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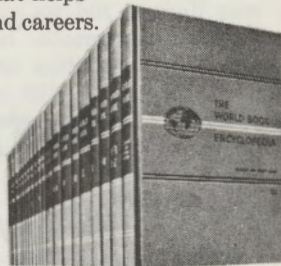
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# DOERS OR ONLOOKERS

On February 14, 1956, Nikita Khrushchev reported to his Central Committee that "A Communist has no right to be a mere onlooker." The political implications of the above statement are many. One of the strengths of a dictatorship is that it may demand action while in a democracy, we can only ask and implore.

For more than ten years now your association, the Mountain-Plains Library Association, has met in yearly conclave. We have met in such interesting spots as Jackson Hole, Wyoming; Utah State College, Logan, Utah; Colorado Springs, the University of Denver, plus a joint meeting with PNLA at Bozeman, Montana. We have been accused of running a yearly vacation lure and of not being serious about our aims and purposes. More often than not our accusers have been the "outspoken onlookers" of the profession, those who offer absentee advice to the more ambitious "doers" who at least attend our meetings.

Article II of our constitution states that our object "shall be the promotion of library service in the mountain-plains region." This we have done to a limited but increasing degree. With the publication of the first issue of the *MPLA Quarterly* in May of 1956, five years ago, we began a program of information exchange which stimulated membership growth and encouraged research and writing throughout the region. Last year we added the state of Nevada to the original seven states. Ideas, plans and proposals for the development of the MPLA have not been lacking but any centralized, concentrated effort to lead the libraries forward has usually been relatively ineffective.

*Regional Information.* Before proceeding to an outline of goals for the next two years, we should stop for a moment to consider the immensity of our region, the mountains and plains of the western U.S.A. Presently, our member states, their population and area, are as follows:

The eight MPLA states have a combined total population of 8,132,671 with Kansas the largest state and Nevada the

By **STUART BAILLIE**

President

Mountain Plains Library Association

## MPLA States, Population and Area

STATE	POPULATION (1960 CENSUS)	AREA IN SQ. MILES
Colorado	1,743,516	104,247
Kansas	2,177,822	82,276
Nebraska	1,404,556	77,227
Nevada	282,137	110,540
North Dakota	627,209	70,665
South Dakota	676,738	77,047
Utah	890,627	84,916
Wyoming	330,066	97,914
Totals	8,132,671	704,832
Average	1,016,558	88,104

smallest. Compared with other regions our total population is small. The fifty states of the U. S. have a present population density of 50 per square mile. While our region has a population density of only 11 per square mile and states like Wyoming and Nevada are far below the above average.

The region covers 704,832 square miles which is almost 20% of the total area of the U. S. Yet its total population of over eight million is only 4½% of the 180,000,000 people living in the fifty states. It should be obvious that although we have some of the best scenery in the U. S., we do not have the better part of the population—except during vacation time.

These facts are but a small part of the basic regional information which we need if we are to understand library development in the MPLA region. The tremendous geographic spread—1,661 miles from Kansas City, Kansas, to Reno, Nevada, and 1,200 miles from Trinidad, Colorado to Devils Lake, North Dakota—and the very thin populations account for much of our lack of success. We have often faced failure because it is just too far and too expensive to get together.

Library activity within MPLA measured by its membership is encouraging.

**MPLA Membership 1960, 1961; A.L.A. Membership 1960**

	M.P.L.A.	A.L.A.	
Colorado	82	115	286
Kansas	33	73	291
Nebraska	26	35	197
Nevada	2	13	49
North Dakota	12	26	74
South Dakota	20	40	76
Utah	29	32	70
Wyoming	20	34	62
Miscellaneous	12	20	---
Totals	236	388	1105

Please note the increase in membership this year of 64% for MPLA. However, the potential membership, measured by A.L.A. members in MPLA states, reaches the astounding figure of 1,105. It may be said with certainty that by no means all professional librarians belong to A.L.A. Thus, it is not impossible to imagine MPLA with an active growing membership of 1,000 or more within the next several years.

*The Proposals.* During the past year, three committees have been at work on MPLA problems. These *ad hoc* committees, appointed by President Ford Rockwell, are:

1. *Recruitment Study Committee*, Russell Davis, Chairman
2. *"Bib Center" Study Committee*, Don Wright, Chairman
3. *Committee for Study of Undergraduate Library Courses*, Irene Hansen, Chairman.

Since the reports of these committees will not be available until the Cheyenne meeting, any suggestions made here must not be construed as critical of their efforts.

For several years advice, often loud and clear, has come from some members to the effect that we should concern ourselves within MPLA with regional matters and attempt to produce some serious and concrete results. It has seemed to me that the regional problems which an association like MPLA should attack might be as follows:

1. The relationship between MPLA and the Bibliographic Center for Research in Denver.
2. Library education and the preparation

of professional personnel for libraries throughout the MPLA region.

3. The exchange of ideas among the several states and libraries by type.

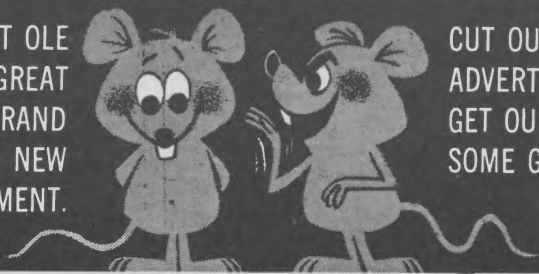
The use of the MPLA Quarterly as one medium of exchange is obvious. "Bib Center" The relationship between MPLA and the "Bib Center" should be explored seriously. The "Bib Center" and its Executive Board have spent long hours during the past year in assessing its aims and purposes. Miss Phoebe Hayes will begin in October as the new Director of the Bibliographic Center for Research. Throughout these deliberations MPLA was represented by President Ford Rockwell and other members. By Executive Board vote, one thousand dollars of MPLA funds were given to the "Bib Center" to help support its program.

The "Bib Center" and MPLA need more than the present thin extra-legal connection. The Director of the Center should be a permanent Executive Board member within MPLA and MPLA should have legal representation on the "Bib Center" Executive Board.

Regional cooperation is best exemplified in the goals of the Center and MPLA should lend its strength to the increase of all types of regional cooperation. The cataloging of foreign language books, the speed-up and improvement of inter-city-loans, and the creation of local union lists, such as one for science periodicals, are but a few of the projects in which both MPLA and the "Bib Center" should be working together.

*Library Education.* The presence of only one accredited library school within the MPLA region places the burden squarely on its shoulders. As the Director of this School at the University of Denver, I must now speak to you in two capacities. It seems to me that serious consideration of library education problems should be undertaken. Over fifty colleges throughout our eight states offer some courses in librarianship. Several exploratory conferences on the pre-requisite courses have been held at the University of Denver and the time seems ripe for several more to be held during the next several years. At these conferences attention should be given to articulation, the need for more graduate library education in our region, recruiting and other related matters.

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MPLA should co-sponsor these conferences and should be considering the awarding of a scholarship each year to a potentially outstanding student selected from our eight states.

The School of Librarianship at the University of Denver should take a stronger position of leadership in library education matters than it has in the past. It should encourage study and research on regional library matters. To this end, I am happy to announce two new publications which will be available soon for the use of librarians in this region.

The first will be called *Studies in Librarianship* and will be published irregularly by the School of Librarianship. It will concern itself with library education problems, national and regional, as well as specific studies of a regional library scope. It will be available free of charge to those who wish to receive it and will be announced in the *Quarterly*.

The second publication, long in the planning stages, is a selective book selection aid, *The Mountain-Plains in Books*. Mr. Paul Frame, Assistant Professor, School of Librarianship, will serve as its editor and the first issue will be mailed free of charge to all MPLA members. It will contain short annotations of books concerned with our region and will be published on a quarterly basis.

*Exchange of Ideas*. This category may well be the catch-all for everything else that we wish to do. Certainly our program meetings fall into this area, as does the *MPLA Quarterly*, now in its sixth year.

If regionalism has any meaning and if our eight states have common problems, then there is much to be said in favor of more coordination between our state agencies as they develop under the Library Services Act. An attempt was made to hold such a work session at this meeting but did not materialize because advance planning was not begun early enough.

The success of the Colorado State Grant-in-Aid Program already presented to you at our first meeting, is another example of how success in one state may lead, by the exchange of information, to similar victories in other states. More of this should be reported in the *MPLA Quarterly* and by use of speakers at state meetings.

Another phase of an "information exchange" program may be placed in a more personal context. It is the intention of your new president to visit the state meetings in all eight member states during his two year term of office. Plans are under way this year to attend the state meetings of Colorado, October 5 - 7, Nevada, October 20 - 22, and the joint meeting of Kansas and Missouri on October 26 - 28. In attending these meetings, I shall attempt to stimulate interest and membership in MPLA and I shall also be willing to participate in the program whenever this seems possible. Such a venture will also permit and encourage our members to tell me how they feel about MPLA, and what they feel a regional association should be doing.

Further exchange of information might occur by the creation of a *President's Council* made up of our eight state presidents who might meet at least once during each regional program meeting of MPLA. They are for a single year the top leadership in their states and this important resource should not be overlooked. A recommendation to create such a *Council* will be presented to your Executive Board.

Committees have been both the source of strength, but more often of failure within MPLA and other library organizations. I propose to create a different sort of committee pattern by appointing "Core Committees" which will be made up of people who are specialists in the problem to be solved by the Committee. The "Core Committee" will also be geographically contiguous so that the membership of the committee cannot use geography as an excuse for non-action. An example here would place a "Core Committee" on library education in the School of Librarianship at the University of Denver; while a committee on the use of the I.B.M. or computer in order or catalog departments might be set up at the University of Nebraska because they have had considerable experience with information retrieval systems during the past several years.

To aid in reaching equitable decisions in committee work, "Consulting Committees," geographically and subject-wise, more representative of the region, could be used as sounding boards for the ideas presented by the "Core Committees." *CONCLUSIONS*. Any program presented to a



library association is being offered to the membership. This program just presented will be as successful as each of you, the members, wish to make it. The real question, not yet answered, is how many of you are "doers" and how many of you will continue to be merely "onlookers". It seems to me that the time is ripe, historically and politically, for more librarians to take increasingly active roles in library associations. MPLA is your association and its success or failure will depend on how much each of you is willing to contribute.

### **Cheyenne Had Values**

The MPLA meeting in Cheyenne, August 31 - September 2 was attended by some 200 members from the 8-state area. This was a strong turnout and indicated an interest in matters concerning MPLA and the region. The Bibliographical Center For Research had its annual meeting the first afternoon and many of those who came for that stayed on for the rest of MPLA.

Each session, according to wide comment, had something worth while and delegates felt they really found something to chew on and could go away reacting favorably to MPLA. This is all in line with statements made that our region is full of good people, professional and non-professional, and that we have strength in fine personnel. Those who have let their interest in MPLA die out or who have felt we exist for nothing would have experienced a renewed interest and realized that there are some things which our association can accomplish.

This was a convention of ideas. Certainly, they were there in abundance, and all ably expressed by program participants. The rich experience of Colorado in its recent legislative success was passed on to warn, warm and encourage others in border states in their efforts. Miss Phoebe Hayes and Mrs. Cynthia Willett put real punch into this session to reveal things you just don't find in books on such matters. And Forrest Carhart had many moments of solid interest in reporting on the research being done and the items concluded through the ALA Library Technology Project. Here, certainly, were ideas to start a

questioning of set methods and means in libraries. Contrast, of course, with the solid plugging and finesse for a legislative victory. But the Cheyenne air was free and clear—an apt setting.

Mr. Joseph Shipman of the Linda Hall Library in Kansas City, Mo., brought a sincere picture, helpfully illustrated with facts and figures, of the work of his library and of the very situation which we are up against in the world today, and will be some few years away, quoting possible population, scientific progress, communication, and changing of peoples. His combined mass of information caught total attention and caused continuing conversation.

Important, of course, even beyond the measure realized by many librarians, and not yet completely dealt with for effective results by ALA, is recruitment. This was warmly brought home by Miss Myrl Ricking of the Milwaukee Public Library. As your outgoing president I can't press too hard upon this item or urge too strongly that we get to work in this field of recruitment and stack up some solidity of planned effort. Done individually and collectively I know we can recruit good people. Our voices should be heard in competition with other professions.

But Cheyenne had more than ideas. MPLA donated \$500 to the new ALA headquarters building, \$1,000 to the Bibliographical Center, and made a gift of appreciation to Mrs. Eulalia Chapman, former "Bib Center" Director, of \$200. Let me quote her letter:

"Dear Friends of the Mountain  
Plains Library Association:

What a pleasure it was to receive the check from you. I own a watch with no diamonds, a pink stove and "ice box", etchings, china, 50 hats and I have a big doctor's bill. You did the right thing when you sent your grand gift. I missed you at the convention but my heart was there."

Sincerely,

*Eulalia Chapman (Miss Bib)*

So Cheyenne did have value. People went away thinking. Best of all, they evidenced a genuine confidence and interest in MPLA.

*Ford Rockwell*  
Past President

# AN ARROW INTO THE AIR

A giant rocket designed to escape the earth's gravitational field will cover the first 100 miles of its flight into space in a couple of minutes. Yet within that short span of time, it will traverse a region that contains as much scientific mystery as outer space itself. This region is the earth's atmosphere, guardian and profound influence on mankind and his planet. For while man lives *on* the earth, he lives *in* an ocean of air.

Since time unremembered, man has been fascinated by the atmospheric envelope which surrounds him, and which brings him joy and woe, prosperity and ruin. He made gods of the sun and rain, because they dominated his life in mysterious ways he could neither understand nor control.

In the past century, meteorologists and other atmospheric scientists have begun the job of investigating the atmosphere and how it works. They have also brought us to the point where we can justifiably hope to predict weather accurately and possibly, in some ways, to control it.

But scientists have also come to realize that a far greater effort—in both variety and amount of research talent—must be applied to the atmospheric sciences if we are to reap the vast benefits they promise.

No field of science—even atomic or medicine or space exploration—offers a greater potential for the good of all mankind than does the field of atmospheric science. As a measure of both the challenge and the rewards in view, the sky is quite literally the limit.

It is fitting that a place on the High Plains, which have experienced extremes of both bane and benefaction from meteorological influences, should be chosen as the site for a new national laboratory, in Boulder, Colorado, is part of an increased national effort to achieve new fundamental knowledge about the atmosphere—a necessary first step toward realizing the great potential scientific and technological advances implicit in this effort.

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It will bring together scientists from a broad range of disciplines, including physics, chemistry, geophysics, astrophysics, etc., to probe large, fundamental problems of atmospheric behavior, including influences *on* the atmosphere from "outside" (e.g. the interaction between the sun's behavior and that of the earth's atmosphere) and "inside" (e.g. the interaction between the atmosphere and the ocean, which is seen to work with devastatingly efficient results in hurricanes.)

Quite obviously, such problems require a sizeable number of scientists working on the many smaller problems that together make up such large problems as how to achieve a theory of accurate long-range forecasting. And these scientists will need a considerable range of facilities to do their work: Quiet rooms with plenty of black-board space; well-equipped laboratories in which experiments may be carried on in various kinds of simulated atmospheric circumstances: vehicles such as balloons, rockets and airplanes, which can carry measuring devices to where the weather is actually happening; an excellent, broad-based library; and high-speed computers which can help solve the complex mathematical equations that express the multitude of various twists and turns of the earth's gaseous envelope as it moves around our planet.

It is equally obvious that having such groups of scientists and such facilities is beyond the capacity of individual universities and of most research organizations. Thus, a committee of the National Academy of Sciences decided three years ago that a national laboratory of the atmospheric sciences was an urgent need if progress in the atmospheric sciences was to mea-

sure up to their profound global importance. The National Center is the tangible expression of that decision. It was founded in June, 1960, and Dr. Walter Orr Roberts, a solar astronomer and director of the High Altitude Observatory, also of Boulder, was named director.

The High Altitude Observatory has for several years been delving into the connection between the behavior of the sun and that of the earth's atmosphere. The fact that the High Altitude Observatory and NCAR will soon merge their activities is indicative of how much the atmospheric sciences have broadened in aspect over the past two decades.

At the beginning of World War II, few meteorologists looked more than two or three miles above the earth's surface in their attempts to fathom its workings. Since then it has become clear that this was merely a scratch at the surface of the problem, and that the investigation will have to go as far as the sun, and possibly beyond, to solve the mystery fully.

Because NCAR will be a truly national laboratory, its facilities will be open to all atmospheric scientists on the basis of merit alone, and a constant interaction will be maintained between NCAR and universities and research groups both in the United States and abroad. Moreover, up to half of the NCAR scientific staff will hold visiting appointments of from a few months to two years. In this way, it is hoped that NCAR can lead and inspire new advances in the atmospheric sciences without overtones of domination of any kind.

The NCAR staff currently numbers 30, and it is building fast. In a year NCAR is expected to have a staff of 100, and in two years, 200. An ultimate size of about 500 is now envisaged.

The State of Colorado has donated a 500-acre site for the NCAR laboratory on a 600-foot-high mesa just south of Boulder. The funds supplied by the National Science Foundation, which supports NCAR's program by contract with the University Corporation for Atmospheric Research, a 14-university non-profit organization that oversees NCAR's management policies.

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NCAR's scientific program is already in motion on the host of atmospheric problems as yet unsolved. Meteorology is a young science, and we know little about such fundamental processes as these:

\*The chemical and physical processes by which raindrops are actually formed. Though we understand the conditions under which they form, and have a partial understanding of the processes, no fundamental theory of the condensation of coalescence of droplets has been achieved. In short, we have much to learn about so ordinary a meteorological commodity as rain.

\*The connection between lightning and rain in a thunderstorm. After a lightning discharge, a heavy surge of rain has often been noticed. But no one knows whether there is a cause-and-effect process at work here, and if so, what basic physical interactions underlie it. This is only one of the many mysteries connected with atmospheric electricity.

\*The vast changes in the general circulation of the atmosphere that cause periods of abundant rainfall to alternate with the years of drought.

\*The influence on the earth's atmosphere of the various kinds of activities of the sun, such as solar flares, sunspots, and variable emissions of various kinds of solar particles. Much speculating has been done on the connection between these solar phenomena and the weather on earth. But if such a connection exists (and many scientists suspect it does), the physical processes involved have not yet been discovered.

It is no wonder that atmospheric scientists, standing on the brink of advances which will be significant both for science itself and the world at large, feel that they live in an exciting age! This is a time when the satisfaction of man's natural curiosity to know how the universe works and his need to solve practical problems coincide in the atmospheric sciences, even though the practical rewards which may come are, in many cases, years away and cannot be predicted with certainty. It is, of course, an article of faith, based on experience, that basic research usually repays its investment many times over, often in ways that could not be imagined when the work was begun. This feeling is running high today within the community of atmospheric scientists, and with good reason.

(The University Corporation for Atmospheric Research members are as follows: University of Arizona, University of California, The University of Chicago, Cornell University, The Florida State University, The John Hopkins University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, University of Michigan, New York University, The Pennsylvania State University, Saint Louis University, Texas A and M College System, University of Washington and University of Wisconsin.) Editor's Note.

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# MEET PHOEBE HAYES

The Bibliographical Center for Research has hired a new Director. With this addition to the staff, the Center has acquired several thousand volt's worth of professional know-how. Miss Phoebe Hayes, who comes to the Center from the National Farmers Union, where she was librarian for eleven years, has demonstrated on many sides her capacity to analyze a job that needs to be done, and then to do the job.

The new Director has had extensive experience in government and special libraries. She started with the Joint Reference Library of the Public Administration Clearing House in Chicago, then moved to Washington as a reference librarian for the U. S. Bureau of the Budget. Before coming to the Farmers Union, she organized the library for the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, A.F.L., Madison, Wisconsin. These positions will prove invaluable as she acquaints herself with the tremendous resources available to the members of the Bib Center.

She has shown herself willing and able in professional organizations. Formerly president of the Colorado Chapter of the Special Libraries Association, she is currently a very busy Convention Chairman, planning for S.L.A.'s 1963 Convention in Denver. She has served in several divisional capacities for the national organization. The Colorado Library Association owes much of the success of its 1961 legislative program to Phoebe. As first chairman of the reconstituted Legislative Committee for two years she lent her precise way of expressing herself to the *Proposal for State Grants-in-Aid* which this committee wrote. This has formed the basis of the administration of the state grant program. She is also a member of the Mountain Plains Library Association.

What sort of a person is Phoebe? Not noisy or aggressive, but still persistent in achieving her goals, she thinks carefully and then gives clear expression to her thoughts. Listeners are usually convinced by her logic and apt phrasing. A twinkle of the eye and a friendly smile punctuate

By **MRS. CYNTHIA WILLETT**

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her serious discussions, for she is a person of wit and friendliness as well. Coming to Colorado in 1950, she soon persuaded her sister, Margaret (who works at the Denver Public Library) and her mother to join her in the mile-high state. Their home in Englewood competes with her job and her many professional avocations for her attention; it isn't always easy to get that cellar painted and the furniture moved during her busy life. Besides, the Hayes ladies love the high hills (and so do their ever-eager mongrel pups). Whenever she can, Phoebe heads for the family cabin in Allenspark for a long hike. In Denver she tries to take in as many concerts and plays as she can find time for, when she isn't setting up files to catalog the unsuspecting legislators, or persuading friends to serve on committees. And for "relaxation" Phoebe collects postcards and reads whenever she can.

This sounds like a full-time person, doesn't it? Phoebe Hayes is exactly that, always ready to help the profession, to improve her own knowledge, to assist a colleague. She is currently working on a master's in library science at University of Denver to add to her B.A. and B.S.L.S. from the University of Wisconsin, as well as other graduate course credits from Wisconsin and from the University of Chicago.

Yes, Frank Lloyd Wright isn't the only reason why Spring Green, Wisconsin, should be famous. Phoebe Hayes is also a native of this town. Welcome to the Bib Center, Phoebe. We wish you all the best on this new job. We stand ready to help you. And we intend to make good use of your unquestioned talents, for the Center and for the library profession in the Rocky Mountain region.



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## Regional News Pickups

Salt Lake City went to the polls September 12 and voted 12,959 to 2,389 for a new main public library. Bob Thomas is to be congratulated on such a fine majority. Preliminaries have been drawn and it looks as though Salt Lake City is on its way. John Hall Jacobs is consultant.

Mrs. Eulalia Chapman's address is 1175 South Milwaukee St., Denver, Colorado.

Jerome Cushman took over his duties as head of the New Orleans Public Library September 1st. He reports having a busy time, liking it though finding a tough budget situation. Jerry's address is 4503 Duplessis Street, New Orleans.

Richard John Neuman is the newly appointed Librarian for Salina, Kansas, replacing Jerome Cushman. Mr. Neuman was formerly in Kansas and returned from several years with the Miami (Florida) Public Library where he was head of the Business & Technical Department.

Le Moyne Anderson announces that Robert H. DeWitt, University of Nebraska

Libraries, succeeds Mark M. Gormley as Assistant Director of Colorado State University Libraries at Fort Collins October 1st. He will also be an Associate Professor of Library Science.

Katharine A. Howard, recently of the staff of Aerospace Corporation, Los Angeles, has become Assistant Reference Librarian, Colorado State University,

The University of North Dakota at Grand Forks dedicated its new Chester Fritz Library on October 13th. A huge mural, covering one wall and depicting North Dakota history and resources, painted by Robert Nelson, head of the University of North Dakota art department is one of the library's attractions.

Claude Settlemire has moved to the new building Boulder, Colorado, has constructed. It is an attractive structure with some unique features Claude originated, Children's Room, Reference Room, general meeting room and the "900's" room are nicely done.



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Ellsworth Mason, Librarian of Coburn Library of The Colorado College at Colorado Springs reports their new library 25% complete and on schedule. They expect to move in next May. A gift of \$4,000 has been given to buy physics books in memory of Roland R. Tileston, Professor of Physics at the College, 1913-1925. Mr. Mason has been elected to the ALA Council, 1961-1965.

Dr. Phillip Monypenny, Professor of Political Science, University of Illinois, has been appointed director of the staff to conduct the STATE LIBRARY SURVEYS. Dr. Leon Carnovsky, Professor, Chicago Graduate Library School, will be visiting the state libraries of the upper mid-west. He will meet with a committee from Kansas during the KLA-MLA meeting in Kansas City.

Fargo, N. D., becomes the fourth city in the state to own and operate a bookmobile.

Wichita, Kansas, will receive a new air conditioned bookmobile early in December. It's older unit will be used by stationing it for two days at a time at busy spots.

Two college pages with the Wichita City Library received scholarships and have entered graduate library schools this fall. Harlan Quinn combined a scholarship from California and Chicago to attend the Graduate School at Chicago University. He will work for two years in county work in California upon graduation. Donald Roberts, the first to receive a Wilson Scholar-

ship at Friends University, is attending the University of Michigan as a major in Music Librarianship.

Dr. Joe Walker Kraus assumes the duties of Head Librarian at Kansas State University in Manhattan December 1st. He replaces Melvin Voight who resigned to become Librarian on the University of California campus at La Jolla. Dr. Kraus holds three degrees from the Graduate Library School, University of Illinois. He leaves Madison College, Harrisonburg, Va., after 10 years as Librarian.

THE MOUNTAIN-PLAINS IN BOOKS is an attractive new listing being published by the School of Librarianship, University of Denver. A selective list of regional writings, it is an attempt to fulfill a long known need in the mountain-plains area. Paul N. Frame is editor. First issue is dated October, 1961. Published quarterly, a subscription is free upon request at present.

New and very important to the MPLA region is the UNIVERSITY CORPORATION FOR ATMOSPHERIC RESEARCH. (Note article by Mr. Edwin L. Wolff in this issue). This is a growing center with land already donated for a building. The fiscal year's budgets for 1960 and 1961 were \$1,000,000. For 1962 it is \$1.1 million. Being supplied by the National Science Foundation, the funds are actually in the form of Congressional appropriations. Future budgets will build to several million dollars as staff and projects increase.

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**MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY.** This issue contains a listing of personal paid memberships in MPLA. Anyone not paid for 1961 is not listed. Institutional memberships will be listed in the next (Winter) issue. MPLA dues are now on a calendar year basis and 1962 dues are payable as of January. The membership directory is easily detached and purposely not paged with the issue. Asterisks denote those who attended MPLA in Cheyenne. Send dues to Dan Seager, MPLA Secretary-Treasurer, Colorado State College, Greeley, Colorado.

MPLA Section Chairmen as elected at Cheyenne are: Miss Lee Mortensen, Wyoming State Library—Public and County Section; Mrs. Frank Mace, Saratoga, Wyoming, School and Children Section; Mr. A. Tom Challis, College of Southern Utah—College and University Section, with Mrs. Ida Marie Logan, Utah State University, Vice-Chairman.

The Wilson Library Bulletin has supplied the ALA Headquarters Office with copies of, "A Recruitment Primer" evolved by ALA's Recruitment Committee headed by Myrl Ricking who was on our Cheyenne

program. Copies can be obtained by writing ALA in Chicago. The primer first appeared in the November, 1960 issue of the Wilson Bulletin.

Dr. Ralph Ellsworth, University of Colorado Libraries Director, was elected president of the American Association of College and Research Libraries.

Plans have been completed for a branch library in the Belmont section of Pueblo, Colorado. The Belmont Women's Club is giving \$1,000 for reference books.

Recent appointments at University of Nebraska Libraries:

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Miss Cornelia Hadley

Senior Assistant Librarian, College of Medicine, formerly with Ball State Teachers College Library.

Mrs. Elizabeth Fawcett Koenig

Senior Assistant Librarian, College of Medicine, with rank of Assistant Professor, August 1, 1961. Formerly with Florida State University Library.

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# Constitution

(As revised Fall 1961)

## Article I

### Name:

1. The name of this association shall be the Mountain-Plains Library Association.

## Article II

### Object:

1. The object of this association shall be the promotion of library service in the mountain-plains region.
2. The mountain-plains region shall be considered the states of Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, North Dakota, Nevada, South Dakota, Utah, Wyoming, and other states or provinces bordering these states which elect to join the association.

## Article III

### Membership:

1. Membership of the association shall consist of:
  - (a) Active members. Any person or association interested in library work may become a member of the association and be entitled to all its privileges upon payment of the annual dues as provided in the bylaws.
  - (b) Sustaining members. Any person or institution or association eligible for membership may elect to become a sustaining member upon payment of the dues specified in Article I, Section I, of the By-laws.
  - (c) Honorary members. Honorary members shall be those who, by reason of personal character, meritorious contributions to library development, position of influence and honor or high attainment in library science, are recommended for special and well-earned distinction. Honorary membership may be conferred upon a person at any biennial meeting by a three-fourths vote. Honorary members shall

not be required to pay dues, and they shall not have the power to vote or to hold office.

## Article IV

### Officers:

1. The officers of the association shall be a president, vice-president, who shall be president-elect; a secretary, and a treasurer. The officers of the association shall be elected at each biennial meeting and shall hold office for two years, or until their successors are elected.
2. The president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer shall perform the duties pertaining to their respective offices and such other duties as may be approved by the executive board.

## Article V

### Executive Board:

1. There shall be an executive board consisting of the officers of the association, the past president, and one delegate from each state in the association. An executive secretary may be appointed by and responsible to the executive board. He shall have no vote in the executive board meeting.
2. The executive board shall have general supervision of the affairs of the association provided that none of its acts modifies any action taken by the association.
3. Meetings of the executive board may be called by the president at such times and places as he may designate, or upon request of the majority of the board, except that the board shall meet prior to each biennial meeting, once during the interim year, and the retiring board and the new board shall meet together at the close of each biennial meeting of the association.
4. The executive board shall appoint an editor or editors for the MPLA Quarterly or any other official publications of the association.

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**Article VI**

**Meetings:**

1. A meeting of the association shall be held biennially at such time and place as may be determined by the executive board.
2. Special meetings of the association may be called by the president, with the approval of the executive board, when advisable providing one month's notice be given to the membership.

**Article VII**

**Committees:**

1. The president shall appoint such committees to carry on the work of the association as the executive board, or the association, may authorize.

**Article VIII**

**Sections:**

1. Members of the association who are engaged in the same general field of activity or have special interests in common may organize into a section upon approval of their petition by the executive board.
2. A petition for the establishment of a section shall state the purpose and need of the proposed section. Such petition shall be signed by not less than ten members who thereby signify their intention of becoming charter members of the section.
3. A section may prescribe any additional qualifications for membership it may desire and, in general, carry on activities along the lines of its own interests.
4. By vote of the executive board at two consecutive meetings a section may be discontinued when its usefulness ceases.

**Article IX**

**Affiliation:**

1. Affiliation may be made by a vote of the majority of members present at any biennial business meeting of the association.
2. Petitions from organizations or groups wishing to affiliate with Mountain-Plains Library Association shall be presented to the membership at the biennial meeting. A majority vote shall be necessary for ratification.

## Article X

### Parliamentary authority:

1. The rules contained in Robert's Rules of Order, Revised, shall govern the association in all cases in which they are applicable.

## Article XI

### Amendments:

1. This constitution may be amended at any biennial meeting, or by mail vote, provided that specific notices of the proposed amendment shall have been given in the call for the meeting and at least ten days prior to that meeting or prior to the sending out of the ballot by mail. A two-thirds favorable vote from those present and voting at the meeting, or in case of a mail vote, a two-thirds favorable vote from those returning ballots shall be required for the adoption of an amendment.

## BY-LAWS

### Article I

#### Dues:

1. Dues of the Association shall be:
  - (a) For the individual members, dues shall be computed on a sliding scale based on the annual salary received by the member during the last fiscal year:

Annual Salary	Dues
\$2400 or less	\$1.50
\$2401 to \$3600	2.00
\$3601 to \$5000	3.00
\$5001 or over	4.00

- (b) For sustaining members, \$10.00.
- (c) For institutions dues shall be computed on a sliding scale, based on the annual budget of the institution.

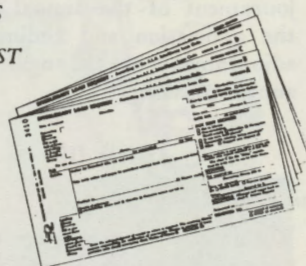
Budget	Dues
\$25,000 and under	\$3.00
\$25,001 to \$50,000	5.00
\$50,001 and up	10.00

- (d) For state library associations dues shall be \$10.00.
2. Annual dues shall be payable the first of January of each calendar year. Members whose dues are unpaid one month after notice has been sent by the treasurer shall cease to be members of the association.

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3. With the exception of honorary members, the executive board shall pass upon the eligibility of all applications for membership.
4. For members attending a biennial meeting, there may be a registration fee as fixed by the executive board.

#### Article II

Year:

1. The year of the association shall be that period beginning with the adjournment of the annual meeting of the association and ending with the adjournment of the next succeeding annual meeting.

#### Article III

Nominating Committee:

1. Within two months after the biennial meeting, the president shall appoint a nominating committee, with one member from each state within the territory of MPLA to arrange for the nomination of candidates for the office of vice-president-president elect, secretary and treasurer.
2. The nominating committee shall present the names of candidates in blocks of two names for each office. The nominating committee shall file its report with the secretary not less than five months before the biennial con-

ference and the secretary shall notify the membership of the nominations made in not less than four months before the biennial conference.

3. Additional nominations may be made by petition signed by not fewer than ten members and filed with the secretary not less than three months before the biennial conference. The petition shall specify the block for which the candidate is being nominated.
4. The nominating committee shall not be restricted by any plan of rotation in office by various states, or by types of libraries.

#### Article IV

Mail Ballots:

1. The secretary shall not less than one month prior to the biennial meeting mail ballots to all members who have paid their dues for the current year.
2. Such ballots shall be returned to the secretary.

#### Article V

State association representative:

1. Each state library association shall be entitled to one member to serve on the executive board.
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3. If a state library association has not, within four months after the end of each yearly meeting of the association chosen a member to serve, the president of this association, shall in consultation with the president of the state library association appoint a member to serve on the executive board.

#### Article VI

##### Quorum:

1. Ten per cent of the members present at any meeting of the association shall constitute a quorum.

#### Article VII

##### By-laws:

1. By-laws may be amended, adopted, or suspended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any biennial meeting, provided that specific notice of any change has been given in a general session previous to the session in which the vote is taken.

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Miss Elizabeth Rubendall

Assistant Librarian, Acquisition Department, with rank of Instructor, September 1, 1961. Formerly with Veterans Hospital Library, Topeka.

Mrs. Helen (Tan-ju Lu) Yien

Assistant Acquisition Librarian, with rank of Instructor, June 1, 1961. Formerly with University of Kansas Library.

Mrs. Kathryn Marie Morrison

Assistant Librarian, Science & Technol-

Mr. Wilbur James Stewart

ogy Division. M.A.L.S., Michigan, 1961. Assistant Librarian, Social Studies Division. M.L.S., Carnegie, 1961.

Miss Mary Pauline Dolven

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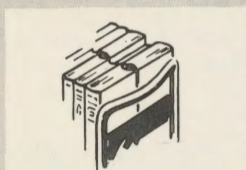
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