARL Libraries (#48). The two-page flyer notes that as budgets grow more restrictive and as university capital funding seems less able to meet library needs, research and academic libraries are supplementing appropriated funds with monies from large and small foundations, local businesses, endowments, individual gifts, friends groups, and alumni.

The flyer reviews fund-raising strategies, provides updated information on foundations, and discusses needs and trends. The accompanying 106-page kit contains a portion of a Council on Library Resources fellowship report on outside support for book funds, listings of selected foundations that support academic libraries, descriptions of ARL library fund-raising programs, and samples of ARL library literature prepared especially for fund-raising purposes.

Flyer/Kit #48, External Fund Raising, is available for $7.50 to ARL members and SPEC subscribers and for $15.00 to all others from: SPEC, Office of Management Studies, Association of Research Libraries, 1527 New Hampshire Ave., N.W., Washington, DC 20036.

• A thirty-page caricature index to David Levine's drawings in the New York Review of Books from Vol. 1 (1963) through the fifteenth-anniversary issue (October 1978) has just been compiled by Joseph Drazan and Phyllis Sanguine. The index of about nine hundred entries is available in reprographic form for $3 from Penrose Memorial Library, Whitman College. Walla Walla, WA 99362. Checks, cash, or money orders accepted only. No invoicing.

• The Oral History Program of Claremont Graduate School has published a bibliography of the interviews the program has taped since its founding sixteen years ago.

Each of the 151 entries includes a paragraph of background information about the person interviewed and about the subject. The index cross-lists the entries by subject, including aviation, California state and local history, China missionaries, the citrus industry, education, ethnic studies, industry, law, literature, migratory labor, movies and theater, music and art, origins of the atomic bomb project, and Paris expatriates.

The thirty-two-page booklet, A Bibliography, may be ordered from the oral history director, Enid H. Douglass, at $2.60 a copy, including postage. The full address is Oral History Program, Claremont Graduate School, Claremont, CA 91711.

• The secretariat of the Seminar on the Acquisition of Latin American Library Materials (SALALM), Benson Latin American Collection, University of Texas at Austin, has just released no. 4 of its Bibliographic Series: Colombian Serial Titles in the University of Illinois Library at Urbana-Champaign. Written by Sara de Mundo Lo, modern languages and linguistics librarian (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign), with the collaboration of Beverly Phillips (University of Wisconsin at Madison), it also contains a historical essay on the development of Colombian serial bibliographies and an annotated bibliography of sources.

Conference a Success

I suspect that all concerned with the planning and execution of the Boston conference are still glowing from the praise and appreciation heaped upon them by conference participants, attenders, and exhibitors. This brief note of thanks, then, may be redundant, but that seems a lesser risk than not publicly expressing our thanks to everyone whose time, energy, imagination, and dedication contributed to the total event—in particular, to George Parks, Diane Lutz, Richard Johnson, Carol Ishimoto, and the ACRL staff.

I can testify to the success of the conference no more eloquently than by quoting a well-known university librarian who is not renowned for being sentimental or unduly charitable: "I have never seen, in my years in the profession, quite such a sense of professional concern and commitment as I saw there. . . . There was a great feeling of the unique and demanding role of academic and research librarians and libraries."

If that expresses the feelings of a large number of those who attended—and I'm certain it does—the conference fulfilled all that was hoped for. Again, thanks to all concerned.—Evan Ira Farber, President, ACRL.
The University of Kansas Libraries wish to announce the publication of Collection Development Policy. This three-hundred-page document is designed to define the clientele served by some sixty subject collections, state the guidelines used to develop each collection, and assess the strengths and weaknesses of each collection. In addition, subject statements direct users to other sources of information in the state and region and refer them to other subject statements with related information. The policy document is indexed. Copies are available for $10 each by writing to the Collection Development Council, Watson Library, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS 66045.


American Music Project
The Resources of American Music History project is interested in receiving information on library collections and materials for the study of American music before World War II. Sheet music and scores, published and in manuscript, personal and organization papers, programs, announcements, catalogs, and early sound recordings will be described in a directory, to be published next year. The project is supported by a grant of $156,000 from the National Endowment for the Humanities and directed by Professor D. W. Krummel of the University of Illinois library school. While the work is now in its advanced stages, it is not too late to report on collections or to pass on suggestions, directed to Resources of American Music History, Music Building, University of Illinois, Urbana, IL 61801.

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