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Membership in the Association has reached approximately 750 personal members. One unhappy consequence of this growth is that I cannot know and keep in touch with each of you personally. Please do feel free to write or call me at anytime if you have concerns or questions about the Association.

Good news! Frances is on the job. Yes, the Oklahoma Library Association has its first Executive Secretary. Frances Kennedy, recently retired as Director of the Oklahoma City University Library, and a former President of OLA, assumed the Executive Secretary's position on May 1.

Frances has been a dedicated and tireless OLA worker for many years, and she is ideally qualified to serve as the "magic wand" to hold our Association together in the coming years.

The Executive Secretary's job description is long and detailed. Essentially, she will perform many tasks which in the past have been the responsibilities of the President, Treasurer, or Secretary. For the first time, OLA will have a permanent mailing address. Frances will have a supply of forms and stationery when you need these items. She will always be able to direct you to the proper OLA officer, committee chairman, etc., when you have a question.

Always clear OLA workshop, conference or meeting dates with Frances so that conflicts can be avoided. Send archival files, correspondence, etc., to the Executive Secretary for deposit in the official OLA Archives.

I am deeply honored to have the opportunity to serve as Oklahoma Library Association President for 1974/75.

Please contact the Executive Secretary at 1629 Camden Way, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73116, phone 405-843-4989.
Metamorphosis of a Hunter, a Writer

Mel Ellis

Like religion, an appreciation for and a love of the outdoors and wildlife does not come in a dazzling moment of revelation and inspiration, but beginning in earliest childhood grows strong with the years.

Unfortunately, many times, this first appreciation of a beautiful flower, of a duck flock riding an Arctic wind on a day of black, tumbling clouds is too often perverted and smudged by the hunter instinct. Then often — and sadly — the young child once awed by the wonders of nature, is awed no longer by the chickadee perched on the very bill of his hunting cap, because he is in hot pursuit of the deer, eager only to make the final fatal shot, and then bending over the warm carcass, searching for the jugular with a knife to deliver the coup de grace.

I speak from experience. As a very young child during my brief age of innocence some of the most precious things of my life included a greany apple tree, a trellis of American beauty roses, and the bronze ducklings which each spring chased bugs across the lawn of our Wisconsin home.

I abhorred and was horrified by killing, and there was a spring day when my father cracked an abandoned duck egg, and when there was a living embryo which could not be saved, and when he killed it with a stick of firewood, I went to my room crying.

Through all the years, and to this day, I can see the piece of firewood come high and pause silhouetted for a single instant against the blue sky, and then I can see it descend to mash to pulp the wet, helpless duckling already perfectly formed down to its shapely brown bill, its exquisitely webbed feet.

But I came of hunting stock, and there was much talk of hunting in our home. And my father would tell of the times (because my mother was much abed with illness), that he took me on his trampoline. He would tell about how then when I was yet unable to walk, he would wrap me in blankets and store me in the bow of the duck skiff and then paddle along his trapline in the Great Shakey Marsh near Beaver Dam lake.

Mostly those days my father trapped muskrats which brought ten to fifteen cents the pelt, and since there were so

Mr. Ellis delivered this address at the 1974 OLA Annual Conference at which he was the recipient of the 16th annual Sequoyah Children's Book Award.
many he skinned them immediately as they came from the trap and then he threw the fresh pelts over me until they almost filled the bow of the skiff.

Then, as my father would tell it again and again when I was older, he’d say, “And sometimes we couldn’t find you because of the rats in the boat.” And then I would laugh, and so would anyone else who heard him tell it.

So even before my school days I remember I wanted to trap, because hadn’t my father? And even before third grade, I wanted to hunt, because when my father brought home ducks and prairie chickens wasn’t there a gleam in my mother’s eye, because wasn’t the game a treat from the largely bread and potato meals of my father’s struggling years? And didn’t my father let me hold his gun, and at night didn’t I watch him affectionately oil and rub the walnut stock until it shone like quick, bright fire in the light of the kerosene lamp?

And didn’t I have my own guns, even if they were only sticks? And didn’t I crouch in a blind back of the outhouse, and when the sparrows came down to the crumbs I had spread, didn’t I make believe they were ducks, and didn’t I, with my toy gun, shoot them?

So gradually, from such a beginning as makes all children creatures of innocence with a natural affection for puppies, small birds and all such helpless things as stir the bedrock emotion of compassion, I gradually changed and became the hunter.

Now there is no shame in being the hunter. It is a most natural pursuit inherited from countless generations of forebears who would not have survived had they not been good hunters.

And I wanted to be a good hunter, because all of my heroes in those days I admired most the man who could kill two ducks with one shot because he was not only a remarkable marksman, but a frugal provider of excellent fare at a minimum of cost.

Many is the time over a delicious stew of coots, I would hear my father say, “Five cents. That’s all this meat cost. Five cents. I waited until the mudhens (he never called them coots) were in one big raft, and my first shot put eighteen down on the water.”

And it was a marvelous thing, an almost heroic thing to get all that good meat and for only five cents — the cost of a single shotgun shell in those long, long ago times.

We were poor then. Success hadn’t yet been visited upon my father. Many of our meals were a batter of flour, water and eggs fried and then sweetened with homemade jelly or jam. So to suddenly have carcasses of ducks, prairie chickens, rabbits and coots hanging on the back porch was like coming suddenly into money — real money!

So I begged my father to take me hunting, and sometimes he did. Then I would take along my toy wooden guns and crouching with him in the marsh before sunrise thrill to the sounds of mallards quacking, shiver at the sound of wings whipping overhead, be astounded at the size of the blue herons silhouetted against a grey sky.

Then when we came home and there were eight or fourteen ducks to hang on the back porch, I swollen with pride, and my dreams that night would have me the mighty hunter come to marsh and to forest and the high hill to kill meat so I could feed the family waiting and depending upon me.

Of course I couldn’t wait until I was the legal age of twelve to begin my hunting. I had to hunt right away, but what to do about a gun? Well in the attic stood an old Spanish American war rifle, a monstrous and cumbersome weapon with a tremendous rabbit-eared cocking hammer, and my brother, who was a year younger, helped me haul it bumping and bouncing down the stairs and outside where we hid
it behind the woodshed.

It was too big for one boy. So first he would carry the muzzle and I the stock, and then we would change about. The boy carrying the stock always got to aim the gun and pull the trigger. Of course, not having any ammunition, we had to be satisfied with making believe, dry firing and imagining the bird we shot at fell in flight, the cottontail somersaulted in death.

Then a boy from the other side of town who was five years older looked at the gun, and said: "I wonder. Maybe." Next day he was back with a .410 gauge shotgun shell, and miracles of miracles, it chambered, fit perfectly into the old Spanish War rifle.

So we scrounged and borrowed and begged and saved pennies until we had sixty-five cents for a box of .410 gauge shells. Then we were in business. So with one boy holding the muzzle, and the other holding the stock and aiming and pulling the trigger, we went hunting and by the time we were half way through our box of shells we killed a sitting rabbit. Of course, we should have known better than to take the carcass home, but that was the big thrill to walk triumphantly through the door the great hunter with meat for the table.

Mother was horrified. She hadn’t, of course, realized that we had come by some ammunition. My father, however, betrayed himself with just a wisp of a smile but nevertheless he returned the gun to the attic with a warning of dire consequences if we touched it again.

Yet to ease our sorrow, he brought home a BB gun. Then at twelve years of age, since father’s garage business had begun to prosper, we got .410 gauge shotguns. It wasn’t long then and we graduated to the standard 12-gauge guns, weapon of most of the waterfowlers of the day.

We became hunters — good hunters — not in the sportsmanlike concept of only taking wing shots and never shooting anything which was at rest, but in the sense that we usually killed what we aimed at — never wasted a shell.

But we were just a little late. The time of the great duck flocks had passed. By then the prairie chickens had long fled that part of Wisconsin in which we lived and it was necessary to travel an incredible hundred miles to get such shooting. The bag limit, which had been twenty-five ducks when we were sprouts, had been reduced to fifteen. We heard rumors of such duck shortages as might eventually make some species extinct. And it was a fact that in the twenties we often came to our favorite marsh and returned home time and again without having seen a single duck or fired a single shot.

Even raccoons, which are so plentiful around my Wisconsin home today, were then in short supply. Beavers were being trapped to extinction. The prairie chicken was barely hanging on. Egrets thrilled us no more, since unbeknown to us, the plume hunters had ravaged their flocks. Even blue herons became scarce because irate duck hunters, having no legal targets, began wholesale slaughter of the birds, wiping out entire rookeries. Wildlife had come upon a time of crisis, and there were too few to champion the cause of these species which seemed destined to follow the passenger pigeon into oblivion.

My hunting days temporarily ended then. I was packed off to a boarding school, and in fall when my gun should have been booming, I was learning that it was not only prudent but wise to save today if a man wanted any wildlife tomorrow. Then when I wasn’t studying I was tramping the flatlands of northern Indiana and I never knew before how one wild place after another had been turned into a dump site.

The ugly dump sites surrounding some of the nearby heavily industrialized cities affected me deeply. After graduation, and
a few depression years washing dishes and scrubbing floor, I finally made it to Sheboygan, Wis., where I became a reporter on The Press.

For me it was a most fortunate connection. The Sheboygan Press in the thirties was a splendid example of dedication to the best conservation principles. I was overjoyed to be working for such a responsible paper, and it was then I resumed my hunting. Only now I discovered that it was more fun to sit in a duck blind and watch a marsh wren hunt for insects or a muskrat build its thatched house, than it was to shoot ducks.

These then were the great formative years, not only in the metamorphosis of a writer and a hunter, but the great formative years of conservation with the likes of Aldo Leopold paving the way for the present ecological revolution.

It was a revelation and a deep source of satisfaction for me to be working for a publisher like Charles Broughton, who also happened to be Democratic national committee man, Broughton was a tireless worker in the field of conservation. He fought for and got a Terry Andrae park, a wild goose refuge at Horicon, a rich impoundment for wildlife along the Sheboygan river...many, many worthwhile projects.

I was inspired by Leopold, by a man named Dahlberg who wrote some of the first ecological textbooks...and so I began finding new prey on my hunting and writing horizon. I began hunting for cleaner creeks, for wetlands and primeval forests.

Then Broughton gave me a full page of the newspaper to do with what I wanted in the outdoor field. Since advertising was slack on Monday, that was the day I got my page. Still the metamorphosis of the writer, the hunter was still a long way from emerging a beautiful butterfly, and I'm afraid I turned my page into a hunting and fishing page instead of devoting it to conservation.

But things were stirring. Thirty years before Rachael Carson wrote Silent Spring things were stirring across the country, and other newspapers were looking to the outdoors for news and features. Quite suddenly then the hunting and fishing magazines gained a new respect, and I was pleased to see the magazine Outdoors, now defunct, like on nature writers who went afield only with binoculars.

Ultimately, though World War II intervened and I flew with a heavy bombardment crew, I came back to go to work for The Milwaukee Journal. Then I also moved to the country to dig four spring-fed ponds, plant thousands upon thousands of trees, bring in thousands of wild flowers dispossessed by freeways—created a miniature outdoor paradise, a microcosm of what a wilderness might be like if all the ecological laws necessary to a healthy and thriving environment were observed.

So it was that my love affair with the wild ones finally became a full blown marriage and in addition to the children in my house, you might on any day find squirrels and chipmunks, raccoons and seagulls, woodchucks or a crow...Gradually then I found I'd rather hunt mushroom rooms than mallards, gather asparagus than fish muskies, sit and count bees and birds in passing...or watch a goose mother her goslings.

I was considerably relieved then to be able to put the job as a rod and gun editor of The Journal behind me and turn to books. Now I could write about the boy who was saddened because when he killed a coyote the coyote's pups starved. Now I could write about how a boy took a captive wolf back to the wilds and released it. I could write about a boy's friendship with a bear, about the ways of wildlings unmolested by man. And I did. I wrote one book after another, and my guns gathered dust. And what ammuni-

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An Oklahoma Music Collection – III

Guy Logsdon

In two previous articles an attempt was made to introduce librarians in Oklahoma to musicians from or within the state who were influential in shaping the sounds of musical America and/or who are worthy of being included in any record collection, but even more important, they should be included in Oklahoma library music collections. All too often librarians make value judgments about "quality" music, and they develop only a classical collection and occasionally, for esoteric purposes, a small ethnic-folk collection. Country, jazz, and pop music are excluded. Yet it is in these musical genres where Oklahoma musicians excel.

A few excellent releases of previously mentioned musicians have been marketed since the last article. Possibly the most important is a two-record album, The Bob Wills Anthology (Columbia — KG 32416) in which twenty-four numbers that were recorded between 1935 and 1946 are re-issued; however, five of them are actually issued for the first time. These were the best years for Bob and the Playboys and represent their developing and mature years with the big band sound. This re-issue was long overdue and provides a one-album history of western swing.

One of the original Playboys who went on to a popular career of his own in the Southwest is Leon McAuliffe and his Cimarron Boys. After many years between albums, Leon has a new one, Take It Away, Leon (Stoneway — STY 139). Many swing favorites are again available by the steel guitarist who was the first full-time steel man in any country-western band. It must be mentioned that the Stoneway albums probably will have to be ordered direct from Stoneway Records, 2817 Laura Koppe, Houston, 77016; this company specializes in instrumental country-western music which the big companies tend to ignore, and they have limited distribution. One of their albums which includes some musicians who once were members of bands in Oklahoma is The Twin Fiddles of Bob White and Clyde Brewer (STY-131); this record is highly recommended as one of the best swing releases in many years. Also, Stoneway features fiddle music by many great fiddlers such as Cubby Wise and Howdy Forrester; also, Herb Remington, the unique steel guitar stylist who is well known in the Southwest, is a Stoneway artist. Many of their records would make valuable additions to any collection.

Another currently popular group in the progressive bluegrass area is Brush Arbor and is led by Okmulgeean Ken Munds. Their latest is Brush Arbor 2 (Capitol-ST 11209). Since bluegrass music is not native to this area, very few Oklahoma groups are available on record; a few on 45 rpm discs can be found on a local basis around the state. A good collection should include bluegrass, and a highly recommended two record album that serves as an anthology of the all-time greats in bluegrass is Bean Blossom

The accompanying article is the third in a continuing series being contributed by the Director of the University of Tulsa Libraries.
Bluegrass is enjoying great popularity in Oklahoma, and some good records should create traffic in the library.

Two Indian music albums are *Traditional Indian Hymns, Volumes I and II*, by the Witt Memorial Indian United Methodist Church Choir of Tulsa. Their material is Christian Indian hymns, not traditional native songs, and they are sung in Indian languages, not English. The choir is well known and widely traveled nationally; the two records can be purchased for nine dollars from Jim Edwards, 5427 E. 32nd Place, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74135.

Hank Thompson is one of the all-time popular western singers; Hank has sold over thirty million records during his twenty-six year career. A Texan by birth, Hank operated out of Oklahoma City for many years before moving to eastern Oklahoma. In recent years he has been based in Tulsa but has made his home in the Keystone Lake area. His latest album is *Kindly Keep It Country* (Dot-DOS 26015). He has written numerous songs that use Oklahoma as a theme of which many are featured on *Hank Thompson Salutes Oklahoma* (Dot-DLP 25971); this album is highly recommended. A two record album that features his most popular songs is *Hank Thompson's 25th Anniversary Album* (Dot-2000); it is a tribute to one of the most consistent careers in music. Hank deserves recognition as a business man who has done much to promote the state; many other of his albums are still available.

Jim Halsey is Hank's manager and partner in business. The Halsey talent agency is based in Tulsa, and Jim is probably the most respected talent agent in the nation. One of his stars and partners who received part of his career impetus by traveling with Hank is the Entertainer of the Year in country music, Roy Clark. These three men own KTOW in Sand Springs along with land holdings south of Tulsa. Roy is often in Tulsa and calls it his second home. While he is not an Oklahoman, he is an important figure in the state. Three excellent albums are *Roy Clark's Family Album* (Dot-DOS 26018), and *Roy Clark The Entertainer* (Dot-DOS 1-2001), and *Roy Clark The Entertainer of the Year* (Capitol SABB 1264). The latter is a re-issue of selections from albums when he recorded for Capitol.

Another of the Halsey artists who has moved to Tulsa is Tommy Overstreet. His latest album is *My Friends Call Me T.O.* (Dot-DOS-26012). Other artists managed by Jim Halsey are Minnie Pearl, Grandpa Jones, Freddie Weller, Diana Trask, and many more; they, of course, do not live in Oklahoma. The Halsey agency is a major industry in the State.

A highly talented singer who lives on a ranch near Oklahoma City is Henson Cargill. Unfortunately, he does not get radio air play and exposure that he deserves; his latest album is *This is Henson Cargill Country* (Atlantic — SD7279).

Another Oklahoma City award winning singer is rock-artist-turned-country singer Conway Twitty. Conway has made his home in Oklahoma City for approximately twenty-five years and has slowly, but steadily, risen to national popularity. His latest albums are *Honky Tonk Angel* (MCA-406) and *You've Never Been This Far Before* (MCA-359). Conway also has many business interests in the state and was made an honorary Choctaw chief last winter.

In 1933 Leonard Slye (better known as Roy Rogers), Bob Nolan, and Tim Spencer formed a trio known as the Sons of the Pioneers. Tim Spencer was a young man who grew up in Pitcher where his father was a miner. Tim ran away from home when he was about sixteen in order to become a musician. He was not only a major member of the group but also wrote many hit songs. Two albums that
reflect the influence and talent of this Oklahoman are Riders in the Sky, Sons of the Pioneers (RCA-Camden - ADL2 - 0336e) and The Sons of the Pioneers (John Edwards Memorial Foundation, UCLA, Los Angeles, 90024). Both albums are classic western releases and are highly recommended; the latter album will have to be ordered from the Foundation. (The JEMF publishes a quarterly journal that is devoted to country-western research and discography; any library that has an interest in music will want to join the Foundation.)

In the rock music world Leon Russell has enjoyed popularity as a performer, as well as a song writer. His success has been so financially rewarding that he has constructed two of the finest recording studios in the world; one in Tulsa and one at Grand Lake. Also, he has his own recording label, Shelter Records, which is headquartered in Tulsa. Two of his rock albums are Leon Russell (Shelter - SW - 89601) and Carney (Shelter - SW - 89111). Leon's latest album is a country-western collection of old favorites that is titled Hank Wilson's Back, Vol. I (Shelter - SW 8923). This is a departure in material of great importance, for it is a major rock influence turning to country music. It is an excellent country album that has received much radio air play over country and rock stations. More rock artists can be expected to turn to country material and style.

J. J. Cale, also a Tulsa native, is a guitarist friend of Leon's and is in much demand as a recording session man. His importance to rock guitar styles and his ability as an all-around guitarist make his two albums important acquisitions. They are Really (Shelter - SW 8912) and Naturally (Shelter - SW 8908).

The influence of Charlie Christian on the jazz guitar was previously discussed, and one guitarist who was inspired by him and who went on to become an all-star guitarist is Barney Kessel from Muskogee. While a student at the University of Oklahoma in the early '40s, Kessel heard Christian and became a disciple. An album that may be difficult to obtain, but will be well worth it, is I Remember Django with Kessel and Stephane Grappelli, a Frenchman who is the greatest of swing fiddlers; the album is on the French label Black Lion (BL-105) and is a tribute to the French guitarist Django Rinehart. There are approximately ten Kessel albums still available that were cut in this country for the Contemporary label; the latest is Feeling Free (Contemporary - 7618). He has authored a book about guitars and guitar playing that is one of the best in the jazz field, The Guitar, Windsor Music Co., 1967, $15.00.

An Oklahoma fiddler who represents a good brand of old time fiddling is Tony Thomas from Hugo. His album is Old Style Texas and Oklahoma Fiddlin' (Takoma-A 1013). This is a "must have" item for a fiddle collection.

Three significant albums that are of interest to Oklahomans and are of great importance to a country-western collection must be mentioned, even though they are not Oklahoma items. Two of the finger-picking guitar stylists who have influenced country music greatly but who are from the South are Merle Travis and Chet Atkins. For the first time, they have an album of conversation and picking together. It is The Atkins-Travis Traveling Show (RCA - APLI 0479), and it is a memorable record. Another album of the anthology type was issued on the occasion of the last performance of the Grand Ole Opry in Ryman Auditorium. The selection of performers span the years of the Opry and include many who are now Opry legends. It is Stars of the Grand Ole Opry 1926-1974 (RCA-CPL 20466). The last one is a three record set of the singing cowboy, Woodward Maurice "Tex" Ritter; the

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Library as Artifact

Judith McPheron

Everything we do as librarians in a library reflects our central, often assumed sense of what a library is. When we answer a reference question, show a movie, or select a book, we are reaffirming our idea of "library" and carrying it forward. This seems especially true with selection. Our criteria, even if not stated, are usually the following: Does the book (or other material) fill a demand or need of our patrons? Is it a "quality" book? Does it help to "round out" our collection? These criteria are interesting in that they reveal our attitudes about libraries and their functions. First, our job is essentially passive, reflective. We select so that we fulfill needs already in existence, we reflect current trends in interests and areas of knowledge. Second, we see materials in relation to each other, and especially, to materials we already have. That is, we attempt to build collections on the basis of already existing collections, and from what is offered us in the review media. Again, we are performing an essentially passive role, collecting materials in relation to only those given that we already have at hand. And this is not only a reflective function, but one enacted in a very small sphere of possibilities. Thus we become upholders of a given status, perpetuators of libraries which turn in on themselves and work, to a large extent, in a vacuum.

If we can step back from our own involvement in day-to-day library activities, we can see that a social function for libraries exists which is greater and different from the sum of the more specific functions. Besides being a source of information for various publics, we are also creators and emblems of American culture and history. If our culture were frozen in time at this moment, and discovered in the future by a new race of people (a library sci fi?) it would be to our libraries that they would go to understand the main currents of our culture, what we thought important, worth preserving, what interested us most. When people say that the Coca-Cola bottle will become the artifact of our age for the future, I think they are wrong; it will be our libraries. It is not by chance that archaeologists have given endless attention and energy to the understanding of such things as Mayan hieroglyphics and stelae; in those monuments are contained the "libraries" of a people and culture, and they reveal more about our ancient American neighbors, than any number of decorations and discarded implements can. This is not to say that Coca-Cola bottles and the like do not speak for us at all, but rather that they, along with scores of other things, will be contained in our libraries, not as physical objects, but as ideas, currents, ways of seeing and shaping the world around us.

It could be objected that this too, is a passive function, that the library as artifact is no more than a dumping ground for tried and tired ideas. But if we keep an eye to those future archaeologists, our function becomes sparked with purpose and creation. Perhaps our mistake is in thinking that history, in the larger sense, is something that just happens, and is handed down to us finished, complete, tied up and ready for scrutiny and the library shelf. Instead, we should realize

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How Many Friends Does a Library Need?

Lyle Bowman

There is a group here in Tahlequah called the Tahlequah Friends of the Library. The ways they have found to help increase circulation and stimulate interest in the library are almost too numerous to enumerate.

They have organized and promoted monthly book reviews, bi-monthly story hours for pre-schoolers, special lectures and programs, and autograph parties. They always decorate the library for holidays. They usually have an art display from one of the schools on the walls.

Someone in the group recognized the need for a handrail for the front steps, which can be a hazard in bad weather. After soliciting for bids, the work was completed and paid for by proceeds from the sale of lunches at the book reviews and from donations from civic groups in Tahlequah.

How many people belong to the Tahlequah Friends of the Library? Someone is always asking. Just the other day someone asked. That is a good question, a logical question. The group itself doesn’t know.

A few people almost always come to our meetings, plan things, organize things and do the things that need to be done. Some rarely come, but they’re ready to help with their special skills when asked, like making a needed poster. Some people give talks about the library and its services to churches and civic groups.

There is one dedicated loner who comes by twice a week and lugs a satchel full of books and registration cards next door to the Tahlequah City Hospital. She doesn’t always check out a lot of books. Some days are almost dry runs. But to the bored hospital patient she does serve, she is a special type angel of mercy. Many times she has trotted back and forth between the library and hospital to find “just the right book” for someone. And she has never attended a business meeting of the Friends.

Some “members” are those who loyally attend the book reviews. The “books ‘n’ lunch bunch,” as they’re sometimes called, meet at the library at noon on the second Wednesday of every month from September through May for a sandwich and a book review. Some of them come with their own brown bag, but most of them buy the sandwiches and desserts which are made and donated by the members of the Friends. The people who come are as varied as the books that are reviewed: workers from the businesses downtown on their lunch hour, professors and students from Northeastern State College, young housewives, and retired persons, but they all have one thing in common, they love a good book review. So the Friends try to appeal to a variety of interests. They’ve reviewed the woman’s viewpoint all the way from the acerbic feminist book, Free and Female to the witty poetry in It’s Hard to Be Hip over Thirty and novels as divergent in style and

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LITERARY NOTES

Lenore Clark

The Illiterate Digest, the third in a projected fifteen volume set of Will Rogers' writings is scheduled for release this fall through the cooperation of the Will Rogers Research Project and the O.S.U. Press. It is a collection of Rogers' articles written for the McNaught Syndicate, Ether and Me, or "Just Relax" and Not a Bathing Suit in Russia and Other Bare Facts, volumes one and two of the series, are available now.

At its thirty-sixth annual Short Course on Professional Writing held last June 5-7, the O.U. School of Journalism honored William Foster-Harris who retired this spring after thirty-five years of teaching professional writing. Impressively, testimony of his teaching effectiveness is demonstrated not only in his considerable popularity, but in statistics: During his thirty-five years his students published over 500 books; articles by his students appeared in over 1,000 periodicals. Foster-Harris is the author of three widely used books: The Look of the Old West, Basic Formulas of Fiction, and Basic Patterns of Plot. A specialist on minutiae of the Civil War and the late nineteenth century, he also received the prestigious Golden Saddleman Award on July 18 for his contributions to Western History and legend.

Harold Keith's new book, Susy's Scoundrel is scheduled for October release by T. Y. Crowell. The story is about a Western Oklahoma coyote who is "adopted" by Suzy, an eight year old Amish girl. Reddy, the coyote, outsmarts all the local hounds, but a famous California staghound pack is imported to contest his escape skills. The book is illustrated by John Schoenherr, noted animal artist. Background material was painstakingly collected from scholarly texts, according to Keith, but by far the best source was three Oklahoma coyote hunters who maintain their own hound packs.

Keith's recent The Runt of Rogers School has won the Charlie May Simon Children's Book Award in Arkansas for 1974.

Stan Hoig recently completed a major biography, The Western Odyssey of John Simpson Smith. Published by Arthur H. Clark Co., as number fifteen in its Western Frontiersmen Series, it represents the first serious work during this century on this sturdy western pioneer. Hoig is also the author of The Humor of the American Cowboy and The Sand Creek Massacre. He is a professor of journalism at Central State University.

A handsome new collection of photographic and prose portraits of the cowboy is assembled in Cowboy Life on the Southern Plains; Contemporary Portraits (O.U. Press). William Savage edited the work. Included are accounts of cowboy life by Joseph G. McCoy, Richard Irving Dodge, Charles A. Siringo, Andy Adams, and others.

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CURRENTS

Duane Meyers

Our April "Currents" column raised a series of questions which we hoped would be discussed at the OLA Conference in Oklahoma City. Unfortunately, the questions were largely lost in the wake of a controversy that erupted at the conference. When it became clear that the April issue of the Oklahoma Librarian would not be out in time for the conference, this writer arranged for a pre-print of the salient portion of the "Currents" column to be placed in the conference packet. The OLA Executive Board called a special session and voted unanimously to remove the pre-print. Several members of the board Thursday evening, April 18, removed copies of the column from the packets.

At the Friday noon luncheon, Oklahoma County Libraries’ Executive Director Lee B. Brawner publicly asked the members of the Executive Board to explain their actions. Board Member Dee Ann Ray, past president of OLA and a member of the previous night’s removal party, replied the material in question showed “bad taste.”

Not satisfied with this response, and aware that the Executive Board had never before passed on the contents of conference packets, this writer sent a formal request to Oliver Delaney, chairman of the OLA Intellectual Freedom Committee, for an investigation. Delaney sent an inquiry to the new Executive Board in late April but, as of this writing, has not received a response.

Reaction from OLA members at large has been virtually nil — at least there has been just a modicum made known to me.

Colleagues and acquaintances familiar with the controversy have verbally taken a stand in opposition to the Executive Board’s action, but I have received nothing in writing from those quarters. The chairman of the intellectual freedom committee in a neighboring state read about it and wrote a request to be kept informed of the matter. As far as the questions raised originally are concerned, I have received only one letter from an OLA member who took a stand on the questions. She agreed in part and disagreed in part.

Because I did not raise the questions frivolously, I am bringing them up again here. I hope the membership will discuss them seriously:

Should we cancel this column?
Should OLA continue to publish the Oklahoma Librarian in its present format or should we go to a less-expensive, newsletter format?

Are the various committees of OLA worth continuing?

Should we cut the length of the OLA Conference, devote it largely to socializing, installation of officers and other brief ceremonies, then spend money saved on worthwhile workshops during the year?

Why have an invocation at every meeting where food is served?

In the April column, I also asked a rhetorical question, one which the OLA membership is not expected to try to answer, but which is important nonetheless: Why is there no longer representation on the State Library Board from the most populous county in the state, Oklahoma County?
And I used an oblique means to criticize an OLA brochure which, when one deals in questions of "bad taste," can easily stand as Exhibit A. The question is, "Should professional meetings be publicized in a bright but dignified, informative way, or must we be utterly corny?"

The preceding is in the nature of a farewell because I have asked Oklahoma Librarian editor Jim Zink to relieve me of responsibility for the "Currents" column after this issue.

Now, some news items.

**APPOINTMENT ANNOUNCED**

From E. W. Strain comes an announcement of the appointment of Margaret A. Whinnen as Regional Coordinator of Library Services in the Choctaw System's eastern region, with responsibility for branches in Talihina, Spiro, Wister, Heavener and Poteau.

Miss Whinnen is a native of Eufaula and holds a BA degree in Sociology from East Central State College.

**OCL WINS AWARD**

Walter L. Gray, Jr., program director of the Community Workshop of the Oklahoma County Libraries, June 8 accepted an award for best western art television program at a reception and banquet sponsored by the National Cowboy Hall of Fame in Oklahoma City. The award was for a television program featuring Bob Lougheed, western artist, produced as part of the library system's long-running "Creative Crafts" series on WKY-TV, Channel Four, Oklahoma City. The television station, which for years has granted as many as 52 half-hour television time slots annually to the library system, also received an award for the same program.

**OCL PERSONNEL**

Oklahoma County Libraries' personnel changes include: Sharon Saulmon, formerly children's librarian at the Capitol Hill Branch, replaced Connie Woodring in May. Connie resigned to move to California. She had been coordinator of public services for the system . . . Dean Doerr promoted from first assistant at Capitol Hill to replace Jo Helliger as head of the Bethany branch, June 1. Taking Doerr's place at Capitol Hill was Larry Shea, who moved up from reference librarian. All three who were promoted received their MLS degrees this spring or summer from OU.

Annette Villines, formerly children's assistant at the Main Library, took Sharon Saulmon's place at Capitol Hill. Mrs. Villines was succeeded at Main by Mary Helen Jackson, who served as children's librarian between 1970 and 1973 for the Choctaw Nation Multi-County Library System.

**BRAWNER TO SERVE**

Lee B. Brawner, executive director of the Oklahoma County Libraries, has been asked to serve on the 1974-75 nominating committee of the American Library Trustees Association, a division of ALA. Brawner is currently serving as librarian vice-president of the trustee association.

**MINORITIES WORKSHOP**

Barbara Clark, former head of the Watts Branch of the Los Angeles Public Library and now head of mobile services for the same system, was booked to give a workshop June 25 on library service to minorities at the Main Library of the Oklahoma County Libraries.

**FRANCES ELLIS BARNES RETIRES**

On June 30, 1974, Mrs. Frances Barnes retired from the staff of Nash Library at the Oklahoma College of Liberal Arts in Chickasha. On April 10, 1974, the administration and faculty of the College honored Mrs. Barnes and others retiring at the end of this year. President Bruce Carter presented each with an engraved plaque and a symbolic key to the College in the form of a paper weight.
A proposal has been made that a column dedicated to the school librarians of Oklahoma become a regular feature of the Oklahoma Librarian. Its purposes are to solicit ideas and comments, to transmit information and to promote the field of school librarianship. Your contributions are vital to the success of this column. We are interested in all personnel changes, in-service workshops, bulletin-board displays, exhibits, special events and promotional ideas for special days and weeks such as National Library Week, Hans Christian Andersen's Birthday, International Children's Book Day, and National Children's Book Week. This is to function as an idea exchange so please jot down those creative impulses and send them to me.

Speaking of special weeks, it's not too early to begin your plans for National Children's Book Week, November 11-17, 1974. This year's theme is "Books for All Reasons". Display materials will consist of: a poster designed by Joan Walsh Anglund, an eight-piece mobile, bookmarks, and a special play, "The Sausage on the End of the Nose" written by Beverly Cleary. These materials may be ordered through the Children's Book Council, 175 Fifth Ave., New York City, NY 10010.

Additional dates to mark on your fall calendar are October 17-18, the weekend of the OEA fall meetings in Tulsa. Make special note of the joint meeting of OASL and OAAMT on October 17 at Oral Roberts University. The Executive Boards of both organizations have spent many hours planning an appealing program for you. Registration fee for the meeting will be $6.00 which will include the lunch. Any persons interested in advanced registration should send their check or money to Mrs. Ame Gorena, Putnam City West High School, 8500 NW 23, Oklahoma City, OK 73127. Make checks payable to OASL. More information about the conference will follow later.

Besides planning for the fall meeting in Tulsa, both OASL and OAAMT have decided to join forces to support common legislative goals. Together the legislative committee appointed will work through the OEA to establish more school library legislation, to increase salaries, to achieve higher minimum standards, and to secure professional and para-professional staff for new and existing libraries. If you have any suggestions for this committee, please send them to Mrs. Ruth Anne Brown, 1413 Patricia, Oklahoma City, OK 73127.

Congratulations are in order for the following schools for receiving ESEA Title II Special Projects Grants: Nowata Elementary School, Nowata; Hooker Elementary School, Hooker, Skyline Elementary School, Stillwater; Will Rogers Elementary School, Edmond; West Jr. High School, Anadarko; and Eisenhower Elementary School, Norman. It is sincerely hoped that all of you will try to visit these schools whenever possible.

Editor's Note: The accompanying article is a sample for a proposed column which would appear regularly in the Oklahoma Librarian. Your response concerning the need for such a column is needed. Please communicate your ideas directly to Ms. Corwin or to the Editor.

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Someone Out There Wants To Read

E. W. Strain

Whether the Choctaw Nation Multi-County Library System's Mail-A-Book service is the first attempt in Oklahoma to integrate a substantial rural library service along with Bookmobiles is not known, and probably not important to anyone but the Choctaw Nation staff and Board. However, even though we think it — we won't claim it. We all feel that good news, success stories, should be published and shared with colleagues.

What is Mail-A-Book? Why is Mail-A-Book? How come it has been so long in coming? Before Mail-A-Book is introduced, a brief background should be presented of rural library service in the state of Oklahoma.

As a result of years of planning, library systems were conceived in the mid-fifties. During the demonstration of a potential new library system, Bookmobiles were promoted as the most effective means of reaching the rural population and can be acclaimed as one of the decisive factors in positive votes on the ballot. The image of a public library on wheels penetrating the four corners of a county were well envisioned by the rural citizens and received with great enthusiasm. The Bookmobiles have lived up to this concept and are still receiving a good response in many of the communities throughout the State. One never tires of watching rural children and their parents stepping on the Bookmobile and taking advantage of its services. The mobile library has won the hearts of many and will probably remain as one of the main tools for rural library services for years to come.

Bookmobile services, as other library services, are constantly evaluated and scrutinized in order to achieve the highest level of efficiency and effectiveness. No matter what degree of success an operation has attained, the inevitable questions always prevail: Can we do better? Are there those who are unserved? These have been matters of concern ever since the start of our Bookmobile operation in our System.

The Bookmobile has, and still is, receiving a substantial response in many communities. However, in others, the Bookmobile sits idle. Why? Who is there during the day to be served? Are we really bridging the gap between the rural residence and the public library? Are there still many who live too far from our Bookmobile stops to take advantage? Has society changed to the extent that in the majority of our family units both mother and dad work. If it has, is the current Bookmobile schedule convenient? Should we reschedule for evenings and weekend service? Is this physically possible?

All these questions and many more had been discussed and debated by the staff and the Multi-County Board for many months in the attempt to find a solution which would effectively reach every family and provide an equitable service for all. During this searching, a revolutionary service for rural citizens was discovered in operation in several mid-western states. It was called Mail-A-Book.

This mail-order service was operating very similar to the Sears catalog concept. A catalog of wares (books) sent to every family. The service was proclaimed to be convenient, economical and provided a new service outlet for public library service... "the mail box".

Mail-A-Book was still considered to be in its infancy in several states. However, due to its initial success, its reputation was spreading to other states. We became interested and began to investigate. Following two out-of-state trips to study
its feasibility, we polled a representative sample of our six county rural population. It was concluded that this type of service could possibly provide the needed solution to directly reach all rural people with a service that would be warmly and enthusiastically received.

On May 8, 1973, the Multi-County Library Board met and unanimously moved to initiate a Mail-A-Book Service. In October of the same year, Mail-A-Book officially began, and was offered initially to two of the six counties. The circulation was impressive and definitely encouraging. By the middle of November, the service had been extended to an additional two counties. The circulation during this period had almost doubled what we had expected from a total six-county operation. In December, Mail-A-Book was fully operational extending to all six counties. The circulation was staggering. If there was ever a success story, we felt this had to be it.

Budgeting for this program was total conjecture. We agreed that possibly Mail-A-Book could match the combined Bookmobile circulation, and if it could, it would be effective. Therefore, budgeting for books, supplies and postage was based on approximately 6,000 circulation per month. During the initial four months of operation, circulation was from 10,000 to 13,000 per month, practically doubling our estimation. We were right, there was an unserved population and the number was substantial! Some communities that were labeled as low response areas for the Bookmobile have become very high response areas to Mail-A-Book.

As promoted in other states, Mail-A-Book has proven to be convenient and successful in reaching families. Hallelujah! Statistics have proven without a doubt that there were people wanting to read if some sort of service could reach them. Now they all have a public library in front of their homes . . . along the roadside.

How does it work? The service begins for the patron with the receiving of the Mail-A-Book catalog through the mail. The catalog, issued annually, lists 800 titles in 36 categories. It is to be supplemented twice during the year with smaller catalogs listing 100 more new titles each.

The patron checks through the catalog and decides which books he wants. He can get the books by filling out the prepaid postage request cards which are attached to the catalog and sending them to the McAlester Service Center.

The books are sent to the patron in a special bag which is also used to return the books through the mail. Included in the bag are more request cards with additional postage.

In the six counties of LeFlore, Latimer, Haskell, Pittsburg, McCurtain andChoctaw, every family who has a rural mailbox or rural post office box gets a catalog. In those six counties, requests may be made for catalogs by urban shut-ins.

Recently, a questionnaire asking for an honest appraisal of the service was inserted in books being mailed to patrons. Only a few replies were expected, but hundreds of letters and cards have been received, all voicing overwhelming approval. The response came from patrons living in all six counties of the system. Elderly people wrote about the joy of being able to have something new to read to pass the hours. A young mother wrote about the convenience of ordering books at home and the joy of reading while housebound with her children. Families wrote about re-discovering the pleasures of reading. Youngsters wrote thank you notes for books they had received. One very young lady sent valentines to the staff as a means of expressing her feelings.

They like it — They use it — and They appreciate it. It is estimated our Mail-Order circulation will be around 100,000 annually.

Someone out there wants to read!!
SWLA Library Service to Shut-Ins

Marion Mitchell
Executive Secretary, SWLA

The Southwestern Library Association has announced the production of an audio-visual training package, "Library Service to Shut-Ins through Volunteer Service." John Hinkle of the Oklahoma Department of Libraries developed the packet which is designed to acquaint library boards with a program using volunteers to bring library service to shut-ins. The packet also includes an orientation program for volunteers.

The package has been distributed to the state librarians in each of the six SWLA states and is available for preview from them. Anyone desiring information on purchase of the packet is asked to contact Marion Mitchell, Executive Secretary SLWA, P.O. Box 36206, Dallas, Texas 75235.

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Nonprint Media Institute

Marion Mitchell
Executive Secretary, SWLA

A Nonprint Media Institute will be held in Galveston, Texas, on October 15, 1974. Southwestern Library Association’s biennial conference registration day. The one day institute, sponsored by SWLA, will feature morning speakers including Pearce Grove discussing progress in resolving differences among three cataloging standards for nonprint media, and Vivian Scrader, Head of the AV section of Library of Congress reporting on the progress of LC’s nonprint cataloging standards. Afternoon informal discussion forums will focus on technical service handling of art prints, microforms, films, kits, phonorecords and audiotape.

The Nonprint Media Institute is open to members and nonmembers of SWLA, but is limited to 150 registrants. Registration fee is $20. For registration, hotel reservations & transportation information, write: Ann Adams, Head Cataloger, Houston Public Library, 500 McKinney, Houston, TX 77001.

Verma Meadors Gives Testimony to NCLIS

Dee Ann Ray
Western Plains Library System

The National Commission on Libraries and Information Science held one of its regional hearings in San Antonio on April 24th. One resident of the Western Plains Library System area was asked to testify.
but was unable to go due to farming commitments. At the last minute, the Commission called and stated they would like to have a representative from our area, because of the written testimony submitted by Mrs. Meador and myself. We were told that the rural library users viewpoint needed to be presented. After seeing the agenda of speakers, I can see that our area was the only one represented which specifically spoke to the rural viewpoint. Mrs. Roy Craig of the WPLS board agreed to go and did answer questions raised by the written testimony, plus other questions which the Commission members raised.

The following written testimony of

Verma Meador of Rocky gives the rural user's viewpoint of library service.

Verma (Mrs. Jim) Meador was a good bookmobile user at Rocky from the very first stop. She had read that the bookmobile was coming and was delighted to know it because both she and her husband are readers. When we got ready to work on the library campaign for the tax vote, I went around to see some of the good bookmobile users to find some helpers to campaign in each town. Verma's name had been given me by the bookmobile librarian. I doubt that I will ever forget the November day when I found my way through a fog to Rocky. It was a damp and half-rainy day and the green wheat was up and in the fog and with the red dirt, it was a beautiful sight. Anyway, I found a campaign worker and a good friend, and later I gained a whole family out of the deal.

All of the Meadors — Verma, Jim, Jerry (15) and Clay (8) — are still library users. Perhaps even more so than they ever dreamed they would be when they first heard the bookmobile was coming.

In April 1973, Verma and Jim attended the Legislative Hearing at which OLA asked for funds for the Oklahoma Department of Libraries. Verma spoke of the needs of the OTIS program. Her straightforward and sincere "pitch" got the only spontaneous applause of the day. The Legislators were intrigued with her and asked questions and talked with her before allowing her to step down.

Her appearance in the Legislative Hearing was the reason for Ralph Funk's recommending her name to the National Commission for their San Antonio Hearing. Verma would have done a good job and wanted to go, but farming comes before libraries and spring is "getting cotton ground ready" time. However, Verma did take the time to submit written testimony.

Rod Swartz told me that the Commission members were intrigued with Verma's written testimony because they don't often hear about the rural uses and too often they hear only from librarians.

The following statement is Verma Meador's written testimony given to NCLIS.

How Do I Feel About Our Libraries? VERY STRONGLY!!!
library service extended, through bookmobiles and multi-county libraries, to the sparsely populated, short grass Western Okla. (Where we live.)

There are a few things that could be improved upon, but there are some very dedicated people in the field of Librarians that need support. For example, it couldn't be possible to have a smooth operation within the State Library System unless the Heads of State in the Library Dept. are ones that are fully equipped to handle their affairs with the strength that is looked to, in that position. There can be outstanding unexcelled librarians throughout the state with great operating ideas, but, everyone looks to the State Librarian for the leadership and strength that he or she should be able to execute. They fill a position that is at the top and should have undoubted strength.

There are so many things that have to be dealt with to have continuing library service. Politics is one of them and legislators will always look to the State Librarian as the leader. The State Librarian should be able to put the libraries on top priorities, for state and federal funds, with conviction that the top is where libraries belong.

As far as computerized library service in Okla. It's funny to think about. We're still new enough, it's a hand to hand operation. And prairie people still want to see the real person and deal with human beings. We want it to get better before it gets worse. We just want to make sure, through other help, federal funds, for one source, is continued so we can extend what we have, "wrought thus far".

Our library program in Western Oklahoma particularly has brought together more book material and people than could even be dreamed about 10 years ago. It has come to us through a Multi-County System that has provided the rural areas with bookmobiles that carry the same service that the up-dated city libraries offer.

This service wouldn't have been possible if not for dedicated librarians that believe, sincerely, in what libraries can do for people and see to it, through blood, sweat and tears that even the rural areas have that chance to partake of the knowledge of reading, listening and viewing from materials furnished. The films, records, even framed art, the help to the area schools, old folks homes, so many things that time and space cannot afford to mention.

You should understand that in small communities like we live in, every change is a handicap regardless of the genuine benefits. But when we had the chance at a bookmobile stop in our little town, I nearly flipped. And when you're for something, you better make sure it's good or you'll be marked for life. Fortunately the library issue in our town was a happy victory and we hope the wonderful service lives happily ever after —after me, my kids and their kids. It would be a good thought.

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Weeding Without Pain

E. W. Strain

The Choctaw Nation Multi-County Library System held a major house cleaning this Spring. Duplicates, old and irrelevant titles were boxed up and carted back to the Service Center. This large weeding project was a prerequisite for the Choctaw Nation Library System’s first major Book Fair. No, not a Fair to sell books, but a Fair for further book exchange within the System; at least those titles that would still have circulating potential for some branches. The sheer existence of our libraries before the System was conceived, depended on donations and the resourcefulness of the librarian. The small accumulations of reading material were a result of attic, basement and garage cleanings. Books in early collections would have been classified more as relics than as a contributing piece of literature. Contrary to what these small collections were intended for, most were more suitable as a depository for Boy Scout paper drives. Many librarians, during these lean years, however, treasured these accumulations. A book, no matter what the content, was a contributing item. With this philosophy, librarians made an earnest effort to emanate some degree of service from these antiquated collections. Our challenge was not merely to integrate the facility and the librarian into a more enriched environment of System resources, but to successfully make the librarian aware of the difference between quality materials and those that were not.

The Multi-County library staff realized that the librarians desire to “collect and protect” would continue until a sound program of collection building was initiated. Our supervisory staff accepted the fact that these early attitudes had become a way of life and a change of philosophy would not occur overnight. Even though some criteria had been provided during their early orientation sessions, it was not substantial enough for them to grasp and to begin effective and continuous weeding programs.

We also found in many of our branches, shelf capacities were being reached and acute collection stagnation was setting in. Room had to be provided. A significant weeding program had to take place; other than the suggested 5% annually. Collection turnover also was a must, for community demand was outstripping collection growth. New and drastic approaches must be taken before patrons were lost.

The concept of a Book Fair to swap titles was discussed to combat the problems mentioned above. We presently exchange new book titles bimonthly throughout the System: Why not do the same for the basic collection? We found enough merit in it to try it; at least once.

Through staff meetings, correspondence and visitations, the librarians were advised as to the “Rules of the Road” for effective weeding. Soon, hundreds of books were being pulled and prepared for shipment to the Service Center. Approximately 1750 titles were withdrawn from all of the community libraries and were brought to the Multi-County Service Center to be put on display for the Book
discriminate selection prevailed over their lust of retrieving everything in sight. Some of our librarians were beginning to realize that every book does not get a blanket stamp of approval. Its relevancy, up-to-dateness and its physical condition must be considered if they want to have a quality collection versus a depository of reading material. I think as a result of the Book Fair, there is more awareness in the value of a sound collection maintenance program. The philosophy of, everything is accepted that comes in — but nothing is thrown out, is past history.

In-service training is good, but sometimes it takes more than just theory; it takes the sleeves rolled up, a little sweat, and — “Here’s How You Do It.”

Fair Exchange. All the books were divided between juvenile fiction and non-fiction and adult fiction and non-fiction for easy retrievability. We were hoping that a substantial number of displayed titles would remain; assuming that librarians would spot duplicates and could identify others less in demand. We scheduled the Book Fair to begin in the afternoon following the Staff Meeting. When we opened the doors to allow them into the display area, it was like another Oklahoma land rush.

There was much greed and elbowing — it was beautiful! When every librarian finished viewing over the display and had selected books that should have circulating potential, approximately 1250 titles were left unclaimed. The substantial amount that remained indicated to us that

Tulsa on Film

Tulsa City County Library News Release

Another valuable film documentary has been presented to the Tulsa City-County Library (and the citizens of Tulsa) by the First National Bank and Trust Company of Tulsa. A capsule of Tulsa’s history, the 16 minute color film with original musical score will be available for loan free of charge to groups and organizations in Tulsa County. The bank previously donated the “Civilisation” film series which has been viewed by 62,000 persons since June 1971, and also the “America” series which has been viewed by 35,000 persons since June 1973.

The film, entitled “A City and Its Bank,” was commissioned by the bank in honor of the city’s 75th anniversary and in commemoration of the opening of the new First National Tower. It was donated to the Tulsa City-County Library System “in the hope that many Tulsaans will see it and learn more about their community,” ac-
School Library Day Proclaimed

Office of the Governor of Oklahoma
News Release

Oklahoma librarians and students alike "Put It All Together At The Library" during National Library Week (Apr. 21-27), with special events and programs to emphasize that the library has "Everything for everyone". Above, Oklahoma Governor David Hall signs a proclamation for "School Library Day", which was celebrated on Friday, Apr. 26, throughout the state. From left to right are: Mrs. Sarah Jane Bell, Librarian at Northwest Classen High School, Okla. City; Tulsa's Lisa Shackelford, 10, student at Waite Phillips Elementary School and her mother, Marilyn Shackelford, Southeast Regional Librarian, Tulsa City-County Library and Executive Director of the State NLW Committee; Gov. David Hall; Mrs. Hall, Oklahoma Chairman for NLW, and Ruth Ann Brown, Vice-Chairman of Oklahoma Association of School Librarians, Okla. City.

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cording to John L. Robertson, First of Tulsa president.

The film was researched, written and produced by Ackerman Incorporated, and was documented by Tulsa's leading historical authorities. Photographs were gathered from Tulsa's earliest days to reconstruct the growth of "America's Most Beautiful City." An innovative sound track produced for the bank enhances the dynamics of the visual presentation.

Included in the film are historical Tulsa street scenes and segments about the growth of the city's oil, aviation and commerce activities. The film also records scenes of the controlled-implosion demolition of old buildings to make way for the new bank tower. A series of time lapse photos recreate the growth of Oklahoma's tallest building from foundation to completion.

Allie Beth Martin, Director of the Tulsa City-County Library (center) and Joan Flint, Chairman of the Library Commission, view scenes from a film documenting the growth of "America's Most Beautiful City." Presenting the documentary to the citizens of Tulsa, via the library's circulating film collection, is Lindsay Alexander, Vice President of the First National Bank and Trust Company. Photos incorporated in the film, titled "A City and Its Bank", are in the background. The 16-minute historical presentation, with innovative sound track and original music, may be borrowed free of charge by Tulsa organizations. To date, over 97,000 persons have viewed the "Civilisation" and "America" films previously donated by First National Bank.
TCCL Receives Award

Sue Fontaine
Information Officer
Tulsa City-County Library

Tulsa City-County Library has been awarded its fifth John Cotton Dana Public Relations award, the H.W. Wilson Co. has announced. The library publishing firm gives annual recognition to public, special, school and academic libraries which conduct exemplary public relations programs.

The 1973 award to TCCL is for "demonstrating that a public library can be the focal point for cable television in an urban community".

The award reflected the cooperation of TCCL's administration in working with city and county officials and Tulsa Cable television to establish Channel 31 in Central Library. The government channel airs information on government departments and activities under the direction of Tom Ledbetter, manager. The studio in Central Library's lower level is nearing completion. The award also put focus on introducing a new media to Tulsans and the encouraging of a new level of communication between citizens and government.

Library Director Allie Beth Martin and Information Officer Sue Fontaine will accept the award at a special event in New York during the annual conference of the American Library Association in July. The winning entry was prepared by Mrs. Fontaine and staff artist Bob Bartholic. It will be displayed at the New York Conference and available to libraries throughout the country.

Previous TCCL John Cotton Dana awards include "TICKLE" (1972) and "TCCL, A Likely Place", (1971) two multi-media programs which are available for showing to community organizations free of charge.

Portrait of Edmon Low Hung at OSU

Roscoe Rouse
Oklahoma State University

A portrait of Mr. Edmon Low, former director of the University Library at Oklahoma State University, has been given to the University by his family and was presented in the Browsing Room of the Library at a brief ceremony on April 18 at 9 a.m. Faculty, students, and friends of the Low family are invited to attend the presentation and to greet Mr. Low and his family.

A graduate of East Central State College at Ada, the University of Illinois, and the University of Michigan, Mr. Low steered the course of the OSU Library over a period of twenty-seven years, after having served in the libraries at East Central and Bowling Green State University. He was on the summer faculty of the University of Michigan School of Library Science for twenty-three years and upon retirement from Oklahoma State in 1967, became a full-time professor in that school. After five years in that position, he retired again and assumed the directorship of the library at New College, Sarasota, Florida, a position he currently holds.

Mr. Low has served twice as Vice President of the American Library Association and in 1950 he was elected President of the Southwestern Library Association. He has also served as president of the Association of College and Research Libraries and the Oklahoma Library Association. He has been the recipient of the Oklahoma Library Association Distinguished Service Award, the Silver Book Award, and the American Library Association Lippincott Award. In 1967 he was awarded the Doctor of Letters honorary degree from Eastern Michigan State Uni-
Sue Fontaine Receives
CLR Fellowship

Allie Beth Martin
Tulsa City-County Library

Mrs. Sue Fontaine, Information Officer of the Tulsa City-County Library System, has been awarded one of 25 Fellowships granted for 1974-75 by the Council on Library Resources for the individual pursuit of special library projects. Mrs. Fontaine's project will be to examine public relations in selected libraries which employ different managerial patterns in the implementation of public relations and publicity. She will develop a slide-tape report of exemplary public relations activities which will be available for national distribution.

The Council on Library Resources (supported by the Ford Foundation) is the major U.S. foundation for the advancement of libraries and librarianship. The 25 awards for 1974-75 bring to 139 the number announced by the Council since the program was initiated five years ago. Librarians working in 32 of the 50 states plus the District of Columbia, Canada, and Nigeria have received CLR Fellowships.

Mrs. Fontaine is a graduate of the University of Iowa School of Journalism and is a former information specialist for the Louisiana State Library, a feature writer for the Baton Rouge Morning Advocate and an education writer for the Golden (Colorado) Daily Transcript. She has served as president of the Tulsa Women in Communications and is active in the American Library Association, the Southwestern Library Association and the Oklahoma Library Association. Since Mrs. Fontaine began working for the Tulsa City-County Library in 1965, the library has received national recognition in the field of communications and public relations, including five John Cotton Dana Publicity and Library Public Relations Awards.
Ray Lau Named Library Director at Northwestern

Sheila Wilder Hoke
Southwestern State University

Joining the Northwestern State University, Alva, staff this summer as Director of Library Services and Assistant-Professor of Library Science is Ray D. Lau, Weatherford, according to an announcement by Dr. R. W. Wygle, Northwestern president.

Lau was formerly head of the cataloging department and instructor of library science at Southwestern State College. His duties at Northwestern include both administrative director of the library and head of library science education.

Lau was a high school English teacher and chairman of the language arts department at Anadarko from 1967 to 1970, then went to Drummond for one year as an English teacher and librarian. He had been at Southwestern since 1971.

A native of Clinton, he was graduated cum laude from Southwestern in 1967 with the degree of bachelor of arts in education. He received the master of librarianship in 1971 from the Kansas State Teachers College, Emporia, and the master of education from Southwestern in 1973.

Lau is a member of the Oklahoma Library Association, Alpha Phi Sigma national honorary scholastic society, and other professional organizations. He has been active in various OLA activities, including membership on the Sequoyah Children's Book Award Committee.

He and his wife Cherlie, formerly of Cantan, are the parents of a son, Marc, age two.

Alpha Beta Alpha Scholar Named

News Bureau, Division of Public Information
Oklahoma State University

Mary Martha Ostrander, Norman, has been named the Alpha Beta Alpha scholar for the 1974-75 school year at Oklahoma State University, the library science department has announced.

The award, which includes a $450 check, is made each year through the department of library science to an outstanding candidate for the certificate in school librarianship.

The Alpha Delta chapter of Alpha Beta Alpha, a national undergraduate library science honorary fraternity, sponsors a book sale on campus each year to support the award.

Purpose of the society is encouragement of high scholastic standards among students in library science programs, particularly those for elementary and secondary programs, and is open to students, alumni, and faculty in the library science field.

Miss Ostrander, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Paul Ostrander, 301 Wichita Drive, Norman, will enter her junior year at OSU this fall.
The Alpha Delta chapter was established on the Stillwater campus in 1963, and is one of 30 chapters in college and universities in all sections of the United States.

Among other purposes, the fraternity's aim is the encouragement of young men and women to become librarians, the promotion of fellowship among them, and the furtherance of professional knowledge among its members.

Edmond graduate student, as the 1973-74 recipient of the Grace E. Herrick Award. The award recognizes outstanding academic work and promise for a career in librarianship.

Miss Freeman is the daughter of Jesse Freeman, 540 SE 28, Edmond.

The award has been made annually since 1940 with names of winners engraved on a plaque on display in OU's Bizzell Memorial Library.

Alumni of the OU School of Library Science established the award in memory of Grace E. Herrick, one of the first instructors in the school.

The OLA Membership Committee would like to urge those persons not having joined the Oklahoma Library Association to do so now, as any person becoming an OLA member for the first time between July 1 and December 31 shall not be required to pay additional dues for the following calendar year. Those joining now would not need to renew their memberships until January 1, 1976.

Oklahoma Library Association membership dues are as follows: Individual Memberships, based on the present annual salary:
- A salary not in excess of $4,000.................. $ 4.00
- A salary of $4,000 to $5,999.99.................. 7.00
- A salary of $6,000 to $8,999.99.................. 10.00
- A salary of $9,000 or more.................. 15.00

Additional division memberships and/or round tables.......................... 1.00
Dues of full time students.................. 2.00
Dues of trustees and lay members.................. 4.00

Individual memberships include membership in one division. Dues should be sent to the Oklahoma Library Association Treasurer, Josh Strom, Oklahoma State University Library, Documents Department, Stillwater, Oklahoma 74074. For further information or additional membership forms, contact Mary Beth Ozmun, Chairman, Oklahoma Library Association Membership Committee, Eastern Oklahoma District Library, 801 West Okmulgee, Muskogee, Oklahoma 74401.

Beta Phi Mu Initiation

Lenore Clark

Beta Phi Mu Honorary Library Science Society held its annual initiation banquet on Friday, April 26 at the Oklahoma Memorial Union in Norman. Nineteen new initiatees were honored: Delilah Torres Boudreau, Jean C. Burrows, Rose Ellen Chace, Judy Beth Clevenger, Judith Ann Crouch, Theresa Lannell Jaye Dickson, Gabriella Dotan, Beth W. Henderson, Cynthia Sue Joseph, Stephen C. Skidmore, Lynette Dunton Southern, Gay A. Sparks, Mary Kay Stansbery, Marilyn Scoggin Vent, Barbara Ann Johnson Wall, Karen S. Weddle, JoAn Welch, and Dorothy Williams.

Grace E. Herrick Award

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University of Oklahoma

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Metamorphosis of a Hunter

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tion I had left became useless and I sunk it into one of my ponds so it would be defused and could harm no one.

Only one rod and gun job still remained to me. I hadn't quit as associate editor of the rod and gun magazine, Field and Stream. But then I wrote a book, Wild Goose, Brother Goose, and as a result my name was removed from the masthead of the magazine. It seemed I had committed a really mortal sin! I had libeled the hunter, but of course, nobody made a point of mentioning for how many years it was the goose which had been libeled.

So at last I was free, and it was a relief because now not anyone could tell me how and what to write. So I wrote about the almost heroic struggles of Peg Leg Pete, a one-legged mallard. I wrote about how a "sidewalk Indian" rediscovered the wild ways. I wrote about dogs and farm boys and all the things I liked.

Except I still bought a sportsman's license, and I still bought a duck stamp. And sometimes I dusted off my guns, and sometimes I drove to the marsh where I had once had a duck blind to see how the northern birds were coming in. And I can tell you that the heritage which my hunting forebears passed along sometime still sang piercingly on the night wind, and ran like rapid fire through my veins.

And even now I still awaken sometimes to hear the wild goose call, and then when I sleep again I dream that I am back in a goose pit trying to coax a wary gander into gun range, and I awaken with a start and my breathing has quickened and my heart is beating faster.

So perhaps the end of my affair with the wild ones has not yet been written. Because, though I'd run the man who killed one of my chipmunks right from here to hell and gone, I still come sometimes at dawn and seeing a duck flock tall by on a high wind wonder how it might feel again to swing a fast gun out ahead of them.

But maybe if you have never been a hunter you cannot understand about these things which send men out to kill. Maybe if the difference between eating bread or having a nice coot stew was one shotgun shell you might understand how it sometimes is with the hunter. And still, by the same token, if you have not formed some sincere friendships with the wild ones, likely you cannot understand either how some people can tolerate absolutely no killing — little matter the circumstances.

So for me, what will tomorrow bring? What about this metamorphosis of the writer, the hunter? Well, I've had the best part of a hunter's life, and also the best part of a a dedicated nature lover's life. And whatever I do, this I know: I am glad it was my privilege to live on this earth. I am glad to have met the wild ones with a gun in my hands, and I am glad that I have met
them offering nothing but life.

I am glad about it no matter how it turns out — whether I hunt or not — because I have discovered that in them, the wild ones, there is a little of me, and I am sure now that in me there is more than a little of the wild ones.

Oklahoma Music Collection

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set is Tex Ritter — An American Legend (Capitol - SKC 11241). All of the songs are re-issues of the original hits with the added feature of Tex narrating the story behind the song. This set is one of the finest contributions to be made by any record company.

Library as Artifact

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that history and culture at large are always being created and re-created, and that we, as the central pooling of that culture and history, have an active part in creating the most important artifact of the future.

An example comes to mind which may make this a bit clearer. Up until recently, the part that American Indians were given to play in American history was very small to non-existent. It is not that they hadn’t been there all along, but that they weren’t noticed, or if they were, hadn’t been seen as something we should emphasize. Obviously, there could be no great demand from patrons for something they barely knew about, and the review media would not be pushing areas of interest that were not “mainstream.” For a complex of reasons, they started to be noticed, be written about, and now our libraries and schools are being flooded with information about them and the way they were treated by the “mainstream.” That is, history is literally being re-created, squeezed open to admit knowledge and information that was before rejected and hushed up, and that “mainstream” is widening. It seems to me that it is the job of librarians, if they believe in that ever broadening process, to actively seek out information of this kind, and not just wait until it is deemed “acceptable.” If history and culture can be seen in new ways, it is up to us to nose out the currents and help to expand them, not just wait and endure.

In this sense, what is needed is the idea of material selection in relation to an ever changing body of knowledge, not just in relation to some vague idea of “quality” and already existing collections. In a concrete fashion, this means seeking out materials on such things as blues and jazz as well as “serious” music, “folk” art as well as “high” art, etc., etc. And not only seeking them out, but demanding them, creating an atmosphere in which they can be used and known. It is unfortunate and even sad that America has often overlooked its most interesting, most important achievements and failures, in favor of some pseudo-European standards of judgment, and we have often gone along with this. We have to keep a sharp eye out for images of history and culture that are being created, and speak out when we know that matters of potential importance are being left out.

If we are willing to take this active stance towards knowledge, we will indeed be fashioning an artifact worth looking at. And while we will surely be accused of losing our “objectivity,” we will also be doing our patrons a real service — a chance to recognize the possibilities inherent in their own culture, and to know that they have a stake in them.
subject matter as Breakfast of Champions and Burr. They throw in some
witchcraft, future shock, education, and
religion, and the reviewers, all gratis con-
tributors, usually come up with a program
that's both enlightening and entertaining.

The group delights in presenting lec-
tures available to the public. While the
movie Where the Red Fern Grows was
being filmed in our area last fall, the
Friends had two producers and an actor
present at a program. Following the pro-
gram was a reception honoring the movie
makers. The Friends of the Library ar-
ranged to have the educator, Durbin
Feeling, speak about the Cherokee dic-
tionary and linguistic analysis he helped
compile. It is believed to be the most
complete of its kind ever done on the
Cherokee language.

It could be said that all the members
of the Tahlequah Children's Theater belong
to the Friends group. They have put on
several programs at the library. Last
summer they tailor-made a program to
coincide with our summer reading pro-
gram. They plan the same for this sum-
mer.

The Tahlequah Friends of the Library
don't try to be an un-organized organiza-
tion, just an un-structured one. They have
a president, a treasurer, and a recording
secretary, just because it is absolutely
necessary. There certainly are no dues
and of course anyone can join, or help in
any way they like. Doing one's own thing
seems to be what makes it work. It is a
group of interested, enthusiastic library
patrons who are alert to the additional
services our library can give to the com-


Position changes are being made by
librarians across the state for a variety
of reasons. To those of you who have retired
this past year go our best wishes for a
fulfilling retirement. Some recent
changes are listed below.

Mrs. Esther Friedman, Resource
Center Director, Wiley Post Elementary,
Putnam City, has resigned her position to
move with husband Ken and son Marc to
Wichita Falls, Texas.

Mrs. Ruth Anne Brown, Resource
Center Director of Apollo Elementary,
Putnam City, has been transferred to
Mayfield Jr. High where she will once
again be organizing a new resource
center.

Mrs. Jane Postalwaite has been hired
for Western Oaks Jr. High, Putnam City, to
fill the position of Mrs. Irene Freeman
who has retired.

Mrs. Elizabeth Keown, Librarian, Nor-
man High School, has retired after many
years of service.

Mrs. Kathy Larason, Technical Services
Librarian will be leaving the Instructional
Services Center, Norman, at the end of
the summer.

Mrs. Wilma Vaughn of Jackson
Elementary School, Norman, has retired.

Ms. Beverly Cox has resigned her posi-
tion at Douglas High School, Oklahoma
City for a fun-filled Hawaiian vacation and
possible new job.

Two ladies, both of Oklahoma City have
taken maternity leaves, they are Janet
Zdnowski and Mrs. Mary Anne Reherman.

If there are any omissions or additional
news items send them to Mrs. Aarone
Corwin, Eisenhower Elementary School,
Norman, OK 73069. Every effort will be
made to include as much information as
space permits. Have a good summer! See
you in the fall.
MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

The Executive Board Meetings of The Oklahoma Library Association are OPEN MEETINGS
All members are invited and encouraged to attend
September 20, 1974
October 18, 1974
November 15, 1974
ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD IN THE STAFF ROOM OF THE OKLAHOMA CITY UNIVERSITY LIBRARY AT 10:00 a.m.

DATE: March 15, 1974
TIME: 10:00 a.m.
PLACE: Oklahoma City University Library


Guests Present: Mrs. Jo Rice, representing the Program Committee.

Meeting: The President called the meeting to order by asking for consideration of the Minutes of the previous meeting. Mrs. Ward stated that the correct spelling was Leake Industries instead of Lake. It was also decided that the statement made by Dee Ann Ray about the Oklahoma Librarian should be toned down somewhat. Dee Ann Ray moved that the Minutes of the previous meeting be approved as amended. Irla Tomberlin seconded the motion and it was approved by the Board.

The President gave the Treasurer's Report which revealed that the Association had $4,776.28 in the checking account on March 11, 1974. It was also reported that 617 individual memberships, 16 institutional memberships and 120 subscriptions have been received by the Treasurer.

The President also reported that arrangements have been made with the bonding company to transfer the name on the bond to that of the new treasurer.

The President called on the ALA Councillor for her report. Mrs. Tomberlin reported on several activities presently occurring within ALA. She reported that the ALA election for council members was in progress. She presented the board a list of candidates in the upcoming council seats. The new dues schedule will be voted on by the several memberships in early May. The new schedule calls for a $35.00 general membership fee with a $15.00 charge for each division and $2.00 for students. It was estimated that the proposed charges and membership campaign will generate about $289,000.00 in annual revenue for ALA. If voted the new dues will be effective in 1975.

Mrs. Jo Rice representing the Program Committee, had several recommendations to present to the Executive Board on behalf of the committee. The committee suggested that registration for the Conference be set at $4.50 for members and $2.00 for students. Mrs. Rice reported on the price range of the meals for the Conference and recommended that the prices be rounded off to make it more convenient for the registration desk to make change. A general discussion on the Annual Conference program was held noting when the Exhibitors' Committee would be recognized, possible schedule changes and the limited space we will have to work with at the convention site. Some suggestions were made which might solve some of the problems. They will be carried to the Program Committee for further consideration.

Dee Ann Ray moved that the Program Committee report be accepted and that their suggestion with regard to charges for registration and meal prices be accepted. Mrs. Ward seconded the motion and it was approved by the Board.

The Local Arrangements Committee asked for permission to mail the pre-registration forms out to the membership by first-class mail. The need for pushing pre-registration was cited as the reason to make the mailing first-class. Jim Wilkerson moved that the Local Arrangements Committee be allowed to mail the pre-registration publicity and forms at the first-class rate if necessary. The motion was seconded by Irla Tomberlin and approved.

The President presented a report from the Nominating Committee. The results of the election were: First Vice-President—President Elect—James Wilkerson; Second Vice-President—Harry Bickford; Secretary—Mary Esther Saxon and Treasurer, to serve the remainder of the current two-year term, Josh Stromer. Dee Ann Ray moved that the Nominating Committee report be accepted. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Ward and approved.

Dee Ann Ray gave a report from the Library Development Committee. She reported that work by the interlibrary Loan task force was continuing. The committee appointed to compose the interlibrary Loan statement of philosophy has not met. However the committee working on the interlibrary Loan Workshops has met and have recommendations for the Executive Board. Mary Hardin, Chairman of this committee, has contacted Virginia Boucher, Interlibrary Loan Librarian, University of Colorado, to see if she would be available for a series of workshops in Oklahoma. She was very interested in the idea but could only come for three days. The committee has divided the state into three different areas to hold the workshops. The workshops would be set for sometime in May. The librarians from the OTIS transmission sites would be expected to attend. ODL would handle the cost of some of the pre-workshop planning. The committee asks the Executive Board to finance the consultant fees and other expenses of the workshops. The committee estimated they would need about $800.00 for consultant and other fees. Mrs. Ward moved that the $800.00 be requested for the expenses of conducting the three interlibrary Loan Workshops. Irla Tomberlin seconded the motion and the Board approved.

The Library Development Committee will meet March 26, 1974, at which time they will discuss the forthcoming White House Conference on Libraries and the application for legislative workshop through ALA.

A report from the Constitution and By-laws Committee was presented. The motion was made by Irla Tomberlin and seconded by Dee Ann Ray that since there is not enough time to comply with the regulations regarding By-laws, the recommended changes be postponed until a later date. After discussion the motion was approved.

A letter from Frances Kennedy requesting that she be considered for the position of Executive Secretary of O.L.A. was presented to the Executive Board.
After some discussion on the matter Irma Tomberlin moved that the Executive Board accept Miss Kennedy's application with delight and that she be hired as the Executive Secretary of O.L.A. to assume her duties effective May 1, 1974. Mrs. Ward seconded the motion and it was approved by the Board.

The President asked if there was any other business to come before the Board at this time. Jim Wilkerson reported that Roscoe Rouse has requested two sets of members of the O.L.A. membership to advertise a tour of libraries sponsored by O.S.U. Jim Wilkerson moved that two sets of labels of the O.L.A. mailing list be sold to the libraries and passbook them. Dee Ann Ray seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted
Anne Rounds
Secretary

DATE: April 18, 1974
TIME: 4:00 p.m.
PLACE: Choctaw Room, Lincoln Plaza Inn

Members Present: Elizabeth Geis, Leonard Eddy, Fern Ward, Anne Rounds, James Byrn, Dee Ann Ray, James Wilkerson, James Zink and Irma Tomberlin
Guests Present: Esther Mae Henke, Beverly Cox, Harriet Barbour, Roberta Hamburger, Barbara Proctor, Ron Curtis

The President called the meeting to order and asked for the Treasurer's report. James Byrn reported that the total balance of checking account, certificate of deposit and passbook savings was $15,567.31 on April 16. The Past President's Fund balance is $1,741.10. The ODL building fund total is $80.00.

The President asked for approval of the minutes of the previous meeting. It was recommended that a portion be deleted. With that change the minutes were approved.

The next item on the agenda was the ALA Councillor's report. Irma Tomberlin reported that she had only received one recent communication, a request from Jean Lewry for recommendations for the position of Librarian of Congress. The most recent ANN Newsletter, dated April 10, contained information on a Senate resolution on the White House Conference, Senate Resolution 40. Representatives should be urged to support this resolution for a 1976 Conference. Some have recommended postponing until 1977.

Esther Mae Henke, Federal Relations Coordinator, reported that items of interest at the present time include the minimum wage and the Tydings Amendment which is on the President's desk.

Each state will receive $55,000 for preparation for the White House Conference. These funds may be administered through the State Associations.

Nancy Ams, Legislative Coordinator for the Library Development Committee reported that she mailed cards to the network asking for their assistance in lining up support for HB1511. The response was good. The Governor has signed the bill which includes a budget allocation of $15,000 for the ODL, excluding the $55,000.

James Zink, Oklahoma Librarian Editor reported that the total cost of the Oklahoma Librarian from June 1, 1973 to the present time has been $3,644.88. Each issue has been held to approximately 160 pages and the cost has stayed within the amount scheduled. In April the issue is being printed with the printer and should be out by the end of the month. The delay is regrettable as some of the articles referred to the Conference. The next issue will include the full membership list.

Leonard Eddy, Program Chairman, reported that the work of his committee has been completed and the results will be seen during the following two days of the Conference. He expressed his appreciation to those who faithfully attended the planning meetings and especially to Roberta Hamburger for her fine work as secretary.

There have been no changes in the list of speakers although a few changes have been made in format. The pre-registration shows 310 registered with 94 reservations for Saturday evening. One hundred fifty are expected.

The new addition to the Lincoln Plaza should be ready for the Conference but was not and they have not been as cooperative as they might have been. The Sites Committee is ready to recommend that the Conference be held at the Skirvin the next time the Conference is held in Oklahoma City.

Dee Ann Ray reported that the National Commission on Libraries meets in San Antonio next week. Rod Schwartz asked Dee Ann to represent the rural areas. She is not able to be out but one of her Board members, Mrs. Craig will attend and will testify.

Also reporting for the Interlibrary Loan Committee, Dee Ann Ray said the Committee report will be given by Mary Hardin in the business meeting the following day. Interlibrary loan workshops are scheduled for May. The visiting consultant will be Mrs. Virginia Boucher. The Department of Libraries is helping to pay some of the expenses. The workshops will be held in Clinton - Monday, May 13, Oklahoma City - May 14, and in Muskogee, May 16. A registration fee of $5.00 will cover lunch and a packet.

The Division & Roundtable Reports were presented. The following Division & Roundtable officers were present to submit their reports:

Beverly Cox, School Libraries Division
Harriet Barbour, Reference Division
Roberta Hamburger, Technical Services Division
Barbara Procter, Social Responsibilities Roundtable
Ron Curtis, Automation Roundtable

Written reports were submitted for the Children's and Young Peoples Division, College and University Division, Library Education Division, Public Libraries Division and the Trustees Division. These reports are attached and are a part of the minutes.

A communication was received from the Washington Library Association, a resolution concerning standardization of book spines. Leonard Eddy moved that no action be taken. The motion was seconded by Jim Wilkerson and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Geis announced that Frances Kennedy is the new Executive Secretary. She will assume her duties in May.

Dee Ann Ray reported that the application was submitted for the legislative workshop. No definite answer will be given until after the ALA Executive Board meeting in May.

A date for the Leadership Conference has been set. It may be held on the day of the June Executive Board meeting.

The next Executive Board meeting will be held Friday, May 17 at 10:00 a.m. in the OCU Library. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
Anne Rounds
Secretary

DATE: April 18. 1974
TIME: 6:45 p.m.
PLACE: Cherokee Room, Lincoln Plaza Inn

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Members Present: Elizabeth Geis, Leonard Eddy, James Byrn, Dee Ann Ray, James Wilkerson, Fern Ward, Anne Rounds

Guests Present: Frances Kennedy

At the request of Members of the Executive Board a special meeting was called to order by the President.

The question under consideration was the appropriateness of a reprint of the Currents Column from the April 1974 issue of the Oklahoma Librarian as part of the OLA Conference packet. It was felt that inclusion in the packet signified some degree of Association endorsement of the contents of the column.

Dee Ann Ray moved that the Currents Column be removed from the Conference packet. The motion was seconded by Anne Rounds and approved unanimously by the Board.

It was noted that the column should, however, be made available at the Conference to those members of the Association who wished to have it.

Respectfully submitted
Anne Rounds
Secretary

DATE: May 17, 1974
TIME: 10:00 A.M.
PLACE: Oklahoma City University

Members Present: Leonard Eddy, Elizabeth Geis, Jim Wilkerson, Harry Bickford, Anne Rounds, Mary Esther Saxon, Josh Stroman, Frances Kennedy

Guests Present: Marilyn Vesely (representative, ODL) and Donna Denniston, Chairman, Sequoyah Committee.

The president called the meeting to order. The minutes of the April 18 meeting were approved as corrected after the following changes were made:

Each issue of the Oklahoma Librarian has been held to approximately 40 pages; the minutes read 160 pages.

The minutes of the special meeting held April 18, 1974 at 6:45 P.M. in the Cherokee Room of Lincoln Plaza Inn were read and approved.

Josh Stroman gave the Treasurer's Report. He read the report of Oliver Dulany, chairman of the Registration Committee for OLA Convention. The committee showed a total collected of $5,958.10. The total checking account balance for OLA as of May 1 was $8,228.74. Leonard Eddy will contact Mary Ann Wantoth, Mildred Patterson and Jan Keene to look over the books as members of the auditing committee. The bonding for the treasurer needs to be transferred from Jim Byrne to Josh Stroman.

Jim Wilkerson read the new members of the OLA Convention Committee for 1975 and these were approved. It was suggested that perhaps a publicity chairman should be added.

ALA Councilor Irma Tomberlin submitted a request from the Michigan Library Association asking for any OLA materials that could be distributed in the packets given to the state councilors at ALA in July. James Wilkerson will see that available materials are sent.

There was no report from the Oklahoma Librarian or Federal Relations Co-ordinator.

Communications attached to the agenda were:

1. Letter from Marlon Mitchell, executive secretary of SWLA expressing her regret due to illness at being unable to attend OLA.

2. A letter from John Hinkle, ODL, with some suggestions for the consideration of the planning committee for next year's OLA.

3. A letter from Sheila Hoke, Western State College, voicing concern about the lack of time and space given exhibits at OLA.

4. A letter from Paul Little, Local Arrangements Chairman for the 1974 OLA convention, with several suggestions for the executive committee and planning committee concerning future conventions.

5. A letter from OLA exhibitors asking for greater consideration for time and facilities at future convention sites. Three did not sign. A letter will be sent to the exhibitors commending their efforts.

It was announced that firm plans for a legislative workshop in the fall with an out-of-state consultant as speaker were in abeyance until further information is forthcoming following the ALA Executive meeting in May.

Marilyn Vesely said OLA Archives will be housed in the new building of ODL.

Frances Kennedy announced that after June 1, OLA correspondence and records should be sent to her at:

1629 Camden Way
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73116
Telephone No. 843-4989

New committee appointments were read by the president.

Jim Wilkerson announced that the Interlibrary Loan Workshops held in May had been well attended. At Muskogee, 72 present; Oklahoma City, 86 present; Clinton, 54 present; a total of 212 persons present.

Leonard Eddy asked for suggestions of lists of names to be appointed to fill vacancies on OLA committees. Discussion followed concerning the exact role of the National Library Week and Right to Read committees.

Discussion followed on the Union List of Serials. The executive board at present favors expediting the available print-out with present OLA funds after further consultation with Dr. Rouse. Recognition of errors exist but the desirability of the information offsets these faults.

Under new business it was brought to the board's attention that Holiday Travel Service in Stillwater had advertised a New York Tour to ALA as under the authorization of OLA without permission of OLA for use of its name. Mary Esther Saxon moved that Leonard Eddy be authorized to take appropriate action after investigation of legal technicalities, and Jim Wilkerson seconded the motion. Board action is required for use of the OLA name on mailing labels by another organization.

Leonard Eddy announced that the Past President's Workshop would be held June 21, 1974 at Faculty House, Health Sciences Center in conjunction with the regular Executive Board meeting.

Those attending will include OLA Committee Chairmen, Division Chairmen, and Chairmen-Elect, and the Executive Board. Discussion followed on some of the goals and purposes to be discussed at the workshop.

It was suggested by Mary Esther Saxon that places of meeting for OLA Executive Committee might be rotated around the state.

Mr. Bickford suggested that it would be an excellent idea for OLA to have a written policy and handbook.

There being no further business, Mr. Bickford moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded.

Respectfully submitted
Mary Esther Saxon
Secretary
Minutes of the 67th Annual Conference

OKLAHOMA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
April 18-20, 1974, Oklahoma City

1st General Session
Date: April 19, 1974
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Place: Senate Room, Lincoln Plaza Inn

Mrs. Elizabeth Geis, President, called the first General Session of the 67th Annual Conference of OLA to order.

Dee Ann Ray introduced the speaker, the Honorable Patience Latting, Mayor of Oklahoma City. Mayor Latting served as Chairman of the National Library Week Committee in 1973 and Miss Ray presented the National Library Week Certificate of Recognition to her.

Mayor Latting brought greetings to the Association from the people of Oklahoma City. She said the work of librarians broadens the horizons of children and adults, helps deepen understanding of our world and contributes to the nation's welfare. She welcomed to the meeting those members from outside Oklahoma City and pointed out special events, inviting OLA members to attend. The President thanked Mrs. Lattin and introduced Leonard Eddy, President-elect and Chairman of the Program Committee. Mr. Eddy noted that the Program Committee has tried to vary somewhat from the established format in planning this Conference. One traditional feature which they wished to retain was "OKLAHOMA LIBRARIES SHOW AND TELL" presented by Esther Mae Henke, Associate Director for Library Services, Oklahoma Department of Libraries.

Miss Henke thanked Joanne Swink and John Hinkle for their assistance in putting together this year's "Show and Tell." The slide presentation included items of interest from across the State. Some of the noteworthy events of the past year have been the National Library Week "Dim the Lights Observance," the "Summer Pow Wow," children's summer reading program which reached 25,241 children through 159 libraries; the Reference Clinic, held in Oklahoma City and sponsored by the Reference Division of OLA; Judith Krug's visit to the Oklahoma University Campus to speak on intellectual freedom; Choctaw Nation Library System's "Books by Mail Program"; and the rescue of water damaged books at the Newkirk Public Library.

Also of interest were improvements in circulation, collections and facilities: the Cushing Public Library reached 30,000 volumes; circulation for the Chickasaw System was up 18.4% and in Sulphur was up 63.7%; Cameron College has received a $19,600.00 grant to form new in-school library resource center; that will have a new library facility; Kingfisher has expanded its library facility; Okfune has renovated and remodeled its library; Prague Public Library will be part of the new City Hall; Lawton has a new Public Library building; and the new Oklahoma Department of Libraries building is nearing completion and will be named for Allen Wright, the man who coined the word Oklahoma.

The OLA Governor's Mansion Committee presented new additions to the Governor's Mansion library collection. Mrs. David Hall has served as National Library Week Chairman this year.

Beth Martin for vice-president and president-elect and Dee Ann Ray, Marion Patmon and Lee Brawner for Council.

The "Show and Tell" presentation paid respects to two Oklahoma Librarians who died in the past year: Jesse Rader of OU and Elmera Davis of Oklahoma City and Langston.

Familiar names in new positions are Shelia Alexander, Consultant, Library Resources Division, State Department of Education and Frances Kennedy, OLA's new Executive Secretary.

Leonard Eddy thanked Esther Mae Henke for her presentation and introduced Lee Brawner, Executive Director of the Oklahoma City-County Library System. As a member of the SWLA Executive Board, Mr. Brawner brought greetings to the Association on behalf of SWLA and Marian Mitchell, SWLA Executive Secretary. Mr. Brawner spoke about the services provided by SWLA and its work unit SUICE, both of which work with ALA and the state organizations in trying to serve needs not being met by either the state or national organizations. Mr. Brawner also works with CELS, Continuing Education for Library Staff in the Southwest.

At this time the President turned to the business session and asked for approval of the minutes of the 66th Annual Conference as printed in the Oklahoma Librarian. James Stevenson moved that the minutes be approved as printed and Leonard Eddy seconded the motion. It was passed by the membership.

James Byrn presented the Treasurer's Report. At this time there is a total of $15,507.31 in the checking account, certificates of deposit and the passbook savings. There is presently $50.00 in the ODL Fund. Dee Ann Ray moved that the Treasurer's Report be accepted. Lee Brawner seconded the motion and it was approved by the membership.

The President asked for the Committee Reports. Those presenting reports were: James Stevenson, Archives Committee; Guy Logsdon, Constitution and Bylaws Committee; Leonard Eddy, Program Committee; Jane Northcutt, Library Development Committee.

The reports were printed and circulated to the membership. Nancy Amis, Legislative Coordinator, also presented a report. She reported that the Library Development Network consists of 22 members including librarians, trustees, patrons and friends of libraries. Each member of the Legislature is assigned to a specific Network member. A meeting of the Network was held November 30.

The President asked for approval of the Committee Reports. John Paynter moved that the Committee Reports be approved. The motion was seconded by Jim Wilkerson and approved by the membership.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned until the Second General Session. The remaining Committee Reports are scheduled for the Third General Session.

2nd General Session
Date: April 19, 1974
Time: 12:00
Place: Lincoln Room, Lincoln Plaza Inn

Elizabeth Geis, President, called to order the Second General Session. Mrs. Geis introduced the Executive Board: Leonard Eddy, Vice President and President-elect; Fern Ward, 2nd Vice President;
Anne Rounds, Secretary; James Byrn, Treasurer; Dee Ann Ray, Past President; James Wilkerson, Past Secretary; Irma Tomberlin, ALA Councillor; and James Zink, Editor of the Oklahoma Librarian. The invocation was given by Reverend Robert Tupper, First Methodist Church, Oklahoma City.

Mrs. Geis introduced John Hinkle, Entertainment Chairman, who presented Seymour Davis. Mr. Davis, a magician, provided entertainment.

Frances Kennedy, Chairman of the Awards Committee presented the OLA Citizens Award to Hazel Craig.

Leonard Eddy introduced Robert Wedgeworth, Executive Secretary of ALA. Mr. Eddy presented to Mr. Wedgeworth a book entitled "Cry of the Thunderbird: the American Indian's Own Story". Mr. Wedgeworth's address dealt with the changes in and goals of the American Library Association.

At the conclusion of Mr. Wedgeworth's speech Elizabeth Geis adjourned the Second General Session of the 67th Annual Conference of OLA.

3rd General Session
Date: April 19, 1974
Time: 3:45 p.m.
Place: Senate Room, Lincoln Plaza Inn

Elizabeth Geis, President, called to order the Third General Session of the 67th Annual Conference of the Oklahoma Library Association.

Leonard Eddy, Vice President and President-elect, introduced special guest Janice Kee from the Dallas office of the USOE. Mrs. Kee addressed the question: what is the appropriate role of the Federal Government in library development? Programs under the Library Services and Construction Act may be phased out after 20 years of continuing support. The present act expires June 30, 1976.

During a 16-year period the Oklahoma Department of Libraries has received and spent $7.8 million in four areas: extending and improving library services, improving and strengthening library programs, remodeling library facilities, and establishing and maintaining libraries. Fourteen Federally aided building projects were carried out during this time.

The present Federal program, the President's Library Partnership Act, as now drafted is a grant program with a complete bypass of state or any intermediary agency.

Leonard Eddy thanked Janice Kee for attending the Conference and for her remarks. Mr. Eddy then introduced Rod Swartz, Deputy Director of the Commission on Libraries and Information Services. Mr. Swartz was the Associate Director of the Tulsa City-County Library System from 1966-72 and is a Past President of OLA. Mr. Schwartz presented a slide program which explained the purpose and overall plan of the Commission. The Commission is presently holding hearings in Chicago, Atlanta, San Francisco, Boston and San Antonio.

Irma Tomberlin, ALA Councillor, presented her report. ALA has been faced with budgetary problems which have resulted in new fiscal procedures and the new dues proposal. The new proposal calls for a flat $35.00 fee for general membership and a subscription to American Libraries. Division memberships will be in addition to the $35.00 fee. ALA is concerned with legislation at all levels. Legislative workshops will be held across the country. Also, ALA urges support for the White House Conference in 1976 and continues the fight for intellectual freedom.

Committee reports began with a report from Bob Motter, Chairman of the Exhibitors Committee. There were 30 exhibiting companies taking 41 spaces. Total income to OLA from the exhibits is $1311.32. At the conclusion of his report Mr. Motter introduced the exhibitors.

Those presenting Committee Reports were: Continuing Education, Bill Lowry; Local Arrangements, Paul Little; Governor's Mansion Committee, Virginia Collier; Interlibrary Loan, Mary Hardin; Occupational Information Services, Dean Deor; Right to Read, Pat Woodrum; Sequoyah Committee, Jean Thompson; and Membership, Edith LaForge. At latest count the Membership Committee shows 717 individual members and 170 institutional memberships. Also reporting were Roscoe House on the Union List of Serials and Federal Relations Coordinator, Esther Mae Henke.

Hiram Davis moved that the Committee Reports be accepted. Jim Stevenson seconded the motion and it was approved by the membership.

There being no further business to come before the Third General Session the meeting was adjourned.

Fourth General Session
Date: April 20, 1974
Time: 2:30 p.m.
Place: Senate Room, Lincoln Plaza Inn

The President called to order the Fourth General Session of the 67th Annual OLA Conference. Mrs. Geis introduced Sheila Alexander who has recently assumed the position of Coordinator of Library Resources for the State Department of Education.

Dr. John Sayer, Chairman of the Resolutions Committee presented the membership the following resolutions:

I

WHEREAS, the National Commission on Libraries and Information Sciences "views libraries and information centers as a national knowledge resource to be sustained and integrated for all citizens to use in the course of their personal and economic pursuits"; and

WHEREAS, "the Commission also believes the time has come to develop a national network of libraries and information centers as a total system rather than as a collection of separate parts";

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oklahoma Library Association, meeting in official session April 20, 1974, commend the National Commission on Libraries and Information Sciences for its efforts to create a national network of libraries and information centers. Be it further resolved that the membership of the Oklahoma Library Association recognize the urgency of the Commission's work and assist the Commission in all possible ways in achieving its goals.

II

WHEREAS, Active concern has been expressed among Oklahoma librarians for the reading needs and interests of persons in our state penal institutions; and

WHEREAS, the families of inmates of our state penal...
WHEREAS, college and university libraries perform a unique and indispensable function in the educational process as the primary means through which students and faculty gain access to the storehouse of organized knowledge; and

WHEREAS, college and university librarians share the professional concerns of faculty members and play a major role in the education of college students; and

WHEREAS, the Association of College and Research Libraries, the Association of American Colleges, and the American Association of University Professors have drafted a strong statement endorsing the faculty status of college and university librarians; and

WHEREAS, many state and regional library associations, including the Southwestern Library Association, the New Mexico Library Association, the Colorado Library Association, and the Missouri Library Association, have endorsed this statement;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oklahoma Library Association, meeting in official session, April 20, 1974, go on record heartily endorsing the Statement on Faculty Status of College and University Librarians and encouraging college and university administrations in Oklahoma to implement programs of granting official faculty status to all Oklahoma college and university librarians in accordance with this Statement.

IV

WHEREAS, the sixty-seventh Annual Conference of the Oklahoma Library Association, held at the Quality Inn Lincoln Plaza, Oklahoma City, April 18 through 20, 1974, has been a most pleasant, cooperative, and productive meeting; and

WHEREAS, we have been stimulated by a program of the highest quality due to the splendid work of Leonard Eddy and his program committee;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we express our appreciation to Leonard Eddy and his program committee for their many hours of work in making plans for this profitable meeting and issue a special word of thanks to our major speakers Robert Wedgeworth, Edmon Low, Mel Ellis, Janice Kee, Rod Swartz, and Sara Strygley for their challenging, inspiring, and informative addresses.

V

WHEREAS, our exhibitors at this 1974 Oklahoma Library Association Conference have labored under exceptionally adverse conditions;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we express our genuine appreciation to our exhibitors for their good humor in the midst of difficulty, for their excellent displays, and for their continuing interest in this Association.

WHEREAS, all of our Oklahoma Library Association officers, division and committee officers for the year 1973-1974 have served with dedication and concern;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the membership of the Oklahoma Library Association, meeting in official session, April 20, 1974, express deep appreciation, gratitude, and best wishes to them.

John Sayer moved that these resolutions be approved. Esther Mae Henke seconded the motion and it was approved by the membership.

Dr. Sayer then presented a seventh resolution:

WHEREAS, the work of our Oklahoma Library Association during 1973-74 has proceeded in good order; and

WHEREAS, we have been drawn to greater and more responsible cooperation under her creative and diligent leadership;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we rise to a standing vote of thanks and best wishes to our retiring President, Mrs. Elizabeth Geis.

The seventh resolution was approved unanimously by standing ovation.

Leonard Eddy introduced the speaker, Sara Strygley, Professor of Library Science, Florida State University. Dr. Strygley's address concerned library education today.

At the conclusion of the presentation Elizabeth Geis turned the gavel over to the new President, Leonard Eddy, and wished him well during his term of office.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned until the Fifth General Session.

5th General Session

Date: April 20, 1974

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Place: Lincoln Room, Lincoln Plaza Inn

Leonard Eddy, President, opened the Fifth General Session with the introduction of Reverend Norman Neaves, Church of the Servant, Oklahoma City. Reverend Neaves gave the Invocation.

Mr. Eddy introduced the new officers: Jim Wilkerson, First Vice President and President-elect; Harry Bickford, Second Vice President; Mary Esther Saxon, Secretary, and John Stroman, Treasurer.

Mr. Eddy also introduced the evening's speaker, Mr. Edmon Low. Mr. Low is well known to Oklahoma librarians as he was for many years Director of the Oklahoma State University Library and is the Past President of OLA. Mr. Low is presently Librarian of New College, Sarasota, Florida. His address was entitled "Unfinished Business: the Promise of the Years."

Following Mr. Low's speech Frances Kennedy, Chairman of the Awards Committee made the awards presentations. Alice Pattee received a special award for her work on the Union List of Serials. Miss Pattee is now retired but was Head of the Cataloging Department at OSU. She gave many hours of her time to the Union List of Serials project. She received a silver bowl.

The Distinguished Service Award was given to Dee Ann Ray for her excellent work for libraries in Oklahoma. Miss Ray is a Past President of the Association. She received the Distinguished Service Plaque.

There being no further business to come before the Association the 67th Annual Conference of the Oklahoma Library Association was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Anne Rounds, Secretary
Committee, Division and Roundtable Reports

1973 - 1974

ARCHIVES COMMITTEE

Members: James F. Stevenson, chairman; Jo Ann Lauderdale, Marietta Malzer; and Josh Stromann.

Activities: Since the Archives Committee is essentially a "housekeeping" or "watchdog" affair, there is little to report. The committee delayed visiting the archives, anticipating the move to the new state library building. Some material has been collected from past officers, but there are still gaps in the files. Letters were sent to all retiring officers and committee chairman to remind them to transmit current files to the incoming officers/chairmen and past files (received from their predecessors) to the archives. Because of the restriction that archival material may not be taken from the archives except by the president, it was not possible for the committee to fulfill its mandate to write Oklahoma's library history.

Resolutions: Committee membership should remain small. Should there be a desire to produce a library history, the committee membership should be centered in the Oklahoma City area to facilitate the use of the archives.

Respectfully submitted,
Frances Alsowrth

AUTOMATION ROUNDTABLE

Roundtable Officers:
Officers for 1973-74:
Mae Jennings..........................Chairman
Marian Patmon..........................Secretary-Treasurer

Activities: At the organizational meeting during the 1973 convention, Maryanne Duggan of SLICE indicated funding might be available for a regional workshop. The officers prepared a draft proposal for Miss Duggan's consideration.

The workshop was not funded because of a national workshop of the identical nature of our proposal was scheduled to be held in the Spring of 1974 in New Orleans.

A directory of library automation activities has been compiled which will be published in the OKLAHOMA LIBRARIAN in the spring or summer of 1974.

Respectfully submitted,
Ron Curtis

CHILDREN'S and YOUNG PEOPLE'S DIVISION

Activities: A workshop session for members of the Children and Young People's Division of O.L.A. was held at the Edmond Public Library on October 17, 1973. Information was presented concerning services and materials available but not always fully utilized by librarians. Those making presentations were Anne Hoyt (O.S.U. Department of Library Science), Susie Pipkin (The Magic Blue Bus), Peggy Sapp (Oklahoma Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped), Carolyn Abernathy (Oklahoma County Libraries), Polly Clarke (Northeastern State College Department of Library Science), Mary Ann Wentworth (Oklahoma Department of Libraries), and Frances Alsowrth (Central State University Department of Library Science). This was an initial attempt to have a mid-year division meeting, and the general reaction to the attempt was that the session was beneficial to all who attended. We hope to make such a meeting an annual event.

Respectfully submitted,
Frances Alsowrth

COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES DIVISION

Division Officers:
1973/74
Heather Lloyd, Chairman
Ruth Wender, Vice Chairman/Chairman Elect
Diana Jones, Secretary

1974/75
Ruth Wender, Chairman
Sheryl Rollins, Vice Chairman/Chairman Elect
Imogene Nix, Secretary

Activities: Helped sponsor an administrators' workshop at OCU on December 7th in cooperation with the Library Development Committee. Discussed funding, legislation, and interlibrary loan.

Respectfully submitted,
Heather Lloyd

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS COMMITTEE

Members: Guy Logsdon, chairman; Harriet Bonner; and Pat Jordan.

Activities: Since no questions or amendments were submitted, no meetings were held. The ALA requested one bylaws change which would allow the ALA to be informed of any changes in the OLA Constitution. The committee referred this to a membership vote. One carry-over topic remains unresolved.

Respectfully submitted,
Ron Curtis

AWARDS COMMITTEE

Members: Frances Kennedy, chairman; Jane Northcutt; and Thelma Jones.

Activities: The committee corresponded by mail, and its decisions will remain secret until the awards banquet at the OLA Conference.

Respectfully submitted,
Ron Curtis

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Some years ago, action was taken to withhold voting rights if OLA dues are not paid by Feb. 15. The committee believes this action is unconstitutional and requires an amendment to be official policy — or it should be stopped. Another carry-over question that was not resolved is that of having the membership committee chairman mail the ballots instead of the secretary of the association. The amendments for both questions have been submitted to the executive board.

EXHIBITS COMMITTEE

Members: Robert T. Motter, Jr.

Activities: Robert Motter, Jr., and Local Arrangements Committee Chairman Paul Little met at the Lincoln Plaza Inn in Oklahoma City and were assured that the new convention center would be completed in time for the Conference. By the time they found it would not, it was too late to change sites. Motter mailed exhibit information and applications to 110 exhibitors, and 30 commercial exhibitors and two free association connected exhibitors agreed to participate. Convention Decorators in Oklahoma City was contacted to set up exhibit booths. The change in exhibit area will entail additional decorator expense.

FEDERAL RELATIONS COORDINATOR

Since the activation of the OLA Library Development Network and last year's legislative workshop, more librarians than ever before have been writing and talking to their Oklahoma legislators and U.S. Senators and Congressmen. The Federal Relations Coordinator has made periodic reports to the OLA Executive Board, is a member of the OLA Library Development Committee, and has worked closely with the OLA Network Coordinator. Copies of letters both to and from U.S. Congressmen and Senators have been forwarded to the ALA Washington Office. Although the year began with a bleak outlook for libraries of all types, through efforts of librarians and trustees all over the country, major library programs were continued (ESEA, LSCA, HEA, etc.) and impounded funds released.

Respectfully submitted
Esther Mae Henke

GOVERNOR'S MANSION LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Members: Virginia Collier, chairman; Ame Gorena; Alfreda Hanna; Mary Evelyn Potts; Ray Rambo; and Valeria Turnell.

Activities: New bookplates for the Governor's Mansion Library were ordered to replace the old ones which did not mention OLA. The committee selected books to add to the collection this year, and Virginia Collier and Elizabeth Geis met with Mrs. David Hall to present the books. Only 15 were received and cataloged by ODL, but more are on order. Ms. Collier also visited the Mansion to update the pocket parts of the Oklahoma Statutes and Session Laws.

INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM COMMITTEE

Members: Oliver Delaney, chairman; Ann Adama; Keith Edwards; Carole Ellis; Joan Flint; Sue Fontaine; Lee Graham; Walter Hartmetz; Mary Beth Ozmun; Sheryl Rollins; and Anne Rounds.

Activities: Oliver Delaney and Sheryl Rollins attended the first national workshop on intellectual freedom. Based on this Chicago workshop, similar statewide workshops should be developed in the near future. Ten organizations including publishers, printers, booksellers and librarians established a national organization called Media Coalition, Inc. The group has appointed local resource people who will be responsible for investigating local censorship efforts. The resource person in Oklahoma is Oliver Delaney, representing ALA's intellectual freedom committee.

Resolutions: The committee recommends continued membership in Media Coalition, Inc.

INTER-LIBRARY LOAN COMMITTEE

Members: Dee Ann Ray and Ralph Funk, cochairmen; Sarah Jane Bell; Leonard Eddy; Elizabeth Geis; Maryellen Hall; Walter Hartmetz; Esther Mae Henke; Frances Kennedy; Paul Little; Guy Logsdon; Bill Lowry; Lois McMillan; Allie Beth Martin; William Martin; Lester Meltzer; Roscoe Rouse; Irma Tomerlin; James Wilkerson; James Zink; Heather Lloyd; and Clarice Rhoades.

Drafting Subcommittee: Dee Ann Ray, Ralph Funk, Frances Kennedy, Heather Lloyd, Clarice Rhoades and Allie Beth Martin.

Activities: The committee met three times. It rejected the subcommittee's set of guidelines and decided to hold workshops this spring on inter-library loan and to write a philosophical statement on inter-library loan.

Resolutions: If we draft the philosophy statement, we might submit it in the form of a resolution for the association to adopt.

LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Members: Jane Northcutt and Dee Ann Ray, cochairmen; Sarah Jane Bell; Nancy Amis; William Martin, Jr.; Margaret Korn; Lois McMillan; Mrs. Roy Craig; Irma Tomerlin; Elizabeth Geis; Pat Woodrum; Marian Dierdorff; Bill Lowry; Billee Day; Ralph Funk; Esther Mae Henke; Mary Beth Ozmun; Barbara Spieriebacher; Lee Brawner; Mary Esther Saxon; and Lillian Jones.

Activities: The committee met six times. The Oklahoma Library Development Network continued to function under the direction of Nancy Amis, LDC Coordinator, and OLA President Elizabeth Geis appointed three LDC subcommittees in the areas of public, academic and school libraries. Subcommittee chairmen Dee Ann Ray, Mary Esther Saxon and Lillian Jones report directly to the Library Development Committee. A joint meeting of LDC and the Oklahoma Network people was held Nov. 30 at ODL to inform network members of the national and state legislative situation. Committee members also attended an administrators' workshop, arranged by the ODC academic subcommittee Dec. 7. It covered common problems of academic libraries with particular emphasis on financial needs. A motion to support the Governor's recommended budget for ODL was unanimously passed. When important legislation concerning libraries came up before the state or national legislatures, the committee sent letters and telegrams in support of the measures. After consideration of the Oklahoma District Re-
sources Liaison Units Enabling Act; the committee drafted the following statement: "The Oklahoma Library Development Committee, through existing programs, supports and promotes interagency cooperation for broader regional learning resource programs but strongly opposes the creation of another administrative unit which would require additional money and would be better used by existing school, public and higher educational library systems." Beginning in March, regular monthly meetings are planned on the same day as the Library Systems Meetings.

LIBRARY EDUCATION DIVISION

Division Officers:
Chairman, Ruby W. Ewing
Vice Chairman and Chairman Elect, Anne Hoyt
Secretary, John Chaffin

Officers, 1974-75
Anne Hoyt, Chairman
Shelia Wilder Hoke, Vice Chairman and Chairman Elect
John Chaffin, Secretary

Activities: The annual fall business meeting of the Library Education Division convened at Central State University, November 2, 1973, with Ruby Ewing, chairman, presiding. Minutes of the LED spring meeting, held during the OLA conference in Tulsa, April 1973, were read and approved.

Committee reports were heard and business conducted as described:

LEVER COMMITTEE — Committee was charged with responsibility for updating the 1972 LED DIRECTORY. As a result of a previously discussed proposal, the chairman instructed the committee to proceed with processing information concerning the library science course offerings at the colleges and universities. This information should include data related to scope of offering texts, methods, and resource materials. Serving on the LEVER Committee are Jon Suter, chairman; Elizabeth McCorkle; and Shelia Hoke, replacement appointee.

COMMITTEE ON CERTIFICATION AND EVALUATION — Outgoing chairman, Frances Alsoworth reviewed committee activities and summarized two articles prepared for inclusion in the forthcoming November 1973 issue of the OKLAHOMA TEACHER. Committee members Frances Alsoworth, Elizabeth McCorkle, John Chaffin, and Mabel Mickley were contacted by the Division and instructed to remain active.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE — Outgoing chairman, Mabel Mickley made brief comments treating election procedures. LED chairman appointed 1973-74 committee; Annette Parker, chairman; John Chaffin, and Irma Tomberlin.

The possibility of a workshop concerning behavioral objectives & accountability in library education was considered as a future activity.

The Division was gratified to learn that Dr. Edmon Low would appear before the membership during the 1975 LED Division Meeting.

ALA Councillor Irma Tomberlin gave an incisive and entertaining resume of the 1973 ALA conference held in Las Vegas.

The next business meeting, fall 1974, will be held at centrally located Central State University.

Respectfully submitted,
John Chaffin, Secretary

LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTEE

Members: Paul Little, chairman; Pat Westmoreland; Oliver Delaney; Jo Rice; John Hinkle; Carol Tanzer; Connie Woodring; Beverly Sprore; and Ann Adams.

Activities: Committee representatives attended the Program Committee meetings for the OLA Conference. The committee has planned meal arrangements and entertainment; scheduled meeting rooms; handled hospitality for out-of-town Conference guests; handled pre-registration and registration; coordinated physical arrangements with the Exhibit Committee; arranged for Conference publicity; and will provide information at the Conference.

Resolutions: A task force should be appointed in the 1975-76 association year to write more definitive guidelines, time tables and record-keeping formats for both the Program Committee and the Local Arrangements Committee.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Members: Mary Beth Ozmun, chairman; Anna Combs; Carolyn Croft; Dena Duncan; Sandy Ellison; Ruby Ewing; Edith La Forge; Heather Lloyd; Bill Strait; Jean Thompson; and Jo Uhland.

Activities: Membership flyers were sent to prospective new members, public school systems, public library systems, colleges and universities. News items were included in the "Oklahoma Librarian" and various library newsletters. In late 1973, membership forms and brochures were mailed to all OLA members. In January, a dues reminder was published in ODL's "Library Services Branch Newsletter." The committee attended the librarian's section meeting of the Oklahoma Education Association and had a registration table. A registration table will also be set up at the OLA Conference allowing people to pay OLA and SLA membership dues. The committee had a budget of $200 and has spent $77.89 for postage and printing. As of April 1, OLA had 663 individual members and 15 institutional members totaling 678.

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK COMMITTEE

Members: Marilyn Shackleford, executive director; Sarah Jane Bell, assistant director; Mary Birmingham; Helen Luffman; Jean Harrington; Ann Henderson; Jo Heilig; John Hinkle; Ceci Howland; Barbara Proctor; Mary Sherman; Carole Ellis; Ann Adams; Sue Fontaine.

Activities: The NLW Committee established the following goals: 1) To publicize this, Gov. David Hall has declared Friday, April 26, School Library Day in Oklahoma and schools are being encouraged to publicize the role centralized libraries play in children's education; 2) To extend library service and foster the establishment of centralized libraries in elementary schools; 3) To give patrons an insight into the interests of their library staff. The 1974 NLW Committee is chaired by Mrs. David Hall and consists of a lay people selected from as wide a geographical area as possible. The lay committee was sub-divided into five geographical groups to facilitate meeting. The core committee has worked closely with the Oklahoma Department of Education and the Oklahoma Association of School Librarians in making plans for School Library Day in Oklahoma.

Resolutions: Regarding the budget, the Committee decided 1) to investigate the availability of buying commercially prepared radio and television spots for use during NLW; 2) to request an increase in the previously allocated budget to enable the Committee to prepare radio and television spots on a local
NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Members: Frances Laverne Carroll, chairman; Heather Lloyd; James Wilkerson; Gene Hodges; and Roberta Kaukay.

Activities: The committee met on Dec. 14 to consider all nominations from the committee and the OLA membership. A slate of candidates, two for each position, was submitted at the January board meeting. Votes were tallied in March and the election results submitted to the March 15 board meeting.

OKLAHOMA ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL LIBRARIANS DIVISION

The new executive board of OASL held its first meeting June 5, 1973 to discuss ideas for our Fall meeting during the OEA convention. Discussion was held concerning the possibility of having a joint meeting with OAAMT.

The joint executive boards of OASL and OAAMT held several meetings to plan the program for the joint conference. The program for the OEA convention on October 18, 1973 was entitled “Cooperation is the Name of the Game.” Our guest speaker was Dr. William Hug from Auburn University. The executive board of OASL felt that the joint meeting was quite an enlightening experience for all.

Continuing somewhat in the same frame of mind, OASL planned a joint meeting with the Children’s and Young People’s Division for the OLA meeting, April 18-20, 1974. The guest speaker, Sara Strygley, will talk about the need for cooperation between school and young adult librarians, “Shall We Beat Them or Join Them?”

Respectfully submitted
Beverly A. Cox, Chairman

OKLAHOMA UNION LIST OF SERIALS COMMITTEE

Members: Roscoe Rouse, chairman; Elsie Bell; Ralph Funk; Allie Beth Martin; James Zink; Audrey Ahlquist, consultant; and Larry Larason, consultant.

Activities: The committee was asked to recommend how best to use the serials list which now exists in print-out form. The OU and OSU libraries are working to bring together on one magnetic tape the editorially-corrected print-out and re-formatted computer program recently completed. The Committee recommends that the serials list be distributed in microfiche format at a reduction ratio of 42x, 208 pages per fiche. Even at this reduction, the microfiche could be read on any regular microfiche reader with no difficulty. Each of the 24 contributors to the list would be furnished with a set at the nominal cost of $18.12 per set (the entire list with notebooks and charts for the fiche). Updating and editorial work would require additional funds which could be built into an annual subscription cost for the list. The Committee recommends that the OLA Executive Board name one or more persons to negotiate with a firm to produce the fiche form from the magnetic tape now in process and to investigate the need for non-profit status in the sale and distribution of the fiche. The Board should decide on the frequency of future updates and name someone to direct the work, assess costs of updates and be responsible for production and distribution of fiche supplements for this self-sustaining project.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Members: Leonard M. Eddy, chairman; Frances Alworth; Heather Lloyd; Ruby Ewing; Paul Little; Beverly Cox; Jean Harrington; Dee Ann Ray; Harriet Barbour; James T. Murray; Roberta Hamburger; Claude Harris; James Byrn; Ron Curtis; and Barbara Proctor.

Activities: The Program Committee met once a month to plan the 1974 OLA Conference program. The committee tried to plan a program appealing to as many people as possible and extended the Conference to Saturday to allow trustees, school librarians and others to attend. The Committee lined up the following conference speakers: Robert Wedgeworth, Jr., executive director of ALA; Edmon Low, librarian of New College in Sarasota, Fla.; Sara Strygley, library science professor at Florida State University; and Rod Smith, deputy director of the National Commission for Library and Information Science, Washington, D.C.

PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

Members: James Zink, chairman; James Wilkerson; Lenore Clark (replacing Tony Moffett); Duane Meyers; James Byrn; Janice Donnell; Frances Kennedy; Mary Evelyn Potts; Jim Stevenson; Irma Tomberlin; and Shirley Wheeler.

Activities: The Publications Committee is responsible for publishing OKLAHOMA LIBRARIAN. Four committee members regularly contribute to the quarterly journal: James Zink, editor; James Wilkerson, circulation manager; Lenore Clark, “Literary Notes” editor (replacing Tony Moffett); and Duane Meyers, “Currents” column. During the past year, OKLAHOMA LIBRARIAN averaged about 40 pages per issue. In 1973 the membership directory was published in the April issue, but in 1974 it will appear in the July issue. The most outstanding need is for more contributions from OLA members in the form of news items, reports and articles. The publication should be representative of librarians’ interests, and, to do this, it must have a broad base of librarian support. The Publications Committee has had no formal meetings in the past year. The editor is frequently in contact with most members, and, in the future, will try to keep in touch with all committee members.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

Members: Dee Ann Ray, chairman; Opal Brewer; John Chaffin; Arlene Chapman; Sue Fontaine; Lucilla Henson; Della Thomas; and Carole Ellis.

Activities: Dee Ann Ray, who submitted the committee report, says she asked each committee member to be responsible for publicity for the various divisions and roundtables. “So far as I know, no one functioned except me during the year.” Dee Ann Ray prepared a news release which appeared in a committee chairman and division slate of officers and sent them to their hometown newspapers. She also submitted convention dates and the slate of officers to the journals. She prepared news releases for participants in the OLA leadership conference, the university and college division meeting and the refer-
ence workshop and also information on the legislature’s hearing on libraries’ funding.

Resolutions: “I am not in agreement that this committee should be a part of the NLW Committee,” Dee Ann says. She thinks the committee should consist of just one person, perhaps the OLA executive secretary, to handle the general association news releases. Separate activities, such as NLW, should have their own publicity committee. “We need good positive publicity and too many members won’t write their own news releases about their own activities. . . . To combine all publicity would require the services of a paid PR person, which the association cannot afford.”

PUBLIC LIBRARIES DIVISION

Division Officers:
Jean Harrington, Chairman
Bill Strain, Vice Chairman
Jimmie Welch, Secretary

Activities:
Did not have a workshop this year.
Program for OLA
Roderick Swartz, Deputy Director, NCLIS will speak on the subject THE PUBLIC LIBRARY, TO PUBLICIZE OR NOT TO PUBLICIZE.
Jim Vora, Executive Director, Oklahoma Humanities Committee will present a short report on what is available to Public Libraries from the Humanities Committee.
Velma Lake, Chairman of Nominating Committee, Public Library Division will announce officers for 1974-1975.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Harrington

REFERENCE DIVISION

Division Officers:
1973-74:
Pres. Harriet Barbour
V. P. Jim Stevenson
Sec.-Treas. Mary Hardin
1974-75:
Pres. Jim Stevenson
V. P. Kenneth Tracey
Sec.-Treas. Emmerline Moore

Activities:
Reference Workshop was presented in February 1974. Miss Frances Kennedy, Librarian, Oklahoma City University, was scheduled to conduct the workshop. Because of illness she was unable to appear. In her stead and on very short notice four members conducted a very informative meeting for us. We are grateful to Alfreda Hanna, Jim Stevenson, Dee Ann Ray and Marilyn Vesely, who proved themselves most capable.
We are delighted to report that better than ninety persons registered for the Workshop.
As a postscript, I should add: Frances recovered, though it took quite some time, and is to be telling us the “Do’s and don’ts of Reference” in our division meeting here at the annual meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Harriet Barbour

RIGHT TO READ COMMITTEE

Members: Pat Woodrum, chairman; Susan Babbitt; Frances Eskew; Jean Harrington; Mary Sherman; Nan Sturdivant; Louise Watson; and John Hinkle.

Activities: Pat Woodrum and Nan Sturdivant attended the ALA Right to Read Committee’s meetings at the mid-winter conference. The committee met in Tulsa in February, and a committee representative attended a March meeting in Oklahoma City on other Oklahoma reading projects. The committee will present a program at the OLA Conference at 4 p.m. Saturday, April 20.

Resolutions: The Right to Read ad hoc committee should be continued even though federal funding may no longer be available. The committee should work with other groups such as the PTA to encourage reading projects.

SEQUOYAH CHILDREN’S BOOK AWARD COMMITTEE

Members: Jean Thompson, chairman; Barry Boettcher; Ruth Ann Brown; Rita Cain; Donna Dankstien; Elizabeth Gals; Ray Lau; Josephine Rayburn; Nan Sturdivant; Mary Ann Wentroth; Sherry Worster; Sheila Alexander (as of Jan. 1974); and Helen Luftman (Interim member).

Activities: The Committee met five times to discuss methods of promoting reading in grades four through eight by using the Sequoyah master reading list. The Advisory Council, representing ten youth and educational groups, met with the committee in September, and the following month, the Committee sponsored a booth at the Oklahoma Department of Education’s Library Resources Division, reading list promotional materials (posters, bookmarks and book lists) were sold to schools and libraries. A gold mylar seal of the Sequoyah Children’s Book Award to affix to award-winning books was added to the available materials this year. A sound-slide presentation of past award-winners was circulated to various agencies through ODL and the education department. In January the Committee sent ballots to previous participants and to others who requested them. Qualifications for voting were changed to require having read at least two books from the list (previously the requirement was one book). Some 21,889 students voted this year, selecting Mel Ellin’s “Flight of the White Wolf” as the winner from among 26 books on the list. Ellis and his wife will attend the Sequoyah Book Award luncheon on April 20. The Committee has drawn up a master list of 25 books for the 1974-75 voting year.

CITIES COMMITTEE

Members: Jan Keene, chairman, and Robert Motter.

Activities: The Committee, charged with selecting OLA Conference sites for 1975 and 1976, recommends the following dates and places:
1975: April 10-12 at the Sheraton Inn-Skyline East in Tulsa.
1976: March 25-27 at the Skirvin Hotel in Oklahoma City.
The 1975 site has already been approved by the OLA Executive Board, and the 1976 recommendation will be acted upon at its April meeting.

Resolutions: The Committee recommends that next year’s committee be assigned the 1977 site so that planning may be done at least three years in advance. Finding suitable dates and locations with less lead time is difficult.

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITIES ROUNDTABLE

A few weeks after the closing of the 1973 OLA convention the officers of the Social Responsibilities Roundtable and of the Trustees Division
met in Muskogee in the hope of planning a joint activity for the year.

Last year an Outreach slide program was developed by John Hinkle, with the assistance of the Social Responsibilities committee. It was viewed at the joint meeting of the Public Libraries Division and SRRT, and was shown throughout the convention at the Roundtable booth. The program stressed library service to disadvantaged groups such as Senior Citizens, nursing home patients, migrant workers, hospital patients, minorities and prisoners. The slide program was compiled using the citizens themselves to relate what libraries have available to them through existing programs and projects.

At our meeting we came up with the idea of showing this slide program to all public library Trustees in Oklahoma. We felt this would be most informative and helpful in creating new library-oriented community projects, and would also serve to involve more Trustees in the actual planning and implementation of library-related programs for the disadvantaged.

Over 100 letters were sent to public libraries or Trustees asking permission to allow us to show the slide program at their board meetings.

As of to-date the slides have been viewed by over 250 Trustees, librarians and other interested citizens, and is still being booked for future showings. The program has been well received and has created much enthusiasm. Several Outreach programs have been started in small communities, and though many are still in the planning stages, we feel they will definitely be carried out. The Trustees felt that these were programs they themselves could assist in and promote in their areas.

The project that seems to have created the most enthusiasm has been service to the jails. The Trustees never realized how difficult it is to get into a jail for doing something good, so they are now more determined than ever to succeed.

It is our hope that in the future we can use these programs in the Clearinghouse file that was begun by the Social Responsibilities committee. This file will be used as a reference source for libraries. It will list various library programs and library projects that have been started in Oklahoma, the costs (if any), and the individuals or organizations responsible for initiating them.

We feel very strongly that this project will encourage the acceptance of library service to each member of a community through the social responsibility of all librarians and trustees within the state.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Proctor, Chairman

TECHNICAL SERVICES DIVISION
Division Officers:
   Chairman: Roberta Hamburger,
   Phillips University, Enid
   Vice-Chairman/Chairman-Elect:
   Sue Ann Harrington,
   Oklahoma University
   Secretary: Jean Mackey, Tulsa University

Activities:
The officers met twice to consider plans for the year. It was decided not to hold a workshop this year, but to consider one on I.S.B.D. for next year.
The Conference program was considered. Decision was made to meet jointly with the Library Education Division and invite Edmon Low to speak.
A Nominating Committee was appointed: Chairman, Ruth Herrington, T.U.; members, Tom Landikus, O.U., and Mae Jennings, Eastern Oklahoma

District Library, Muskogee. Ballots were mailed with the general O.L.A. ballots.
Officers elected for the 1974/75 year were:
Vice-Chairman/Chairman-Elect:
Donald Lanier, O.S.U., Stillwater
Secretary: Barbara Proctor,
Eastern Oklahoma District Library, Muskogee.

Respectfully submitted,
Roberta Hamburger

TRUSTEES DIVISION
Division Officers:
   Claude Harris, Chairman
   Ann Henderson, Vice-Chairman
   No Secretary at the present time

Activities:
The Trustee Division has worked with the State Outreach Librarian and Social Responsibilities Roundtable in arranging to show the outreach film program to as many Trustees as possible.

Resolutions:
We feel that the Trustee Division could be more active if there were funds available for activities from the O.L.A. budget.
Ways should be explored to promote a better understanding and closer working relationship between local boards and multi-county boards throughout the state.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Henderson

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C—Library Educators
D—Public Libraries
E—Reference

F—School Libraries
G—Technical Services
H—Trust
I—Automation Roundtable
J—Social Responsibilities Roundtable

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Pulaski High School
Div. F

Kirkbride, Rebecca M.
Okmulgee 74447
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Div. F

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LaGrone, Robert H.
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Landry, Andra  
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Shattuck Public Library  
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Leary, Karen  
1516 Rosemont Dr., Norman 73069  
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117 W. Miles, Kingfisher 73750  
Div. A  

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Lowery, Anna D.  
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Lowery, William H.  
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1925 Connelly Ln., Norman 73069  
Adams Elementary School  
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Maher, Judith  
1936 Macleod Dr., Norman 73069  
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Thayer, Reilie H.
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Stillwater Public Library
Div. H

Thomas, Delia
217 N. Stallard, Stillwater 74074
Oklahoma State Univer. Library
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Thomas, Fred L.
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So. Prairie Library System
Div. H

Thompson, Ellie
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311 E. Lincoln, Edmond 73034
Central State Univer. Library
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Tressel, Loralee
401 N. 2nd, McAlester 74501
McAlester Public Library
Div. D

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704 N. Midwest Blvd., Midwest City 73110
Tinker AFB Library
Div. D

Turner, Valeria
2316 NW 25th, Oklahoma City 73107
Oklahoma City Public Schools
Div. F

Turner, Lala
6th and Main, Henryetta 74437
Henryetta Public Library
Div. ADE

Tanner, Mrs. Homer N.
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Div. H

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Claremore Jr. College
Div. B

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Tarttum, Barbara
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Carnegie Public Library, Perry 73077
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Grove Public Library
Div. D

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Div. H

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Rural Route, Westville 74465
Div. H

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Div. F

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Public Library of Enid & Garfield Co.
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Ada 74820
Ada High School
Div. F

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