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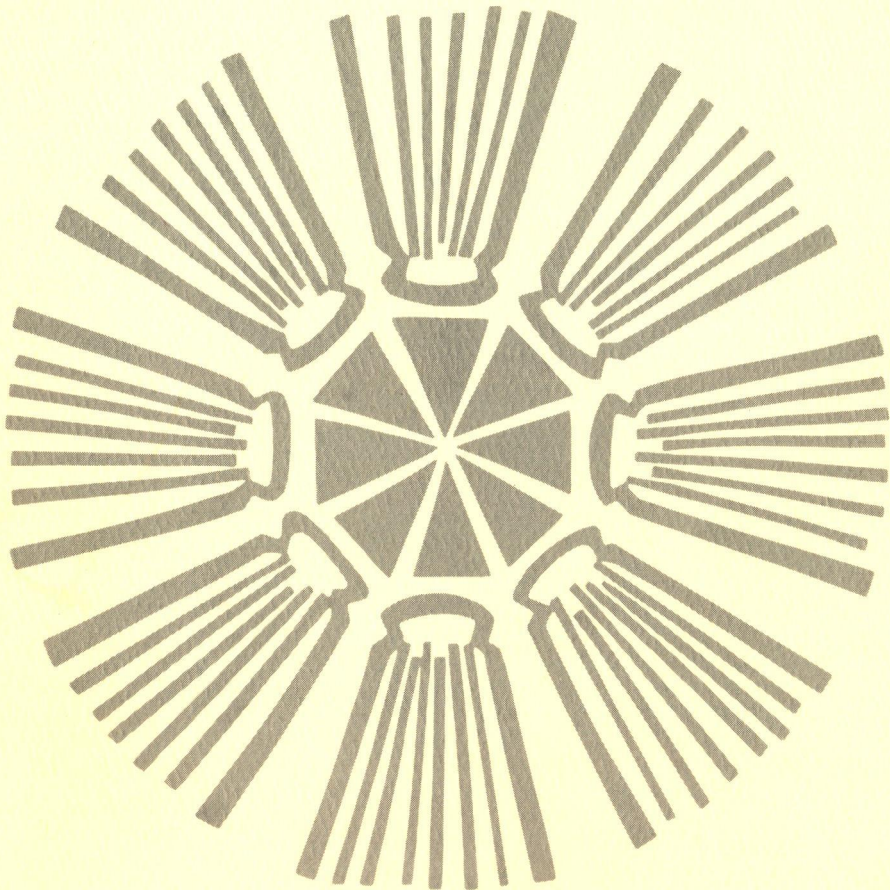
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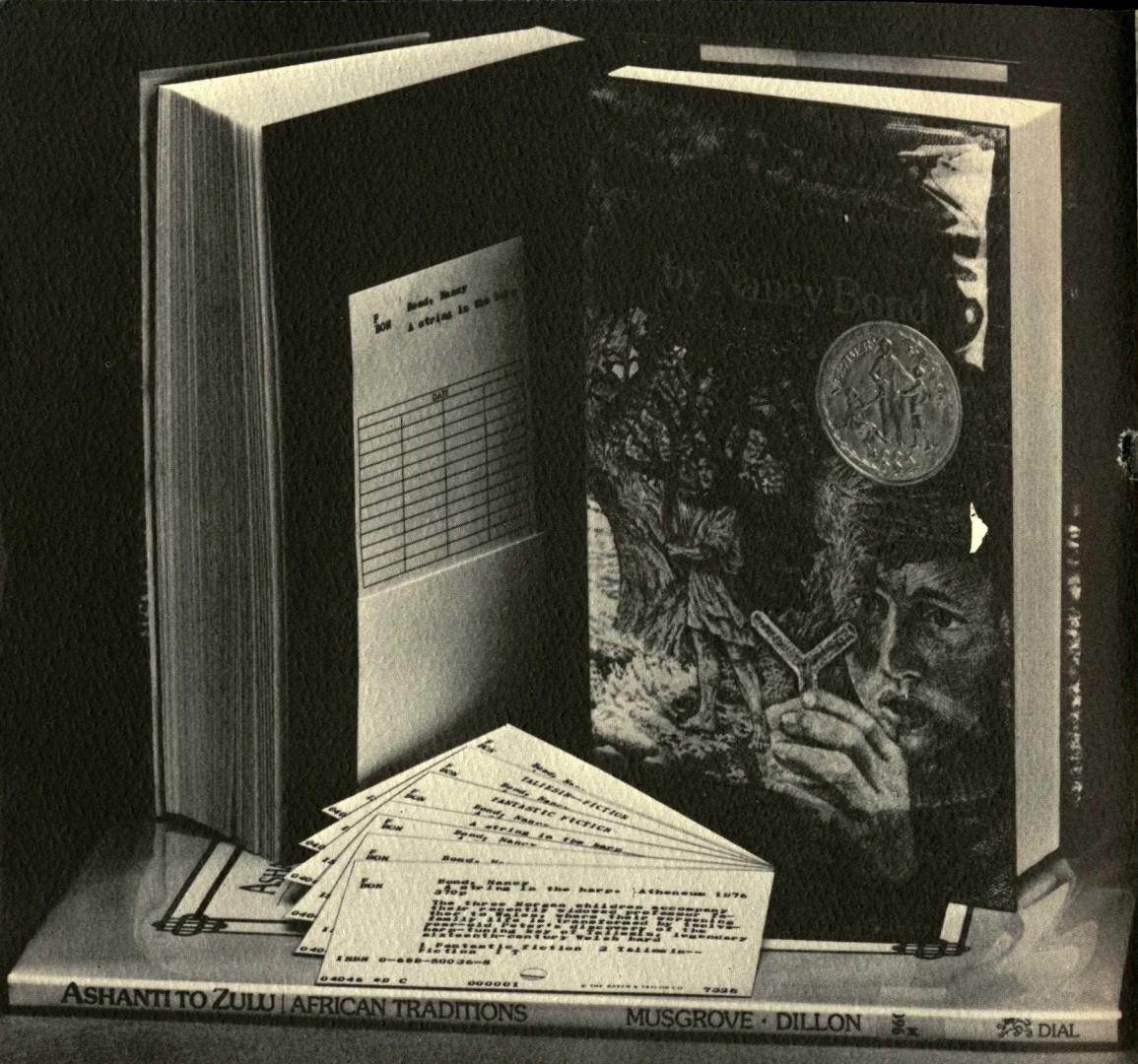
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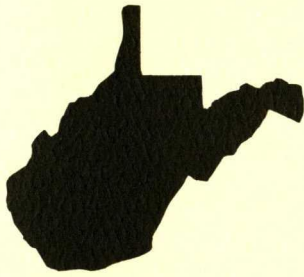
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Editor's Page

A new year, a new volume, and a new look. Carol Bryan, graphic artist for the Exposure Staff of the West Virginia Library Commission, has once again created a new design for West Virginia Libraries. The symbol is a bookburst radiating from the nationally famous Instant Carousel Library. It is a symbol of statewide library service throughout the state of West Virginia.

One healthy sign of an organization is the willingness of its members to participate in the professional activities. The members of the Editorial Board greatly appreciate the reporters and members who have contributed articles and news items. In future issues, we would like to report what others are doing to enhance library service in their area. The emphasis of news may seem to be heavily directed to one type of library or to a few local areas. YOU must let us know what to report so a more even distribution of news will be presented. The journal has had a good past - let's work together for a brighter future.

-Mildred Moyers

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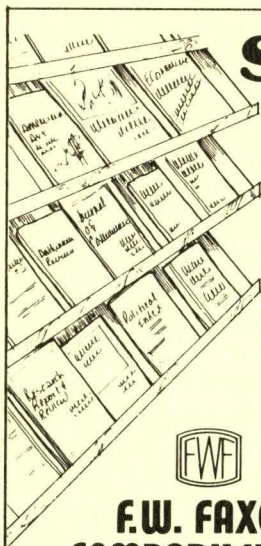
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THE WEST VIRGINIA
MEDICAL INFORMATION NETWORK --
YEAR ONE

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and
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Health sciences libraries are essential but expensive components to all educational, research, or patient care facilities. Information has become an increasingly costly commodity while the quantity grows exponentially. An individual library can only hope to supply but a fraction of anticipated information resources needed by users and must depend on other libraries to supplement its needs. As a result, a number of interlocking networks have evolved over the years. The West Virginia University Medical Center Library is an active participant in some of these networks, both as a supplier and as a borrower.

Nearly all of the Medical Center's 120,000 bound volumes, including more than 2,300 journal titles, as well as some 1,500 slides, tapes, transparencies, and other multi-media materials, are at the disposal of concerned institutions and personnel in West Virginia. In addition, the Library's staff offers a variety of reference and consultative services, free of charge, to other libraries. Also, the resources of the entire West Virginia University Libraries system, totaling approximately 860,000 volumes, 600,000 microforms, and 7,000 periodical titles, are available through this network.

The West Virginia Medical Information Network was established in October, 1976, as a venture in cooperation among health science interests throughout the state. After one full year of operation, the Network, with the West Virginia Medical Center Library acting as a focal point, can be termed a success, based on the marked increase in document requests, apparent user satisfaction in the reduction of delay time in filling these requests, and the establishment of additional information services coincident with the inception of this project.

DOCUMENT DELIVERY

The previous annual high for interlibrary loan requests received at the West Virginia University Medical Center Library, the overwhelming majority of which were for photo-

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copies of journal articles, was 2,588 during fiscal year 1975-76. Eighty percent of these, or 2,068, were filled with a total of 18,118 photocopy pages. During the first year of Network operation (October 1, 1976 - September 30, 1977), the Medical Center Library received 6,146 requests, of which 5,049 (82%) were filled with 41,367 photocopied pages. This represents an increase of 137% in requests received over the previous high year and a 128% similar increase in photocopy pages produced. Meanwhile, average inhouse processing time for requests was reduced from three days to one.

Approximately 1,000 requests received during the reporting period could not be filled and were automatically referred to other libraries. Automatic referral of requests is one of several new services available through the West Virginia Medical Information Network.

AUDIOVISUALS

The first year of Network operations also saw a growth, although not as rapid as document delivery, in requests for non-book media. A total of 117 pieces of audiovisual software were loaned over the year, a 12.5% increase over the previous high period. As the present trend of hospital libraries acquiring their own hardware continues, it is expected that this figure will grow rapidly in coming years.

REFERENCE SERVICES

Computerized biomedical literature searches have played an important role in Network activities. The WVU Medical Center Library offers free computer searches from twelve health science-oriented data bases. The most popular of these is the MEDLINE data base from the National Library of Medicine. In the past year 246 such searches have been provided to Network participants. There are now five MEDLINE centers in the state: two in Wheeling, one at the Charleston Area Medical Center, one at Marshall University, and one at the West Virginia University Medical Center. Steps are now being taken to locate similar centers in the Clarksburg and Parkersburg regions. It is expected that the rise of biomedical computer search activity within the state will further stimulate traffic in document delivery requests to the WVU Medical Center Library.

CONSULTATION AND LIAISON

Network users have been taking advantage of the free advice and consultation services offered by the professional staff of the WVU Medical Center Library. In this vein, the Librarian and Network Librarian have visited 27 hospital libraries in 19 communities during the past year. Nearly every hospital in the state has been contacted by telephone. It is hoped that personal visits will be made to all state hospital libraries during the coming year. Consultations provided to date have concerned library design, collection development, manpower training, administration, and all aspects of Network participation.

Community hospitals have also been encouraged to send their library staff members to

the West Virginia University Medical Center Library to receive additional training. Two hospitals in the state took advantage of this offer during the reporting year.

DUPLICATE JOURNAL DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM

The WVU Medical Center Library receives many duplicates of health science journals through donation from private subscribers and publishers. In the past, these duplicates were either stored, discarded, or made available to other libraries in the nation through the Medical Library Association's exchange program. These duplicates are now being held and made available first to West Virginia hospitals. This program was formally inaugurated on June 30. During the four months of its operation, 573 journal issues have been provided to 13 libraries in the state.

ANNOUNCEMENT SERVICES

Over the years the WVU Medical Center Library has produced a monthly list of accessions for distribution to local University offices. This publication, which contained selective listing of new items acquired during the past month, has been retitled WHAT'S-NEW and expanded both in distribution and scope of coverage. In addition to its former distribution, it is now supplied to all hospitals and health science educational facilities in the state and selected public and academic libraries. Besides listing recently acquired items, WHAT'SNEW includes news items of special importance to Network users, as well as announcements of recent journal articles and monographs of interest to health science librarians. Tables of contents from the Bulletin of the Medical Library Association and Hospital Libraries are included, along with lists of individual journal issues available on request through the Network's duplicate distribution program described earlier.

SUMMARY

Although the West Virginia Medical Information Network has been in operation for just one year, it appears to have had a substantial impact on the delivery of information to the West Virginia health community. The introduction of new services has blended well with the improvement of existing services.

"W A L D O M O R E"
Clarksburg, Harrison County

Area Historic Site
to Gain
National Recognition



"Waldomore" is a two-story Neo-Classical Revival brick mansion located at the rear of a tree shaded, block-deep lawn fronting West Pike Street at North Fourth Street in Clarksburg, Harrison County, West Virginia. The building was constructed in 1839 as a residence for Waldo P. Goff whose heirs retained the property until 1931 when it was left to the City of Clarksburg for use as a public library. A Civil War period photograph of the house, presented to the library by Mrs. Osborn Goff, clearly shows the building in its Greek Revival form before it assumed the present Neo-Classical Revival manner at or near the turn-of-the-century.

A nationally popular Greek Revival plan of the 1830's was adopted for Waldomore - the temple-form, two story block flanked by single story wings. Sheltering the three-bay facade of the central two-story unit was the principal feature of the house - a two-story pedimented portico with four plain wooden Doric columns. Narrow brick pilasters divided the front elevation bays of both the central and side units. A raised seam tin surface apparently covered the original roof.

Extensive alterations at Waldomore, ca. 1900, provided for additional second floor and rear wing space. The exterior workmanship and detailing were especially well done, to the extent that brick coursing is indistinguishable from the earlier brickwork. Certain Colonial Revival appurtenances in keeping with the Neo-Classical Revival mode made their appearance at this time.

In keeping with the sensitive classical treatment of the front elevation, the side wings were raised one story to meet the temple block roof running front to rear. The existing brick pilasters were then raised to the level of the plain entablature. The newly elevated interior end chimneys were flanked by attic vents that in the case of the southwest gable are unusual triangle shaped openings matching the angle of the sloping roof and framed by the partial return cornices.

Proportions and styling of the portico survive indicating the probability of the retention of the original fabric. Two gable dormers were constructed, but the roof retained its seamed tin surface. The Greek Revival doorway with its undecorated lintel was replaced with an elaborate semi-circular fanlight and pedimented frontpiece. The fanlight is duplicated over the inner vestibule doorway. The spandrels and bay surfaces beneath the portico may have received their grey stucco covering at this time.

The 6/6 double hung windows were replaced with 2 5/1 (25 lights over 1) sashes and protected with double-fold louvered shutters that are probably replacements but today remain essentially as they were when the house was built. In all likelihood turn-of-the-century rear wing additions changed the house plan from a T to a U.

Modifications of the interior are seen in the woodwork and mantles that are standard late or early twentieth century types. The mantle in the first floor southwest wing is especially ornate and may predate the other Victorian millwork by a decade or more. When Waldomore became the Clarksburg Public Library in 1931, several walls in the center of the building were removed to provide large reading rooms on the first and second floors.

Three one-story frame subsidiary buildings with slate roofs stand at the rear of the Waldomore property. These modest Victorian cottages, built near the turn-of-the-century, provided quarters for the servants and groundskeepers at Waldomore.

The porticoed brick mansion served Waldo P. Goff, its first owner, and his heirs for nearly a century until it was bequeathed to the City of Clarksburg by Mrs. May Goff Lowndes (Mrs. Richard T. Lowndes) in 1930 with the condition that it be used "as a public library and museum and for no other purpose." Significant in the building's history of private and public service is its long standing recognition as a community landmark. The character of Waldomore's front elevation today remains much as it was in 1839 when the builder designed the residence in the fashionable Greek Revival style of the time. Despite alterations undertaken at the turn-of-the-century, Waldomore retained its classical image thanks to the owners who rejected the tendency of area property owners to "Victorianize" their period houses.

Waldomore was constructed late in the year 1839 for Waldo P. Goff on part of a four acre tract that extended from Pike Street to Elk Creek. Mr. Goff was born in 1796, the fifth son of Job and Zerviah Goff who moved to Harrison County in 1804 from New York. Of the eight children born to this family, four sons eventually served in legislatures of Virginia and West Virginia. Waldo P. Goff was a member of the Virginia State Senate from 1833 to 1837. A public spirited citizen, Mr. Goff held numerous local minor offices including that of sheriff of Harrison County in 1851. He married Harriet L. Moore in 1839, a union which produced nine children, one of whom was Mrs. May Goff Lowndes. It was Mrs. Lowndes who coined the epithet "Waldomore" from the names of her father and mother.

The most famous of Waldo P. Goff's children was Nathan Goff, born at Waldomore, February 9, 1843. After graduating from Georgetown University and the University of the City of New York, Goff enlisted in the Union Army in June, 1861. Following the war, Goff passed the bar exam and practiced law for a number of years. On January 6, 1881, he was appointed Secretary of the Navy by President Rutherford B. Hayes. In 1876, Goff was defeated in the West Virginia governor's race by Henry M. Mathews. After serving from 1883 to 1889 in the U. S. Congress, Nathan Goff left office to run again for governor. Despite official returns indicating the election of Republican Goff to the governorship in 1888 (by a paper-thin margin), rival candidate A. Brooks Fleming questioned the results and requested the legislature determine the winner. During the confusion that followed, four men laid legal claim to the office. Goff's chances were squelched, however, when the legislature, in a partisan vote, gave the office to Fleming. Nathan Goff was appointed U. S. Circuit Judge for the Fourth Judicial Circuit by President Harrison on March 17, 1892. He remained on the bench until 1913 when he was elected to a term in the U. S. Senate. Goff died at Clarksburg in 1920. His son, Guy Despard Goff, also served in the U. S. Senate from 1925 to 1931.

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MARK THESE DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR, NOW!!!!

The Southeastern Library Association and the Southwestern Library Association will meet in a joint conference, October 6 - 8, 1978, at the Hilton Hotel, New Orleans, Louisiana. Three thousand librarians from 16 states are expected to attend.

The Theme of the conference is "Libraries and All That Jazz". Approximately ten pre-conference workshops are being planned for October 4 and 5 by a task-force headed by Sandra Coleman, University of New Mexico Library, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Hester B. Slocum, retired Assistant Director of the New Orleans Public Library, has been named Conference Local Arrangements Chairperson. Program planning is being handled by Sheppard Hicks, Anniston, Alabama.

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The Clarksburg Public Library found a permanent home at Waldomore in 1931 after it had "wandered" from building to building for a period of several decades. Mrs. Julia Walker Ruhl, a teacher at Broaddus College, was instrumental in founding the library in 1907. Miss S. Scollay Page, who served as librarian from 1910 until 1938, set the institution on a sound professional course and oversaw the move to Waldomore.

A bronze plaque in the vestibule at Waldomore records a simple message written by Clarksburg statesman and presidential candidate John W. Davis:

In Memory of
May Goff Lowndes
Wife of Richard T. Lowndes
Who Bequeathed to the City of Clarksburg
For Use as a Library
This House Built in the Year 1839
By her Father
Waldo P. Goff

"Books are the Shrine Where the Saint is."

-Francis Bacon

In 1976, a new library building was constructed adjacent to the Waldomore grounds to meet the rapidly growing needs of Clarksburg. Waldomore has since been designated a repository and research center for the Clarksburg Public Library's local and state history collections.

* * *

Mr. Clarence E. Moran, AIA, State Historic Preservation Officer, West Virginia Department of Culture and History, announced on February 14, 1978, that "Waldomore" had been selected for nomination to the U. S. National Register of Historic Places, the official Federal listing of places of national, state, or local significance. The qualifications of this property was to be reviewed in Charleston on Tuesday, February 21, 1978, by the West Virginia Board of Review and the State Historic Preservation Officer and, if approved, will be forwarded to the U. S. Keeper of the National Register. The Pamphlet describing the National Register and the criteria for nomination has been reproduced herein.

WEST VIRGINIA
SCHOOL LIBRARY/MEDIA
SURVEY OF 1977*

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A survey of media facilities and staff in the elementary and secondary schools of West Virginia was sponsored jointly by the West Virginia Library Association and the West Virginia Educational Media Association in March-April, 1977. Personnel of the Bureau of Planning, Research and Evaluation of the State Department of Education reviewed the survey instrument. The survey included 1) "Principal's Section," and 2) "Media Administrator's Section," and was sent to 1412 principals. The category "other" is used when principals deemed it necessary to include additional comments or in such cases where no response was given.

PRINCIPALS' SECTION

The following is a summary of responses from the 554 principals who replied and who represented grades k-12 from the 55 counties:

- 1) SCHOOLS HAVING A FORMAL LIBRARY/MEDIA CENTER FOR THE STORAGE AND CIRCULATION OF PRINT AND/OR NONPRINT MEDIA
65.5% yes 28.5% no 6% other
- 2) LIBRARY/MEDIA STAFF
 - a) 45% full time librarian or media professional
 - b) 17% teacher who has other duties
 - c) 11% teacher's aide or other paraprofessional
 - d) 27% other
- 3) PRINT AND NONPRINT ITEMS
 - a) 10.3 library books (per student)
 - b) 21.0 periodicals (individual titles per school)
 - c) 0.4 recordings (disc and tape) (per student)
 - d) 0.9 filmstrip, film loops, transparencies, etc. (per student)

*Survey results submitted November 11, 1977

- 4) AUDIOVISUAL EQUIPMENT (ITEMS PER SCHOOL)
- | | | | |
|----------------|----------------------|----------------|----------------------------------------------|
| a) <u>3.2</u> | 16mm projectors | f) <u>3.2</u> | reel-to-reel tape recorders |
| b) <u>0.36</u> | 8mm projectors | g) <u>5.5</u> | cassette tape recorders |
| c) <u>1.3</u> | 2x2 slide projectors | h) <u>10.0</u> | record players |
| d) <u>7.2</u> | overhead projectors | i) <u>6.7</u> | filmstrip projectors |
| e) <u>1.3</u> | opaque projectors | j) <u>XX</u> | videotape recorders (question misunderstood) |
- 5) ALLOCATION OF COUNTY FUNDS FOR EACH OF THE FOLLOWING:
(1976-77 school year)
- | | |
|------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| a) <u>\$1.52</u> | library books (per student) |
| b) <u>0.28</u> | periodicals (per student) |
| c) <u>0.34</u> | audiovisual software (films, filmstrips, slides, etc.) (Per student) |
| d) <u>0.22</u> | equipment as listed in 4 (per student) |
- 6) USAGE OF SCHOOL LIBRARY/MEDIA MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT FROM AVAILABLE OUTSIDE AGENCIES
- | | | | |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| a) County resource centers which loan library/media materials or equipment to schools | <u>86%</u> yes | <u>11%</u> no | <u>3%</u> other |
| b) Regional Education Service Agencies (RESA) available that loan library/media materials or equipment | <u>55%</u> yes | <u>26%</u> no | <u>9%</u> other |
- 7) RESPONSES OF 186 PRINCIPALS OF SCHOOLS WITHOUT LIBRARY/MEDIA CENTERS
- | | |
|-----------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| a) <u>7.5%</u> | not interested |
| b) <u>78%</u> | hope eventually to develop such a center |
| c) <u>14.5%</u> | have definite and specific plans for such a center |
- 8) RESPONSES OF PRINCIPALS WHO ANSWERED THE QUESTION "WOULD YOU CONSIDER THE DEVELOPMENT OF THIS FACILITY A TOP PRIORITY IF ADDITIONAL FUNDS WERE AVAILABLE?" 89% yes 11% no
These percentages are primarily based on cases where no facility existed.
- 9) PRINCIPALS' RESPONSES TO ATTENDING A SYMPOSIUM DESIGNED TO BROADEN THE AWARENESS OF EDUCATORS AS TO THE POTENTIAL OF GOOD LIBRARY/MEDIA SERVICES
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| <u>58%</u> Yes | <u>19%</u> No | <u>23%</u> Others |
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- 10) RESPONSES OF PRINCIPALS WHO ANSWERED THE QUESTION AS TO AN ON-SITE-VISIT FROM PERSONNEL OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR:
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| a) short and long range planning for a school library/media center | <u>74.8%</u> yes | <u>25.2%</u> no |
| b) better utilization of present school library/media center facilities | <u>73.8%</u> yes | <u>25.2%</u> no |

SUMMARY OF DATA

This is the first attempt of a survey of the media facilities and staff of all West Virginia elementary and secondary schools. The following is a synthesis of the preceding data which contains the minimum media recommendations prepared by the American Association of School Librarians, ALA and Association for Educational Communications and Technology in a publication (1975) entitled Media Programs: District and School (hereafter referred to as "standards") which should be interesting and challenging to administrators, Boards of Education and others concerned with the education of boys and girls.

Item 1 Numerically, 363 principals reported having a school library/media center.

Item 2 The terms "full time librarian" or "media professional" in this survey meant persons with appropriate academic preparation and certification. Forty-five percent of the principals indicated such a person was employed in their schools while 27 percent indicated "other", which included principals, secretaries, volunteers, students, etc. Many factors enter into the staffing of a center; however the standards recommend that "each school with an enrollment of 250 students requires a fulltime media specialist". It is also noted that very small schools with one or two teachers in sparsely populated areas present unique problems in staffing for which the school district needs to devise alternatives to the full-time staffing pattern.

Item 3 It is recommended in the standards that "a school with 500 or fewer students have a minimum collection of 20,000 items or 40 per student. An item is defined as a book (casebound or paperback), film, videotape, filmstrip, transparency, slide, periodical subscription, kit, any other form of material, or associated equipment". Minimum recommendations per student for print and nonprint items (used in survey) are as follows:

- a) 16 to 24 library books
- b) access to 50 to 175 titles of periodicals, newspapers, pamphlets, and microforms
- c) 3 to 4 recordings (disc and tape)
- d) 1 to 4 filmstrips (sound and silent); 4 to 12 slides and transparencies.

Item 4 Minimum recommendations per school for audiovisual equipment (items used in survey)

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| a) 6 units with 2 assigned to media center | Combination of 16mm and super 8mm sound projectors and video playback |
| b) not given | 8mm projectors |
| c) <u>1 per 100</u> students | 2x2 slide projectors |

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| d) | <u>1 for every</u>
<u>50 students</u> | overhead projectors |
| e) | <u>1 per 500 students</u>
<u>or one per floor in a</u>
<u>multi-story building</u> | Opaque projectors |
| f-h) | combination of 30 of
these reproduction units | tape recorders
and record players |
| i) | <u>10</u> | filmstrip projectors |
| j) | varies with school
and district production
program | videotape recorder |

A comparison of the minimum recommendations in items 3 and 4 with West Virginia's data indicates that a deficiency exists in the number of these items.

Item 5 Budget Allocations

It is recommended in the standards that "To maintain an up-to-date collection of materials and equipment that fulfills and implements the instructional program, the annual per student expenditure of a school district should be at least 10 percent of the national Per Pupil Operational Costs (PPOC), as computed by the United States Office of Education. . . The standard of 10 percent of the PPOC for annual expenditures for materials and equipment is expressed as a single figure, based on recommendations from school administrators, school business managers and media professionals. It reflects the essential relationship between materials and the equipment required for their use, and it provides the flexibility needed to achieve balanced collections and to respond to the differing needs of individual schools and districts. All allocated funds are expended for the district program and individual school programs on the basis of program needs." The national PPOC for 1975-76 was \$1441. per student; for West Virginia \$1061.01. Ten per cent of the national figure was \$144.; West Virginia should have spent \$106. per student.

It is important that every school receive a regular allocation each year to provide for the acquisition of newly published or produced materials, needed materials, other supplies, the costs for preprocessing materials and items of equipment.

Also from the standards: "Funds for initial collections of materials and equipment in newly established media centers are provided from capital outlay, rather than from the amount recommended for annual per pupil expenditures for collection. Schools in which media center collections do not meet current standards for size and quality require additional funds to augment the annual budget until adequate collections have been built.

"The recommendation for annual expenditures takes into consideration materials and equipment needed to implement school programs which stress individuali-

zation, independent study, and inquiry. Additional funds may be needed to meet the requirements of special programs and curricular experimentation.

"Districts and schools whose operating costs are less than the national Per Pupil Operational Cost figure should consider an appropriation for collections based on the larger amount so that it provides adequate resources for teaching and learning."

Standards do not apply to items 6-10.

MEDIA ADMINISTRATOR'S SECTION

There were survey returns from 359 media administrators. The following is a summary of the data from the media administrator's section from 54 counties:

Item 1 The information provided by respondents to this item showed that the following categories of personnel were employed in library/media centers or provided some media services for their schools:

<u>155</u>	librarians (undergraduate)	<u>19</u>	teachers (with some library/
<u>87</u>	librarians (graduate—with a major or		media courses)
	minor in library science or media	<u>10</u>	paraprofessionals
	technology	<u>18</u>	other (secretaries, princi-
<u>70</u>	teachers (with no library/media		pals, volunteers, etc.)
	courses)		

Item 2 Response to interest in taking library/media courses:

a) if offered in West Virginia by a school accredited by the American Library Association			
<u>247</u>	yes	<u>63</u>	no
b) to earn a masters degree			
<u>116</u>	yes	<u>122</u>	no
c) to take courses but not towards a degree			
<u>146</u>	yes	<u>64</u>	no

Item 3 Not tabulated

Item 4 Membership in Professional Associations:

<u>6</u>	AASL	<u>75</u>	WVLA	<u>45</u>	WVSL
<u>10</u>	AECT	<u>41</u>	WVEMA	<u>71</u>	None
<u>15</u>	ALA	<u>267</u>	Other (WVEA, ACT, NEA, ASCD)		

Item 5 Factors which may inhibit or prevent media personnel being a member of or participating in professional media associations:

<u>60</u>	cannot get time off to attend the meetings
<u>72</u>	membership costs are too high
<u>44</u>	it costs too much to attend the meetings
<u>141</u>	I do not have time for more participation
<u>39</u>	the services provided do not seem worth the time and money required
<u>63</u>	I have never been asked
<u>99</u>	meeting dates are usually at an inconvenient time for me
<u>50</u>	other

Item 6 Methods by which professional associations could assist media personnel with school library/media problems:

<u>240</u>	publish and distribute simple how-to-do-it handouts and pamphlets
<u>145</u>	provide up-to-date information on what's happening in media
<u>89</u>	improve their meetings so they have practical, down-to-earth value
<u>21</u>	other

Item 7 Methods by which professional personnel could assist school media personnel with library/media problems:

<u>169</u>	regional workshops and meetings
<u>108</u>	school visitations
<u>184</u>	participation in in-service programs in media
<u>143</u>	make supervisors and administrators more aware of media and its importance
<u>16</u>	other

INSPIRED PARTNERSHIP BRIGHTENS
FUTURE FOR LIBRARIES

by Jerry Spiegler
Extension Librarian
Morgantown Public Library

This year's Library Appreciation Day Banquet for the West Virginia Legislature was considered by many to be highly successful. Attendance was a key issue and librarians were effective in proving that West Virginia's libraries had indeed captured the attention of the reading and voting public.

The many librarians who worked so diligently building for the banquet got an initial reward when approximately seven hundred librarians, trustees, and supporters from as far away as the northern panhandle filled the banquet room of The Charleston House, Holiday Inn, to show their solidarity for libraries and to hear George Plimpton deliver a witty and entertaining collection of the personal experiences as a participatory journalist.



George Plimpton, quest speaker, entertained everyone present at the Legislative Day Banquet including left to right, Governor Jay Rockefeller, Fred Glazer, Justice Sam Harshbarger, and Elliott Horton, WVLA Legislative Committee

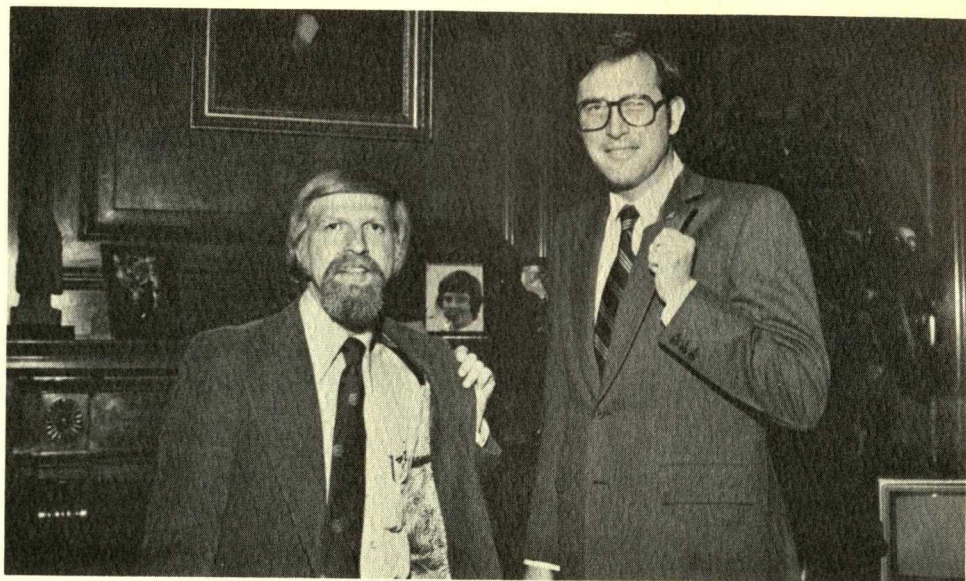
Amidst an atmosphere of lighthearted kidding and political joking from the dais, the audience heard several important speeches dealing with library-government cooperation and the future of libraries in the state. Campbell Beall, Chairman of the West Virginia Library Commission, spoke of a "partnership for libraries" comprised of legislators, librarians, and the public. His remarks struck a responsive chord with Governor Jay Rockefeller who flew in from Washington D. C. to attend the festivities. Commenting that he "stood ready to work" with all sides in Campbell Beall's partnership, Governor Rockefeller voiced his personal concern and appreciation for libraries which all applauded heartily.



Governor Jay Rockefeller tells those present that he stands "ready to work" with all aspects of the "partnership for libraries." Left to right, Campbell Beall, George Plimpton, Fred Glazer, Justice Sam Harshbarger, Governor Rockefeller, and Elliott Horton.

Executive Secretary of the West Virginia Library Commission, Frederic Glazer, praised the Library Appreciation Day Banquet as an "unqualified success" and added that the event "could not have gone any better." Contacted by telephone for his observations, Glazer informed West Virginia Libraries that not only was the evening able to generate sufficient revenue to stay in the black, but if every librarian who promised to sell the now familiar library pins fulfilled his or her pledge, the West Virginia Library Association could expect to develop "significant support funds" for future activities. Glazer also commented on the political implications of the banquet by informing West Virginia Libraries that the West Virginia Senate voted a week after the banquet to approve one hundred per cent of the Governor's record appropriations in all library categories at a time when other budget requests were being cut due to the coal strike and

resulting loss of revenues to the state's coffers. Two days later, however, West Virginia Libraries learned that the House of Delegates had recommended less than the Governor's full appropriations, cutting back on construction funds and grants-in-aid for libraries. By press time the differences between the House and Senate versions of the state budget were unresolved.



Governor Jay Rockefeller and WVLC Executive Secretary Fred Glazer proudly show that they are "Library Pin Pals"

Yet, the concept of the "inspired partnership" coupled with the enthusiasm of the Governor and the leadership of the House of Delegates is something that should please and excite librarians and supporters statewide. This partnership is something the West Virginia Library Association has been working years to achieve and it appears to have finally come to fruition. The actions of the Senate represent a departure from the past because that chamber usually plays a more conservative role financially. Many will recall that the Senate was called into special session on the evening of the banquet so that just about all of the senators were unable to attend. However, some impact was felt judging by the letters that have been received from a few senators apologizing for having missed the event and reiterating their strong support for libraries.

Partnership is the key to the future for West Virginia's libraries. Now that the legislators, librarians, and the public have been educated about each other's role, each can be more aware of the real needs of libraries throughout the state. The next challenge the inspired partnership will face is this - can these same impressive results be achieved in October of this year when West Virginia holds its state conference in Charleston leading up to the White House Conference on Libraries and Information Services?

REMINISCENCES OF THE LEGISLATIVE DAY BANQUET



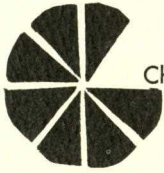
WVLA President, Ruth Ann Powell, recognized all the various county regions who attended the banquet



Left to right, Fred Glazer, Justice Sam Harshbarger, Elliott Horton, Forest Bowman, Speaker of House Donald Kopp, Ruth Ann Powell, and Congressman Nick Rahall



Library Commission staffers and artist Taylor Jones present Fred Glazer with a personalized birthday present



Checking Out What's

NEW FROM AROUND THE STATE

KINGWOOD
PUBLIC LIBRARY

Joel Beane, Librarian, says "For a Library Filled with People, Stage a Christmas Party." Mild temperatures, a massive publicity campaign and the promise of an entertaining event brought a capacity crowd of three hundred children and adults to the Kingwood Public Library's Fifth Annual Children's Christmas Party on December 17th. The event, which is one of many holiday happenings which take place at the library each December, was co-sponsored by the Friends of the Library and the Kingwood Junior Woman's Club. It featured a visit from Santa Claus, with pictures taken by a professional photographer if desired, films from the West Virginia Library Commission Film Library, the breaking of a candy-filled pinata, refreshments, door prizes, and a treat for every child in attendance.

When the first such party was held in 1973, about two dozen children attended. Attendance gradually increased in the intervening years and more publicity was generated prior to this year's event, which lasted three hours, than for previous parties. It included a media campaign with radio and newspaper announcements, notices taken home by school children, posters and newsletters produced by the library, flyers given to families signing up for Salvation Army assistance, news items in church bulletins and special newsletters and information sheets distributed to school principals.

A substantial amount of public interest in the library is also generated by the other events which take place there each Christmas season as well. The Kingwood Garden Club decorates the library during the first week of December using decorations that have been made in workshops held in the library. Other decorating is done by the library staff, including the trimming of a large Christmas tree. An annual display of holiday materials entitled "The Christmas Corner" attracts a lot of attention from teachers, church program planners and homemakers who take advantage of the many books and audio-visual materials available there. Christmas Outreach Programs are offered to any organization that lacks equipment to stage its own program. The library supplies materials, equipment and a technician to the group which has only to supply transportation.

Various organizations other than those previously mentioned also stage events at the library during December. The Kingwood Woman's Club sponsors an annual Christmas luncheon for area businesswomen. Teen-age members of a club which supplies story tellers for library story hours hold an annual Christmas party at the library with an evening of dining and dancing. The Salvation Army runs a toy shop in the library's activity room for three days, distributing toys to needy families. Girl Scout and Brownie troops set up a mitten tree in the library and all donations are given to the Salvation Army.

Christmas is a time when families seem to have a lot of opportunities to do things as a group and special emphasis is placed on making the library the place to visit during the holidays because this is when it is most impressively decorated. The visit thus becomes a memorable experience and family members who may not have been to the library before become frequent patrons during the rest of the year. By making the library a focal point of our area's Christmas observance, we have established local traditions and increased public interest in and good will toward the library. Each December has brought a large increase in the number of new memberships issued to area residents.

ORAL HISTORY PROGRAM An oral history program is being developed by the City-County Public Library. Sheila Core and Mary Ellen Kupchak began its implementation in January. The resulting cassettes from interviews will be available for the public to take home for listening. It is also a means of preserving the history of Marshall County. Means are also being sought to implement the program in all libraries in the region.

GROUND-BREAKING Official ground-breaking ceremonies were held on December 10 for the new main building of the Cabell County Public Library. A crowd of library supporters braved sub-freezing temperatures and strong winds to turn symbolic shovels full of earth.

The following week, the general contractor moved portable offices and heavy equipment to the site. While severe winter weather slowed and often halted work on the project, progress was made throughout the winter.

Cabell County Library's Building Program for new branch buildings is moving forward now that funds from a voter-approved excess levy are beginning to flow. Land has been purchased for a new building in the Guyandotte section of Huntington. Sites for three other branches in the county are being sought.

CHRISTMAS IN CHESTER Christmas came to the Northern Hancock County Library, Chester, this past holiday season by way of a thoughtful patron, former English teacher and librarian, Mrs. Dorcas Johnston. Mrs. Johnston is enjoying her recent retirement, doing for others, and this year she chose to decorate the library for the Christmas season. She brought the true meaning of Christmas back to everyone by donating and designing a Chrismon Tree.

The "crimson" means monogram of Christ. When the word was first used, it referred to only one symbol, the Chi-Rho, but recently a new meaning has developed. Now Chrismon, with a capital C, refers specifically to a Christmas tree ornament based on a Christian symbol. All the ornaments that adorned the tree were symbols, not only of Christ's life, but of important events in the history of the Christian church.

The tree became the focal point of interest at the library this year, as well as a learning experience for many in the community. It also provided program material for the library - displaying the tree and ornaments to the Senior Citizens, Scouts, Blue Bird groups and children in the community.



Chrismon Tree
Northern Hancock County Library, Chester

SERVICES TO SENIOR CITIZENS

Lynn Murray came home from the Conference on Library Services to the Aging feeling somewhat bewildered. What could be done in Chester at Northern Hancock on a low budget for the seniors of the community? Since an active local Golden Age Club - of very independent citizens - existed, the library possibly would be intruding on them and their activities to go in and inform them, "We're here to give you library services, whether you want it or not." Recalling what one speaker at the conference had said about letting them tell you, Lynn took the opportunity of speaking with one of the club members. She was amazed to find that this club could be of more help to the library than the library could be of them. The seniors still wanted the library available for programs four times a year at their meetings. In return, the club members have put the library in touch with shut-ins, home-bound people, new patrons who are confined to a nursing home, and the new programs planned for the apartment complex for the elderly which will open soon. SO - the tables have been turned and the library's program is really getting off the ground with a bright looking future. As for library services, the library will continue to serve the

local nursing home on a regular monthly basis with large print books and magazines, films, and helping with exercise classes. A small lending library and special programs, when needed, are being planned for the apartment complex. A library on wheels for shut-ins manned by volunteers is another dream of ours for the future in Chester. The program for the elderly has nowhere to go but up, and again the young find that they still have much to learn from the older citizens of the community.

The Northern Hancock Community Library set up a series of programs for the senior adults of the local communities. Each program used a theme and carried it using many types of information and services from the library. These programs were made available to all local organizations and were presented by a staff member. The programs were each varied so that one organization could use each of them without an overlapping of subjects or means of presentation. For example, the film, "Nature's Way", was shown with a display of the Foxfire books and each person was given a placemat listing "mountain talk." Everyone present was anxious to add "what his Grandma used to say" during the lively discussions.

Craft instruction was included in the Christmas Ideals program presentation of Chrismon ornaments. The library staff was very pleased to receive a return invitation to the Chester Golden Age meeting, as guests, to view a tree inspired by the program and decorated by the members with ornaments made at the "Ideals" program.

Each program was appreciated and well received by the groups who took advantage of them. Hopefully, the programs can be expanded in the future.

NEW
PROGRAMS

The Marshall County libraries working with the County Public School System, the County Park System, the County Senior Citizens Services, and the Grave Creek Mound Museum Commission have received a grant of \$6,250.00 for a Poet-in-Residence in the county for five months.

NEW STAFF
AT CCPL

The Junior Services Department of the Cabell County Public Library has added a variety of new staff during the winter months who do absolutely no work and are treated as pets by the entire library. Dumpling, a hedgehog, arrived in October visiting from the Putnam County Library. Since then he has taken up residence among the "easy readers" and has found our small patrons to be very attentive. For the most part, however, Dump, as he is usually called, ignores all and sleeps most of the day.

After their initial curiosity over Dumpling is satisfied, our patrons generally turn their attention to the more active area of the department. A new aquarium, complete with fish, has been donated to the Junior Services Department by The Plant House and Fish Shop which is located directly across the street from Cabell County Public Library in downtown Huntington. Having the aquarium in the library is not only entertaining and educational for the public, but provides free advertisement for the Fish Shop as well.

We've noticed a tremendous increase in the circulation of the pet books since the arrival of Dumpling and friends.

MBCPL

Diana Sutzenfield, Public Relations Coordinator at Martinsburg-Berkeley County Public Library, has this little story which might spur interest as a project for public relations for other libraries.

A blank wall in an enclosed stairway had been asking for something to brighten it up and the solution seemed to be in seeking someone to donate a painting or do a painting for the space. The stairway leads to the Children's Department, so it was appropriate that the aid of children was enlisted.

A notice was put up at a party for the participants of the Summer Reading Program. A great deal of interest was displayed and immediately four members of one family signed up as artists. Diana was advised against involving too many children in such an undertaking, so the four became the Library's artists for two days.

Both the Library and the children were to benefit from this experience. The Library would have the painting but the children would go away with a little knowledge as to how a painting is put together. So, the first day was spent in putting stretchers together, stretching and stapling the canvas onto the stretchers, and painting a coat of gesso on to the canvas to prepare the surface for the acrylic paints. Time was also spent on drawing pictures which the painting would hopefully be based on.

Each one designed his own drawings which were based on the theme of fall and going back to school. As it turned out, accidently, the four drawings lent themselves to a cohesive picture - a house with both the sun brightly shining and pearly colored rain falling, by Katrina, age 8; next, a boldly painted tree just beginning to lose some of its leaves (some real leaves were attached to the painting as well), by Donna, age 10; Robert, age 11, painted a deep red brick wall representing the outside of the school (in the painting there is some playground equipment sketched in but not painted); and the youngest child, Sharon, age 6, painted a maze of multicolored abstract shapes to represent the interior of the school - windows, desks, rooms, etc.

The painting was completed on the second day. A total of almost eight hours were spent on the project which will give the library, as well as the public, many more hours of enjoyment. The painting now hangs in its permanent place and what was once a very uninteresting place has suddenly come alive with the delightful painting.

Total cost was under twenty dollars, including the lattice strips used for the framing. The finished painting measures 29 x 72 inches long.

Plans are underway to have another such project for another wall.

NEW LIBRARIES
AT WVU

Two new libraries, now in the planning stage, will open at West Virginia University in 1979. The new branches will relieve existing shelf space and seating shortages in the library system and

greatly improve user access to certain parts of the collection.

The first of the new facilities, the Colson Hall Library, is scheduled to open early in 1979. A multi-purpose unit located in the old law school building, this library will house the West Virginia Collection, the Audio-Visual Library and a Learning Resources Center/Reserve Room.

Designed by the Pittsburgh architectural firm of Stotz, Hess, McLachlan and Fosner, the Colson Hall Library will contain seating for approximately 170 persons, shelf space for about 31,000 volumes, 8800 linear feet of shelf space for archival materials, and a viewing room for audio-visual materials.

The new Evansdale Library, which should open during the fall of 1979, will be located between the Engineering Sciences and Agricultural Sciences buildings on the Evansdale Campus. Materials in education, social work, fine arts, physical education, recreation, safety, home economics, and drama will be transferred to the new branch from the Main Library to support programs conducted mainly on the Evansdale Campus. Collections in the present Agriculture-Engineering and Towers Libraries will be absorbed into the collection.

The new, three-story building for the Evansdale Library is being designed by Robert J. Bennett of AIA and Associates, Morgantown. When completed, it will have seating space for 540 patrons and a shelf capacity of approximately 275,000 volumes.

The Main Library, located on the Downtown Campus, will continue to support academic programs in the social sciences, the humanities, mining, journalism, and other curricula located primarily on that campus. It will also remain the largest library unit at WVU.

MARY H. WEIR
PUBLIC LIBRARY

Do you think that all public libraries do is peddle gothic novels to bored housewives and baby sit children at story hours? If so, that's a misconception.

When people know that they can trust you, they'll come to you when it counts. Here's how it happened . . .

It was shaping up as a slow winter night for the 5 to 8 shift when the phone rang. A woman was calling from a small town in Ohio: "Were you able to find the scientific name for my plant yet?" No, the librarian had just returned from dinner and had been given the question by the previous shift. What kind of information was needed about the plant? The woman replied that her little boy had just eaten part of a plant and that the poison control center in Pittsburgh said that they couldn't do too much without the scientific name of the plant. Pittsburgh suggested calling a library. Two staff members

waded through scores of books. It seemed to take longer than forever - plant books, forestry books, medical books, gardening books ... Our stock and trade. Nothing. Our HELP book (a great Information and Referral tool) gave a local poison control number. This got the mother and the nurse together. The staff continued to look. A third staff member started telephoning nurseries and garden centers. She hit on an answer. The mother was called. Now the search turned to confirming the nursery's answer. A subtropical milkweed vine - nothing more. So, they looked some more.

The resources were dry. Time to get back to the mother, to talk about the plant. The mother had called Pittsburgh with the name. Pittsburgh worked on it also and called Texas to talk it over. Specifics. Particulars. Amounts. Times. Pittsburgh said that the plant was toxic. The child had only eaten a little and his mother had made him drink a lot of milk. All this was happening within an hour or so. Twenty-four hours later a call came from Ohio: "Today's his birthday and he's learned to crawl on the furniture. Thanks for all your concern."

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| April 2 - 8 | National Library Week |
| May 11 | College & University Section Workshop, "Use of Academic Library Collections", Fairmont State College Library |
| May 12 - 14 | JMRT Continuing Education Workshop, Camp Ceasar |
| May 19 | Special Libraries Section Continuing Education Seminar, "Management of Reference Services", South Charleston Public Library |
| June 16 | College & University Section Workshop, "Technological Change and its Effect on Library Service", Alderson Broaddus College |
| June 25 - July 1 | ALA Annual Conference, Chicago |
| October 6 - 8 | Joint Southeastern Library Association/Southwestern Library Association Conference, New Orleans |
| October 12 - 15 | Joint WVLA/West Virginia Governor's Conference on Libraries, Charleston |

W V L A EXECUTIVE BOARD -

Summary of Minutes

MINUTES MEETING OF EXECUTIVE BOARD OF WEST VIRGINIA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION December 2, 1977* North Bend State Park

A joint meeting of the 1976-1977 and 1977-1978 Executive Boards was called to order at 9:45 a.m. by the President, Ruth Ann Powell.

A motion to accept the minutes of the November 10 and November 12 Board meetings was made by Barbara Bonfili, seconded by Terrie Sypolt; passed.

The Treasurer's report was distributed and the Board was asked to keep in mind that the report did not reflect approximate conference expenses of \$2,500.00 and printing and mailing costs of one issue of West Virginia Libraries estimated at \$1,200.00. Balance as of November 30, 1977 was listed as \$11,674.40. Barbara Bonfili moved the acceptance of the Treasurer's report; second, Marie Beckett; passed. The Treasurer then presented the 1977-78 proposed budget. The Treasurer went through the budget items for 1977-78 indicating amounts budgeted and entertaining questions and comments. Final approval of the budget will be given at the March meeting.

REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP. Luella Dye reported that she had collected \$165.00 in dues.

COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY. Terrie Sypolt reported that the section has scheduled a planning meeting for workshops to be offered.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES. Matthew Kubiak reported that the section is planning on holding regional meetings. He also mentioned that the section may require additional funds.

SCHOOL LIBRARIES. Summaries of the results of the school media survey are in the process of being sent out to respondents and possibilities for publication of the results are being explored.

SPECIAL LIBRARIES. Steve Teich reported that the section plans to update its membership directory and will probably hold a continuing education workshop in the spring.

TRUSTEE SECTION. Forest Bowman reported that he is still getting oriented.

JMRT. Russ Foster reported that JMRT will sponsor a continuing education workshop

* Minutes subject to approval at March Board meeting.

May 12-13 at Camp Ceaser in Webster County. The section plans to continue its newsletter although a minimal subscription will probably be necessary.

ALA COUNCILOR. Judy Prosser reported that she had a schedule of group flights to the ALA Mid-Winter Conference for anybody interested.

WVLC. Fred Glazer reported that the Commission is working closely with the advisory committee for the Governor's Conference. Hopefully 3000-5000 persons will participate in the conference. The Commission is sponsoring two workshops on December 5 and 6 - one on services to the elderly and one on films. Barbara Bonfili moved that WVLA host a wine reception the evening of December 5 for workshop participants; second, Terrie Sypolt; passed.

MARLF. Lola McClure reported the dates for the 1979 conference and explained the system by which MARLF borrows money from member organizations to fund the conference. Lola McClure moved that the Association accept the recommendations of MARLF for the distribution of conference proceeds. Steve Teich seconded the motion which passed. The President announced that Nick Winowich has verbally accepted the reappointment as WVLA's MARLF representative.

WEST VIRGINIA LIBRARIES. Mildred Moyers reported that she has appointed most of her editorial board and had made tentative printing and mailing arrangements. Luella Dye moved that issue 3 and 4 of volume 30 of West Virginia Libraries be combined and then resume a Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter publication schedule. Russ Foster seconded; passed. Dave Childers moved that the following deadlines be set for West Virginia Libraries: v.30, no.3/4 to printer by February 1, 1978. Publication dates for volume 31 as: no. 1, March 30, 1978; no. 2, June 30, 1978; no. 3, September 30, 1978; and no. 4, December 30, 1978. "Publication date" in this context is defined as the date the issues are mailed to the membership. The motion was seconded by Karen Goff; passed.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE. The President reported that she had received a letter from Chairman Elliott Horton outlining the committee's Library Appreciation Project for 1978 and requesting financing. Barbara Bonfili moved that the Board allocate \$1,000.00 seed money to the Legislative Committee for the Library Appreciation Day Project. Any profits from the project will return to the WVLA general fund; seconded by Matt Kubiak; passed. Barbara Bonfili moved that WVLA sponsor the Library Appreciation Day Reception and Dinner; seconded by Dave Childers; passed.

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK. The President reported that she had talked with Chairman Claudya Muller and that plans were proceeding well. The theme will be library awareness for legislators and a year-long project is being urged. This theme will coordinate well with Library Appreciation Day.

INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM. The President announced that she needs an interested person each from the School, Trustee, and Special Sections to fill this committee. Mary Alice Hupp has been appointed acting chairman until the full committee can meet.

OLD BUSINESS

Barbara Bonfili and Mildred Moyers reported the final tallies of registrations and exhibitors at the 1977 conference. Suggestions and criticisms were requested. Dave Childers moved that the exhibitor's fee be raised to \$100.00, that payment be received 30 days before the opening of the conference and that exhibitors be notified of these changes as soon as possible; Judy Prosser seconded; passed.

Judy Prosser reported the success of the WVLA gifts project and distributed an itemized account.

NEW BUSINESS

FEDERAL RELATIONS CO-ORDINATOR POSITION PAPER. The paper distributed to Board members by Jackie Wagner presented five recommendations. Discussion of the recommendations that the FRC be granted a budget allowance and that a phone and mail network be established was postponed until the March meeting. Steve Teich moved that the recommendation that the FRC be granted a column in West Virginia Libraries be accepted; second by Karen Goff; passed. No action was necessary on the recommendation that the FRC be a member of the Legislative Committee as this is already the case. Due to constitutional restrictions, it was impossible for the Board to act on the fifth recommendation that the FRC be included as a member of the Board.

AD HOC COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC UTILITIES PROPOSAL. Joel Stern encouraged the Board to support local actions of public libraries to achieve more advantageous rate classifications. Dave Childers moved that \$100.00 of the Executive Board budget be designated for activities of the Ad Hoc Committee on Public Utilities chaired by Joel Stern. Luella Dye seconded; passed.

1979 CONFERENCE. The President urged Board members to start thinking about the location of the 1979 conference. Lakeview and Canaan Valley have been proposed. Further discussion was postponed until the March meeting.

Russ Foster mentioned that he felt membership dues should be increased. This would require constitutional revision at the next annual conference. He also suggested that the WVLA Handbook be distributed to the entire membership.

The next Executive Board meeting was scheduled for March 3, 1978 at a place to be announced.

Luella Dye moved the meeting be adjourned; Terrie Sypolt seconded; passed. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:45 p.m.

-Karen Goff
Secretary

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Askins, Donald and Morris, David, co-editors. New Ground.
Jenkins, KY.: Southern Appalachia Writers' Cooperative and
Mountain Review, 1977. 208 pp. \$3.50.

Baber, Robert Henry. Assorted Life Savers & Poems from the
Mountains. Beckley, WV., c1976. 63 pp. \$2.50.

Dressler, Muriel Miller. Appalachia. Charleston, WV.: MHC
Publications, Appalachian Center, Morris Harvey College,
c1977. 60 pp.

Greenhorn, Billy. We'll See Who's a Peasant; Poems of Love and
Family. Beckley, WV.: Mountain Union Books, c1977.
59 pp. \$3.50.

To one who believes, as I do and as the editors of High Ground do,
that southern Appalachian culture is entering a period of renaissance, the
fiction and poetry of these publications offer ample proof. The preface to
New Ground, incidentally, is worth the price of the volume.

In the case of Muriel Miller Dressler, I came prepared to scoff and
remain to praise. These are not the vaporings of a TV or movie star attempt-
ing to cash in on her popularity. These are poems of a mature, gay, witty
poet, one who writes with a fine touch of malice on occasion but always
with an acute ear for dialect, a sharp eye for the significant detail. The
poems are of a consistently high quality.

The fiction and poetry of New Ground are a more mixed bag but the
general level of writing is of high quality and, to quote the editors, "the
new ground being cultivated will produce a rich harvest in years to come".

The Baber and Greenhorn volumes I must damn with faint praise. The
fault, probably, is more with the reviewer than the reviewed. I am simply
not empathetic to most experimental verse, with or without overtones of
E E Cummings. To paraphrase the bourgeois critic of modern art, "I know
what I like and this ain't it".

-Elliott Horton
Director
Morgantown Public Library



PERSONALS

SUSAN ALEXANDER, head of Barboursville Branch of Cabell County Public Library for 31 years, retired on January 31. A surprise retirement dinner, attended by nearly 100 area librarians and friends, was held in her honor. FRANCES JONES, representing the Library Commission, presented her with a framed certificate recognizing her years of dedicated service to libraries. Letters from United States Congressman Nick Rahall, Governor John D. Rockefeller, and Senator Robert Byrd were read by the Mayor of Barboursville. Mrs. Alexander's knowledge, experience, and business like approach to library service will be greatly missed by Cabell County.

SYLVIA BADIS (nee BARR), Children's Librarian at Mary H. Weir Public Library, is out of the hospital, out of her casts, and out of her mind with work that's been waiting for six months.

HARRY F. BROOKS has been appointed Assistant Librarian for Patient Services and Audio-Visuals at Huntington's V. A. Hospital Library. He earned an A.B. in chemistry from Newberry College in South Carolina and an M.S.L.S. from the University of Kentucky.

Two new additions to the Mary H. Weir Public Library are RUTHANNE HERIOT and LESLIE LIPAN. Ruthanne is a reference librarian and Leslie is a reading

teacher and already has a thriving business.

Bethany College Assistant Librarian for Public Services, BARBARA A. IVY, has accepted the position of Director of the Pickett Library and Media Center at Alderson-Broaddus College. Miss Ivy, who also acted as Instructor of Library Science during her three years at Bethany College, assumed her new position January 9. She is a native of Chicago, Ill. and received her B.A. degree and did work on her master's degree in English literature at the University of Illinois, Chicago Circle. Her MLS degree is from the University of Pittsburgh. At Alderson-Broaddus College, Miss Ivy will direct the library which has 77,000 volumes and an active media program. She will also be teaching part-time in the media education department.

LINDA JACKNOWITZ, Audio-visual Librarian at the WVU Medical Center Library, attended a meeting sponsored by Temple University entitled "One to One Video". The meeting was held January 9-10 at the Center City Holiday Inn in Philadelphia.

MARILYN McCRAY is the new Head Librarian at Barboursville Branch of the Cabell County Public Library. Marilyn, a native Cabell Countian, earned her A.B. and M.S.L.S. from the University of Kentucky.

KATHY MCGREGOR is spending 40 hours a week in the Children's Department at City-County Public Library. NANCY (TRUSSELL) MEEK and LOUIS HORACEK continue to spend some time supervising and assisting, but Kathy has relieved both for more time in the Technical Services Department.

ANNA SCHEIN, senior cataloger at the West Virginia University Main Library, attended the November 13-18, 1977, "Effective Use of OCLC" workshop held at the Kent State University Libraries. The sessions focused on the OCLC system and terminals, MARC format, and in-house procedures necessary to adapt to an on-line system.

VICKIE STOCK resigned her position as cataloger at the WVU Medical Center Library in mid-January. She has accepted the position as librarian at a hospital in Hamilton, Bermuda.

CONTINUING EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

The Graduate School of Library Service of the University of Alabama began its sixth-year program in January, 1978. The program consists of 30 credits of coursework, field experiences, and independent study, with emphases varying according to the background and objectives of individual students. An interdisciplinary course of study, when appropriate, is encouraged, permitting a student to take as many as 18 credits in cognate fields. An Educational Specialist (Ed.S.) Degree in Librarianship is awarded upon completion of the program.

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3. To insure an integrated program for those seeking Class AA certification in Alabama, with endorsement as a school library media specialist, or the equivalent sixth-year certification in other states.

4. To provide information science and library education to those who hold a master's degree in another field and wish to address information problems in that field.

5. To prepare librarians to teach in undergraduate or paraprofessional programs.

Courses appropriate for the Ed.S. candidate will be offered during the University's two 5-week summer terms, as well as during the academic year. Six credits may be transferred from another university. With such a transfer, the coursework can be completed at the University of Alabama during one academic year or in two summers. For further information, contact Dean James D. Ramer, P. O. Box 6242, University, AL 35486.

Frances D. Dean, president of the American Association of School Librarians (AASL), announces the first in a series of continuing education institutes planned for the members of AASL. "Focus on Change: Sexism Awareness" will be held in Chicago on June 23 and 24 preceding the ALA Annual Conference.

The first institute, which will feature speakers, workshops and an in-depth review of materials related to sexism awareness training, is being planned and organized by President Dean and Karen Tyler, a member of the library science faculty at Arizona State University in Tempe.

Speakers and workshop consultants will focus on sexism in language, using sex-fair information sources, maintaining a balanced collection, developing awareness activities for school libraries and other topics of interest in the promotion of sexism awareness. Included in the institute offerings are a media fair and an autograph party which will provide the participants with an opportunity to examine recommended media for school library media centers. A closing luncheon on June 24 will feature a panel of authors of children's literature and young adult novels. Assisting Ms. Tyler in the coordination of the program will be Dr. Alleen Nilsen, author of *Sexism and Language* published by the National Council of Teachers of English.

Pre-registration is required and the attendance will be limited to the first 150 registrants. Fees to the institute are: \$50 for AASL members; \$65 for ALA members who do not belong to AASL; and \$75 for non-members. Registration brochures for the institute are available by writing to Alice E. Fite, Executive Secretary, American Association of School Librarians, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago, IL 60611.

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The 1978 recipients are:

Melvin Keith Burton, children's librarian, Natrona County Public Library, Casper, Wyoming.

Celia Delano Moore, serials/public service librarian, Alcuin Library, St. John's University, Collegeville, Minn.

Christy Tyson, young adult librarian, Mesa Public Library, Arizona.

Larry Dean Weitkemper, outreach specialist, Daniel Boone Regional Library, Columbia, Missouri.

The purpose of the 3M/JMRT Grant, which is being awarded for the fourth year, is to "encourage professional development and participation by new librarians in the activities of the American Library Association and its Junior Members Round Table," according to Dr. Graham Gurr, manager of 3M Library Systems, which markets "Tattle-Tape" book detection systems to prevent unauthorized book borrowing from libraries. Junior Members Round Table membership is composed of young persons who have recently entered the library profession.

The grant includes transportation to and from the week-long conference, plus food, lodging and related expenses. Winners were selected from among applicants on the basis of such criteria as educational background and previous work experience, honors, national, state and local association activities, and financial need.

NEWS ITEM ---

Stephen B. Folts, Executive Director of the Pittsburgh Regional Library Center, is pleased to announce that West Virginia University, Morgantown, has joined the regional library consortium. On February 6 the Center's Executive Board welcomed the University to full membership. Dr. Robert F. Munn is Dean of Library Services of the University.

The Pittsburgh Regional Library Center is a non-profit consortium of libraries which seeks to improve the effectiveness of its members through coordinated joint efforts. Academic, public and specialized libraries in Central and Western Pennsylvania and West Virginia have joined together in the Center's programs. These programs include a computerized cataloging service, a clearinghouse for interlibrary loan locations and expensive purchases, reciprocal borrowing among members and resource sharing publications. With the addition of the West Virginia University Libraries, the Center's forty members can boast of combined holdings of more than twelve million volumes.

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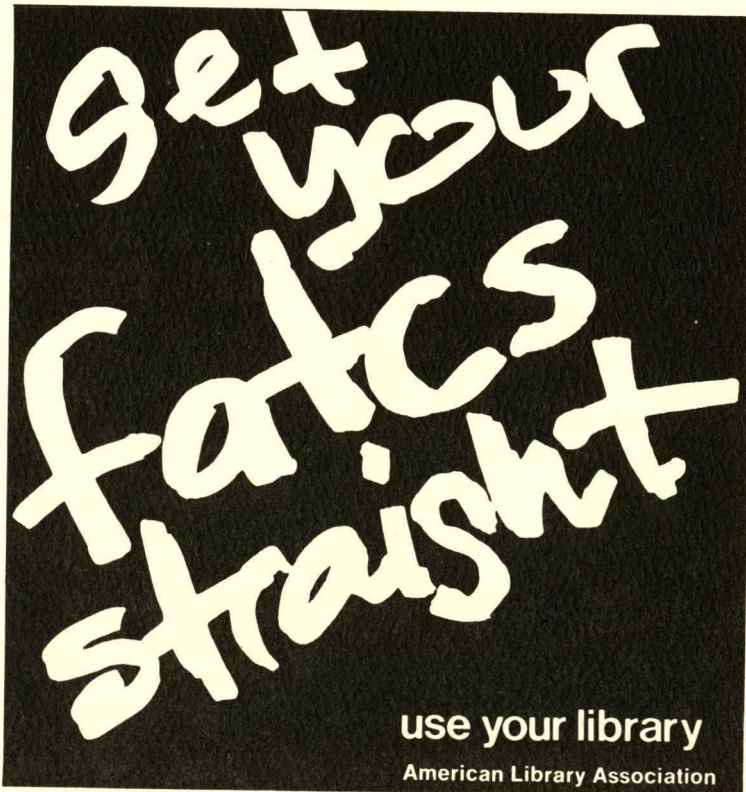
The COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY SECTION has just announced that two workshops will be held this spring.

The first one - formerly scheduled for March 23, 1978 - has been rescheduled for May 11, 1978, at the Fairmont State College Library. The main speaker will be Dr. Thomas Galvin, Dean of the Library School at the University of Pittsburgh. His topic will be "Use of Academic Library Collections."

The second workshop is being planned for June 16, 1978, at Alderson-Broaddus College. In-house papers will be presented on "Technological Change and its Effect on Library Service."

Both workshops will be open to all WVLA sections.

Terrie Eypolt, Chairperson of the Section, will be mailing flyers giving program details.



TITLE II-A - COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY FUNDING

Dr. Edward G. Holley, President emeritus of ALA, has been named to a committee of ALA which met recently with the Commissioners of Education in Washington regarding support for federal projects for libraries. The ALA committee was informed by the Commissioners that the Carter Administration intends to phase out the Title II-A program. This program has given direct materials grants to academic libraries over the past decade or

so in yearly amounts varying from \$5,000 to the \$3,855 awarded this past fiscal year.

The ALA committee is urging that the foregoing information be brought to the attention of all academic library directors and that letters be written to congressmen and senators alerting them of the plan and asking their support for the continuation of the program.

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