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ATLA HOLDS FORTY-FOURTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE
IN EVANSTON, ILLINOIS

The American Theological Library Association held its forty-fourth annual conference on the campus of Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois, June 25-28, 1990. The host institution was the United Library of Garrett-Evangelical and Seabury-Western Theological Seminaries; and the host librarians were Alva R. Caldwell and Newland F. Smith, 3rd. Approximately 210 members and friends of the Association were in attendance. The program for the conference was prepared by the Program Committee consisting of Alva R. Caldwell, Linda Corman, Sara J. Myers, Newland F. Smith, 3rd, and David Bundy, Chair. H. Eugene McLeod, Librarian of the Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Wake Forest, North Carolina, and President of the Association, presided.

Prior to the formal opening of the conference, four Continuing Education Programs were available during the morning and afternoon of Monday, June 25: "Theological Uniform Titles" led by Judy Knop and Barry Hopkins; "Disaster Preparedness" led by Bonnie Jo Collison; "Organizing Religious Curriculum Materials" led by Linda J. Vogel; and "Conflict Management" led by Richard L. Olsen. Monday evening began with the initial session of the conference which featured the Welcome and the Presidential Address by H. Eugene McLeod. The Opening Reception, sponsored by the ATLA Preservation Board and held in the Seabury-Western Library, brought the day's activities to an end.

Tuesday morning opened with an address, "Globalization and Theological Libraries" by Robert Schreiter of the Catholic Theological Union in Chicago. This was followed by the first Business Session of the conference. The afternoon featured a special session for the presentation and discussion of the plan for the reorganization of the Association, and a meeting of the OCLC Theological Users Group. On Tuesday evening there were meetings of the eight denominational groups: Anglican/Episcopal, Baptist, Campbell-Stone, Lutheran, Methodist, Presbyterian/Reformed, Roman Catholic, and United Church of Christ.

Wednesday's program began with an address entitled "Guidelines for Librarians Interacting with South Africa" by Al Ragan of the University of Connecticut at Storrs. Members then had a choice of four papers: "Recent Scholarship on Mormonism" by William C. Miller of the Nazarene Theological Seminary; "At All Times and In All Places, or, Each One in His or Her Own Place: Universality and/or Cultural Particularity in the Liturgy" by Leonel Mitchell

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of Seabury-Western Theological Seminary; "Catch Them on the Porch: Method and Madness in Oral Historical Research" by Larry Murphy of Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary; and "Global Feminist Networking" by Rosemary Ruether of Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary. The morning closed with meetings of three interest groups: Microcomputer Users, Bib-Base Users, and RLIN Users. Both the afternoon and evening were left free of scheduled activities.

Thursday morning provided a choice of three workshops: "Bibliographic Instruction: Bringing the Faculty On Board" led by Betsy Baker and Marilee Birchfield of Northwestern University; "Ecumenical and Intercultural Christian Historiography" led by O. C. Edwards of Seabury-Western Theological Seminary and Rosemary Jermann of Theology Digest; and "Managing Financial Information in Libraries" led by Roger L. Loyd of the Perkins School of Theology and Mary R. Bischoff of the Jesuit/Krauss/McCormick Library in Chicago. The second Business Session of the conference followed.

Thursday afternoon presented a choice of four papers: "John Henry Newman: His Via Media" by Lynn Feider of Nashotah House; "Acquiring Spanish Language Materials" by Curt Bochanyin of the University of Chicago; "On the Deuteronomic Law Code and the Politics of State Centralization" by Naomi Steinberg of DePaul University; and "Coping with Cultural Differences: A Major Task for Theological Education" by Ted Ward of Trinity Evangelical Divinity School. The afternoon and the formal conference program came to a close with the convening of the four Section Meetings: Bibliographic Systems, Public Services, Collection Evaluation and Development, and Publication.

Thursday evening brought the traditional closing reception, sponsored this year by the ATLA Preservation Board and the H. W. Wilson Company, and banquet. Following the banquet the guests were addressed by Dr. William Leshner, President of the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, who spoke on "Globalization and Its Significance for Theological Librarians"; and special music was provided by the Motet Singers from St. Mark United Methodist Church in Chicago. The forty-fourth annual conference ended with the passing of the presidential gavel from H. Eugene McLeod to James W. Dunkly.

The annual Summary of Proceedings of the ATLA, to be issued later in the year, will include the reports, papers, and addresses delivered at the conference.

The Association named Mary R. Bischoff, Director of the Jesuit/Krauss/McCormick Library in Chicago, Illinois, as Vice-president for 1990-91 and President-elect for the following year. James W. Dunkly, Librarian of the Episcopal Divinity School and Weston School of Theology in Cambridge, Massachusetts, will serve as President for the 1990-91 year. Elected to three-year terms as Members-at-Large on the Board of Directors were Norma S. Goertzen, Director of the Mellander Library of North Park Theological Seminary in Chicago, Illinois; and Russell O. Pollard, Head of Technical Services at the Andover-Harvard Theological Library of Harvard Divinity School in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Robert A. Dvorak, Pastor of the Winnetka Covenant Church in Winnetka, Illinois, was re-elected to a four-year term as a Class B Director on the Index Board. A complete roster of the officials of the ATLA, the membership of the Board of Directors, the membership of the various committees, and the holders of special appointments in the Association will be found elsewhere in this issue of the Newsletter.

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In the course of two Business Sessions on Tuesday, June 26, and Thursday, June 28, the members of the Association, acting on recommendations from the Board of Directors, took the following actions:

- bestowed honorary membership upon Fay Dickerson, who has served the Index Board for twenty-four years in a variety of capacities; Tamara Swora, Head of the Office of Preservation at the Library of Congress, who has served on the Preservation Board since its inception six years ago; Robert Markham, now retired, who served as Director of Programs for the Preservation Project from 1985 to 1988; and Letha Markham, who served with her husband as office coordinator;

- adopted the proposed amendment to the Association's Certificate of Incorporation printed in Attachment 3 to the President's letter to the ATLA membership dated April 19, 1990; and

- adopted the restated Bylaws as printed in Attachment 4 to the same letter and as amended by the Board of Directors.

In one session on Sunday, June 24, and two on Monday, June 25, the Board of Directors took the following actions:

- appointed Susan E. Sponberg as Executive Secretary of the Association, effective July 1, 1990;

- approved the establishment of Ms. Sponberg's office in space made available by the Index/Preservation offices in Evanston, Illinois;

- accepted the recommendation of the Financial Management Committee that at the expiration of the current terms for ATLA contracted services, such services be replaced by uncompensated services of Board of Directors members or ATLA staff persons; and

- approved the recommendation of the Financial Management Committee to change the Association's fiscal year from July 1-June 30 to September 1-August 31, to become effective September 1, 1990.

In its meeting on Friday, June 29, following the Association's adoption of the reorganization plan, the restructured Board of Directors took the following actions:

- affirmed all actions of the Board of Directors as constituted prior to the Bylaws revision of June 28, 1990, to be the actions of the present Board;

- voted that the officers previously elected by the membership of ATLA be confirmed as officers of the Board of Directors: President James W. Dunkly as Chair, Vice-president Mary R. Bischoff as Vice-chair, and Treasurer Robert A. Olsen, Jr. as Secretary-Treasurer;

- established four committees of the Board of Directors: the Executive Committee, the Financial Management and Personnel Committee, the Member Services Committee, and the Strategic Planning Committee;

- approved three committees of the Association: the Nominating Committee, the Program Committee, and the Historical Records Committee;

- recognized six interest groups within the Association and appointed a Board liaison to each: Automation and Technology, Collection Evaluation and Development, Public Services, Publication, Rare Books and Special Collections, and Technical Services;

- affirmed that the Executive Secretary be entitled to use the designation "Director of Member Services" when appropriate;

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- referred to the Executive Committee the expressed concerns of the membership relating to the appointment of non-librarians to the directorships of theological libraries;
- agreed to investigate ways of fostering the relationship between the ATLA and the Australian and New Zealand Theological Library Association; and
- set the next meeting of the Board of Directors for February 20-22, 1991, in the Chicago area.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Evanston lingers, both as a fond memory of an excellent annual conference and as an energizer for the year ahead. Renewed thanks must go to our hosts and to our Program Committee for all they did to make this kind of lingering happen for us. It was good to see so many of our members there.

Speaking of Evanston, the recent issue of Program Notes will have caught you up on much of what is happening on the third floor of 820 Church Street. That office continues to serve us all well through the index and preservation programs. Since the annual conference, a new form of service has begun there: Al Hurd and his colleagues have made the Executive Secretary's office welcome among them. Susan Sponberg has moved into that position smoothly and efficiently, and now nearly all the Association's business is done from a single address housing executive secretary, controller, and programs. Our thanks to Susan, Al, Patti Adamek, and all who work with them for handling an ever-increasing work load in a steadily productive way.

The new organization structure approved by the membership in June is now in place. The new Executive Committee of the Board of Directions (Mary Bischoff, Bob Dvorak, Gene McLeod, Sarah Miller, Bob Olsen, and myself, along with Patti Adamek, Al Hurd, and Susan Sponberg ex officio) will meet in October, and the full Board will gather in the winter. The Executive Committee's principal business will be to provide oversight and counsel to the index and preservation programs, as the old Index and Preservation Boards did, as well as to handle any other necessary Association business between meetings of the full Board of Directors. Thanks once more to the Task Force and to many others who put in a great many hours devising this fresh (and, we hope, more satisfactory) way of getting our work done.

Finally, my thanks to all of you for the trust you have shown me in electing me your president and for the support and advice many of you have already given me. I hope that you will write or call me with your ideas, your concerns, and your questions. In particular, I want to encourage our various interest groups to press ahead with their agendas and to get in touch with their Board liaisons or with me if we can be of any help.

Oh yes, one more thing: make plans now to be in Toronto next June. Don't let the opportunity to meet in that marvelous city pass you by.

James W. Dunkly
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THEOLOGICAL USERS GROUP REPORT

The Theological Users Group (TUG) met during the annual ATLA conference in Evanston with sixty persons attending. Christopher Brennan, Chair, presided. 1900-91 officers were elected. James Maney, Oblate School of Theology, was elected Chair and Roberta Hamburger, Phillips Graduate Seminary, was elected Treasurer and Newsletter Editor.

The program was provided by OCLC. Tom Claeson, TUG Liaison, spoke about union listing and the ATUG group data base. The ATUG data base contains 1.4 million unique bibliographic records, 4.5 million location symbols, and 57,000 serial holdings for 116 theological libraries. Tom suggested one possible way to expand and develop the data base. This would involve tape loading non-OCLC ATLA member libraries' machine readable records into the ATUG data base. Since access to ATUG is open to all ATLA members with dial-access equipment and communications software, this would increase the usefulness and value of the group data base.

Paul Cappuzzello, OCLC new product specialist, then described OCLC's newest service, SHARE-PAC, and how the ATUG data base could be distributed through the service. Libraries could purchase the SHARE-PAC CD-ROM disk containing the ATUG data base. Local libraries could program the system so searches reflect local holdings first. This would become, in effect, a public access catalog. If the title were not held locally, the search could expand to the group holdings for interlibrary loan processing.

Following the presentations, Chris Brennan asked for volunteers to form a small working committee to pursue these or other projects TUG could develop.

Anyone who would like to receive the Newsletter should remit a \$2.00 membership fee. Checks should be made payable to the Seminary Press and sent to Robert Hamburger, Phillips Graduate Seminary Library, P.O. Box 2218, University Station, Enid, Oklahoma 73702.

Roberta Hamburger

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

On the one hand, it seems like only yesterday that we were gathered here in Evanston, Illinois, for the 44th annual conference of ATLA. We shared ideas at board meetings, pre-conference workshops on disaster preparedness or uniform titles, plenary sessions on globalization and interacting with South Africa, papers on global feminist networking or John Henry Newman, workshops on bibliographic instruction or managing financial information, and so much more; made our voices heard at business meetings or at the special session on ATLA reorganization; renewed old friendships and made new ones at table; celebrated together at receptions and the lovely annual banquet.

On the other hand, so much has happened in the last month, that the last week in June seems like a lifetime ago. During this busy time of setting up the new Executive Secretary office facility and figuring out how best to get the work done, I often have remembered conversations - brief or lengthy - I had with various ATLA members at the conference and have received a lift from the memory. Thanks to all of you who offered expressions of congratulations, encouragement, and support. And special thanks to my predecessor, the Reverend Simeon Daly, and to Mary Ellen Seifrig for providing instruction, documentation, friendship, laughs, and emergency pastoral care as I launch into this new position.

The new office is shaping up into a comfortable, efficient work space. Boxes are unpacked; supplies are stashed away. It finally looks like an office instead of a storage room! In addition, I have been able to upgrade our computer equipment. I expect this to make many aspects of our work easier - correspondence, distribution of mailing labels, invoicing, even production of the Proceedings.

I have hired S. Marshall Poindexter to assist me in the office on a half-time basis. Marshall, a recent Northwestern University graduate, is a go-getter who already has helped immeasurably to set the office procedures in motion. I hope all of you will feel free to contact Marshall or me if you have ATLA member needs, questions, or suggestions. I particularly would like to urge the interest groups to communicate their needs to me, formally or informally.

Mailing labels and instructions have gone out to Materials Exchange Program participants. Please let us know if you do not receive your labels shortly.

Membership dues have been flowing into the office in a steady stream. If you have not already sent yours, please do it now! I also want to remind you to include a copy of our invoice with your payment, and to request that dues payments are not lumped together with remittances for Religion Indexes subscriptions or other payments.

We are hard at work on the Proceedings. Typing, editing, and formatting the dozens of reports and papers make a time-consuming task. Proceedings Editor Betty O'Brien and I have put our heads together to refine some procedures, and the Executive Director and the Marketing Director of the programs, Al Hurd and Janice Anderson, generously have been helping us to use the computer technology available here at the corporate offices. Our hope is that we can produce the most professional-looking book most expediently.

In addition to the routine tasks of the office of the Executive Secretary, I attended on August 2-3 an intensive strategic planning meeting

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conducted by Al Hurd, Executive Director of Programs, and by Richard Spoor, chair of the ATLA Board's Strategic Planning Committee. Also in attendance were key administrative, editorial, and technical personnel from the Religion Indexes, the International Christian Literature Documentation Project, and the Preservation Program. The group brainstormed on short- and long-range plans for everything from the marketing of the programs to computer needs to continuing education for ATLA members to a disaster preparedness plan for the corporate offices. These discussions were an extremely useful starting point for all who attended, but our work is not finished. Formal reporting will be done when these germs of plans have been fleshed out and refined.

Recently, I received a phone call from Bob Markham, former director of the Preservation Program. Bob reported that he and Letha are very pleased to have been made honorary members of ATLA and sent warm greetings from them both to all their ATLA friends.

Finally, I would like to say that, in the last month, I have noticed that I no longer seem to think of ATLA as a collection of discrete units - members, Board, interest groups, programs - but rather as one vital unit of interactive parts. Being the Executive Secretary of ATLA and being in the same location with the programs gives me a unique opportunity to see the big picture . . . and I really like what I see!

Susan E. Sponberg
Executive Secretary, ATLA

ATLA ACTS TO SUPPORT USE OF CHEMICALLY STABLE PAPER

In late June, the Board of Directors, at the instigation of the Collection Evaluation and Development Interest Group, wrote two letters commending ATLA's Resolution on the Use of Chemically Stable Paper. One of these letters went to ALA's Association for Library Collections and Technical Services. The second went out to forty-five publishers who produce books in the field of religion. Accompanying this second letter was a copy of the ATLA resolution and a questionnaire on the policy and practices of that particular publisher as they relate to the use of acid-free paper. I am tallying the publishers' responses and will report them to the ATLA membership in the next issue of the Newsletter. Thus far approximately half of the publishers have responded; of the respondents, all use acid-free paper in all or some of their books. As part of the ATLA membership's response to the resolution, we urge individual members to write their national representatives in support of the Pell joint resolution (S.J. Res. 57).

Christine Wenderoth
Board of Directors Liaison to the
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Development Interest Group

ATLA RECEIVES FIFTEEN NEW MEMBERS

The American Theological Library Association welcomes the following new members:

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BIBLIOGRAPHIC SYSTEMS SECTION BECOMES
TECHNICAL SERVICES DIVISION

About fifty ATLA members attended the "last" Bibliographic Systems Section meeting on June 28 at Northwestern University. First, a panel of catalogers considered the question "Cataloging Standards, Or, Are We Bibliographic Slaves or Free Catalogers?" The panel members described their policies on modification of LC and member copy records; checking authority files for headings; proofreading of copy and original cataloging copy; verification of LC class numbers in cataloging copy; and other issues. A brief discussion followed.

The section voted on a more descriptive name for the Bibliographic Systems Section. The winning name, Technical Services Division, was suggested by Dorothy Thomason, who received a coffee mug as a reward for her creativity. The members of the current Bibliographic Systems Committee will continue to serve for another year as ATLA reorganizes.

The newly named Technical Services Division will sponsor "working groups" to attack problems of common interest to ATLA members. Five were proposed:

1. A Theological Authority Record Project (TARP). Christopher Brennan, coordinator. Objective: create a vehicle for sharing authority records for names and titles which are not available in the LC Authority File. A fuller proposal appears elsewhere in this report.

2. ATLA/BTI CONSER Project (ABC). Clifford Wunderlich, coordinator. Objectives: enable ATLA libraries to contribute CONSER-level records to the national databases through the Boston Theological Institute CONSER authorization; upgrade the quality of serials cataloging by ATLA member libraries.

3. Uniform Titles Concerns. John Thompson, coordinator. Objectives: provide a forum for discussing problems with uniform titles for liturgical works, sacred works, etc.; produce useful documentation and examples.

4. Denominational Body Headings Project. Judy Knop, coordinator. Objective: create authority records for denominational bodies that are not represented in the LC Authority File. This is urgently needed as the ATLA Preservation Program begins to film and catalog works by and about now-defunct denominations.

5. LC Classification Concerns. Dolores Tantoco-Stauder, coordinator. Objectives: coordinate efforts to devise alternatives to inadequacies in the LC classification schedules, e.g., in canon law and St. Thomas Aquinas; communicate concerns to the Library of Congress.

These - and any other working groups that might be formed - would be expected to work together during the year and to meet on their own during the conference. Coordinators of viable working groups would also provide leadership for the Technical Services Division.

If you would like to participate in one of these working groups, or would like to make some suggestions for future ATLA programs or workshops, please return the enclosed questionnaire to John Thompson at the United Library, 2121 Sheridan Road, Evanston, Illinois 60201.

Program ideas for next year's ATLA meeting include a joint technical/public services presentation on "Looking at the Catalog from Both Sides"; an all-day continuing education program on serials cataloging; and perhaps a workshop on cleaning up local bibliographic databases. We would also like

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to include preservation and other non-cataloging issues in upcoming ATLA programs.

A Theological Authority Record Project. Arising from concerns repeatedly expressed by ATLA catalogers, it has been suggested that ATLA may want to distribute its own authority lists or records for names and uniform titles not currently online in the LC Name Authority File. Such a product would enable ATLA libraries to draw on the experience of others in dealing with problematic names and titles. Consequently, it would improve the quality of our headings and, hopefully, their usefulness to our patrons. Also, since the Library of Congress allows non-LC libraries to contribute authority records to the Name Authority File through the NACO (now the NCCP) project, this list would lay the groundwork for ATLA to eventually become an NCCP participant.

A few obstacles remain, however. The first is generating the interest to get the project off the ground. Earlier appeals have met with stunning silence. On the other hand, when the issue was raised at the continuing education workshop on Uniform Titles at this summer's ATLA conference, the proposal was greeted with strong support. The second is a mechanism to keep the list current and up-to-date. Since the Publication Committee currently publishes bibliographies on various topics on floppy disks, one possibility is to generate and distribute authority records in the same manner. (These arrangements have not been worked out yet with the Publication Committee.) A print product like the existing Current LC Subject Headings in the Field of Religion is another possibility.

This proposal has the whole-hearted support of the leadership of the Technical Services Division. Before it can get started, however, we need support at two levels. First, we need to know what sort of interest there is in contributing to and using such a shared authority file. Since we would be able to set our own standards for records, it should be possible for libraries to contribute records with minimal effort required. Second, we need some volunteers to do the planning and communication to get things going. This means determining the format for compiling and distributing the product; establishing guidelines for those contributing records; building up a mailing list; determining how much should be charged for the product; and so forth. (As you can see, work could be split between several people. This is also something that would look good on a resume!)

If you would like to get involved either as a member of a working group or as a contributor of authority records, please write to Christopher Brennan at the Ambrose Swazey Library, 1100 South Goodman Street, Rochester, New York 14620, or call him at 716-271-1320.

Keep Up-To-Date on New LC Subject Headings! Catalogers of theological materials everywhere can breathe a sigh of relief now that the Library of Congress has authorized them to use the subdivision "Religious aspects-- Buddhism [Christianity, etc.]" under the headings "Accidents"; "Burn out (Psychology)"; "Electricity" (!); and (we might stress that this is very important) "Magnetism." Who says that LC isn't keeping up with the times? Or that they aren't able to devise specific, I mean really SPECIFIC subject

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headings for things like "Non-Catholics in Catholic schools"? Or that they are unaware of current events: witness the authorization of the subject heading "Authors and publishers (Islamic law)."

If you want to be as up-to-date as the Library of Congress on these and other late-breaking subject headings, of course you already subscribe to Current LC Subject Headings in the Field of Religion - a quarterly updating service for religious and theological subject headings that costs just \$12.50 per year. With headings selected from the Weekly Lists of new subject headings issued by the Library of Congress, each issue is 15 to 20 pages long and provides a convenient way for your catalogers to scan the new, dropped, and changed subject headings.

Current LC Subject Headings in the Field of Religion is compiled by Alice Runis (Iliff School of Theology) under the auspices of ATLA's Technical Services Division. If you would like to be as well-informed as your ATLA colleagues, you can request a free sample page, or order a subscription for \$12.50 from Ms. Ferne L. Weimer, Billy Graham Center Library, Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois 60187-5593. Please make your checks payable to ATLA.

John Thompson, Chair
Technical Services Division

JOURNAL OF RELIGIOUS & THEOLOGICAL INFORMATION ANNOUNCED

The Haworth Press has announced plans to begin publication of a new periodical, the Journal of Religious & Theological Information. The Editor will be Dr. William C. Miller, Director of Library Services and Professor of Theological Bibliography at the Nazarene Theological Seminary in Kansas City, Missouri. Dr. Miller says of his plans, "Both international and pluralistic in scope, the journal aims to be the primary journal in the field of theological librarianship, bibliography, and information studies. A board of consulting editors who have continuing involvement with religious and theological information will assist the editor in maintaining awareness of developments in the fields covered."

The publisher adds, "The journal will fill a lacuna in the literature of library and information science. Other existing serial publications have more restricted editorial policies and tend to address the immediate issues of various associations of librarians responsible for religious or theological libraries. The Journal of Religious & Theological Information will complement these publications by its more inclusive editorial scope."

Subscription rates are \$18.00 for individuals, \$48.00 for institutions, and \$48.00 for libraries. Postage and handling are included. Overseas subscribers should add 40%; and subscribers paying in Canadian funds should add 25% for current exchange rate. Subscriptions and inquiries should be directed to: The Haworth Press, 10 Alice Street, Binghamton, New York 13904-1580. Librarians may request journal samples on their official letterhead sent to the foregoing address.

REPORT FROM RARE BOOKS INTEREST GROUP

"Behold, [we are] doing a new thing!" In the reorganization of ATLA, a new group has emerged, responding to various inquiries, and invites participation by the membership. The group, imaginatively titled "Rare Books Interest Group," is led for the moment by Paul Schrodtt at United Seminary in Dayton and the undersigned. About ten persons attended the initial discussion at the recent ATLA conference and expressed an interest in continuing to meet.

Briefly stated, the group's purpose is to foster exchange of information and expertise among the ATLA libraries which hold rare books and/or other special collections. The focus will first be on assisting libraries with small special collections to assess the best strategies for preserving and providing access to the collection, or, alternatively, for placing all or part of the collection outside of their libraries by whatever method - gift, sale, loan, etc.

Both the Toronto and Dallas conferences of ATLA offer significant opportunities for the group to pursue its various interests. We would receive inquiries gladly (dealers welcome!) and especially would welcome people who want to sign on as group members. Inquiries may be addressed to me at: Bridwell Library, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas 78275-0476.

Roger L. Loyd

JOEL W. LUNDEEN, 1918-1990

Joel Waldemar Lundeen died on April 12 in Grand Forks, North Dakota, following several years of declining health. He was 71 years old. Born in Yuehsien, Honan, China, to Lutheran missionary parents on May 24, 1918, he received his college and seminary education at Augustana College and Seminary in Rock Island, Illinois. In 1967 he was awarded the Master of Arts degree by the University of Chicago Graduate Library School. Following the completion of his seminary studies, he served congregations in Virginia, New Jersey, and Kansas; but in 1957 he returned to his alma mater to become seminary librarian. When Augustana Seminary became one of the founding constituents of the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, Joel Lundeen was named its Library Director. From 1958 to 1962 he also served as Director of the Archives of the Augustana Lutheran Church. Upon the formation of the Lutheran Church in America in 1962, he was named its Associate Archivist, the title "Associate" necessitated only because the Constitution of the LCA stipulated that the Secretary of the Church be the designated Archivist. He resigned his library position in 1975 and devoted the remainder of his professional career to his archival responsibilities. He retired from these in 1983. He was active in the Society of American Archivists, the Midwest Archives Conference, the Lutheran Historical Conference, the Augustana Historical Society, the Swedish American Historical Society, and the American Theological Library Association.

REPORT FROM ATLA LIAISON TO CC:DA

The ALA Committee on Cataloging: Description and Access (CC:DA) met in Chicago, Illinois, June 23-25, 1990, with Joyce L. Farris attending as Liaison from the ATLA.

Activities of IFLA Section on Cataloging, reported by Nancy John, ALA Representative:

ISBD(A) (ISBD for Antiquarian Books): The final text will be submitted to the ISBD Review Committee in August 1990 and should be ready for voting by late fall. With an affirmative vote, the revised text will be published in the summer of 1991.

ISBD(G): The harmonization process is complete, and the document was distributed for worldwide review, with comments due March 1, 1990. CC:DA submitted a 20-page document presenting general and specific suggestions for harmonizing, correcting or amending the draft revision.

GARE (Guidelines for Authority and Reference Entries): The cataloging activity is complete for names. Work is currently underway to analyze requirements for subject authorities and to develop guidelines for subjects within the framework set out in GARE. The International Association of Music Libraries is developing guidelines for music authorities.

New initiatives: IFLA is shifting its primary focus from the ongoing development of standards and guidelines for Universal Bibliographic Control to concerns relating to the implementation of that program in an environment that is increasingly affected by innovations in technology and by economic restraints. The 1990 conference in Stockholm will re-examine requirements and uses of bibliographic data in light of current technologies and explore alternatives to the existing modes and economics of bibliographic data creation. Discussions will focus on problems encountered in the process of establishing headings for corporate names; problems related to geographic qualification and to the treatment of initialisms and acronyms; and a proposal from the Library of Congress concerning guidelines for the simplification of descriptions created under ISBD(M) (ISBD for Monographs).

Bibliographic Description of Rare Books (BDRB): Ben Tucker, from the Library of Congress, has circulated to rare book librarian for comments a draft revision of BDRB with the expectation that it may be published in the fall of 1990. Among the topics under consideration are broader scope, access points, qualifying individual names, appendices, and a concordance.

Errors in the text of AACR2 Revised which will be reported by CC:DA to the Joint Steering Committee for the Revision of AACR (JSC):

1.1E5: The text should be "Transcribe other title information following the whole or part of the title proper or the parallel title to which it pertains."

13.1: The phrase in the first sentence, "for which a comprehensive entry has been made" has been added erroneously. Correction could be achieved by saying "might be made."

24.4C4: The last example should read: "Massachusetts Correctional Institution (Walpole, Mass.)" (not Institute); and its conflicting pair should be added: "Massachusetts Correctional Institution (Bridgewater, Mass.).":

Proposals for rule revisions approved by CC:DA, to be sent to JSC for their consideration:

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1.1C1: to delete footnote 2.4 and place the definition in the Glossary, changing the phrase "lat kit" to "press kit"; and to add the GMD "activity card" to List 2.

2.7B13: 1) to transfer the language of 2.7B13 to 1.7B13, including the example; 2) to change the rule at 2.7B13 and in subsequent chapters x.7B13 to read: "If the item being described is a dissertation, make a note as instructed in 1.7B13"; and 3) to add the same rule and an example to Ch. 10 as 10.7B13.

8.5B1: to add "activity card" to the list of SMDs.

21.31B1, 21.33A, and 21.35: 1) when the item being cataloged contains a work about or related to the legal document, to provide for cross references leading from Heading B, with the legal uniform title, to Heading A, with the same legal uniform title, deleting the existing provisions for added entries; 2) to add a new rule, "26.4B5. Legal titles. When a uniform title for a legal work applies to two or more governments and is entered under the heading for one of the governments according to 21.31B, 21.33A or 21.35, refer from the heading(s) for the other government(s) with the appropriate uniform title."

21.35D: to change the caption on the rule to "Other agreements involving jurisdictions," and to add a new rule, "21.35D4. Enter agreements between a government at any level and a non-governmental corporate body as instructed in 21.6C. For agreements involving international intergovernmental bodies, see 21.35B."

21.35F1, 21.35F2: to change the wording to allow entry under the heading for one party, referring from the heading(s) for one or two other parties, adding uniform titles to the headings as instructed in 25.16A1; and to add: "If such a collection has become known by a collective name, enter it under the uniform title for the name (see 25.16A1)."

25.1A: to insert as the third sentence: "Uniform titles are also used to differentiate between serials with identical titles proper"; and to add "6) for serials, whether a conflict exists in the catalogue against which the searching and cataloguing is being done."

25.2A: to insert as the second sentence: "For serials with identical titles proper, create a uniform title consisting of the title proper plus a qualifying term or terms (see 25.5B)."

25.5B1: to add after the first sentence: "For serials, add in parentheses a qualifying term or combination of terms, as needed, to uniquely identify a serial from another with an identical title proper. The most common qualifying terms are place of publication, corporate body, date, or edition statement. Other terms may be used if the above are not sufficient to uniquely identify the serial."

25.10A: to delete the final sentence: "For a suite, see 25.32B2."

25.16A1: to add at the end of paragraph 1, "Make a name-uniform title reference from the other party."

25.30B1b: to change the phrase "series of sets" to "series of works."

25.34B1: to delete the final sentence: "For excerpts called suite, see 25.32B2."

Glossary: 1) to add the definition of Activity card; 2) to change the definition of Game to "A set of materials designed for play according to

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prescribed rules. See also Activity card, Kit, Toy"; 3) to add a definition of Toy: "An object manufactured for children or others to play with imaginatively or from which to derive amusement"; 4) to modify the second definition of Part (Music) to read: "The written or printed copy of one or more (but not all) such parts for the use of one or more performers, designated in the physical description area as part."

Task Force on Creeds: CC:DA approved further revision to rule 21.38A, to read as follows: "Enter a theological creed, confession of faith, etc., accepted by more than one denominational body under title. When appropriate, use a uniform title as instructed in 25.19B. Make an added entry under the heading for one, two, or three persons or corporate bodies associated with the work and/or item being catalogued. If there are four or more such persons or bodies, do not make added entries."

Task Force on Producers: The Task Force presented a final report containing revisions of pertinent rules to reflect better the variety of functions associated with creating non-book materials, making them more specific by incorporating terms indicating major creative roles into the text and examples of area 1 (Title and Statement of Responsibility Area) rules. Because there is some inconsistency in the way area 4 (Publication, Distribution, etc., Area) rules merge authorship roles and publication roles, the Task Force also proposed revision of area 4 rules to eliminate transcription of names represented as "producers" and to delete the terms "production" and "production company" as statements of function. Additional text is then proposed for area 4 rules to allow for the necessity of repeating names in area 4 that may have already been transcribed in area 1. CC:DA will recommend to JSC that the language in the Glossary definition of Producer be changed to "A person or corporate body" rather than "a company, individual, etc."

CC:DA has set up a new task force to deal with the aspects of publication in rule 1.4D1.

Followup on previous ATLA Newsletter report: In response to the question from Australia about why the English form of name should be used for Catholic dioceses (ATLA Newsletter, v. 37, p. 76), CC:DA's comments are that 1) the Catholic Church is an international body under which dioceses are entered as subheadings. The international nature of the organization causes us to prefer the English form for these sub-bodies. 2) The use of a more-or-less uniform English language form of diocese name allows the dioceses to be subarranged together under Catholic Church, whereas use of the vernacular for the diocese would scatter these bodies in a file. 3) There is strong tradition in AACR2 for the use of English for geographic names, for sub-bodies of the Catholic Church, for international bodies, and for religious bodies.

Joyce L. Farris
ATLA Liaison to CC:DA

NEWS OF ATLA MEMBERS

Terrence Neal Brown was appointed Director of Library Services at Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary in Memphis, Tennessee, effective June 1, 1990. He was advanced to his new post from that of Assistant Director.

Sean Robert Butler joined the staff of the Divinity School Library at Duke University in Durham, North Carolina, on August 13 as Assistant Circulation Librarian. He came to his new position following two years of service on the Current Periodicals Desk in Duke's central library facility, the William R. Perkins Library. Mr. Butler holds both the B.A. and B.S. degrees from William Jewell College in Liberty, Missouri, and the M.Div. degree from the Yale Divinity School in New Haven, Connecticut. He is currently a candidate for the Th.M. degree from the Duke Divinity School.

Diane Choquette and Thomas Evans were married on October 7, 1989. Ms. Choquette is Head of Public Services at the Graduate Theological Union Library in Berkeley, California, and Mr. Evans is a realtor in Berkeley. The ceremony was performed by the Reverend Patricia Dutcher-Walls, Head of Circulation at the GTU Library. Diane is continuing to use the name Choquette.

Patricia L. Chalmers was recently appointed Assistant Librarian (Collections) at the University of King's College in Halifax, Nova Scotia. Ms. Chalmers is a graduate of the Drexel University College of Information Studies in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where she was awarded the Master of Science degree in 1986. King's College was founded in 1789 by the Loyalist Anglican Bishop Charles Inglis, and is the oldest university in Canada. The origins of the Library go back to the eighteenth century. The large rare book collection includes books and manuscripts concerning the early history of the Anglican Church in Canada, especially the Maritimes; material relating to the United Empire Loyalists; and colonial theological libraries established by Dr. Bray's Associates. King's has the largest collection of historical Anglican divinity and ecclesiastical history in Atlantic Canada. The modern collections are particularly strong in Patristics, Scholastic theology, the English Reformation, the Oxford Movement, and the history of doctrine.

Gregory Crawford will leave his position as Reference Librarian at Moravian College and Theological Seminary in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, at the end of August. He has been a member of the Reeves Library staff for the past five years and has played a major role in the automation of its services. Mr. Crawford will now undertake studies leading to the Ph.D. degree at the Rutgers University School of Communication, Information and Library Studies in New Brunswick, New Jersey.

M. Patrick Graham has been appointed Reference Librarian of the Pitts Theology Library at Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia. Dr. Graham previously held the position of Cataloger in the Pitts Library.

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Stacy Hach has been appointed Reference Librarian of the Reeves Library at Moravian College and Theological Seminary in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. She will take up her duties early in September. Ms. Hach holds the B.A. degree in German literature from Hiram College in Hiram, Ohio, and the M.S. degree from the University of Illinois Graduate School of Library and Information Science in Urbana. She has previously held positions in the Reference Departments of the Virginia Commonwealth University Library in Richmond and the University of Illinois Library.

Patricia Hosey will become Reference-Acquisitions Librarian at the United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio, on September 1. Ms. Hosey comes to her new responsibilities from a similar position at Sinclair Community College in Dayton. She has previously been a member of the staffs at the University of Dayton Law Library and the Tulane University Libraries in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Valerie R. Hotchkiss, Library Director of the Stitt Library at the Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary in Austin, Texas, was awarded the Ph.D. degree by Yale University in New Haven, Connecticut, in May. Her dissertation is entitled "Clothes Make the Man : Female Transvestism in the Middle Ages."

Kriza Jennings resigned her position as Reference Librarian at the United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio, effective July 31, to accept an appointment as Assistant to the Dean and University Librarian at the Miami University Libraries in Oxford, Ohio. Ms. Jennings will also be serving as a consultant to the Association of Research Libraries in Washington, D.C.

Sister Kathleen McCann, RDC, was named Acting Director of the Archbishop Corrigan Memorial Library at Saint Joseph's Seminary in Yonkers, New York, following the death of the Director, Sister Ellen Gaffney.

Sara Joyce Myers and David Petersen were married on May 5 in the Iliff School of Theology chapel in Denver, Colorado. Ms. Myers is Librarian at Iliff and Dr. Petersen is Professor of Old Testament on the seminary faculty. Sara is continuing to use the name Myers.

Susan A. Rogers resigned her position as Assistant Circulation Librarian in the Divinity School Library of Duke University in Durham, North Carolina, on August 10. She had held that post since August 17, 1987. Ms. Rogers plans to begin studies this fall at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill leading to the Ph.D. degree in American religious history.

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Kenneth J. Ross took up his duties as Reference Librarian at the Department of History of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on April 2, 1990. Prior to coming to his new post, he had been serving as a part-time teaching assistant, a half-time reference assistant, and part-time Director of the Computer Graphics Studio at Princeton Theological Seminary in Princeton, New Jersey. An ordained Presbyterian minister, Mr. Ross holds the M.Div. degree from Andover Newton Theological School in Newton Centre, Massachusetts, and the Th.M. degree from Princeton Theological Seminary. He is currently a candidate for the Ph.D. degree at Princeton Seminary.

Christine A. Schone has been named Catalog Librarian at the Ryan Memorial Library at Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary in Overbrook, Pennsylvania. Ms. Schone holds the M.A. and M.Div. degrees from New Brunswick Theological Seminary in New Brunswick, New Jersey, and the M.L.S. degree from the Rutgers University School of Communication, Information and Library Studies, also in New Brunswick.

Robert J. Scollard, C.S.B., has published the fourth edition of his compilation of A Calendar of the Deceased Bishops, Priests, and Deacons of the Archdiocese of Toronto. This new edition covers the years 1792-1990 and bears the distinctive title, They Honored the Vestments of Holiness. The three earlier editions appeared in 1974, 1975, and 1981. This edition of the Calendar is the second publication in a series planned for 1990-1992 in celebration of the 150th anniversary of the Archdiocese of Toronto. The actual anniversary falls on December 17, 1991 but the month of June 1991 has been chosen for the formal observance. Persons interested in securing a copy of the fourth edition of the Calendar may address inquiries to: The Reverend Robert J. Scollard, C.S.B., Basilian Fathers Residence, 95 St. Joseph Street, Toronto, Ontario M5S 2R9, Canada.

Jan Sobota has been appointed Director of The Bridwell Book Conservation Laboratory at the Bridwell Library, Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University, in Dallas, Texas. The first person to hold this post, Mr. Sobota comes to it from Geneva, Ohio, where he has been practicing fine bookbinding in the private sector for the past five years as owner of the Saturdays' Book Arts Gallery. A native of Czechoslovakia, he was graduated from the School of Applied Arts in Prague in 1957. Twelve years later he received high professional recognition when awarded the title Master of Applied Arts in Bookbinding, Restoration, and Conservation by the Czechoslovakian Ministry of Culture. In 1977 he became a Master in the Art of Binding, an award from the International Federation, MDE, West Germany. As a result of the political climate in Eastern Europe, Mr. Sobota and his family fled to Switzerland in 1982, where he practiced fine bookbinding and restoration while teaching and demonstrating in these fields at the Basler Papiermühle. Two years later the family moved to the United States under the sponsorship of The Rowland Club and Case Western Reserve University in

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Cleveland, Ohio, where he was attached to the Allen Memorial Library until establishing his own business.

Mark Stover resigned his position as Theological Librarian of the Calvin College and Seminary Library in Grand Rapids, Michigan, effective June 30, 1990, in order to accept the Directorship of the Library at the California Family Study Center in North Hollywood, California.

Cecil R. White has been appointed Director of the McKeon Memorial Library at St. Patrick's Seminary in Menlo Park, California. Dr. White undertook his new duties on July 1, 1990.

Mary Williams has been named Interim Director of the Graduate Theological Union Library in Berkeley, California, following the resignation of John D. Baker-Batsel. Ms. Williams joined the GTU Library staff in 1981, became Head of the Serials Section in 1984, and was appointed Head of Technical Services in 1986. A graduate of the University of California at Berkeley, she also holds the M.L.S. degree from that institution's School of Library and Information Studies, and the M.A. degree from the San Francisco Theological Seminary in San Anselmo, California.

ISABELLE STOUFFER PASSES AT 77

Isabelle Stouffer died on April 6 in The Medical Center in Princeton, New Jersey, following a brief illness. She was 77 years old. A native of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, she received the A.B. degree from Wilson College in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, in 1934, and the B.S. in L.S. degree from Drexel University College of Information Studies in Philadelphia in 1935. Upon completion of her studies at Drexel, Miss Stouffer joined the library staff of Princeton Theological Seminary in Princeton, New Jersey, as Special Cataloger for the Benson Collection of Hymnology, and remained to spend her entire professional career there. She was made Head Cataloger in 1935 and was named Assistant Librarian in 1949, retaining her responsibility for the library's technical services. She retired in 1979. She was active in the American Library Association, serving on the Catalog Code Revision Committee, Subcommittee on Religious Headings from 1961 to 1965; the New York Technical Services Librarians; the Presbyterian Library Association, serving as Secretary in 1966 and on the Executive Committee in 1967; and the American Theological Library Association, serving on the Cataloging and Classification Committee from 1954 to 1959, and on the Board of Directors from 1968 to 1970. A memorial service was held at the Nassau Presbyterian Church in Princeton, and a private burial service took place at the Alexandria Cemetery in Alexandria, Pennsylvania.

APPRAISING A PROBLEM

Several inquiries at the ATLA conference led me to offer a bit of information and guidance on the subject of appraisals for gifts of book collections (or other items) to libraries in the United States. (I defer to someone else for observations on Canadian and other libraries.)

The Tax Reform Act of 1984 imposes strict new requirements to the process of receiving gifts-in-kind. Essentially, any gift of an object or collection for which the donor wishes to claim a value of more than \$500.00 must be reported by the donor on IRS Form 8283. If the value claimed is more than \$5,000.00, the donor must attach to Form 8283 an appraisal by a qualified appraiser; in this case, an authorized officer of the institution must sign Form 8283 as donee. This is usually not the librarian. The Revenue Code is specific in its requirement that the appraiser be independent from both donor and donee (library). Thus, librarians ought not furnish any valuation to gifts given or pay for gift appraisals, though of course the customary letter of acknowledgement of a gift is still appropriate.

If the library should sell, exchange, or otherwise transfer a gift-in-kind worth more than \$5,000.00 within two years of receipt, it must file an Information Report (IRS Form 8282) with the IRS and furnish a copy to the donor. These are only indications of the technicalities involved; legal and/or tax counsel should be sought before making any library decisions regarding these matters.

Associations of appraisers will furnish lists of their members on request. Members are typically certified in specialized fields of appraising. Three with particular expertise in books and other objects received by libraries are:

American Society of Appraisers, P.O. Box 17265, Washington, D.C.
20041. Telephone: 703/620-3838

Art Dealers Association of America, 575 Madison Avenue, New York,
New York 10022. Telephone: 212/940-8590

Antiquarian Booksellers of America, Inc., 50 Rockefeller Plaza,
New York, New York 10020. Telephone: 212/757-9395

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BIBLICAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY RECEIVES MSA ACCREDITATION

Biblical Theological Seminary in Hatfield, Pennsylvania, has received full accreditation by the Middle States Association, retroactive to 1983. The Seminary is now pursuing accreditation by the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada. One of the members of the Middle States accreditation team was David J. Wartluft, Director of the Krauth Library at The Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia, and former Executive Secretary of the ATLA. Biblical Seminary was founded in 1971 and serves a wide range of evangelical constituents. James C. Pakala is the Librarian.

UNION SEMINARY LIBRARY IN RICHMOND TO ASSIST
WITH SUBJECT VOCABULARY FOR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Library of Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Virginia, is involved with the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) in the creation of a standard subject vocabulary which can be used by the Church to assist it in the retrieval and dissemination of its information. A Thesaurus Committee has been formed, consisting of representatives from the Department of History, the Office of the General Assembly, the Office of Information Services, the Stewardship and Communication Development Ministry Unit, and the Library of Union Theological Seminary. Martha Aycock, Chair, and Ted Winter are the library staff members involved. It is projected that the first draft of the Thesaurus, for which Bob Benedetto, Director of the Presbyterian Study Center at Montreat, North Carolina, and Martha Aycock are responsible, will be ready for testing in pilot programs by January 1991.

SISTER ELLEN GAFFNEY PASSES AT 70

Sister Ellen Gaffney, RDC, died in White Plains, New York, on February 5, 1990, at the age of 70. She had been Director of The Archbishop Corrigan Memorial Library at Saint Joseph's Seminary in Yonkers, New York, since 1986. She held degrees from Good Counsel College, St. John's University, and the Columbia University School of Library Service. Sister Ellen served in several high school libraries, worked in curriculum development for the New York Archdiocese, and was for a time national Chair of the Committee on the Catholic Periodical and Literature Index. She was the first woman to serve as a faculty member and Director of the Archbishop Corrigan Memorial Library at Saint Joseph's Seminary.

STITT LIBRARY AT AUSTIN SEMINARY
UNDERTAKES RETROSPECTIVE CONVERSION PROJECT

The Stitt Library of the Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary in Austin, Texas, earlier this summer undertook a retrospective conversion project which it hopes to be able to complete within six to seven months. The work of searching and data entry was contracted to Gaylord, Incorporated. The Library views its next step as the purchase of an integrated library system. Dr. Valerie R. Hotchkiss, the Library Director, would be grateful to hear from other theological librarians who would be willing to share with her their experience - either good or bad - with library systems currently on the market. Dr. Hotchkiss should be addressed: Stitt Library, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, 100 East 27th Street, Austin, Texas 78705.

ANZTLA HOLDS 1990 CONFERENCE IN BRISBANE

The fifth annual conference of the Australian and New Zealand Theological Library Association, held at Pius XII Provincial Seminary, Banyo, Queensland, following the 13th Joint Annual Conference of the Australian and New Zealand Association of Theological Schools and the Australian and New Zealand Society for Theological Studies, 5-8 July, 1990, brought together the most geographically diverse gathering of theological librarians ever assembled in this part of the world. To participate in the program of "Practicalities," participants travelled nearly 3000 miles from Perth, Western Australia (for the first time), and from the most southerly theological college in the world, in Dunedin, New Zealand; one person was present from Suva, Fiji (another first) and one from Columbus, Ohio.

As the theme suggests, there was a strong emphasis on the basics of theological librarianship, concentrating on subject cataloguing and classification. The cataloguer of Joint Theological Library, Parkville, Victoria, Philip Harvey, shared a wealth of experience and insight in a thoughtful and perceptive paper on the former, while the latter was dealt with in concurrent workshop sessions on the Dewey Decimal Classification and the Pettee Classification. The keynote address was presented by the Reverend Coralie Jenkin, Librarian of the Country Fire Authority, Melbourne, and Statistician of the ANZTLA, on the subject of cooperation and rationalisation: "If Libraries Can Di It, They Can Do It Together." She suggested a wide variety of ways in which libraries might work together for mutual benefit and improved service to users.

Adding some variety to the program, the Reverend Richard Mintel, of Trinity Lutheran Seminary, Columbus, Ohio, gave a talk on "Current Developments in the American Theological Library Association," and John East, of the University of Queensland Library, gave an entertaining after-dinner speech on "The Bible in Malawi."

In other sessions, participants tackled such practical problems and issues as automation, cooperative collection development, journal indexing, and uses of CD-ROM technology (accompanied by demonstrations of GRAMCORD and REX), the work of Christian Research Associates, a directory of theological libraries in Australia and New Zealand, a world directory of theological libraries, and the collection and use of statistics. They also grappled with the question of how best to relate to and assist librarians in kindred institutions in Asia, Melanesia, and the South Pacific.

In a more relaxing vein, Saturday afternoon was spent touring the Blackall Ranges (including the spectacular Glasshouse Mountains) and the pleasant Sunshine Coast, north of Brisbane. On a more cultural and educational level, participants also had a choice of an afternoon visit to St. Stephen's Cathedral, St. Francis Theological College, Trinity Theological College (with its Meta-Marc automated library system), or the Queensland Cultural Centre.

In the Annual General Meeting of the Association, it was decided: 1) to include up to two persons in institutional membership; 2) to note that the ANZTLA Standards for Theological Libraries have now been endorsed by the Australian Library and Information Association; 3) to promote the distribution of the revised Australasian Union List of Serials in Theological

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Collections (almost completed); and 4) to retain membership fees at A\$20 and newsletter subscriptions at A\$15.

In the elections, Mara Goodall, Churches of Christ (New South Wales) Theological College, was chosen as the Sydney representative on the Executive Committee; the first Western Australian (Marcia Harrison, Perth Theological Hall) was elected to the ARI Editorial Board; all other officers were reelected, including Trevor Zweck as President and Val Canty as Secretary/Treasurer. The next conference is to be held at Morling College (adjoining Macquarie University), Eastwood, New South Wales, 5-8 July 1991.

Trevor Zweck
President, ANZTLA

FUTURE CONFERENCE SITES APPROVED

The following sites of future annual conferences of the American Theological Library Association have been approved by the Board of Directors:

- 1991: Trinity College, Toronto, Ontario, Canada. June 19-22
- 1992: Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University
Dallas, Texas. Dates to be announced.

PUBLICATION INTEREST GROUP OFFERS GRANTS
TO BIBLIOGRAPHERS

The American Theological Library Association designates a total of \$1000 annually for grants-in-aid to bibliographers in the fields of religious studies/theology and theological librarianship. Scope and subject matter are broadly conceived, with the intent of encouraging and stimulating bibliographical work at all levels, especially by persons undertaking their first major bibliographical study. Projects from article to multi-volume length, reflecting research in the full range of religious/theological disciplines are appropriate for consideration. The ATLA Publication Interest Group solicits applications in the fall of each year and meets in January or February to confer the awards, usually two, based on merit and need. The ATLA reserves first publication rights in its Bibliography Series for all projects receiving grants. Application deadline is January 10, 1991. Address correspondence to: Erica Treesh, Grants Officer, ATLA Publication Interest Group, 820 Church Street, Suite 300, Evanston, Illinois 60201. Telephone: 708-869-7788.

POSITIONS OPEN

DIRECTOR OF THE LIBRARY. St. Francis Seminary of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Milwaukee, invites applications for the position of Director of the Salzman Library. The library has a collection of 65,000 volumes and subscribes to over 365 periodicals. St. Francis Seminary is a graduate institution which offers M.Div. and M.T.S. degrees in preparation for ordained and lay ministries in the church. Responsibilities: Overall administration of the seminary library, including collection development, effective use of library materials, personnel management, and budgeting. Qualifications: A master's degree in Library Science from an ALA accredited institution; five years experience in an academic library and 2-3 years experience in administration. Theological background is required. The director is also responsible for the cataloging of 1500-2000 books/items per year. Competence in the use of LC classification and OCLC terminals and knowledge in information technology is essential. Starting salary: \$27,500-\$31,000. Starting date: January 1991. Closing date for applications: November 1, 1990. Please send a letter of application, resume, and three references to Dr. Barbara Turner, St. Francis Seminary, 3257 South Lake Drive, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53207. St. Francis Seminary is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

CATALOG AND TECHNICAL SERVICES LIBRARIAN. Union Theological Seminary in New York City. Responsible for the cataloging, classification, subject analysis, and preparation for use of library materials in all formats and languages, and for the creation and maintenance of bibliographic control files and catalogs, both online and manual. Shares oversight of technical support (computer) systems with the Head of Technical Services. Participates in the formulation and communication of technical services policies, and in the planning and implementation of the automation of technical services functions. Supervises full- and part-time non-professional staff in the areas of acquisitions, serials control, and processing. Serves as deputy to the Head of Technical Services. A master's degree in librarianship and a graduate degree in theology or a related discipline are normally required. Must also possess a working knowledge of one Germanic language (preferably German) and one Romance language (preferably Spanish or French), as well as a bibliographic knowledge of other languages appropriate to theological study. Demonstrated skill in the use of AACR2, MARC formats, LC classification schedules and subject headings, RLIN (or OCLC), and in microcomputer applications is essential. Good interpersonal, communication, and supervisory skills are important. Must have a strong commitment to theological librarianship and technical services. Salary negotiable, depending upon background and experience; range, \$25,000-\$30,000. Liberal benefits, including five weeks' vacation. Position available immediately. Apply, with letter, resume, and references, to Michael A. Bereza, Head of Technical Services, The Burke Library, Union Theological Seminary, 3041 Broadway, New York, New York 10027.

POSITIONS OPEN - Continued

ASSOCIATE LIBRARIAN IN TECHNICAL SERVICES. Christian Theological Seminary, Indianapolis, Indiana, is seeking a person who will be responsible for cataloging and classifying book and non-book materials in its theological library, using on-line computer OCLC processes; and for directing the serials operations of the library. This person will participate in planning, developing, and implementing automated operations in the library. An ALA approved M.L.S. degree is required. Ability to work with materials in foreign languages will be useful, but is not required. The position is available October 1990. Send letter of application, resume, and three reference letters to the Office of the Dean, Christian Theological Seminary, 1000 West 42nd Street, Indianapolis, Indiana 46208. Christian Theological Seminary is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.

BRIDWELL LIBRARY OPENS ANNIVERSARY EXHIBIT

The Bridwell Library at the Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas, opened a new exhibition entitled "The Bridwell Collects: an exhibit of select acquisitions, 1985-1990, celebrating the 40th anniversary of The Bridwell Library." The exhibition will remain in The Elizabeth Perkins Prothro Galleries of The Bridwell Library until September 8. Acquisitions during the past five years have followed to a great measure The Bridwell's traditional patterns of collecting, and the selections presented in this exhibition reflect some of these interests: early printed books (including singular illustrated and classical editions), works of the continental and English Reformation, Methodism, fine press books, rare and important reference tools, and fine bindings.

A 60-page catalog of the exhibition, The Bridwell Collects, has been edited by Dr. Robert Maloy, the J.S. Bridwell Foundation Librarian, and is available for \$7.00. Orders and inquiries should be directed to: The Bridwell Library, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas 75275-0476.

PUBLICATION SCHEDULE FOR NEWSLETTER ANNOUNCED

The publication schedule for the remaining three issues of volume 38 of the ATLA Newsletter is as follows:

	<u>Copy Deadline</u>	<u>Publication Date</u>
no. 2	November 13, 1990	November 17, 1990
no. 3	February 12, 1991	February 16, 1991
no. 4	May 14, 1991	May 18, 1991

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR TECHNICAL SERVICES DIVISION

1. My idea(s) for program(s) at an upcoming ATLA conference:

2. I am interested in working on one or more of the following working groups. If you are interested in more than one group, please rank your preference, starting with "1" as your highest priority.

- _____ Theological Authority Record Project
contact person: Chris Brennan
- _____ ATLA/BTI CONSER Serials Cataloging Project
contact person: Cliff Wunderlich
- _____ Theological Uniform Titles: liturgical, Biblical, etc.
contact person: John Thompson
- _____ Classification concerns: canon law, Thomas Aquinas, etc.
contact person: Dolores Tantoco-Stauder
- _____ Corporate Body headings for Denominations
contact person: Judy Knop
- _____ Other suggestions _____

Please put any other ideas or suggestions on the back of this questionnaire.

Your name _____

Your institution _____

Your mailing address _____

Work phone number _____

Please mail this to John Thompson at The United Library, 2121 Sheridan Road, Evanston, IL 60201.