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FROM THE CHAIR

One of the most important sections of this issue is the presentation of proposed revisions to the MAGERT Constitution and Bylaws. The Constitution and Bylaws Committee has spent many hours during the past months comparing the text of our documents with the reality of the operation of our organization, and proposing changes to keep our documents current. Please read these documents and examine the proposed revisions. A vote by the membership on these changes will be held at the annual membership meeting in Dallas.

If it be spring, can ALA elections be far away? This issue of base line also contains information on candidates for MAGERT office. Please pay special attention to our and all ALA election proceedings. The organization is only as good as its members support.

Finally, a personal plea to those of you whose institutions have implemented map records in online catalogs. I would love to hear from you, with any information and/or documentation you can share. Our library is investigating a new system, and many aspects of map records seem to predict major problems for any system. Can anyone search 034 or 255 fields? Can anyone search map call numbers? Can any system handle map call numbers in a shelf list display?? How do you deal with large map sets, with one record but hundreds of sheets, especially in the circulation module? HELP!!!

Mary Anne

AND FROM THE EDITOR

I will be working on a tight deadline in order to get the June issue to everyone before ALA. Please get any materials you want in that issue to me by May 22. If ALA gets meeting room information out soon enough, I’ll include that in the schedule.

Congratulations to New Maps Editor Stephen Littrell on his new job at Texas-Austin. Please note his new address, effective May 8.

Is anyone out there circulating maps in an automated system? We at UW would be interested in your experience and insights.
OFFICIAL NEWS

ALA/MAGERT
DALLAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE
JUNE 24-29, 1989
DRAFT SCHEDULE, March, 1989

Friday, June 23
About 8:00 PM
Reception in MAGERT Suite

Saturday, June 24
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM
Publications Committee (1)
9:30 AM - 12:30 PM
Federal Documents Task Force Government
Information Update
Membership Committee
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM
PROGRAM: Computer-Aided
Geographic/Cartographic Reference
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Honors Committee**(closed)
8:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Sunday, June 25
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM
ALA Fun Run/Walk
9:30 AM - 11:00 AM
OCLC Discussion Group
9:30 AM - 12:30 PM
Map Online Users Committee
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM
Cartographic Statistics Task Force
Education Committee
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM
Cataloging and Classification Committee
RBMS/GODORT/MAGERT Joint Committee
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
PROGRAM: Mapping the National Parks
4:30 PM - 5:30 PM
CCS/MAGERT Map Cataloging Discussion
Group: "Works Well with Others: Keys to
Success for Cooperative Map Cataloging
Projects"

Monday, June 26
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM
Big 8 - Big 10 Discussion Group
9:30 AM - 11:00 AM
MAGERT Chicago Planning Committee
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM
Executive Board (1)
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Annual Business/Membership Meeting (1)
4:30 PM - 5:30 PM
Publications Committee (2)
8:00 PM - 10:00 PM
Constitution and Bylaws Committee

Tuesday, June 27
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM
Executive Board (2)
9:30 AM - 11:00 AM
Annual Business/Membership Meeting (2)
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM
LUNCH and DEBRIEFING (Everyone welcome!!)

Notes: This draft reflects changes requested in January. I have had
no confirmation that they have been accepted--We can only hope.

Because of the growing number of our members who are interested in
the Documents Update on Saturday morning, I have tried to not schedule
many meetings during that time. This has meant that other meetings are
moved to late afternoon and evening slots and are scheduled against
each other. Please, please let me know if there are major conflicts.
I can't promise anything at this late date, but I will try.

Although still listed as the Big 8 - Big 10 Discussion Group, this
meeting will be for anyone interested in map collection development,
cooperative acquisition, and resource sharing issues. Try to attend.
DALLAS CONFERENCE INFORMATION

HOTEL: The MAGERT hotel for the Dallas conference will be the Dallas Park Inn Plaza. Yes, this hotel is listed as an ALA conference hotel, but we were able to schedule a block of rooms there, independently of ALA. Please contact the hotel directly, and indicate that you are a member of the Map and Geography Round Table. Our rates will be the same as listed for ALA, i.e. $65.00 for a double. The hotel phone number is (214) 747-7000 or try 1-800-421-0011. I will serve as coordinator for matching roommates. Please contact me if you are looking for a roommate, and I'll see what I can do. There will be a MAGERT suite; it will be registered to David Cobb.

TRIPS/TOURS: Nan Butkovich is busy working on things to do and see in Dallas. She is trying to schedule a tour of the Geological Information Library of Dallas on Tuesday afternoon or Wednesday morning. In addition to books, journals and maps, this library holds over 3,000,000 well logs and over 3,000 production reports. As for the more "touristy" side of the Dallas area, there are several possibilities for tours/trips. Is anyone interested in either a trip to (a) the Dallas Museum of Natural History to see the Ramses the Great exhibition or (b) the Fort Worth Stockyards, where "renovated Western-style stores and restaurants front traditional boardwalks?"

MAGERT BOOTH: The MAGERT booth will again be set up in the ALA Professional Exhibits of the Exhibits Hall. Mary Larsgaard, chair of the Membership Committee, is looking for volunteers to spend a few hours at the MAGERT booth. The hours between 11:00 AM and 2:00 PM would be the most important to cover. Please try to find some time in what I know will be a busy conference schedule to work at the MAGERT exhibit, meet new people, and promote our great organization!! Please contact Jim Coombs (Exhibits Coordinator) at 417-836-4534.

MAGERT CANDIDATES:
The slate has been finalized for the MAGERT offices to be filled this spring, Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect and Secretary. The candidates are:

- Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect: Julia Gelfand, University of California, Irvine
- Secretary: Jenny Johnson, University of Washington
  Jim O'Donnell, California Institute of Technology

International Congress of Cartographic Information Specialists: Update

At its Midwinter meeting, the Executive Board adopted Resolutions 2 and 3 (of the Congress) as worded, and Resolution 1 with modifications. The text of these resolutions was published in the February issue of base line. In accordance with these resolutions, the Executive Board has made the following appointments:

- Information Coordinator -- The Editor of base line (currently Carol Collier, University of Wyoming)
  (for additional information, see Resolution 2)
- Planning and Coordinating Committee Representative -- Arlyn Sherwood, Illinois State Library
  (for additional information, see Resolution 1, with revisions)

Our thanks to these individuals for accepting these additional responsibilities!
MAGERT Dallas Program Information (DRAFT):

Computer-Aided Geographic/Cartographic Reference
Saturday, June 24, 1989 2:00 - 4:00 PM
Mary Anne Waltz, Program Chair

Thomas Shorebird, Washington, DC.
"Review of an Aerial Photography Digital Map Project."
A database was created of the aerial photography of Washington, DC, 1927-1931, and each photograph was digitized. Each image was cataloged with its associated MARC record. This ongoing project was first demonstrated in April 1987.

Robert P. Sechrist, Department of Geography and Regional Planning, Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Indiana, PA.
"The Geographic Names Information System Retrieval Program."
The GNIS Retrieval Program provides for graphic display of the GNIS database. The program runs on an IBM AT or compatible with hard disk and EGA graphics. The program handles queries for place names through a two level selection system. Users first select the type of feature they wish to find: stream, school, church, valley, summit, etc. Users then give a pattern for the program to match in the database. The program, upon finding a match, displays the record. Once all matches are found, the users may request to see the points mapped on the screen and/or on paper.

Herb Meyers, NOAA, National Geophysical Data Center, Boulder, CO.
A new CD-ROM product has been developed which includes geologic mapping data in digital format. The information on this CD product was used in the mapping of some of the recent Decade of North American Geology publications, and will soon be made available to the public.

Mapping the National Parks
Sunday, June 25, 1989 2:00 - 4:00 PM
David Cobb, Program Chair

Nancy Vick, University of Illinois, Urbana, IL
"Isle Royale"

Robert Martin, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA
"Big Bend"

Peter Stark, University of Oregon, Eugene, OR
"Crater Lake"

Riley Moffat, University of Hawaii, Honolulu, HI
"Hawaii Volcanoes"

Continuing the presentations on this topic begun in New Orleans, this program will concentrate on the history and mapping of these national parks.

Preservation of Cartographic Materials
Monday, June 26, 1989 2:00 - 4:00 PM
Jenny Marie Johnson, Program Chair

Donna Koepp, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS
"Progress on the Preservation of Maps from the U.S. Congressional base line 10(2): 43"
Serial Set, Year 2.

A status report and discussion of year two of the National Endowment for the Humanities Preservation Program grant project to deacidify and encapsulate maps from the U.S. Congressional Serial Set.

David Allen, SUNY at Stony Brook, Stony Brook, NY

"The New York State Historic Map Preservation Project."

The New York State Historic Map Preservation Project is a cooperative project involving seven major research libraries in New York State. This grant-funded project involves the expenditure of $130,000 to preserve maps of New York State published prior to 1940. The presentation will be divided into two parts. The first will be a general discussion of the problems involved in developing and administering a cooperative map preservation project. In the second part of the presentation, the preservation specifications drawn up for the project will be discussed. These specifications are applicable for the preservation of a wide variety of printed and manuscript maps.

ALA SEeks Input on Elections

How easy is it to run for office in the American Library Association? How easy should it be? Do you vote? If not, why?

The ALA Special Committee on the Election Process invites comments from members on how they perceive the ALA nominations and elections processes.

The special committee, which met for the first time during the ALA Midwinter Meeting, is charged with reviewing the ALA elections process and making recommendations for new or revised policies. Areas to be reviewed include appointments to and procedures of the ALA Nominating Committee, the timing of the election process, costs of campaigning and appropriate sources for funds, methods of publicizing the elections and increasing member participation.

ALA members are invited to send written comments by May 1, Attention: Elections Process Committee, American Library Association, Public Information Office, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611.

A draft report will be issued and a public hearing held before a final report is submitted to the ALA Executive Board.

Committee members are Chair, Peggy Sullivan, dean, College of Professional Studies, Northern Illinois University; Cecil Beach, director, Broward County Library, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; Shirley Echelman, Alexandria, Va.; Heidi Lee Hoerman, Montana State University Library, Bozeman; Bernard A. Margolis, director, Pikes Peak Library District, Colorado Springs, Colo.; and Herbert S. White, dean, School of Library and Information Science, Indiana University, Bloomington.

ALA Preconference Workshop on Satellite Imagery and Aerial Photography

The Map and Geography Round Table and RTSD/CCS Committee on Cataloging: Description and Access will cosponsor a workshop, "Remote Sensing Imagery: Identification, Control and Access," on Friday, June 22, 1990 in Chicago, prior to the ALA Annual Conference. The workshop will include discussions on identifying the special characteristics of remote sensing images (including satellite images and aerial photographs) as well as creating and coding catalog records for them. A practicum will follow. Instructors will be Dr. Helen Jane Armstrong (Univ. of Florida), Mary Larsgaard (U.C., Santa Barbara), Betsy Mangan (L.C.), and Nancy Vick (Univ. of Illinois). For more information, contact Ellen Caplan (OCLC) at 614-764-6000 or Nancy Vick at 217-333-0827. Complete registration information will be available this Fall.
MAGERT CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS PROPOSED REVISIONS

[For over a year, the Constitution and Bylaws Committee has been working on revisions to the current MAGERT Constitution and Bylaws, in order to reflect current activities and organization. In accordance with the current Constitution, the proposed revisions were presented by the Committee to the Executive Board in January, and are now presented to the membership. A vote on these proposed revisions will take place at the second MAGERT Business Meeting, which will be held Tuesday, June 27, starting at 9:30 AM.

The Executive Board wishes to thank the members of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee (especially Phil Hoehn, Dan Seldin, and Jenny Marie Johnson); Linda Sharp, the Committee Chair; and all others who contributed to this project.

Original text is in regular typeface; delete indicates deletions; changes or additions are underlined.]

I. CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

CONSTITUTION

Article I: Name
The name of this organization shall be the Map and Geography Round Table of the American Library Association.

Article II: Purpose
The purpose of this organization shall be 1) to provide a forum for the exchange of ideas by persons working with or interested in map and geography collections and information systems; 2) to provide a forum to increase the availability, use and bibliographic control of map and geography collections and information systems; 3) to increase communication and cooperation between map and geography librarians and other librarians and information specialists; 4) to contribute to the improvement of education and training of map and geography information specialists.

Article III: Membership
Any person, library, or other organization being a member of the American Library Association and interested in cartographic information may become a member upon payment of dues provided in the Bylaws.

Article IV: Officers
Section 1 - The officers of this organization shall be a Chair, a Chair-elect who shall serve as Vice-Chair, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and the immediate Past-Chair, all of whom shall be personal members of the Map and Geography Round Table.

Section 2 - The term of office for Chair and Vice-Chair shall be a total of three years; one year as Vice-Chair/Chair-elect, one year as Chair, and one year as Past-Chair. Persons shall be eligible for re-election only after a minimum of one year out of office.
Section 3 - The term for Secretary and Treasurer shall be two years. Persons shall serve no more than two terms consecutively in the same office, and shall be eligible for re-election only after a minimum of one two-year term out of office.

Article V: Executive Board

Section 1 - There shall be an Executive Board with voting members consisting of the elected officers and standing committee chairs, and non-voting members consisting of task force coordinators, the American Library Association staff liaison, and representatives from designated organizations.

Section 2 - Invitations to name a representative to serve as non-voting members shall be extended to the following agencies at the discretion of the Executive Board. The following federal agencies shall be invited to do so; a current list of other bodies with non-voting status appears in the MAGERT Organization Manual:
A. Library of Congress, Geography and Map Division.
B. Special Libraries Association, Geography and Map Division.
E. Western Association of Map Libraries.

Section 3 - Non-voting memberships will be reviewed periodically in order to maintain the most productive and useful input from other organizations with similar or related interests. Persons representing, or MAGERT liaisons to, other organizations may be invited to attend meetings at the discretion of the Executive Board.

Section 4 - The Executive Board shall have the responsibility of:
A. General supervision of the affairs of the organization between membership meetings.
B. Submitting projects or endorsing projects submitted by committees of the Round Table.
C. Soliciting volunteers and appointing members to ALA unit positions which accrue to the Chair Ex-officio and to committees to assist the ALA Council in meeting its organizational responsibilities.
D. Reporting all actions of the Executive Board at the annual and midwinter meetings. Reporting on its activities to the membership.
E. Acting as the advisory group to the Chair.

Article VI: Meetings

Section 1 - The annual meeting of the Map and Geography Round Table shall take place during the Annual Conference of the American Library Association and shall include a report of the Executive Board to the members on its activities during the interval between membership meetings.

Section 2 - The Executive Board shall meet during the Annual Conference and the Midwinter meeting of the American Library Association and at other times deemed necessary by the Chair.

Section 3 - The Executive Board shall report to the members on its activities at the annual meeting. The Board shall report to the members on its activities during the interval between annual meetings in base line, the newsletter of the Round Table.
Section 4 - At membership meetings a quorum shall consist of those personal members present.

Section 5 - A majority (i.e. three) of the elected officers of the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum at their meetings.

Section 6 - Robert's Rules of Order, Revised, in the latest edition, governs meetings of this organization.

Article VII: Committees and Task Forces

Section 1 - All committees shall be composed of personal members of the Map and Geography Round Table.

Section 2 - Standing committees may be authorized by the Executive Board for consideration of matters requiring continuous attention. Members of standing committees shall be appointed as specified in the Bylaws.

Section 3 - Task forces may be created for the performance of particular assignments and discontinued as specified in the Bylaws.

Article VIII: Liaisons

Section 1 - All liaisons to other organizations shall be personal members of the Map and Geography Round Table.

Section 2 - Duties of liaisons to and from other organizations shall be mutually agreed upon by that organization and the Map and Geography Round Table.

Section 3 - Liaisons may be appointed to or accepted from other organizations for the performance of specific duties, and may be discontinued as specified in the Bylaws.

Article IX: Finances

Section 1 - Funds to support the Map and Geography Round Table will come from the dues of the general membership, publications, workshops and voluntary contributions. Dues for personal members, institutional members, and affiliate groups shall be determined by the Executive Board with the approval of the membership at the annual meeting.

Article X: Amendments

Section 1 - Amendments to this Constitution shall be proposed in writing and may be initiated by either the Executive Board or by any personal member.

Section 2 - Amendments may be voted on only after members have been informed by printed notice of such proposed amendments at least thirty and no longer than ninety days before presentation of the amendments for approval.

Section 3 - This constitution may be amended in either of two ways:

   A. By a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting at the next annual meeting following proper notice of such an amendment; or,
   
   B. By a majority vote of the entire membership conducted by mail
ballot if such be requested by a majority of the members present at any annual meeting.

Article XI: Bylaws

Section 1 - The members of the Map and Geography Round Table shall adopt Bylaws, or may amend or repeal existing Bylaws not inconsistent with this Constitution, by a majority vote of the members present and voting at any annual meeting, or by a majority vote of the entire membership conducted by mail ballot, provided that members have been informed by printed notice of such proposed amendments at least thirty, and not more than ninety, days before presentation of the amendments for approval.

BYLAWS

Article I: Dues

Section 1 - Annual dues for individual members shall be $10.00 to be collected by the American Library Association through its regular membership channels.

Section 2 - Annual dues for organizations, institutional members and affiliate groups shall be $15.00. Dues are established by the Executive Board of the Round Table and are listed in the MAGERT Organization Manual. Dues are collected by the American Library Association through its regular membership channels.

Article II: Committees and Task Forces

Section 1 - Members of standing committees and task forces shall be appointed by the Chair of the Round Table who will designate one member as chair. Appointments for standing committees shall be for two years, these terms overlapping so that not all members shall be retired in any one year.

Section 2 - The Executive Board shall create and discontinue standing committees, and task forces, and liaison positions, as required. All committees, and task forces, and liaisons to other organizations will submit annual reports, and all committees and task forces will be evaluated annually or as needed.

Article III: Nominations and Elections

Section 1 - The Chair shall appoint a special Nomination Committee of not fewer than three persons, one of whom shall be a member of the Executive Board.

Section 2 - The Nomination Committee shall consult prior to the annual midwinter meeting to nominate for the office of Chair and, in alternate years, shall nominate for the offices of Secretary and Treasurer.

Section 3 - All nominees shall be personal members of the Round Table at the time of nomination.

Section 4 - The Nomination Committee shall obtain both the written
Article IV: Duties of Office

Section 1 - The Chair shall be chief executive officer of the Map and Geography Round Table and Chair of the Executive Board. The Chair shall appoint all committee chairs and their members, delegate duties as he/she deems appropriate, and shall exercise general supervision over the affairs of the organization.

Section 2 - The Chair-elect shall assume the responsibilities and perform the duties of the Chair in the event of absence, death, disability, or resignation of the Chair and shall serve as Chair in the year following the term as Chair-elect. The Chair-elect shall plan the Round Table's programs and conference arrangements for the following annual conference (i.e., two years from the date the Chair-elect assumes office).

Section 3 - The Secretary and the Treasurer shall perform their duties as outlined in Robert's Rules of Order, Revised.

Section 4 - The immediate Past-Chair shall serve as a member of the Executive Board for the year following the term of office as Chair.

Section 5 - In the event of death, disability, or resignation of the Chair-elect, the Executive Board shall appoint an Elections Committee whose task will be to seek nominations and hold a special election by mail ballot.

Section 6 - In the case of death, disability, or resignation of any other member of the Executive Board, the Board may appoint a successor, if succession is not otherwise provided for in these Bylaws, to serve until the next regular elections.

DEPOSITORY LIBRARY COUNCIL UPDATE

The Depository Library Council, an advisory body to the Government Printing Office, met recently (March 8-10, 1989) in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. There were numerous issues discussed which may impact maps, map libraries and research libraries in general. Several agenda items regarding maps were brought before the Council and this report will bring you up-to-date regarding these items.

1) Bureau of the Census - it is disappointing to report that, although the Bureau has not officially made a decision, it looks as though we will see very, very few maps accompanying the 1990 census. The oft-touted Test Disk #3 seems to have been permanently shelved and it was to have been the graphics test CD-ROM. There remain discussions that the 90,000-odd maps that will be used for this census will be distributed to the State Data Centers and these maps will be available...
2) National Ocean Survey - there was concern expressed over the late shipping of aeronautical charts which would arrive in libraries after they had expired. Furthermore, it was learned that a large backlog of nautical charts remained at GPO since the initial takeover of the old NOS depository system. DLC did pass a resolution stating that it "... recommends that GPO improve the distribution of aeronautical and nautical charts produced by NOAA and NOS. In the interest of public safety we encourage that these materials be delivered to depository libraries in a timely and efficient manner and that additional authorization be requested to accomplish this. Similarly, we urge that every effort be devoted to lessen the current backlog of nautical charts and that they be shipped to depository libraries via first class mail.

3) Defense Mapping Agency - it was learned that GPO and DMA are negotiating to cooperate on future distribution of general DMA maps including those that had been offered in the past for public sale and perhaps a few more titles. Depository libraries will be surveyed later this year regarding the possible maps available for distribution and those you wish to have included in your depository library mailings.

4) National Wetlands Maps - these maps will be distributed to depository libraries in microfiche and this contract was just awarded in January 1989. Do not expect these right away but they may begin arriving later this year.

5) Corps of Engineers - some map libraries had expressed dismay that they must contact individual district offices to receive the nautical charts produced by the Corps. I will be working with GPO staff to identify these publications and hopefully we will be able to rectify this situation within the next year.

6) Additionally, we commended "... JCP for its selection of and the GPO for its use of alkaline paper in the recent publication: Biographical Directory of the U.S. Congress. We urge GPO to assume a leadership role in promoting the use of permanent paper in government publications and set an example for other publishing entities." This is a favorite of mine and an issue that I hope to follow in the next couple of years on Council.

7) GPO Biennial Survey - DLC requested summary information from this survey which has been distributed to all libraries and includes information on maps. I will share this data with all of you in the future.

8) Administrative Notes - I would urge that you have your GovDocs person share this informative publication with you. It appears approximately twice a month, includes information on maps, news about GPO, the DLC, our resolutions and hopefully will soon include a regular column on developments in electronic media such as CD-ROM.

9) Depository Library Council Representative - David Cobb has been elected to a three-year term on the Council and, while not restricting himself solely to map issues, requests that you notify him of any issues you might have regarding the depository library program.

David A. Cobb, University of Illinois
ON THE CATALOGING/CATALOGUING FRONT

It's time for me to remind everyone that I'd appreciate their sending me information for this column. I've been finding things here and there in Cataloging Service Bulletin and OCLC bulletins. I've also had information to report on from the cataloging meetings at the ALA conferences, but I'm beginning to get low on things to write about.

In the column in the October 1988 base line, I included a list of geographic regions which appear in LCSH. At that time there was no heading for the eastern United States. Library of Congress has just established the heading "East (U.S.)" to correspond with the G class number "3705". Below is the heading with scope notes:

151 East (U.S.)
680 Here are entered works on those present day states located east of the Mississippi River, sometimes limited to those east of the Allegheny Mountains.
451 Eastern States (U.S.) [used for]
451 Eastern United States [used for]

In addition, LC has established the following headings:
East (U.S.)--Description and travel
East (U.S.)--Description and travel--1981-

There was an error in the OCLC Geographical Area Codes which were listed in the last base line. The code for the Solomon Islands should be "pobp--".

As of January 1989, there were 213,333 maps format bibliographic records in the OCLC database; 1.15 percent of the total number of records. Of the 213,000 records, 113,517 were LC-created and 96,847 were input by member libraries. A small number, 2,969, were member-input LC copy. Of the member-input records, 86,659 were I-level, 9,415 were K-level and 761 were O-level.

OCLC is running update software to correct selected subject headings in the Online Union Catalog. Only headings in 650 and 651 fields with the second indicator of "0" will be included in the process. The major areas of correction are: capitalization, punctuation and diacritics; subfield codes on identical text; tagging on identical text; and simple typographical errors (addition, omission, or reversal of one or two characters). In addition, some easily identified significant changes to subject headings will be made. One example is the modernization of some place names, mostly in the 651 fields. Most of the British place name changes recently announced by the Library of Congress will be incorporated. Corrected headings will have a subfield "w" at the end of a field. The subfield contains two character positions. The first position applies to subfield "a" of the heading; the second applies to any and all subdivisions. Code "c" indicates that the text matches a record in the LC Subject Authority file. Many geographical names occur only in the name authority file and are not coded "c". Most topical headings are coded "c" as OCLC encountered a high match rate after this correction was made. Code "m" indicates performance of some form of machine manipulation. Code "n" indicates that no change is performed, or, when in the second position, that no subdivisions are present.

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OCLC warns that users should not assume that all headings have been corrected. In many cases OCLC decided to concentrate on cases with more than 15 records to change. Single record corrections, especially those that do not sort with other errors, may not be made.

The 20th edition of the Dewey Decimal Classification has been published. There have been revisions which may be of interest to those who use Dewey to classify their atlases and other geographical literature.

New Features in Edition 20
(from DDC, vol. 1, p. xx-xxi)

Names have been updated and changed, and parts of countries are now generally given in the language of the country, e.g., T2--4333 Lower Franconia district is listed as Unterfranken Regierungsbezirk (Lower Franconia district). The AACR2 form of place names is used in the Index; an anglicized or standard form is used where the AACR2 vernacular form is not readily recognizable. Diacritics have been provided for the following languages: Amharic, Chinese, Czech, Dutch, Finnish, French, German, Greek, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese, Spanish, and Urdu.

--43 Germany expanded and revised
--492 Netherlands expanded
--493 Belgium expanded
--494 Switzerland expanded
--52 Japan revised and expanded (published in 1985 in D& 4:5
--563 Turkey in Europe relocated to --4961
--669 Nigeria revised and expanded
--68 Southern Africa: South Africa expanded (published in 1985 in D& 4:5); Botswana, Swaziland, and Lesotho relocated from --681 to --688
--69 South Indian Ocean islands revised
--711 British Columbia completely revised
--714 New administrative regions of Quebec assigned numbers
--83 Chile revised to correspond to reorganization
--931 Comprehensive works on New Zealand moved to --93
--932-937 Melanesia relocated to --95 and expanded

A major change in DDC 20 is the presence of a Manual to assist in its application. The Manual represents the core of a much larger body of notes first introduced in the separately published 1982 Manual on the Use of the Dewey Decimal Classification: Edition 19. The Manual describes policies and practices of the Decimal Classification Division of the Library of Congress, offers advice on classing in difficult areas, and explains how to choose between related numbers. The briefer notes of the 1982 Manual, and those that need to be used frequently, have been incorporated in the Schedules and Tables. The section of the Manual that deals with Table 2 includes maps which show key area numbers for countries which are members of the United Nations and comparable states. Sub-national areas are shown for the United States, Canada, the British Isles, and Australia.

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New Books


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Kenamore, Jane A. and Uli Haller, eds. Cartographic Sources in the Rosenberg Library, College Station, Texas: published for Rosenberg Library by the Texas A&M University Press. ISBN 0890961611. $32.50. (JG) (MM). "The cartographic collection of the Rosenberg Library focuses on Galveston, as it relates to Texas, the Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean Sea, and adjacent coasts. The maps show Galveston Bay from 1725 on ... exploration of the New World during the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries and the development of Texas during the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries ... This guide is selective." (MM)


NEW ATLASES


Markham, W.E., Ice Atlas: Hudson Bay and Approaches, Ottawa: Atmospheric Environment Service, Environment Canada, Ice Center, 1988. ISBN 0660538652. $61.50 (Canada); $73.80 (other countries).


Contributors to this issue are Julie Gelfand (JG), Mary Anne Waltz (MAW), and Michael McDonnell (MM). My continuous thanks to Mary Anne Waltz for always sharing the newsletters, acquisitions lists, etc. from her desk to mine!!!

Thank you to John Crissinger of Ambassador College in Big Sandy, Texas, for sending me information on The Roads of Texas. I had mistakenly listed this item in the February 1989 issue of base line as The Roots of Texas. This is an atlas for all roads in Texas and is done in the familiar format which we associate with Rand McNally.

I would like to thank our special map office work-study student, Timothy Yaeger, for being my "editorial assistant." He has created a base line books and atlases data file and continues to search new titles for me. Thanks, Tim!

And finally, I would like to dedicate my endeavors for base line to the memory of my mother, who passed away while I was working on my contributions for this issue. Her remarks to me when I first showed her an issue of base line and told her what I would be doing will always make me smile.
NEW MAPS

EUROPE


THE AMERICAS


Mexico. Same as above but includes shaded relief. PrEx 3.10/4:M 57/3.

AFRICA


The Gambia. Same as above but includes shaded relief. PrEx 3.10/4:G 14/3.


Somalia. Same as above but includes shaded relief. PrEx 3.10/4:So 5/4


Zambia. Same as above but shows shaded relief. PrEx 3.10/4:Z 1/5.

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ASIA

Azimuthal Equidistant Projection centered on Beijing, China.  
1:34,000,000. 76x92cm. 1988. Central Intelligence Agency, 
Washington, DC. PrEx 3.10/4:B 39/7.

Contemporary Distribution of Lebanon’s Main Religious Groups. No 
scale given. 20x16 cm. 1988. Includes inset pie charts showing 
1932 and 1985 populations and religious affiliations. Central 

West Bank and Vicinity. 1:150,000. 77x104 cm. [1988.] "Depiction of 
routes and Israeli-developed areas in the West Bank and all 
refugee camps are current as of November 1987." Central 

PACIFIC

Nauru. 16x20cm. 1988. Includes inset map of southwest Pacific 
region. Central Intelligence Agency, Washington, DC. 
PrEx 3.10/4:N 22.

Tonga. 16x20cm. 1989. Includes inset map of southwest Pacific region. 

West Pacific Islands. 1:39,000,000. 16x14 cm. 1989. Includes inset 
map of Pacific Ocean. Central Intelligence Agency, Washington, 
DC. PrEx 3.10/4:W 52 p.

UNITED STATES

Urban development of the City of New York, 1625-1988. 1:63,360. No 
scale listed. [1988 or 1989.] Compiled under the direction of 
Nicholas A. Palazzo; graphics, Lou Castelli, Michael Pilgrim. 
City of New York, Department of City Planning, 22 Reade St. NY, 
NY 10007 Attention: Book Store. Color-coded to show periods of 
time when areas of the 5 boroughs were developed. $5.00 plus 
$5.00 p&h. plus sales tax if ordering within New York state. 
(NK).

Long Island Rail Road Map. No scale given. No size given. 1989. 
Metropolitan Transportation Authority. Available from: Public 
Affairs Dep't. Long Island Rail Road, Rm. 100, 91-10 146th Street 
Jamaica, NY. 11435. On verso: text, travel information phone 
numbers, list of LIRR stations and travel connections, 4 maps 
showing subway connections, index to places of interest. (NK)

DUPLICATES

The University of Minnesota is offering aerial photographs of urban 
areas of Michigan, Montana, North Dakota, and South Dakota. Interested 
libraries may obtain a detailed list of offerings by writing to Brent 
Allison, Head, Map Library, University of Minnesota, S 76 Wilson 
Library, Minneapolis, MN 55455-0414.
CONFERENCES

The North American Cartographic Information Society (NACIS) will hold its ninth annual meeting at the Ann Arbor Inn in Ann Arbor, Michigan, October 11-14, 1989. The theme of this year's meeting is "New Perspectives." The program will include such topics as cartographic activities in Latin America and Canada, cartographic education, cartographic laboratories, mapping of water resources, cartography and the media, cartographic software, geological mapping, geographic information systems, navigation, atlases, and map library technology. There will be a mixture of contributed papers, keynote speakers, invited papers, panel discussions, poster displays, exhibits, workshops, and field trips. The deadline for submitting abstracts is May 15, 1989. For program and registration information contact Diana Rivera, NACIS Program Chair, University Libraries, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI 48824-1048; phone (517) 353-4593.

QUESTION BOX

The University of Utah is hoping to load Marcive tapes into their public catalog soon. The tapes include GPO cataloging for individual topos. We'd like to convert our old shelflists (with quad name and local cutters) to interfile with the new quads. Is anyone else tackling this? A machine-readable list of quads would help. Reply to Barbara Cox, 158 Marriott, University of UYtah, Salt Lake City, UT 84112. (801) 581-7533; Bitnet: bcox@utahlib.

MISCELLANEOUS

Stephen Littrell has accepted a job as Map Librarian at the University of Texas. His starting date is May 8, 1989. Please send new map listings (or other correspondence) to: Reference Service Dept - Map Collection, PCL 1.306, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX 78713-7330.

The USGS National Mapping Division activity seeks the input of the map community annually through the A-16 review process. The avenue USGS uses is the state mapping advisory committee (SMAC). These committees were established for the purpose of providing a channel for USGS to find out what its users required in terms of USGS cartographic products.

The Illinois MAC, one of the more active SMACs, has been participating in the A-16 review process for several years. It has coordinated the requests for needed mapping and organized the cost-share funding that hastens the production of needed mapping.

The IMAC is now re-thinking its former request for USGS Illinois county mapping in planimetric only, rather than topographic format, due to the influence of its map librarian members. If you would like to influence map makers for the benefit of your patrons, get involved with your state's Mapping Advisory Committee. The most recent list of active SMACs, that I'm aware of, is in the WAML Information Bulletin, Nov. 1984, pp. 47-51.

In the meantime, if you would care to express your opinion on county planimetric vs. topographic mapping, contact Arlyn Sherwood by May 15, at the Illinois State Library, Centennial Building, Springfield, IL 62756 or (217) 782-5823.
MAGERT OPEN FILE REPORTS

The MAGERT Open File Reports listed below are available as on-demand photocopies as a service to the map library community. Titles in this series are generally of an ephemeral nature, or are too focused or specialized to warrant general distribution as formal publications. Orders for the titles listed below should be sent, with a check or money order, to: Jim Coombs, Map Library, Duane G. Meyer Library, Southwest Missouri State University, Box 175, Springfield, MO 65804-0095. All orders must be prepaid. There is a minimum charge of $3.00 per order. Prices include postage and handling.

New open files are:


88-2 MAGERT Alphabetical Membership List. February 1988. 20 leaves. $2.00 (This OFR will be updated biannually.)

88-3 Lorrain, Janice, and Jim Coombs (with a "tip o' the hat" to Charles A. Seavey). A Map Index to the LC "G" Schedule. 1988. 18 leaves. $1.80. (A new, expanded, and improved set of base maps showing place names and "G" schedule 4-digit area numbers.)

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

GREAT MOMENTS IN MAP LIBRARIANSHIP

"Hi! I like to see a map showing our local area here as it looked in the 1600's."

"Well... no... I meant a map drawn then."

"But... this national geographic map shows it."

"Then how about this reprint of Coronelli's America Septentrionale."

"No, that doesn't show enough detail! Don't you have any topographic quadrangles made back then?"

"I guess we're lucky he didn't ask for an aerial photograph!"

"Maybe we should show him that print of the petroglyph which might be a map."

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