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REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Exciting plans are being developed for the upcoming annual conference in Toronto. Soon you will be receiving registration information for the conference. Do not wait, however, to make your airline reservations. A meeting saver fare is available exclusively from American Airlines. The toll-free number is 1-800-433-1790; ask for STAR file S-06614N. I regret that no group airfare is available for persons flying from within Canada. Special car rental rates also are available from Hertz, 1-800-263-0600. Please be aware, however, that parking in Toronto is scarce and expensive. Further details about the group airfare and car rental rates are available in the enclosed flyers. One further reminder: A passport may be useful at the border, although it is not absolutely required. If you do not have a passport, bring some proof of citizenship, such as a voter registration card.

I also have a reminder for institutional members that participate in the Library Materials Exchange program. Requesting libraries are expected to reimburse the dispensing libraries promptly for the full postage when this exceeds \$1.00. Please do not leave your colleagues holding the tab.

We in the office of the Executive Secretary welcome your correspondence and telephone calls. If you need to reach us by phone, please call before 12:30 p.m. Central time to receive the promptest attention. If you call after 12:30, an ATLA receptionist will take a message, and we will return your call within 24 hours.

Susan E. Sponberg
Executive Secretary, ATLA

FUTURE CONFERENCE SITES APPROVED

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

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

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA ON ATLA CANDIDATES

At the request of the Board of Directors, the Newsletter is providing the following information on the candidates for three-year terms (1991-1994) on the Board of Directors. The information has been supplied by the candidates. In addition, the Nominating Committee has asked each of the candidates to furnish the Newsletter 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.

DAVID D. BUNDY

Educational background: Seattle Pacific University, B.A. 1969 (cum laude); Asbury Theological Seminary, M. Div. 1972, Th. M., 1973; Catholic University of Louvain, Licentiate, 1978 (magna cum laude); Catholic University of Louvain, doctoral candidate.

Professional career: Librarian, Institute for University Ministry, Louvain, 1978-1981; Catholic University of Louvain, Researcher, 1979-1985; Consultant [Collection Development, Preservation, Middle Eastern books and manuscripts] 1979- ; Asbury Theological Seminary, Collection Development Librarian and Associate Professor of Christian Origins, 1984-1990; Librarian and Associate Professor of Church History, Christian Theological Seminary, 1991- .

Professional activities: American Theological Library Association, 1985- ; Paper, ATLA, 1985, "Middle Eastern Christian Studies : Basic Resources"; Workshop, ATLA on Retrospective Collection Development, 1986; ATLA Program Committee, 1987-1991; ATLA Preservation Board Denominational Literature Advisory Committee, 1989-1990; active member of 18 other professional associations related to Patristics, Middle Eastern Studies, Theology/Biblical Studies, and Librarianship; author of more than 100 scholarly articles published in European and North American journals and collected essay volumes; author of more than 100 scholarly book reviews; author of Keswick: A Bibliographical Introduction to the Higher Life Movements (1975, repr. 1984).

Personal statement: ATLA has worked creatively to establish bibliographic control and preservation projects, and has developed new organizational structures to effectively administer these and other concerns. It has become a model professional/scholarly association which has made invaluable contributions to numerous scholarly disciplines. Additional challenges to be met include cooperative comprehensive collection development, adequate documentation of religious experience outside North America, maximizing the benefits of new technologies, and the articulation and promotion of a vision of the roles of theological libraries and librarians. As ATLA evolves to address these and other concerns, it is important to preserve the collegial friendly atmosphere that characterizes the Association.

LINDA W. CORMAN

Educational background: Vassar College, A.B., 1966; University of Chicago, M.A., 1969; University of Toronto, Ph.D. course work, 1971-72; M.L.S., 1974.

Professional career: Secondary school teacher, Chicago, 1967-69; University of Illinois at Chicago Circle, Instructor, 1969-70; Ontario Institute

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for Studies in Education, Reference Librarian and Coordinator of Research Information Service for Education, 1974-80; Trinity College (Toronto), College Librarian, 1980- .

Professional activities: American Theological Library Association, 1983- ; Collection Evaluation and Development Committee, 1984-89, Chair, 1985-86; Resolutions Committee, Chair, 1987; Program Committee, 1989- ; Conference Host Committee, 1982, 1991. Canadian Library Association, 1979- ; Committee on Publications, 1985-88, 1989-, Chair, 1987-88. Canadian Association of College and University Libraries, 1979- . Bibliographical Society of Canada, 1974- ; Editorial Board, Papers of the Bibliographical Society of Canada, 1986- . British Council Visitorship, 1988-89. Consulting editor, Journal of Religious and Theological Information, 1990- .

Personal statement: The ongoing challenge facing the Association is to identify, nourish, and deploy the diverse strengths of the membership in order, on the one hand, to continue to develop and support strategic library programs serving theological education that are of a magnitude requiring our collective commitment and, on the other, to address the individual needs of theological librarians for specific guidance, collegial sustenance, and opportunities for professional growth.

ELIZABETH HART

Educational background: Ealing Library School, London, England, 1955-56; University of British Columbia, B.A., 1983; M.A. (English), 1985.

Professional career: Assistant Librarian, National Book League, London, 1956-58; Deputy Librarian, Central Veterinary Laboratory, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, Weybridge, Surrey, England, 1959-62; [9 years out of the paid work force raising 4 children. Helped to set up the Congregational Libraries Association of British Columbia]. Environmental Research Librarian, B.C. Hydro and Power Authority, Vancouver, 1974-79; Librarian, Chemetics International, Vancouver, 1980-81; Librarian, Vancouver School of Theology, 1983- .

Professional activities: Chartered Librarian, Library Association of Great Britain, 1958- ; Canadian Library Association, 1983- ; British Columbia Library Association, 1983- ; INMAGIC users group, 1986- ; United Church of Canada, National Continuing Education Committee, 1983-88; Canadian Society of Church History, 1987- ; Canadian Methodist Historical Society, 1990- ; Founding Member, Charles Wesley Society, October 1990; Co-ordinated VST Library Expansion, 1988-89; Various articles in The Hymn, Touchstone, PMC Practice of Ministry in Canada (including Librarians' review columns for two years), Methodist History, Proceedings of the Wesley Historical Society (Bibliography of the works of Frank Baker, 1990).

Personal statement: Restructuring has left us with great opportunities but some fears that individual voices may get lost. I see a challenge in continuing the tone of collegiality set by Simeon Daly and somehow extending our listening ear; setting up regional group networks might attract and encourage smaller libraries who cannot afford to send staff to the annual ATLA meeting.

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WILLIAM C. MILLER

Educational background: Indiana Wesleyan University, B.A., 1968; Kent State University, M.L.S., 1974, (Beta Phi Mu); Kent State University, Ph.D., 1983; Central Baptist Theological Seminary, M.A.R.S. 1988; University of Kansas, Postdoctoral Studies, 1984-85.

Professional career: Mount Vernon Nazarene College, Catalog Librarian, 1974-76; Catalog and Acquisitions Librarian, 1976-78; Nazarene Theological Seminary, Director of Library Services, 1978- .

Professional activities: American Theological Library Association, 1976- ; Board of Directors, 1985-87; Strategic Planning Task Force, Chair, 1987-90; Financial Management Committee, 1986-87; Ad hoc Financial Management Committee, 1984-86, Acting chair, 1985; Conference Host, 1986. Kansas City Metropolitan Library Network, 1986- ; Collection Development and Evaluation Committee, 1986- ; Governing Council, 1987-89. Committee on Continuing Library Education in Missouri, Representative for Theological Libraries, 1986- ; OCLC Theological Users Group, Chair, 1984-86; Princeton Institutes for Theological Librarianship, 1979, 1980, and 1983. American Library Association.

Personal statement: ATLA has played a significant role in the professional and personal development of theological libraries and librarians. The association must continue this dynamic role by using its resources efficiently and exploring new means of promoting such development.

JOHN W. THOMPSON

Educational background: Wheaton College, B.A., 1975; University of Chicago, Department of New Testament & Early Christian Literature, M.A., 1978; University of Chicago, Graduate Library School, M.A., 1982.

Professional career: Billy Graham Center Library, Wheaton College: Cataloger, 1980-82, Coordinator of Wheaton '83 (International conference for evangelicals), 1982-83, Collection Development, 1983-85; United Library of Garrett-Evangelical and Seabury-Western Theological Seminaries: Head of Cataloging, 1985- .

Professional activities: American Theological Library Association, 1985- ; Bibliographic Systems Committee (now Technical Services Division Committee), 1988- , Chair, 1989- ; Chicago Area Theological Association, 1984- , President, 1988-89, CATLA Newsletter editor, 1990- ; Association of Chicago Theological Schools: member of Automation Task Force, 1985-89, coordinated preparation of retrospective conversion and automated system proposal for nine ACTS libraries; Northwestern University: Ad Hoc Committee on the Redesigned NOTIS Index, NOTIS Release 5.0 Transition Team; Network Advisory Committee. Co-presenter on preservation issues, LIBRAS workshop, 1982; Co-presenter at 1989 ATLA conference, "Retrospective Conversion: Planning Considerations"; Book review editor, Touchstone, 1988- , author of 7 book reviews and 1 article.

Personal statement: ATLA is a carefully managed, highly successful enterprise. With experience in conference planning and program development,

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I feel that I can help ATLA continue to evolve as a professional association. In particular, I feel the need to work with my colleagues to develop programs and services that will more effectively meet the professional needs of its members.

DAVID J. WARTLUFT

Educational background: Muhlenberg College, B.A., 1960 (Trexler Scholar); Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia, M.Div., 1964; University of Pennsylvania, M.A., 1964; Drexel University, M.S. (Library Science), 1968 (Beta Phi Mu). 24 hrs. graduate work in Early Christianity; Institute of Theological Librarianship, Princeton Seminary, 1979-82; Workshops, Drexel University, College of Information Science; Workshops, Pennsylvania Library Network; Computer science/programming, Spring Garden College; ATLA Great Britain Study Tour, 1985.

Professional career: Springfield College, Assistant Chaplain & Instructor in Religion, 1962-63; Pastor, Jerusalem Lutheran Church, Allentown, Pennsylvania, 1964-66; Cataloger and Reference Librarian, Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia, 1966-69; Assistant Librarian, 1969-77; Director of the Library and member of the Faculty, 1977- (tenured 1980).

Professional activities: American Theological Library Association, 1966- ; Membership Committee, 1968-69; Executive Secretary, 1971-81; Editor, Proceedings, 1971-81; Personnel Clearinghouse Officer, 1977-81; ATLA Liaison to Council on the Study of Religion, 1973-80; ATLA Councillor to Council of National Library and Information Associations, 1978-81; Oral History Committee, Chair, 1984-87, Oral History interviewer, 1988- ; American Library Association, 1966-73; 1979-88; Association of Theological Schools in the U.S. and Canada, Library Grants Panel, 1977-78; Council on the Study of Religion, 1974-80, Liaison Committee, 1975-76, Nomination Committee, 1978-80; Drexel University School of Library and Information Science Alumni Association, Program committee, 1977-78, Board of Directors, 1978-82; Lutheran Historical Conference, 1966- , Technical Services Committee, 1978- , Board of Directors, 1988- , Treasurer, 1988- ; Lutheran Historical Society of Eastern Pennsylvania (life member), Newsletter Editor, 1977-82; Southeastern Pennsylvania Theological Library Association, 1966- , Secretary, 1970-72, Editor, Teamwork, 1970-76, Chair, 1982-85, Long-Range Planning Committee Chair, 1985-89; Library consultant, theological libraries in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and South Carolina; Library Development, Gurukul Lutheran Seminary, Madras, India, 1989, Library consultant, HKBP Seminary, Pematang Siantar, Indonesia (also visiting other libraries in round-the-world travel); Middle States Association Accrediting Team Member; Archivist, Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod, Lutheran Church in America/ELCA, 1967- ; Lutheran Archives Center at Philadelphia, Board of Directors, 1969- , Vice-President, 1979-84; Mid-Atlantic Regional Archives Conference, 1968- . Indexer of 25 scholarly books for Fortress Press.

Personal statement: Having been part of the ATLA leadership which began to shape some of the realities in years past that have thankfully now come to fruition, I anticipate with renewed enthusiasm the possibility of joining with colleagues old and new to press on to accomplish goals in process, face

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the challenges of the day, and address new issues for the mutual benefit of the profession and those of us who practice it. Theological librarianship continues to stand, in an arena of increasing complexity, among multitudinous library administrators and technicians on one side and theological scholars and students on the other--an arena in which we are challenged to serve, make useful connections, and contribute our efforts.

ATLA RECEIVES SIX NEW MEMBERS

The American Theological Library Association welcomes the following new members:

Full:

- Mr. Andrew G. Kadel, Assistant Reader Services Librarian, Union Theological Seminary, 3041 Broadway, New York, New York 10027
 Mrs. Beverly G. Lane, Assistant Librarian, Pontifical College Josephinum, 7625 North High Street, Columbus, Ohio 43235
 Mrs. Myrna J. Stinnette, Director of the Library, Continental Bible College, Kasteelstraat 48, 1600 St-Pieters-Leeuw, Belgium.
Mailing address through June 1991: Apartment J, 1695 South Briarcliffe, Wheaton, Illinois 60187

Associate:

- Mrs. Larry L. Cotten, Reference Librarian, Middlesex County College, 155 Mill Road, Edison, New Jersey 08818. Mailing address: P.O. Box 5, Blawenburg, New Jersey 08504
 The Reverend Lawrence O. Crumb, Reference Librarian, The University of Oregon, Eugene, Oregon 97403-1299
 Glenn O. Hilburn, Chair, Department of Religion, Baylor University, 500 Speight Avenue, P.O. Box 97284, Waco, Texas 76798-7284

PUBLICATION SCHEDULE FOR NEWSLETTER ANNOUNCED

The publication schedule for the remaining three issues of the ATLA Newsletter during the 1991 calendar year is as follows:

	<u>Copy Deadline</u>	<u>Publication Date</u>
v. 38, no. 4	May 14, 1991	May 18, 1991
v. 39, no. 1	August 13, 1991	August 17, 1991
v. 39, no. 2	November 12, 1991	November 16, 1991

ATTENTION CATALOGERS: GET READY FOR ATLA/TORONTO 1991!

This year the ATLA program will feature four programs of interest to ATLA catalogers and technical services personnel.

Serials Cataloging Continuing Education: Wednesday, June 19. This all-day workshop will be led by Jean Hirons, head of the LC's CONSER Minimal Level Cataloging Section and editor of the CONSER Editing Guide. It will be geared towards catalogers who are familiar with monographic cataloging but are less familiar with serials. The focus will be on how serials differ from monographs, and on the essential elements of a serials cataloging record. Ms. Hirons will also provide an LC/CONSER perspective on the rules and rule interpretations, as well as an update on the latest changes to the rule interpretations. The workshop will combine lecture with hands-on experience and participants will receive a workbook and other materials to take home. The Technical Services Division hopes that this workshop will support the efforts of ATLA libraries to contribute and upgrade serials format records on the national databases, in cooperation with the Boston Theological Institute (which is an authorized CONSER participant). If you are planning to attend and you have some good examples of serials cataloging problems, please send them to Ms. Hirons at the Serial Record Division, Library of Congress, Washington, DC 20541. Maximum enrollment: 35.

Library Database Cleanup: Saturday, June 22. Robert Kepple of Library Technologies, Inc. will be giving a one-hour paper on typical problems that libraries run into after they have loaded records from OCLC or a retrospective conversion vendor into their own automated library system. This session is important both for libraries now in the process of database cleanup, and for libraries who have not used their own machine readable bibliographic records. If you are cataloging on OCLC but do not have an automated system yet, there are important things that you need to know and keep track of about your records!

Grantsmanship for Libraries: Practical Approaches to Fund-raising: Saturday, June 22. Would you like to get a grant to help you push through one of those projects that's been staring at you for years? In this two-hour workshop, Ms. Judith Kharbas, Assistant Director of Libraries for Technical Services at the University of Rochester will share her fund-raising expertise, particularly in the fields of technical services and collection development. (Ms. Kharbas has developed several successful grants herself and has been the principal investigator for fifteen retrospective conversion and six preservation grants.) This workshop will provide strategies for developing ideas for fundable projects; for crafting successful grant proposals, and for selling those proposals to foundations, agencies, and individuals. Those who will be attending this workshop are encouraged to bring their ideas for fundable projects with them. Can you really afford not to attend this one?

Problems in Rare Book Cataloging: Saturday, June 22. Special collections materials have their own problems for catalogers! During this workshop, three experienced rare book catalogers from the Toronto area will be sharing their wisdom. Bibliographic description, local notes, and problems with existing cataloging copy will all be covered. This session should be helpful to the occasional as well as the regular rare book cataloger. If

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you have worksheets of any problematic rare books, please send them on to Linda Corman at Trinity College, Hoskin Avenue, Toronto, Ontario, CANADA M5S 1H8.

John W. Thompson, Chair
Technical Services Committee

PRESBYTERIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY
ISSUES GUIDE TO MANUSCRIPT COLLECTIONS

The Presbyterian Historical Society has published the Guide to Manuscript Collections of the Presbyterian Church, U.S., by Robert Benedetto, with the assistance of Betty K. Walker, both of whom are members of the staff at the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Department of History in Montreat, North Carolina. Mr. Benedetto is Deputy Director/Archivist; and Mrs. Walker is Archives Assistant.

This guide serves as an introduction to the documentary heritage and tradition of the third largest group of protestants in the southern United States. A companion to Harold Prince's A Presbyterian Bibliography (1983), it locates and describes the unpublished papers of PCUS ministers. It also documents the larger southern tradition by including selected materials from the antebellum period and from other Presbyterian denominations. The result is a listing of resources for the study of the PCUS as well as southern Presbyterianism. It aims to promote and encourage research in Presbyterian history; to make files, diaries, sermons, minutes, and letters more intelligible; and finally, to emphasize the continuing relevance of these materials in contemporary church life.

Robert Benedetto's forty-eight-page introduction includes a survey of nine subject areas: theology, education, church and society, international missions, national missions, women, racial ethnic ministries, ecumenical relations, and worship and music. Each area highlights major research and provides a concise orientation to the life and mission of the denomination. Each survey is followed by a brief listing of manuscript materials. The Guide itself includes manuscript collections from the Department of History (Montreat) and other repositories. The volume concludes with a bibliography of PCUS reference works and a complete name and subject index.

The 608-page Guide (ISBN 0-313-27654-4) was issued by Greenwood Press in October 1990. The cost is \$45.00 plus \$4.00 shipping and handling.

MORAVIAN COLLEGE AND SEMINARY LIBRARY
RECEIVES \$4,000,000 IN GIFTS FOR EXPANSION

Reeves Library, which serves Moravian College and Theological Seminary in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, has received 4 million dollars in gifts from foundations and anonymous donors for a major expansion of the building. A planning committee made up of college and seminary faculty, students, and administrators and chaired by Library Director Tom Minor developed a program statement between November 1989 and June 1990. Six architects made presentations regarding the project in the summer of 1990, and one firm was selected in October 1990. That firm is Diserod and Wolff of suburban Philadelphia. Their library consultant is Nolan Lushington. A small working committee has been meeting with the entire library staff since November 1990 and construction is scheduled to begin this September. One feature of the expanded building will be a special room and study area to house the Library's Moravian Studies Collection.

BRIDWELL LIBRARY EXHIBITION
MARKS BICENTENARY OF JOHN WESLEY'S DEATH

A new exhibition entitled "Faithful unto Death - Wesley's Last Years and Legacy" was opened in the Bridwell Library at Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas, on February 1. Commemorating the bicentenary of John Wesley's death, the exhibition will be on view in The Elizabeth Prothro Galleries of the Bridwell Library through May 18, 1991.

The display offers a look at some of the events and issues that characterized Methodism during the decade that brackets the death of John Wesley, 1785 to 1795. It will feature original manuscripts and etchings from the period, rare documents from the history of early Methodism, fine bindings, and a copy of the Wesley death mask. A featured document will be a lengthy, unpublished Bridwell Library manuscript by Henry Moore, Wesley's contemporary, describing some of the controversies subsequent to the Founder's death. Topics covered by the exhibit include Wesley's death, early Wesley biographies, autobiographical materials, controversies in the Methodist movement, Wesleyan publications, Methodist ministry and the Conference, and Wesley's readings in his old age.

Curator of the exhibition and author of its catalog is Dr. Richard P. Heitzenrater, the Albert C. Outler Professor of Wesley Studies. Dr. Heitzenrater is also General Editor of the 35-volume Wesley Works Editorial Project. The illustrated catalog containing detailed descriptions of each exhibit and the first edition of the Henry Moore document is available for \$15.00 (plus tax, shipping, and handling where applicable). Orders should be directed to: The Bridwell Library, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas 75275.

NEWS OF ATLA MEMBERS

William B. Badke, Librarian for Associated Canadian Theological Schools and Northwest Baptist Theological College in Langley, British Columbia, is the author of two new books: The Survivor's Guide to Library Research : A Simple, Systematic Approach to Using the Library and Writing Research Papers, published by Zondervan in Grand Rapids, Michigan; and Project Earth : Preserving the World God Created, published by Multnomah Press in Portland, Oregon.

John A. Bollier has been named Interim Librarian of the Yale Divinity School in New Haven, Connecticut. His appointment was effective February 1. Mr. Bollier joined the staff of the Divinity School Library in January 1973 as Public Services Librarian.

David D. Bundy assumed the position of Librarian and Associate Professor of Church History at Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis, Indiana, in January 1991. Prior to his new appointment, Mr. Bundy had served as Collection Development Librarian and Associate Professor of Christian Origins at Asbury Theological Seminary in Wilmore, Kentucky, since 1984.

Sean Robert Butler, Assistant Circulation Librarian at the Duke University Divinity School Library in Durham, North Carolina, completed the requirements for the Th.M. degree in the Divinity School in December 1990. He joined the staff of the Divinity School Library on August 13, 1990, following two years of service in the William R. Perkins Library, Duke's central library facility.

William P. Collins has been named Chief of the Cataloging Division of the Copyright Office at the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C. He took up his new duties early in January but will retain his position as Bibliographic/Collection Development Consultant for the International Baha'i Library in Haifa, Israel, the institution of which he was the Director from 1977 to 1990. Mr. Collins was recently awarded the 1990 Prize for Excellence (General Category) by the Association for Baha'i Studies for his essay on "Sacred Mythology and the Baha'i Faith," which appeared in the Winter 1990 issue of The Journal of Baha'i Studies published in Ottawa. His Bibliography of English Language Works on the Babi and Baha'i Faiths, 1844-1985 was published in November in England and in January in the United States by George Ronald Books. This 550-page volume includes over 7,000 entries as well as a history of Baha'i publishing, a directory of Baha'i publishers, and an analysis of the various categories of material. It is priced at \$65.00 in the United States and \$70.00 in Canada. The ISBN is 0-85398-315-1. Mr. Collins is preparing a successor volume covering 1986 to 1990.

Charles Van Heck was appointed Assistant Librarian for Public Services in the School of Theology Library at the University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee, early in January. He has studied at Asbury Theological Seminary

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in Wilmore, Kentucky; the University of Dayton in Dayton, Ohio; and the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

Brent A. Koehn has been named Technical Services Librarian at The Seminary Library in Oak Brook, Illinois, which serves both Bethany Theological Seminary and Northern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Theodore E. Leidenfrost has retired to Berkeley, California, following a career spent with the Lutheran Church in Liberia, where he was a Bible translator. He is now volunteering three days a week at the Flora Lamson Hewlett Library at the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley, where one of his responsibilities is processing books to be included in the ATLA Preservation Program.

Roger L. Loyd, Associate Librarian of the Bridwell Library at Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas, has published an article entitled "Collection Analysis and Resource Sharing : The OCLC/AMIGOS Collection Analysis System and the SMU Experience." In it Mr. Loyd discusses the ATLA collection analysis project known as NATI (North American Theological Inventory) and provides information about the methodology for developing the conspectus scheme for religion and theology, and its application through computer-based analysis to the SMU database. The article appears in volume 1 of a new serial, Advances in Library Resource Sharing (ISSN 1052-262X), which began publication in 1990.

Kirk A. Moll has accepted the position of Reference and Bibliographic Instruction Librarian at St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota.

Stephen L. Peterson resigned his position as Librarian of the Yale Divinity School in New Haven, Connecticut, effective January 31, 1991, in order to become Director of the Library at Trinity College in Hartford, Connecticut. He took up his new duties on February 1.

Louis J. Reith, Rare Book Cataloger at Georgetown University Library in Washington, D.C., presented a paper at the Sixteenth Century Studies Conference in St. Louis, Missouri, October 30, 1990, for a session entitled "Health and Disease in Sixteenth-Century German Court Culture." The paper, "The Anatomy of a Princely Illness: Prince Eberhard of Württemberg and His Court Physician," discussed the social history of medicine in Reformation Germany, especially the search for a "miracle cure" for venereal disease.

Nicholas S. Thorndike is currently serving as Library Assistant at the Institute for Social Research in Ann Arbor, Michigan. The Institute is associated with the University of Michigan and concerns itself with data collection. Mr. Thorndike expects to receive the Master of Information and Library Studies degree from the University of Michigan this coming May.

HOW TO KEEP YOUR SUBJECT HEADINGS IN LINE

Rumors circulated at last year's ATLA conference have been confirmed by the Library of Congress. "Body marking--Religious aspects" is now an authorized subject heading. And for those who felt that the distinction between the heading "Law--Philosophy" and "Law (Philosophy)" was unclear, the explanatory notes have now been corrected. And the Library of Congress continues to stay abreast of developments in American society by authorizing the use of the subject heading "Jesus Christ--New Age interpretations."

Of course, anyone who subscribes to Current LC Subject Headings in the Field of Religion already knew about all of these. CLCSHIFOR is a quarterly updating service for religious and theological subject headings that costs just \$12.50 per year. With headings selected from the Weekly Lists of new subject headings issued by the Library of Congress, each issue is 15 to 20 pages long and provides a convenient way for your catalogers to scan the new, dropped, and changed subject headings. Who would want to remain ignorant of such significant changes?

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

John W. Thompson, Chair
Technical Services Committee

SISTER MARGARET (THERESE CARMEL) FLAHIFF, SC
1911-1990

Sister Margaret Flahiff died on August 27, 1990. She was the Head Librarian at the Atlantic School of Theology, Halifax, Nova Scotia, 1972-1978. After retiring from the full-time position, she continued as Serials Librarian, on a part-time basis, for the remainder of her life. In 1978 she was also appointed as Historian and Archivist for Sisters of Charity and held the position until her death. Archbishop James M. Hayes officiated at the Liturgy for the Funeral Mass, August 30, in the Chapel of Mount St. Vincent Motherhouse of the Sisters of Charity. Burial was at the Gate of Heaven Cemetery, Lower Sackville. The Atlantic School of Theology community remembered Sister Margaret at a memorial service held in St. Columba Chapel on the campus, November 8.

REPORT FROM ATLA LIAISON TO CC:DA

The ALA Committee on Cataloging: Description and Access (CC:DA) met in Chicago, Illinois, January 12-14, 1991, with Joyce L. Farris attending as Liaison from ATLA.

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

ISBD's: ISBD(A) (Antiquarian Books) should be published during the first half of 1991. Harmonization of ISBD(G) is nearly complete and should be brought to the committee early in 1991.

GARE (Guidelines for Authority and Reference Entries): Work on the name portion is complete. Uniform titles for laws and music, serial entries, and subjects are still under consideration.

Stockholm conference: The principal concern of the Section on Cataloguing at the Stockholm conference in August 1990 was the need for simplification of bibliographic descriptions. Papers were presented on the prospects for abbreviated bibliographic records for national and international exchange of bibliographic data.

Working groups: During the past year, two working groups were established. The first is considering the need to review Verona's Form and Structure of Corporate Names in light of new technologies for international sharing of bibliographic and authority information, to promote effective authority control at the international level. This group will discuss the possibilities of adding specific instructions for standardized forms for initialisms and acronyms, and of allowing more flexibility for qualifying corporate body names while explicitly stating when qualifiers are inappropriate. The second group is considering the need for guidelines for the creation of simplified ISBD-based descriptions, beginning with those created under the ISBD(M). A third working group is looking at proposals from the International Association of Music Libraries (IAML) on the treatment of authority records for music uniform titles. If adopted, their recommendations will become part of the Guidelines for Authority and Reference Entries. In other areas of interest to the Section, Françoise Broudon (France) is investigating the role that authority control plays in developing automated files and the extent to which various automated systems make use of resources such as the authority files of national libraries. Jay Lambrecht (USA) is investigating the extent to which national libraries have implemented policies for abbreviated descriptions and the impact that such policies are having on universal bibliographic control.

Goals: In their Medium Term Programme for 1992-1997 (a statement of goals), the Section will seek to improve national bibliographic control in the following areas: national bibliography in developing countries, retrospective bibliographic control, and national bibliographic control as an input to international information systems. Other goals include bibliographic control of intergovernmental and international non-governmental organizations, the effectiveness of bibliographic services in relationship to users' needs, and the promotion of bibliographic knowledge.

Division of Bibliographic Control (reported by Robert P. Holley): The Division of Bibliographic Control and the IFLA UBCIM (Universal Bibliographic Control and International MARC) Programme are considering undertaking studies on defining the functional requirements of bibliographic records in relation to user needs and an investigation into an incremental approach to record

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enrichment; a comparative survey into the means by which national bibliographic agencies carry out their function, how they interact with other organizations, public and private; coordination of international name authority control; and the establishing of a new committee to manage and develop the UNIMARC format.

Moscow conference, 1991: Primary areas of concern at the Moscow meeting will be: records for music in the online catalog; international cataloging policy impact on the development of bibliographic description; and developing a Finnish database of articles on Soviet minorities.

Errors in the text of AACR2 Revised, which will be reported to the Joint Steering Committee for the Revision of AACR (JSC): CC:DA discussed in some detail a number of errors in AACR2 Revised which were considered errors of spacing, layout, punctuation, capitalization, or type font, rather than errors of content. Janet Swan Hill, ALA representative to the JSC, will present these to the JSC as typographical errors which can be corrected without the need for further discussion.

Proposals for rule revisions:

1.7B13. Dissertations. CC:DA is recommending that the general instructions for recording dissertations be incorporated in Ch. 1 at 1.7B13, replacing the present rule with the text and examples from 2.7B13; and further, that all subsequent chapters (2-11) at x.7B13 should read: "If the item being described is a dissertation, make a note as instructed in 1.7B13."

1.8B. Standard number. The Australians are working on a proposal to revise this rule to include product numbers other than the ISBN. There is some objection to this in CC:DA on the grounds that while some numbers may be useful without having bibliographical significance, it is not necessary to have a rule allowing these numbers to be put into the MARC format.

2.0B1. Chief source of information. CC:DA supports the proposal to delete "half title" from the list of title page substitutes, because by definition the half title must be followed by a title page, and if the title page is present, the half title cannot be used as a title page substitute. CC:DA also supports the proposal to restore the 1978 text by adding as the third sentence: "Specify the part used as a title page substitute in a note (see 2.7B3)" and then to delete the last sentence of rule 2.1B1.

2.5C5. Illustrative matter, and 2.7B10. Physical description: CC:DA recommends that rule 2.5C5 be deleted and that the example in 2.5C5 be added to those under 2.7B10. CC:DA feels that it is inappropriate for a "notes" rule to be included in instructions for the Physical description area. The Australians object to this, preferring to change the wording of 2.5C5 to read: "If some or all of the illustrations appear on the endpapers, include them in the physical description. Specify their location in a note (see 2.7B10)."

Chapter 7. Motion pictures and videorecordings: There is ongoing discussion about whether system requirements information in the bibliographic description should be included in the physical description area (area 5) as a physical characteristic or in the notes area as a technical specification. CC:DA initially thinks that system requirements should appear in a field which will display in all catalogs, i.e., the physical description area. Consulta-

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tion with other cataloging groups will take place before a recommendation is submitted to the JSC. The committee feels that a review of the philosophy of area 5 is inappropriate at this time because of developing technology.

21.6. Works of shared responsibility, and 21.7. Collections and works produced under editorial direction: The Library of Congress (LC) is recommending that rule 21.7 be restricted to collections of previously existing works and that rule 21.6 be restricted to works of shared responsibility. The result would be that all works of shared responsibility would have the main entry headings selected according to 21.6, i.e., under the first author unless there are more than three.

Chapter 22: In the present rules the word "Scandinavian" is used incorrectly to cover Icelandic; and Faroese names should have been included in the Scandinavian listing. Icelandic names cannot be included with the other names since all Icelandic names must be entered under the first name (with very occasional exceptions for internationally known writers who may be listed under the last element in biographical directories). Ben Tucker (Representative from LC and Chair of the JSC) has suggested that the word "Scandinavian" be dropped from Ch. 22; that "Faroese" be included appropriately in lists of languages; and that references to "Icelandic" be deleted from 22.5C6, 22.8A1 and 22.8B1. He proposes further to add at the end of 22.8B1: "For Icelandic names, see 22.xx"; and to add a new rule, 22.xx: "Enter an Icelandic name under the first given name, followed by the other given names (if present), by the patronymic, and by the family name, in direct order. If a phrase naming a place follows the given name(s), patronymic, or family name, treat it as an integral part of the name. Refer from the patronymic and from the family name." Mr. Tucker will look for other places in the rules where "Scandinavian" refers to "Icelandic" and will suggest appropriate correction.

22.8A. Entry under given name, etc. The general rule does not give any guidance for those cases where reference sources differ as to the choice of the part of the name used as the entry element when the name consists of more than one part, none of which is a surname. Mr. Tucker said that when faced with this, LC catalogers choose the last entry element. He agrees that some help should be provided, at the minimum an "in case of doubt" instruction.

22.10A. Entry under initials, letters or numerals. CC:DA supports the proposed revision of the second sentence to read: "Include typographic devices when they appear as part of multi-letter abbreviations of a name, but omit them when they follow single-letter initials."

25.1. Use of uniform titles. Expressing some disagreement, committee members present interpreted 25.1 as requiring a uniform title whenever there are two identical titles proper; and/or as requiring a uniform title whenever there are two identical titles, regardless of whether they are titles proper. The Canadians are proposing a revision which would add to the first paragraph that uniform titles provide the means "for differentiating between two or more works published under identical titles proper"; and adding to the list, "whether another work with the same title proper has been identified." Mr. Tucker's interpretation of the rule is that only if identical titles proper are entered under title is it necessary to use a uniform title. He does not want the rule reworded to be more specific because as written the

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rule gives the basic authority to create or not to create the uniform title as needed for catalogs of different sizes.

25.25-35. Jennifer Bowen, Liaison from the Music Library Association, presented proposals for rule revision to correct language surrounding the use of the term "work" in portions of rule 25.35, etc. Within the music rules in Ch. 25, it is essential that the word "work" be used only in the narrower sense of referring to an individual musical work, and not in the broader sense of encompassing collections and compilations. It is also being proposed that a new rule be added to cover collections: "25.35C3. Add arr. to a collective uniform title for music if arr. would be added to the uniform titles for each of the works in the collections under 25.35C1 or 25.35C2." Rule 25.30B4 should have the original wording of the 1983 AACR Revision restored: "Use continuo for a thorough bass part, with or without figures, realized or unrealized, whether it is named as basso continuo, figured bass, through bass, or continuo."

25.2E1. Works entered under title. CC:DA supports a proposal to add a phrase in the first sentence: "If a work is entered under a uniform title, make an added entry under the title proper of the item being catalogued, unless the title proper is essentially the same as the main entry heading (see 21.30J)."

Glossary: CC:DA has approved a revision of the Glossary definition of Part (Music): "The music for one or more (but not all) of the participating voices or instruments in a musical work; the written or printed copy of such a part for the use of a performer, designated in the physical description as part." Documents on the definitions of Kit and Activity cards should be available for CC:DA's consideration at the June meeting.

Library of Congress authority files. Since the loss of reference structure occurs primarily when headings migrate from the subject file to the names file, LC is recommending that the issue of potential changes to cross-reference rules in AACR2 Revised Ch. 26 be referred to CC:DA. Recommended changes to Ch. 21 and Ch. 26 will be referred to CC:DA, or LC rule interpretations will be suggested.

Machine-readable AACR2. The publishers of AACR2 are considering an electronic version of AACR2 in the form of a read-only product for distribution of the authoritative text in a locked but copyable version, or in the form of software produced for catalogers' workstations, which would utilize PC's for access and cross reference to the various sections of AACR2. In order to insure the integrity of the text, the electronic version would be produced under the guidance of the JSC and a project director approved by the JSC. The Chair of the JSC has recommended that the JSC encourage the development of a machine-readable form of AACR2.

Task Force on Multiple Versions: The Task Force is still in the process of preparing guidelines for their work. A "two-tier method" of description is being considered, with the full cataloging record of the original in the first tier, and all varying information in the second tier. Among the topics for discussion at a March meeting of the Task Force will be serial runs in mixed format, reproductions, and preservation.

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Task Force on Rule 1.4B1: CC:DA agreed to forward to the JSC the recommendation that in Chs. 2-12 the rule x.4B1 should be changed to read: "Give information about the place, name, and date of all types of publishing, distributing, etc., activities as instructed in 1.4B." This wording already exists at 4.4B1. The Task Force thought it inappropriate to revise rule 1.4B1 in order to codify the common practice of transcribing assumed publication information in the Publication, distribution, etc. area.

Task Force on Producers: CC:DA is recommending to the JSC that the Glossary definition for "Production company (Motion pictures)" be deleted, and that the following definition of Producer should be added: "Producer. 1. A person or corporate body that has artistic and/or intellectual responsibility for the form and content of an item. 2. An individual who has responsibility for the technical aspect(s) (such as mixing of sound), manufacture or production of an item."

The following revisions to related rules are also being recommended:

At 6.1F1, 7.1F1, 8.1F1, and 9.1F1, the language of the text would be revised to read: "Transcribe statements of responsibility relating to those persons or bodies credited in the chief source of information with a major role in creating ..." with referral back to 1.1F.

1.4E1. "Add to the name of a publisher, distributor, etc., a term that clarifies the function of the publisher, distributor, etc., unless: [the remainder unchanged].

7.4D1. "Give the name of the publisher, etc., and optionally of the distributor, and/or releasing agency, etc., as instructed in 1.4D."

7.4E1. "Add to the name of a publisher, distributor and/or releasing agency, etc., a statement of function as instructed in 1.4E."

Task Force on Indention: To correct inconsistency in indention in the rules, the JSC has asked CC:DA to determine what practice is predominant and suggest what form to follow.

Task Force on Marks of Omission. Because the use of many different types of marks of omission makes difficult the consistent editing of AACR2, the JSC has agreed to use only two types: "Open" and "close." "Close" marks are those that should actually appear in the description. "Open" marks are used to indicate an incompleteness in the example. The JSC has tentatively agreed that marks of omission ought to be used internally, and not as an indication that an "end" is missing. At the request of the JSC, CC:DA has formed a task force to examine the rules and to prepare a document listing cases where open marks should be converted to close; noting cases where close marks should be converted to open; and summarizing instances in which there is a question as to whether open or close marks should be used.

Joyce L. Farris
ATLA Liaison to CC:DA

ADDENDUM TO REPORT ON USE OF ACID-FREE PAPER
BY PUBLISHERS OF RELIGIOUS BOOKS

In the November 17, 1990 Newsletter, we reported on the results of a questionnaire sent out to religious book publishers by the Collection Evaluation and Development Committee. We listed 22 publishers who reported to ATLA that they did use acid-free paper; and we listed those publishers which had not replied to our questionnaire. Since that time, thanks to the efforts of Patrick Graham of Pitts Theology Library at Emory University, we have heard from another nine publishers.

So, add to the November list of 22 publishers the following 9 publishers who use acid-free paper in the manufacture of their books:

Cambridge University	Peter Lang Publishing
Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing	Religious Education Press
The Liturgical Press	University of Chicago Press
Orbis Books	University of Notre Dame Press
Paulist Press	

Again, we encourage your support of these publishers.

Christine Wenderoth
ATLA Board Liaison to the Collection
Evaluation and Development Section

BOSTON THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE
ANNOUNCES 1990 EDITION OF UNION LIST

The Boston Theological Institute, an association of nine graduate theological schools in the greater Boston, Massachusetts, area, announces the anticipated publication of the 1990 edition of its microfiche union list of serials. The new 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 1990 edition will be available for distribution in February 1991. It may be ordered for \$29.00. In addition, standing orders may be placed for future editions. Orders should be sent to: Boston Theological Institute, Library Development Office, 45 Francis Avenue, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138. To order by phone, please call 617-495-5780.

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DIRECTOR OF THE LIBRARY. Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary; tenure-track; available July 1, 1991. Responsibilities: manages library collections and services; catalogs and classifies all materials via OCLC; coordinates retrospective conversion/reclassification project, oversees student computer lab, plans integrated library system; provides reference services and bibliographic instruction; meets faculty expectations of academic advising, committee responsibilities, church and community life. Qualifications: ALA-accredited MLS and graduate theological degree; significant experience in academic librarianship; competence in cataloging and library automation; ability to catalog publications in at least one relevant foreign language, German preferred; familiarity with Lutheran traditions. Salary range: \$21,500-\$31,000, plus housing and benefits, negotiable depending on experience. Resume and 3 letters of recommendation due March 25, 1991, to: Dr. Lamontte Luker, Chair, Search Committee, Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary, 4201 North Main Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29203; (804) 786-5150. EEO/AA.

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REFERENCE LIBRARIAN. The School of Theology at Claremont is seeking a Reference Librarian. Responsibilities: reference service, bibliographic instruction, and interlibrary loan. Qualifications: MLS; background in theological studies; one or more language skills. Salary dependent on experience; fringe benefits. Immediate employment. Write or telephone for complete job description. Send resume and three references by April 1, 1991, to: Director of Library, School of Theology at Claremont, 1325 North College Avenue, Claremont, California 91711. Telephone: 714-626-1521, extension 263.

ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN. Union Theological Seminary in Virginia is seeking an Assistant Librarian for administration with an emphasis on public services, graduate research, and archives. Some sharing of collection development. Professional benefits: one month vacation, ATLA conference participation, etc. Salary \$30,000 and up - rank and wage negotiable, depending on graduate degrees and administrative experience. MS in LS and degree in theology required. Knowledge of foreign languages desirable. An equal opportunity employer. Write: Dr. John B. Trotti, Librarian, Union Theological Seminary, 3401 Brook Road, Richmond, Virginia 23227. Telephone: 804-355-0671, extension 311.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The recent meeting of the ATLA Board of Directors was the occasion for much hard work on a number of matters confronting this Association. A report of the actions we took is found elsewhere in this issue of the Newsletter, but I want to point to some of the things we considered in a special way.

First of all, Lucille Hager found it necessary to submit her resignation from the Board, since her health no longer permits her to attend the lengthy and tiring meetings we need to have. With much appreciation for all her years of devoted service to ATLA, first on the old Index Board and then on the Joint Executive Committee for Index and Preservation, the Directors accepted her resignation. Then, acting in accordance with Bylaw 7.6, the Board appointed Norman Kansfield to complete her term. He has also assumed her place on the Board's Member Services Committee. Norman's long experience on the same ATLA boards makes him an ideal person to fill out Lucille's term.

Over the past eight months, it has become increasingly apparent that the Index and Preservation programs need a small group to act as a council of advice to Al Hurd, the Executive Director of Programs. Accordingly, the Board voted to form another committee of itself for that purpose, for which I have asked Robert Dvorak to serve as chair. Norman Kansfield and I will also serve on that committee, in order to make available to the programs our experience with the old Program Boards. Further, we have asked Myron Chace of the Library of Congress, who serves us as an outside expert on preservation, to meet with that committee. The Board proposes to elect Myron to membership on the Board of Directors itself in June, in accordance with Bylaw 7.2. Some of you will recall that Myron's LC predecessor with Preservation was Tamara Swora; the presence of these representatives of the wider world of preservation has meant a great deal to ATLA's program over the years.

We continue to monitor closely the financial state of the Association, depending heavily upon the work of our Controller, Patti Adamek. The finances of the Preservation Program have been causing us the most concern, as you know, for many of our customers - your libraries, among others - have found it necessary to reduce the funds they can spend on our products. General economic conditions in libraries, not dissatisfaction with our program, are responsible for these reductions, as the Evanston office has regularly been told in every quarter. Our success in gaining grant funding continues apace, but we are also partially dependent upon sales. The Board and the

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Association are being very well served by the careful management and regular reporting of our Executive Director and Controller.

We are similarly well served, of course, by our Executive Secretary, Susan Sponberg. The Board heard a report from her as well as a report from the Member Services Committee on the work of this office. Clearly the transition from Simeon Daly's tenure to Susan's, and that from St. Meinrad to Evanston, has been well managed. Bringing all our operations together in Evanston has proved to have significant advantages, as we anticipated. Once we have been through a full year with the new setup, we will be able to evaluate it more fully, but things are working very well indeed.

One proof of the office's effectiveness is the appearance of the Proceedings, which you all should have received by now. By the way, if you happen to have an unwanted copy, Susan could use a few more to hold in stock for new members. Libraries where several institutional and individual copies are received may be able to help out here. Please send her any extras that may turn up in your place.

The Board's discussion of member services was, in the words of one long-time attender at Board meetings, the best we've had in years. Interest groups were given a great deal of attention, both structurally and individually, as you will see from the report of the meeting itself. The Board is very serious about facilitating the work of these groups and enhancing their life in any way we can. The Board's committee on member services, chaired by Sharon Taylor, is the place to take your concerns about interest groups, as well as issues affecting services to institutional and personal members.

Much attention was devoted to strategic planning in two modes: completing the work of reorganization and focusing on the Association's longer-range goals. Richard Spoor's able leadership of this Board committee produced sustained, constructive discussion and several tangible actions. The Board is very enthusiastic about its own development, about becoming a better board, which means one that is concerned with the overall direction and shape of our Association. The new responsibilities with which you invested the Board last June make all the more important the way we select new Board members and the way we orient them to their new duties. Among our projects, then, are materials for board members' orientation and a strategic plan for each part of our organization's life. (Some of us have found particularly helpful a recent book by John Carver called Boards That Make a Difference (Jossey-Bass, 1990). It's worth buying for your library; its counsel is as pertinent to the board of a congregation or a church organization as it is to that of ATLA.)

Finally, we heard a report from Newland Smith about the work of the Program Committee - which we promptly renamed the Annual Conference Committee, just to keep down the confusion sure to follow our action in establishing a Programs Committee of the Board. The menu in Toronto will be rich, the setting marvelous, and the opportunity one not to be missed. Make plans now to be there. Linda Corman and her colleagues are well along in their planning, and they will be in touch shortly about details. Remember that we start on Wednesday this year; continuing education is scheduled for the 19th of June, with the opening reception that evening. The banquet is on Saturday night, with all of us outlanders thereby being enabled to take advantage of

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lower airfares, as well as being presented with Toronto's ecclesiastical smorgasbord for Sunday morning. I look forward to seeing you there.

James W. Dunkly
President, ATLA

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETS IN CHICAGO

The Board of Directors of the American Theological Library Association held its winter meeting at the CENACLE Retreat House in Chicago, Illinois, February 20-22, 1991. The following persons were in attendance: James W. Dunkly, President; Mary R. Bischoff, Vice-president; Robert A. Olsen, Jr., Secretary-Treasurer; Directors, Robert A. Dvorak, Norma S. Goertzen, Norman J. Kansfield, Seth Kasten, Roger L. Loyd, H. Eugene McLeod, Sarah Lyons Miller, Russell O. Pollard, Richard D. Spoor, Sharon A. Taylor, and Christine Wenderoth; Patti Adamek, Controller; Donn Michael Farris, Editor of the Newsletter; Joyce L. Farris, Recording Secretary; Albert E. Hurd, Executive Director of Programs; Betty A. O'Brien, Editor of the Proceedings; and Susan E. Sponberg, Executive Secretary. Guests at all or some of the sessions were Myron Chace of the Library of Congress, and Newland F. Smith, 3rd, Chair of the Program Committee.

In sessions on Wednesday morning and afternoon, Thursday morning and afternoon, and Friday morning, the Board took the following actions:

- accepted the resignation of Lucille Hager from the Board of Directors for the reason of health problems;
- appointed Norman J. Kansfield to fill the unexpired term of Lucille Hager;
- elected Myron Chace to the Board of Directors, effective at the close of the annual meeting of the Association in June 1991;
- accepted the invitation from the Vancouver School of Theology to hold the 1993 ATLA annual conference in Vancouver, British Columbia;
- accepted the invitation from the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary to hold the 1994 ATLA annual conference in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania;
- voted to change the name of the Program Committee to the Annual Conference Committee;
- followed the recommendation from the Strategic Planning Committee that the Board establish a Programs Committee of the Board;
- approved the President's appointments to the Programs Committee of Robert A. Dvorak as Chair, Myron Chace, and Norman J. Kansfield, with President Dunkly also serving on that committee;
- directed that the Executive Committee of the Board be charged with the responsibility of appointing a Task Force to formulate plans for the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the founding of the ATLA;

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- established, upon recommendation of the Strategic Planning Committee, a Continuing Education Committee, which will function as a standing committee of the Association, the process for appointing members to the committee to be established by the Board;

- approved the following recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee on Statistical Reports, which was appointed at the opening session of the Board meeting:

1. That we continue to publish the statistics in the annual Proceedings in the format and to the extent that we currently use;
2. That we make the statistics available on disk, in manipulatable format, for routine distribution to institutional members;
3. That all institutional members should be listed every year, with the designation "NR," or something similar, for those who fail to report;
4. That the question of specific disk format (IBM, Mac, etc.) be asked on the next questionnaire;
5. That the questionnaire should ask for the name and direct telephone number of the person completing the questionnaire, as information to appear on the disk;
6. That there be a standard code for footnotes to the statistics.
7. That the Interlibrary Loan question be clarified on the questionnaire;

- and approved the following Policy and Procedure Guidelines for Interest Groups, formulated and presented to the Board by the Member Services Committee:

Policy Guidelines for Interest Groups

1. The main interest and function of the interest group will be related directly to the field of theological librarianship.
2. The interest group will be open to any interested member of ATLA and to representatives of institutional members.
3. Officers of an interest group should be members of ATLA.
4. Each interest group will organize and establish its own structure. The governance structure should support free and open elections for leadership positions. Efforts should be made to include as many voices as practical in decision-making.
5. Each interest group will submit a report of its activities to the Board at its June and winter meetings, and an annual report to be included in the Proceedings.
6. If the group fails to abide by these guidelines, or fails to hold a meeting over a two-year period, its recognition will automatically be revoked by the Board.

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Procedure Guidelines for Official Recognition
of Interest Groups

1. The proposed interest group will submit a request for recognition to the Member Services Committee, which will present it to the Board for its action.

2. Each request for recognition should include the proposed name for the group, following ATLA Guidelines, a statement of the aims and objectives of the group, and its proposed governance structure.

3. The request for recognition should include the names of at least five persons holding full membership in ATLA who express their interest in supporting the proposed group.

4. Officially recognized interest groups will have the following privileges within ATLA: 1) may schedule official meetings at the Annual Conference; 2) may request program topics for the Annual Conference; 3) may apply for funding for activities, which may be granted at the discretion of the Board; 4) may use the ATLA Newsletter to disperse information; 5) may obtain mailing lists, labels, etc. from the Director of Member Services as appropriate.

5. Proposed groups will select their own name. For the sake of uniformity, the Board requires that the name "section" or "user group" be made a part of the name of the interest group.