In the News

This issue provides a wide range of topics for your perusal. William A. Moffett, director of the Huntington Library, shares with us his reasons for making the Dead Sea Scrolls available to the general public. (It’s not every day a librarian’s action captures the world’s attention.) Cathy Henderson, chair of ACRL’s Rare Books & Manuscripts Section, offers us a commentary on the issues of access and restriction, in light of the Huntington Library’s announcement.

ACRL President Anne Beaubien stresses how important it is for all of us to become actively engaged in recruiting talented people into the profession. A story on an innovative program at UCLA details what they are doing to recruit African Americans to library and information science.

Jon Eldredge depicts for us the many award-winning programs offered by friends of academic library groups. If your library is not a member of Friends of Libraries U.S.A. (FOLUSA) you may want to consider joining to tap into their resources.

Robert Martin reports on the recent Society of American Archivists (SAA) meeting. This group is also examining the question of whether or not social factors should be taken into account when selecting meeting sites.

The ACRL National Conference Committee announced that noted women’s studies scholar Catherine Stimpson will speak at the ACRL conference in Salt Lake City. Blaine Hall offers readers some enticing descriptions of the diverse library collections available in Salt Lake.

I encourage you to take a few moments to review ACRL’s 1990-91 Annual Report included in this issue. I’d also like to ask each of you to consider submitting to “News from the Field” brief descriptions of innovative activities underway in academic libraries that would be of interest to C&RL News readers. A longer description of what is sought is found on page 677.

—Mary Ellen K. Davis
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Library/Book Fellows set off for foreign posts

Twelve individuals have been selected to represent ALA and U.S. librarianship as Library Fellows. The joint program of the ALA and the United States Information Agency (USIA) places U.S. library and publishing professionals in institutions overseas for up to a year.

The Fellows have appointments of varying length; all will be completed by August 1992. The following people have confirmed their appointments:

Anthony M. Angiletta, chief of general reference at Stanford (Calif.) University, will teach at Humboldt University in Berlin, Germany.

Jitka Hurych, head of the Science and Engineering Department at Northern Illinois University in DeKalb, will present seminars at the All-Union Library of Foreign Literature in Moscow, USSR.

Ann Montgomery Smith, director of libraries and curator of special collections at Wentworth Institute in Boston, Mass., will teach seminars at the Colegio de Bibliotecologos del Peru in Lima.

Barbara Rush, director of the U.F.S.D. 10 Library-Media Center in Commack, N.Y., will teach courses at Kay Teachers’ College in BeerSheva and for the Israeli Ministry of Education and Culture.

Sue Sherif, public services librarian at the Fairbanks (Alaska) North Star Borough Public Library, will work at the University of Iceland in Reykjavik.

Stanley Elman, retired librarian from the Lockheed Aeronautical Systems Co. in Burbank, Calif., will assess automated applications at the National Library of Poland in Warsaw.

Maria-Solange Macias, programs librarian for the Miami-Dade (Fla.) Public Library System, will conduct in-service training for the library administration at the Banco del Libro in La Paz, Bolivia.

James Moldovan, librarian at the Library of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit in San Francisco, will teach courses at the Central University Library in Bucharest, Romania.

Gloria Fulton, associate librarian at Humboldt State University in Arcata, Calif., will work at the Bellegrade Public Library in Yugoslavia.

Debra McKern, preservation officer at Emory University in Atlanta, Ga., will survey the collection at the National Library of Egypt in Cairo.

Deborah V. H. Abraham, supervisor of the Reference Department at the Public Library of Brookline (Mass.), will help automate the Indian Institute of Management’s technical services operations in Calcutta, India.

Marjorie Rosenthal, assistant professor at the Palmer School of Library and Information Studies in Brookville, N.Y., will teach at Hebrew University’s Graduate School of Library and Archive Studies in Jerusalem, Israel.