To the election for Action Council are as follows:

- Joe Lindenfeld 184
- John Wright 182
- Oliver Kilpatrick 160
- Tyron D. Emerick 154
- Ellis Hodgin 138
- Gordon McShean 91
- Steve Wolf 62

As the election for Clearinghouse were obvious from votes not tallied. The third member of Clearinghouse elected at the SRRT Business Meeting in Dallas, that position will be expected to make statements at the meeting at Los Angeles, which the American Library Association adopted at its Midwinter Meeting at Los Angeles.

The action paper has been developed by a group of Indians and librarians in consultation with American Indian Organizations. It is to be held at 4:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 20, at the Dallas Memorial Auditorium.

Mrs. Hayden, a Comanche, will speak on opportunities for American Indians and how libraries can be used to maximize it. Mrs. Hayden has been appointed to an advisory board of the United States Commission on Civil Rights. Mrs. Hayden was also active starting the Oklahoma Indian Education Center and the Community Action Program in Lawton, Oklahoma.

A panel consisting of Virginia Mathews, Deputy Director of the National Book Committee; John Fletcher, Director of Cleveland Public Library's Project American Indian; Mary Miles Williams, Director of the American Indian Center in Dallas; Lotsee Smith, PhD candidate in Education Media at the University of Oklahoma; and Charles Townley, Coordinator of the American Indian Task Force and American Indian Bibliographer at the University of California at Santa Barbara, will discuss the "American Indian Program for Library Service" and how it relates to Indian needs. Dancers from the Dallas American Indian Center will close the meeting.
MISSOURI

"Missouri Library Association SRRT report:
UP THE MALE ESTABLISHMENT!"—Ann Webb

CALIFORNIA

"The members of the statewide Committee on the Social Responsibilities of Libraries endorse the work of the Meiklejohn Civil Liberties Library of Berkeley, California.
This library is a unique California resource relating to basic issues in public life in America today. Areas of information collected by the library include but are not limited to civil rights, constitutional law, poverty programs, and other social issues. It seeks out many sources for materials related to these subjects not generally available or known to most libraries. Its collection includes legal briefs, petitions, memoirs, reports, and unreported opinions of courts, periodical articles, clippings, pamphlets, and transcripts. Much of this material would be of great value to public, school, and academic libraries if its existence and means of obtaining it were more widely known.

The Committee feels that the Meiklejohn Civil Liberties Library, its services and programs, should be known to every librarian in this State; that the work of this important institution should be publicized in our library professional periodicals; that libraries should be encouraged to subscribe and make available to their users the various reference resources and bibliographies published and distributed by the Meiklejohn Library; and that vigorous efforts should be made by the library profession, particularly in California, to support this unique Library in any way necessary to insure its continued operation.

Stefan B. Moses

HELP WANTED!

STANISLAUS COUNTY FREE LIBRARY

The Stanislaus County Free Library is recruiting for a unique position, a community information agent. This person will work with community groups and individuals to meet their information needs. His or her primary responsibility will be to locate data needed by groups and to train community leaders to locate their own data. He or she will work in the field with poor white, black, and Chicano groups. His or her office will be a van which will be equipped with an radio-telephone.

Unfortunately, only one year employment can be guaranteed, since the library has only been guaranteed funding for a single year. The position is available July 1 and is funded through June 30, 1972 only.

Position specifications:
1. Must have an MLS degree from an accredited Library School.
2. Experience in working with community groups.
4. Able to work in a completely unstructured situation with a highly irregular schedule, as he or she will spend his or her 40 hours in the community.

Salary: Up to $10,000 plus fringe benefits.

If interested please call or write:
MARTIN J. ZONLIGT
HEAD OF PUBLIC SERVICES
STANISLAUS COUNTY FREE LIBRARY
1402 EYE ST.
MODESTO, CAL. 95354.

BAD NEWS—The Detroit regional Affiliates meeting was canceled for lack of sufficient pre-registration.

GOOD NEWS—The ALA Executive Board reversed Clift's decision and approved the SRRT donation of funds to free Angela Davis.

ALTERNATIVES IN PRINT is selling so well that we will be able to sell it to ALA-SRRT personal (not institutional) members for $1.00 in Dallas. If you don't have a personal copy yet—wait, you've paid $3.50 already, use this opportunity to buy one for a non-ALA SRRTer in your group. I don't know about mailing copies after Dallas for $1.00; the Task Force coordinators proba will work out something on this and put it in the newsletter.

SRRT needs another volunteer for Clearinghouse! If you're interested, please attend the Clearinghouse meeting. At the meeting day night, the membership can decide who shall serve, with the mendation of Clearinghouse.
COME TOGETHER! by AID

* SRRT Task Force on our Affair In Dallas

We are coming together in Dallas—not for the sake of the organization ALA, but for the sake of the people. We feel that people lie the real potential for change; we change, organizations do not. Organizations that no longer meet needs can be discarded. New ways of relating to each other and new institutions can be created. Transformation and turn-around are what it’s all about. Life!

Destructive games. The ALA establishment has offered a sop to wranglers at this last round-up. Can you look forward to more endless meetings—hashing— one-upmanship—fighting—parliamentary manipulation—that whole game? Membership wrangling at meetings has had no effect on the ALA establishment; it has only alienated some people from a SRRT alternative, because members see SRRTers involved in the same political game attempting to get establishment power. Many have, understandably, decided to stay with an oppressive power structure they understand rather than opt for one whose methods are the same, but whose goals are not clearly articulated as redistribution of power. We won’t play that game! Meetings are for learning, they are seminars, they are sex—so they aren’t creative.

So, we are going to have an affair in Dallas. You and we all know most ALA members won’t be in Dallas and the majority in Dallas will not be at any of the “membership” meetings. They’re not willing to play “little boys’ games.” Members have little alternative to ALA meetings—they can wander in the Exhibit Area, being laid on to by male salesmen about the latest gadgets—or they will be out touring whatever seems new and different in Dallas.

Dare to be sexy? But there’s another way to be socially responsive to the politics of frustration lead to war and division long march from where DC are now— and for it to happen we must serve music to respond directly to the local communities instead. This is a new direction for the ALA establishment. We must develop a new sense of power, without the need for directives from an ALA for “standards.” Rather, we must respond directly to the local communities instead. This is a long march from where we are now—and for it to happen we must remember that the politics of frustration lead to war and division among people, while the politics of creation lead to love and peace among people.

These activities are alternatives offered—not as a mandate. “You are what you eat” and some SRRTers and other members may want to go to membership meetings to describe some tasty tidbits. Take the meeting to the members! We have a liberated area in the Exhibit—the SRRT booth. There will be a liberation library, a message central, and a free university. Look critically at exhibitors’ wares for children—read one kid lit title this week!

Other liberated zones will be the Gay Lib Suite and the SRRT suite, both in the Adolphus Hotel. These are the drop-in, drop-out centers for warmth and cool quiet conversation at the convention. There may be enough energy there for a ping-pong tournament. Come! We love you!

... AND THAT WAS THE BIRTH OF THE LAND OF THE FREE... ANY QUESTIONS CLASS?

FREE? YOU GOT TO BE KIDDING!

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Thursday — 11:00 pm? — A very gay dance—open to all free spirits (place to be announced)

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The Task Force will also be participating actively in the Free University, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9:00-12:00 noon, as well as having rapping tables at the SRRT spectacular program and business meeting on Thursday evening, as well as being present at the SRRT Booth at various times.

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Be happy, be proud, be gay!

The Task Force on Gay Liberation is celebrating with pleasure and ecstasy Gay Pride Week during which ALA very thoughtfully scheduled their Annual Conference.

We’ve had a most fruitful first year and have arranged for a very carefully thought out program of activities in the spirit of revolutionary love, as its climax. Through these programs we hope, among other things, to: 1) familiarize other librarians with the work of the Task Force, including information on its bibliographical project, 2) get to know each other better, forming a more cohesive group and involving more people with each other, and 3) plan and implement meaningful activities in the future. All Task Force on Gay Liberation meetings will take place in their suite at the Adolphus Hotel, unless otherwise noted.

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Sunday — Strategy meeting for NUC Caucus.

Sunday evening — 8:00 pm — Outside the “President’s Program” reading of "Der Weg nach San Rafael fur Angela Davis.”

Monday-Friday — Participation in counter-conference activities, as necessary.
ACTIVITIES OF THE TASK FORCE ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN IN LIBRARIANSHIP

READ A BOOK IN DALLAS!

Sunday - 2:00-4:00pm -- SRRT Suite -- Meeting of all women interested in reviewing children's books during the conference.

Read a book! Come to the SRRT Program: Our Ultimate Affair on Thursday, 8:00-10:00pm. Discuss your book with others. You hear about the books other people read. Let's turn it around!

Monday -- 7:00-10:00pm -- An alternate Newberry-Caldecott dinner. Meet outside of entrance to the “establishment” dinner. Black tie (and see shirt). Carry a pink balloon or wear a plastic daisy. After dinner: First Annual Sexton Awards!!

Tuesday -- 2:00-4:00pm -- Scheduled Task Force meeting. Slide show presented by Feminists on Children's Media (a collective formed last summer by women concerned about the stereotyped female image presented by children's books).

Wednesday -- 10:00-12:00 noon -- SRRT suite -- another chance to see the slide show and rap.

Thursday -- 8:00-10:00am -- SRRT suite -- Women's Caucus on Salaries and Promotional Opportunities.

Friday -- 8:30-10:30pm -- Women's Liberation Task Force meeting at the SRRT Program: Our Ultimate Affair.

TASK FORCE ON LIBRARY SCHOOL STUDENT AFFILIATES.

In an effort to provide Library School students with alternatives in library education, and a proper orientation within the library world, as well as to infuse new ideas of social concern into library education, the Task Force on Library School Student Affiliates has been actively promoting the greater involvement of students in SRRT activities.

As a continuation of this, in conjunction with the NUC Caucus, we will be coordinating and conducting a series of free university sessions throughout the Conference week. These sessions will be primarily aimed at raising and confronting questions concerning with what our responsibilities are, as vis-a-vis the fantastic information resources we have, in getting these resources to the people, and bringing them to bear on social issues and change.

The free university format is offered as a loving alternative to the way courses are usually conducted, to the breakdown of the master-slave relationship existing in most classrooms and to force students and teachers to face, ask, and seek answers to this question of responsibility.

The sessions will be on Tuesday through Friday mornings at the SRRT Suite in the exhibit area. A mixed media environment created by Dick Akeroyd to question the relationship of libraries to the master-slave relationship existing in most classrooms and to force students and teachers to face, ask, and seek answers to this question of responsibility.

For more information, to volunteer, contact Nancy Hansen (or, if you can’t make any of these times—or can’t come to Dallas—contact Joan Marshall at the SRRT Suite in Dallas or at Brooklyn Co Library, Brooklyn, N.Y. 11210).

WORKSHOP ON INDEXING THE UNDERGROUND PRESS

The Task Force to Index the Underground Press Microfilm Collection needs indexers; Alternative Press Index needs indexers: Alternatives in Print needs indexers, we’ll liberate our indexers. We’re needed. Perhaps, we are not as necessary to the people as garbage men, but perhaps, we can at least make ourselves useful! Hooray!!

We need people to index; we need people who have ideas on subheadings; we need people who have ideas on creating access to subheadings; we need people who have ideas about knowledge of, contents. We need to talk to API and API indexers to find out about the problems. We need— in brief— people interested in providing access to alternative materials.

Bell & Howell has promised us space in the exhibit area, microfilm readers, and a set of their microfilm collection to use as a data base. Meet at their booth during the week. Sunday -- 10:00am-11:00am -- First meeting—get to know one another, plan strategy for week, get our heads together, define and discuss problems of alternative press indexing, set goals for week and following months. Tuesday: Thursday: 9:00am - 12:00noon -- work at indexing, iron out our problems, and by so doing, demonstrate “responsible” association and convention activities. Robert’s Rules of Order will not be in order at any of our meetings.

If you can’t come Sunday, come Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday (or, if you can’t make any of these times—or can’t come to Dallas—contact Joan Marshall at the SRRT Suite in Dallas or at Brooklyn Co Library, Brooklyn, N.Y. 11210).

ALTERNATIVES IN PRINT TASK FORCE

The Task Force on Alternative Books in Print appreciates the opportunity to share the SRRT Booth in order to sell AIP. We will there to talk about creating reference books for use and not for pro about libraries publishing reference books—about the problems and successes of working together—about your favorite project that could be of use to other librarians—about libraries, librarians, and publishing industry.

The SRRT Booth is the center of our activities during the week. We will be selling our lovingly produced API to librarians, trustees, and to interested salesmen for other publications. Also—Hooray— we will disrupt our selling and rapping by our first meeting—not a necessity, we found, but a convenience for us this year to determine if we want another edition and to welcome more help.

Sunday -- 9:00am -- SRRT Booth

Monday -- 8:00-9:30am -- “Meeting” — consult official program

Tuesday -- 10:00am -- SRRT Booth

Wednesday -- 10:00am -- SRRT Booth

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LIBRARIANS’ TRIBE

You are invited to join a Librarians’ Tribe, a communications network, an underground railroad of information. All of us hear about women’s liberation, ecology, the peace movement, abortion reform, gay liberation, the third world and the alternate culture, but it is hard to find information about these heavy topics. It is equally hard to get local news on these same subjects out of the local area. This extended family of Library People is going to attack this problem by circulating information among ourselves and then out into the world. The Social Responsibilities Round Table realizes that a librarian cannot be socially responsible if he doesn’t know what he is talking about. This tribal system is to help us get connected with what is going on around us. You will be the contact point for your area. You will receive information to pass on to other librarians in your area, and you will send to the Librarian’s Tribe information about what is going on in your area. Each of us in the network will be an active, participating member. There will be no leader and no followers. We will be in this thing together. Let’s get into the know and let it all hang out! We need each other. Do it! Join the Librarians’ Tribe!

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“Then after that we had the industrial revolution... and revolutionary new lipsticks, also the dobe rebellion...”
being submitted as a progress report and an evaluation of activities in relation to its statement of purpose. A number of other ALA units (top-down) have been part of participatory democracy (bottom-up), an action and analysis by the Action Council, being membership of SRRT for discussion as well as to act on it. The Action Council has initiated discussion*as well as action on a number of issues. Only a fraction of which are still in existence, and only a few have been set up at the will of the membership, following the actions of SRRT. Since SRRT is structured differently, Action Council action is the discussion of the actions of all SRRT membership to the goals in the statement of responsibility. We include the material asked for in the suggested procedure as well as recommendations related to the COO continuation of the unit and its parts.

Available to COO from ALA Headquarters as background information is:

And Action statement of SRRT (O&A) action Council of SRRT. This report are: list of Task Forces of SRRT with start dates of SRRT. Affiliate Group contacts and organizers, November, 1970. And Action Council minutes include the statements of the various Task Forces, together with their actions as of general SRRT membership. Affiliate Group meetings and Clearinghouse meetings are in the structure of task forces open to include all members of all ALA units. Direct communication is provided—through mailings and telephone. Also, many SRRT groups use the national library press for issuing progress statements on their group action.

5. SRRT Membership resolutions. By means of general SRRT membership resolutions, SRRT has introduced to the general membership of ALA matters of vital professional and social concern to libraries, most notably the resolution to end the war in Southeast Asia (1969). Beginning in Atlantic City with resolutions from the Congress for Change, SRRT has continued to bring to the ALA membership in their forum and ours discussion on the social problems that are affecting library service. SRRT resolutions have contributed to such ALA developments as The Freedom To Read Foundation (and in particular, the Le Ry Merritt Fund), the IFC program of action, and ACONDA, to which SRRT sent three representatives.

In providing for exchange of information among all ALA units with the goal of increasing understanding of current social problems, SRRT members have planned or completed the following actions:

1. The most important way in which this exchange has been provided for is in the structure of task forces open to include all members of all units (both service and type of library) and in the development of Affiliate Group members. Affiliate Groups include, at the local, most communicative base, members, or potential members of all the myriad ALA units. Direct communication is provided.

2. Most task forces have also contributed to the work of established committees in ALA, when they exist, and then have dissolved themselves. The Task Force on Reprinting of Negro Literature operated in this way, for example. Upon contact with the newly formed ALA committee on the subject, those members who knew of the SRRT Task Force and worked on it were encouraged to put their efforts into pressure on the ALA committee and the Task Force went out of existence. This kind of action with the IF Committee, LED, etc., is a continuing task force communication function.

C. In acting as a stimulus to ALA and all its units in making libraries responsive to the important problems of social change, SRRT members have been active in the following ways:

1. By providing alternatives to involve membership, which is largely excluded from association action through ALA's cumbersome and parochial type-of-library or type-of-service exclusive divisions, SRRT has set an example of how issue-oriented association action should be accomplished on issues of social concern. For example, the members working on the project Alternatives in Print included technical service people, reference service people, public, college, and special library people—and a person not even yet enrolled in library school—an undergraduate interested in the project. Members of SRRT Task Forces operate as volunteers for the causes of their choice instead of as appointees on the basis of their organizational or personal ties, or...
D. Direct action seems to be an alternative to be explored.

3. In Detroit, it was last year's Action Council which brought home to the Budget Assembly the fact that ACONDA funds had been allocated to maintain existent programs instead of initiating new programs. This was "rethought" by COPES and was not perpetrated.

4. In Detroit also, a member of SRRT who had researched the matter, raised the consciousness of SRRT members and used the facility of the daily SRRT newsletter to inform Council and ALA membership of the undemocratic nature of the "5%" amendment proposed by the ALA Constitution and ByLaws Committee. After discussion, this section was withdrawn by the Executive Board.

5. Initiation of new projects in SRRT or with SRRT support and/or publicity: the National Freedom Fund for Librarians was a direct stimulus to the formation of the FTRF and more importantly to the Merritt Fund. 321.8 worked with loan money from SRRT to develop an alternative slate to ALA Council nominations, and on other reform projects; SRRT assisted other groups such as Librarians for Peace, The Congress for Change, and the National Call for Library Reform. From direct service, such as publication of the ALTERNATIVES IN PRINT, to indirect service, such as its intellectual freedom efforts, SRRT has acted as a stimulus to libraries and the librarians who work in them to make their service responsive to the realities and problems of social change.

In presenting programs, arranging exhibits, and other activities in relation to important problems of social change, SRRT membership has planned and/or completed the following actions:

1. Programs have been presented as described above under section A. In addition, speakers from SRRT membership have also spoken at many non-SRRT sponsored functions, including regional, state and local meetings of the profession, as well as to community groups and library school forums.

2. With the donation of space to SRRT this year in the Exhibit Area of the Dallas Conference, many activities have been planned for the area. In addition, the SRRT Suite initiated an activity that is being copied by several ALA groups; the Suite, which has served as exhibit area and meeting space, will continue. Several Task Forces of SRRT also proposed to have suites for exhibit and discussion in Dallas. The suites, away from the profit-oriented exhibit area, provided a more human, intimate way of exhibiting accomplishments and ideas about change. In L.A., for example, the SRRT Suite included a small model "Liberation Library."

3. The "and other activities" right now in SRRT includes publishing the AIP being the first completed project. An index to the USP microfilm collection of underground press publications will be published late this year. In the publishing effort, SRRT is encouraging the efforts of a library Publications Committee issuing reference works for the profession, not just simple guides to their own library collections: publications by librarians for librarians, not by "experts" for profit.

4. The "and other activities" right now in SRRT also includes direct service to groups outside of ALA who need help that socially responsive librarians can provide—for example, a task force is monitoring reports in the press and other mass media on the charges against the Washington's Birthday "conspiracy" group. Right now, over 20 librarians are clipping and xeroxing, and excerpting items that may be of use to the defense in this trial involving political repression.

The illustrations provided above for each of the stated purposes of SRRT are meant to be representative of the actions of all of the groups working in SRRT, and were chosen for the clarity of the example, not for their political import. Certainly the work of the Gay Liberation Task Force and the Women's Liberation Task Force would be included in all of the sections noted above, but there are no comparable t\ activity within ALA. This is because of their originality and seriousness to social problems brought to the consciousness of librarians purporting to serve the public. This is true of many of the activities Task Forces, responding in spite of the cumbersome, slow (some is impossible) initiation of change into ALA.

CONCLUSION

In its first year of official existence SRRT became the largest table in the Association, and has undertaken a wide variety of activities. The direction of the examples and actions it deals with are mainly the stimulation of the membership, with their support as the key, both in the support of task forces and affiliate groups and in elections to Action Council. SRRT has attempted to provide an opportunity for direct service to groups outside of ALA. Admittedly, librarians are not user participatory democracy, either in ALA or in their libraries, and a has not always been easy to come by. However, much has been accomplished in the short time of SRRT's existence, and we are steadily finding more and more librarians in the process. Though it has sometimes been difficult to keep our forum open without dependency leaders, we have, at the very least, provided the arena, the moral a financial aid, and the structure for discussion and change in the pr sion. As librarians begin to see that they can work—that their id are important—and can be heard and implemented—and that t are others to aid in the process—without the necessity of an "est lished" reputation and/or position in the power structure, SRRT will succeed in becoming an entirely effective group in the profession and its structure will be a model for the Association.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jackie Eubanks
Pat Schuman
David Will
Members of Action Council, 19
the pickn NY session at the Stafford Hotel, Baltimore, 71.I 11:00 a.m.
Alexander handed out "Parliamentary Law Charts" and entitled Simplified Parliamentary Procedure that he had seen Sweet for those needing such tools in Dallas, setting was chaired by Mary Dziurzynski who opened the minutes reports from the various groups. On Saturday, some possibilities for such a task force would be to get video-interested people to exchange cartridges, tapes, etc., and to get feedback from libraries using alternative indexes, Dick announced that the task force on gay liberation is asking libraries to provide information regarding their radical literature for the liberation news services which would act as a clearinghouse. The question was raised as to whether the group is duplicating the University of Michigan. Also someone asked if the group was simply consciousness raising or acting as a work group.

Bill Hinchliff reported on Prisons. In his group he distributed numerous articles with writings by inmates and some xeroxed material on prisons. His group emphasized the withholding of information from prisoners and saw this as a major problem. It was announced that the University of Pittsburgh library school student newsletter will publicize writings of prisoners in Western Pennsylvania. Bill pointed out the need for us to visit prisons. It was mentioned that the St. Paul Campus Library as recommended the straw vote national for the SRRT.

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HERETIC the Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota refused to support the appointment of Michael McConnell to the position of Head of the Office of Education. Frank Stevens, who is the OE Chief of Training and Resources Branch, and who acted as the OE resource person made three proposals: (1) That special attention be given to the gay minority in the OE proposal to develop a special collection which shows the treatment of homosexuality in the media; (2) That grants be provided to those who give mass assignments regularly that cannot be handled by the library; and (3) That funding be made available for a 1972 preconference on gay liberation, and institution and prison libraries.

It was mentioned that Ted Slate, librarian for Newsweek and Chairman of Books for Prisoners, is working to get foundation money for books for prisoners Island and The Tombs.

Bill noted that prisoners can sue if they are abused, and said that publicity is necessary for effective reform. He recommended that an office of ombudsman (spokesman with legal background, leadership qualities, persuasive powers, etc.) be set up in prisons. He also mentioned that inspired writers in prisons need publishing outlets. Bill then entertained a motion that 29 recommended actions regarding gay liberation be published for the entire SRRT-NWRO mailing list. Bill Hinchliff added the amendment that the 29 actions be first sent to the SRRT Nat'l Task Force on Prisons. The amended motion passed unanimously.

Number 29 of the recommended actions was emphasized by one person present who made a plea for technical processing knowledge that could be shared with some ex-cons in Baltimore who are starting a book-binding business. Also libraries are asked to give some binding business to this firm to pay the bills promptly.

The person to contact with this firm is Mr. J. M. Salley, 313 Canterbury Road, Baltimore, Maryland, phone: 476-4139.

It was announced that the first organization meeting of the Nat'l Task Force on Prisons will be held in Dallas. A Philadelphia group also has a prison task force which is working toward getting record-ings into prisons. It was noted that there are about 3,000 prisons and only a little over 2,000 colleges and universities in the U.S.A. Also announced was that Ed Koren, OE Librarian, obtained grants from Playboy and the Ford Foundation for a newsletter to inmates. Barbara Gloriod reported on the group which discussed Other Professionals. That group suggested that lists of doctors be compiled, on the local level, who charge reasonable prices and those who overcharge. The NWRO could help get this information disseminated. Barbara's group also recommended publishing a list of teachers' names and schools who give mass assignments regularly that cannot be handled by the library. There was a lot of reaction to this topic from the floor. One person said it would be better to discuss the problem with the appropriate teachers privately. Another felt the list would be good for college students to look over at registration time before choosing classes. One suggestion was to go through PTA groups to correct the teachers, and another said any publicity should be "general" and "positive." Barbara reported also that her group thought information on legal aid should be published, and that sympathetic lawyers should be found.

Jean Anne South reported on OE or Office of Education. Frank Stevens, who is the OE Chief of Training and Resources Branch, and who acted as the OE resource person made three proposals: (1) That special attention be given to the gay minority in the OE proposal to develop a special collection which shows the treatment of homosexuality in the media; (2) That grants be provided to those who give mass assignments regularly that cannot be handled by the library; and (3) That funding be made available for a 1972 preconference on gay liberation, and institution and prison libraries.

Carla Alexander ended the meeting by writing down personal comments to service of those present. Israel Fishman recommended that future SRRT regional meetings be video-taped.
The SRRT program at Dallas will be a carnival, featuring the tasks, forces, and affiliates of SRRT as the carnival booths! The purpose is missionary in nature, to inform, tap, and recruit members to social action projects that are being carried out by us, and could be carried out better by more of us. This program is an integral part of the alternatives offered in Dallas; since it is an official part of the conference program, it calls for our support to make it successful and exciting. It will be fun!

Each work group in SRRT will man actual ROUND TABLES with resource people at all the tables. This format is similar to the annual JMRT Orientation meeting. HOWEVER, the difference is: (1) we will be telling people what WE DO, not what ALA is; (2) the carnival theme will be carried out through the whole program, from decorating the tables and room to "barking" for the various groups and announcing at 20 minute intervals that people should truck on down to other booths if they wish.

Also, take note, this meeting is announced in the Official Conference Program as a "program" meeting, as opposed to ALA's other designations, "business" and "membership". THIS MEETING IS SRRT'S BUSINESS AND MEMBERSHIP MEETING—OUR PROGRAM IS "BUSINESS" AND MEMBERSHIP! Items of deliberation, like changing our bylaws, and items of information, like important announcements from work groups to membership, will also be included.

Thursday—June 17 Minority Recruitment Preconference: Sheraton Dallas Hotel
Friday—June 18 Minority Recruitment Preconference: Sheraton Dallas Hotel
Saturday—June 19 Minority Recruitment Preconference: Sheraton Dallas Hotel