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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETS IN EVANSTON

The Board of Directors of the American Theological Library Association held its winter meeting at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary and the Holiday Inn in Evanston, Illinois, February 8-10, 1989. All members of the Board were in attendance: Channing R. Jeschke, President; H. Eugene McLeod, Vice-president; Simeon Daly, Executive Secretary; Robert A. Olsen, Jr., Treasurer; Joyce L. Farris, Recording Secretary; Class A Members-at-Large, Mary R. Bischoff, Michael P. Boddy, Diane Choquette, Leslie R. Galbraith, Roger L. Loyd, and Sharon A. Taylor; Rosalyn Lewis, Past President; Betty A. O'Brien, Editor of the Proceedings; Donn Michael Farris, Editor of the Newsletter; Norman J. Kansfield, Representative of the Index Board; and John A. Bollier, Representative of the Preservation Board. Guests at all or some of the sessions were: Patti Adamek, ATLA Controller; Albert E. Hurd, Executive Director of the Preservation Board and the Religion Indexes; David Bundy representing the Program Committee; and William C. Miller, Chair of the Task Force on Strategic Planning.

In meetings on Wednesday evening, Thursday morning and afternoon, and Friday morning, the Board:

- approved the admission to the Association of 20 full members, 5 associate members, 12 student members, and 4 institutional members;
- accepted the invitation of the Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University, in Dallas, Texas, to hold the 1992 annual conference on their campus;
- received and discussed an interim report from the Task Force on Strategic Planning;
- approved a recommendation from the Bibliographic Systems Committee that the Editor of <u>Current LC Subject Headings in the Field of Religion</u> be an ex officio member of that committee;
- approved a recommendation from the Financial Management Committee that the firm of Weltman, Katz and Mikel be engaged as auditors for the 1988-89 financial records;
- directed the Executive Secretary to formulate a policy for the preparation of a combined survey mailing to be used by the various Sections of the Association, and to bring a recommendation to the June meeting of the Board;
- discussed ways of expanding the membership base of the Association by recruiting among such groups as bibliographers and catalogers in religion who are working outside theological institutions;
- reviewed possibilities of obtaining outside financial sponsors for some of the annual conference activities;

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- appointed Diane Choquette to the Nominating Committee to replace John D. Baker-Batsel, who has completed his term of service on the Committee;
- approved a recommendation from the Bibliographic Systems Committee that Joyce L. Farris be reappointed to a new three-year term as Liaison to the American Library Association's Committee on Cataloging: Description and Access (CC:DA); and
- set the next meeting of the Board of Directors for Sunday, June 18, in Columbus, Ohio.

THEOLOGICAL CENTER BEGINS OPERATION IN PORTLAND

Under the auspices of the General Theological Center of Maine, a 40,000 volume theological lending library has moved to Portland from Boston. Housed in the State Street Church, 159 State Street, the non-denominational library is now open to the public. Jonathan Burns of Cape Elizabeth, Maine, has been appointed director of the Center, which will be offering to the general public a series of lectures and courses beginning later this month. Burns has a Master of Divinity degree from the Earlham School of Religion in Richmond, Indiana, a Master of Science degree from the Columbia University School of Library Service, and is currently a candidate for the Ph.D. degree in New Testament at Boston University.

The Center's library, formerly known as the General Theological Library, operated on Beacon Hill in Boston from 1860 to 1988, lending books, primarily through the mail, to more than a thousand members all over the country. Suffering in recent years from the high overhead costs of operating in Boston, the Library in 1988 accepted a proposal from a group in Maine, headed by the Reverend Dr. John F. Woolverton of Trinity Episcopal Church in Portland, to move its operations to its present location as part of the newly formed General Theological Center of Maine. Dr. Woolverton is currently president of the Center.

According to Burns, the Center will be "continuing the General Theological Library's long and distinguished tradition of making the resources of a first-rate theological library available by mail to members throughout the United States. In addition, we are embarking on a new and exciting endeavor to facilitate awareness, dialog and education in relation to religious, ethical and spiritual concerns here in Maine through a series of lectures, discussions and courses at the Center. Our Portland location provides southern Maine with a unique new resource, giving individuals within commuting distance of Portland walk-in access to the library and use of its reference and periodical collections."

The Center's formal opening will be held on February 19 at 7:30 p.m. A keynote lecture by Dr. Bernhard Anderson, Professor Emeritus of Old Testament at Princeton Theological Seminary, entitled, "The Human Role in God's Creation," will be followed by a reception and tours of the library.

ATLA RECEIVES TWENTY-ONE NEW MEMBERS

The American Theological Library Association welcomes the following new members:

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- The Reverend David H. Burgess, Librarian, Cameroon Baptist Theological Seminary, P.O. Box 44, NDU, Northwest Province, Republic of Cameroon, Africa. Mailing address until June 30, 1989: 31516 Stricker Drive, Warren, Michigan 48093
- Mr. Jonathan G. Burns, Director, General Theological Center of Maine, 159 State Street, Portland, Maine 04101
- Mr. C. Daniel Elliott, Ryan Memorial Library, St. Charles Seminary, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19151
- Ms. Julie V. Green, Assistant Librarian, Salzmann Library, St. Francis Seminary, 3257 South Lake Drive, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53207.

 Mailing address: 633 East Burleigh Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53212
- Mr. Donald Keeney, Director of the Library, Alliance Theological Seminary, Nyack, New York 10960
- Mr. Joseph Lin, Assistant Librarian, Taiwan Theological College, 20, Lane 2, Sec. 2, Yang Teh Highway, Shihlin, Taipei, Taiwan 111, Republic of China
- Mr. Thomas C. Rick, Assistant Archivist, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, 8765 West Higgins Road, Chicago, Illinois 60631.

 Mailing address: 306 Shaddle Avenue, Mundelein, Illinois 60060
- Mr. Jose L. Romo, Library Director, St. Vincent De Paul Regional Seminary, Daytona Beach, Florida 33436
- Ms. Ruthanne Strobel, The Library, Columbia Theological Seminary, 701 Columbia Drive, Decatur, Georgia 30030
- Mr. Mark Thomas, Librarian, Charles Cook Theological School, 708 South Lindon Lane, Tempe, Arizona 85281
- Mr. Guy Wilson, Librarian, U.S. Catholic Conference, 1312 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005

Associate:

- Ms. Deborah D. Mabbott, Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary, 1255 Poplar Avenue, Memphis, Tennessee 38104
- Mr. James M. Wetherbee, Reference Librarian, Wingate College, P.O. Box 217, Wingate, North Carolina 28174. Mailing address: 876 A Sunset Drive, Monroe, North Carolina 28110

Student:

- Mr. M. Tim Browning, 4105 B Cross Creek Court, Raleigh, North Carolina 27607
- Mr. Gerard Flokstra, III, 155 Woodhaven Drive, Mars, Pennsylvania 16046

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- Mr. Bruce F. Marthaler, Apartment 10, 216 North Main, Wilmore, Kentucky 40390
- Ms. Tamara E. Meyer, A.R. Wentz Library, Lutheran Theological Seminary, 66 West Confederate Avenue, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania 17325
- Mr. Dennis A. Norlin, 605 West Healey, Champaign, Illinois 61820
- Mr. Bruce R. Nowacki, Apartment 201 2726 Golfside, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48105

Institutional:

Robert W. Woodruff Library, Interdenominational Theological Center, Atlanta University Center, 111 James P. Brawley Drive, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30314

The Library, St. Thomas Theological Seminary, 1300 South Steele Street, Denver, Colorado 80210

WILLIAM E. ZIMPFER TAKEN BY DEATH

William Edward Zimpfer, Librarian and Assistant Professor of Research Methods at the Boston University School of Theology, died peacefully at home on February 1, 1989. He was 62 years of age and had been suffering from cancer for two years. He had attended the annual conferences of the ATLA in both 1987 and 1988 despite on-going chemotherapy. Born and reared in Columbus, Ohio, Bill attended Capital University there and received his B.A. degree in 1946. He received the M.A. degree in Latin from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor in 1948 and went on to pursue doctoral studies there in history. While preparing his dissertation on the Roman tax structure in ancient Egypt, using the Chester Beatty Papyri, a fire destroyed both his work and the papyri, thus putting an end to his doctoral program. He taught mathematics and history at Capital University from 1946 to 1948, and mathematics at St. Mary of the Springs College from 1949 to 1950, while at the same time attending the Evangelical Lutheran Theological Seminary at Capital University (now Trinity Lutheran Seminary). He received the B.D. degree in 1950 and was at that time ordained to the ministry of the American Lutheran Church. He served Lutheran churches in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, during the 1950's and early 1960's, but demitted the ministry in 1962 and entered the Columbia University School of Library Service, from which he received the M.S. degree in 1964. He was appointed Librarian of the Boston University School of Theology in that year and remained in that position until his death. He remained active in the church for all of his life and was active in the American Theological Library Association and the Methodist Librarians Fellowship during all of his career as a theological librarian. He taught classes in spirituality, western Christian mysticism, library research methods, and dissertation preparation. He met his last class only ten days before his death.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

ATLA is alive and well. Join us in Columbus for our annual conference. Registration packets won't come until May, but we need to plan now. Airline reservations can be made early and calendars need to be cleared. Circle June 19-23 for important library business. For special air rates on United call 1-800-521-4041. Give them this account number: 400.JQ. They will help with your reservations. The hotel we will be using is the Holiday Inn at the Ohio Center (1-800-HOLIDAY). More information on the program will be forthcoming.

I have received a sackful of mail complaining about the ATS statistical form and urging that we not drop the ATLA statistical survey and report. The concern was grave enough for me to bring it to the attention of the Board of Directors. It is the recommendation of the Board that we gather the statistics as we have in the past for 1987-88. I know this will be a nuisance for you and for me, but it is in the best interest of the Associa-We still hope ATS can make its form more responsive to the data we collect and need. Until it does, we will do our own even though we all recognize our end product is flawed. I should note that a large number of ATLA instituions that use our statistics are not members of ATS, an important reality that must be dealt with. We are in conversation with ATS on this matter. They are willing to keep refining their definitions in the light of our concerns. It is clear to me now that we will have to continue to print our statistics. The ATS Fact Book only deals with averages and would not give us the institutional breakdowns that have made our reports so useful. Where we hope to eliminate duplication is in the statistical form itself. It would need to be filled out only once and copies would be shared between the ATS and ATLA offices. May I ask for prompt response when you receive the form. The processing will scrunch our Spring!

CD-ROM products are growing apace. The market is beginning to bulge with Bible and religion related products. I urge you to keep in mind the ATLA project to commit RIO and RIT to CD-ROM. The mastering and the search program are being done by the H.W. Wilson Company. The product will not be cheap, but very reasonable, all things considered. Watch for a spring announcement.

The new ATLA Indexing and Preservation offices in Evanston, Illinois, are working out very well. What a blessing to have staff and operations at one location! Next year when we meet in Evanston, an effort will be made to show off our new location. It is my hope that at that time work done in my office now will be transferred to that central location.

Our consultation program has worked well. Sometimes we go long periods with no requests, and then at other times we have more than we can handle. We already have the three consultations budgeted for this year paid or encumbered.

When we mail out the ballots, we have been enclosing an addressed envelope (not stamped) for return. When the ballots come in we do not open those envelopes, leaving that for the tellers, a small assurance we have not tampered with them. Last year a number of persons enclosed checks with their ballots. Some of those checks I only discovered recently when I opened the box that contained last year's ballotts. There on the top were

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several envelopes with checks in them. May I ask that when you return your ballots you not include any other business that requires our attention. I regret the inconvenience caused those who must have wondered why their checks were not returned by the bank.

The special workshop on Preservation Microfiche at the Library of Congress was truly stimulating and reflected well on the decisions made thus far in our Preservation Program. The keen interest in and respect for our project on the part of the Preservation Division of the National Endowment for the Humanities is most encouraging. The continued support of NEH has helped to keep our Preservation Program going.

Simeon Daly, O.S.B. Executive Secretary, ATLA

BTT ISSUES NEW EDITION OF UNION LIST OF SERIALS

The Boston Theological Institute, an association of nine graduate theological schools in the greater Boston, Massachusetts, area, announces the publication of another edition of its microfiche union list of serials. The list contains authoritative CONSER records for over 10,000 theology and related serials titles held by the libraries of the member institutions. In addition to the bibliographic records, the list contains detailed holdings statements indicating specifically what each library holds of a given title. The new edition is currently available for distribution and may be ordered for \$27.95. In addition, libraries may place a standing order for future editions. Orders should be sent to: Boston Theological Institute, Il Garden Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138.

SCRIPTURE INDEX TO PROCLAMATION AVAILABLE

There is available from the Library of Union Theological Seminary in Virginia An Index to the Scripture Treated in Proclamation 1, 2, and 3. The Index was compiled by Dr. Elizabeth Achtemeier. The Index lists all of the Scripture references in Proclamation 1, 2, and 3 in biblical order, indicating in which booklet of the three versions of Proclamation the discussion of each biblical text may be found. It is intended for preachers who do not use a lectionary (and those who do), for those who follow the Consensus of Common Lectionary to locate the discussion of their texts in the Proclamation volumes, and for homiletics students and professors in seminaries and divinity schools. Priced at \$2.50 a copy, the Index may be ordered from: The Library, Union Theological Seminary, 3401 Brook Road, Richmond, Virginia 23227.

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA ON ATLA CANDIDATES

At the request of the Board of Directors, the <u>Newsletter</u> is providing the following information on the candidates for ATLA offices to be filled in 1989. The information has been supplied by the candidates. In addition, this year the Nominating Committee asked each of the candidates to furnish the <u>Newsletter</u> with "a two-sentence personal statement of their view of the ATLA and its immediate task." These statements appear below as the fourth paragraph of each biographical sketch.

JAMES DUNKLY - for Vice-president - Class B Director

Educational background: Texas Christian University, B.A., 1963; Oxford University, Dip. Theol., 1964; Brite Divinity School, graduate study, 1964-66; Vanderbilt University, M.A., 1969; Ph. D. (New Testament), 1982.

Professional career: Acquisitions Assistant, Texas Christian University Library, 1964-66; Teaching Fellow, Vanderbilt University, 1967-69; Graduate Fellow, Episcopal Theological School, 1969-70; Tutor and Special Assistant in the Library, ETS, 1970-71; Visiting Lecturer in New Testament, Boston University School of Theology, 1971-72; Assistant Editor, New Testament Abstracts, 1971-72; Managing Editor, NTA, 1972-75; Acting Head of Library, Weston School of Theology, 1973-74; Librarian, Nashotah House, 1975-83; Assistant Professor, 1975-78; Associate Professor, 1978-83; Director of Libraries, Episcopal Divinity School/Weston School of Theology, 1983-.

Professional activities: Society of Biblical Literature, 1967-; Catholic Biblical Association, 1972-; Chicago Society for Biblical Research, 1975-; Member of Corporation, Anglican Theological Review, 1977-; Assistant Editor, New Testament studies, ATR, 1979-84; Editor, 1984-88; American Theological Library Association, 1975-; ATLA Publication Committee, 1977-83; ATLA Board of Directors, 1980-83; Index Board, 1985-; Program Executive Committee for Index and Preservation Boards, 1988-; Task Force '81 (ATLA restructuring); Chicago Area Theological Library Association, 1975-83; Library Council of Metropolitan Milwaukee, 1975-83.

Personal statement: ATLA's work continues to be well defined by Article IV of the Certificate of Incorporation; our pressing task now is twofold: (1) enriching the significance of theological libraries and librarians for every person engaged in theological education; (2) continuing to mature as a professional organization. Just as the library is central to any theological school, so ATLA must be seen as central within theological education as a whole, in active partnership with ATS but with its own nexus of concerns and relationships as well.

LESLIE R. GALBRAITH - for Vice-president - Class B Director

Educational background: Phillips University, A.B., 1963; The Graduate Seminary, Phillips University, M.Div., 1967; Graduate School of Library Science, University of Texas at Austin, M.L.S., 1969; The School of Library and Information Science, Indiana University (Post Graduate Study), 1981.

Professional career: Research Librarian, Office of Church and Society, United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A., 1968-72; Coordinator of Library Services, Board of Christian Education, United Presbyterian Church in the

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U.S.A., 1969-72; Practicum Editor, Church and Society, published by the Office of Church and Society, UPCUSA, 1970-72; Librarian and Associate Professor of Bibliography, Christian Theological Seminary, 1972-; Managing Editor, Encounter, published by Christian Theological Seminary, 1972-.

Professional activities: American Theological Library Association, 1969—; Member of Reader Services Committee, 1971-77; Chair, Reader Services Committee, 1973-74, 1975-77; Board of Directors, 1986-89; Indiana Library Association, 1974—; Chair of joint ILA/ILTA Planning Committee, 1978-79; Treasurer of ILA, 1979-83; Indiana Cooperative Library Services Authority (INCOLSA), Board of Directors, 1976—; Treasurer, INCOLSA, 1979-81; Vice President, INCOLSA, 1981-82; President, INCOLSA, 1982-83; Midwest Federation of Library Associations, Treasurer for 1987 Conference; Project Director for Bibliography on Protestant Theological Education in America, ATLA Bibliography Series #15; Co-author of The Disciples and American Culture: A Bibliography, forthcoming in ATLA Bibliography Series.

Personal statement: ATLA presently stands at the threshold of a great future. With input from our Financial Management Committee and the Strategic Planning Task Force to build upon the incomparable successes of the Index and Preservation programs, the membership can stride confidently into that future, knowing that together we can be the best professional association in America.

WILLIAM B. HAIR III - for Class A Director, Board of Directors

Educational background: The University of Tennessee, B.S., 1976; Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary, M.Div., 1980; Vanderbilt University, M.L.S., 1982; Princeton Institute for Theological Librarianship, 1982-83.

<u>Professional career:</u> Head of Technical Services, Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary, 1980-82; Director of Library Services, Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary, 1982-88; Director of Libraries, Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, 1988-.

Professional activities: American Theological Library Association, 1981-, Reader Services Committee, 1986-; Tennessee Theological Library Association, 1980-, Vice-president, 1985-87, President, 1987-88; Memphis Library Council, 1982-, Library Cooperation Committee, Chair, 1984, President, 1985; American Library Association, 1983-; Tennessee Library Association, 1980-; Southeast Library Association, 1982-; California Library Association, 1989-; Memphis and Shelby County Public Library and Information Center, Board of Trustees, 1983-88, Treasurer, 1984, Vice-president, 1985-86, Chair, Search Committee for Library Director, 1985, President, 1987-88; Beta Phi Mu, 1983-.

Personal statement: As the ATLA grows in size and influence, it must work to maintain its collegial atmostphere by assimilating new members into active roles in the Association as quickly as possible. The Association must also seek to expand its financial base through all possible means, such as revised dues schedules and vigorous pursuit of grant monies.

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SETH E. KASTEN - for Class A Director, Board of Directors

Educational background: Harpur College, State University of New York at Binghamton, B.A., 1967; Columbia University, M.L.S., 1969; Union Theological Seminary (New York, S.M.M., 1973.

<u>Professional career:</u> Manhattan School of Music, Technical Services Librarian, 1971-73; Union Theological Seminary (New York), Assistant Reference Librarian, 1973-76; Reference Librarian, 1976-77; Head of Reader Services/Reference and Research Librarian, 1977-.

Professional activities: American Theological Library Association, 1976—; Reader Services Committee, 1982-85; American Library Association, 1981—; New York Area Theological Library Association, Steering Committee, 1981-84; American Guild of Organists, New York City Chapter, Executive Board, 1984-1987.

Personal statement: The Association is responsible for indexing, preservation, and publications programs which are innovative and of international significance. How might ATLA find the pulse of faculty, librarian, researcher, and student activity so that these programs and other activities can best further the Association's accomplishments in meeting present and future needs of theological scholarship?

ROBERT A. OLSEN, JR. - for Treasurer - Class B Director

Educational background: The College of Wooster, B.A., 1949; McCormick Theological Seminary, M.Div., 1952; Union Theological Seminary (New York), advanced study, 1952-53; Emporia Kansas State University, M.L.S., 1964; North Texas State University, advanced study, 1975-77.

<u>Professional career:</u> Ordained in the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A., 1952; pastorates in Hackensack, New Jersey; Oregon, Illinois; Buffalo, New York; Topeka, Kansas, 1953-63; Assistant Librarian, The College of Emporia (Kansas), 1964-65; Librarian and Assistant Professor of Bibliography, Brite Divinity School, Texas Christian University, 1965-.

Professional activities: Texas Library Association, 1966-; American Theological Library Association, 1964-; Member, ATLA Nominating Committee, 1968; Member, ATLA Membership Committee, 1972-73; Chairman, ATLA Membership Committee, 1973-74; Treasurer, ATLA, 1974-; Member, ATS Library Selection Panel, 1977; Participant, Princeton Institute for Theological Librarianship, 1979, 1980, 1982, 1983; Member, ATLA Financial Management Committee, 1984-; Ex officio member, Executive Committee, Joint Program Boards, 1988-.

Personal statement: ATLA has reached an exciting point in its history—merger of its program boards and their relocation in Evanston, growing national recognition of its religion data base and monograph preservation project, a possible new organizational structure with a full-time executive office. If it is the wish of the membership, I have indicated my willingness to continue serving as ATLA treasurer.

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FERNE LAURAINE WEIMER - for Class A Director, Board of Directors

Educational background: Wheaton College, B.A., 1972; Northern Illinois University, M.A.L.S., 1974; graduate course work, Wheaton College Graduate School, 1981-82. Continuing education: Management of the Online Catalog, Des Moines, 1986; Preservation Microfilming Institute, New Haven, 1988.

<u>Professional career:</u> Cataloger, Lake County Public Library (Indiana), 1974-77; Billy Graham Center Library, Wheaton College (Illinois), Cataloger, 1977-79, Director, 1980-.

Professional activities: American Theological Library Association, 1982-, Bibliographic Systems Committee, 1986-89, Chair, 1988-89; American Library Association, 1974-; Association of Chicago Theological Schools, Collection Development Committee, 1985-, Chair, 1985-87, Automation Committee, 1984-87; Association of Christian Librarians, 1988-; Chicago Area Theological Library Association, 1983-, Vice President, 1985-86, President, 1986-87; DuPage (County, Illinois) Librarians Association, 1980-84, Secretary, 1981-82, President, 1982-83; Evangelical Church Library Association, Board member, 1988-.

Personal statement: Besides strengthening the programs of the Index and Preservation boards, ATLA needs to develop cooperative projects which are helpful without being burdensome and meet needs of small as well as large theological libraries. We must periodically evaluate the goals and activities of the sections to determine whether they meet the professional and technical needs of the membership.

CHRISTINE WENDEROTH - for Class A Director, Board of Directors

Educational background: Oberlin College, B.A., 1971; University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, M.S.L.S., 1973; Emory University, M.A. in theological studies, 1978; Ph. D. in theological studies, 1982.

<u>Professional career:</u> University of North Carolina: Planning Library staff, 1973-74; Fr. Hale High School: Librarian, 1974-75; Emory University: Judaica bibliographer, 1977-79; Slide curator, 1977-80; Columbia Theological Seminary, Decature, Georgia, Reader Services Librarian, 1980-86; Associate Librarian, 1986-.

<u>Professional activities</u>: American Theological Library Association, 1982—, Reader Services Committee, 1984—87 (Chair, 1985—87), Resolutions Committee, 1986; American Academy of Religion, 1978—; member of Interlibrary Loan, Bibliographic Instruction, and Interlibrary Use Committees of the Athens-Atlanta University Center, 1981—.

Personal statement: I see two critical issues facing theological librarians in the 1990's: we must learn how relatively small, humanities libraries can tap into and benefit from current information technology; and we must consider what the professional identity of the theological librarian is (theological scholar, information specialist, faculty member?). Only ATLA provides the forum for these discussions, for only ATLA is both an information science AND theology organization.

REPORT FROM THE PROGRAM BOARDS

The ATLA Religion Indexes and the ATLA Preservation Program moved to their new, common location in Evanston on December 19, 1988. The Indexes, formerly at 5600 South Woodlawn, Chicago, and the Preservation Program, formerly at 1118 East 54th Place #1, Chicago, now share the following address:

ATLA Program Boards 820 Church Street, 3rd Floor Evanston, Illinois 60201

Please direct all Index and Preservation correspondence to the above address. The telephone number is: 212-869-7788.

Religion Index Two: Multi-Author Works (RIT), 1976-80, was completed in January and is now at the printer. We expect shipment from our printer, McNaughton and Gunn, on April 28, 1989. The revised, cumulated and augmented edition, in two volumes (Volume 1 Author-Editor Index and Volume 2 Subject Index), contains indexing for a total of 2,864 books and 36,560 articles; the augmentation to the original indexing includes 1,253 books and 16.023 articles. This augmentation represents over a 78% increase in the multi-author works indexed previously for this period.

This project has been funded in part by a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. The ATLA Program Boards and staff are grateful for this support of its bibliographical work.

Your library can order the 2-volume Religion Index Two: Multi-Author Works, 1976-80 for \$555.00 domestic or \$565.00 US foreign. Send your order to: American Theological Library Association, 820 Church Street, 3rd Floor, Evanston, Illinois 60201.

Religion Index One: Periodicals to add new titles. Users of RIO can look forward to the addition of 17 new titles to the list of periodicals which RIO will regularly index. Here follows a listing of new titles approved by the Index Board's Journal Selection Committee, with the information the Indexes currently have on the titles. Indexing coverage of these titles will begin with RIO, vol. 20, 1988.

British Journal of Religious Education. Published by the Christian Education Movement, 2 Chester House, Pages Lane, Muswell Hill, London, England N10 1PR. This journal will be fully indexed. British Journal of Religious Education incorporates Religion in Education (1934-1961) and Learning for Living (1961-1978).

Bulletin de la Societe de l'histoire du protestantisme français. ISSN 00379050. Published three times a year by the Society, 54, Rue des Saints-Peres, Paris, France 75007. The Bulletin will be fully indexed.

Conservative Judaism: a Quarterly Magazine. Published by the Rabbinical Assembly and the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, 3080 Broadway, New York, New York 10027. This magazine will be fully indexed. ISSN 0010-6542.

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Dialogue and Alliance: A Journal of the International Religious Foundation. ISSN 0891-5881. Published by the International Religious Foundation, JAF Box 1186, New York, New York 10116. A quarterly journal that will be fully indexed.

Foundations and Facets Forum. ISSN 0883-4970. Our information on place of publication is no longer valid. This information will be passed on as soon as the Indexes receive it. Index coverage will be full.

Institute for Christian Studies: Faculty Bulletin. Published annually by the Institute, 1909 University Avenue, Austin, Texas 78705. This publication will be indexed selectively.

Journal of Indian Philosophy. ISSN 0022-1791. Published quarterly by the D. Reidel Publishing Company; for subscriptions write to Kluwer Academic Publishers Group, P.O. Box 358, Accord Station, Hingham, Massachusetts 02018-0358. This journal will receive full index coverage.

Journal of Ritual Studies. ISSN 0890-1112. Published twice yearly by the Department of Religious Studies, 2604 CL, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15260. This journal will be fully indexed.

Occasional Papers on Religion in Eastern Europe. For subscription information contact Paul Mojzes, Editor, Rosemont College, Rosement, Pennsylvania 19010. These papers will be fully indexed.

Pacifica. ISSN 1030-570X. Published three times a year by the Pacifica Theological Studies Association; for subscriptions write the Manager, Pacifica, P.O. Box 271, Brunswick East, Victoria 3057, Australia. Pacifica will be fully indexed.

Philosophy and Theology. Published quarterly by the Marquette University Press, Marquette University, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53233. This journal will be fully indexed.

Scripta Theologica. Published by the Facultad de Teologia, Universidad de Navarra, E-31080 Pamplona, Spain. This publication will receive full indexing.

Soviet Jewish Affairs: A Journal on Jewish Problems in the USSR and Eastern Europe. ISSN 0038-545X. Published three times a year by the Institute of Jewish Affairs in association with the World Jewish Congress, 11 Hertford Street, London WIY 7DX, England. This journal will be selectively indexed.

Theodolite: A Journal of Christian Thought and Practice. ISSN 0225-7270. Published twice yearly by McMaster Divinity College, Hamilton, Ontario L8S 4KI, Canada. This journal will be fully indexed. Formerly titled Theological Bulletin.

United Theological Seminary Journal of Theology. Published annually by United Theological Seminary, 1810 Harvard Boulevard, Dayton, Ohio 45406. This journal will be selectively indexed.

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<u>Urban Mission</u>. Published five times a year by Westminster Theological Seminary, P.O. Box 27009, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19118. <u>Urban Mission</u> will be selectively indexed.

Zeitschrift für katholische Theologie. For information contact Hans Bernhard Meyer, Editor, Sillgasse 6, Postfach 569, A-6021 Innsbruck, Austria.

Albert E. Hurd
Executive Director of the Preservation
Board and the Religion Indexes

JOHN M. COX, III, DEAD AT 38

John M. Cox, III, Head of Technical Services and Senior Cataloger at the Burke Library of Union Theological Seminary, died in New York City on December 15, 1988. He was 38 years old. His death ended a long battle with AIDS, which he fought bravely and with great dignity. Born and reared in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, John earned the B.A. degree from Davidson College in 1972, the M.Div. degree from Union Theological Seminary (New York) in 1975, the M.Phil. degree from Columbia University in 1981, and the M.S. degree from the Columbia University School of Library Service in 1984. He joined the staff of the Burke Library while still a student at Union; and since 1984 he had been in charge of technical services, spending much of his time cataloging early printed books, his great love. A book fund has been established in his memory at the Burke Library, and friends are invited to make contributions to it. He is survived by his parents and two sisters, all of North Carolina, and by a host of loving friends. A service commemorating his life and work was held in James Chapel at Union Seminary on February 1.

THEOLOGICAL LIBRARIANS HOLD WORKSHOP IN AUSTIN

A Theological Librarians' Workshop was held in Austin, Texas, January 23-24, 1989, for librarians from theological institutions in the Southwest. About 30 people participated in the workshop, which was sponsored by the Graduate School of Library and Information Sciences, University of Texas at Austin; the Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary; and the Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest. The program included presentations by Professors Loriene Roy, David Gracy, and Bob Walton. Preliminary plans call for a similar gathering at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth in January 1990.

BIBLIOGRAPHIC SYSTEMS COMMITTEE REPORT

The Bibliographic Systems Section wishes to express gratitute to Elizabeth Flynn (formerly of the Graduate Theological Union Library) for five years (1983-1988) of special service to ATLA libraries as compiler of Current LC Subject Headings in the Field of Religion. Libby accepted the task as compiler in 1983 after the annual conference in Richmond, Virginia. She continued providing invaluable assistance to catalogers for several years beyond her retirement to raise a family. Many will also remember and appreciate her excellent leadership as Chair of the Bibliographic Systems Committee during the formative years of the section between 1981 and 1984.

Gerard Servais of the Promotion Biblique et Informatique in Maredsous, Belgium, has submitted the following item with the request that it be published in the Bibliographic Systems Committee Report. We are glad to share it with our colleagues in the Association:

"The Center "Informatique & Bible," with offices at the Benedictine Abbey of Maredsous, Belgium, has been using the computer in the past fifteen years to study the original Bible texts in their ancient and modern versions (11 complete versions - including the Revised Standard - are available in its data base). Over the last five years the Center has been setting up a number of services for the libraries of religious sciences all over Europe. For this purpose a catalog software was developed which operates with a micro-computer (PRO-350 of Digital Equipment Corp., shortly IBM-PC/PS).

In order to keep the librarians of religious sciences informed on the state of research in their own field, the Center publishes a three-monthly "Newsletter" in French under the title DEBORA-DOC. INFORMATIONS, which has the following sections:

- Editorial
- Religious libraries

News about the European Association of Theology Libraries and the ATLA (through abstracting of the various bulletins), about the religious libraries taken separately, etc.

- Automation of libraries, networks, documentary servers, data bases
- International manifestations
- Standards

An attempt is being made at reporting work on standardization in bibliotheconomics, including the problem of coding and data exchange.

- Bibliography
- Calendar.

Further information from: CIB-Maredsous, B-5198 DENÉE, Belgium."

Ferne Weimer, Chair Bibliographic Systems Committee

ST. MARY'S SEMINARY AND UNIVERSITY LIBRARY RENOVATED

St. Mary's Seminary and University, Baltimore, Maryland, recently completed a total renovation of its library, the work having begun in May 1987. Dedication ceremonies were held on October 19, 1988, with the Reverend Theodore Hesburgh of the University of Notre Dame as the featured speaker. The facility was named the Marion Burk Knott Library in honor of the wife of its principal benefactor, Henry J. Knott of Baltimore. The new library can now house 150,000 volumes without crowding and seat over 100 patrons in comfort. The firm of Gaudreau, Inc. of Baltimore handled the architectural designs. Dr. Norman J. Kansfield, Director of Library Services, Ambrose Swasey Library, Colgate Rochester Divinity School, Rochester, New York, was the consultant to the project. The library never closed during the construction, for which its staff deserve tribute: Kathleen Tallent, Reader Services Librarian; John T. Carey, Technical Services Librarian, and Mary Otterbein, Administrative Assistant. David P. Siemsen is Director Library Services.

BISHOP McCONNELL PAPERS GIVEN TO DREW

The Methodist Library at Drew University in Madison, New Jersey, recently received the personal papers and records of Bishop Francis John McConnell. The papers are a gift from Dorothy McConnell, the Bishop's daughter. Bishop McConnell was during the first half of this century one of the leading figures in American and world Methodistm. He was significant in the ecumenical movement, in liberal Christianity, and in the social gospel movement; was president of the Methodist Federation for Social Services; and was an early president of the Federal Council of Churches, later to become the National Council of Churches.

CONTROL OF SAN ANTONIO SEMINARY CHANGES

Ownership and control of the Hispanic Baptist Theological Seminary in San Antonio, Texas, was transferred from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary to the Baptist General Convention of Texas effective January 1, 1989. The mission of the institution — to provide religious education in Spanish at the certificate/diploma level — will continue. The associate program and the graduate extension program will continue to be provided on campus under supervision of Southwestern Seminary. This institution celebrated its 40th anniversary a year ago. It was a part of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary for six and a half years but before that had been under the control of the Baptist General Convention of Texas. James O. Wallace is the Library Director.

REPORT FROM ATLA LIAISON TO CC:DA

ALA's Committee on Cataloging: Description and Access (CC:DA) met in Washington, D.C., January 7-9, 1989, in four sessions, with Joyce L. Farris in attendance as Liaison from ATLA.

Report on IFLA Conference, Sydney, Australia, 1988 (International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions). Comments on the ISBD's for Computer Files (CF) and Printed Music (PM) are being reviewed. Comments on the ISBD for Rare Books (A) were due December 31, 1988. Publication of these standards is expected in 1989. Review of the ISBD(G) will begin in 1989. Guidelines for the application of the ISBDs to the description of component parts (ISBN 0-904043-50-5) is now available from the IFLA UBCIM Programme (c/o British Library Services, 2 Sheraton Street, London WIV 4BH, United Kingdom). Publication of the UNIMARC Authority Format is expected in Summer 1989.

Recommendations from CC:DA to IFLA. CC:DA approved an ALA proposal to IFLA that ISBD drafts should instruct that when a publication has no title proper and comprises two or more works, the GMD should be placed "after the first title."

Report from Ben Tucker, Representative from LC (Library of Congress). The new edition of LC rule interpretations (RI), revised to agree with the 1988 text of AACR2 Revised, is expected to be distributed at LC no later than March 1, 1989. CSB 44 (April-May) will gather all the RI's which have only the rule number changed. RI's which contain other changes will appear in CSB 45. An LC RI on Chapter 9 will be prepared as soon as LC gets enough different kinds of materials to make problem surface.

In order to simplify its cataloging process, LC will take the following actions: a) Cease counting the pages of unpaged books and use "1 v. (unpaged)" instead; they shall continue to count pages for children's books and for rare books. b) Cease indicating particular types of illustrations in most cases, resulting in the more or less routine use of "ill." instead. c) Cease giving the several types of notes for bibliographic citations, substituting for all the single note "Includes bibliographical references."

Recommendations from CC:DA to JSC (Joint Steering Committee for the Revision of AACR).

1.1Cl: That, because "activity cards" are not considered a multimedia item, the mention of "activity cards" be removed from 1.1Cl footnote 2.4, and from the glossary definition of "multimedia."

1.4C3, 1.4C6: That 1.4C3 be modified to call for the use of the language of the chief source of information, rather than English, in recording the place of publication, distribution, etc., with examples revised to illustrate the point clearly.

1.6G, 1.6H3: That parallel numbering should be placed after the information it describes, and that the ISSN should be placed after the title portion of the series, rather than after the parallel title.

22.4B2: That the definition of "surname" be moved to the glossary.

22.16A3: That JSC ask people who have royal persons in their government to prepare a draft rule for entry of consorts with similar names.

24.27C3: That the reference to Chapter 23, requiring qualification of a diocese by place, be deleted. It was also noted in the examples that the Dioceses of Uppsala and Ely are not Roman Catholic.

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Task Force on Creeds, Final Report. The following final report of the Task Force on Creeds was accepted and will be forwarded to the JSC.

"Background: A small number of major creeds such as the Apostles' Creed or the Nicene Creed are accepted by two or more denominations. AACR2 says that if an edition of a creed is issued by a denomination, the edition is to be entered under that denomination. If the edition is published by some other sort of organization, it is to be entered under the originating corporate body, and if that body can not be determined, it is to be entered under title. Although this practice pulls together creeds recognized by a particular church, it splits printings of identical creeds, entering some printings under title or originating body, and other printings under the various issuing agencies.

"Recommendation: The Task Force recommends entering such creeds under uniform title, which was the practice prior to AACR2 and which has generally been continued by theological libraries. We further recommend using English language uniform titles for those creeds which have well-established English names. Our suggested wording for these two rules is below.

"21.38. Enter a theological creed, confession of faith, etc., accepted by more than one denominational body under title. Use a uniform title as instructed in [new rule] 25.XX. Make an added entry under the heading for the denominational body with which the edition being cataloged is associated. Make an added entry under the heading for the corporate body originally responsible for the work if its name appears in the chief source of information of the item being cataloged.

"25.XX. Use as the uniform title for a theological creed, confession of faith, etc., accepted by more than one denominational body a well-established English title if there is one. Otherwise, use a title in the original language."

CC:DA task forces approved. CC:DA moved to establish three task forces: 1) To consider issues related to the use of abbreviations in the addition of larger places to place names (23.4B, 23.4Cl, 23.4Dl). Ben Tucker will prepare a statement about the impact on 24.4C4 and 24.4C5 of revisions in Chapter 23. 2) To look at the rules for entry for items without a collective title, with a view toward achieving consistency across chapters and evaluating the factor of predominance of type of material.

3) To look at the definition of "producer" with a view toward harmonization for all chapters.

Cooperation with SAC (RTSD's Subject Authority Control Committee). At the request of SAC, CC:DA agreed to have one of its members join that committee to look at the discrepancies occurring in the LC Authority File because of the current LC practice of removing references from subjects in the 130's and the resulting loss of cross-reference structure. CC:DA also agreed to co-sponsor with SAC a two-hour program for the 1990 annual ALA conference. It is planned that the program will deal with such questions as, Is there a need for a subject cataloging code? How do you form a code or subject thesaurus? Is there a parallel for developing a subject code based on how AACR2 was developed?

Joint Meeting with MARBI (Committee on Representation in Machine-Readable Form of Bibliographic Information). MARBI has named a Multiple

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Versions Committee to look at different areas where it is perceived that multiple versions are a problem and to draft an interim policy for consideration in collective meetings of various committees. CC:DA joined a session of MARBI to discuss the linking of multiple bibliographic records representing different versions of the same work.

In their discussion paper, MARBI had proposed this definition of "version:" "An additional manifestation of a work which does not differ in content from the original but differs only in the physical medium in which it is embodied."

Some of the associated problems which were identified are:

- definining "version." CC:DA expects to have significant input into the formulation of this definition.
 - identifying a "focal" record to which other records would be linked
 - differing needs of different libraries relative to identical items
 - implications for preservation filming
 - resolving the problem for the local system as opposed to a network
 - difficulty in breaking a link forged by miskeying
 - suppressing display of unwanted records (i.e., screen clutter)
 - including local system identification with the link
 - defining the relationship of the description to the holdings format
- difficulty in finding a single solution which will satisfy serials as well as all the other formats
 - defining descriptive issues related to the multiple versions
- dealing adequately with the matter of "identical intellectual content," which is currently geared toward print materials
- consideration of uniform titles as a means to organize these materials.

At the end of the afternoon there was general agreement that full level records, not minimal level records, should always be used so that no changes need to be made to MARC or local records. There will be further communication between MARBI and CC:DA as the work of their task force continued.

Joyce L. Farris ATLA Liaison to CC:DA

LEXINGTON SEMINARY LIBRARY ISSUES NEW PUBLICATION

Lexington Theological Seminary Library has added a new title to its Occational Studies: Len D. Oliver, A Guide to the Cane Ridge Revival (54 p.), with a foreword by Professor Anthony Dunnavant. This work is a bibliography of revivalism and the second Great Awakening, with emphasis upon the Cane Ridge Meeting. It also contains a collection of source materials describing and assessing the Cane Ridge and Kentucky revivals. This volume is available for \$5.00. Orders should be sent to and checks should be made payable to: Bosworth Memorial Library, Lexington Theological Seminary, 631 South Limestone, Lexington, Kentucky 40508.

GRADUATE THEOLOGICAL UNION LIBRARY RECEIVES \$300,000 GRANT

The Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley, California, is pleased to announce the award of a \$300,000 grant from the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, in general support of the automation of its Flora Lamson Hewlett Library. The first priority for the use of these funds is the retrospective conversion of catalog records. The work will be done in house directly on RLIN with staff from Advanced Information Management of Mountain View. The first undertaking will be to convert the balance of the high-use LC classified collection. After LC, the Dewey and Union collections will be converted, with reclassification as a by-product. The latter collections will first be searched on the new LC database to eliminate unneeded duplicates. Integration of the nine GTU member schools' original collections will occur naturally as a part of the retrospective conversion project. Approximately 62,000 records will be converted in the first year of the three-year project. Additional funds are being sought for completion of retrospective conversion and for hardware and software for an online public access catalog and circulation system.

Founded in 1962, the Graduate Theological Union is the largest ecumenical consortium for the graduate study of religion and theology in the United States. The GTU encompasses six Protestant and three Roman Catholic member schools; twelve centers, institutes, and programs are affiliated members of the Union, including the Center for Jewish Studies and the Institute of Buddhist Studies.

As an accredited graduate school, the GTU offers the Ph.D., Th.D. (Doctor of Theology), and M.A. degrees. It has the second largest number of doctoral candidates enrolled in theology and religion in North America. The nine member schools of the GTU offer professional degree programs (in particular, the Master of Divinity or M.Div.), preparing clergy to serve throughout the United States.

The recently completed Flora Lamson Hewlett Library demonstrates the GTU's commitment to interreligious cooperation. The Library brings together the bibliographic resources of the nine member schools of the GTU, housing over 355,000 volumes and nearly 200,000 microforms, slides, LP's, films, and tapes. John D. Baker-Batsel is the Director of the Library.

PUBLICATION SCHEDULE FOR NEWSLETTER ANNOUNCED

The publication schedule for the remaining three issues of the ATLA Newsletter during the 1989 calendar year is as follows:

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A CHECKLIST OF REFERENCE TOOLS OF INTEREST TO THEOLOGICAL LIBRARIANS, 1987-1988

Compiled by Seth Kasten Head of Reader Services/Reference and Research Librarian, The Burke Library, Union Theological Seminary, New York, New York

This bibliography is the fifth annual supplement to the "Checklist" which appeared in the February 18, 1984, issue of the ATLA Newsletter. It is selected from 1987 and 1988 imprints acquired by Union Theological Seminary, New York, during the 1988 calendar year. Readers of the Newsletter are encouraged to send citations during 1989 to Seth Kasten so that next year's list may be as diverse and comprehensive as possible.

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NEWS OF ATLA MEMBERS

Mary R. Bischoff has resigned her position as Associate Director of the Graduate Theological Union Library in Berkeley, California, in order to become Director of the Jesuit-Krauss-McCormick Library in Chicago, Illinois. She will assume her new responsibilities on March 15, 1989. She has been a member of the GTU Library staff since 1983, and prior to that had served on the staffs of Concordia Seminary Library and Christ Seminary-Seminex Library, both in St. Louis, Missouri. The JKM Library serves McCormick Seminary and the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago.

Dorothy N. Bowen, Director of Library Services at the Nairobi Evangelical Graduate School of Theology in Nairobi, Kenya, has been appointed a part-time Lecturer in the newly established Faculty of Information Sciences at Moi University in Eldoret. Dr. Bowen recently published an article entitled "Learning Style Based Bibliographic Instruction" in the July 1988 issue of the International Library Review. The article grew out of her Ph.D. dissertation, "Cognitive Styles of African Theological Students and the Implications of Those Styles for Bibliographic Instruction."

Lynda Buch has been named Public Services Librarian of the J. William Horsey Library which serves Ontario Bible College and Ontario Theological Seminary in Willowdale, Ontario. Her appointment was effective January 2, 1989. Miss Buch holds the Master of Divinity degree from Acadia University in Wolfville, Nova Scotia, and the Master of Library and Information Science degree from the State University of New York in Buffalo. For the past four years she has served as Reference Librarian and Acting Theological Librarian at Acadia University. Prior to that she had three years of public library experience in Oakville, Ontario, and was for three years a cataloger for the National Book Centre in Toronto.

Julie V. Green was appointed Assistant Librarian of the Salzmann Library at St. Francis Seminary in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in July 1988.

Robert D. Ibach, Library Director at the Dallas Theological Seminary in Dallas, Texas, is the author of <u>Archaeological Survey of the Hesban Region</u>, published by Andrews University Press, Berrien Springs, Michigan. The 299-page book is Number 5 in the series "Hesban" and constitutes the final report on Mr. Ibach's work as a member of the Andrews University expedition to Tell Hesban in Jordan.

Daryle MacEchern Maroney has resigned her position as Head of Technical Services at the John Bulow Campbell Library of Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia, in order to join the cataloging staff of the William Pullen Library of Georgia State University in Atlanta. Mrs. Maroney had held her position at Columbia Seminary for almost eight years.

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Joyce Meadows has resigned her position as Public Services Librarian at the J. William Horsey Library, which serves Ontario Bible College and Ontario Theological Seminary in Willowdale, Ontario. Mrs. Meadows has moved to London, Ontario, where her husband, Frank, has accepted a call to the pastorate of First-St. Andrew's United Church.

Father Lawrence Miech resigned his position as Library Administrator of the Salzmann Library of St. Francis Seminary in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in December 1988. He is currently on sabbatical leave in preparation for the pursuit of a ministry other than librarianship.

Paul Schrodt has accepted the position of Assistant Librarian at the United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio. Dr. Schrodt was formerly Rare Book Cataloger at the Ambrose Swasey Library at Colgate Rochester Divinity School/Bexley Hall/Crozer Theological Seminary in Rochester, New York.

Ruthanne Strobel has been named Head of Technical Services at the John Bulow Campbell Library of Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia. Mrs. Strobel came to her new position from the Librarianship of the Education Department Library at Georgia State University in Atlanta.

Page A. Thomas, Associate Librarian of the Bridwell Library at Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas, is the co-compiler with Thomas R. W. Longstaff of The Synoptic Problem: A Bibliography, 1716-1988, just published by the Mercer University Press in Macon, Georgia. Dr. Longstaff is Professor of Religion at Colby College in Waterville, Maine. The 236-page volume is Number 4 in Mercer's "New Gospel Studies" series. Comprising more than 1,950 entries, the bibliography is divided into three sections: (1) author/title index - arranged alphabetically by author and including the printing history of each entry; (2) date of publication/printing/writing index; and (3) keyword-phrase index. In addition, most books listed include an on-line-data-base (OCLC) access number or NUC identification number and a library holding code from OCLC or NUC. The list price of the book is \$35.00.

Leslie C. Walker has assumed the position of Assistant Librarian of the Lineberger Memorial Library at the Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary in Columbia, South Carolina. She holds the Master of Librarianship degree from the University of South Carolina in Columbia, and prior to

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coming to her new post was Reference Librarian at Benedict College, also in Columbia.

David J. Wartluft, Director of the Krauth Memorial Library at The Lutheran Theological Seminary in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, left earlier this month for Madras, India, where he will spend three months of his current sabbatical leave working in library development with the Gurukul Lutheran College and Seminary. He plans to return to Philadelphia on or about May 20.

Guy Wilson was appointed in December 1988 the first Librarian for the United States Catholic Conference/National Conference of Catholic Bishops in Washington, D.C. Mr. Wilson's previous library experience has been in public and government libraries.

Collette Zirbes was named Director of the Salzmann Library at St. Francis Seminary in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, effective January 1, 1989. She had been Associate Director of the Library since 1982.

MINNESOTA CONSORTIUM INSTALLS INTELLIGENT CATALOG

The Minnesota Theological Library Association has chosen the <u>Intelligent Catalog</u> from the Library Corporation as its new public access catalog. The <u>Intelligent Catalog</u>, utilizing CD-ROM technology, offers keyword searching, shelflist browse and multiple search delimiters, among a host of other features. The catalogs are based on stand-alone PC workstations, complete with printers and CD-ROM drives, all in a modular, locking cabinet. Installation is expected in February.

The MTLA is a consortium of ATLA schools in the Minneapolis-St. Paul area which have shared a union microform catalog since 1976. It currently uses Library Corporation's <u>Bibliofile</u> cataloging utility to process centrally all consortium cataloging.

MTLA members include Bethel Theological Seminary, Luther Northwestern Theological Seminary, St. Paul Seminary School of Divinity of the College of St. Thomas, and United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities. In addition, the collections of Bethel's auxiliary seminary in San Diego, California, and the Midwest China Center in St. Paul are represented in the catalog. Although the consortium's final member, St. John's University in Collegeville, Minnesota, is not currently included in the catalog, plans are underway to incorporate most of that collection in the new catalog as well.

It will be possible to search the MTLA's catalog by telephone with a modem. More information may be secured from Scott Grorud, MTLA Database Administrator at Luther Northwestern Seminary Library, 2375 Como Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota 55108; telephone 612-641-3202.

PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

At a plenary session of the ATLA in Lexington, Kentucky, last June, the Reader Services Committee and Section were renamed the Public Services Committee and Section, and this change was incorporated into the Bylaws of the Association. Presumably, the new name will more suitably and accurately convey the scope of the section's interests.

All Committee members were present at the conference: Judy Clarence; William Hair III; Diane Choquette, Board of Directors Liaison; and Norman Anderson, Chair.

At the noon Committee meeting on Tuesday, June 21, several decisions were reached:

- 1. The ATLA Special Collections Directory was discussed. The Board of Directors had earlier decided not to fund the Directory. Diane Choquette reported the Board's concerns about time-consuming detail and duplication of other resources. The Committee decided that since Ralph Ritter was willing to carry on the work under Norman Anderson's editorial eye, the Directory would be put in a final form for a first edition, to be distributed on demand and at cost in both disk (IBM) and paper format. Mr. Ritter, who was present for this part of the meeting, indicated that he would check the information already received against the latest edition of Lee Ash's Subject Collections. He would then make cross-references and note reporting libraries not in Ash. Committee members asked to have an opportunity for input on the final form of the Directory. For the time being, Mr. Ritter will continue to keep the Directory database open-ended, with the view of someday producing another edition or merging with another ATLA directory or database. As of the Conference, 49 of 176 libraries had submitted entries, and about 16 others had responded with negative answers. (Remaining libraries are still encouraged to respond, even if with only sketchy information or directions to consult another source. The information is to be sent to Ralph Ritter at Biblical Theological Seminary, 200 North Main Street, Hatfield, Pennsylvania 19440.)
- 2. Judy Clarence will edit a column in the ATLA Newsletter on theological reference questions, both interesting questions with answers and difficult ones seeking answers. Reviews might also be included. (This was subsequently begun. See her column entitled "Reference Book Reviews and Interesting Reference Questions from the Public Services Committee," ATLA Newsletter, v. 36, no. 1, August 13, 1988.) Other ideas for publication in the Newsletter include a summary of past discussion on the future of public services in theological libraries (in part supplementary to the Project 2000 report), much of which has been deposited in the ATLA archives, and a document entitled "The nature and aims of the Reader [now Public] Services Section" (included at the end of this report). Special appreciation of Seth Kasten's regular survey of theological reference books in the ATLA Newsletter was expressed (last published in the February 1988 issue).
- 3. Ideas for a continuing education course or workshop at the 1989 conference were discussed. The Committee decided to recommend a focus on circulation management. Specific topies suggested include: new developments in theological education (such as greater emphases on extension education) and their effects on circulation policy; security systems; online

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circulation systems; circulation and theological library ministry to the church; and library collection agencies. As for the Public Services Section meeting, demonstration of bibliographic software was suggested as a possibility. (Subsequently Ray Olson volunteered to conduct a presentation of Pro-Cite.) Mr. Anderson was asked to communicate these ideas to the ATLA Program Committee, which was done on June 29.

- 4. Seth Kasten, at the Committee's invitation, reported difficulties he had discovered with the <u>ATLA Religion Index</u>. For instance, the published thesaurus is incomplete and does not include superseded descriptors which are still on the database; searching by biblical passage online is clumsy (a Scripture index is needed); and dropping abstracts has had a negative effect on keyword searching. He suggested more communication between the Committee and the Index Board. One of the Index Board members was leter informed orally about some of the problems.
- 5. Committee members agreed that increased mutual communication and prodding might be necessary for some ideas to be carried through, in order to help offset the press of work at home.

A Section meeting was held in the afternoon of June 21. Two presentations were given. The first was introduced by Betty O'Brien on behalf of the Publication Committee. Ken Bedell demonstrated that Committee's Basic Bibliography Series, which will be on computer disk and distributable in that format to ATLA libraries. People interested in compiling bibliographies for the series were encouraged to be in touch with the Publication Committee. The second presentation was made by Robert Phillips and was entitled, "Bibliographic Instruction and Theological Education: What are They Saying about Bilbiographic Instruction that has Significance for Theological Education?" Mr. Phillips surveyed the literature, especially noting the ATLA's Summary of Proceedings, and identified general issues. The text of his paper was subsequently printed in the Summary of Proceedings for 1988 (see pages 178-192).

On the evening of June 21, the Committee met with the Board liaisons, the Editor of the ATLA Newsletter, and the other standing committees (Bibliographic Systems and Collection Evaluation and Development) at the Plumtree Restaurant in Lexington for information sharing. Two issues discussed there that may affect the Public Services Section were (1) the possibility of a change in format for section meetings to small groups, and (2) the merging of directories. This meeting filled two important needs sensed by many of those present, namely, awareness of expectations and development of mutual awareness.

At the moment, the biggest need of the Public Services Section is for volunteer writers and section meeting presenters. The Committee will be attempting to recruit a corps of writers to contribute to its columns in the ATLA Newsletter.

The fourth and final draft of the Nature and Aims of the Public Services Section follows:

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THE NATURE AND AIMS OF THE PUBLIC SERVICES SECTION (PSS) OF THE AMERICAN THEOLOGICAL LIBRARY ASSOCIATION (ATLA):

AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT

Fourth and final draft, January 11, 1989

- 1. The ATLA PSS understands itself to be concerned primarily with:
 (a) the professional services offered by theological libraries in reference, research assistance, bibliographic instruction, reference collection development, and related activities, such as database searching, the compilation of resource guides, and engagement in theological research and dialog as a service to readers; (b) the professional services involved in circulation and interlibrary loan; and (c) research into and analysis of theological public services, developments affecting those services, and adjustments that should or may take place.
- 2. The first aim of the ATLA PSS is to coordinate or itself undertake projects that are more appropriate at the continental than at the local or consortial levels.
- 3. The second aim is to prepare its members for the future by means of continuing education, workshops, lectures, dialog, itemization and discussion of developments, etc.
- 4. The third aim is to foster a support and communication network for its members.
- 5. The fourth aim is to be a channel and clearinghouse of creativity for its members.
 - 6. The fifth aim is to exert influence in its special areas of concern.
- 7. The sixth aim is to reflect continually on its own role and priorities as a section and on the role of theological public services generally as a means of enhancing professionalism and the leadership role of the PSS, as a means of self-critique, as a means of interacting with developments that may affect roles, as a means of preparing the PSS for the future, as a means of laying the groundwork for appropriate activities, and as a means of setting priorities.
- 8. All of these aims are limited to the central concerns of theological public services as delineated above, in most cases with the readers being a primary beneficiary.
- 9. The ATLA PSS belongs to and should intereact with several worlds: the ATLA itself, the worlds of librarianship and information science, the many worlds of theological education and scholarship, and the church. Normally the PSS should interact solely according to its distinctive concerns; but its participation in these worlds will at times quite properly go beyond those concerns, particularly when the PSS is well positioned to make a special contribution, when several groups need to band together to bridge chasms in the system, or when the PSS must act responsibly as a citizen of any given world.

Norman E. Anderson, Chair Public Services Committee

POSITIONS OPEN

THEOLOGICAL LIBRARIAN. Phillips Graduate Seminary invites applications and nominations for the position of Theological Librarian and Assistant Professor of Theological Bibliography. The post is available August 15, 1989, pending funding. Salary is commensurate with qualifications and experience. The Theological Librarian is responsible for collection development, reference work, on-line searching, teaching the course in "Tools for Theological Study," and some administrative work. Phillips Graduate Seminary is affiliated with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and is ecumenical in faculty, students, and philosophy. The Seminary offers the M.Div., M.A. in Rel. Ed., M.A. in Pastoral Counseling, and M.T.S. degrees at its Enid and Tulsa centers, and the D.Min. degree at its Oklahoma City satellite. Candidates should have an ALA-accredited MLS degree, an ATSaccredited M.Div. degree, and several years library experience. Additional competence in a theological discipline is desirable. Send letter of application, resume, transcripts, and the names, addresses, and telephones of three recent references to: Theological Librarian Search Committee, Phillips Graduate Seminary, Box 2335, University Station, Enid, Oklahoma 73702. Review of applications will begin March 15 and will continue until the position is filled. Phillips Graduate Seminary is an Equal Employment Opportunity and Affirmative Action employer.

CATALOGER/ASSISTANT HEAD OF TECHNICAL SERVICES, Burke Library, Union Theological Seminary, New York, New York. Responsible for monograph cataloging (both original cataloging and supervision of copy cataloging operation); also discharges other technical service functions as necessary and serves as departmental deputy as required. Requirements: MLS from an ALA-accredited institution; graduate degree in theology or related discipline; prior experience in an academic library, including prior on-the-job cataloging experience; working knowledge of one Germanic and one Romance language; familiarity with AACR2, LC classification and subject headings, MARC format, RLIN and/or OCLC online operations. Position available immediately. Salary negotiable; liberal benefits. Apply, with letter, resume, and references, to: Director of Personnel, Union Theological Seminary, 3041 Broadway, New York, New York 10027.

REFERENCE LIBRARIAN. Union Theological Seminary in Virginia is seeking a Reference Librarian. Duties: General reference duties and instruction on individual and group basis. Bibliographic work. Maintenance of vertical and pamphlet files. Supervision of church records and ecumenical collections. Data base reference searching. Supervision of staff person responsible for interlibrary loans and periodicals. Required: An MLS degree from an ALA-accredited school. Some background in theology and the context of the church; five years experience in library work. Preferred: A second masters in theology. Language competence (especially German and French, although Greek and Hebrew are desirable). Experience with computers and data base searching. Salary: \$21,000 and up plus benefits, depending on qualifications and length of experience. Union Theological Seminary in Virginia is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer. Please send

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letter of application and resume with at least three references to: Dr. John B. Trotti, Librarian, Union Theological Seminary, 3401 Brook Road, Richmond, Virginia 23227.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS/REFERENCE LIBRARIAN. Wingate College has a new position that is available immediately with the following responsibilities: Special Collections - Administer and supervise all papers, books, and other media in special collections; coordinate the processing and bibliographic control of all special collections materials; prepare guides to the collections; supervise support staff and student assistants. Reference - Assist with general reference service, bibliographic orientation and instruction, database searching with CD-ROM and on-line services, collection development, preparation of library publications, and related reference assignments. Work at the service desks a few hours weekly. Participate in evening and weekend rotations. Compensation: \$19,000 minimum (12-months appointment); TIAA-CREF; 22 vacation days per year; standard medical coverage, dental and eye care insurance. Wingate College is a Baptist-related liberal arts college of 1,700 students on the eastern edge of the metropolitan Charlotte area. Send letter of application, resume and three references to: Michael J. LaCroix, Director of Library Services, Ethel K. Smith Library, Wingate College, Wingate, North Carolina 28174-0217.

COURSE IN HEBRAICA AND JUDAICA CATALOGING TO BE OFFERED

Dr. Bella Hass Heinberg will offer a twelve-session intensive course on Hebraica and Judaica cataloging from May 23 through June 15, 1989, at the Max Weinreich Center for Advanced Jewish Studies in New York City. Dr. Weinberg is Consulting Librarian for the YIVO Institute for Jewish Research and an Associate Professor in the Division of Library and Information Science at St. John's University. The course will focus on Hebraica and Judaica cataloging for research and academic libraries, with an emphasis on Library of Congress systems. Topics to be covered include: Romanization, formation of headings for Hebrew and Yiddish authors, cataloging of liturgical works, Judaica subject headings and classification schemes, and multiscript authority files.

The course is oriented towards library school students and recent graduates as well as beginning Judaica and Hebraica catalogers. Prerequisites for admission are a reading knowledge of Hebrew or Yiddish and permission of the instructor. Some training or experience in cataloging will be helpful. Tuition: \$300. Credit: 3 graduate credits. Dates: May 23-June 15, 1989. Twelve sessions, three afternoons a week: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 3:00-5:30 p.m. Place: YIVO Institute for Jewish Research, 1048 Fifth Avenue (at 86th Street), New York, New York 10028. For registration information, please write or call: Pamela Brumberg, Assistant to the Dean, Max Weinreich Center for Advanced Jewish Studies, 1048 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10028. Telephone: 212-535-6700, Ext. 26.