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## WHCLIST Award to Senator Pressler

Senator Larry Pressler, (R) South Dakota, was presented the "Distinguished Legislator" Award at the sixth annual meeting of the White House Conference on Libraries and Information Services Taskforce (WHCLIST).

Senator Pressler was recognized as outstanding legislator for his work for libraries on the national scene. Pressler has been unwavering in his commitment to supporting library funding. The

South Dakota Senator lead the way to counteract FCC regulations to increase charges for information transmittal to libraries. Pressler also led the fight to maintain subsidized postal rates for the blind and physically handicapped. The award certificate read, "Senator Larry Pressler awarded for legislative leadership and support culminating in the development of library services."

The 1985 WHCLIST meeting was held in Princeton, NJ, September

12-14, 1985. This Taskforce has met annually since 1979 to continue consideration of important national library issues.

Over 150 people attended the business meetings. There were 36 delegates and 46 associates representing 23 states and territories of Puerto Rico, Guam and American Samoa.

Keynote speaker for the Princeton gathering, Gordon Ambach, New York Commissioner of Education, urged the



participants to think boldly and cooperatively. Mr. Ambach warned that the changes in informational technology and demographics will present additional challenges to libraries.

Nicholas Johnson, host of PBS series "New Tech Times" and former FCC Commissioner, said there has never been a better time to show the public that libraries are the first place to get information. "Libraries," Johnson said, "need people with a dream that have the courage to be bold and take risks." Looking to the future, Johnson predicted half of library users will never come into libraries, that we will be computing instead of commuting.

"The Year of The Reader" will be the 1987 theme of the Center for the Book, Library of Congress, Director John Y. Cole, announced. The Center for the Book is a privately funded organization to work as a catalyst to promote books and reading. Cole said the TV program tailer "Read More About It" was developed by the Center. This fall ABC will be showing a cartoon character Captain O. G. Readmore, a cat who encourages reading, which was also produced by the Center. The winning photographs from the contest "A Nation of Readers" are now on display at

the Library of Congress. This display will tour the states and territories.

Information Systems manager Stanley Brown of AT&T Bell Labs, Leslie Burger, Director of Network Services, Connecticut State Library and Carlton Rochell, Director, Elmer Holmes Bobst Library, New York University, were panelists discussing how people acquire information.

Small group sessions worked to define major issues affecting libraries. Four points were agreed upon that should be stressed:

1. Equal Access to Information in a Changing World
2. Public Awareness
3. Literacy
4. Incentives to Change

Board members for the 1985-86 will be Barbara D. Cooper, Chair; Bruce E. Daniels, Vice Chair; Jule M. Shipman, Secretary; Dorothe L. Mahoney, Treasurer; Laura B. Chodos, Ex-Chair; and Joan R. Reeves, Coordinator, Regional Representatives.

Jerome Rakov, NE, and Diane L. Smith, MO, were elected Region IV Representatives. States included in this region are Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah and

Wyoming. Attending delegates and associates from these states were:

Priscilla Linsley and Lenore Bright, Colorado

Dottie Hiebing and Beverly Lind, Iowa

Diane L. Smith and John Dustin, Missouri

Karen Everett, Cheryl Hutchinson and Genevieve Beery, Montana

John L. Kopischke and Jerome Rakov, Nebraska

Dorothe L. Mahoney, South Dakota

A Preliminary Design Group has been formed to plan a 1989 White House Conference. The Taskforce feels this projected 1989 conference is vital to the planning needed to ensure all Americans full and complete access to information. . . vital to the changing times and the changing needs of library users and the communities in which they function.

During the intensive three day conference, delegates were given a brief time away from work to visit historic Morven in Princeton and to tour the Firestone Library on the campus of Princeton University.

—Dorothe L. Mahoney

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## From Your President



MPLA salutes the Nevada Library Association for a truly memorable joint conference! If you couldn't attend Las Vegas, you missed a wide selection of exciting and really challenging programs and speakers, and a terrific opportunity for growing, sharing, and having good fun. Following the well-attended preconferences, keynoter Joseph Shubert, New York State Librarian, set a serious tone as he addressed "REALITIES in 1985." Other pertinent topics included: the future impact of electronic publishing, dynamic programming as a public library service, library and classroom innovation, building Native American collections, the responsibility of librarianship, lobbying techniques, and many others. We extend a sincere thanks to our hard-working committee chairs and to our Nevada hosts, especially Dean Covington (Conference Chair), Tom Carollo (Program), Mary Dale Deacon (Local Arrangements), Elmer Curley (Exhibits), and Bea Quill (Fiscal Affairs).

While the most visible activity of MPLA is the annual conference, behind the scenes our committees keep the association very viable. We appreciate Past President Dorothy Liegl and her hard-working chairs and committee members. For this year I have made the following chair appointments:

Awards	Honey Lou Bonar
Bylaws & Procedures	Jean Johnson
Continuing Education	Mary Carter
Finance	Henry Yaple
Intellectual	

Freedom Nominating	Heather McQuairie
Professional Development	John Nixon
Grants	Dick Allen
Public Relations	Tom Carollo

All committee appointments also have been made. It wasn't an easy task and I regret that everyone who expressed interest in serving could not be appointed. I hope that these individuals will remain interested and make their interest known by corresponding with current officers and chairs and by attending next year's conference.

Planning is underway for the 1986 joint conference with the Colorado Library Association at Silver Creek. Dates have been set for October 10-15. CLA President Beverly Moore has appointed Daniel Lester, Lucy Schweer and Judy Zelenski to the Conference Planning Committee. MPLA's representatives will be Vice-President Duane Johnson, Evelyn Connor, and Donna Jones. The Committee will be meeting during the October CLA conference at Copper Mountain to decide upon the theme and basic procedural details.

Finally, I wish to note that more than ever I am aware that MPLA is a strong professional association because of its committed membership. MPLA remains one professional association which continually places member needs first as we individually address the many difficult challenges which this age of the "learning society" has thrust upon us. Continuing education opportunities, professional development grants, special project funding all contribute to making membership a worthwhile investment. At least, I think so. I hope you feel the same way.

**Tom Jones**



## Andy Needs Our Assistance

Andrew Gulliford, Project Director for MPLA's eight-state Country School Legacy effort and author of **America's Country Schools**, has completed his American Culture Ph.D. program coursework at Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio. He is writing his dissertation on boom and bust cycles in mining communities of the Rocky Mountain West. From MPLA members he would welcome boom-town newspaper accounts, planning reports, bibliographic citations, etc. He can be reached at the American Culture Program, Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio 43402.

## Robert Stueart, Candidate for ALA Presidency, Visits Annual Conference

An unexpected visitor appeared at the Las Vegas conference of MPLA and the Nevada Library Association. He was Robert D. Stueart, candidate for the office of president, American Library Association, 1986.

He came not as an invited speaker nor by special invitation. He came to attend our conference, to visit with librarians, and to learn about our concerns regarding ALA and librarianship. His appearance was quite unexpected, especially since none of us could ever remember such a candidate visiting a past conference. Stueart made more than a token appearance. He came, he stayed, and participated in conference programs.

Stueart is the Dean, Graduate School of Library and Information Science, Simmons College.

## Acquisitions Programming Ideas Requested

Program ideas are invited for the ALA/RTSD RS Acquisitions Committee for the 1987 ALA Annual Conference in San Francisco. The Acquisitions Committee is charged with studying issues, problems, and developments in the acquisition of all types of library materials. Interested **MPLA Newsletter** readers are encouraged to send suggestions not later than December 31, 1985 to John Reidelbach, Chairperson, Collection Development, University Library, University of Nebraska at Omaha, Omaha, NE 68182.

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### MPLA Past-President At Las Vegas

(l-r) K.L. Janecek, Jane Kolbe, Henry Morehouse, Donna Jones, Joe Anderson and Jim Dertien.

## Around the Region

### MPLA

### MPLA Awards Presented

At the Las Vegas MPLA convention the Association presented five awards recognizing outstanding regional efforts in the promotion of libraries and librarianship. Twelve nominees were received in five award categories. The awards were presented by James Swan, Chair, Awards Committee on Friday, September 13, at the awards luncheon. The winners and their awards citations are:

**Carl Gaumer Exhibitors Award**, presented to Mike Crawford of Franktown, Colorado; as a representative of American Companies in recognition of his conscientious

endeavors toward libraries and especially for his enthusiastic support of Summer Reading Programs in the Mountain Plains region.

**MPLA Distinguished Service Award**, presented to Edith B. Siegrist of Vermillion, South Dakota; in recognition of a lifetime commitment to libraries and teaching library media programs and for her service to library associations at the state, regional and national levels.

**MPLA Legislative Leadership Award**, presented to Montana Arts Advocacy of Billings, Montana; for providing an organized and comprehensive citizen-based lobbying effort for culture on behalf of libraries, museums and the arts across Montana and especially for its positive results in the 1985 Legislature.

**MPLA News Media Support Award**, presented to The Great Bend Tribune, Great Bend, Kansas; in recognition of its sustained high level of new exposure for libraries through its consistent

editorial support for library funding and its ongoing highly visible coverage of library events.

**MPLA Literary Contribution Award**, presented to Ivy Ruckman of Salt Lake City, Utah; whose works for young people are infused with the spirit of the region, evoking emotions about the place of her birth with accurate treatment of the natural and human landscape of the mountain-plains.

### BCR Again Reports Strong Financial Position

At their September meeting the BCR Board of Trustees met in Denver to review the annual audit for 1984-85. Trustees were delighted with the report that indicated a contribution of \$242,969 of excess of revenues over expenses had been made to membership equity during the course of the year. This amount brings the total of membership equity to \$356,630.

Executive Director David H. Brunell attributed the positive performance of *Support MPLA Advertisers*



the fiscal year to a successful investment program, an increase in volume of usage, and cost containment. He noted that total support and revenues for the period had increased to \$5.2 million from \$4.6 million the previous year while costs and expenses had increased from \$4.5 million to \$5.0 million. Pointing out that \$62 thousand more was earned from investments than had been projected in the budget, he expressed the hope that income from this source could possibly help to decrease prices for services in the future. He said BCR is now able to offer some services more efficiently by containing the related expenses. (BCR new release)

## Colorado

### WREN ILL Project Progress Report

The Arkansas Valley System along with the Southwest System launched a microcomputer ILL project in April. The WREN ILL project started slow with just the Colorado State Hospital and the Colorado State Penitentiary on-line. Gradually we have added Trinidad Carnegie Public Library, Otero Junior College, Pueblo Library District, Canon City Public Library, Salida Regional Library, and Rocky Ford Public Library. Lamar School Library will be added when school resumes in September.

An Apple IIe is used by the local libraries to input ILL requests: author/title, subject, periodical, and free form messages for the System office. At 11 p.m. to midnight the System office IBM automatically calls the libraries to receive their requests and to transfer information to them. Most of the libraries using the WREN program have found it extremely easy to use and much faster than regular mail. The WREN program is configured in such a way as to work on the Apple IIe as well as the Apple II+ and the Apple IIc. (Arkansas Valley System Beat, July 1985)

### Aid to Unemployed

Pueblo Library District's Job Education and Information Center began in September, 1984. It is funded by a LSCA grant administered by the Colorado State Library.

Essentially, a one-stop job/career center, it helps patrons to focus on their *Support MPLA Advertisers*

interests, skills and self-knowledge. The project was funded in response to high unemployment in the area, but it can be useful to the unemployed, career changers or people planning education for future employment. Available for use are books, pamphlets, software packages (to use on the Apple IIe provided for public use) and programming.

Six electronic typewriters purchased with grant funds are used to prepare resumes, fill out applications and practice typing.

A bulletin board provides current job openings for Civil Service, El Paso County position announcements, brochures and a list of professional organizations which will send free pamphlets giving job descriptions for their field. The center also mails a monthly newsletter to interested individuals.

Members of the community have presented evening programs on topics such as: time management, resume preparation, starting your own business and interviewing techniques. The project coordinator has worked with community agencies to ensure that the patron has access to all community programs and services being offered.

The program has been funded for an additional year through 1986. (Colorado State Library Newsletter, August 1985)

### Colorado Symbols

Colorado Symbols is an 18-minute color videotape of broadcast quality produced by the Central Colorado Library System and the Denver Museum of Natural History. Articulate experts, filmed throughout Colorado, speak about the state's symbols, their history and their meaning.

CCLS is selling the videotape to libraries, schools and other organizations in Colorado. (Plain Speaking, August/September 1985)

### EasyLink Connects State's Libraries

EasyLink Instant Mail Services is an electronic communication system developed by Western Union. The Colorado State Library, the seven Regional Library Service Systems, and numerous agencies participate in the EasyLink system. EasyLink allows you to send messages to other subscribers' mailboxes, Telex and Mailgram messages, Telegrams, Cablegrams, Computer Letters and two (2) hour/overnight delivery

services. EasyLink shortens geographical distances dramatically. (Colorado State Library Newsletter, July 1985)

### Colorado Resource Center Wins Increase

Under contract with the State Library, the CRC provides interlibrary loan and telephone services to all Colorado libraries.

CRC funding for 1984 was \$328,600. A resolution in March, 1985 by the State Board of Education placed \$1,527,000 in the State Library budget to fully fund the CRC and ensure free service and access for all residents of Colorado.

This CRC funding will also provide walk-in reference service to library patrons in all Colorado counties. It may necessitate some curtailment of service to the residents of the Metro Denver counties. (Colorado State Library Newsletter, July 1985)

### CARL in a Nutshell

A Central Colorado Library System meeting on networking held recently at the Littleton Public Library included the following explanation of current CARL (Colorado Alliance of Research Libraries) activity by Ward Shaw, Executive Director:

One of CARL's major programs is its on-line system, consisting of an on-line public access catalog, a circulation control system, and a bibliographic maintenance subsystem. It is currently one of the largest systems in the country with 1.65 million bibliographic records, 1.1 million transactions/day, 242 terminals, and five million circulations/year. Approximately 10,000 people/day use the system. Ways other libraries can use the CARL system are: 1) Dial-up access with almost any terminal. The system has three lines available without charge except for the phone call. 2) Contract for dedicated line. 3) Obtain software, which is available at no charge to publically supported libraries in Colorado, and contract for maintenance with Eyring Research. (Eyring is marketing the system nationally, but the software will remain free to Colorado libraries.) Shaw mentioned that the CARL libraries have approximately \$2 million invested in the system. The only additional funding has been an LSCA grant of approximately \$166,000. (Nexus, Summer 1985)



## Bookmobile Project Gains National Attention

The City of Westminster Public Library has made national library news in computer applications by devising a way to link its bookmobile to the City's main computer via radio frequency. The Westminster Bookmobile has been on-line since July, making it the first to achieve computer linkage while on the road.

Westminster's innovative approach to bookmobile-computer telecommunications is expected to spread quickly to public libraries across the United States which have automated card catalog and circulation systems.

The bookmobile computer project was funded last year by a grant from the Library Services and Construction Act Title I program. Katharine Phenix, Westminster Circulation Librarian and project director, said the idea originated with the concept that bookmobile patrons and staff deserved the same kind of information available at the Main and Kings Mill Branch libraries. "If people can dial up databases from their homes," Phenix said, "why not at least give them access to the Library from every City block where the Bookmobile stops?"

According to Phenix, patrons of the bookmobile account for almost 20% of the total library circulation.

Phenix said she located the radio/modem vendor, Database, Inc. of Montreal, after soliciting vendor proposals. The company has employed similar technology to, among other uses, assist the New Zealand Forestry Department. (City of Westminster news release)

## "Maggie's Place" Passes Stress Test

"We'll keep it," was the consensus of decision makers and staff at the Pikes Peak Library District (Colorado Springs) after Maggie III, a new Tandem non-stop computer, passed a strenuous stress-test.

Maggie III passed, with shining colors, the rigorous "Full-load Response" test. Ninety-three staff members performed over 87,000 transactions in one hour with three of Maggie's four Tandem Non-Stop processors shut down and unbalanced.

Running on one of four processors, the 93 terminals simulated the activity of 300 terminals running on the full system. Testing the Eyring Library

System Public Access Catalog, Circulation and Bibliographic Maintenance programs were PPLD staff who performed regular day-to-day transactions simultaneously in order to measure the response time and expansion capability promised in PPLD's contract with Eyring.

Commenting on the test, Director Ken Dowlin said, "The volume we handled today exceeds the volume expected until the year 2000 at this library." Dowlin noted the following performance results:

- Patron registration occurs at two tenths of a second. A 5-second response time was required.

- Staff can charge-out and check-in items at .97 seconds—more than two times faster than promised.

- New items can be entered at 1.22 seconds. The contract requirement was seven seconds.

- PAC searches take six tenths of a second—five seconds was required. (PPLD news release)

## MARMOT

The 1985 Acronym Award goes to Southwest Regional Library Service System for MARMOT (Making A Real Mess of Technology). MARMOT is the name for the Western Slope Network Project. (Blazes, August 1985)

MARMOT: Western Slope On-line Union Catalog Project, will involve libraries of all types in Three Rivers, Pathfinder and Southwest Regional Library Service Systems. The Colorado Council for Library Development recently recommended funding of MARMOT, which now awaits final approval by the State Board of Education. If funded MARMOT will permit on-line access to the 800,000 OCLC records of Western Slope library holdings—making it the second largest on-line library database in Colorado. (Channel, September 1985)

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## Kansas

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### Interlibrary Loan Grant Approved

The 1985 Kansas Legislature approved full funding of ½ of Governor Carlin's proposed \$1,200,000 total for fiscal year 1/15/85 to 6/30/86 for selected Kansas public libraries as an

interlibrary loan development plan. As conceived by the Governor, the plan was meant to enhance the strengths of book collections in public libraries throughout the state, thereby guaranteeing these collections for interlibrary loan.

Topeka Public Library will receive \$55,000 which will be used to increase resources in a number of specific areas. (Tidbits, August 1985)

### Urban Resource Grants

The three federally designated major urban resource libraries (MURLS)—the Kansas City, Topeka and Wichita—plus another major resource library (Johnson County) will receive grants to purchase special materials and develop or expand special collections. The grants are funded by the Library Services and Construction Act, Title I moneys, and are authorized by the State Library Advisory Commission and the LSCA Advisory Council. The grant amounts are as follows: Kansas City, \$10,509; Johnson County, \$15,507; Topeka, \$7,764; and Wichita, \$18,182.

The grant at Kansas City will be used to provide a complete serials list. With an eye toward the 15,000 adults who have less than eight years of schooling, and another 34,500 adults who have not completed high school, Johnson County Public Library will use its grant to increase its high interest/low vocabulary collections in its regional branches. Topeka Public Library will also add to its adult learner's collection by purchasing 200 titles of basic adult learning and high school equivalency test preparation aids. In addition, TPL will significantly add to its compact disc collection by purchasing approximately 400 discs.

Wichita Public Library will also use funds to strengthen audio-visual collections. Collections which will benefit are Special Resources on Parenting, Special Resources on the Visual Arts, the Alice Bauman Dance Symposia Collection, the "PC's for the People" Project, the Auto Manual Collection and the Foundation Collection. (Kansas Libraries, August 1985)

### Statewide Braille Library

The Kansas City, Kansas Public Library soon will be the site of a statewide braille library.

The collection of over 3,400 titles will be maintained within a closed stack area of the Main Library. Access

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to the collection will be by mail, phone request, interlibrary loan, or walk-in request. Those desiring to visit the library will be provided a braille and print listing of the collection.

Over 3,000 titles will be provided by the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped. Triformation Braille Services, Inc., a braille producer for the National Library Service, will donate approximately 400 titles.

Funding for the establishment and continuance of the Kansas Braille Library is being provided via federal monies under LSCA as administered by the Kansas State Library and via general appropriations of the Kansas State Legislature. (Kansas City, Kansas Public Library news release)

## Carnegie Library History

To commemorate the 150th anniversary of Andrew Carnegie's birth, Allen Gardiner, Kansas State Library, has written **The Carnegie Legacy in Kansas: a Retrospective View of the 58 Public Libraries Built by Andrew Carnegie**. The State Library will issue the publication sometime this fall. (MPLA representative report)

## ESU Reaccredited

Emporia State University's School of Library and Information Management has been accredited by the American Library Association. ALA withdrew accreditation from ESU in July 1982; they were eligible to begin the reaccreditation process last year. In November 1984, the university submitted its self-study, and the on-site visit was in March. The accreditation is retroactive to the 1983-84 school year, and is especially important for universities that prepare library and information professionals for positions in higher education and in public libraries.

Since 1982, the School changed its curriculum, added new equipment, improved its facilities, encouraged more research by its faculty, and secured additional financial aid for its students. "The long-range goal of the School of Library and Information Management is to be known as one of the top library and information management schools in the country," said Dean Grover. "I don't see any reason we can't accomplish that goal. We have the program. We have the faculty. We have

the students. We can be among the best at what we do."

Founded in 1902, ESU's School of Library and Information Management is the oldest library school west of the Mississippi River. (Kansas Libraries, August 1985)

## New ALA/Carroll Preston Baber Award

A new American Library Association (ALA) award offering \$10,000—the largest single ALA award—has been established to honor Kansas librarian Carroll Preston Baber (1885-1970).

The award, given by Baber's son Eric, will be presented annually to a librarian for an innovative research project to improve services to a specific group of people. The Baber award is the first ALA award to specifically support research.

Born 100 years ago in Clifton, Kansas, Baber served for 28 years as librarian, professor of library science, library school director and librarian emeritus at Kansas State Teachers College, now Emporia State University. He directed the building of its William Allen White Library and won national recognition for its library school.

Baber was active in ALA and served several terms on ALA Council. He was also a writer and poet.

ALA Awards Committee Chair Patricia Breivik says that new uses of technology in improving services and cooperative projects will receive special consideration for the Baber award. Information and applications are available from Elaine K. Wingate, ALA Headquarters.

The award will be presented July 3 at ALA's 1986 annual conference in New York City. (ALA news release)

## International Trade Library Established

The International Trade Council of Mid-America, Inc. and the International Trade Institute have established a unique informational center with funds from the Dane G. Hansen Foundation of Logan. The new Dane G. Hansen International Trade Library has as its primary goal developing international informational sources. The library hopes to be able to answer any and all questions pertaining to international trade. Available are a wide range of useful publications, including trade directories, foreign trade statistics,

research reports, how-to manuals, periodicals and newsletters.

The library is located at 1627 Anderson, Manhattan, Kansas. It is open Monday through Friday. For more information you may call 913-532-6799, or write International Trade Institute, Calvin Hall, Manhattan, KS 66506. (CKLS Post, August 1985)

## Montana

### Great Performances in the Library

Parmly Billings Library has just been awarded a grant by the President's Commission for the Arts and Humanities and the National Endowment for the Arts. This grant, funded by Exxon, makes available in the library ten Great Performance programs of dance, drama and music, together with VCR hardware. It will also fund four public programs featuring these works. (MPLA representative report)

### First Annual MLA Calendar

The Continuing Education Fundraising Committee of MLA is going to sell an 18-month calendar (May 1986 to December 1987) at the 1986 Annual Conference. This calendar will list important library dates, such as MLA committee meetings, conference and **Library Focus** deadlines, and ALA, MPLA, and PNLA meetings and conferences. (MPLA representative report)

### Natural Resource Information System

The 1985 Legislature funded a Natural Resources Information System/Natural Heritage Program which will be housed at the State Library, thus providing a centralized location for natural resource information in the state.

The Natural Resources Information System will be designed to collect data from a wide variety of state agencies for the purpose of facilitating the use of that data which has previously been scattered in a variety of locations.

The Natural Heritage Program, similar to programs run by the privately-funded Nature Conservancy in 34 other states, will be designed to store data relating to the flora, fauna and

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biological community types of Montana. The program will be staffed by a botanist, a zoologist, a plant ecologist, and a data technician/secretary. (Montana State Library News, July/August 1985)

### Library News Notes

The small town of Plains has raised more than \$100,000 to turn an abandoned automobile dealership into a new public library. The drive began in 1983 when Olive Kruger's will was read, leaving \$25,000 to the library.

Inmates at the Montana State Prison are recording books for the blind. The program is coordinated by the Montana State Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped in cooperation with the Department of Institutions. (MPLA representative report)

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## Nebraska

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### NELCMS Micro System Software Released

Vern Buis, Nebraska Library Commission Computer Applications Coordinator, has developed a new software package designed to facilitate access to NELCMS using the IBM-PC, M300 and compatible microcomputers. This software provides ILL message editing/composition capabilities, and features an "automatic" (unattended) logon, message transmit, and message receive mode. The system will reduce the amount of "connect" time required to send and receive messages, will greatly simplify the process of entering and editing messages, and will afford users improved flexibility in scheduling ILL activities.

NLC has developed an electronic bulletin board systems for use of NELCMS libraries statewide. NLC-NEWS provides a means for participants to read and post library-related news and information. Bulletins are currently grouped into the following categories:

- Library Calendar
- Continuing Education Activities
- Legislative Updates
- Announcements/News
- Public Notices
- Library Swap Shop

(Overtones, June 1985)

### University and State Colleges Discuss Automation

Directors of the University of Nebraska libraries and the four state college libraries met at the Library Commission on July 18 to discuss the King Research **Long Range Library Automation and Networking Plan for Nebraska.**

Reviewing the existing status of computer systems development, it was reported that the state colleges have submitted a proposal to their board of trustees for special funding of approximately \$1,000,000 for an on-line public access catalog and circulation control system. The four campus circulation system of the University of Nebraska which has been operating since 1979 now has "critical needs for updating and expansion."

Bob Runyon, who moderated the discussion, reported that "despite the diversity of user interests and individual campus requirements represented, the group felt that there were persuasive reasons to pursue a joint process of discussion and consultation for future systems development."

The group concluded that the University, the State Colleges, and the Library Commission articulating a unified direction for future systems development could generate a distinctive proposal to the Legislature, and enhance as well as any individual proposals prepared by the members within their institutions, and for submission to their governing boards. (Overtones, July 1985)

### Nebraska JMRT Receives National Award

The American Library Association's Junior Members Round Table has awarded the Nebraska JMRT Chapter the **Numero Uno Award.** Kate Adams, Love Library Assistant Professor, accepted the award at the 1985 ALA Conference in behalf of the Nebraska chapter.

The Numero Award, a traveling plaque, is presented in recognition of outstanding contributions and activities by a JMRT chapter. The Nebraska JMRT sponsored a program on managing stress at the 1984 NLA Convention and will present a program on marketing oneself at the 1985 NLA convention. The chapter also compiled a directory of library associations in Nebraska and has developed a regular newsletter and

is planning additional workshops for the coming year. (Overtones, June 1985)

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## Nevada

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### Nevada Data Network

Information sharing between several different library computer systems in Nevada has been made easier with the installation of a statewide, on-line data communications network.

The new network uses dedicated lines with an overlaying dial-in feature and the state-owned microwave link to connect Nevada's different library computer systems, regardless of differences in transmission media, processor speed, attached devices or protocols. Four mainframe computers used by the state have been connected to the network, and will provide all libraries on the system access to bibliographic records and circulation control information.

The dedicated library network provides transmission speeds ranging from 9600 bit/sec. to 56000 bit/sec, depending on the operation to be performed. An overlaying dial-in feature provides patrons with the capability of connecting to the system from remote locations. The dial-in operation transmits at slower speeds of 300 or 1200 bit/sec.

According to assistant state librarian Joan Kershner, the new network "enables fast data transfer for improved service to library patrons. The system will provide on-line catalog access to librarians and will speed up interlibrary loan processes. The improved access to data will boost the effectiveness of the loan system, in turn providing patrons with increased access to the information they desire." Kershner added that, in the future, "I see no reason why a patron won't be able to search the catalog data bases from his own local library."

In addition to increased information transfer, the network, manufactured by Doelz Networks Inc., is expected to reduce expansion costs. Each network link, formed by connecting two or more switches with a telephone line or other transmission medium, provides a data path through the system. This path transmits data regardless of differences

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in transmission media, speed, attached devices and protocols.

As a result, the Nevada state library system will save by using current terminals and processors, and adding products to accommodate future network expansion, rather than replacing them. The communications system is designed to accommodate any type of "dumb" terminal.

The state also anticipated reduced telephone line costs. Rather than requiring separate telephone lines for each terminal, the system allows several terminals to connect to one network link. This eliminates the need for telephone company involvement when new terminals are added at existing sites, because new telephone lines are not required.

Installation of the state system follows the completion of a similar local project in early 1984, in which a Doelz data communication network connected 13 branch libraries in the Clark County Library District. (Government computer News, March 8, 1985)

## Ballfield Area New Central Library Site

The new proposed 100,000 sq. ft. Las Vegas-Clark County central library that will house Discovery, the children's museum, has found a home-site. June 19 the City Council approved the Library District's proposal to acquire 5.1 acres of city owned property for the new facility.

In exchange for the use of the land, the Library District agreed to provide for the lighting of three ballfields within the city.

The Central Library/Discovery Complex will become part of a larger civic and cultural circle encompassing the Civic Plaza and Cashman Field. (The Bookmark, July 1985)

## Anaconda Donation to UNR

With the closing of its only remaining office in Nevada, the Anaconda Minerals Company donated its library of published reports and maps, several map cases, and other library furnishings and equipment to the University of Nevada System.

Mines Library received the published materials which is composed mainly of U.S. Geological Survey and state geological survey reports and maps. The maps alone numbered over 15,000 sheets. The geographic emphasis of this

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fine collection is on Nevada and adjacent states. (Memo, University of Nevada Reno, August 1985)

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## North Dakota

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### Statewide Library Card Studied

The Statewide Library Card Procedures Committee of the North Dakota Library Association is studying a proposed draft for a Statewide Library Card, patterned after the Kansas Library Card. A final rough draft will be prepared for consideration by the NDLA membership at their annual conference in October. (The Good Stuff, August 1985)

### Disaster Preparedness Manual

NDLA's Disaster Preparedness Committee has produced an initial draft of a manual, **Disaster Preparedness Planning for North Dakota Libraries**, copies of which will be available for membership at their annual conference in October.

The draft manual deals with preventing minimizing, and responding to potential disasters which could strike North Dakota libraries. Intended to be used as a planning document, the manual outlines the types of information and materials which should be assembled and the decisions which need to be made in order to adequately prepare for a disaster. (The Good Stuff, August 1985)

### Bond Issue Considered in Bismarck

Bismarck residents will be voting next spring on another library bond issue.

The Bismarck Library Board of Trustees decided to begin planning for a spring (1986) vote on a \$3.6 to \$4.2 million bond issue for building expansion.

A \$3.95 million library bond issue was defeated in April 1984. A jail expansion bond issue for \$5.45 million was also defeated on that ballot, and a school bond issue, which also lost, was scheduled for a vote in early June 1984.

One way to impress upon voters that they can afford the bond issue, according to board members, would be to

compare the cost per year to the cost of a magazine subscription. If the bond issue ended up costing a homeowner \$25 per year, that is still cheaper than a home magazine subscription. (Bismarck Tribune)

### Selection Handbook

The North Dakota Library Association, spurred by a survey taken last year of all 85 public libraries and 332 school libraries in the state asking for information about the number of written complaints that had been filed with them from 1979 to 1984, and the response that the libraries had taken, is releasing a handbook later this month that will help librarians establish guidelines for choosing books and defending their selection. (MPLA representative report)

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## South Dakota

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### Governor Uses Libraries

Characterizing himself as an avid library user, Governor William J. Janklow noted that the library staff in Pierre would testify that he's one of their better users although he concedes that he's also likely to get a high number of overdue notices. "I read everything. . . I can't afford to buy everything I want to read but the library can get me any book in print in a matter of days." Janklow wonders why more people don't use libraries instead of buying everything. "Some people," he said, "have 300 books sitting on a shelf at home. They could have saved a bundle. The cost savings are phenomenal. The Governor confesses, however, that he subscribes to and reads about forty journals of a news and technical nature, titles ranging from **Popular Science** to **Bankers News Weekly** to **Columbia Journalism Review**.

Researching a country or region before he travels there is one important goal of the governor's library use. But Janklow commented that he reads for fun, too. It's the best relaxation there is. "People sometimes ask me, 'How do you know all this stuff?' It's because I read all the time." July's top title on the governor's list was S.L.A Marshall's **Custer: The Little Big Decisions**, a book recommended to him by another



reading governor, Richard Lamm of Colorado. **Citizen Hughes** was the book on the Governor's bedside table on July 10.

Eager to discuss library services at the state level, Janklow said his primary emphasis has been on the State Library and the libraries of the state's colleges and universities. He sees those libraries' major responsibilities to be good central depositories of information. "I'm torn on the issue of user fees. I've gone both ways." As a general proposition, he said he does not support the increase of library user fees. He is adamant, however, about the need for cooperation and coordination of educational services between the State Library, DESE, the Regents, and agencies involved with similar education and cultural concerns such as vocational education, instructional television, cultural preservation and the historical society.

Discussing the services of local libraries, Janklow said he felt the tragedy of most local libraries is that they haven't been given clear direction on what their function in the community is. "Is it their job to promote reading and make materials available to readers or is it to promote the availability of information and materials to anyone who needs it? Probably in any community somewhere between eight to 12 percent of the people use their library. Unfortunately the people who need that information most aren't using it." (Bookmarks, July/August 1985)

### Center for Western Studies

There is a small treasure trove beneath the Mikkelsen Library on the Augustana College campus in Sioux Falls.

The Center for Western Studies looks a little like a museum, but it's not a museum. It doesn't look much like an archival and research center, but that's what it is.

A plaque next to a bust of Herbert Krause, former Augustana professor and author and founder of the Center for Western Studies, says the Center was established "for the study and documentation of the exploration, settling, and development of the trans-Mississippi west, particularly the upper great plains."

The collection consists of more than 30,000 volumes about the region, as well as the personal papers of regional authors and historians. (Sioux Falls Argus Leader, Sept. 23, 1985)

## Utah

### Student's Idea Raises \$2 Million

A \$2 million legislative appropriation for libraries in Utah's nine state supported colleges and universities would not have happened had it not been for student willingness to pay more tuition if it went to upgrade library services. University of Utah President Chase Peterson and State Senator Richard Carling agree that student willingness to pay a one-time tuition surcharge to raise \$1 million for libraries is probably what made law makers agreeable to double the sum sought by student leaders. Spencer Hill, the U. of U.'s student body president, originated the funding conception which the typical full-time U. of U. student will pay \$12 to \$15 per quarter more during the 1985-86 academic year. The surcharge will vary at other higher education institutions. (MPLA representative report)

### Censure Lifted

The Davis County Library Board has been notified that the ULA censure over the **Americana** issue has been lifted. The Board voted to remove the censure during the ULA May convention.

### Salt Lake City Five-Year Plan

The Salt Lake City Public Library has completed its five-year plan. The public service goals focus on collections responsive to community needs, improved delivery of accurate information, outreach to previously unserved portions of the population and improved access to library resources. Administrative goals of the library include provision of adequate numbers of qualified staff members and expansion and diversification of an appropriate financial base. (Horsefeathers, August 1985)

### Resource Directory for Women

Westminster College of Salt Lake City and the Utah State Office of Education are pleased to announce the compilation and publication of **To You From Me**, a career exploration resource directory for women.

Having found that personal contact with women already successful in careers is one of the most effective ways to reach and educate others, **To You From Me** is a directory listing over 650 career women in towns and cities

throughout Utah who have agreed to share with other women vocational information, advice and encouragement. Particular emphasis is on women in non-traditional careers. The directory is being distributed throughout Utah to high schools, Girl Scout offices, career guidance centers and other places where it can be utilized by young women and/or parents, career counselors, and displaced homemakers.

The Utah State Library has also distributed the directories to public and academic libraries. The directory is available to non-profit agencies free of charge and to for-profit groups and individuals for \$5 each.

For further information, you may contact Julia J. Kleinschmidt, Director, Women's Career Exploration Program, Westminster College of Salt Lake City, 1840 South 1300 East, Salt Lake City, UT 84105. (Horsefeathers, August 1985)

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## Wyoming

### Flood Waters Damage Library Materials

August 1, 1985. A date that Cheyenne, Wyoming residents won't forget. The record-breaking day when 6.06" of rain fell, 3.51" in just one hour between 8-9 p.m. The aftermath of the deluge touched everyone in some fashion and the State Library was no exception.

An estimated 10,000 documents or about 150 cubic feet of materials were wet. While the bulk of the library collection was dry, paperbound federal publications consisting largely of Congressional Hearings from 1924-70, administrative records, brochures, bar codes and one OCLC terminal were soaked in the basement of the State Library/Supreme Court Building.

Monday morning State Library staff members began wrapping the documents in freezer paper and placing them in milk crates for transport to the local school district's food locker. Just last fall the State Library sponsored a disaster workshop taught by one of the country's leading specialists in the field. The techniques taught during the workshop were put to use.

The Library of Congress was contacted to obtain a list of disaster recovery firms. Among them was Blackmon Mooring Steamatic Catastrophic, Inc. in Fort Worth. The firm's international headquarters was called and their representative turned up in the State Library a half hour later.

Since the representative was in Cheyenne a contract agreement was rapidly arranged. The documents, which were loaded into the milk crates, were transferred to cardboard boxes. Then they were hauled to Texas in a freezer truck.

With the cold process the documents are kept frozen and placed in a vacuum chamber. They remain frozen until the vacuum chamber is activated and the ice turns directly into vapor. From the time the documents left Cheyenne until they return should be about six weeks.

Estimated cost to replace the documents on microfiche would be about \$42,000. The recovery process will be up to \$14,000.

In checking with the other major libraries in Cheyenne the Laramie County Library System incurred

substantial damage. Ed Byers, director, said he was estimating damage in the \$70,000 range. "We had approximately \$2,000 damage to carpeting and water and/or hail damage to the roof which is around \$40,000. We are also estimating \$24,000 in books and materials which were checked out and lost in the community." Both LCPL and the State Library dispensed with charges for books and materials lost or damaged in the flood.

Both the Laramie County Community College Library and the library at the Cheyenne Family Practice Center escaped the storm with no damage. (The Outrider September 1985)

### Foundation Officer

The Laramie County Library System reports that a Foundation Officer has been appointed to head the Laramie County Library Foundation. A specialist in this line of work, not a librarian, Helen G. Levine comes to the Foundation from a background with the YWCA, a hospital association, a rehabilitation institute, and capital campaigns for major universities.

The Foundation she will direct is a private, not-for-profit corporation formed to provide additional support to the County Library by encouraging gifts, donations, and funding for special materials and programs. (Library Journal, June 15, 1985)

### Database Loaded

One of the most important phases in the creation of Wyoming's statewide automated circulation system has been completed. The database has been loaded.

Over 520,000 titles, 528,721 to be exact, were loaded during a two-month period which started in early June through the end of July.

"Now we have automated access to major holdings of University of Wyoming titles and a significant number of books held by the public libraries and community colleges," said Jerry Krois, system manager at the State Library.

"Physically getting the database loaded was a milestone and the next one should occur in mid-August when we have access to the circulation phase of the system."

Geac is the company that the state contracted with for the computer equipment and software to produce the automated circulation system and the machine readable catalog (MARC) level database. (The Outrider, July-August 1985)

## MPLA welcomes these new members

Kenneth E. Behringer  
Barbara Bernstein  
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## About You

**Lynnette Anderson** was elected Vice-President/President-Elect of the Wyoming Library Association.

**Rick J. Ashton** is the new Director of the Denver Public Library. Ashton was previously Director of the Allen County Public Library System in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

**Lesley Boughton** is the new President of the Wyoming Library Association.

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**Phil Brown**, assumed the position of Documents/Microforms Librarian at South Dakota State University, Brookings. He was previously Public Services Librarian.

**Maryellen Brubaker**, Director of the Cortez, Colorado Public Library, has been appointed to the Cortez Centennial Commission.

**Bonnie Campbell**, 1984 guest triangle player with the Air Force Academy Band in Vail, Colorado's July 4th celebration, returned to Vail this year but was NOT asked to perform. She noted, however, that the Band seems to have retired the triangle.

**Jim Dertien** was elected Vice-President/President-Elect of the South Dakota Library Association.

**Christine Hamilton-Pennell** has been appointed to the position of Executive Director of the Colorado Library Association.

**Jean Hatfield** won this year's Baker & Taylor/Junior Members Roundtable Grassroots Grant of \$250 for defraying expenses related to attending the MPLA conference in Las Vegas.

**Jim Hensinger**, BCR, will be one of six speakers at LITA's two-day institute on telecommunications December 9-10 in Los Angeles.

**John Hunter**, retired Head of Technical Services at the Auraria Library, died recently.

**James Mauseth**, cataloger at Northern State College Library, Aberdeen, SD, suffered a stroke on April 24. After treatment he still suffers paralysis of the right side and speech is difficult.

**Melanie Miller** was the 1985 recipient of the Kansas Federation of Women's Clubs Library Individual Achievement Award.

**Laverna Saunders**, formerly Head of Technical Services at Depauw University in Greencastle, Indiana, is the new Head of Technical Services at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

**Harold Smith**, Librarian at Park College, will be on sabbatical leave during *Support MPLA Advertisers*

ing the 1985-86 winter period.

**Barbara D. Tooker** has moved to Dateland, AZ, where she will continue her Information Management and Planning Services consulting and workshop business.

## Newly Minted

**Index to Legal Periodicals** is now available for on-line searching through WILSONLINE, the Wilson Company's new on-line retrieval service. WILSONLINE offers access to data on more than half a million articles in the 3,500 periodicals that Wilson indexes annually, and the more than 60,000 books cataloged each year, including 498 legal publications. Subscribers to the printed version of **Index to Legal Periodicals** will receive a substantial reduction in hourly connect-time rates. Call H. W. Wilson toll-free: 1-800-367-6770 for more information.

**Educational Media and Technology Yearbook 1985**, edited by Elwood E. Miller, is published with in cooperation with and co-sponsorship of the Association for Educational Communications and Technology and the American Society for Training and Development. Now in its eleventh year, this is an indispensable tool for educational media/instructional technology specialists in schools, colleges, and universities. Libraries Unlimited, \$47.50.

**Oxbridge Directory of Newsletters**, 4th edition, is the largest directory of U.S. and Canadian newsletters and looseleaf services, with 13,300 titles. Six thousand new titles have been added since the last edition. Arranged by subject matter and indexed by title, it provides information on subscription and free newsletters. \$95 from Oxbridge Communications, Inc., 150 Fifth Avenue, Rm. 301, New York, NY 10011.

**Behavior Management in the School Library Media Center**, edited by Thomas L. Hart, is a practical guide to behavior management and disciplinary techniques for librarians who

work with children and adolescents. ALA, \$15.

**Worldwatch**, a weekly listings magazine of forthcoming political events around the world, will be distributed in the U.S. by Facts on File, Inc. Published in England, it is a subscription-only weekly which lists more than 400 advance notices about summits, elections, referendums, strikes, economic indicators, reports, major trials and other events. Coverage is worldwide and includes major international organizations as well as governments and multinational businesses. For information contact Suzanne DeVito, Facts on File, Inc., 460 Park Avenue South, New York, NY 10016.

**Selection of Library Materials in the Humanities, Social Sciences, and Sciences** edited by Patricia McClung, presents sources and techniques for identifying, evaluating, and acquiring library materials in 20 academic disciplines. This book is designed for librarians and acquisitions and collection development responsibilities in academic and research libraries and public libraries. ALA, \$49.

**Communicating With Hearing People**, better known as the "Red Notebook", was created by the District of Columbia Public Library in 1980 with the purpose of providing the deaf community with a central depository of "detachable" information about services, programs and advocacy that are available to them. The Friends of Libraries for Deaf Action has helped develop annual supplements which are mailed free to "Red Notebook" subscribers. \$18 plus \$2.50 for postage and handling from: Library for Deaf Action, Box 50045, Washington, DC 20004.

**Annual Bibliography of Computer-Oriented Books**, the 18th edition released by the University of Colorado, lists more than 300 new books, with a total listing of more than 1,250 items separated into 86 categories. \$4 from Computing Newsletter, PO Box 7345, Colorado Springs, CO 80933. \$6 if invoice is required.

**Access to Scholarly Information: Issues and Strategies** by Sul H. Lee, Dean of Libraries at the Univer-



sity of Oklahoma, features papers contributed by eight prominent university librarians. Issues examined include design of library buildings and arrangement of collections to improve physical access, conflicts between preservation and access, on-line access to references and collection building. Also discussed are technological developments and the effects of copyright legislation. Pierian Press, 1985.

### **RLG Preservation Union List**

(second edition, May 1985) a set of 48:1 reduction diazo microfiche with accompanying documentation, contains 40,000 citations for microfilm master negatives and printing masters of works held in RLG member libraries. With information provided here, librarians can order service copies of preservation masters, subject to copyright restrictions, from the institutions participating in the RLG Preservation Union List. \$7.00, prepaid, made out to The Research Libraries Group, Inc. Order from: Ms. Christina Kasson, RLG Publications Clerk, Administrative Services, The Research Libraries Group, Inc. Jordan Quadrangle - Oak, Stanford, CA 94305.

### **Introduction to Technical Services for Library Technicians**

5th edition, by Marty Bloomberg and G. Edward Evans, has been regarded as the standard text in the field. New materials on automation, numerous new illustrations, updated statistics, and a revised and expanded glossary and bibliography are included. \$30 cloth, \$20 paper from Libraries Unlimited.

### **Job and Career Information Centers for Public Libraries: A Step-by-Step Manual**

describes five types of service libraries can provide to job-seekers: compiling bibliographies, establishing a special location for career materials, holding workshops and lectures, referring patrons to local agencies and employers, and offering consultation services for resume writing and interview techniques. \$5.95 from ALA.

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management of a library microform reading facility and it explains the physical properties of different types of microforms and how to evaluate their technical quality. \$8.95 from ALA.

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by Peter Woodhead, identifies the essential reference aids available, and explains how they can best be used. Mansell, \$39.

### **A Deafness Collection: Selected and Annotated**

published by ALA's Association of Specialized and Cooperative Library Agencies, will prove a valuable collection development tool and reference for locating materials to answer questions about deafness. \$35 from ASCLA Publications, ALA.

### **Genealogical Prospecting In Nevada: A Guide to Nevada Directories**

lists holdings of city and county directories in Nevada libraries. \$3.50 payable to Nevada Library Association, order mailed to Gretchen Billow, Western Nevada Community College, Learning Resources, 2201 West Nye Lane, Carson City, NV 89701.

## **Continuing Education**

Date: November 4, 1985

### **SC 350 System**

Sponsor: Bibliographic Center for Research

Location: Denver, CO

Description: This SC350 workshop will address issues users or potential users should consider in regard to the micro-based SC350 system: migration from on-line system to SC350, setting up parameters, hands-on training with the various modules, strengths and weaknesses of SC350, workflow and future developments. Maximum enrollment of 8.

Cost: Free

Deadline for registration: October 18

For more information contact Cheryl Burkert, Bibliographic Systems &

Services, BCR, 1777 S. Bellaire, Suite 425, Denver, CO 80222. 1-800/525-0190.

Dates: January 15-17, 1986

### **Accreditation: The Way Ahead? ALISE '86**

Sponsor: Association for Library & Information Science Education

Location: Palmer House, Chicago

Description: Conference will begin with a continuing education workshop on stress management for library and information science faculty, conducted by Charles Bunge. General sessions emphasize accreditation issues.

For further information contact Jan Phillips, Executive Secretary, 471 Park Lane, State College, PA 16803.

Dates: April 2-5, 1986

### **Public Library Association Conference**

Sponsor: Public Library Association/ALA

Location: St. Louis, MO

For more information contact Public Library Association, American Library Association, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611. 312/944-6780.

Dates: April 9-12, 1986

### **Energies for Transition, ACRL Fourth National Conference**

Sponsor: Association of College and Research Libraries

Location: Baltimore, MD

Description: Alan C. Kay, "Father of the person computer," will make the first theme presentation concerning his perspective on technological changes, personal computing, and artificial intelligence. He will utilize a variety of equipment, including laser disks, to generate and project messages illustrative of his thoughts.

For more information contact Cathleen Bourdon, ACRL, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611. 312/944-6780.

Dates: June 7-12, 1986

### **Special Libraries Association Conference**

Sponsor: Special Libraries Association

Location: Boston, MS

For more information contact Chapter Relations Office, American Library Association, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611. 312/944-6780.

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## Future Conferences

April 30-May 3, 1986: Montana Library Association, Kalispell

June 28-July 3, 1986: ALA, New York City

September 24-27, 1986: Wyoming Library Association, Jackson

September 25-28, 1986: Nevada Library Association, Elko

October 11-15, 1986: MPLA/Colorado Library Association, Silvercreek, CO

October 29-31, 1986: Nebraska Library Association, Grand Island

# Joblist

Deadline: Not indicated

Position: **Director-Coordinator**

Salary: \$18,000

Library: Glasgow Public Library and Public Library Federation

Duties: Director-Coordinator of one of Montana's six public library federations and director of the federation headquarters in Glasgow, Montana, serving 34,500 people with an average budget of \$141,800. The federation has a WLN Recon project and microcomputers.

Qualifications: ALA/MLS plus a minimum of 2 years of experience some of which has been supervisory and/or administrative in nature.

Contact: Send letter of application, resume and references to Vicki Braden, Chair, 1100 Wedum Drive, Glasgow, MT 59230.

Deadline: Open until filled.

Position: **Library Director**

Salary: \$18,000-\$22,000

Library: Liberal Memorial Library

Duties: Responsible for planning, coordination and supervising all aspects

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of library operations. The library director will be involved in the preliminary process of planning a renovation/expansion program for the present library structure. Staff of 6.25 FTE serving a community of 16,000.

Qualifications: ALA/MLS.

Contact: Send letter of application, resume, transcripts and 3 references to Sally Cauble, Chairperson, Search Committee, Box 948, Liberal, KS 67901.

Deadline: Not indicated

Position: **Reference Department Library Technologist** (Part-time)

Salary: Minimum of \$520 per month for a half-time position.

Library: University of Nebraska at Omaha

Duties: Provide reference and information services by phone and in person to students, faculty and other users, give tours, design effective research strategies, and offer informal instruction. May select, order and maintain material for designated collections, develop bibliographic aids, and provide on-line search services.

Qualifications: Bachelor's degree and at least one course in library reference work, with one year of experience in information provision (academic library, teaching, etc.). Library science course work and a broad educational background are desirable.

Contact: Thomas A. Tollman, University of Nebraska at Omaha, University Library, Omaha, NE 68182, 402/554-3211.

Deadline: Not indicated.

Position: **Manager, Technical Services & Microcomputer Activity**

Salary: \$18,000-\$20,000

Library: Laramie County Library System

Duties: New position. General supervision of technical services (Dewey,

OCLC, GEAC/MARC record management), maintain and develop library microcomputer applications, and assist staff in use of microcomputers.

Qualifications: Strong communications skills, technical services experience, MLS, interest in automation and familiarity with IBM/PC.

Contact: Position description available from Edward Byers, Director, Laramie County Library System, 2800 Central Avenue, Cheyenne, WY 82001.

Deadline: February 1, 1986

Position: **Director, Library Services**

Salary: Competitive, depending upon qualifications and experience.

Library: University of South Dakota

Duties: Reporting to the Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs, the Director is the chief administrator of the I. D. Weeks Library, which includes the Educational Media Center.

Qualifications: ALA/MLS and an additional graduate degree (doctorate preferred). Candidate should have held progressively more responsible administrative positions in an academic or research library, including budget and supervisory experience, as well as a record of scholarly and professional achievements and should be eligible for appointment as a full professor.

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