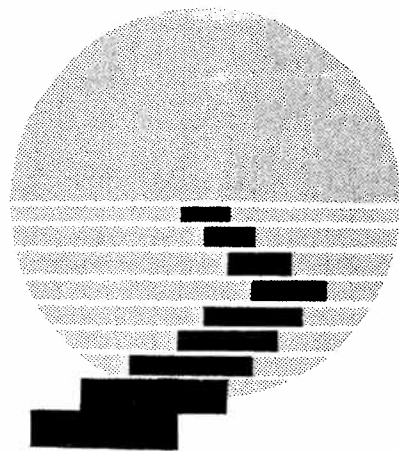


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## EDITORIAL

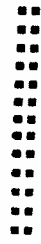
It has been a busy and productive summer for the Manitoba Library Association executive. We wish to congratulate them for having assembled the speakers and the interesting program topics for the MLA Annual General Meeting. (More details inside). We hope that their efforts will be rewarded by a large turnout of members.

This is the fourth issue of the Bulletin which the present editors have produced and once again, we feel it is time to evaluate format and content. This is intended as a "hear out" editorial: please respond with your ideas and comments. We would be interested to know:

1. What do you feel have been the most interesting/stimulating/useful articles featured in the last four issues of the Bulletin?
2. Do you find helpful the features which the Editors have introduced (e.g. Bargains; a list of free materials, Across the Editors Desks, Education in Librarianship?)
3. Do you have suggestions for any other features that could regularly appear in the Bulletin?
4. Have you any suggestions for themes to which we could devote an entire issue?
5. Can you suggest topics for original articles to be featured in the Bulletin (and the names of people willing to write them)?
6. Do you detect any bias towards certain types of libraries (public, special or other?) Are we not providing coverage of certain types of libraries?
7. How could we improve the format and layout of the Bulletin?
8. Do you wish the Bulletin to appear more frequently?
9. What do you really think of the cover of the Bulletin? Does it get lost on your desk?

Deadline for submission of material for the next issue of the Bulletin is 1 November 1976.

Donna McKillop  
Hazel Sprenger



# Manitoba Library Association

✓ FALL CONFERENCE

and

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

September 10-12, 1976

Winnipeg Program

### Friday, September 10:

8:00 p.m. - 12:00 p.m. - Wine and cheese reception. Blue Room, Charterhouse Hotel  
(Registration desk will be open.)

### Saturday, September 11: University of Winnipeg - Middle Rd.

8:30 - 9:00 - Registration

9:00 - 9:15 - Introduction - Patrick Wright

9:15 - 10:00 - Keynote address - Hugh Barnstead: Management Advisory Services of Management Committees of Cabinet.

"Library automation: What's it all about?"

10:00 - 10:30 - Coffee and Displays

10:30 - 12:00 - Speakers (10 minutes each):

Acquisitions: Gladys Sudomlak (Head, Whiteshell Nuclear Research Establishment Library - Pinawa)

Cataloguing: Burrey Cobb (Original cataloguer, Elizabeth Dajfos Library, University of Manitoba)

Serials: Georgia Whitem (Librarian, Windsor Park Public Library, St. Boniface)

Circulation: Owen Kirby (Circulation Supervisor, Education Library, University of Manitoba)

Computer uses

in education: Dr. Lauren Sandals (Head, Department of Educational Psychology, Faculty of Educational, University of Manitoba)

References: John Wilde, Head of Reference, University of Winnipeg

12:00 - 1:30 - Lunch

1:30 - 2:30 - Annual General Meeting, Part I (including call for Resolutions)

2:30 - 3:00 - Displays and Coffee

3:00 - 4:30 - National Library: Introduction - Carol Mahe  
Topic: Services of the National Library.

- Nancy Brodie, Chief of the Union Catalogue of Serials Division, National Library of Canada.

- 4:30 - 5:45 - Demonstration of University of Winnipeg Computerised Circulation System - Brian Chalmers.
- 7:00 - 10:00 - Red River Cruise (on the "River Rouge" - dinner available)
- Sunday, September 12: University of Winnipeg
- 9:00 - 9:15 - Coffee
- 9:15 - 10:30 - National Library - Nancy Brodie  
Topic: National Bibliographic Data Base.
- 10:30 - 10:45 - Coffee
- 10:45 - 12:00 - Annual General Meeting, Part II: Resolutions
- 1:30 - - Tour of the Legislative Library and Provincial Archives.  
200 Vaughan Street.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Irma McDonough of the proposed Centre for Canadian Children's Books will be in attendance at the conference and will be pleased to meet with interested persons on Sunday afternoon. Those interested please contact Barbara Clubb at 453-7549.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Another year is almost over and it's time again to assess what the association has done, or failed to do. We can be proud of our accomplishments but should cast an examining eye on what is left to be done. On the positive side--this year's executive has the dubious distinction of having the most and longest steadily pecking mini-executive meetings for several years. Membership has climbed steadily pecking at 287--the highest count since 1972. The Union List of Serials Committee took giant steps towards completion of their project. In response to the establishment of an interlibrary loan fee by several Canadian universities an interlibrary loan committee was established to look into the implications for Manitoba libraries. (A report will be forthcoming). Because of the critical need for all of us to upgrade and update our knowledge and skills, a continuing education committee was struck to investigate and make recommendations in this area. The publications and scholarship committees were also active. The Libraries in Crisis Committee issued a special report at the Spring Meeting and the executive monitored the University of Manitoba, the Winnipeg School Division #1 and Information Canada bookstore situations. The "Newswire" newsletter began making irregular appearances to supplement the Bulletin. In January a joint meeting of MLA, MLTA, MSLAVA, MALT executives and School Library Services was held in Morden. Two successful general meetings and a workshop were held in Winnipeg and in the International Peace Gardens where the membership learned that the association's grant from the province would be increased five-fold. Our office location changed from the Museum of Man and Nature to the St. Vital Public Library. (Special thanks to the Board and staff of St. Vital Public--they have been wonderful). It was a year in which the executive attempted to plan further ahead than ever before and while we were not always successful, the educational aspects of the association are being strengthened.

On a less brighter side--the Prison Library Committee fell by the wayside from lack of interest, and through a set of unfortunate circumstances the Status of Women ad hoc committee did not become active. There is still no effective mechanism for getting the majority of members active on a year round basis. As has happened in the past, too many of the duties and responsibilities fall to too few of the members. Once again it is time to restate and re-examine our immediate and long term goals within the framework of the constitution. This is a long and arduous process but one which will ultimately bring us strength and understanding.

By now it is clear that all libraries supported by public and corporate funds are entering a period of severe economic restraint. But, to draw upon a quote from the "Library in Crisis" committee, every Manitoban, regardless of location has the right to advanced library information services to assist in becoming an informed, participating citizen of democracy. This means that in a period of restraint we as an association and you as individual members must be more strident in our efforts to maintain and promote library service in Manitoba.

By the time many of you read this the Annual General Meeting will be only

a few days away (September 10, 11 and 12). Plan to attend because there is a wonderful program and people line-up including Anne Pternick, President of the Canadian Library Association, Hugh Barnstead, a management analyst with the provincial government, Irma McDonough from the Centre for Canadian Children's Books and much much more. The program committee has worked hard to assemble a conference which will appeal to many and have broad implications for future development in Manitoba. I hope to see you all there!

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### \* REPORT OF THE NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

The Nominations Committee submitted the following slate by mail to the membership.

President:	Carol Wright
First Vice-President:	Heather Graham
Second Vice-President:	Ronald Friesen
	Deag Steinburg
Corresponding Secretary:	Georgina Wilson
	Evelyn Carabelas
Recording Secretary:	Sigrd Johnson
	Margaret White
Treasurer:	Linda Teather
	Bill Adkins
Directors:	Judi Dawdall
	June Dunica
	Corinne Koz
	Rick MacLowick
	Carol Mahé
	Pat Mutala
	Bob Park
	Rosella Semple
	Arthur Sykes

The results of the mail ballot will be announced at the Annual General Meeting September 11, 1976. Members of the nominating committee were Patricia Bozyk, Chairperson and Barbara Carstens.

### \* REPORT OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

The membership of the Manitoba Library Association for the 1975/76 year is as follows:

Academic . . . . .	60
Public . . . . .	73
School . . . . .	41
Special . . . . .	26
Organizational . . . . .	28
Miscellaneous (retired or unemployed librarians, trustees, students, friends)	27

TOTAL 286

This represents an increase of 36 members over the previous membership year.

For the 1975/76 membership year MLA introduced a sliding fees scale based on members' salaries. Membership breakdown by fees is:

\$ 5.00 . . . . .	61 members
\$ 8.00 . . . . .	28 members
\$10.00 . . . . .	148 members
\$15.00 . . . . .	49 members
TOTAL	286 members

Applications for the forthcoming year have already been mailed to all members. Additional membership forms can be obtained from the MLA office (now situated at the St. Vital Public Library, 6 Femor Avenue, Winnipeg, or directly from me at the Winnipeg Public Library, Main Branch, 380 William Avenue, Winnipeg)

Carol Mahé  
Membership Chairman

### \* REPORT OF THE PUBLICITY AND PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

The terms of reference of the Manitoba Library Association's Publicity and Public Relations Committee are several:

1. to publicize the organization in general;
2. to publicize specific events in particular;

3. to establish contacts with the public media;
4. to advertise MLA publications;
5. to take up the role formerly held by the Libraries in Crisis (LIC) Committee.

At present, the committee is jointly chaired by Heather Graham and Ronald Friesen.

A good deal of the Public Relations Committee's duties consists of drafting and distributing news releases and public service announcements. The committee also seeks to establish personal contacts with media personnel, and to make full use of their services.

At the MLA spring meeting, it was decided to disband the LIC committee and transfer its functions to the Public Relations committee. The committee's role here will be to monitor any changes in library legislation and to be aware of significant developments, as well as keeping the MLA membership informed about such matters.

The immediate task for the Public Relations committee is to publicize the fall annual general meeting and to assist in the preparation of delegate kits. The committee also publicizes MLA-sponsored workshops and related events.

Presently, a committee is considering the feasibility of holding a citizens' conference along the lines of one held some time ago in British Columbia. A report on the matter is expected shortly. The Public Relations committee would likely have a considerable role to play in helping to publicize and co-ordinate a conference, if one were held.

The Publicity and Public Relations committee would also like to establish liaison with representatives from other provincial library associations (such as MSLAVA) as part of carrying out the functions formerly held by the LIC committee. Inquiries will likely be made. Such liaison should be more than just an ad hoc matter; a planned program and budget would be helpful.

Heather Graham  
Ronald Friesen, Chairpersons

**\* REPORT OF THE UNION LIST OF SERIALS COMMITTEE**

The project to produce a Union List of Serials in Manitoba Libraries is progressing due largely to the continued support of the Manitoba Library Association and the generous assistance of Public Library Services.

MLA provided funds to hire a student to incorporate the University of Manitoba Libraries' serial holdings into the list. This work is currently in progress, and we are hopeful that it will be completed by September. Public Library Services has allowed one of its summer student assistants to work on the project. Without this help we could not have advanced as far as we have.

Investigations into possible production formats are currently underway; MLA is particularly interested in the possibility of an automated list. We are also exploring sources of funding to assist in the publication of the Union List.

Judy Head  
Chairperson

**\* JEAN THORUNN LAW SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**

The late Miss Jean Law, a staff member of the Winnipeg Public Library made provision for a scholarship (or scholarships) to be awarded annually from the interest on monies invested through the Winnipeg Foundation. The scholarship is intended to provide assistance in the payment of academic fees for the purpose of attending an accredited school of library science. The Scholarship Committee of the Manitoba Library Association receives applications, considers them in regard to academic and practical promise, keeping in mind the wishes of the donor to help someone who is in need of help.

The Committee consists of Miss Carol Burns, Miss Nan Florence, Mr. S. Hu, Miss Nettie Siemens, Mr. John Wilde and Mrs. Beth Clark, chairperson, Miss Una Oliver, executrix of the Jean Thorunn Law Estate and Mr. G. E. Winter, Secretary of the Winnipeg Foundation are invited to sit in on all meetings in an advisory capacity.

During the year the Committee has met three times: January 7, April 7, and June 23, 1976. At the first meeting the Committee reviewed its terms of reference, approved a streamlining and simplification of the application form and set the deadline of March 1 for the receipt of applications. Application forms together with the information leaflet were distributed to the various libraries by mail through the Manitoba Library Association office, thanks to the secretary Mrs. G. Macmillan. It is to be noted that press publicity is not allowed due to a clause in the late Miss Law's will.

The following persons have been awarded scholarships:

- |          |   |
|----------|---|
| \$150.00 | Donna Breyfogle<br>Robert Wallace   |
| \$300.00 | Christine Ball<br>Debra Bedford<br>James Blanchard<br>Sandra Chulka<br>Valerie Hatten<br>Paul Nielson |

It should be noted that the smaller scholarship was awarded to Ms. Breyfogle and Mr. Wallace because they had received awards from the University of Toronto, and not due to any lack of qualification.

The Committee wishes to acknowledge the assistance it has received from Miss Una Oliver and Mr. G.E. Winter.  
M. Beth Clark, Chairperson

### \* REPORT OF THE "LIBRARY IN CRISIS" COMMITTEE

This committee was originally struck in response to the public library crisis situation in the spring of 1975. Under the chair of John Robertson the committee's work this year was the preparation of a report which was distributed at the Spring General Meeting and also with the June issue of the Bulletin. Because of work pressures John was forced to resign his chair in June and the executive took the decision to disband the committee and transfer the continuing work to the Publicity and Public Relations Committee.

### \* AD HOC CITIZEN'S CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

After many months of discussion by the executive about the possibilities and probabilities of holding a Citizen's Conference on Library Development, it was decided by the executive to strike an ad hoc committee to prepare a formal report on the matter. The report was submitted on July 23, 1976 and is currently before the executive. Members of the committee were: Heather Graham, Virginia Davis, Pat Mutala and Barbara Clubb.

The reports of the Continuing Education Committee and the Interlibrary Loan Committee will be presented at the Annual General Meeting.



#### BOOK REVIEWERS WANTED

Are you interested in writing book reviews for forthcoming issues of the Bulletin? Books to be reviewed will be selected from new Canadian fiction and poetry, local history, Canadian children's literature and library science. CONTACT: The Editors

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### PUBLIC-SCHOOL LIBRARIES: A DISCUSSION

by

Ronald Friesen

Among library trends, the joint school-public library has received more than a little attention. The concept is not a new one, but lately it has come under increasing discussion. Indeed, the idea of joint school-public library service has actually been implemented in places across North America and Europe. Almost from the outset, the concept has been surrounded by controversy.

The purpose of this article is to examine the idea of a school-public library, determine the difficulties, and suggest future trends.

First, however, it is necessary to define what is meant by joint service. Very simply, a joint school-public library is included in one facility (invariably the school), and serves both the school children and the adults of the community. The project is jointly funded by school and municipal revenue, and the staff consists of representatives from both the school and public realms.

Reasons for offering joint services are several, but they usually boil down to the issue of economy. Why, the argument runs, should school libraries stand idle for up to 1/3 of the year with materials paid for out of public funds inaccessible for use? Also, why should public libraries often duplicate materials (such as reference, fiction, and selection tools) with other libraries in the same area, thus wasting money? Further, in small towns at any rate, public library buildings are often inferior to school facilities. Therefore, it is argued, why shouldn't the two facilities merge and, with shared revenue, offer decent library service to everyone?

Certainly there is no doubt that school libraries could be used more extensively than they often are. Also, the problem of unnecessary duplication of materials is sometimes a real one. However, experience and research show that, despite all arguments and experiments, joint school-public libraries generally do not work well. For the most part, the failures are due to a combination of administrative problems and human nature.

A main difficulty, of course, is the matter of administration. Who, in fact, runs the library? Since the joint library is almost always housed within the school building, the school administration tends to take precedence. Staffing, too, is a problem. Should the head librarian have a background in school or public librarianship? Or should there be two librarians, one from each area? In such cases, how would one avoid a tug-of-war? Often, what happens is that two collections with two catalogues appear under one roof. One might then just as well have two libraries.

Other technical problems arise. School hours are from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., although facilities are often open beyond these times. Out of

necessity, public libraries have to be open in the evenings as well. Hence, the problems of access and supervision arise. Should commissioners be hired for evening duty, and, if so, who pays them? Would having the library open in the evenings mean that people would roam freely throughout the library school? It soon becomes evident that the architectural design and the entire location of the joint library are very important. Unless the library is located near a convenient and separate entrance, traffic becomes a real problem.

Finance, too, is a matter over which many joint libraries stumble. The proportion of money that should be contributed toward the budget by each party is often a matter of contention. Basic provincial grants are given to both school and public libraries, but the formulae for distribution are quite different. Public libraries also are granted additional funds out of local levy. But what proportion of the school contribution should be raised locally? Very often, public library and school boards will try to put the onus of payment on the other party. The problem is compounded in cases where the towns are part of the public library scheme, but the surrounding rural municipalities are not.

In an overall sense, there are essential differences in the philosophies and services of school and public libraries. A Quebec study of school and public libraries makes this clear. It outlines differences in such areas as: range of collections, reader advisory services, clientele to satisfy, purchasing and selection criteria, as well as a host of others. Libraries, it concludes, are different from theatres or arenas, which can be used by all people with little need for differentiation.

The possibility of inequality of service within a school division should be considered. Let us imagine that a large rural school division contains two fair-sized towns. One town opts for shared services; the other does not. Eventually, this means that Town A gets the gravy in terms of school libraries, at least, while Town B feels short-changed.

Not to be forgotten is the fact that public libraries in small towns are usually located downtown in old post offices, public buildings, and the like. Schools tend to be on the outskirts. For older people who have difficulty in getting about, going to the library could be a problem indeed, if the library happened to be in the school.

The very psychology of having a joint school-public library can be damaging to patron usage. Like it or not, it is a fact that most people are hesitant to set foot inside a public school without an appointment or good reason. Perhaps it is self-consciousness. Perhaps it is fear of the young people. Whatever the reason, older people in particular, who make up a sizeable proportion of the public library clientele, tend not to use the library if it is located in a school, especially a high school.

Much of the professional literature tends to paint a gloomy picture of joint library services. The Quebec study mentioned earlier is particularly pessimistic. It traces joint services through many of the American states and most of the Canadian provinces. Selcom does it find favourable results. In almost every case, it finds that circulation does not increase when school and public libraries are combined, nor does it find the expected economic

savings. It concludes by saying that "studies and surveys, experiments attempted and professional analyses, prove that the error of mistaking a public library for a school library, or of combining the two, bears (heavy) consequences."

Despite all the negative factors, experiments continue, as do government recommendations on the matter. The highly-publicized Newsom report on library services in Manitoba makes mention of joint services. Although stopping short of actual advocacy, the report does say that co-ordination of library services should be encouraged:

"This does not necessarily mean forcing the school and public library together.... In the very small community, particularly in the North, the only answer may be to use the school as a public library outlet and supplement such service by direct mail service from Provincial Library Services."

In light of this statement, it is interesting to note that one of the more progressive experiments in school-public library services is presently taking place in the northern Manitoba community of Leaf Rapids.

Even if, on the whole, co-ordinated school-public libraries do not seem to work, there is little doubt about the benefit of some form of co-operation between the two systems. Co-operation, as distinct from co-ordination, means that, while school and public libraries exist separately, they still share in many ways. A joint study by the Public Library and School Library Services in Manitoba makes several recommendations on this point. Co-operative acquisition, particularly of expensive selection tools, is one suggestion. Co-operation in rotating materials, in technical services, and in back-up material are other possibilities.

As an illustration of co-operative services, certain prospects have been under consideration in Carman. One of the hoped-for features is a duplicated catalogue which would show the public library holdings to school students. Public library borrowers' cards might be distributed free to students provided the costs involved were met by the school board. Publicity and public relations, too, are seen to form an integral part of inter-library co-operation. It is always important for libraries to be in contact about current projects, student interests, and specific topics of study so that advance preparations can be made to meet these needs.

In summary, the consensus seems to be that, while joint services are not particularly desirable, co-operative services are. The failure rate among joint school-public libraries suggests that libraries are better off as separate entities. Even so, as operating costs rise and inflation drives up the price of materials, schools and public libraries will have to learn to work together in some fashion in order to cut costs and offer adequate services. It is this development in the library field which will be watched with interest.

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## PACIFIC RIM CONFERENCE ON CHILDREN'S LITERATURE

by

Bette Cammings

"Pacific Rim", the first conference of what most participants hope will become a long tradition of international celebrations, was held at Tafem Park Convention Centre at the University of British Columbia under the sponsorship of the School of Librarianship, the School and an internationally known author and lecturer in the children's literature field, coordinated the meetings.

Well over four hundred registered for the whole week of activities; by Canada (Friday) the ranks had more than doubled. Included in the participants were librarians, teachers, writers, artists, storytellers, publishers, editors, book-sellers—even some journalists and parents—from all over Canada, the United States, Australia and New Zealand. Children were not in immediate evidence, but they did not miss out. Writers and storytellers made special visits to schools and libraries in the Lower Mainland and as far away as Prince George, B. C.

The conference comprised five and a half days of varied lectures and presentations, workshops, story-telling sessions and receptions (graced with excellent food from the great Pacific itself). The first four days were devoted to speakers and workshops dealing with general and international (on non-Canadian) topics; the last day and a half focussed on the state of children's literature in Canada.

To name a few of the key speakers:

Ivan Southall, celebrated Australian author (who shared with us a little of his personal Australia and a great deal of his enthusiasm for writing, especially about the most exciting experience in life—growing up);

Leon Garfield, well-known British author of swashbuckling fiction for young people (who told us, along with an anecdotal story of his writing career, that he found much more room for his imagination by writing for young people);

David Bain, an educational psychologist from the University of British Columbia; Carlota de Nunez, an artist and writer from Peru (who gave us a grim picture of the majority of children in Peru who need food and clothing still before they can appreciate the wealth of literature);

Elsie Locke, writer and educator from New Zealand;

Mimoko Ishii, writer, librarian and story-teller from Japan;

Miriam Morton, probably the Western expert on Soviet literary education and culture;

Vilasini Perumbalavil from the National Library of Singapore; Edward Blishen, British writer, educator and broadcaster;

Jean Karl, director of Children's Book Department, Atheneum Publishing, New York; as well as Canadian writers Ruth Nichols, Susanne Martel, Claude Aubry; illustrators, Graham Booth, Douglas Tait, Elizabeth Cleaver; native story-tellers, Princess Ame-Shun and Anne Anderson; publishers May Cutler and J. J. Douglas; and a psycholinguist interested in multi-culturalism in a child's development in Canada, Lubou Kuz.

Since I cannot delve into all the topics of interest and value that were explored during the busy week, I will just touch on a few points relevant to what I feel were the concerns basic to the whole purpose of an international conference on children's literature: that is, the problem of producing and making easily accessible to children not only books that they will read, but that will be of real value to them—books that are relevant to the environment in which they are growing up and that will also challenge and develop their imagination.

The prevalent adult attitude to children is the main obstacle to the production of quality children's books. Since many adults don't actually consider children fully human, they do not judge children's books by regular adult human standards. As Ivan Southall comments and many other authors back him up, there is a tendency to regard writing books for children as an occupation "suitable for minor-type, mouse-sized humans whose passions bubble at less than normal heat", that their works must necessarily "evade truth... avert passion and sensuality and the subtleties of life and are unworthy of the attention of the serious creative writer—artist or craftsman."\* Who knows how many talented writers this attitude deters from writing for what could be the world's largest and most eager-for-truth publications market? Not to mention the mouse-sized talents it encourages at present.

There is evidence that this attitude hurts publishing for children in Canada. May Cutler, outspoken publisher of Tundra Books, Montreal, was quoted by the Vancouver Sun, May 15 as saying that adults won't pay adult-sized prices for children's books even though picture books are as expensive as art books to produce. Prices that range from six to ten dollars are considered outrageous for books which on the adult market would sell for twenty-five dollars.

Sheila Egoff points to the need for serious editorial help for Canadian publishers and authors so that really attractive, competitive books can be produced; and notes also that the CBC has yet to release a film based on a Canadian children's book.

Many conference participants complained of the incredible lack of support and promotion Canadians give their children's literature. Little wonder that recent CLA award winners Ruth Nichols and Elizabeth Cleaver are attempting to attract an adult market with their present efforts. Going the way of Farley Mowat and the other late greats?

\* from his A Journey of Discovery, Hammondswoth, Penguin, 1976, p. 46.

Another obstacle to producing books of real relevance to children in most Pacific Rim countries has been the easy access to quantities of highly-regarded British or American books (insert French or Spanish were appropriate). Australia and New Zealand, like Canada, have long suffered from an inferiority complex, and only in the last generation have come out with something of their own. The world-renowned quality of Australian children's publishing and broadcasting is attested to that country's health. Elsie Locke of New Zealand spoke to the conference of her country's government publishing program, including the School Journal which publishes original fiction of even the best of New Zealand's established authors and which has launched several promising writers.

In Singapore the struggle is more difficult. Young people must learn to read English for economic survival and it is therefore learned even before the written language of their cultural heritage--Chinese, Malay or Tamil. British books have traditionally been of easiest access--and of least relevance. (If Singaporeans are mentioned at all in a British story, they are probably characterized as shifty opium smugglers.) Miss Perumbalavil puts hope in the recent National Book Development Council which promotes the publication of local literature and in the translations of Asian folklore into the four basic languages of Southeast Asia sponsored by Unesco and Japanese publishers.

Since Japan's opening to the West and the subsequent changing of the written language from traditional characters to Roman letters, the national folk literature has suffered. Schools have emphasized Western writers for many years.

I could go on to discuss further problems: multiculturalism, translation of indigenous folklores, and not least the fear of creeping (galloping) illiteracy among the electronically-g geared youth of today. But I won't because I want to end as positively as the conference itself did: with a conviction that, despite tough obstacles, Canada, at least, has the making of a fine national children's literature.

The talent and motivation are there--judging from what May Cutler claims (that there is a great backlog of publishable manuscripts in publisher's offices--four or five years' worth--waiting to be financed); and judging from the work already done in Quebec by Communications Jeunes (while in 1970 only two children's books were published in Quebec, with dedicated promotion, by 1974, there were forty books produced). The money and institutions are there, too. We do not lack the children's libraries Peru and Japan do, and so according to J. J. Douglas, Canadian publishers should be able to count on the library market as the U.S. does--at least to break even in their ventures. Irma McDonough of In Review claims that four or five hundred dollars a year would buy a library of all Canadian children's books published at present. (Why, then, pin all hopes in more and more government subsidy?)

And despite popular pessimistic opinion, there are still children who can read and who read at a more mature level than many of us did at their age. I quote again from Ivan Southall: "We are now writing for what is the largest literate open-hearted audience in the history of the world. I would not try to calculate how many of these

children I have met in recent years face to face or through correspondence. I begin most working-days by answering their letters. We are not committed to a non-caring, disinterested, apathetic, biased-off audience. At the risk of sounding trite or silly, we are committed to the hope of the world--and should never for a moment forget it.\*\*

The conference ended, but sent hundreds away committed and inspired: ready to write reviews for the popular press, to talk to children and parents, to feature stories on stage and screen. And there is no need for us to wait for material to promote. Some of the most imaginative novels of the twentieth century can be found in children's collections today.

Start planning now for the next Pacific Rim Conference: Sydney, Australia, May 1979.

\* from his "A Journey of discovery", p. 57

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### A CENTRE FOR CANADIAN CHILDRENS' BOOKS

One of Canada's leading authorities on children's literature is touring Canada to discuss the establishment of a national centre for Canadian children's books.

Irma McDonough, Coordinator of Children's Library Services for the Provincial Library Service branch of the Ontario Ministry of Culture and Recreation, has already met with teachers and children's librarians and other interested people at St. John's, Halifax, Quebec City, Montreal, Vancouver, Kitchener, Sudbury, North Bay and Toronto. She will be in attendance at the Manitoba Library Association Fall Conference and will be pleased to meet with interested persons on Sunday afternoon, September 12, 1976.

The Centre for Canadian Children's Books will be dynamically involved in promoting the writing, publishing, selling and reading of Canadian children's books.

It will stimulate ideas to help bring children's books closer to their intended audience--by readings, workshops, conferences, and the overall promotion of children's literature. It will be a primary source of information on Canadian children's books for readers, writers, researchers and others interested.

Ms. McDonough, who will coordinate plans for the Centre while on leave

of absence from the Provincial Library Service, will discuss its progress and listen to ideas and concerns from those involved.

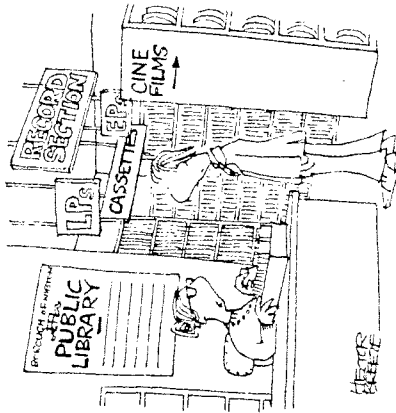
The Centre already has the support of the Canada Council, the Ontario Ministry of Culture and Recreation, the Book and Periodical Development Council and many other book related organizations. It now seeks the backing of interested people across Canada.

A former president of the Ontario Library Association (1970-71), Ms. McDonough edited the Ontario Library Review 1965-1975 and in 1967 founded In Review: Canadian Books for Children. A past chairman of the Young People's Section of the Canadian Library Association, she has contributed numerous articles to Bookbird, Saturday Night, Quill and Quire and other publications.

Ms. McDonough recently helped to coordinate the Loughborough International Summer Seminar on children's literature in Toronto and participated in the Pacific Rim Conference in Vancouver. Both conferences drew children's authors, illustrators and librarians from countries throughout the world. Ms. McDonough has also compiled an extensive bibliography of Canadian books for children.

To add your name to the mailing list for further details about the proposed centre write:

Canadian Books for Children  
Book and Periodical Development Council  
P.O. Box 6428 Station A  
TORONTO M5W 1X3  
Telephone: 862-0274



"Sorry--books are a minority interest."

--Punch, March 17, 1976, p. 488.

# \* MLA GETS MORE GOVERNMENT SUPPORT

by  
Ron Robinson

Sixty-seven librarians and invited guests attended the spring general meeting of the Manitoba Library Association, May 29 at the International Peace Gardens in Boissevain.

Luncheon speaker David Steen, director of Public Library Services for the province, had some good tidings to offer the association, which has for several years been campaigning for better library service in Manitoba. He presented the MLA with a cheque for \$1,250 on behalf of the Minister of Tourism and Recreation, an amount five times the size of last year's grant.

"I hope this level of support will be maintained," Steen commented.

Prefacing his speech with the warning that views presented were his own and not those of the PLS or the government, Steen remarked on the plight of libraries in Manitoba. "Due to inadequate funding, inadequate provincial support and the use of a narrow, restrictive definition of library service, libraries have been unable to sell themselves to their communities and governments as an essential service."

Because of their "low profile", libraries in Manitoba had received no commitment from government towards planning or development, said Steen. "There is a lack of systems networking and consequent reduced access to information resources for most of Manitoba's citizens. We have with us today a funding mechanism which has not been responsive to increasing costs or to unusual service requirements."

Steen then listed a series of projects included under current PLS plans for improvement of library service.

- \* The Research and Planning section of the Department of Tourism has been approached to do an annual review of library financing in Manitoba.
- \* Summer students have been hired to work on a joint MLA/PLS project to prepare a union list of serials by the fall of this year.
- \* Approval is being sought for a joint project with the Manitoba School Library Audio Visual Association to prepare an annotated bibliography of government publications.
- \* Work has begun on a survey of ethnic libraries in Manitoba. All public libraries in the province are being asked to report on their foreign language collections.
- \* A film resources list is planned, to be compiled as a joint project with the School Library Services.
- \* Research and Development has been approached to do a study on special services for the handicapped, home-bound and institutionalized.
- \* The directory of libraries in Manitoba will be up-dated.
- \* A computerized book-cataloguing and circulating system for the PLS Extension Library is already being investigated. The library has already acquired microfilm copies of the card catalogues of the Winnipeg and St. Boniface public libraries to assist in interlibrary loan services. Plans are to obtain copies of other catalogues.

The afternoon session was taken up by a Public Lending Right debate in which three guest speakers participated. Speaking against PLR was Dr. Samuel Rothstein, of the UBC School of Librarianship. June Callwood of the Writers' Union of Canada and Jack Gray, chairman of the Writers' Council of A.C.T.R.A., argued for increased support of authors through a greater awareness and accountability of public use.

Rothstein attacked the notion that library use meant a decline in book sales. He compared library sales with paperback and book club sales as "complementary markets that represent net pluses in sales."

He conceded that few authors could make a living in Canada just writing books. Our society doesn't encourage one to earn a livelihood working full-time in occupations such as choreographer, composer, research scientist or writer, he felt. "You have to arrange your life accordingly," he said.

Rothstein also questioned the principle of payment for the use of books once they have been purchased by the library. The public was not expected to pay again and again for the use of equipment in playgrounds, he pointed out.

He warned librarians against a position that "we had better go along...or it will be worse for us." They would be better advised to state their case as best they could. Rothstein also took to task the librarians who said "I'll support the idea as long as I don't have to pay for the plan." The money would come from taxpayers' pockets eventually, he said, and a plan of this nature would be viewed as "library support". The scheme would constitute a further threat to the idea of a free public library.

In conclusion, Rothstein said he was in favour of the principle of assistance to authors. "We need to supply that assistance in ways that are much better founded in logic, in ethics and in good plain practical feasibility."

June Callwood stated that she didn't see the debate on PLR as an "adversary argument". "I can't follow the argument, to tell the truth, and I don't feel that we get anywhere by being divisive in this society."

Callwood saw a higher principle at stake. "We are a linear country, one hundred miles wide and four thousand miles long. It's almost impossible for us to survive as a unit." What holds us together is communication, hence the need for public railways, airlines, radio and TV networks. Because of the "friendly piranha" to the south, we must support those who write of our unique experience--James Gray, Margaret Laurence, Max Braithwaite.

When you get a glimpse of yourself, you incorporate that glimpse into growth... and that's what is provided by our 'magic' writers. That's how we will know ourselves and how we will reach our children." Callwood asked librarians to support the principle of compensation for public use, "sharing the responsibility for this part of our heritage."

Jack Gray agreed with Callwood about the "dilemma this country finds itself in". He extended the idea of public use to include photocopying and educational uses. But, he said, "we would not support methods that are not practical--any scheme that makes it more difficult for the education systems to operate or, in the case of libraries, erodes your financial base."

Gray suggested that government grant systems for authors were not enough, and implied government control. He advocated a system of compensation to authors based solely on the availability of their works to the public.

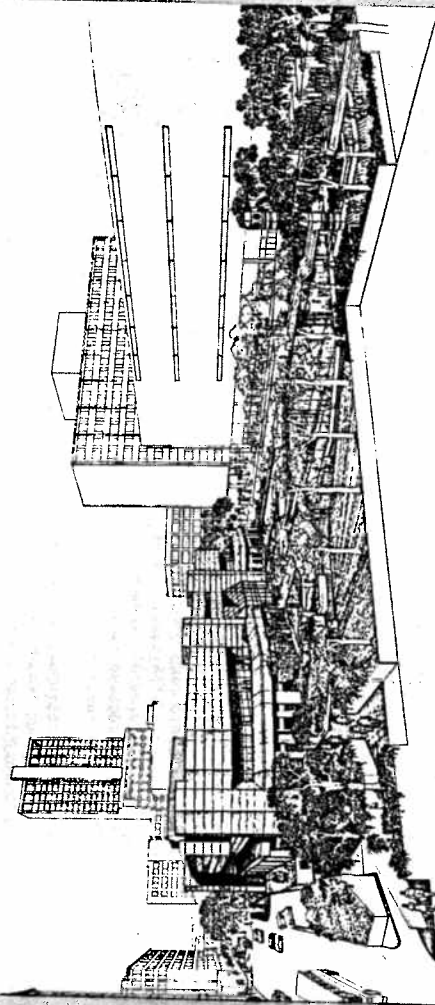
Gray then described the collection system proposed by A.C.T.R.A. to provide authors with blanket payments based on the number of their works available for public use. This is not a radical plan, Gray explained. It would not be difficult to administer and would probably involve from 4,000 to 6,000 creators. It would be possible under this system for 6,000 writers to earn at least \$3,500 a year in rights at a cost to the governments of only one dollar per person per year.

"You are not the enemy," said Gray. Writers have no proven case that library purchases reduce authors' sales, he added. "We need each others' help."

--Quill and Quire, August 1976, p. 30.



### WINNIPEG CENTENNIAL LIBRARY



The Winnipeg Centennial Library, now under construction at the corner of Donald Street and Graham Avenue is nearing completion. The building is expected to be finished by the end of January. Orders for furnishings and equipment are being placed now and present indications are that the library will open in the spring of 1977.

The parkade underneath the library is to be ready by October of this year, and work on the adjoining park is progressing well. The park may be ready for use before the snow falls.



## The Winnipeg Art Gallery

PRESIDENT A. S. LEACH, Jr.  
DIRECTOR ROBERT L. COLE

### THE WINNIPEG ART GALLERY LIBRARY

by

Erica J. Egan, Librarian

A library specializing in the field of art history is located in the Winnipeg Art Gallery. It was established in the year 1950. This library functions as a combined unit extending its service as a reference centre and as a circulating centre. As a circulating library, only members of the Winnipeg Art Gallery are permitted to borrow books from it according to specified rules and regulations. As a reference centre, the library is open for research and browsing to everyone: the general public, art lovers, art students and gallery members.

The collections include a complete survey of the history of art: books on various subject matter such as sculpture, ceramics, architecture, painting, drawings, photography, printmaking, textiles, furniture and looks on artists and their works.

The content of the library is as follows:

Total number of volumes of books	7,265
Total number of exhibition and art sales catalogues	7,207
Biographies on artists (vertical files)	987
Total number of periodicals	7,887
Subscriptions to periodicals	6,206
Bulletins	54
Archive material	671 vertical files
	136 binders
	162 envelopes

The present staff consists of two people.

Enquiries to:

Library  
Winnipeg Art Gallery  
300 Memorial Boulevard  
WINNIPEG, Manitoba R3C 3V1

Telephone: (204) 786-6641

by

K. Eric Marshall, Head, Library & Publication Services

The Fisheries Research Board of Canada in 1966. The small library from the former Biological Station and Technological Unit of the Board in London, Ontario, formed the nucleus of the Institute Library. During the next five years the library grew rapidly and has now become what is perhaps the best working collection of materials on freshwater biology in North America.

The collection now amounts to some 11,000 books; over 600 periodicals are currently received; about 60,000 volumes of periodicals are in the stacks; a reprint collection of some 6,000 items and microforms numbering about 300 films and 6,000 fiche are also held.

The library receives material by exchange from all parts of the world and the collections include many foreign publications on freshwater fisheries not held elsewhere in Canada. In addition to covering the fields of freshwater biology, fisheries, limnology and water pollution, significant collections in the areas of zoology, botany, science and biochemistry are also held. It is in these areas that most of our inter-library lending takes place.

The Institute is now the headquarters of the Western Region of the Fisheries Management section of the Fisheries and Marine Service of Environment Canada and the library is geared to meet the needs of the staff of the Region. Small field libraries are maintained in Yellowknife and at the Experimental Lakes Area field camp near Kenora.

As the Institute is located on the University campus, the library works closely with the other libraries on campus in serving the University community. Staff of other Federal and Provincial government departments in the Winnipeg area also make good use of our services. Members of the public may use the library during working hours (8:15 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., Monday to Friday) but we do not usually allow the public to borrow material. Xerox machines and a microfilm reader/printer are available to all users in the library.

The Institute Library was one of the early users of the CAN/SDI Service and currently some twelve profiles serve over 30 staff members. More recently direct access, first to QL Systems on-line data bases in Ottawa, and, since the spring of 1976, to the CAN/OLE Service, has been obtained.

The Library staff, composed of one professional and four clerical assistants, in addition to normal library duties, also looks after the distribution of staff publications.

Enquiries to:

Freshwater Institute Library  
Environment Canada  
501 University Crescent  
WINNIPEG, Manitoba R3T 2N6

Phone: (204) 269-7379

Telex: 07-57419

✓ MANITOBA CANCER TREATMENT AND RESEARCH FOUNDATION LIBRARY

by  
Isobel Steedman, Librarian

The Library of the Manitoba Cancer Foundation was designed in 1962 to serve the specific needs of its research and treatment personnel. It is essentially a private reference library. No bound journals may be signed out, but single issues of Journals, and also books, are permitted to be borrowed by staff on the understanding that these must be on the premises and available for recall if necessary.

From time to time, however, workers in co-existing fields require information which may not be immediately available in the nearby Medical College Library. If the Cancer Library has the necessary information then we do all we can to assist in such situations. Whenever possible the material is to be used within the confines of the Library, but in certain emergencies it may be borrowed under an agreement with the Medical Library whereby they treat such a transaction as an inter-library loan to their registered borrowers and assume responsibility for return of the material.

The Library collection is not large because unnecessary duplication of material readily accessible elsewhere is avoided. Holdings at the end of 1975 were:

Books	
Serial titles (usually on a yearly basis)	2,236
Bound journals	28
Journal subscriptions	1,074
	85

This body of information embraces all phases of oncology, i.e., diagnosis, pathology, cytology, epidemiology, hematology, carcinogenesis, radiotherapy, chemotherapy, endocrine therapy, radiobiology, radioisotopes, hyperbaric medicine; as well as the closely related fields of immunology, microbiology, radiology, pharmacology, radiation protection, and the basic sciences of physics, chemistry, biophysics, biochemistry, mathematics and electronics. A limited number of books are also included on general medicine, public health and statistics.

Our budget of \$7,600.00 for the current year covers the purchase of books; the payment of subscriptions, and the cost of binding. Other incidental expenses such as office furniture, equipment and supplies, are not included in this figure.

The present librarian undertook the responsibility for organizing, setting up and operating the library. No other staff is employed, with the exception of a part-time runner for pick-ups and returns to the Medical College Library. The usual services are provided, i.e., literature searches, current awareness, reference, etc.

Enquiries to:

Library  
Manitoba Cancer Treatment and Research Foundation  
700 Bannatyne Avenue  
WINNIPEG, Manitoba R3E 0V9

Phone: (204) 786-4731



✓ THE UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA LIBRARIES

The University of Manitoba Libraries and Reading Rooms function primarily to provide collections and services in support of the academic programs of the University. Members of the public who are not a part of the University community may use all the libraries and reading rooms although in some cases borrowing may be restricted.

Director of Libraries: W. Royce Butler  
Staff: 53 professional; 183 non-professional

Holdings: (figures include holdings for all libraries and reading rooms in the system.)

1,030,000 books and bound periodicals
380,000 microforms
9,200 current periodical subscriptions
8,500 audio-visual materials
290,000 government publications
62,000 sheet maps

The Elizabeth Dafoe Library

The University of Manitoba, Winnipeg. R3T 2N2  
Founded 1885

Telephones:

474-9881 - Administrative offices
474-9544 - Circulation
474-9319 - Current Periodicals
474-9844 - Reference
474-9681 - Special Collections

Main subject areas: humanities, social sciences, nursing

Holdings: 585,000 books and bound periodicals  
280,000 government publications  
61,000 sheet maps  
193,000 microforms  
CAN/SDI - Canadian Selective Dissemination of Information

Special Services:

SSIS - Canadian Consortium for Social Research - Social  
Science Information Service

Special Collections: Icelandic collection

Slavic collection

The Ralph Connor Papers

The J.W. Dafoe Papers

The Papers of Frederick Philip Grove

The Dysart Memorial Collection of Rare

Books and Manuscripts

Document depository for: U.N. publications

Canadian Federal Government Publications

Statistics Canada

FAO (Food and Agriculture Organization)

Architecture and Fine Arts Library

110 Architecture Building, The University of Manitoba, Winnipeg. R3T 2N2  
 Founded 1916  
 Telephone: 474-9216  
 Librarian: Peter Anthony  
 Subject Areas: architecture, art, city planning, design, graphics, interior design, photography  
 40,000 volumes and bound periodicals  
 Holdings: 3,600 government publications

Dental Library

112A, 780 Bannatyne Avenue, Winnipeg. R3E 0W3  
 Founded 1958  
 Telephone: 786-3635  
 Librarian: Mrs. Doris Pritchard  
 Holdings: 16,300 books and bound periodicals  
 410 current periodical subscriptions

Education Library

228 Education Building, The University of Manitoba, Winnipeg. R3T 2N2  
 Founded 1935  
 Telephone: 474-9422  
 Librarian: Mrs. Doreen Shanks  
 Holdings: 45,000 books and bound periodicals  
 141,000 microform  
 21,500 text book collection  
 2,500 audio visual

ERIC (Education Resources Information Center) computer-based tape search service

Engineering Library

351 Engineering Building, The University of Manitoba, Winnipeg. R3T 2N2  
 Founded 1907  
 Telephone: 474-9445  
 Librarian: Vladimir Simosko  
 Holdings: 24,000 books and bound periodicals  
 4,000 microform  
 6,000 government publications

Law Library

405 Robson Hall, The University of Manitoba, Winnipeg. R3T 2N2  
 Founded 1922  
 Telephone: 474-9773  
 Librarian: Shih-Sheng Hu  
 Holdings: 80,000 books and bound periodicals  
 835 current periodical subscriptions  
 8,200 microfiche

Medical Library

165-770 Bannatyne Avenue, Winnipeg. R3E 0W3  
 Founded 1895  
 Telephone: 786-4342  
 Librarian: Miss Audrey Kerr  
 Holdings: 65,000 books and bound periodicals  
 1,430 current periodical subscriptions  
 National Library of Medicine. Bibliographic data based computer services eg. Medline  
 Special collection: The Ross Mitchell Collection (History of Medicine)

St. John's College Library

St. John's College, The University of Manitoba, Winnipeg. R3T 2M5  
 Founded 1849  
 Telephone: 474-8542  
 Librarian: Arthur Millward  
 Main subject areas: Christian Theology and church history, Canadian history and literature, material for undergraduate courses taught in the College.  
 Holdings: 34,000 books and bound periodicals  
 125 current periodical subscriptions  
 Special collection: The J. Gerald Wade Collection of Canadiana

St. Paul's College Library

St. Paul's College, The University of Manitoba, Winnipeg. R3T 2M6  
 Founded 1931  
 Telephone: 474-8585  
 Librarian: Father Harold Drake  
 Main subject areas: Theology, church history, undergraduate courses taught in the college  
 Holdings: 50,000 books and bound periodicals  
 235 current periodical subscriptions  
 Special collection: Vatican letters and documents concerning North America  
 1668-1908 (microform)

Science Library

211 Machray Building, The University of Manitoba, Winnipeg. R3T 2N2  
 Founded 1906  
 Telephone: 474-8171  
 Librarian: Vladimir Simosko  
 Holdings: 78,000 books and bound periodicals  
 2,000 government publications

Administrative Studies Reading Room

Administrative Studies Building, The University of Manitoba, Winnipeg. R3T 2N2  
 Founded 1971  
 Telephone: 474-8440  
 Holdings: 2,000 volumes

Agriculture Reading Room

W212 Agriculture Building, The University of Manitoba, Winnipeg. R3T 2N2  
 Founded 1906  
 Telephone: 474-9457  
 Librarian: Vladimir Simosko  
 Holdings: 7,200 books and bound periodicals

Music Reading Room

223 Music Building, The University of Manitoba, Winnipeg. R3T 2N2  
 Founded 1965  
 Telephone: 474-9567  
 Librarian in charge: Peter Anthony  
 Holdings: 12,500 books and bound periodicals  
 26,000 performance music collection  
 3,300 phonorecords

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LIBRARIANS HIT STORE CLOSING

Editor, The Tribune,

The following letter was sent to the Prime Minister of Canada, and to a number of federal ministers and Manitoba MPs.

"The Manitoba Library Association, concerned with the development of library services in the province as well as with the dissemination of information to citizens, is convinced that the closure of the Canadian Government bookstores is a measure of false economy.

When the Information Canada inquiry centres were disbanded, Canadians were led to believe that alternative arrangements were being made through the Department of Supply and Services to continue the bookstores. Their annual reports applauded the success of the six outlets and the great promotional job each did to attract citizens so that they could become

familiar with what Canada's largest publisher had to offer. Now it appears that the alleged deficit of one million dollars will not only reduce regional and individual access to government information, but it will also complicate tremendously the acquisition procedures handled within each library. This change-over to Ottawa as the sole comprehensive distributor will, at the same time, create unwarranted disruption in library service during the period it takes to re-establish subscription orders.

It is most difficult to understand why the Canadian government would even contemplate such retrogressive action when just the opposite is being done in the United States. In addition to the Washington, D.C. Government Printing Office, there are now twenty-six bookstores scattered throughout the country!

Barbara Clubb, President  
 MANITOBA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

--Winnipeg Tribune, p. 9  
 August 21, 1976

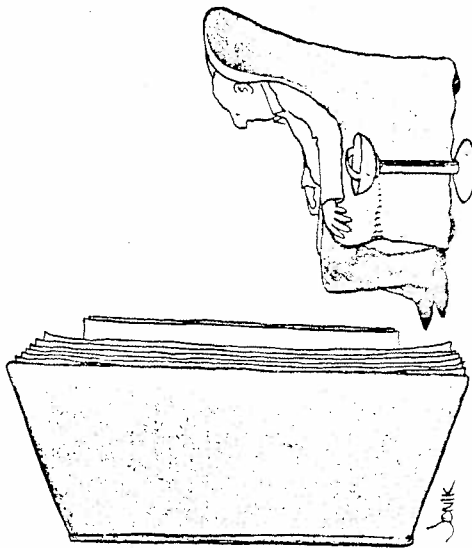
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# \* CANADIAN STANDARD CATALOGUE

Edith T. Jarvi, Isabel McLean and Catharine MacKenzie of the Faculty of Library Science, University of Toronto have undertaken to prepare a Canadian public library catalogue modelled on the H.W. Wilson Company's Public Library Catalogue.

The objective of the project is to compile in publishable form a standard catalogue of the most significant books for adults published in Canada about Canada, or written by Canadians at home or abroad, and of periodicals published in Canada. It will:

1. provide a basic guide for the selection of Canadian materials in public libraries in Canada, both the established and the new. It may also prove useful to libraries serving secondary and post-secondary school students;
2. serve as a tool to help assess and develop library collections systematically;
3. provide a source of cataloguing and classification information by suggesting Dewey Decimal Classification numbers and appropriate subject headings;
4. provide assistance for librarians giving reference and readers' advisory service;
5. serve internationally as a basic, annotated bibliography of Canadian writing;
6. present an overview of project findings on the present state of Canadian bibliographical development.

In determining eligibility for inclusion in the standard catalogue, the definition formulated by Canadiana will be used: "publications of Canadian origin or interest. In addition to material published in Canada it includes material published in other countries if written by Canadians or if Canadian in subject." An advisory committee will be established to ensure that the Catalogue conforms to the needs of practicing librarians. The project is also intended to analyze and enlarge upon principles of collection development in Canadian public libraries and to develop spin-off research reports in this area.

Isabel McLean will be visiting librarians in each province once the preliminary selection is made for advice and comments. In the meantime suggestions are welcome.



## UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO FACULTY OF LIBRARY SCIENCE

Centre for Research in Librarianship



## RELOCATION OF PUBLIC LIBRARY SERVICES

As of July 12, 1976, the Administration and Development Staff of Public Library Services will be located at:

139 Hamelin Street  
WINNIPEG, Manitoba  
R3T 4H4  
Telephone: 453-7549

The FLS Centre for Research in Librarianship is the first such centre in Canada. It represents an integral part of the Faculty's commitment to the advancement of librarianship in this country.

The Centre is intended as a focus for research in librarianship and cognate disciplines throughout Canada. Any scholar with funded research or an interest in working on a funded research proposal is invited to phone or write for further information to:

Dr. J. P. Wilkinson, Director  
Centre for Research in Librarianship  
Faculty of Library Science  
University of Toronto  
140 St. George Street  
TORONTO, Ont. M5S 1A1  
Telephone: (416) 978-3153



## NEW AND FORTHCOMING CANADIAN BOOKS

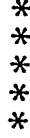
July - December 1976

Quill and Quire's annual fall announcements will be available for the first time this year as a separate publication. Entries will be arranged by subject, with a title and author index.

Publication date is September 17, 1976.  
Orders must be received by September 10, 1976.

1 - 15 copies are \$1.00 each and payment must accompany order.

Orders to: Quill and Quire  
59 Front Street East  
TORONTO M5E 1B3



The goals of the Centre are to:

1. further an understanding of the nature of librarianship and of information interfaces in general by adding to the body of relevant specialized data, particularly as it pertains to Canada.
2. to increase the visibility of librarianship and cognate disciplines in Canada in terms of political and fiscal support;
3. provide a research and intellectual focus for library educators, graduate students, and librarians throughout Canada, as well as for interested researchers from other countries.

One of the objectives of the Centre is to bring its achievements to the attention of agencies and individuals who may benefit from them through the publication, for example, of an informal newsletter which will attempt to develop a current awareness of research in librarianship and allied fields.



## LOCAL LIBRARY NEWS

Mrs. D'Arcy, retired Supervisor of School Library Services, Department of Education, Province of Manitoba, was honoured at the annual banquet of the British Columbia School Library Association on May 15, 1976, in Vancouver. Fellow honoree Margaret Ginther retired this spring as co-ordinator of Library Services, Vancouver School Board.

Mrs. D'Arcy received an honorary life membership in the B.C.S.L.A. She was lauded for her forceful role in encouraging legislation to support the development of school libraries in Manitoba; for the creation of the School Librarianship Bursary and for her active involvement in professional organizations.

Present and prior Manitobans who had been drawn to Vancouver by the Pacific Rim Conference on Children's Literature and by the B.C.S.L.A. meet were there to help honour Grace: Geoffrey Chapman, School of Librarianship, University of British Columbia; Ron Willey, now with Thompson-Nicola Regional Library, Kamloops, B.C.; Barbara Worbanski, Arthur A. Leach School, Fort Garry School Division, No. 5; and Virginia Davis, Consultant, School Library Services Department of Education, Province of Manitoba.

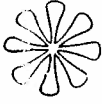
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Professor David Jenkinson, Faculty of Education, University of Manitoba, who is now undertaking doctoral studies at the University of Minnesota has been awarded the Howard V. Phalin-World Book Graduate Scholarship in Library Science.

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"On May 28, under the auspices of the Manitoba Library Association and the University of Manitoba libraries, Dr. Samuel Rothstein of the University of British Columbia School of Librarianship gave a talk entitled "Right Road, Wrong Turn", in which he discussed the National Library. He contended that the National Library has failed to be truly national, has provided neither leadership nor expertise for Canadian libraries, and has neither the resources nor finances to be much more than a slightly expanded library of Parliament. Needless to say, the speech engendered lively and animated comment from the sizeable audience which included many off-campus visitors and non-professionals."

--University of Manitoba Libraries News Notes... June 17, 1976



## EDUCATION IN LIBRARIANSHIP

SCHOOL LIBRARY SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: WORKSHOPS 1976-1977

School Library Services of the Department of Education and the National Film Board of Canada will co-sponsor three workshops during the 1976/77 school year:

October 29, 1976 - "REEL TO REAL", Arthur A. Leach School, 1827 Chancellor Drive, Fort Garry, Winnipeg, Manitoba. With the goal of developing skill in the selection of film for educational use, the workshop will provide time to view film, and encourage discussion of criteria for use.

November 5-7, 1976 - "MEDIA UN-MUDDLE NORTH", Keewatin Community College, The Pas, Manitoba. The idea of visual literacy and how to encourage it; flexibility in criteria for film evaluation; awareness of the components of film; effective video tape production and use; and, for the novice, an "equipment drop-in" to teach use will be offerings in a varied program.

March 18-20, 1977 - "MEDIA UN-MUDDLE SOUTH", St. Benedict's Educational Centre, Winnipeg, Manitoba. A continuation of a workshop held in March, 1976, the program will stress how-to-do-it workshops, some development of technical ability in film and all non-print media, approaches to the making of multi-media kits, and generous time for viewing film.

In co-operation with Mystery Lake School District, Thompson, Manitoba, School Library Services will organize one workshop: February 21-22, 1977 - "MEDIA NORTH II".

February 21-22, 1977 - MEDIA NORTH III, Thompson, Manitoba. Offered specifically for the professional staffs of Northern School districts, and the Federal Indian Affairs Schools, the workshop will include discussions of standards; approaches to program development for resource centres; book promotion ideas; approaches to improved communication with administration; how to make teachers more aware of libraries; and, because it is planned to coincide with the Provincial Principals' Conference, an exceptionally large materials display.

For further information contact: SCHOOL LIBRARY SERVICES

Department of Education  
Tel: (204) 786-0320 (204) 786-0322  
Michael Angel Virginia Davis

INVOLVEMENT '76--THEME OF THE MSLVA SAG CONFERENCE, Thursday evening October 21 and Friday and Saturday, October 22-23, 1976, Arthur A. Leach School, 1827 Chancellor Drive, Ft. Garry, Manitoba.

The theme of involvement was chosen to get as many people as possible to participate. It is planned to have 30 - 40 thematic displays done by teacher-librarians set up in the gym.

These themes would be on: a) curriculum areas studied throughout the year, for example, Japan, the Canadian Indian, Dinosaurs, Ecology, Home Economics and b) areas of special interest to the library program, for instance literature promotion: Canadian literature, non-exist materials, paperback favorites, science fiction. Those wishing to set up such displays at the conference should contact the chairpersons:

Bob Piper  
66 East Wildwood Park  
Winnipeg R3T 0C8  
452-7094

Barb Worbanski  
302 - 1 Finch Bay  
Winnipeg R3T 1V9  
284-9498

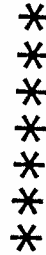
FIFTH CANADIAN CONFERENCE ON INFORMATION SCIENCE, MAY 16-18, 1977  
OTTAWA, ONTARIO

The theme for the 1977 Conference is "From sea to sea: perspectives on information science". It is derived from Canada's motto "A MARI USQUE AD MARE", and is aimed at promoting continuing interaction and discourse between theoreticians and practitioners of information science. The conference will include sessions where regional viewpoints are aired, as well as sessions devoted to the formal presentation of submitted papers on such topics as:

- success or failure of federal policies
- information consolidation
- the information industry
- computers and publishing
- communications technology
- education for information science
- cost-benefit of information

Non-members of CAIS who wish to receive information about Conference 77 should write to:

Leo Boychuk, Publicity Chairman  
Conference 77  
Box 158  
OTTAWA, Canada K1N 8V2



## Across The Editors' Desks

Randall, Gordon E. Budgeting for libraries. *Special Libraries* 67(1): 8-12, 1976.

"In the past the major portion of the industrial library budget, as high as 90-95% of the total, was consumed by personnel and literature costs. Empirically and rationally derived bases for determining the costs for libraries are suggested."

Benson, Joseph. Why special library participation in a metropolitan network? *Special Libraries* 67(1): 18, 20-22, 1976

"Special libraries need to be aggressive in participating in all phases of the genesis and development of the network, including the planning process, the making of policy decisions, the provision of financial support, and the making available of special library resources."

Kirk, Artemis Gargal. A model for continuing education for special librarians. *Special Libraries* 67(3):138-144, 1976.

"The need for continuing education for special librarians in particular, and the opportunities currently existing for the implementation of individual study for continuing education are discussed. Based on the needs that exist and the scarcity of programs in this area, a model for continuing education for the Special Libraries Association through which its members can arrange an educational program to suit their particular needs is proposed."

Van Wyk, Jan Eileen. A model for continuing education in the year 2000. *Special Libraries* 67(3):145-152, 1976.

"A five year plan for continuing education for members of the Science-Technology Division of the Special Libraries Association is considered. The milieu in which the problem exists is described. An approach to the problem is given. A review of other approaches within and without the profession, internationally and at home, is made. The essential features of a specific proposal are prescribed."

Vaillancourt, Pauline M. The Continuing Library Education Network and Exchange (CLENÉ): aid to continuing education for special librarians. *Special Libraries* 67(4):208-216, 1976.

"The history of CLENÉ, description of its mechanism, implications for special librarians and plans for both near future and ultimate functions are discussed. The philosophy and processes of CLENÉ are described as well as criteria that governed decisions made at each phase."

Lukensill, W. Bernard. The OK reference department--using transactional analysis in evaluating organizational climates. *RQ* 15(4):317-322, 1976.

After a brief introduction to the nature of transactional analysis, the author discusses: the life scripts of organizations, organizational ego states, stroking, games reference departments and staff's play, steps toward a healthy organization, and TA, management and the reference process.

Eaglen, Audrey. Rape: "in" and dangerous. *Emergency Librarian* 3(6):7-

Points out some myths about rape and provides a useful critically annotated bibliography of books and films on the subject.

## BARGAINS

Archaeology: a student's guide to reference sources prepared by Almuth Desautels. 1975 20p.

History and philosophy of science: a student's guide to reference sources by Almuth Desautels. 1975 16p.

Request from McLennan Library, McGill University, P. O. Box 6070, Station A, Montreal, Quebec H3C 3G1. Request from Mrs. Elizabeth Sylvester.

Directory of Saskatchewan Libraries. 3d ed. 1975 83p.

Request from V. P. Anora, Librarian, Provincial Library, Province of Saskatchewan, 1352 Winnipeg Street, Regina, Saskatchewan S4R 1J9

Women in Federal Politics: a bio-bibliography prepared by Gwynneth Evans. 1975 81p.

Request from the Public Service Branch, Publications Office, National Library of Canada, 395 Wellington Street, Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0N4.

Graduate Library School Programs Accredited by the American Library Association. March 1976.

Available from: Committee on Accreditation, ALA, 50 East Huron St., Chicago, Illinois 60611.

Reference Service Manual of the University of Massachusetts (Amherst) Library is available as ERIC document number ED116-701, from ERIC Document Reproduction Service, P. O. Box 190, Arlington, Virginia 22210 at a cost of \$ .76 for microfiche and \$1.75 for hard copy. The manual is the result of work on a policy statement begun in 1971.

Abortion, April 1972

Accidents and Accident Prevention, July 1974

Alcoholism and Drug Abuse, July 1973

Family Planning, September 1975

History of Nursing in Canada, August 1972

Sex Education, August 1974

The above bibliographies are available at \$1.00 each in lots of 2 or more in English or French (specify language) from the Canadian Nurses' Association, 50 The Driveway, Ottawa, Ontario K2P 1E2.

## BOOKS NOTED

Library Services to the Disadvantaged edited by William Martin. London: Clive Bingley, 1975.

"The increasing social stresses of modern life have served to highlight an awareness of the potentially divisive nature of the library situation. Libraries are regarded, by disadvantaged members of a community, as custodians of the established tradition and servants of a middle-class society, and, as such, become unacceptable to those most in need of a cultural focus." This work is a collection of responses from contributors who include librarians, social workers and academics in various parts of the world who "are firm believers in the need for a much more positive commitment by public libraries to the development of communities of which they are a part." The contributors describe responses to specific situations in their respective countries and attempt to shed light on common problems.

Task Group on Library Service to the Handicapped. Report presented to the National Librarian, Dr. Guy Sylvestre. Ottawa: National Library, 1976.

The report deals with "present library services for handicapped Canadians who are unable to read normally because of visual or physical limitations." The Task Group, which first met in March 1974, has the view that while "much progress has been made in Canada during the past few years . . . (that) library services for handicapped Canadians remain sparse, uncoordinated, and lacking in standardization, and there has been too little production of Canadian materials in special media (i.e., braille, large-print, and audio materials).

"Beyond the Big Three"—a new career counselling kit for girls. Orders to:

Mrs. Beth Rydalle, University Women's Club of Oakville, 487 Tipperton Crescent, Oakville, Ontario L6L 5E1. Cost: \$10.00 for the booklets, \$7.00 for the game, \$17.00 for the package.

The kit encourages girls to look beyond the "big three" traditionally acceptable jobs for women: teaching, secretarial science and nursing. As well, it stimulates student, counsellor, teacher, and parent to reconsider their ideas about sex-stereotyping. "Beyond the Big Three" contains five information booklets and an eye-opening game about marriage. "Who Says" challenges the reader to consider some of the ways in which both girls and boys are affected by unconscious sex stereotyping. "Women Yesterday" offers a cross section of female trail blazers from Canadian history. "Women Today" portrays many notable Canadian women who are opening doors to new career ideas. "Marriage and/or" takes a very personal look at marriage and the question of combining it with part-time or full-time work. "Consider It" examines job areas beyond the traditional women's fields. "The Marriage Game" helps students look beyond rose-colored dreams and consider some of the more realistic facts of life, especially when it is used in conjunction with the booklets.

In Search of Canadian Materials, an annotated bibliography of Canadian materials suitable for school libraries from Kindergarten to Grade 12, put out by the Canadian Studies Project Committee and School Library Services of the Manitoba Department of Education is now available from the Manitoba Textbook Bureau, 277 Hutchings Street, Winnipeg, Manitoba, R2X 2R4 at \$2.00 per copy.



#### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

##### LIBRARIAN

The Manitoba Museum of Man and Nature invites applications for the position of Librarian.

##### Duties:

Reporting to the Chief Curator, the librarian provides library services to staff and public, including the supervision of two full-time staff, cataloguing, classification, acquisition and circulation.

##### Qualifications:

Bachelor of Library Science degree or equivalent experience in a museum, university or other research oriented institution.

##### Salary:

Position will be of interest to individuals currently earning \$10,500 to \$14,500.

##### Reply to:

Dr. G. E. Lammers, Chief Curator  
Manitoba Museum of Man and Nature  
190 Rupert Avenue  
WINNIPEG, Manitoba R3B 0N2  
Telephone: 956-2830 Extension 155

##### Closing Date:

September 30, 1976.

## COMING EVENTS!

September 9 - 12, 1976

Oral History Association, 11th National Workshop and Colloquium. The workshop will be held at the Public Archives of Canada in Ottawa from September 9 - 10; the colloquium will meet at Le Chateau Montebello, Montebello, Quebec from September 10-12. For further information write: Ronald E. Marcella, Secretary-Treasurer, P.O. Box 13734, N.T. Station, North Texas State University, Denton, Texas 76203.

September 10 - 12, 1976.

Manitoba Library Association Fall Conference and Annual General Meeting, University of Winnipeg, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

September 29 - October 1, 1976.

1976 Pittsburgh Conference on Resource-Sharing in Libraries. The conference, sponsored by the Graduate School of Library and Information Science, University of Pittsburgh, will be held at the William Penn Hotel, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Further details from: John Fethman, Assistant Director, Office of Communications Programs, 806 L.I.S. Building, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15260.

October 21, 22, 23, 1976

"Involvement '76"—theme of the MSLAVA SAG Conference to be held at the Arthur Leach School, 1827 Chancellor Drive, Fort Garry, Manitoba. See section "Education in Librarianship" for further details.

October 23, 1976

MLTA Fall Conference, Melita, Manitoba. Theme: "Action at the local level and Sell your Library".

November 13-18, 1976.

Film Library Information Council "Film Conference at Sea" to be held aboard the S.S. Rotterdam, departing New York and cruising to Bermuda. For an information brochure send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: FLIC "Film Conference at Sea", 14 Bellport Lane, Bellport, New York 11713.

May 16-18, 1977

Fifth Canadian Conference on Information Science, Ottawa, Ontario. For more information, see Education in Librarianship section.

