Development." I focused on comparisons of ALAO and ACRL priorities and goals, an ACRL profile, ACRL’s role in continuing education, and the development of professional competencies. My final message to the group related to the role membership can and must play within ACRL to continue its growth and strength. Questions from the membership indicated a strong interest in ACRL.

The afternoon meetings addressed topics such as communication, educating middle management, student employee supervision, search and screen committees, and professional appraisals.

This was an ambitious, yet most successful meeting held by one of the largest and strongest ACRL chapters.—Hannelore B. Rader.

Texas, October 25. A humid 85-degree evening enveloped me as I stepped off the plane and received a most gracious Texas welcome from Maxine Johnston, Texas ACRL Chapter Chair. During a delicious Mexican dinner with Maxine and fellow program speaker Jacquelyn Morris, chair of the ACRL Ad Hoc College Library Standards Committee, I learned a great deal about the Texas Library Association, the Texas ACRL Chapter, and Texas itself. Later on that night Maxine continued my orientation to Texas by walking with me around the campus of the University of Texas, Austin, and showing me the beautiful LBJ Presidential Library.

The program of this year’s Texas ACRL Chapter meeting focused on “Library Standards and Texas Academic Libraries.” It was my privilege to open the meeting, attended by approximately 60 librarians, with a presentation on “ACRL Programs and Priorities.” I discussed ARCL’s functions as our professional organization and compared ACRL’s goals and priorities to the Texas ACRL Chapter’s goals and priorities. This was followed by a summary of ACRL’s activities with particular emphasis on continuing education and standards. I ended with the future of ACRL and the importance of membership involvement in all ACRL activities.

Jacquelyn Morris discussed new ACRL standards, their development and future impact. Several Texas librarians provided a Texas perspective on the standards. Opportunity for questions and discussion after each presentation was most effective. Brooke Sheldon, past ALA president, provided a very thoughtful summary and overview.—Hannelore B. Rader.

Tri-State, September 19-20. Three ACRL chapters convened in Chicago for a series of presentations on the use of microcomputers. With support from the Chapters Special Programming Fund and planning by the Wisconsin, Indiana, and Illinois chapters, the program was highly successful.

After official greetings from Donna Goehner, conference chair, from each chapter’s official representative, and from the ACRL executive director, the program began by examining the issue of stress, particularly stress caused by the introduction of technology into library operations. Charles Bunge from the University of Wisconsin School of Library and Information Studies made an enjoyable and insightful presentation.

Workshops on a variety of microcomputer-related topics were held Thursday afternoon and Friday. About 120 members of the three chapters benefited from this activity, which addressed a member-identified need in a useful and engaging manner.—JoAn Segal.

News from the Field

Acquisitions

* Carnegie-Mellon University Libraries, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, has acquired the calligraphy and type design collection of professor emeritus of calligraphy Arnold Bank. The collection represents Bank’s own calligraphy, the work of his colleagues and students, his teaching exercises, and a substantial number of historical samples of calligraphy and typography. It also contains work Bank executed for commissions, including the Rockefeller Center Credo, the Scott Paper Alphabet Series, and bronze plaques and stained glass for the university. Bank was professor of graphic arts in the university’s Design Department from 1960 to 1974.

* Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, has acquired a complete collection of the first editions of Sir Henry Rider Haggard, who published 85 volumes of novels and romances between 1882 and 1930. The collection, which also includes a significant amount of autograph material and other ephemera, should prove useful to literary historians studying these works of the late Victorian and Edwardian eras.

Duke’s Music Library has purchased the music collection of the eminent Viennese musicologist and bibliographer Alexander Weinmann. The collection of over 3,000 items was assembled by Weinmann during his years of studying and cataloging the output of 18th and 19th century Austrian com-
posers and publishers. Among the composers represented in the collection are Johann Strauss (both elder and younger), Carl Czerny, Gaetano Donizetti, Franz Liszt, Gioacchino Rossini, and Carl Maria von Weber. In addition to printed music, the collection contains several Weinnmann manuscripts.

• The Georgetown University Library has received the first two editions (1586 and 1591) of the Ratio studiorum, the set of guidelines that directed Jesuit liberal education for more than 300 years. Both volumes are featured in a Special Collections Division exhibit titled “The Society of Jesus 1540-1773: Rare Books and Manuscripts,” which marks the 400th anniversary of the publication of the Ratio studiorum. Both editions are extremely rare, with no other copy of either recorded in the United States, and fewer than half a dozen copies of each recorded in Europe. The Jesuit order, which established its first college in 1545, placed a high priority on the founding of schools and colleges for the education of clerics and laymen, and the Ratio studiorum was designed to govern educational policies and procedures. The Georgetown volumes come from the collection of early books belonging to English bibliophile Sir Leicester Harmsworth. They came onto the open market when the last part of his collection was dispersed at auction in 1948 and had been in a private American collection since the early 1950s. The gift was supported by Georgetown graduates Homer V. Hervey, Paul Straske, and by Mrs. S. B. Straske.

• Harvard University’s Museum of Comparative Zoology Library has received books, papers and ephemera from the private library of noted entomologist William Morton Wheeler (1865-1837). Wheeler, who specialized in the study of ants, was also renowned as a lecturer, writer, linguist, historian of science, and social philosopher. His Harvard career included service as professor of entomology, dean of the Bussey Institution for Research in Applied Biology, and curator of entomology at the Museum of Comparative Zoology. The collection includes 187 volumes of historical interest, the earliest from 1671; 35 boxes of administrative and scientific papers; 8 boxes of reprints; and 6 boxes of illustrations. The gift adds significantly to the university’s resources for the study of early 20th century biology, and will shed light on the history of the Bussey Institution as well. The collection is a gift of Wheeler’s grandsons, William M. Wheeler Jr., and Paul S. Wheeler.

• The Lake Forest College Library has received the papers, library and memorabilia of Joseph Medill Patterson, founder in 1919 of the tabloid New York Daily News. The collection, a gift of Patterson’s son James, records the operations of the nation’s first tabloid and largest circulation paper. Patterson was a member of the Medill-Patterson-McCormick newspaper dynasty that founded the Chicago Tribune. The collection covers the period from 1910, when Patterson assumed co-editorship of the Tribune with Robert R. McCormick, to Patterson’s death in 1946. The papers include Tribune, Daily News, and corporate-related correspondence, exchanges with major writers and political figures, family letters, and files on other Patterson interests, including flying, the military, Groton, and personal business (real estate, farming, and trusts).

• Trinity University’s Maddux Library, San Antonio, Texas, recently purchased the 7,000-volume library of Professor Benjamin Nelson (Ph.D., Columbia, 1944). Nelson, who died in 1978, was for over three decades a pre-eminent medievalist and sociologist and the author of the classic study The Idea of Usury: From Tribal Brotherhood to Universal Otherhood (1949).

The Maddux Library has also purchased a 700-volume collection once owned by William C. Sullivan, chief inspector and assistant director of the FBI under J. Edgar Hoover. The principal focus of the collection is the Soviet Union and U.S. communism. Included are 73 anti-communist pamphlets from the 1940s and 1950s published by such organizations as the Catholic War Veterans, the Queen’s Work, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, the American Federation of Labor, and the Congress of Industrial Organizations.

In October the Maddux Library added its 500,000th volume. Chosen for the occasion was a two-volume set, The History of the Valorous and Wittie Knight-Errant Don Quixote of the Mancha, the first English-language translation of Cervantes’s masterpiece. The volumes were originally published in 1612 and 1620, and were reprinted in 1927 by the Ashendene Press.

• The University of Missouri-Columbia’s Ellis Library has received a substantial collection of books on China and Japan in honor of Professor Robert Milton Somers (1942-1983), who taught at the University from 1976 to 1983. The core of his library consists of approximately 1500 titles on a wide range of Japanese and Chinese topics. Represented are many titles, often rare out-of-print works, on the history and civilization of the two

Public relations

The ACRL Public Relations in Academic Libraries Discussion Group will be discussing the topic of “Building Bridges with Faculty: PR Approaches” from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. on Monday, January 20, 1986. The featured presenters will be Claudia Baldwin from California State University, Dominguez Hills (on faculty receptions); Anne Lipow from the University of California, Berkeley (on faculty seminars); and David Taylor from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, (on faculty newsletters).

The meeting will be held in the Grant Park Room of the Americana Congress Hotel.
countries, as well as comparative studies on peasantry, social change, and empire.

News Note

• The Francis Bacon Library, Claremont, California, will hold the 1986 Bacon Birthday Celebration on January 22. Sponsored by the library in cooperation with the Claremont Graduate School, the Bacon Celebration is now in its thirteenth year. Henry Gibbins, Claremont Graduate School, will speak on “Some Perspectives on the New Atlantis,” at 4:00 p.m. in the Founders Room, Hannold Library. After the talk a reception to toast the 425th anniversary of Bacon’s birth will be held at The Francis Bacon Library, where rare books and manuscripts will be displayed. For further information, phone (714) 624-6305.

Profiles

David A. Baldwin has been appointed associate director of libraries for public services at the University of Wyoming, effective September 3. He was formerly curriculum librarian and assistant to the university librarian at Boise State University, a post he held since 1977. Prior to his work at Boise he was media consultant for the Grant Wood Area Education Agency in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, for eight years. Baldwin received his MLS from the School of Library and Information Science at the University of Iowa in 1974. He has had extensive experience in the management of educational media and curriculum materials and with library microcomputer applications.

Dennis Reynolds is now executive director of CAPCON, a library network headquartered in Washington, D.C., that provides OCLC and other technology-related services to libraries in the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia. After receiving his MLS from the University of Chicago, Reynolds was appointed reader services librarian at Knox College in 1977. He joined the staff of the Bibliographical Center for Research in 1979, where he successively held the positions of Systems Specialist in the Resource Sharing Division, head of the OCLC Services Department, and manager of the Bibliographic Systems and Services Program. Reynolds is the author of Library Automation: Issues and Applications, published earlier this year by the R.R. Bowker Co. He currently chairs the ACRL Continuing Education Courses Advisory Committee.

Catherine W. Chen has been named director of libraries for the Northwood Institute, Midland, Michigan. Head librarian for the college’s Midland

Environment exchange on planning and evaluation

The LAMA/LOMS Planning and Evaluation of Library Services (PELS) Committee will sponsor an open meeting at the ALA Midwinter Conference to provide an opportunity for librarians interested in the planning and evaluation of library services to exchange ideas in an informal setting. Members of committees with a similar focus in other ALA divisions are particularly welcome to attend.

The Committee wants to hear from librarians who are interested in and knowledgeable about: various types of planning processes; existing methodologies for evaluation; ways of measuring library effectiveness; preparing the library staff for planning and evaluation activities.

The open meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 19, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. For more information, contact Meredith Butler, University Library 108, State University of New York at Albany, 1400 Washington Avenue, Albany, NY 12222; (518) 442-3565.