Ray English has been appointed Azariah Smith Root director of libraries at Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio. English came to Oberlin as head reference librarian in 1979. In 1986 he was given the additional title of associate director and assumed the responsibilities of budget management and personnel administration. Last September he was named acting director of libraries, following the resignation of William A. Moffett, who is now director of the Huntington Library in San Marino, California. English graduated with honors in German from Davidson College in 1969, and he holds a master’s degree and Ph.D. in German literature from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He also earned the MLS at Chapel Hill. Before coming to Oberlin he worked in libraries at the University of Virginia and Duke University. He has published articles on both library issues and German literature. Active in professional organizations, English is a member of two ACRL committees: the Academic Library Statistics Committee and the College Library’s Section CLIP Notes Committee. At the ALA annual conference next summer, English will chair a LAMA program on library budget priorities.

Arthur C. Gunn has been appointed chief librarian at Hunter College of the City University of New York. He comes to Hunter from Wayne State University, where he was on the library school faculty. Prior to joining the faculty at Wayne State, Gunn served as director of the Afro-American Library at the University of Pittsburgh for three years. He has also been head of public services for the Founders Library at Howard University. Gunn has an MSLS from Atlanta University and a doctorate from the University of Pittsburgh. His research interests include early education opportunities in librarianship for blacks.

Diane H. Smith has been promoted to the position of chief of the humanities and social sciences department at Penn State’s University Libraries, University Park. Before accepting this appointment, Smith was project leader for the computer-based resources and services team at the University Libraries. Prior to 1989, she served Penn State as documents librarian, head of the documents section, and head of the documents and maps section. She completed her undergraduate studies at Mary Washington College in Virginia and holds two master’s degrees: an MLS from the University of North Carolina and an MBA from Penn State.

People in the news

Hiram L. Davis, director of Michigan State University Libraries in East Lansing, has been appointed to the Library of Michigan Board of Trustees by Governor James Blanchard. He replaces Peter Kempel of Cooley Law School, Lansing, as a representative of Michigan academic libraries. The appointment is for three years.
JOANNE R. EUSTER has been elected to the board of directors of CAUSE for a three-year term, beginning in 1991. Euster, who is vice president for information services and university librarian at Rutgers University, is a former president of ACRL and is chair-elect of the Research Libraries Group.

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Appointments

(Appointment notices are taken from library newsletters, letters from personnel offices and appointees, and other sources. To ensure that your appointment appears, write to the Editor, ACRL, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611-2795.)

GORDON T. AAMOT has been appointed head of the Business Administration Library at the University of Washington, Seattle.

RALPH ALBERICO has been named head librarian of the Undergraduate Library at the University of Texas at Austin.

ELIZABETH ANDREWS has been appointed reference archivist in Archives and Special Collections at Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge.

NANCY BIERSCHEK has been appointed assistant executive director for administrative services at the Houston Academy of Medicine-Texas Medical Center Library.

DAMON CAMILLE has been appointed assistant executive director for library services at the Houston Academy of Medicine-Texas Medical Center Library.

MICHELE VALERIE CLOSSON is now an assistant professor in the Graduate School of Library and Information Science at the University of California, Los Angeles.

WILLIAM P. COLLINS, has been named Chief of the Cataloging Division of the Copyright Office at the Library of Congress.

MICHELE CRUMP is now an acquisitions librarian at the University of Florida, Gainesville.

MARTHA E. DAVIS has been appointed technical services librarian of the M.W. Bell Library at Guilford Technical Community College in Jamestown, North Carolina.

MARK DIMUNATION has been selected to head Cornell University's Rare Book Department in the Olin Library in Ithaca, New York.

CHRIS FERGUSON is now head of Central University Library's Research Services Department at University of California, San Diego.

ROBERT GRAPPO has been appointed head of reader services at John Jay College of Criminal Justice Library in New York City.

ROSEMARY HADDAD has been promoted to head, rare books and preservation, at the Canadian Centre for Architecture in Montreal, Quebec.

JANNETTE HARTLEY is now technical services coordinator at Miller Library, Washington College, Chestertown, Maryland.

SUSAN SARE POLITANO HAYNES has been appointed associate librarian for collection services at George Mason University, Fairfax, Virginia.

JAN JORGENSEN has accepted the position of U.S. documents head at Coe Library, University of Wyoming, Laramie.

ROBIN LECKBEE has accepted a position as special collections librarian at Lake Forest College, Illinois.

MIRANDA LEE has accepted a temporary appointment as a science reference librarian at the University of California, Riverside.

JANICE LINDQUIST has been named serial acquisitions librarian at the University of Missouri-Kansas City Libraries.

MARILYN LUTZKIN has been promoted to chief librarian at John Jay College of Criminal Justice Library in New York City.

PATRICIA LYSK has been named acting head of the Hamber Library, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, for the period December 1, 1990, to June 30, 1992.

GUILLERMO NANEZ FALCON is now head of the

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Latin American Library at Tulane University in New Orleans.

**Bonnie Nelson** has been appointed deputy chief librarian at John Jay College of Criminal Justice Library in New York City.

**Rosanna M. O’Neill** has been appointed chief of the Cataloging Department at Pennsylvania State University Libraries.

**Rose Marie Oniewski** has been appointed head of documents and microforms at the University of South Alabama, Mobile.

**Arlene Parker** has been appointed the access services librarian at Harvard University’s Countway Library of Medicine in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

**Betsy Porter** has accepted the position of head of reference at Coe Library, University of Wyoming, Laramie.

**Isabel Del Carmen Quintana** has been appointed cataloging librarian in the Tozzer Library at Harvard University.

**Volante Russell** has been appointed assistant librarian in the Law Library at the University of California, Los Angeles.

**Shabon K. Scott** has been named serials librarian at the University of Nevada, Reno.

**Ruth Shoge** is now reference and instruction librarian at Washington College in Maryland.

**Regina Sinclair** is the newest Mellon Intern in the Preservation Department at Stanford University Libraries, California.

**Dorman Smith** is now director of public services at Central Michigan University in Mount Pleasant.

**Madeleine Tainton** has been named media services director at Nazareth College of Rochester, New York.

**Richard Vaughn** is a newly appointed assistant librarian in acquisitions and serials control in the Law Library at Indiana University, Bloomington.

**Anna Wu** has been appointed physical sciences reference librarian at George Mason University, Fairfax, Virginia.

**Angela Yang** has been appointed multicultural services librarian at the University of California, Irvine.

**Elizabeth Zuelke** is a newly appointed visiting assistant librarian in government publications at Indiana University Libraries, Bloomington.

**Bernard Denham** has left the Stanford University Libraries after 23 years of service. Denham joined the staff in 1967 after taking his MLS from the University of California at Berkeley. Since 1974 he has been head of the Interlibrary Services Division.

**Wolfgang M. Freitag**, librarian of the Fine Arts Library at Harvard University, has announced that he will retire on June 30. Freitag, who recently received the Distinguished Service Award from the Art Libraries Society of North America (ARLIS/NA), has served the Harvard Library in various positions since 1951. In 1962 he left Harvard to become chief of the Undergraduate Library Division at Stanford, but he returned in 1964 when the fine arts post became open. Freitag will be teaching a course on art librarianship at Simmons College Graduate School of Library and Information Science and working on two publishing projects: the “Garland Artist Resource Manuals,” of which he is the general editor, and a new edition of his major work, *Art Books: A Basic Bibliography of Monographs on Artists*.

**Ann Nelson**, head of the Hamber Library at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, retired at the end of November. Nelson obtained her undergraduate degree at UBC in zoology and bacteriology and her BLS at the University of Toronto. Between 1949 and 1953 she worked as a librarian in various positions in British Columbia and Ontario, including two years in the Reference Division at UBC Library. She returned to the UBC Library in 1966, starting as a reference librarian in the Science Division. In 1972 she became head of the Institute of Animal Resource Ecology Institute Library, a position she held until the branch closed in 1982. After an assignment as acting deputy librarian in Woodward, she became head of Hamber Library, a new branch library at the site of Children’s, Grace, and Shaughnessy Hospitals.

**Deaths**

**Esther Willard Anell**, former serials cataloger, died at the Everglow Lodge in Pontiac, Illinois, on November 16, 1990, at the age of 92. She had retired in 1965 after 44 years of service at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, where she was in charge of reporting the library’s holdings to *New Serial Titles*. She was born in Shelby, Kansas, and was a graduate of the State University of Iowa. She received her BLS from the University of Illinois Library School in 1926.


Retirements

**George Black** has retired after 22 years as head of the Science Division at Morris Library, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale.

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During his tenure he worked ceaselessly to build Bancroft's collections and resources, with remarkable success. Before becoming director of the Bancroft, Hart taught with distinction in the English Department at Berkeley for more than four decades. He was made a Commander of the Order of the British Empire in 1963 for his services to literature. His publications reflect both his knowledge of American literature and his informed enthusiasm for the culture and history of California; they include The Oxford Companion to American Literature, now in its fifth edition, and A Companion to California, first published in 1978 and reissued in an expanded edition two years ago. He also wrote major works on Robert Louis Stevenson, Frank Norris, and Francis Parkman; a history of popular literary taste in the United States; and other works on various aspects of literary culture and taste. He was a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and the American Antiquarian Society, and he was awarded an honorary doctorate of humane letters by Mills College in 1978. Hart graduated from Stanford University in 1932 and received his Ph.D. from Harvard University in 1936. He was chairman of the English Department at Berkeley from 1955 to 1957 and again from 1965 to 1969. He also served as Berkeley's vice chancellor for academic affairs from 1957 to 1960.

W. STANLEY HOOLE, dean emeritus of University of Alabama Libraries, died December 12 at the age of 87. He served as director and dean of libraries at UA from 1944 until his retirement in 1973. He was a nationally known librarian, scholar, and author. A graduate of Wofford College, he received his doctorate in American history and literature at Duke University. He was responsible for the establishment of UA's Special Collections Department which was named the W.S. Hoole Special Collections Library in 1977. Prior to his tenure at UA, he served as librarian at Birmingham-Southern College, Baylor University, and North Texas University. One of the organizers of UA's library school, he served as the first professor there.

SISTER MARY DENNIS LYNCH, SHCJ, director of the library at Rosemont College, Ambler, Pennsylvania, died on November 14, 1990, at the age of 70. For 37 years she provided leadership in the library community of the greater Philadelphia area, and she was president of the Catholic Library Organization 1983-1985. She held several degrees, including the MLS from Catholic University of America, and was listed in Who's Who of American Women, Who's Who in Library Science, and Who's Who in American Education. She was a member of ACRL and served as an OCLC Users Council delegate.

SHEILA NEVILLE, who had worked in the University of British Columbia Libraries, Vancouver, for 20 years, died in December. She began her career in a part-time position in the Extension Library and, in 1973, was appointed as supervisor of the Reserve Book Collection and the Extension Library, a position she held until her retirement in 1985.

GERTRUDE WHITE, head of current periodicals at the Stanford University Libraries during the 1960s and 1970s, died December 23 after a stay in the hospital for heart related disorders. She is remembered at Stanford for her great spirits, her encouragement of young people, and the pleasure she took in her daughter’s success on the stage in New York.

ACRL membership booth volunteers

We need volunteer ACRL members to help us at our membership booth at ALA Annual Conference in Atlanta, Georgia, June 29–July 4, 1991.

All members interested in volunteering please call Betsy N. Hine, head, monograph cataloging, Indiana State University: (812) 237-2573.

ALA protests donation to Columbia

ALA is urging the Carnegie Corporation of New York to reconsider donating its archives to Columbia University. In a letter to David A. Hamburg, president of the Carnegie Corporation, ALA President Richard M. Dougherty said, "Although well intentioned, your gift is misplaced and ill-timed. Knowing of Carnegie's long and generous support of libraries, I am assuming you are not aware that the Columbia Board of Trustees recently announced its intent to close the School of Library Science—the country's oldest such program for librarians.

ALA believes this action to be shortsighted, Dougherty said. "In all of history, there has never been a greater need for those who would serve as information professionals."

Dougherty recognizes the distinguished nature of Columbia's libraries but that the decision to close the library school reflects a lack of commitment by the university. He said he is asking the Carnegie Corporation to reconsider its decision in favor of a college or university with a clear commitment to libraries, librarians, and those who benefit from their services.