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From the President

The Great Transition is under way!

Last fall, when we voted to change the constitution and the by-laws, it was evident that 1978 would involve us in some organizational changes. Here is a brief report on what is happening.

1. We are adding four new “type of activity” sections this year: (1) Children and Young People, (2) Library Administration, (3) Public Service, and (4) Technical Service. For each new section, a temporary convener is being appointed to prepare for the organizational meeting at the convention in the fall. If you haven’t yet indicated which of these new sections you would be interested in joining, please get the word to Lynn Barron, SCLA Executive Secretary, 108 Dantzler Street, St. Matthews, S.C. 29135. This way, we can keep in touch as we go along.

2. The SCLA committee structure has now been reorganized so that an appointment is for three years, with one-third of the committee membership rotating off at the end of each calendar year. Every effective organization needs fresh ideas as well as continuity, and this system should give us both. We are working on specific committee assignments, and when this is completed, you will receive a copy of the complete roster.

3. Sections and round tables are being encouraged to move to a two-year planning cycle. With a few happy exceptions, there have been relatively few sectional activities apart from the convention, partly because it takes time to put together top quality workshops and special events. We think this can be remedied by longer-range planning within the sections, and with your support, we should see some improvement in this situation.

4. Our vice-president, Marty Pautz, is already working on plans for the convention in Columbia, October 12-14. The suggestions which came in through the Suggestion Box last year—112 of them—are being studied by the Planning Committee and by the Program Chairman. Not every suggestion is practical or feasible, but still, every idea submitted helps the planning process along. We appreciate your willingness to share your concerns.

5. Finally, two notes on personnel. Since for this year only, the office of Second Vice-President is appointive, I have asked our very able Constitution and By-Laws Committee chairperson, Gerda Belknapp, to serve in this capacity, which she has consented to do. And our new Executive Secretary, Lynn Barron, has been working closely with Barry Baker, our new Treasurer, to develop a computerized record-keeping system which should prove to be a great advantage to the Association. Lynn will also be much involved this year in the revision of the Association’s Handbook. If you have an idea you’d like to pass along, please let me know, and I will do my very best to get it into the right hands for study and response. Meanwhile, a happy spring and a great summer!

Lennart Pearson

State Library Records
Books for Handicapped

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South Carolina State Library
Division for the Blind and Physically Handicapped

The South Carolina State Library is a participating member in a Library of Congress program that provides reading materials to the blind and physically handicapped.

Because it has a responsibility to provide materials for the entire country, the Library of Congress selects titles for recording that will appeal to a general audience. Regional histories, local folklore, and the like usually do not meet the requirements of the Library of Congress’s book selection policy.

Books such as Pat Conroy’s The Water is Wide and Gwen Bristow’s Celia Garth have been recorded by the Library of Congress because of their general appeal, but Nell S. Graydon’s Tales of Columbia and Margaret Rhett Martin’s Charleston Ghosts have not been recorded because they are too regional in nature.

Until the advent and general acceptance of magnetic tape, handicapped users were effectively denied their right to read local materials due to technological barriers. A state library serving the handicapped had no way of making hard disc recordings of regional materials.

Most regional libraries in the Library of Congress’s network now provide a local recording program with the recording of local materials as a first priority; then secondly, other titles of a more general nature to supplement the Library of Congress’s collection.

The method of administering these projects varies from state to state. In some states, volunteer readers record in their homes using their own tape recorders, while other states, home recording is done on library owned tape recorders. Some states have recording studios in the library, while other states utilize recording studios of volunteer organizations. Some states use prison volunteers to record using individual tape recorders or studios. Combinations of the above can be found in many states. Each recording project is determined by local conditions and the resourcefulness of the library staff.

In South Carolina, the South Carolina State Library became a regional library for the blind and physically handicapped in September 1973. Due to the administrative problems inherent in beginning a basic program of library services to the handicapped, no steps were taken at that time to develop a local recording program; although the need for one was evident.

In 1975, the State Library felt that the time was right to consider recording South Caroliniana. Since coordinating a volunteer recording project is an involved job and since potential narrators have to be evaluated before allowing them to begin recording, the State Library decided to begin with a modest program initially. This decision was made so that any “bugs” in methodology could be solved and a carefull evaluation made before the project was expanded and put on a continuing basis.

The State Library did not have the resources to attract, train, or evaluate narrators, so it contacted Dr. Patti Gillespie, the Head of the Department of Theatre and Speech at the University of South Carolina for assistance. Dr. Gillespie was...
intrigued by the project and volunteered her students as possible narrators. The proposed project offered the University the opportunity to cooperate with the State Library on a service project. It would also provide practical training for speech students. Dr. Skip Stovall was assigned to serve as the Department of Theatre and Speech's advisor/coordinator for the project.

In discussions with Dr. Stovall and in listening to the vocal quality of Library of Congress produced books it was decided that the best approach to take in regard to type of narrators was to interest students in diction classes and in oral interpretation classes, rather than theatre students. Therefore, in the Fall Semester, 1975, students in diction and oral interpretation were informed of this project. It was arranged for students who volunteered and who completed a book to receive academic credit under a course entitled Forensic Laboratory.

Two students were needed for each recording team: one student to narrate the book and the other student to monitor the reading to ensure that textual integrity was maintained. The monitor also was to operate the tape recorder. Dr. Stovall evaluated the students before allowing them to begin recording.

The first recording team began work in November, 1975. The State Library did not have a recording studio or access to one, so this recording team used a Sony 105-A open-reel tape recorder provided by the State Library. The second team, also using a State Library tape recorder, started recording in February 1976. Both of these recording were subpar, mainly due to poor technical quality, and were not acceptable for inclusion in the State Library's collection. The fact that the students recorded at home, or elsewhere, under less than ideal conditions, accounted for most of the difficulties with these recordings. Vocal quality was also less than desired. These recordings took an inordinate amount of time to complete. This was, in part, due to the haphazard recording conditions. A set recording schedule was not possible due to various reasons, mainly logistical in nature.

Before beginning a third book a conference was held with Dr. Stovall to discuss measures to take to improve the quality of the recordings. The consensus was that the concept of the project was sound, but methods were wrong. What was needed was access to a recording studio. At this juncture Dr. Porter McLaurin of the University of South Carolina Department of Media Arts was informed of the problem. Dr. McLaurin had recording modules which he was willing to let us use. He also had students who had completed courses in basic and advanced audio who could work with the recording team. The Media Arts students would also receive academic credit, as well as valuable "hands on" experience.

Thus with renewed hope three recording teams of three members each, a narrator, a monitor, and an editor, began work in November, 1976. For all practical purposes these teams initiated the State Library's recording project since the first recordings were unacceptable. It would be nice to report that these students were given their assignments and completed the books without a hitch. They didn't, of course, but their mistakes have provided the State Library with needed information on how to administer the project. These first books were test balloons. The Arts students would also receive academic credit, as well as valuable "hands on" experience.

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One of the major difficulties encountered by the students was arranging their schedules so that all three would be prepared for a recording session when a recording module was available. After a slow, tentative start, they began to organize their time better and towards the end of the semester were working on a regular schedule.

It is still too early to say that this project is a smashing success, but from all indications it should prove to be an on-going project. Reaction from the students who have participated thus far has been favorable. Dr. Gillespie, Dr. Stovall, and Dr. McLaurin have all expressed interest in continuing the project. The project has been successful for the University of South Carolina because it has given their students training, as well as providing a community service.

The litmus test of the program's effectiveness rests with the blind and handicapped users of this State Library service. How do they feel about these books? For the most part reaction has been favorable. One recurring theme has been "We want more."

Even though these books have been added to the State Library's collection and have been accepted by the patrons, it is realized that their quality needs to be improved. Every effort will be made to increase both the number of titles produced each year and the quality of the recordings.

That this project will continue is not in doubt. What is in doubt is how the State Library can meet the demand for more and more locally produced materials. One volunteer recording group can not do it alone. Eventually recording projects may be established all over the state, on and off campus. When that day comes, we will always remember the encouragement and support received from those "present at the creation."
Spooks in the Summertime:
A Reading Club

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Parris Island

"The preacher told me that the ghost was a dead man's soul trying to tell me something..." Thus my friend, Jean Bennett, concluded her talk about the ghost she and all her family had seen and heard in her ante-bellum home in Port Royal, S.C. She was telling her story to 24 wide-eyed young members of the Haunted House Summer Reading Club from the Depot Library, Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C. Also in the audience, listening spellbound, in the front yard of the magnificent old house, were two parents, two librarians, and a Marine bus driver.

Mrs. Bennett's talk was a part of the Haunted House Bus Tour of Beaufort County, which was one of the activities of the reading club. On the tour, the children were driven to five homes in the area which were reputed to be haunted. The homes visited were: Retreat Plantation in Burton, the Bennett home in Port Royal, and "The Castle", "The Oaks", and the Smith-Herendeen house on The Point in Beaufort.

Mrs. Bennett told about her ghost and the history of her home, and I, as Head Librarian at Parris Island and a lover of local history, told the histories and ghost legends of the other homes, as their owners were unable to meet us that afternoon. All the owners, however, graciously consented to let us visit the gardens and verandahs of their historic homes and the children heard the stories in the lovely, shady yards of the old houses themselves, as they sat on the lawns or steps.

The Haunted House Reading Club was held in June and July of 1977 and was several months in the planning. The idea for it was conceived when a friend, Adeline Mujica, and I began collecting materials for a book we wrote up and duplicated a schedule and a form for book reports.

On this date, the children, who could have been from ages 6 to 18, but turned out to be ages 7 through 12, registered and each received a Haunted House bookmark, a progress chart, five book report forms, and a schedule of events. Additional book report forms and bookmarks were kept on the circulation desk to be available as needed. Only a short, one or two paragraph, report was required for each book read, just to show that the children had comprehended what they read, and not so long and detailed as to turn them off or make reading seem to be a chore. (Heaven forbid!)

The milestones in reading and awards were:

- **5 Books:** Haunted House diorama, a punch-out, stand-up illustration of a haunted house, ghosts, skeletons, witches, goblins, etc.
- **10 Books:** Haunted House Reading Club certificate, to be awarded at the Awards Day party in July.
- **15 Books:** A Haunted House Reading Club button.

Special awards (ghost finger puppets from Avon) were also given to the one child among the boys who read the most books and to the one girl who achieved the same goal for the girls. To encourage reading on the theme of the club, mysteries and books on ghosts, witches, haunted houses, supernatural, etc., were counted as two books in the tallying, while other books counted as one.

The kids were off and running from the very beginning and, naturally, books such as The Witch of Blackbird Pond, The Secret of the Seven Crows, Gus Was a Mexican Ghost, and Georgie and the Noisy Ghost were very popular as they counted for two points.

Some of the kids griped a little about having to write reports, but didn't seem to mind too much after they had written the first one or two. The written reports were a concession to expedience as I had let them give oral reports the year before, but didn't have time for that this summer. I prefer the oral reports as they establish rapport between the kids and the librarian and the children are just adorable giving them. However, some would take 45 minutes to give one report, and, with an extremely tight schedule in the 1977 summer, I just didn't have the time for oral reports. I regret to say. Written reports did, however, give the kids practice in expressing their thoughts on paper and enabled them to write their reports at home or in the library during hours when I wasn't working.

The kids read an unbelievable number of books and reported well. Some of the reports were really starting in their depth and comprehension. Little Joyce Fredrickson's reports were outstanding examples of this.

I was especially touched and inspired, also, by an 11-year-old boy whose mother called me the first week of the club and told me that her son hated to read and had never before read a whole book, so I promised him that I would read to him if he would tell me what he was interested in, such as sports and rock music. Fortunately, we had just processed and put out the Creative Education series of bibliographies of sports and entertainment stars for young adults. I led Paul (not his real name - I don't want other kids to tease him about his mother calling) to these and he read six, not a spectacular number, but great for Paul! He loved them! He wrote short, well-expressed reports, and is now well into reading for pleasure and fun.

We felt that our movie and the discussion afterwards were a success. The kids...
The bus tour was also highly successful and, on the ride home, the kids told their own ghost stories, laughed a lot, asked excited questions, and speculated on what it would be like to see one of the ghosts themselves. We stopped at the 7-11 for Cokes on the way home and the crusty old Marine bus driver actually commented on how interesting the tour was and how well-behaved the children were.

We also felt that the tour, in addition to being fun and inspiring the children to read fantasies and stories of the supernatural and to use their imaginations, helped to introduce these little literary dependents to the history and beauty of the civilian community in which their father's military base lies.

On Awards Day we played games (making as many words as possible out of words, Haunted House Reading Club; a drawing of “ghost stamps” which had come with the progress charts, the winning one of which had “prize” written on the back; and others) and the kids seemed to be having a ball with them. We also presented the certificates, discussed the club and how they felt about reading now that it was over, had our refreshments of ghost cake, cookies and punch, and awarded the special prizes.

Barbara Baltazar, with an amazing 82 books, read the most books among the girls and Jesse Emerick read 34 books to earn the prize for the boys. We were very proud of them and all the others for their accomplishments. And I think “Paul”, with his 6 books read, achieved as much as anyone else. As Melinda Schroeder said in Wilson Library Bulletin, we, as librarians, should be “...more concerned with the quality of children's reading, library and life experiences...” than “...with circulation statistics.” (1)

In looking back at the little Haunted House Reading Club (and it was little - 24 kids for six weeks; Parris Island has only a small number of quarters now for families with children of this age), I feel it achieved its goals in many ways. The kids loved the prizes, especially the dioramas, and really did some reading to earn them.

The question is often asked about summer reading programs, “Do you think there should be an external reward for reading a book, or should the reward be in the reading?” (2) I think Dr. Zacharie Clements answers this well in his interview in Wilson Library Bulletin, when he says, “you've still got to think in terms of external rewards. The emerging reader has not yet developed the understanding that the value of reading is in the reading itself. So, we've got to prime the pump...” (3)

So, as a result, I feel we did the right thing for our youngsters in setting goals and rewarding them for reading, because the end result seemed to be enjoyed the rewards and the reading.

As for improvements, in retrospect, I can see that, perhaps, a few more activities might have been fun, had I had the time. Maybe next summer. Melinda Schroeder suggests, “...puppet shows, folk singing programs, story hours, creative dramatics (children acting out stories), paper-folding workshops, etc., all of which can be related to books...Or a writing club in which they could write and 'publish' a book for the library child's public.” (4) Clements also proposes, “...lively new people to introduce books. Kids love to meet new people”. (5) The more activities, the more of the youngsters' senses exposed to the material of books, the better is the reading program and the more apt it is to inspire the kids to read, and love reading.

Clements says of summer reading programs in general around the country, “...there's simply a need for appeal...appeal of the setting, the library environment...appeal in communicating to the kids, in advertising the library; and most important...people appeal. Attractive interesting people who can communicate and who can relate to library users. But, we can't oversell a lame product. If we don't choose books that can deliver, that can appeal, that can hook the young reader, what's the use of all the rest?” (6)

I feel that our program and our library's collection had that appeal because of the kids' enthusiasm and the fact that they continued to read all summer after the program was over. And, of course, because little "Paul" read his six books enjoyed them so much. To reach even one child in this way makes all the working, planning and rushing around involved in a summer reading program more than worthwhile.

Footnotes

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OBITUARY: ELIZABETH LONG PORCHER

Long-time South Carolina librarian, Elizabeth Long Porcher, died on December 14, 1977, at her home in Charleston.

Miss Porcher, born Nov. 12, 1904, was a graduate of Converse College and received her library degree from Columbia University. She was head librarian at the High School of Charleston from 1928 to 1936, when she became head of the South Carolina Collection at U.S.C.

Following service with the Red Cross in World War II, she became head of the circulation department of the University of Denver Library, a position she held for 16 years.

She was director of the Abbeville-Greenwood Regional System from 1966 until her retirement in 1970.

Miss Porcher was recipient of the Radio Free Europe, Dorothy Canfield Fischer and Charles Cotton Dana Awards.
Orientation/Instruction Round-Up

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Beginning July 1 Project LOEX (Library Orientation-Instruction Exchange) will charge for its services. According to Carolyn Kirkendall, LOEX director, the center has offered free service for six years as a clearinghouse for library instruction materials and information but has lost its sources of outside funding and must become self-sustaining.

Ms. Kirkendall says they are seeking support from other sources. Meanwhile, she hopes the fees will enable them to remain open at least on a half-time basis. The first year the center will charge $30, which will cover all its services—the newsletter, the loan of LOEX materials, lists of resources, and referrals. After the first year they will probably have individual memberships and fees on a scale according to size.

"Although this is effective July 1," Ms. Kirkendall stresses, "we need subscriptions as soon as possible to see how long we can stay open." Further information on fees is available from Project LOEX, Center of Educational Resources, Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti, MI 48197.

SELA Directory Is Published

By now some of you should have copies of the SELA Southeastern Bibliographic Instruction Directory: Academic Libraries. The directory, which was published by SELA and compiled under the direction of the SELA Library Orientation and Bibliographic Instruction Committee, describes the programs of 349 libraries.

The 368-page directory, which is in looseleaf format without binder, may be purchased for $6.00 from the Southeastern Library Association, P.O. Box 987, Tucker, GA 30084. Checks should be made payable to SELA. Payment must accompany order.

Goings - On at USC

Many people who work with library orientation and bibliographic instruction complain that they received no training in library school to prepare them for these activities. I recently asked William Summers, Dean of the University of South Carolina College of Librarianship, what instruction in orientation and bibliographic instruction was available at the University.

"Basically we now give the topic some attention and are actively planning a course on interpreting the library to users," reported Dr. Summers. Martha Jane Zachert, who recently joined the USC faculty from the Florida State Library School, is strong in the area of bibliographic instruction and will be working with the new course.

Dr. Summers said one goal of the new course will be to help students see how orientation and bibliographic instruction can become a developmental process. People tend to think only in terms of college-level library instruction; but, states Dr. Summers, "Teaching the use of libraries should cut across all types of libraries and all age levels."

Individualized Instruction in Elementary School

Lucia Bryson, the librarian at West Hodges Intermediate School in Hodges, Greenwood School District Number 50, definitely agrees with Dr. Summers. A program to provide individualized instruction in library skills through a learning activities program for the 135 students in the fourth, fifth and sixth grades at West Hodges has been in full operation since fall 1976.

Each student entering West Hodges receives a pretest of library skills in nine areas such as the card catalog, alphabetical order, and the parts of a book. After the test is graded, each student receives an individual plan of action that indicates in what skills the student needs additional work. Mrs. Bryson, the student, and the student's language arts teacher, have a copy of the plan.

The students choose when they will work and may work on the skills in whatever order they wish. In the Media Center there is a learning station, with a box for each skill. The activities for the skills may involve the use of such media as cassettes, commercial kits, filmstrips and transparencies. Mrs. Bryson notes that she frequently revises the activities as she discovers more effective methods or new commercial products.

After a student completes all the activities for a skill, he or she takes a post test. The program has goal to have 15 percent of the students complete satisfactorily all of the skills by the time they finish sixth grade. Mrs. Bryson has occasionally found it helpful to pull together groups of sixth graders who have not completed a certain skill to motivate them to continue to move through the program.

West Hodges is an IGE (Individually Guided Education) school, which receives assistance through the State Department of Education. Mrs. Bryson feels their small size and the cooperative attitude of both teachers and administrators has provided an ideal climate for the program.

Margaret Ehrhardt, library consultant with the South Carolina Department of Education, tells me that all South Carolina schools are doing something in library instruction. Some districts such as Greenville have developed very good skills workbooks. The library consultants have worked with groups of school districts to develop guides to bibliographic instruction so as a child changes schools his learning experiences are coordinated.

Mrs. Ehrhardt notes that there are about fifty IGE schools like West Hodges throughout the state. In an individually guided education school, teachers consult with librarians when planning courses, and students use the library on an individual basis instead of visiting the library with a class.

Conferences, Conferences

The Eighth Annual Eastern Michigan University Orientation/Instruction Conference is scheduled for May 4 and 5. The conference, entitled "How to Teach and How to Evaluate," will be on a relatively basic level and will include workshops, discussion groups, panel presentation and speakers. The deadline for registration is close to this issue's publication date so if you want to try to get in at the last minute, call Carolyn Kirkendall at EMU (313-487-0168).

The Educating the Library User Interest Group of the Southeastern Library Association is planning a preconference at the October 6-7 SELA/SWLA Joint

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**Student Survival Skills**  
**In a High School Library**  

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A few years ago, open education became an alternative approach to learning for several hundred students at West Charlotte High School. With it came new course offerings, one of which was team-taught by the media specialists. Since independent study and research are vital to the success of the open school student, the need to improve the research skills of these students was apparent.

A basic reference course seemed to be the answer in order to provide the students with research skills which would be general enough to be useful in all their courses. On the other hand, many of the open school students spent long hours in the public library, the university libraries, and various special libraries in the Charlotte vicinity. They also needed skills which would help them sift minute details from sources not generally considered essential to high school research.

The course was offered as an elective, for which the students received credit toward their English requirements. For one quarter of the school year, the class, which was limited to fifteen students, met twice each week in the media center with at least one of three media specialists. At these class meetings, instructions were given, reference sources were examined, assignments were made, and any problems encountered with previous assignments were discussed.

On the other three days, the class worked independently on their reference assignments, which were actually mini-versions of the kinds of reference assignments which all library schools expect of their students. Realizing that their assignments required perseverance and attention to detail, the students worked hard.

In keeping with the media center concept, all types of media were included in this course. The students were expected to use audiovisual as well as printed materials. In order to keep them interested and to make the course relevant to their individual needs, they were periodically encouraged to choose subjects of interest to them and to apply their research skills to their chosen subjects. This proved to be a good way to reinforce what they had already learned, and it increased their self-confidence as researchers.

Learning was further reinforced by the continuous application of the research skills to their other courses. The students were able to note their own progress on a day to day basis. Their evaluations of themselves at the end of the course indicated some positive factors, which are worth noting:

1. They had become more aware of library resources.
2. They had become more efficient in locating information.
3. They were able to take more useful and concise notes.
4. They had learned the importance of compiling detailed and accurate bibliographies.

As a member of the media team who taught the class, I can attest to the fact that many of the students who were enrolled in the class have since approached the media center with more confidence in their ability to handle research efficiently and systematically.

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**The Myrtle Beach Convention:**  
**Something for Everyone**  

Sylvia Zack  
Chairman of Learning Resources  
Horry-Georgetown Technical College

The 1977 SCLA Convention, Myrtle Beach. South Carolina librarians, 400 of them, coming together to find inspiration, learn from each other, and have fun. An array of speakers addressing topics of professional concern. Talk of writing and reviewing in the South. South Carolina authors speaking to the most receptive audience they'll ever find. Reorganization of SCLA. More exhibits than ever before. A controversial film. Lousy weather. High prices and poor food. Nice parties. The 51st annual convention of SCLA had all this and more.

The convention program featured both in-state and out-of-state speakers addressing such topics as: the White House Conference and Governor's Conference on Libraries, library service or superficiality, library education in South Carolina, the librarian as a professional, and librarians as information brokers.

In addition to general sessions and section meetings, there were round table meetings (JMRT and Library Education) and special interest discussions (SOLINET and Government Documents).

The censorship issue was presented in two scheduled showings of a film entitled "The Speaker." This controversial film was produced by the Intellectual Freedom Committee of ALA.

The man responsible for the convention program was Dr. Lennart Pearson, Librarian at Presbyterian College. He was then Vice-President, President-Elect of SCLA and has since assumed the presidency of the association. His long hours of careful planning made this year's convention a success.

When not attending meetings, convention participants had the opportunity to visit a colorful exhibit area where major publishers, jobbers, and library suppliers were showing their wares. Aside from the cold, rainy weather, exhibitors had little to complain about. Most exhibitors agreed that they received the best response yet from SCLA.

No library convention would be complete without the chance for the librarian and the library businessman to meet. Sometimes the competition for business gets fierce on the exhibit floor. Competitors are thrown together in close quarters and vie for the attention of the sometimes skeptical librarian. Of course everyone knows that an invitation to an exhibitor's cocktail party always helps business. It's all part of the game.

There were plenty of parties, both planned and spontaneous, which gave participants the chance to relax from the day's activities. At the Hospitality Hour, sponsored by the exhibitors, librarians enjoyed each other's company over drinks and hors d'oeuvres.

The alumni of the UNC School of Library Science met at their reunion breakfast at which time Dr. Edward Holley showed slides of the UNC library school.

A library convention means many things to many people. From my viewpoint as
local arrangements chairmen, the convention was like a giant locomotive running its course. Once the wheels were set in motion, there was very little anyone could do to alter the course. Therefore, my strategy was to remain as anonymous as possible. This strategy must have been at least partially successful, because at one point an exhibitor asked me if I was affiliated with the hotel, the exhibitors, or the library association.

Here’s a closer look at what happened during SCLA, 1977.

**General Sessions**

**Service or Superficiality**

“Libraries are for People” was the convention theme. In keeping with this theme, Ella G. Yates, Director of the Atlanta Public Library System, addressed the opening session on the subject of “Service or Superficiality: Are We Able to Deliver.” Yates encouraged the audience to examine new concepts of the library in the community. “Our libraries must be able, in this society of instantness: instant food, instant travel, instant love, to deliver instant information,” Yates said.

In an A to Z list, Yates covered the vast array of information requests now received by libraries.

Librarians were challenged to become involved in the community in order to serve its citizens; to learn the art of influencing the political process; to communicate on legislative issues and stimulate citizen support.

The problems facing librarians are great: escalating costs of materials, equipment, and maintenance; inadequacies in personnel; tight budgets; and increasing demands for more services. In spite of these problems, Yates’ message to South Carolina librarians was a resounding: Yes, we are able to deliver; Yes, librarians can meet the informational needs of citizens in this complex, technological society.

**Reorganization of SCLA**

According to Margaret Ehrhardt, then President of SCLA, the most significant thing that transpired at the convention was the changing of the Constitution. The following type-of-activity sections were created: children and young people, library administration, public service, and technical services.

Ehrhardt stated that these new sections will provide more opportunities to participate in smaller interest groups and will allow for across-the-board participation from all types of libraries.

Should the chairman of each Round Table be allowed on the Executive Board? This issue sparked the most heated controversy at the meeting. The membership voted that the Round Table Chairmen would be allowed on the Board as non-voting members.

Other changes in the Constitution approved by the membership included: dues changes which will go into effect in 1979; the creation of the office of Second Vice-President; addition of a continuing education standing committee, and addition of a separate trustee section.

The business meeting was a healthy sign for SCLA. The controversy which arose over several issues indicated that the membership is more concerned and involved in their association than ever before.

**White House Conference**

Alice B. Ihrig’s straightforward address created an enthusiasm for the possibilities of a national White House Conference focusing on libraries. Ihrig is from the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science. She spoke to the audience about their role in the White House Conference to be held in the fall of 1979. She was quick to point out that most librarians will not be going to Washington since two-thirds of the delegates will be laymen and one-third librarians. However, all librarians can become involved on a local level by publicizing the Conference and participating in regional meetings.

Each state will hold its own conference prior to the national meeting. Betty Callaham, Deputy Librarian at the State Library, followed Ihrig with a report on plans for the South Carolina Governor’s Conference on Libraries. Callaham is Conference Coordinator for the state meeting. The state conference will see if library services meet the current needs of South Carolina citizens, determine what services must be developed in the state, and encourage library support by making people aware of the importance of libraries.

**Banquet**

Dr. Louis B. Wright, internationally respected author, editor, and scholar, addressed the banquet on the subject of book collectors—an address which he entitled “Snappers-Up of Unconsidered Trifles.” Wright is a native South Carolinian and Director Emeritus of the Folger Shakespeare Library. He addressed the SCLA Convention in 1948, and his return visit was a special occasion.

Wright drew from his book *Of Books and Men* in describing eminent and not so eminent book collectors. His own experiences as a collector for the Folger Shakespeare Library and his delightful sense of humor added to the evening’s enjoyment.

**Education for Librarianship**

The faculty of the College of Librarianship, U.S.C., presented an overview of their Master’s program. Participants included: Bill Summers, Dean; Elspeth Pope; Charles Curran; and Dan Barron.

A slide/tape program about the curriculum, continuing education and plans for the future was presented. This program is available on loan form the College of Librarianship.

The session was well attended and well received by the membership.

**Convention Breakfast**

**Southern Writing and Reviewing**

William Starr delighted his audience with comments on Southern writing and reviewing in the Seventies. Starr is columnist and Cultural Affairs Editor for *The State* newspaper in Columbia.

Starr observed that Southern writers have always been able to deal effectively and believably with the problems of race, religion, and region. Another talent of Southern writers is their storytelling ability.

A brief historical account of Southern writing was presented. Beginning in the 1920’s the region experienced a Southern Renaissance. The South became the dominant literary region of the nation with such authors as William Faulkner, Eudora Welty, Flannery O’Connor and others.

South Carolina came to the Renaissance a bit later than the rest of the South. During the last decade there has been a growing awareness of writers in the state.

“There has never been a period in the state’s history when there have been so many writers of such quality,” Starr said.

Starr concluded by saying that the responsibility of the critic in South Carolina in
the late 1970's is to "encourage the creative impulse and promote what is worthwhile."

**JMRD Luncheon**

**Changing Politics of Color**

The transformation of South Carolina politics was the subject of an address by Jack Bass, noted journalist and Writer-in-Residence at South Carolina State College. Bass views the transformation as the changing politics of color. The address was based on his most recent book *The Transformation of Southern Politics* written in collaboration with Walter De Vries.

"The central change in South Carolina politics...is that the old politics of race is dead, and it is dead because it no longer works," Bass said.

He observed that in no other state has the political role of blacks changed so completely, so quickly, and with fewer jagged edges than in South Carolina.

**Section Meetings**

**Librarians as Information Brokers**

The critical problems facing academic librarians were examined by Connie Dunlap, Duke University Librarian, in an address to the College and University Section. These problems included: fee-based access to information; library economics; and the future role of academic librarians in the Information Age.

Dunlap examined the role of librarians as information brokers—a role which makes many librarians uncomfortable. It forces them to think about costs and monetary value of their services. However, Dunlap pointed out that librarians have always been information brokers in the very broadest sense. Even though fee-based access to information is not new, the instances are now growing in number, much to the alarm of many in the profession.

Another problem facing academic librarians involves the rising cost of materials and decreasing budgets.

To deal with this problem, Dunlap stated that "the single most important step we can take as a profession in the years ahead is to become students of library economics."

Librarians must develop expertise in library economics and management if they are to produce the results demanded in the future.

**Point - Counterpoint**

What is the purpose of the public library? Ella Yates in the opening session emphasized the service functions of the library. Owen S. Connelly, Jr., in his address to the Public Library Section, stated that "the purpose of public libraries ultimately is to improve the general literacy of the public."

He continued by saying that service functions are fine in libraries to a point. However, if they are overdone, citizens will be cheated of a chance at higher leadership.

Connelly, professor of modern European history at U.S.C., is an historian and author of several major studies about Napoleon. Public libraries have played an important part in his life since boyhood.

**Idea Exchange**

About 200 school librarians attended an informal session which generated a successful interchange of ideas. Plans were made to hold mini-sessions at next year's

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The IRS has rejected the application for tax-exempt status. Legal council was engaged; an ad hoc committee is working on this matter.

Computer access was lost in May, but is hoped that some access will be regained shortly. Mr. Dove has appreciated the patience of the Association members during the manual transition.

Mr. Dove thanked the officers for their cooperation during his four years as treasurer.

Mrs. Ehrhardt announced that 391 persons have registered for the Convention.

Committee Reports

Constitution and By-Laws: Mrs. Ehrhardt announced that the call to the meeting indicated that a revision of the Constitution would be primary business. The Ad Hoc Committee on Activities, chaired by Miss Lois Barbour, tabulated the results of the membership survey conducted at last year’s Convention. A Constitution and By-laws Committee was appointed with Mrs. Gerda Belknap as Chairman to carry out the wishes of the membership as indicated in the survey.

Mrs. Gerda Belknap reported: “The Constitution and By-laws Committee moves the adoption of the revised By-laws and the Amendments to the Constitution effective January 1, 1978, with the following provisos. (1) The dues change will not go into effect until the dues for 1979. (2) The Executive Board will provide for an orderly transition during the year 1978. The President will appoint a Second Vice-President. The Type of Activity Sections will be organized with an Acting Chairman appointed to serve until election can be held.”

CONSTITUTION: Article IV: To amend by inserting “First: before ‘Vice-President,’ “and by inserting “Second Vice-President” after “President-Elect.” This was passed unanimously.

Article V: To amend by striking “Committee” and inserting “Board” after “Executive.” This was passed with a unanimous vote.

Article VI: To amend by striking out the words following “Past-President” and inserting “and the Chairman of each section. Ex-officio members without vote: the American Library Association Councilor, the Southeastern Library Association Representative, and the Editor of The South Carolina Librarian.” Mr. William Cooper offered the following amendment to the amendment: “Following Ex-officio members without vote:” to add “and the Chairman of each Round Table.” Ms. Drucilla Reeves seconded the motion. It was carried.

Mr. Dennis Bruce presented another amendment to Article V: To strike the words “Past-President” from the membership of the Executive Board. It was seconded by Ms. Susan Roberts. This motion was defeated.

Ms. Helen DeWitt moved that the Immediate Past-President serve as ex-officio only. This was seconded by Ms. Sherry Harrington. This motion was defeated.

Mrs. Belknap moved the adoption of Article V as amended. This carried unanimously.

Article VII: To insert “Section 2. The South Carolina Library Association shall be a member of the Southeastern Library Association and shall elect one of its members to serve as South Carolina Representative on the Southeastern Library Association Board for a term in accordance with the requirements of the Southeastern Library Association.” The vote was unanimous for this amendment.

Article IX: To insert this article: “In the event of dissolution the assets of this Association shall be distributed to one or more organizations exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.” The vote was unanimous.

BY-LAWS: Article I, Section 2b. Mr. Robert Tucker moved to change the word “life” to “honorary.” The motion passed.

After general discussion concerning dues and the amount of money in the Treasury, Ms. Betty Callahan called for a vote on adoption of the Article. This motion for a vote did not pass.

Mr. John Landrum moved that the words “and exhibitors” be included in Section 2f. Ms. Drucilla Reeves seconded the motion which passed.

After discussion a vote was taken on Article I of the By-laws. The Article, as amended, passed. The vote was affirmative for Articles II, III, and IV.

Article V, Section 2, Mr. Barry Baker moved that “Continuing Education” be inserted in this section.

Ms. Peggy Cover seconded this motion which passed. The entire Article passed as amended.

Article VI, Section 2b and 2c: Mr. Alan Rost made the following motion, seconded by Ms. Carol Duggan: Section 2b: Add “Trustee” to Type of Activity Section and Section 2c: Delete “such as a Trustee Subdivision of the Public Library Section.” The motion passed. The entire Section passed as amended.

Articles VII, VIII, IX, and X passed as proposed.

PLANNING COMMITTEE: Committee persons should report no later than March 1 of each year.

(See report elsewhere in this issue.)

Mr. Laurence R. Milin, Editor, SOUTH CAROLINA LIBRARIAN, led in a round of applause for Mr. Lester Duncan, former editor of the official publication. Mr. Duncan served in this capacity for seven years.
Third Annual Friend of Libraries Award

This is an award to recognize a South Carolinian outside the profession who has by his support made a significant contribution to South Carolina Libraries. This award seeks particularly to recognize individuals who have given unselfishly of their time and talents over a sustained period of time.

The nominee may be any lay person who is a friend of libraries, whether he be associated with school, public, academic, or special libraries in the state. The award will be presented annually except in years when the judges feel that no truly meritorious nominee has been presented.

If you would like to nominate someone for this award which will be presented at the Association's meeting in October, please make application on the form provided. Nominations may be submitted by any member of the South Carolina Library Association.

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AD HOC COMMITTEE ON THE SOUTH CAROLINA LIBRARY, Mr. J. Mitchell Reames, Chairman. (See elsewhere in this issue.)

RECRUITING COMMITTEE: Mr. John Landrum, Chairman. (See elsewhere in this issue.)

TELLEITICAL FREEDOM: Mrs. Ehrhardt expressed appreciation to Mr. Michael Newman and other members of the Committee for obtaining and showing the film THE SPEAKER.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: (See elsewhere in this issue.)

NEW BUSINESS: Mrs. Ehrhardt, in the President's Report, expressed her appreciation for the opportunity to serve the Association. Progress has been made during the year in many areas. A By-laws and Constitution Committee has proposed revision of both documents, based on the expressed wishes of the Membership. An Executive Secretary has been employed on a part-time basis. Much remains to be done concerning the White House Conference and the South Carolina Governor's Conference on Libraries. More continuing education opportunities need to be provided. It is hoped that the History of South Carolina Libraries can be initiated soon. Dates for future conventions need to be established.

Due to the illness of Mr. Kenneth Toombs, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, Mrs. Ehrhardt read the nominations for officers of the South Carolina Library Association:

President: Dr. Lennard Pearson, Librarian, Presbyterian College
Vice-President and President-Elect: Mr. Martin R. Fauz, Director, Learning Resources, Greenville Technical College
Secretary: Ms. Mary McAlvie, Denny Terrace School, Columbia
Treasurer: Mr. Barry Baker, Assistant Director for Technical Services, University of South Carolina.

There being no nominations from the floor, Ms. Libby Law moved to accept the nominations as presented by the Committee. The motion was passed unanimously.

Mr. Paul Dove announced that a refund for the banquet tickets would be given to those fifteen persons who were served something other than the selected meal.

Mrs. Ehrhardt requested that the Membership give some indication of preference for the time of the annual meeting. Slightly more members noted a preference for a spring meeting. This would be for the year 1979.

Mrs. Margaret Huff, Secretary, read the duties of the Executive Secretary. Mr. Alan Rost expressed appreciation to Mr. Paul Dove, Treasurer, for this contributions to the Association for the past four years.

The Membership seconded this expression with applause.

After drawing for the door prize, the meeting adjourned at 12:10.
Convention Minutes:
Sections and Roundtables

The College and University Library Section

The College and University Library Section met October 14, 1977, in the Grand Strand Ballroom, Landmark Hotel, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.

The Chairman, Ms. Shirley Tarlton of the Winthrop College Library, called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.


The nominating committee presented the name of Mrs. Frankie Cubbedge of the University of South Carolina, Aiken, as chairman elect. As no nominations were received from the floor, Mrs. Cubbedge was declared vice-chairman of the section.

Clayton Owens, of the Reference Department at the Winthrop College Library, introduced the speaker, Mrs. Connie Dunlap, university librarian at Duke since 1975.

Speaking on the topic, "Librarians and Information Brokers in the Information Age," Mrs. Dunlap explored with the group some critical problems academic libraries are facing and will probably continue to face in the reasonably foreseeable future. They include fee based access to information, library economics, and the future role of librarians in the information age.

Citing examples of fees for services at public and university libraries since the nineteenth century, she stressed the present growth of fee based services through networks, cooperative library organizations, commercial data bases, and interlibrary loans. Goals to which librarians should be working include public support for the principle of access to information without specific charge and memberships in cooperative ventures.

Problems anticipated include decline in student population, shortage of energy with increased cost of everything else, increasing productivity outside campus while relative stationary productivity within institutions, and decline in the growth of college and university income from the federal government, gifts, and endowments. With machinery increasingly being used for routine tasks to improve productivity, library staffs will be shifted into areas requiring uniquely human ability. Challenges in the future can be summarized as increased demand for access to information accompanied by diminishing financial resources.

Suggested ways for librarians to meet these challenges include becoming students of library economics by learning management skills; undertaking new studies in technology applied to library procedures; concentrating on making the library collection accessible and providing information services including proper management of knowledge workers. Most of the problems center around questions of time and money and their proper application to efforts. She challenged the group to continue as they have in the past to make information available but with increasing awareness of its critical value in an information age.

Ms. Tarlton thanked Mrs. Dunlap for sharing these sobering thoughts.

Mrs. Presau reminded the group that the next section meeting would be next fall in Columbia. She invited individuals to share program ideas and concerns. The meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Public Library Section

Prior to the opening of the Public Library Section Business Meeting, the trustees and public librarians joined together to hear the guest speaker. Ms. Davy Jo Ridge, of the University of South Carolina Libraries; introduced Owen S. Connelly; Professor of European History at the University of South Carolina. Professor Connelly, a Napoleonic specialist, presented an interesting talk entitled, "A Napoleonic Looks at Public Libraries."

Dennis Bruce, vice-chairman, called the business meeting of the Public Library Section to order at 3:40 p.m. A motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes was made. Ms. Estellene Walker offered a correction to the minutes. The report in the South Carolina Librarian is in error in stating that the State Library recommended a reduction in State Aid. The recommendation of the State Library made involved a special fund not included in the State Aid appropriation for distribution to the counties. The State Library has never recommended a reduction in State Aid to the Budget and Control Board or to anyone else. It was determined that his matter was contained in the published section report and not in minutes. The motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes was seconded and passed.

Larry Nix, Chairman of a Legislative Committee, presented a report on proposed legislation. This committee was formed in May 1977, by the Public Library Directors. Currently each county has its own individual library legislation. This legislation will end in 1980 with the Home Rule Act. The purpose of the act is to clarify the status of county public libraries under the "home rule legislation," to define the relationship between county government and county library systems, and to insure the continued operation and support of county libraries on a uniform basis.

Ms. Estellene Walker, State Librarian, presented a report on State Aid. The Budget and Control Board has issued the same requirements as last year for submitting departmental budgets. The State Library has been allowed to budget only $3,000.00 more, but general costs are higher. The State Library's budget has already been cut drastically in janitorial and book purchasing areas. This year the State Library will make a supplemental budget request in an effort to replace the losses in janitorial and book purchasing areas plus allow for a 15 cents per capita increase in State Aid. Public Librarians should be ready to offer support for the supplemental budget when needed.

A committee was appointed representing each district to coordinate efforts in promoting the State Aid increase: District 1--Larry Nix; 2--Mrs. Harold McCord; 3--William F. Kay; 4--Mrs. Gerda Belknap; 5--Mrs. Beverly Uhler; 6--Chapman J. Milling, Jr; 7--Mrs. Cynthia Phelps; 8--Mrs. Catherine Lewis; 9--M's. Emily Sanders; 10--Mrs. Julia Zachowski.

Chapman J. Milling, Jr., presented the report of the nominating committee. Officers for 1978 were accepted as follows:

Chairman: Dennis Bruce, Spartanburg County Library.
Vice-Chairman: Mrs. Alice Nolte, South Carolina State Library.
Secretary-Treasurer: Ms. Louis Marcum, Oconee County Library.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:04 p.m.

School Section

The recommendation was made at the 9:45 session that plans be made for a morning session for school librarians by school grade divisions (elem., middle, high) for the 1978 convention of SCLA.

President-elect Pat Scales suggested the formation of a volunteer "Programming Committee" which was formed of the volunteers as listed: Debbie Coleman, Irene Kaz, Rosa Riley, Rita Crompton, Dottie Shockley, Ann Shaver, Francis Ridgell, Mary Ann Munn, Sheila Quinn, Mary Ruth Cooke, and Jessie S. Price.

Suggestions for topics for the morning "Mini-Group" sessions included:
1. "Children's Book Week" ideas
2. How to get teachers to use the library
3. How can librarians increase impact of Media Services (print and non-print) on the school program
4. How to encourage reading for love of reading, ie, reading motivation
5. Scheduling of classes in elementary school library in contrast to flexible scheduling and how to arrange it
6. Use of Title IV Selection, purchase of materials, etc.
7. Workshop on ITV and Radio
8. How to organize effective media centers in school
9. Evaluation of Media Program in schools
10. List of promotion for books (Book Presentations) to be shared, including exhibits by librarians and creative student-made materials
11. Mini-session on Book Award Program in S.C. and how to expand use it effectively in the Media Program in the school and How to include High School.
12. Services provided by the State Library such as the handicapped Program, which has a loan system with software and equipment for the visually and physically handicapped. Information and material is available by calling this number: 1-800-922-1534

A second item of discussion at the morning session was on how librarians are now using or working with S.C. Book Award Books. Some suggestions and ideas include:
1. Having a Longer time for purchase of books on the list
2. Materials to introduce and present the books, including taped children's interviews with the authors are obtainable from this address: S.C. Book Award Committee Chairman
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3. Extra emphasis on Award Books during Children's Book Week & American Educ. Week (Have
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Children sign up to read
4. The Selection Committee has requested more teacher-student recommendations of books for consideration.
5. Have teachers read the books to 4th & 5th grades.
6. Designate a "Reading Time" during the day for the entire school.

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School Section

The School Division of the South Carolina Library Association met at 3:00 p.m. on October 14, 1977 in Grand Ballroom of the Landmark Hotel, Myrtle Beach, S.C. Mrs. Esma Gandy of Spring Elementary School, Darlington, S.C., Chairman of the School Library Section, presided.

Mrs. Gandy called the meeting to order and introduced the speaker, Mrs. Joyce Proctor Beamom of Saratoga. A teacher of English and librarian of Saratoga Central High School, Mrs. Beamom’s outstanding credentials included the 1977 Terry Sandford Award for Creativity in Teaching and the authorship of three books for children. Mrs. Beamom presented a program of inspirational readings entitled “Bloom Where Planted.”

The business meeting began with the reading of the minutes from the 1976 annual convention meeting. These were approved and accepted as read.

Mrs. Gandy then called for any new business. It was noted that the 1978 Morning Buzz Session will be included in the convention meeting. The slate of new officers for the 1977-78 school year were accepted as presented. They are as follows:

Chairman: Ms. Pat Scales, Greenville Middle School
Vice-Chairman: Mrs. Errula Dozier, Conway Middle School
Secretary: Mrs. Ava Lavery, Westcliffe Elementary (Greenville)

Following the introduction of the new officers, the Chairman-elect, Ms. Scales spoke briefly to the group of her appreciation for volunteers for the program committee, her plans to appoint a new committee to discuss merger and of the importance of supporting the Southeastern Library Assoc.

Mrs. Gandy concluded the Business Meeting with the request that any suggestions concerning SCLA be placed in the Suggestion Box, and with the announcement that for the Southeastern LA nomination for the 1978 Outstanding Author Award is available.

Mrs. Gandy expressed her appreciation to the membership and adjourned the meeting.

Special Libraries Section

The Special Libraries Section met on October 22nd during the SCLA Conference at Myrtle Beach. The following officers were elected: Neeta Shah, Williams S. Hall Psychiatric Institute - Chairman, Lynn Garrote, Florence-Darlington Technical College - Vice Chairman, Cheryl Kelly, Horger Library, S.C. State Hospital - Secretary.

Although there were no section meetings during the year, the membership increased by approximately fifteen percent as a result of the active membership drive. The new SCLA constitution, which provides for subdivisions within sections “to provide a forum for members with special interest”, should encourage membership among special librarians since they will be able to meet with members whose backgrounds and interest are similar to theirs.

The Special Libraries Section program at the convention included an address by Dr. Tena Cummings, the Executive Director of the National Federation of Business and Professional Women’s Clubs, on the topic of “The Librarian as a Professional Person.” In her talk, Dr. Cummings stressed the psychological and sociological factors in selecting a profession and the possible impact of an excessive number of librarians on the professional field.

JMRT 1977 Convention Report

JMRT sponsored its annual convention luncheon. Jack Bass, Writer-in-Residence at South Carolina State College, was the speaker and spoke on the “Transformation of South Carolina Politics.” Mr. Bass discussed the changes that had taken place in the politics of South Carolina since the end of World War II.

Two main items of business were presented to the membership at the JMRT membership meeting. First was the election of officers for 1978. Brenda Shumpert, Vice Chairwoman during 1977 became Chairman for 1978. Other officers elected were Ida Williams of McCants Elementary School in Columbia as Secretary and Julie Zachowski of Beaufort County Library as Treasurer.

The other item of business discussed was the action to take to keep JMRT represented on the SCLA Executive Board. Under a proposed new constitution which was to be presented to the membership of SCLA, neither JMRT or any other round table would have any representation on the Board. It was decided, after some discussion, to present an amendment to the constitution to give round tables ex-officio status. This amendment was presented during the Saturday morning business session and was approved with no significant opposition among the SCLA membership.

Library Education Round Table

The second meeting of the Library Education Round Table (LERT) was held at the SCLA Convention in October, 1977. This Round Table is concerned with library education on the graduate and undergraduate levels in South Carolina. At this meeting representatives from around the state presented information concerning their library education programs, and a booklet on the library education programs available in South Carolina was distributed to all respondents. The Round Table reelected the following officers for another term:

Helen Jordan (Columbia College Library) ....... Chairman
Bernice Middleton (South Carolina State College Library) ........ Secretary

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Convention for elementary, middle, and high school librarians. Suggested topics for discussion at these mini-sessions included: how to get teachers to use the library, how to organize effective media centers, use of Title IV, and “Children’s Book Week” ideas.

Joyce Proctor Beamom, teacher and librarian at Saratoga Central High School in North Carolina, presented a program of inspirational readings at the School Section meeting.

The Professional Librarian

Tena Cummings, Executive Director of the National Federation of Business and Professional Women’s Clubs, addressed the Special Libraries Section on the topic of the librarian as a professional person.

In analyzing the sociological and psychological reasons behind a career choice, Cummings stated that “complete freedom of occupational choice is exaggerated and many constraints operate to limit the choice.”

Her message to practicing librarians was a positive one. They are not limited by what someone else thinks a librarian does. Librarians can chart their own course.

Looking To The Future

The Planning Committee is already at work to make the 1978 SCLA Convention a success. The convention will be held in Columbia, October 12-14. This meeting promises to be interesting. The new type-of-activity sections will have their organizational meetings. The membership will see the results of the Constitutional changes enacted last year.

Pearson reported that many good suggestions came in through the suggestion box. These have been turned over to the Planning Committee.

SCLA needs the support and involvement of its membership in order to grow and mature. A strong state library association helps libraries and librarians to better serve the people of South Carolina. Show your support by attending SCLA this year.
Annual Reports of Section and Committees

Public Library Section

A number of public libraries not members of South Carolina Library Association were contacted in an effort to increase public library membership in the section and the organization.

The Committee to Increase State Aid with Dennis Bruce, director of Spartanburg Library, Chairman, continued its interest in seeking increased state funding. The chairman attended all meetings of a group of public library directors organized by the South Carolina State Library. The possible adverse effect of such an organization on the Public Library Section of South Carolina Library Association was brought to the attention of the members.

Junior Members Round Table

This was an active year for JMRT. In April, a workshop was presented about library orientation, and approximately 125 people attended. Librarians with unique orientation programs from around the state were asked to make presentations explaining their programs. Registrants were given opportunity to respond to the presentations and give suggestions of their own about unique ways of orientation.

Simultaneous sessions were held in the morning and repeated in the afternoon for school, academic, and public librarians. We received several favorable comments about this format in that it allowed each registrant to attend sessions on two types of libraries.

Librarians giving presentations were Eileen Nelson of the University of South Carolina, Jane Pressau of Presbyterian College, Verena Bryson, Greenville County Library, Margaret Haynes, Laurens County Library, Mary King of Grove Elementary School in Piedmont, Noreen Derrick of Brooklyn-Cayce High School, and Helen Callison of Brooklyn-Cayce.

A beach weekend to allow JMRTers to get to know each other was scheduled for the end of May. This, unfortunately, was not very successful, maybe because it was the weekend before Memorial Day.

Alan Rost did a commendable job handling the literary map distribution. He proposed that the maps be given free to libraries around the state instead of JMRT attempting to sell them. He reported that the cost of producing the maps had been recovered. This proposal was presented to the Executive Board of SCLA in December and was approved. The maps will be distributed during 1978.

Judy Sessions, who served as publicity chairman, resigned her position when she accepted a job in Washington, D.C. Tom Gibson of Greenville County Library agreed to take over publicity and has done an outstanding job.

A proposed constitution was drawn up during the year by SCLA. This was presented at the fall convention in Myrtle Beach for approval. If the constitution had been approved in its final form, all roundtables, including JMRT, would have had no representation of the SCLA Executive Board. During the fall, JMRT contacted people around the state and urged them to vote for an amendment JMRT proposed to present at the convention to give roundtables representation. An amendment was presented to the SCLA membership to give all roundtables ex-officio status on the Board and this was passed with little opposition.

All members of the JMRT Executive Board did an excellent job in making this a successful year. Brenda Shumpert served as Vice Chairman, Chairman-elect, Helen Ann Rawlinson as Secretary, Susan Roberts as Treasurer, Alan Rost as Map Chairman, and Judy Sessions who was publicity chairman during the first half of the year and Tom Gibson who accepted the position for the second half of the year.

Ad Hoc Committee on The South Carolina Librarian

The committee makes the following recommendations:
1. That The South Carolina Librarian be continued in its present general format as a semi-annual publication;
2. That the association membership list be published in the spring issue, and that it represent the total association membership as of the end of the previous calendar year, and that this policy become effective with the spring issue, 1979.
3. That the subscription rate for non-members be increased to $3.00 per year for domestic subscribers and $3.60 per year for foreign subscribers, and that the single issue cost be $1.75;
4. That the executive board of the association be requested to serve as a catalyst in frequently reminding section members to prompt section reporters to forward news items to the editor;
5. That the executive board of SCLA explore with the State Library the possibility of expanding its publication, News for South Carolina Libraries, to include broader news coverage and to provide for a wider circulation, with SCLA contributing something toward the cost of production and distribution.

Constitution and By-Laws Committee

The Constitution and By-Laws Committee had a very busy year working with the recommendations from the Activities Committee and from the Executive Committee. So many changes were required that the committee decided to present a revision of the By-Laws. The proposed amendments to the Constitution and the revised By-Laws were mailed to the membership for consideration at the Convention.

Intellectual Freedom Committee

The Intellectual Freedom Committee presented two showings of The Speaker during the South Carolina Library Association convention in Myrtle Beach, October 13 and 14. In all, approximately two hundred people attended the two film sessions. A report was made to the American Library Association Office of Intellectual Freedom about the comments and reactions the film received. A copy of the report is attached.

No other projects were undertaken in 1977.

Membership Committee

The membership committee of the South Carolina Library Association contacted Mr. Paul Dove, Treasurer of SCLA, about a membership drive.

Labels for each public school were sent to Mr. Dove, and he sent notices to each school. In addition he sent reminders to former members who had not renewed their membership.

Applications were also distributed to new librarians in county and regional libraries.

Due to some confusion the membership committee did not hold a meeting but conducted its business through correspondence.

I would like to recommend that in the future the membership committee be chaired by an officer of the Executive Committee of SCLA (possibly the treasurer since this would eliminate confusion about mailing addresses and the committee would have ready access to the membership list). In addition to the chairman, I recommend that the membership committee also have representatives from each of the SCLA sections.

Planning Committee

The Planning Committee of the South Carolina Library Association held meetings during the year to discuss needs of the association, recommendations to be made to the Executive Board and plans for the future direction of SCLA.

As a result of these meetings, the Planning Committee decided to ask for ideas and suggestions from SCLA members concerning the future direction of SCLA and themes for activities such as workshops, seminars, and the annual convention. A suggestion box was made available for this purpose during the 1977 Convention. It should be obvious that the Association will only be an active, viable organization through an active, supportive membership.

In addition, The Planning Committee herewith submits the following recommendations to the Executive Board:

1. In order to improve communications within the Association:
   A. All committee members should be appointed by the President as early as possible, but in certainly no later than March 1st of each year.
B. All committee chairpersons should report on their respective committee’s activities during the first half of the year, no later than June 30th of each year. This report should be submitted in writing to the Executive Board and should be published in the South Carolina Librarian or other official publication of the Association.

C. All committee and roundtable chairpersons should be notified of all Executive Board meetings. This would enable chairpersons to attend meetings of the Board. Any chairperson wishing to appear before the Executive Board would notify the President, in time to have his/her name placed on the agenda.

D. All minutes of Executive Board meetings should continue to be mailed to all Committee and roundtable chairpersons.

2. The Continuing Education Committee, authorized and funded by the Association in October, 1976, should be included as a regular standing committee of the Association in Article V, Section 2, Subsection b of the By-Laws.

The Planning Committee submits the following recommendation to the Editorial Committee:

1. That persons joining the Association receive all publications distributed that year and an updated handbook, when available, regardless of the time of year they join.

Public Relations Committee

The Public Relations Committee had a luncheon meeting in Batesburg, September 1, 1977. At this time the annual Friend of Libraries Award was discussed. Entries had been sent to the Library School Faculty at the University of South Carolina. It was the unanimous decision of the faculty that the award should go to Mr. Arthur Francis Magill of Greenville.

On October 13th at the South Carolina Library Convention, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Howland of Greenville were guests of the library association at the Landmark Motel. They accepted the award in the absence of Mr. Magill.

The South Carolina Librarian

1977 was a year of changes for the South Carolina Librarian: a new editor, a new business manager, Clayton S. Owens, and a new place of publication, Winthrop College in Rock Hill. The Spring, 1977, issue was the last for Lester Duncan, after seven years as editor. The Association owes Les a debt of gratitude.

Our circulation reached 870 in 1977, a little higher than one year ago but lower than in some previous years. About 100 of our subscribers are non-members, including the National Library of Far-Away Singapore. Rising prices plague us, like all periodical publishers, and an adjustment in non-member subscription rates will be necessary.

Your new editor hopes he will earn the trust that has been placed in him by the Association. But the final determinant of the quality of the journal is the members, who must supply the high quality articles their colleagues want to read.

Recruiting Committee

The 1977 Recruiting Committee of the South Carolina Library Association consisting of Rachel Martin, Francis Ridgell, Edna Bedenbaugh, John Landrum, and Alan Rost, submitted the following report:

The Recruiting Committee is a standing committee of the association with the responsibility of distributing information concerning librarianship to prospective students.

Since the establishment of the committee, significant changes have occurred in South Carolina affecting the library profession. The number of professionally trained librarians in the State has increased drastically, and the job market for librarians presently is limited.

The committee believes that the Recruiting Committee has served its purpose and recommends that the committee be discontinued as a standing committee of the association. The committee believes the institutions of higher education offering undergraduate and graduate programs in library science in South Carolina are meeting most of the recruitment needs of the profession.

If the members of the South Carolina Library Association wish for the Association to continue its involvement with recruitment, the committee suggests the executive secretary maintain recruiting information for distribution upon request from interested individuals.

SCLA Reacts to “The Speaker”

The Intellectual Freedom Committee showed The Speaker twice during the South Carolina Library Association Convention in Myrtle Beach, October 13 and 14. In all approximately two hundred people attended the two film sessions. About ten librarians and aides and a few students saw the film at Trident Technical College after the convention.

The Speaker received a favorable response. Nearly all of the comments heard by the committee indicated that the librarian audiences were glad that they had seen the film and felt it was valuable for generating discussion of intellectual freedom, censorship, and personal legal rights. No strong negative reactions to the film or the showings were voiced, at least publicly. A black technical college student who reviewed the film thought that the racial prejudice idea was presented very forcefully, but favored having Boyd speak. She felt that he could be contradicted, challenged, and perhaps converted by audience questions and reactions.

Although the film was quite well received, two questions were raised frequently by viewers. Many people wanted to know who originally suggested inviting Boyd. If it was Mrs. Dunn, some of the later statements about the current events committee’s autonomy seem to be less than honest. Secondly would it not have been more representative of real-life intellectual freedom cases to use an issue for which the arguments of the opposing sides are more evenly matched intellectually and emotionally. Some topics suggested by viewers were sex education, sex education books in libraries, and “pornography”.

The film served our committee as a means of publicizing our existence and the intellectual freedom issue. We thank the American Library Association Office of Intellectual Freedom for sending us The Speaker for the convention.

Four Inducted into Honorary Life Membership

During the 1977 SCLA Meeting in Myrtle Beach four librarians were recognized as inductees into Honorary Life Membership in the Association. Included were Mrs. Ida E. Wylie who served with the Chester Public Library; Mrs. Sara P. Bird, retired from Winthrop College’s Dacus Library as Head of the Acquisitions Department; Mrs. Sara Belle Brooks Hipp of Laurens High School; and Mrs. Verna T. Morris, Acquisition Librarian at Furman University. Mrs. Hipp has been active in SCLA since 1955, Mrs. Bird since 1956, Mrs. Morris since 1965, and Mrs. Wylie since 1967.

Honorary Life Membership is bestowed upon retired librarians who have been members of the Association for at least ten consecutive years. Nominations are accepted by the Executive Committee who then charges the Treasurer with validating the membership qualifications.

Congratulations to the Class of 1977, and welcome to this elite group.
SCLA Supports ALA Washington Office

November 30, 1977

Mrs. Margaret Ehrhardt, President
South Carolina Library Association
Rutledge Building, Room 706
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Mrs. Ehrhardt:

I would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the officers and members of the South Carolina Library Association for their donation of $100.00 to support the work of our office.

As you are aware, this is a most important legislative year and contributions such as yours mean a great deal. Your contribution will be put to immediate good use for the cause of library development, and will be long remembered after the actual dollars have been spent.

Thank you, too, for your invaluable cooperation in responding to our pleas for local action in times of crisis. Please convey our appreciation of the association's financial and moral support to the officers and members of the South Carolina Library Association.

Sincerely,
Eileen D. Cooke
Director
ALA Washington Office

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South Carolina Library Association
1978 Budget

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In Appreciation: Paul Dove

December 19, 1977

Mr. H. Paul Dove, Jr.
James A. Rogers Library
Francis Marion College
Florence, S.C. 29501

Dear Paul:

It was with sincere regret that I learned of your decision to retire as Treasurer of the South Carolina Library Association. During the past four years you have rendered outstanding service to the Association, often under the most trying of circumstances. In all instances you have performed your duties with good humor and dedication. Such service deserves recognition from the entire membership.

I am, therefore, requesting that a copy of this letter be published in the next issue of the South Carolina Librarian.

I hope that your health will continue to improve and that you will remain an active member of the Association. Your presence on the Executive Board will be missed.

Sincerely,
Margaret W. Ehrhardt
(Mrs. B.G.)
President, SCLA

Convention Expense Estimate

Columbia, 1978

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CONSTITUTION OF THE
SOUTH CAROLINA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
With Revisions As Of October 15, 1977

Article I. Name
This organization shall be called the South Carolina Library Association.

Article II. Objective
Its objective shall be to promote libraries and library service in South Carolina.

Article III. Membership
Section 1. Any individual interested in the objectives of the Association may become a member with a right to vote, upon payment of annual dues.
Section 2. Any library, club, or other educational association in South Carolina interested in the objectives of the Association may become an institutional member by payment of dues and may be entitled to send a delegate with the right to vote.
Section 3. Any person who has maintained an active, paid membership in the Association for a period of ten (10) consecutive years prior to retirement shall upon retirement be entitled to Honorary Membership in the Association, upon approval of the Executive Board.

Article IV. Officers
The Officers of the Association shall consist of President, First Vice-President, who shall be President-Elect, Second Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and such other officers as provided for in the By-Laws.

Article V. Executive Board
The Executive Board shall be composed of the elected officers, the Past-President, and the Chairman of each Section. Ex-officio members without vote: The American Library Association Councilor, the Southeastern Library Association Representative, the Editor of the South Carolina Librarian, and the Chairman of each Round Table.

Article VI. Meetings
There shall be an annual meeting of the Association with special meetings as authorized by the By-Laws.

Article VII. Affiliations
Section 1. The South Carolina Library Association shall be a contributing member of the American Library Association. The Association shall be affiliated with the American Library Association as a Chapter, and shall elect one of its members to serve as American Library Association Councilor for a term in accordance with the requirements of the American Library Association.
Section 2. The South Carolina Library Association shall be a member of the Southeastern Library Association and shall elect one of its members to serve as South Carolina Representative on the Southeastern Library Association Board for a term in accordance with the requirements of the Southeastern Library Association.

Article VIII. Amendments
The Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided notice of proposed change has been given in the call to the meeting.

Article IX. Dissolution
In the event of dissolution the assets of this Association shall be distributed to one or more organizations exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

BY-LAWS
With Revisions As Of October 15, 1977

Article I. Membership
Section 1:
a. The fiscal year of the Association shall be the calendar year.
b. The membership year for the Association shall be the calendar year.
c. Annual dues shall be due on January 1 of each year. Dues notices will be mailed to members no later than December 31 of the previous year.

Section 2:
a. Dues shall be $10.00 for individual members. This entitles the member to membership in two
Sections with each Section receiving $2.00. Members wishing to join more than two Sections shall pay an additional $2.00 per Section. (Note: Until January 1, 1979, individual dues shall be $5.00.)

b. Dues shall be $5.00 for full-time students and retired members not eligible for honorary membership.

c. Institutional members shall pay according to their income on the following scale: (Note: Effective January 1, 1979.)

   - Budget under $50,000: $10.00
   - Budget $50,000-150,000: $15.00
   - Budget over $150,000: $25.00

d. Dues for a Round Table shall be $2.00 in addition to the basic dues, with the Round Table receiving the $2.00.

e. Dues of contributing members shall be $15.00 per year. This includes any individual or association interested in the work of the South Carolina Library Association.

f. There shall be a registration fee set by the Executive Board for each person, excluding invited guests and exhibitors, attending the annual meeting.

Article II. Nominations, Terms, and Election of Officers

Section 1. The President, with the approval of the Executive Board, shall appoint a Nominating Committee to present two names of Association members for each elective office. This Committee shall include a representative from each Type of Library Section with the Past-President as Chairman. In the event the Committee wishes to nominate the present Treasurer for a subsequent term, it may elect to present only one name for that office.

Section 2. Additional nominations may be submitted in writing to the chairman of the Nominating Committee by a specified date. Each nomination must be accompanied by a petition signed by thirty members of the Association and a written expression of willingness to serve from the person nominated.

Section 3. Officers shall be elected by a plurality of those voting in a mail ballot and shall serve for one year beginning January 1.

Section 4. Section and Round Table ballots may be mailed with the regular ballot.

Article III. Duties of Officers

Section 1. President

a. Presides at meetings of the Association and the Executive Board.

b. Appoints, with the advice of the Executive Board, all committees unless membership is otherwise designated.

c. Acts as ex-officio member of all committees except the Nominating Committee.

d. Establishes, with the help of the Executive Board, the time and place of the Convention.

e. Directs the program of the Association and acts as spokesman for the Association.

f. Consults the Executive Board for budget suggestions for the next fiscal year and works with the Treasurer and First Vice-President to develop the budget.

g. Coordinates the work of all officers, committees and sections of the Association.

h. Maintains Association records during his term. At the end of his term, his files are given to the incoming President. The files of the former President are deposited in the South Carolina Library.

Section 2. First Vice-President

a. In the absence of the President, assumes the duties of the President. If it becomes necessary for the First Vice-President to complete the unexpired term of the President, he may also serve his own term as President or relinquish the office.

b. Assists the President with arrangements for the Convention.

c. Serves as Chairman of the Convention Program Committee.

d. Assists the President in setting up an annual budget.

Section 3. Second Vice-President

a. Serves as Chairman of the Membership Committee and chooses the committee members with the approval of the President.

b. Performs other duties as assigned by the President.

c. Performs the duties of President in the absence of the President and the First Vice-President.

d. Assumes the office of First Vice-President if the elected First Vice-President is unable to serve.

e. Assumes the office of First Vice-President if the First Vice-President has to become President during the unexpired term of the elected President. If the President who is filling the unexpired term does not wish or cannot serve his own term, the Second Vice-President who has become First Vice-President becomes President.

Section 4. Secretary

The Secretary shall record the minutes of the Association and the meetings of the Executive Board.

Section 5. Treasurer

The position of Treasurer shall be covered by a fidelity bond for an amount equal to the financial resources of the Association.

a. Receives all money paid to the Association.

b. Pays all bills for budgeted expenditures approved by the Executive Board.

c. Keeps accurate records of all financial transactions and submits financial reports to the Executive Board.

d. Has records audited annually.

e. Assists the President in setting up an annual budget.

f. Maintains the official membership roll.

Article IV. Executive Board

Section 1. Membership

The membership shall be as stated in the Constitution with the following exceptions:

- In the event a Section Chairman is serving as a member of the Executive Board in another capacity, the Section Chairman shall appoint a representative from his Section.
- In the event another member is serving in a dual capacity on the Executive Board, the Executive Board shall appoint a member-at-large in order to keep a consistent number.

Section 2. Powers and Duties

The Executive Board shall have power:

- To act for the Association in intervals between meetings and make arrangements for the annual meeting.

- To consider and develop plans for the general work of the Association.

- To appoint, in case of a vacancy in any office caused by resignation or otherwise, a member of the Association to fill the unexpired term unless otherwise provided for in the Constitution and By-Laws.

- To approve all expenditures of Association funds, except those stated in the Constitution and By-Laws or previously authorized by a vote of the membership, which may be approved for payment by the President.

- To provide for the publications of the Association and to contract for such publications as may be desirable for furthering the interest of the Association.

- To approve and make awards of recognition to noteworthy individuals based on outstanding achievements and/or contributions which have promoted the progress of the Association.

- To employ salaried persons.

- To appoint the Editor of the South Carolina Librarian.

Section 3. Meetings and Quorum

The Executive Board shall meet at least quarterly. Additional meetings may be held at the call of the President, or upon the request of four members of the Board. A majority of the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum.

Article V. Committees

Section 1. The President with the advice of the Executive Board shall appoint such committees as may be necessary to carry on the work of the Association, and define their duties. The President is an ex-officio member of all committees except the Nominating Committee. Procedures of all committees are subject to review by the Executive Board.

Section 2. Standing Committees

a. Appointments to a standing committee shall be for a period of three years with the terms of 1/3 the membership expiring each year.

b. The Standing Committees shall include the following:

   - Constitution and By-Laws
   - Continuing Education
   - Editorial
   - Grievance
   - Intellectual Freedom
   - Legislative
   - Planning
   - Publicity and Awards

Section 3. Special Committees

a. Appointments to a special committee shall be for a period of one year.
Article VI. Sections

Section 1. Each Section shall represent an area of activity which in general is distinct from that of other Sections. Each Section shall maintain a membership of at least fifty members.

Section 2. There shall be two types of Sections, Type of Library and Type of Activity, in the South Carolina Library Association.

a. Type of Library Sections shall be College and University, Public, School, and Special.
b. Type of Activity Sections shall be Children and Young People, Library Administration, Public Services, Technical Services, and Trustee.
c. There shall be subdivisions within the Sections to provide a forum for members with special interest.

Section 3. Sections of the Association may be organized upon application and approval of the Executive Board. The application must include a petition signed by fifty members of the Association. Such organizations will take place January 1 after approval by the Executive Board. The Executive Board will appoint an acting chairman to serve until elections can be held.

Section 4. Sections may adopt By-Laws provided they do not conflict with the By-Laws of the South Carolina Library Association.

Section 5. If the membership of a Section drops below fifty for two consecutive years on December 31, the Section will be dropped and funds will revert to the general treasury.

Article VII. Round Tables

Section 1. Each Round Table shall represent a common interest not confined to a type of library or type of activity. Each Round Table shall maintain a membership of at least twenty-five members.

Section 2. The Round Tables of the South Carolina Library Association shall be Junior Members, Library Education, and Government Documents. (Note: Government Documents added at the December 17, 1977, meeting of the Executive Board.

Section 3. A Round Table of the Association may be organized upon application to and approval of the Executive Board. The application must include a petition signed by twenty-five members of the Association. Such organization will take place January 1 after approval by the Executive Board. The Executive Board will appoint an acting chairman to serve until elections are held.

Section 4. Round Tables may adopt By-Laws provided they do not conflict with the By-Laws of the South Carolina Library Association.

Section 5. If the membership of a Round Table drops below twenty-five for two consecutive years on December 31, the Round Table will be dropped and funds will revert to the general treasury.

Article VIII. Meetings and Quorum

Section 1. Regular Meetings shall be held at least once a year at the time and place decided by the Executive Board.

Section 2. Special Meetings may be held by the President or by a quorum of the Executive Board, or on request of seventy-five (75) members of the Association. Only business mentioned in the call shall be transacted.

Section 3. Quorum

Fifty (50) members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Section 4. Notice

At least thirty (30) days notice of any meeting shall be given in writing to members.

Section 5. Votes by Mail

Votes by mail of the Association and of the Executive Board may be authorized by the Executive Board between meetings. Such mail votes shall be conducted under the same requirements as votes at meetings.

Article IX. Amendments

Amendments to the By-Laws shall receive a majority vote of the members present, provided notice of change has been included in the call to meeting.

Article X. Parliamentary Authority

Robert's Rules of Order, latest revision, shall be the governing authority in matters not specifically covered by this Constitution and By-Laws.

Provisos

1. The dues change will not go into effect until the dues for 1979.
2. The Executive Board will provide for an orderly transition during the year 1978. The President will appoint a Second Vice-President. The Type of Activity Sections will be organized with an Acting Chairman appointed to serve until elections can be held.

People

Richard C. Wood, a 1977 graduate of the College of Librarianship at the University of South Carolina, has been appointed Catalog Librarian at Wofford College's Sandor Tesler Library. Mr. Wood is a graduate of the University of Texas at Arlington. Appointed Circulation Librarian at Wofford is Ray L. Howes. Prior to coming to Wofford, Mr. Howes was employed at the library of the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. He is a graduate of the Syracuse University Library School and the University of Massachusetts.

Appointed a member of the Association of College and Research Libraries' Committee on Standards and Accreditation is Barbara J. Williams, head librarian at South Carolina State College. Her term is for two years, ending in 1979.

Greenville County Library has announced the addition of three new members to its professional staff. Barbara Johnson, children's librarian and Glenn Lowry, order librarian, are recent library school graduates. Susan Boyd, branch librarian, was reference librarian at Newberry College. She is a graduate of Winthrop College and the University of South Carolina College of Librarianship.

Thomas A. Marcil, formerly assistant reference librarian at the Thomas Cooper Library, University of South Carolina, has been appointed head of the Circulation Department at Cooper. He is a graduate of Grinnell College and the University of Chicago and holds the M.S. from the University of Illinois. New faculty who have recently joined the library staff at U.S.C. are Laura Myers, Jane I. Thesing, Carolyn Ann Johnson, Charlotte C. Marshall, Martha S. Lewis, and Diana M. Osbaldeston.

Mrs. Myers, assistant reference librarian, was with the S.C. Arts Commission and attended the graduate schools of Boston and Emory Universities. Mrs. Thesing, assistant reference librarian, holds the M.A. and M.L.S. from Indiana University and was associated with the Indiana University Libraries.

Miss Johnson, cataloger, was formerly associated with the Pine Manor College Library (Mass.) and received her M.L.S. from Simmons College. Miss Marshall, cataloger, holds the M.L. degree from U.S.C. and was previously employed at the Richland County Public Library.

Mrs. Lewis, acquisition librarian for the Law Library, received her graduate degree from the University of North Carolina and was associated with the U.N.C. Library. Mrs. Osbaldeston, catalog librarian for the Law Library, holds the M.S. degree from Southern Connecticut State College and was previously employed at the Yale University Medical Library.

Recently promoted to head of the Cataloging Department at Winthrop College is Jacqueline F. Bridges. Mrs. Bridges received her A.B. from Lander College and her M.A.T. from Winthrop. New library faculty at Winthrop include: Carole McIver, catalog librarian, Gloria A. Kelley, acquisition librarian, and Patricia O. Rice, head of the Acquisitions Department.

Mrs McIver attended Catawba College and received her M.L.S. from the University of North Carolina. She is previously employed by the North Carolina State University. Miss Kelley, formerly with the Trevor Arnett Library at Atlanta University, received her B.A. from Clark College and her M.L.S. from Atlanta.

Mrs. Rice graduated from Bryn Mawr College, did graduate study at Yale, and received her M.L.S. from the State University of New York at Albany. She came to Winthrop from the Library of Congress.
S.C. Governor's Conference Rescheduled

The South Carolina Governor’s Conference on Library and Information Services has been moved from the fall of 1978 to March 16-18, 1979. The change was made necessary by the uncertain fate of the Wade Hampton Hotel. The conference is now scheduled for the Carolina Inn in Columbia. The Advisory Committee and the State Library staff are presently reconceiving or revising program plans. Details will be announced in forthcoming issues of the Conference Communiqué and the South Carolina Librarian.

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Conference. The preconference will concentrate on the education of library users with particular emphasis on faculty participation. Details on the conferences are not firm yet, but further information is available from the Interest Group chairman. Robert Heriard, Reference Department, Earl K. Long Library, University of New Orleans, LA 70122.

The SWLA Interest Group and the SELA Orientation Committee are also planning a joint program during the New Orleans conference for the morning of October 7. The program will include speakers and group sessions in the topics of selling library instruction, grantsmanship, starting from scratch, and evaluation.

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