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ATLA HOLDS FORTY-FIRST ANNUAL CONFERENCE  
IN BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA

The American Theological Library Association held its forty-first annual conference on the campus of the University of California in Berkeley, June 22-26, 1987. The host institutions were the Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary in Mill Valley, California, and The Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley. Approximately 210 members and friends of the Association were in attendance. Serving as host librarians were Cecil R. White, Librarian of the Golden Gate Seminary, and John D. Baker-Batsel, Director of The Graduate Theological Union Library. Mary R. Bischoff, Associate Director of the GTU Library, was responsible for the conference arrangements. The program for the conference was prepared by the Program Committee consisting of Thomas F. Gilbert, Melinda A. Reagor, and Cecil R. White, Chair. Stephen L. Peterson, Librarian of the Yale Divinity School in New Haven, Connecticut, and President of the Association, presided.

Prior to the formal opening of the conference, three Continuing Education Workshops were available on Monday, June 22: "Conservation/Preservation Programs for Libraries : A Practical Overview," led by Sally Buchanan, Instructor in Library and Archival Conservation in the School of Library and Information Studies at the University of California at Berkeley; "Information Management Using Microcomputers : Or, Your Data Base on a Microcomputer," led by Diane Rosenberger, Systems Librarian at the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco; and "Searching the Religion Index Database," led by Albert E. Hurd, Executive Director of the Religion Indexes, and Julie Hurd of the Graduate Library School faculty at the University of Chicago, and the Religion Indexes staff. Monday was brought to a close by a reception in the new GTU Library.

Tuesday morning featured the Opening Plenary and Business Session and an address entitled "The Theological Library, Servant or Partner," by Claude Welch, Dean of The Graduate Theological Union. Tuesday afternoon offered an address, "Toward a Living Cosmology : From the Quest for the Historical Jesus to the Quest for the Cosmic Christ," by Matthew Fox, O.P., of Holy Names College in Oakland, California; and on Tuesday evening the day's schedule was completed by the Second Plenary and Business Session and the Presidential Address delivered by Stephen L. Peterson.

Wednesday morning provided members with a choice of three workshops: "Viability of On-Line Public Access Catalogs for Small to Medium Libraries," led by Joe Matthews of the INLEX Corporation; "The Impact of Women's Studies

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on Theological Education and Theological Libraries," led by a panel consisting of Sandra Boyd of the Princeton Theological Seminary Library, Clare Benedicks Fischer of the Starr King School for Ministry, and Rosemary Chinnici of the Franciscan School of Theology; and "Understanding and Applying California's New Law of Wrongful Termination : Legal Problems of Employer/Employee Relationships," led by Attorney Robert M. Cassel. Wednesday afternoon and evening were left as free time for conference attendees.

The Thursday morning session opened with an address entitled "Automation in Library Public Service : The Message or the Massage," by Paul Mosher, Deputy Director for Research Services at the Stanford University Library in Palo Alto, California. Then the remainder of the morning offered an opportunity for denominational meetings. The afternoon began with meetings of special interest groups and then offered a choice among four papers: "Can Serious Religious Book Publishing Survive in an Age of Pop Culture?," by Clayton Carlson of Harper & Row; "Alternative Publications in Theological Libraries : New Religious Movements Literature," by Diane Choquette of The Graduate Theological Union Library; "Churches on the Pacific Slope : Historical Resources," by Eldon Ernst of the Franciscan School of Theology and The Graduate Theological Union Library; and "Circulation in Theological Libraries, or, How Document Delivery Has Changed My Life," by Thomas F. Gilbert of Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary. The forty-first annual conference closed with the traditional reception and banquet on Thursday evening.

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 Channing R. Jeschke, Librarian of the Pitts Theology Library at Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia, as Vice-president for 1987-88 and President-elect for the following year. Rosalyn Lewis, Librarian of the Methodist Publishing House in Nashville, Tennessee, and Vice-president during the past year, will serve as President for the 1987-88 year. Elected to three-year terms as Members-at-Large on the Board of Directors were Mary R. Bischoff, Associate Director of The Graduate Theological Union Library in Berkeley, California; and Michael P. Boddy, Director of the Library of the School of Theology at Claremont in Claremont, California. The Association also re-elected Abraham Bookstein, Professor in the Graduate Library School at the University of Chicago, and Sarah P. M. Lyons, Librarian of the Denver Conservative Baptist Seminary in Denver, Colorado, to four-year terms on the Index Board. Elected to a four-year term on the Preservation Board was Kenneth E. Rowe, Methodist Research Librarian at Drew University in Madison, New Jersey; and re-elected to a four-year term on the Preservation Board was Kent H. Richards, Professor at the Iliff School of Theology in Denver, Colorado. A complete roster of the officials of the ATLA, the membership of the Board of Directors, the constituency of the various boards and committees, and the holders of special appointments in the Association will be found elsewhere in this issue of the Newsletter.

In one session on Sunday, June 21, two on Monday, June 22, and one on Friday, June 26, the Board of Directors took the following actions:

- approved revised guidelines for institutional membership in the Association;

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- approved a recommendation from the Financial Management Committee that a cost estimate be secured for a review of the liability exposure of the Association as a function of its structure and programs, to be presented to the Board at its February 1988 meeting;
- adopted a revised investment policy for the Association;
- made the Vice-president of the Association an ex officio member, with vote, of the Financial Management Committee;
- directed the Financial Management Committee to investigate the possibility of establishing a memorial fund which might be used to provide scholarships in honor of outstanding members of the Association;
- acting on a recommendation from the Publication Committee, voted to eliminate the Section attached to that Committee;
- established a Future Site Committee, charged to determine the feasibility of bringing ATLA offices together in a single location, to determine a location and the cost and implications of such a move - particularly with reference to the Index and Preservation Boards, and to communicate with the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada with regard to the possibility of a shared facility; and
- agreed to hold the winter meeting of the Board at the CENACLE Retreat Center in Chicago, Illinois, February 24-26, 1988, if those dates are available.

At a general business meeting of the Association Tuesday morning, June 23, the membership approved amending the Bylaws to bring them into conformity with the new financial processes now being developed. The revised version of Bylaws 11, 14, and 20 will be printed in the 1987 Summary of Proceedings.

At the general business session in the evening of the same day, the membership adopted the following resolution presented by Norman J. Kansfield, Librarian of Colgate Rochester Divinity School/Bexley Hall/Crozer Theological Seminary in Rochester, New York:

"This Association takes sad note of the painful discussion currently being carried on within the Southern Baptist Convention and its seminaries, institutions, and churches. We are aware that high spiritual and intellectual commitment exists on both sides of the debate and that men and women have felt led to place their entire selves on the line for what they perceive to be the cause of truth and justice.

"This state of affairs has already deeply hurt some of our colleagues who labor within Southern Baptist Schools. The Association therefore urges all parties within this dispute to work steadfastly and quickly toward that healing and reconciliation which will allow a whole-hearted return to the work of ministry to which we have been called.

"Toward this end we pledge to these our friends, our concern, our prayers, and whatever practical assistance we may be to them."

## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A review of my notes from the June conference reminds me that ATLA has set an ambitious agenda. In fact, the number of projects and programs is almost startling.

A committee chaired by Channing Jeschke is reviewing site needs for all ATLA operations; another committee of the Board of Directors is developing a proposal for a strategic planning process. Still another committee is studying the way we gather information about ourselves, and the Board is reviewing sometimes badly outdated job descriptions.

Ongoing projects include the North American Theological Inventory, which merits wide participation; the change from cash- to accrual-basis accounting, an eye-opener for most of us; and the development of our second unified budget. After some difficult times, Phase 2 of the Preservation Project is underway. The Program Committee is facing a great challenge as they try to equal or top a smashing conference and some of the nicest weather in recent ATLA history.

This list does not touch on the continuing work of the Index Board or of the remaining standing committees. It does not touch on the work of the denominational groups or of the several interest groups that involved our members. It is quickly apparent, however, that many of you are quite busy with ATLA-related activities.

While many of you are committed to one or more of these activities, some of you, especially newer members, may find the list frustrating. You want to be involved but have not yet found your niche in ATLA. When I was first asked how one becomes involved in ATLA, my initial reaction was that it just happens. Reflection tells me, however, that there are ways you can become more involved.

My first suggestion is that you volunteer for projects that may interest you in sections, interest groups, and denominational groups, especially if yours is one of the more active ones. Rarely are there too many people wanting to do hard work, and your help will usually be welcomed. By volunteering, and by carrying through on your offer (the real key!), you will become known, and your name will probably come up when committee appointments are discussed. Committee involvement is one of the likeliest paths to nomination for ATLA boards, and board membership is an important criterion for a position as an officer.

After you finish one project, continue to make yourself available for others, even if the activity is not your first choice. You may find that you can make a real contribution and that you have more skills than you think. Bylaws were never my hobby, but I became involved in a major revision in another organization quite by accident. Through the years, one thing has led to another, and I am proud of the contribution I feel I have made to several organizations, including ATLA (bylaws are still not my hobby!).

It may take a while before your specific qualifications are needed for a bigger job. Both the Board of Directors and the Nominating Committee are charged to seek balance--geographic, denominational, and male/female--when-ever possible for committees and offices. In addition, specific requirements for various projects must be taken into account. Committees have particular roles to play, and new committee members must provide skills that enable the committees to fulfill their responsibilities. The program boards are responsible for hundreds of thousands of dollars and for highly specialized

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programs. The Directors and the Nominating Committee look at the continuing membership to identify gaps in abilities and seek people who can fill those gaps.

Above all, I ask that you not be discouraged by your experiences in ATLA. There is some truth in the observation that the same people are asked again and again to serve. A person in a visible position has usually spent time laboring in the background; service in an additional leadership position continues to build on and take advantage of that experience. As is true in our libraries, there are very few entry level executive positions in any organization.

It is unfortunate that there are always some persons who are overlooked but who might have made an outstanding contribution. There are also those who should serve in various positions but whose own circumstances and needs and those of ATLA did not mesh at an appropriate time. Service includes families and institutions, also.

ATLA depends upon voluntary service to grow and prosper. Continue to seek says you can serve, and you will make your contribution. It may not be in the way that is your first choice, but it will be important to your association.

Rosalyn Lewis  
President, ATLA

## ATLA TO MEET IN LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY, IN 1988

The forty-second Annual Conference of the American Theological Library Association will be held at the Radisson Plaza Hotel in Lexington, Kentucky, June 19-24, 1988. The host institution for the Conference is Asbury Theological Seminary in Wilmore, Kentucky, and some sessions of the Conference will be held on their campus. Correspondence concerning accommodations at the Conference should be directed to William David Faupel, Librarian, Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, Kentucky 40390. Inquiries or suggestions regarding the Conference program should be directed to the Chair of the Program Committee, Cecil R. White, Librarian, Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, Strawberry Point, Mill Valley, California 94941.

## HARRIET LEONARD OFFERS NEW BIBLIOGRAPHY

Harriet V. Leonard, Reference Librarian at the Divinity School Library of Duke University, has prepared a bibliography entitled Christian Worship Materials, listing 103 titles, most of which are recent publications. The majority of the entries include a brief descriptive annotation. The 11-page bibliography is available upon request and without charge from: Harriet V. Leonard, Divinity School Library, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina 27706.

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## REPORT FROM THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

We had almost record members in Berkeley for our annual conference. I hope elsewhere someone will report on how successful and profitable it was. A rich variety of programs and activities filled the days and nights. Sorry all of our members cannot participate in these educational and social events.

Not too early to plan for next year's conference in Lexington and Wilmore, Kentucky. We will be experimenting with a combination that offers the best of all worlds. Our lodging will be in a hotel in Lexington. Meetings will be held in some of its facilities and at least two days meetings will be on the Asbury Theological Seminary campus in Wilmore. Housing should be most comfortable. An almost limitless possibility for meals and entertainment will be available in Lexington, and we will still have the opportunities to share the ethos of the campus of an important seminary of our Association. Planning is already well advanced. Mark your calendars for June 20-24, 1988.

The corner that kept eluding the Preservation Board has now been turned. We are on Phase 2. The cataloging for Phase 1 and most of the microfilming has been completed. The production of the final volumes on microfiche will soon be completed. In fact, production on Phase 2 has already started. A key element in the whole mix is that the OCLC and RLIN loading of the cataloging data is programmed. A schedule is being developed that will regularize timely input into both systems. The cost of the series of processes is a bit more than was anticipated. The marvel is that the financial planning for this project came so close to being on target, from a distance of three years ago. The program is being watched with great interest by preservation planners throughout the country. A unique feature of this program is that it not only functions as a preservation project but is generating considerable support as a collection development tool. We need the continued support of the Association to keep this project alive and healthy.

This office has been swamped with the routines of collecting membership dues and at the same time trying to work on the Proceedings. We are pleased with the timely response and urge all who have not yet sent in dues to do so as soon as possible. We can no longer continue to send the Proceedings to members who have not paid up. I admit to a bit of laxity here in the past.

Last year I encouraged people to use our Consultation Program. I still want you all to be aware of it, but our budget for this fiscal year is already encumbered. A good sign. If our financial situation remains as healthy as I trust it will, we may ask for more funds for this important supportive program.

Be sure to read carefully the Index Board report. An NEH grant has been received here to strengthen our offerings.

I wish you all could experience the enlightening meetings we have had in accomplishing the shift from cash to accrual accounting procedures. The basic lessons have helped us get a better understanding of our financial strengths and weaknesses.

There are many other items I could report on, but I am confident they will be covered elsewhere in this Newsletter. I just want to communicate my own excitement with the progress of the Association and assure you it is a joy for me to serve you in this capacity.

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

## ATLA RECEIVES TWELVE NEW MEMBERS

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W. J. CUNNINGHAM'S AGONY OF GALLOWAY OFFERED

Wayne W. Woodward, Director of Library Services at Wesley Biblical Seminary in Jackson, Mississippi, is offering without charge copies of Agony of Galloway; One Church's Struggle with Social Change, by W. J. Cunningham. Published in 1980 by the University Press of Mississippi, the book is the pastor's personal account of his 1963-1966 pastorate in Mississippi's largest United Methodist Church. Libraries wishing a copy should send a self-addressed mailing label to: FREE BOOK, 1752 Waycona Drive, Jackson, Mississippi 39204.

## BIBLIOGRAPHIC SYSTEMS COMMITTEE REPORT

Annual Conference Section Meeting. Clifford Wunderlich (Harvard Divinity School), chair of the committee, opened the meeting at 3:30 p.m., Tuesday, June 23, 1987. He presented the agenda and discussed his work in coordinating and reporting the work of the committee and section. The other committee members introduced themselves and briefly reported on their activities over the past year. Ferne Weimer (Billy Graham Center) discussed the committee's coordination of the LIBRARYNET directory and its publication by the office of the Executive Secretary. Alice Runis (Iliff School of Theology) reported on the continued popularity of Current LC Subject Headings in the Field of Religion. She also distributed copies of a list of international vendors/jobbers that she had compiled with help from section members. John Muether (Westminster Theological Seminary) discussed the section's PEOPLENET directory. Joyce Farris (Duke University), ATLA liaison to the American Library Association's Committee on Cataloging: Description and Access, reported on current work in progress and the agenda for the upcoming June meeting. Paul Smith (Western Theological Seminary) was introduced as the new committee member to replace John Muether in rotation.

The remainder of the section meeting was spent with small groups discussing and giving priority to various projects of the section. Seven areas of concern emerged from the discussion, and groups formed to organize activities related to these concerns: 1) retrospective conversion projects; 2) liturgical uniform titles; 3) cooperative cataloging of titles in series; 4) name authority problems; 5) uniform titles for ancient texts; 6) project(s) in memory of Doralyn Hickey; 7) image and status of technical services work.

Current LC Subject Headings in the Field of Religion. Vol. 4, no. 1 of Current LC Subject Headings in the Field of Religion was mailed in March. This handy list (selected by Elizabeth Flynn) now includes MARC coding and the new LC codes for references. There are now 131 subscriptions, although as of July 1, 1987, only 73 had paid. Second notices have been sent to delinquent subscribers. Please, if you have not paid or would like to subscribe, send your payment to Alice Runis, Ira J. Taylor Library, The Iliff School of Theology, 2201 South University Boulevard, Denver, Colorado 80210 (do not send the payment to the Religion Indexes in Chicago!).

Foreign Vendor List. Copies of the Foreign Vendor List distributed at the Bibliographic Systems Section meeting are available from Alice Runis (address above). The list was an outgrowth of an item included in the 1986 PEOPLENET directory. Those librarians who indicated a willingness to share their lists of foreign vendors were contacted and a "master list" with comments was compiled. Comments on (should this list be updated and maintained as an ongoing project?) and corrections to the list may also be sent to Alice Runis.

Liturgical Uniform Titles. Duane Harbin (Yale Divinity School), Chris Brennan (Colgate Rochester), and Alice Runis met during the Bibliographic Systems Section meeting to discuss developing a list of liturgical uniform titles. Duane noted that the Library of Congress often assigns incorrect uniform titles to liturgical works. He hopes that whatever product results out of this working group might be used to assist and pressure LC into performing this aspect of cataloging in a better fashion. John Thompson

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(United Library) and Janet Boyle (Catholic Theological Union) have also joined the working group. Janet is sharing a document she developed entitled "Guide to cataloging Latin rite liturgical works according to AACR2 and LC practice for Catholic Theological Union Library."

Duane is writing a scope document for the group while the others in the group look for appropriate resources to include in a bibliography. By December, the group hopes to decide what our project will be aiming toward. Possibilities include a workshop at a future Annual Conference, a handout for a section meeting, and/or ATLA Newsletter items. [Reported by Alice Runis; for more information about this group, please contact Duane Harbin, Yale Divinity School Library, 409 Prospect Street, New Haven, Connecticut 06510.]

Shared Cataloging of Series. During the Bibliographic Systems Section meeting several people expressed an interest in doing some shared cataloging of titles in monographic series. Although no concrete plans were made, we agreed to collect ideas about such a project. Are there any people who would be interested in working on such a project? More importantly, does anyone have ideas about how to facilitate the sharing of series cataloging? If interested, please write: Marlyn Rudeen, Mellander Library, North Park Theological Seminary, 3225 West Foster Street, Chicago, Illinois 60625.

Authority Control Discussion Group. The problem of authority control is going to be with us for a long time, even in libraries where keyword access is a reality or a real possibility. The authority control group felt that we needed a forum in which we could discuss our libraries' practices in the verification of headings in our bibliographic records. We also need to consider the implications of these practices for the development of automated catalogs in our libraries, and for those who have access to our records in a union catalog or through one of the bibliographic utilities.

There are three frequently encountered situations in which the catalogers in our libraries need to be aware of the implications of their decisions as they choose the form of headings for personal and corporate names, uniform titles, monographic series titles, and subject headings. First, when no LC copy exists for a title but there are LC authority records which establish the form of heading for one or more of the headings in the record: do our catalogers attempt to maintain consistency with LC? Second, when no LC authority record exists for a heading, is there any way for ATLA libraries to share the authority work that they have done to determine the proper heading? Is this felt to be a significant need? Third, and perhaps most importantly, when a library has decided to accept some alternative to the forms that have been established by LC, e.g., in the form of a traced series title, what are the implications for other institutions that use this record in their own catalogs? What are the circumstances, if any, under which it may be advisable to vary from LC practice? How can the variations be flagged so that other institutions can be aware of them?

The authority control group felt that a discussion group, perhaps led by a panel of librarians from libraries at different phases in the implementation of automated catalogs, might be the best forum for dealing with this type of issue. [If you would like to share ideas in this area, please write to: John Thompson, The United Library, 2121 Sheridan Road, Evanston, Illinois 60201.]

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Retrospective conversion projects. The Committee plans to send a questionnaire to ATLA libraries concerning their plans, experiences, and suggestions on retrospective conversion projects. The information on this survey will be presented at the 1988 conference. The survey may lead to the creation of a clearinghouse on retrocon information and to the presentation of a workshop on retrocon at the 1989 conference. For more information on this project, please contact: Paul M. Smith, Beardslee Library, Western Theological Seminary, Holland, Michigan 49423.

Technical services advocacy. Have technicians created a monster that has a life of its own and no longer serves the purposes for which it was created? Do technicians perpetuate this monster simply to justify their own existence? Do machines take away all the drudgery of modern life? Are routine, repetitious tasks by definition drudgery? Are tasks that are drudgery for some drudgery for all? Is it possible that tasks for which the output appears routine actually require considerable creative input? Are we aware of everything required to keep things "running smoothly"? Is there any need for skilled craftsmanship in our society today? Is there any justification for attention to detail and exactitude? These are questions that we might ask about society in general, but they also apply to the role of technical services in libraries.

Claude Welch's address, "The Theological Library, Servant or Partner?" reminded some technical services librarians that the contribution of technicians to library science is often undervalued and misunderstood. Thus, when the Bibliographic Systems Section met and divided into discussion/work groups, a group on Technical Services Advocacy was formed. It began to explore the question: Technical Services, Servant or Partner? It was the feeling of the group that the topic was too broad and needed to be better defined. Also, there really was not enough time to come up with a plan of action. The opinion was expressed that technical services librarians have a low image and that they must find a way of showing others the importance of their responsibilities. It was suggested that one way of doing this would be through articles on technical services published in a Festschrift dedicated to Doralyn Hickey.

The members of the group agreed to continue to think about this topic after the conference and to communicate with each other concerning ideas, projects, etc. Joyce Farris agreed to send a list of the participants (and addresses) to each member of the group for that purpose.

This report is a composite of reports by Virginia Wilson, Andover-Harvard Library, and Vera Louise Robinson, The Library, Schools of Theology in Dubuque-University of Dubuque. For more information on the progress of this group, please contact the Committee chair (address below).

Ideas, anyone? The Bibliographic Systems Committee would like to hear from members of the section or others about these or other areas of interest. If you have ideas, comments, or suggestions about the section, about future conference programming, about our Newsletter reports and reviews, or about anything related to sharing information about technical services, please write: Clifford Wunderlich, Andover-Harvard Theological Library, Harvard Divinity School, 45 Francis Avenue, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138.

Clifford Wunderlich, Chair  
Bibliographic Systems Committee

## PRESERVATION BOARD REPORT

Reflections on Monograph Microfilming. August should see the completion of microfilming 4000 Phase One monographs. Just a few are incomplete with missing pages yet to be located, or illegible pages to be corrected. It has proved to be a challenging experience to our staff. Cataloging was a formidable task. Almost half the headings were not in the LC Name Authority File and required careful searching for verification. More than one-fourth were foreign language titles. All descriptive and subject cataloging was checked and redone, as was the assignment of class numbers. Before microfilming, all books were carefully collated to be sure that all signatures, pages, and page corners were intact. More than 5% of the titles required extensive repairs.

Preservation needs are even more critical than suspected. Some books appeared to be in mint condition, but looks were deceptive. Opening pages for collation purposes often broke them loose. Turning pages often broke brittle page edges. Occasionally two identical books were located; one was in excellent condition, the other very brittle and fragile. Clearly storage conditions are as important as acidic paper in book preservation. Preservation microfilming required careful handling of the materials. Occasionally the book guillotine would break the paper before cutting and repairs had to be effected. The 35mm roll films are all to be stored in the vault at the University of Chicago.

Microfiche production proved a challenge. During the year, three vendors were required to complete the task, and it was a real feat of coordination to maintain the demanding standards among the three. There are some slight differences between the three, but it will take a sharp eye to recognize them. During Phase Two, our plan is to have all of the film and microfiche produced by the Photoduplication Department of the University of Chicago. That will centralize filming, duplicating, and storing all materials in Chicago, to minimize shipping costs and damages.

Bibliographic control went smoothly: all books were assigned ISBN and ATLA book numbers which followed the book from cataloging through microfiche shipping. All information is stored in our Novell Computer Office Network, reformatted into Bib-base MARC format in disc memory, then converted to tape for data loading in OCLC, RLIN, and UTLAS. The differing protocols required for each system, and especially the problem of handling accent marks on our local printer and in the networks, was a formidable challenge. The secret of the operation is that only one keyboard entry is used, essentially to provide descriptive cataloging and subject cataloging. All other records are derivative: cataloging record pages for preservation microfilming, authority file, shelf list, shipping lists, annual bibliography, annual catalogs, special bibliographies, and lists of books for Phases Two and Three. Ours is perhaps a rather unique system in that all cataloging is done online. We have no permanent card files or shelf lists. All data is computer stored and retrieved making frequent backup a prime requisite of the operation. Unfortunately, we are still unable to report that the online cataloging is fully in place. We are waiting daily for that confirmation. As soon as we see our data on the screen, subscribers will be notified.

July Preservation Board Meeting. The semi-annual Board meeting reviewed what had been accomplished and charted some plans for the future. The Board

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had chosen a consultant to review its work: Dr. Billy E. Frye, Dean of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, and Vice President for Research at Emory University, and a member of the national Commission on Preservation and Access. Visits with the Committee, the Preservation Office, and one of the vendors, elicited many favorable comments. He observed that in many ways the Religion Monograph Preservation Program is a model project, and that it is being watched carefully by academic preservation programs. The project surpasses most other preservation programs in its use of film and fiche, in working with multiple bibliographic utilities, and in its heavy financial support by the seminaries in ATLA. The weaknesses of the program, Dr. Frye felt, were its being understaffed, underfunded, and undermarketed. He views the preservation work as becoming in effect a "National Theological Library."

The Board took several actions which will be of interest to ATLA members: 1) A marketing consultant is to be employed as soon as possible, supported by an ATS grant. 2) A price increase for the Preservation Program will go into effect in 1988. It will not affect current subscribers to Phases One and Two. 3) A full-time technical services assistant, one-year appointment, possibly renewable, is to be employed. The new pricing structure is to go into effect January 1, 1988, for new subscribers and for Phase Three subscribers. Full details will be given in the next Newsletter.

Robert P. Markham  
Director of Programs  
ATLA Preservation Board

## PUBLICATION COMMITTEE REPORT

The American Theological Library Association designates one thousand dollars 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. Projects from article to multi-volume length, reflecting basic or exhaustive research in the full range of religious/theological disciplines are appropriate for consideration. The ATLA Publication Committee solicits applications in the fall of each year and meets in January to confer the awards, based on merit and need. The ATLA reserves first publication rights in its Bibliography Series for all projects receiving grants. The deadline for the receipt of applications is January 10, 1988. Correspondence should be addressed to: Cynthia G. Runyon, Pitts Theology Library, Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia 30322.

Ellis E. O'Neal, Jr., Chair  
Publication Committee

## READER SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

Approximately twenty-two people attended the Reader Services Section meeting in Berkeley on June 23, 1987. Christine Wenderoth served as chair. The meeting was broadly divided into two parts: a discussion of business matters, and a panel discussion on online services.

The question of what projects to undertake was raised. Ideas included:

1. A special collections directory and database, the latter probably to be merged with LIBRARYNET. It was agreed that Lee Ash's Subject Collections (Bowker) should be checked first for coverage of ATLA libraries. (Judy Clarence subsequently reported that the Ash volume, taken together with the Directory of Special Libraries and Information Centers, provided adequate ATLA coverage.) It was also agreed that the list should reflect collections of national or regional importance, including archival collections - but that it should not reflect relative strengths or emphases of any collection unless of national importance. Judy Clarence, who had inherited all previous work on the project, volunteered to receive comments during the conference. No volunteers were immediately forthcoming, but subsequently Ralph Ritter volunteered to collate, index, and produce such a list, and Norman Anderson to write the survey form and act as general editor. The Committee has decided that if the project is not done, at least in manuscript form, during the 1987/88 fiscal year, it is to be scrapped.

2. Development of more instruction and information regarding online services. A column entitled "Reader Services Technical Notes" was suggested for the ATLA Newsletter; however, a volunteer editor for the column was not found.

3. Use of the ATLA Newsletter to communicate interesting reference questions with answers, and difficult reference questions requiring answers. Judy Clarence volunteered to undertake editorial responsibility for such a column during 1987/88.

4. An investigation and review of CD-Rom services, such as FABS (which covers Religion Index, Christian Periodical Index, New Testament Abstracts, Old Testament Abstracts, and The Philosopher's Index).

5. Review of reference works in the ATLA Newsletter. Judy Clarence, Norman Anderson, Christine Wenderoth and William Hair III volunteered to do one review each in 1987/88.

6. Development of further connections with the Index Board to make suggestions regarding future developments of Religion Index.

The panel discussion on online services followed. Members of the panel were Christine Wenderoth, Judy Clarence, and Norman Anderson. Each gave a brief summary of their online activities, and an informal discussion with the audience ensued.

Ideas for next year's conference include:

1. A continuing education course or workshop on circulation management. Specific topics raised were: new developments in theological education (such as extension education) and their effects on circulation policy; security systems; online circulation systems; circulation and theological library ministry to the church; and library collection agencies.

2. A workshop or section meeting on bibliographic instruction. Bob Phillips of Southwestern Baptist Seminary volunteered to present the results of a survey he will be taking as part of his D.Min. work on bibliographic



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instruction as an educational experience in the core curricula of schools. This might be used as the focus for a subsequent group discussion.

The question has been raised, Should the Reader Services Section and Committee be renamed the Public Services Section and Committee? The term "reader services" seems to some people to be misleading, causing some public service and circulation librarians to feel it does not apply to them. The point was made that a name change will affect the Bylaws of ATLA. The Reader Services Committee formally requested the Board to initiate the process of a name change to Public Services Section and Public Services Committee.

Christine Wenderoth rotates off the Committee this summer. The members of the 1987/88 Reader Services Committee are: Norman Anderson, Chair; William Hair III, and Judy Clarence.

Christine Wenderoth, Chair  
Reader Services Committee

ASBURY THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY ANNOUNCES  
WESLEYAN/HOLINESS STUDIES PROJECT

The Wesleyan/Holiness Studies Project, a three-year research effort sponsored by the Pew Charitable Trusts, will hold its first consultation June 10-11, 1988, at Asbury Theological Seminary in Wilmore, Kentucky. The study has several goals: to review and evaluate the Methodist/Wesleyan roots of American revivalism, social reform, and the mission of the church in American culture; to determine where and how such factors translate into the character of contemporary Wesleyan movements as they relate to current issues in American religion and life; to identify the unique emphasis in the Wesleyan tradition which will help contemporary churches minister more effectively in the future; and to suggest the structure and purpose of an on-going center for Wesleyan/Holiness studies at Asbury, which would encourage continuing research and dissemination of such research within the scholarly and religious community.

This, the first of three such annual conferences, will focus on "American Revivalism and the Wesleyan Tradition." The study is broad in scope and interdisciplinary in character. Sociologists, historians of religion, church historians, theologians, philosophers and others, both from within and outside the tradition, are welcome to submit proposals for papers which they feel may intersect the focus of the conference in significant ways.

All proposals must be in the office of the Director by December 15, 1987. Modest research and travel grants are available upon approval by the project executive committee; and applications for these, too, must be received by the Director by December 15, 1987. Further information may be secured from: Dr. Melvin E. Dieter, Director, Wesleyan/Holiness Studies Project, Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, Kentucky 40390.

## NEWS OF ATLA MEMBERS

James Franklin Armstrong has been named James Lenox Librarian of the Robert E. Speer Library at Princeton Theological Seminary in Princeton, New Jersey, effective September 1, 1987. He has served as Acting Librarian since October 1, 1986. Dr. Armstrong holds the A.B. degree from Macalaster College in St. Paul, Minnesota, the B.D. degree from Princeton Theological Seminary, and the M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Princeton University. He has been a member of the Seminary faculty since his graduation in 1954 and most recently has been Helena Professor of Old Testament Language and Exegesis. He has served as Registrar since 1959 and currently is also Director of Research and Planning for the Seminary. He is an ordained Presbyterian minister.

Lorena A. Boylan became Director of Libraries at St. Charles Seminary in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on August 3, 1987. She came to her new position from the Haverford College Library in Haverford, Pennsylvania, where she had been Head of the Technical Services Department. Mrs. Boylan is the first lay Director to serve St. Charles Seminary.

Stephen D. Crocco has been named Director of the Library and Assistant Professor of Bibliography at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. His appointment was effective June 1, 1987. He will be the first occupant of a chair funded by a \$1,000,000 grant from an anonymous foundation. Dr. Crocco holds the B.A. degree from the University of Pittsburgh, the M.Div. degree from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, the Th.M. degree from Harvard Divinity School in Cambridge, Massachusetts, and the Ph.D. degree in religious ethics from Princeton University in Princeton, New Jersey. He comes to his new position from Elmhurst College in Elmhurst, Illinois, where he has been Assistant Professor in the Department of Theology and Religion since 1983.

Sister Loretto Dirscoll has resigned as Head Librarian of the Athenaeum of Ohio - Mt. St. Mary's Seminary in Cincinnati, in order to accept the position of Librarian at the Regina Mundi House of Studies in Rome.

Paul Gericke, Director of the Library at the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary in New Orleans, Louisiana, has compiled a bibliography for pastors and other ministers, entitled Pastor's Library. It lists resources for all aspects of the ministry including Bibles, concordances, dictionaries, commentaries, Bible background, theology, ethics, church history and biography, missions, and practical ministries. Copies may be obtained from the author for \$1.75 postpaid. Orders should be directed to: Dr. Paul Gericke, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, 3939 Gentilly Boulevard, New Orleans, Louisiana 70126.

Alison C. Greene has resigned her position as Assistant Circulation Librarian of the Divinity School Library of Duke University in Durham, North

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Carolina, effective August 21, in order to undertake graduate study in anthropology at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She joined the staff of the Divinity School Library on August 13, 1984.

Deborah B. Griffith resigned her position as Assistant to the Librarian in the Divinity School Library of Duke University in Durham, North Carolina, effective August 14. She is moving to Wheaton, Illinois, where her husband will be engaging in further graduate study at Wheaton College. Ms. Griffith had held her position in the Divinity School Library since February 11, 1985.

Sister Deborah Harmeling has been appointed Head Librarian of the Athenaeum of Ohio - Mt. St. Mary's Seminary in Cincinnati. She had been serving as Associate Librarian since 1983 and earlier had served as Head Librarian from 1975 until 1982.

William J. Hook was appointed Director of the Divinity Library at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee, effective July 1, 1987. He joined the staff of the Divinity School in 1979 on a part-time basis as Ethics Bibliographer, accepted a full-time position in 1981, and was named Associate Divinity Librarian on July 1, 1983.

Anna Lois Kroll has resigned her position as Cataloger at the Calvary Baptist Theological Seminary in Lansdale, Pennsylvania, in order to accept the post of Assistant to the Librarian at Pillsbury Baptist Bible College in Owatonna, Minnesota, on August 24, 1987. Ms. Kroll had occupied her position at Calvary Seminary since July 15, 1986. She holds the Master of Library and Information Science degree from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

Dorothy Ruth Parks resigned her position as Director of the Divinity Library at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee, effective July 1, 1987. She will, however, remain on the Divinity Library staff as Associate Director and Collections Librarian.

Darlene J. Patrick has joined the staff of the Jesuit-Krauss-McCormick Library in Chicago, Illinois, as Head of Acquisitions. She comes to her new post from the position of Reference Librarian at the Park Ridge Public Library in Park Ridge, Illinois, where she had served since 1985. Prior to that Ms. Patrick was Head of the Slavic and East European Section of the University of Washington Library in Seattle from 1973 through 1980, Archivist for the Portland Community College in Portland, Oregon, from 1981 through 1982, and Librarian of the Chicago Board of Trade from 1982 to 1985.

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Steven C. Perry received the Ph.D. degree in Biblical Hebrew language and literature from the University of Texas at Austin today, August 15. His dissertation is entitled "Structural Patterns in Proverbs 10:1-22:16 : A Study in Biblical Hebrew Stylistics." Using computer generated date of the Hebrew text of Proverbs, his research sought to demonstrate the purposeful arrangement of its single line Solomonic sayings. Perry is on the staff of the Archives and Manuscript Division of the Barker Texas History Center at the University of Texas at Austin.

Susan A. Rogers will join the staff of the Divinity School Library of Duke University in Durham, North Carolina, on August 17, as Assistant Circulation Librarian. A native of Durham, she holds the Bachelor of Social Work degree from James Madison University in Harrisonburg, Virginia, and the Master of Divinity degree from the Duke Divinity School. Ms. Rogers is an ordained Baptist minister and for the past eight years has been serving churches in New York state. She was Associate Pastor of the Scarsdale Community Baptist Church from 1979 until 1983, and was Pastor of the Kenilworth Baptist Church in Brooklyn from 1983 until 1987.

James F. Stitzinger has resigned his position as Librarian of the Calvary Baptist Theological Seminary in Lansdale, Pennsylvania, in order to accept a teaching position at the Master's Seminary in Panorama City, California. He will also serve as special purchasing agent for the Master's Seminary Library and will be involved in consultation work assisting new libraries with purchasing collections and major acquisitions projects.

NEW EDITION OF BTI UNION LIST OF SERIALS READY SOON

The Boston Theological Institute announces the forthcoming publication of a new edition (13th) of its microfiche Union List of Serials. It will be available September 1, 1987. The September 1987 edition will update the September 1986 edition, will contain authoritative CONSER records for over 10,000 theology and related serials titles held by the member institutions, and will provide detailed holdings information indicating what each library holds of a given title. The member institutions are: Andover Newton Theological School, Boston College Department of Theology, Boston University School of Theology, Episcopal Divinity School, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, Harvard Divinity School, Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, St. John's Seminary, and Weston Theological Seminary.

The microfiche Union List may be purchased for \$27.95; and standing orders may be placed. It is anticipated that the Union List will be updated annually in September. Orders and inquiries should be directed to: Library Office, Boston Theological Institute, 45 Francis Avenue, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138.

## REPORT FROM ATLA LIAISON TO CC:DA

The ALA Committee on Cataloging: Description and Access (CC:DA) met in San Francisco, June 27-29, 1987, with Joyce L. Farris representing ATLA.

It was reported that four revised ISBDs are expected to be completed between August and December 1987, those for Serials, Monographs, Cartographic Materials, and Non-book Materials. Basically the text will be similar, although there will be some changes in wording. Definitions will be made consistent, some attention will be given to non-roman script problems, and more examples will be provided. Guidelines for component parts have been reviewed and will be published next year. The ISBD for computer files has been separated from the Non-book Materials ISBD and will be largely in line with the revised Chapter 9 of AACR2. ISBDs for printed music and rare books are in progress and are due to go out for worldwide review in 1988.

Ben Tucker, representative from the Library of Congress, was asked if the Channel Isles and the Isle of Man are considered to be constituent parts of the British Isles. He replied that these islands would be added to the entities (England, Scotland, Ireland, and Northern Ireland) that can be used as primary qualifiers for cities and towns in the British Isles.

Peter Young, from the Library of Congress, said that a new copyright will be applied for in the case of old films which have been colored, requiring a new entry.

1.1C2. There appears to be a need to provide for the placement of a GMD when there is no title proper, causing the whole confluence of information to be the title proper. CC:DA voted to support a proposal that the AACR2 placement of the GMD be brought into conformity with the revised ISBDs, by revising the text of 1.1C2, paragraph 2, to read, "In the case of items having no collective title, add the appropriate [GMD] immediately following the first title." For example:

Letting go [GMD] / Philip Roth. The mourner / Bernard Malamud.

The corresponding ".1G2" rules of each chapter in Part 1 of AACR2 would also need to be adjusted. This change would not occur in the consolidated AACR2, but CC:DA's support for the change may lead to discussion by the Joint Steering Committee for the Revision of AACR (JSC) after the publication of the consolidated edition.

1.5E1d. Accompanying material. CC:DA has recommended to the JSC that the rules allow the addition of a number for the statement of accompanying material in the extent of item area. Mr. Tucker believes this will be allowed in the consolidated AACR2.

Chapter 3. Helen Schmeierer, ALA representative to the JSC, reported that the terms "model" and "map section" will probably be incorporated into the consolidated AACR2, as recommended by CC:DA.

Glossary. The definition of an "edition" will include the statement that if something identifies itself as an edition, it will be considered an edition.

CC:DA continued discussion of a proposal to eliminate brackets and non-English abbreviations in cataloging records. The Committee was not sympathetic to the elimination of Latin abbreviations. The Committee is willing to reassess the use of brackets for information that appears on the piece and possibly to allow the expansion of the definition of the chief source.

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The Committee had received a proposal to translate from the original Arabic, German, or other language, and to spell out such names as PLO, Nazi, Solidarity, etc., with the expectation that this would allow a patron a successful first search. There was very little sympathy for the proposal. A task force was asked to do a literature search on the way the JSC decided on the rules they accepted for entry of corporate bodies. Two groups will look into the language of corporate body and choice of main entry, going back to the Paris Principles. These findings will be summarized and reported with recommendations at the midwinter meeting.

CC:DA voted again not to consider a proposal to eliminate ISBD punctuation, the opinion being held that ISBD punctuation provided a consistent framework for description, which was very helpful to non-cataloger users as well as to catalogers. The Public Libraries representative reported that there was no indication that ISBD punctuation was confusing to users. This news was received with cheers.

CC:DA reviewed Draft NISO Standard 13, a proposed revision of standards for book spine formats. The draft standard was approved by CC:DA, with a few comments as to language.

Joyce L. Farris  
ATLA Liaison to CC:DA

## A NOTE ON ATLAMUG SHAREWARE

I have had some reports of problems using the ARC520.COM included on the ATLAMUG shareware diskettes distributed at the ATLA Conference in Berkeley. I fear that I did not explain the use of the program carefully enough. ARC520.COM is itself an archived file, although it is "self-extracting." In other words, entering the command "ARC520" causes the creation of some five separate program and documentation files. Together with the original ARC520.COM file, they take up about 155K of disk space. There is not enough room on the shareware diskette for ARC520.COM to write all those files, and so it will fail if started directly from the original disk. It isn't smart enough to write the files to another disk or directory, so it must be copied to a disk or directory with sufficient space for the files before it is activated. In addition, to work properly, ARC520.COM must be in the default directory. Otherwise it cannot locate itself in order to extract its component files. I think these limitations account for the problems encountered. I must admit that I think more helpful messages could have been provided by the program. It is important to realize that all archived files will take up considerably more space when they are expanded. They will need to be expanded either onto empty diskettes, or preferably, onto a hard disk. I apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused. I hope this explanation will clear up the problems.

Duane Harbin  
ATLA MUG Convener

## ATLA MICROCOMPUTER USERS' GROUP REPORT

The IBM Personal System/2:  
What's the Difference?

Late in April, IBM announced its new line of microcomputers, the Personal System/2. The industry hasn't seen this much hoopla since the introduction of the original PC in 1981. Most of the excitement is justified. There is no doubt that these machines are better designed, more compact, more fully featured, and better engineered than their predecessors. However, for those concerned with selecting hardware, or the effect the new machines will have on the useful life of their existing PC's, it isn't always easy to identify the relevant differences between the PS/2 and the PC. This article will focus on some features of the PS/2 machines which may affect the future of personal computing.

Micro Channel Architecture. Possibly the most profound innovation in the PS/2 line is the introduction of Micro Channel Architecture as the replacement for the standard PC bus. The system bus handles the transfer of data between different devices within the machine, including those which are plugged into the expansion slots. The limitations of the standard PC bus are responsible for a number of limitations in the PC line, especially in the AT models. Without getting into technicalities, the Micro Channel Architecture (MCA) bus is intended to overcome those limitations, and incidentally to be more difficult for the clone producers to copy.

IBM has not abandoned the standard PC bus yet. In fact, the PS/2 Model 30, as well as the PC XT/286 and AT models which remain on the market, use variations of the standard bus. However, IBM is clearly moving toward the MCA and away from the PC bus. The more powerful machines of the PS/2 line all incorporate MCA, and only those machines will be capable of using the new operating system announced by IBM.

The immediate significance of the change from the PC bus to MCA is for third party accessories. The same accessory boards which plugged into PC's will not work with PS/2 Model 50, 60, or 80. They will work with the Model 30. The good news is that many of them (memory expansion boards, graphics adapters, and so forth) may be unnecessary in the PS/2 machines because their features are built in. The bad news is that the investment in those cards cannot be carried over to the new machines, and there may be a wait for boards compatible with MCA to hit the market. The most immediate need will probably be for modems, which have proven valuable devices, but which have not yet become standard equipment for microcomputers.

3.5 inch Disks. IBM has abandoned the 5.25 inch diskette. None of the PS/2 machines have 5.25 diskette drives. They all use the 3.5 inch diskettes encased in firm plastic cartridges which the Apple Macintosh made familiar. The Model 30 has 720K drives similar to the ones introduced on the IBM Convertible. The Model 50, 60, and 80 use 1.44MB drives which are capable of reading and writing to 720K disks.

The nuisance in this is for those who have developed a considerable library of data and programs on 5.25 inch diskettes. IBM does offer an external 5.25 inch drive as an accessory for the PS/2 line. Or a 3.5 inch drive can be installed in an existing PC. This is probably the least annoying but most expensive solution. IBM also offers a "Data Migration Facility" which allows a PS/2 machine to be connected to a PC via the printer ports so

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data can be transferred that way. Third party vendors also offer transfer software to facilitate various transfer schemes, usually via the serial or parallel connection ports. No internal 5.25 inch drive is likely for the PS/2 because there isn't any room for one.

Video Graphics. The Personal System/2 utilizes an entirely new set of video adapters and monitors. In the past, all IBM's monitors utilized digital output. All the PS/2 monitors utilize analog output. This means that old monitors will not work with new adapters, and new monitors will not work with old adapters. There is a set of exceptions to this rule. Special graphics monitors designed to accommodate differing video adapters, such as the NEC Multisync Monitor, may in fact work with both PC and PS/2 adapters. However, even the NEC Multisync probably cannot exploit the full capabilities of the new graphics adapters.

The PS/2 line offers three new video adapters and four new monitors. The video adapters are the Multicolor Graphics Array (MCGA), and the Video Graphics Array (VGA), and the 8514/A adapter. The MCGA is standard on the Model 30 and is a superset of the Color Graphics Adapter (CGA) capabilities from the PC line. The VGA is standard on the Model 50, 60 and 80, and is available as an option for the Model 30 or existing PC's. It has a superset of the capabilities of the Enhanced Graphics Adapter (EGA). The 8514/A is a high resolution graphics adapter which corresponds roughly to the Professional Graphics adapter.

Both the MCGA and VGA are intended to be compatible with their cousins from the PC model line. Therefore, software requiring the CGA should run properly on the MCGA and software requiring the EGA should run properly on the VGA. However, testing is recommended because there are differences. For example, the VGA uses a larger character matrix (9 pixels by 16 pixels) than the EGA (8 pixels by 14 pixels), which can result in distortion with software which loads new display fonts. New software will be written to exploit the capabilities of these new adapters, and may eventually have problems running on a CGA or EGA system.

In a display of common sense, IBM has made all four of its new monitors compatible with all of its new adapters. In fact, the adapter will identify the monitor attached to it and adjust itself accordingly. However, not all the displays let adapters use their full capabilities. For those who prefer monochrome displays, the choice is easy. IBM is offering only the 8503 Display, which uses a white phosphor. Other vendors may eventually offer amber and possibly even green phosphor monitors if there is any evidence of a demand.

Selecting a color monitor may be confusing. The 8512 Display is a large (14 inch), medium resolution color monitor. While definitely better than the PC Color Graphics Display, it may still not be acceptable for applications which are text-intensive. The 8512 Display also doesn't offer the full range of capabilities for the VGA adapter. The 8513 Display is smaller (12 inch), but offers considerably higher resolution. It will probably be the monitor of choice for people who must do both text and graphics. The 8514 Display is both large (16 inch) and offers excellent resolution. It is also the most expensive of the lot, and is best mated with the 8514/A graphics adapter.



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Conclusion. This is not a comprehensive review of the features of the IBM Personal System/2 line. However, these characteristics of the PS/2 probably indicate directions in the hardware industry which will affect the usefulness of existing PC's. The IBM PC is only six years old, and in that time it has created a sizable niche for itself. It seems likely that software and parts for these machines will be available for some time to come. Still, it is important to be aware of new directions when planning for the purchase and support of equipment and software.

Duane Harbin  
ATLAMUG Convener

## RICHARD ASHER OFFERS STUDY OF PAUL TILLICH

Richard E. Asher, Cataloging Librarian at the Indiana State Library in Indianapolis, and a former member of the ATLA, has written a study entitled Paul Tillich and New Harmony, Indiana, which compares the thought of the two nineteenth-century social reformers, George Rapp of Wurtemberg, Germany, and Robert Owen of Scotland, and their utopian communities at New Harmony, with the theology of Paul Tillich. Mr. Asher's study also deals with the circumstances surrounding the choice of New Harmony as Tillich's place of interment and the memorial to Tillich at New Harmony. Also included are Tillich's address at the dedication of the Paul Tillich Park on Pentecost 1963 and Rollo May's eulogy at the burial of Tillich's remains in the park on Pentecost 1966. Copies of the 29-page booklet are available from the author for \$3.00. Orders should be directed to: Richard E. Asher, 1711 North Whittier Place, Indianapolis, Indiana 46218.

## BIB-BASE USERS' GROUP REPORT

The Bib-Base Users' Group met informally on Thursday, June 25, at the ATLA Conference in Berkeley. Duane Harbin served as Convener in the absence of James Pakala, who was unable to attend the Conference. Robert J. Kepple, designer of the Bib-Base software and head of Small Library Computing, Incorporated, led much of the discussion. The major topics dealt with were: anticipated developments for the Bib-Base software, the immediate and long-term needs of Bib-Base users, problems/bugs encountered by some users, and suggestions for making the most effective use of Bib-Base software.

Duane Harbin, Convener and Reporter  
Bib-Base Users' Group

## POSITIONS OPEN

**CATALOGER.** The ATLA Preservation Board is seeking a cataloger. Requires experience with MARC format for monographs, application of AACR2, LC rule interpretations and classification, foreign language. Theology background preferred. Full-time one-year, possible continuation. Available immediately. Salary range: \$16,500-\$19,500. Qualified applicants should send a letter of application and resume to Judy Knop, Head of Technical Services, ATLA Preservation Board, 1118 East 54th Place, Chicago, Illinois 60615.

**LIBRARIAN-CONSULTANT.** The Biblijsko-Teoloski Institut in Zagreb, Yugoslavia, is building up an English language theological library. Peter Kuzmic, the school's director, would like some help in organizing this collection and setting up appropriate library procedures. The collection needs a qualified librarian for anywhere from several months to a year. Interested persons may write to Mr. Kuzmic at the Institut, Kosirnikova 76, 41000 Zagreb, Yugoslavia.

**ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN.** The J. Oliver Buswell Jr. Library of Covenant Theological Seminary is seeking a qualified person to fill the position of Assistant Librarian. The chief responsibility is cataloging using an automated system, with some reference duties added. The applicant must possess an M.L.S. degree from an ALA accredited school, and have a familiarity with MARC format, AACR2 cataloging, and LC classification and Subject Headings. A knowledge of OCLC would also be desirable. Covenant Seminary is affiliated with the Presbyterian Church in America and is committed to the Westminster Confession and Catechisms and the inerrancy of the Scriptures. Interested persons should send a resume and three references by October 15, 1987 to: Joseph H. Hall, Librarian, Covenant Theological Seminary, 12330 Conway Road, St. Louis, Missouri 63141.

**CATALOGER.** Salzmann Library of St. Francis Seminary School of Pastoral Ministry is seeking a Catalog Librarian. St. Francis Seminary is a Roman Catholic seminary serving the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. It is an institution accredited by North Central Association and Association of Theological Schools, granting M.Div. and M.T.S. degrees. Besides training young men for ordained ministry, St. Francis Seminary has a strong Lay Formation Program open to men and women. St. Francis is an equal opportunity, affirmative action institution. Requirements: M.L.S. degree from an ALA accredited institution; a degree or its equivalency in Catholic theological studies; knowledge of LC classification, AACR2, OCLC terminal; a working knowledge of Latin, German, French, Spanish. Responsibilities: cataloging of all book and non-book materials, original and/or online; assist in the planning and administering of technical services (OCLC, etc.); assist in reference services. Salary: Negotiable in relation to qualifications and experience. Generous benefits according to the archdiocesan policies. A full-time, 12-month position. Starting date: Fall 1987. Please send resume and three references to: The Reverend Lawrence K. Miech, Salzmann Library, 3257 South Lake Drive, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53207.

## POSITIONS OPEN - Continued

ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN. St. John's Seminary, Camarillo, California, is accepting applications for the position of Assistant Librarian. Salary range: \$21,000-\$23,500. Beginning date: November 1, 1987. This position, while general in nature, is responsible for library collection development, original cataloging, and reference services. The library uses OCLC and is currently involved in both reclassification and retrospective conversion of the collection. Candidates must possess an ALA accredited Master's degree in Library/Information Science and have library automation experience. Additional studies in theology is desirable. Spanish/English-speaking applicants encouraged. St. John's Seminary is the major seminary of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Los Angeles. Located in the beautiful Santa Barbara/Ventura area, rated seventh in most desirable places to live, the Seminary prepares men for the priesthood. The theological library is central to this formation. By developing its resources and services, and by effective access methods, the library seeks to enhance its major role in theological education. Send application letter, resume and names, addresses and telephone numbers of three recent references by October 15, 1987, to: Mr. Mark Lager, Library, St. John's Seminary, 5012 East Seminary Road, Camarillo, California 93010. St. John's is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR. A faculty position as Director of the Library at St. Mary Seminary has become available. St. Mary Seminary is a Roman Catholic seminary serving the Diocese of Cleveland, Ohio. The library at present comprises a medium-sized collection of books, periodicals, and non-book materials and supports the study and research of a community of approximately ninety students and thirteen full-time faculty. The library staff is currently composed of one full-time librarian, a full-time secretary, and several student librarians. The Director of the Library should possess the MLS degree from an ALA accredited institution, a background in theology or experience in a theological library, the demonstrated ability to manage and direct a staff, and the willingness and desire to serve faculty and students. Salary and rank are negotiable. Resumes and letters of interest should be addressed to: Office of Academic Dean, St. Mary Seminary, 1227 Ansel Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44108.

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