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THIS ISSUE GOES TO 326 MEMBERS
Charles Seavey recently reported on the current discussions in Britain regarding the Ordnance Survey and the possibility of transferring its responsibilities over to the private sector. As we would hope, this has created quite a row amongst Britain's map users. On February 1 The Daily Telegraph reported that the Environment Secretary was urged to scrap a plan for a trading fund under which the unprofitable Ordnance Survey would operate as a publicly-owned company. He is expected to ask Parliament to introduce the fund in the near future even though every organization consulted had expressed concern over such a plan.

Mr. John Trevelyan, Deputy National Secretary of the 37,000 member Ramblers' Association, has urged that the OS should operate as a public service and not as a commercial enterprise. He, and many others, advise implementing the recommendations of the 1979 Ordnance Survey Review Committee. Generally speaking, this committee dealt with many issues being faced by our own U.S. Geological Survey: essential programs, cost recovery systems, digital mapping, current and efficient availability of information and the development of information systems to cope with the explosion of earth-science data.

Although a small part of the report, it is significant that they dealt with the issue of libraries and their concern for the preservation of cartographic data:

"One problem which may be expected to grow in significance, as the relative importance of new lithographic map editions - compared with other forms of data presentation - declines, is the maintenance of a permanent record. In their evidence to us a number of the principal libraries stressed the importance of ensuring the completeness and the archival permanence of OS records. Under present arrangements, new lithographic editions for many areas may only be produced as infrequently as once every fifty years. As a permanent archival record of changes in the topography of Great Britain - essential background information for future historians, geographers and the like - this is clearly not satisfactory... with the further complication that the life expectancy of the diazo microfilm negatives provided to copyright libraries by OS is only ten years, a period which falls far short of the libraries' requirement for permanence. In the longer term, the creation of a digital archive which is continually updated, without any separate stages (such as the production of new litho editions) to act as "landmarks," will raise entirely new questions about the maintenance of the permanent record.

CONCLUSION - We regard the maintenance of the national archive records over time as of central importance. Accordingly, we recommend that OS should continue to deposit survey information with the copyright libraries, and should investigate the best way of ensuring that a complete and permanent record is maintained. Particular thought will need to be given to the question of maintaining an adequate record of digital updates ...
Despite the thoroughness of the report prepared by the Ordnance Survey Review Committee (185p.) in 1979, the debate over the future of the Survey is still very much in question. Considering the Thatcher government's current hard-line economic policy - witness its refusal to bail out Laker Airways, its current attempts to sell British Airways, its severe cutbacks in higher education, and its intent to reduce the British Rail network - the Ordnance Survey could end up "in the wrong place at the wrong time" and may need all the support it can gather when its demise is debated in Parliament.

David Cobb, MAGERT Overseas Correspondent

RAMBLINGS FROM THE CHAIR
Random thoughts triggered off by the report from Our Man in England (who persists in sending me postcards from that green and pleasant land... Albuquerque is warmer, but it sure isn't green!). The Thatcher government plans for the Ordnance Survey strike me as being very foolish. Decent maps at low cost are something governments can do that private industry simply cannot. It is not for nothing that over 80% of the maps produced world wide are published by governments. It is a system that has evolved since the early 19th century simply because it works. Government in the 19th century (in fact anything in this country prior to Ford) was far more conservative than Mr. Reagan could possibly be, and they happily poured federal money into mapping. Perhaps they were wiser than Thatcher, Reagan, et al. We can only hope that the Ramblers Association and others will be able to head off this particular madness.

The U. of New Mexico Map Room has acquired, thought various devious means, a large number of 15' USGS quads. All we've inventoried so far is Oklahoma, Missouri, and Arkansas. There are a number of 30' quads of OK, and some 15's that are no longer on the indices. Send me a wants list of 15's (we have many multiples of some sheets) and ask me for a list of the 30's and OP 15's. We may have more later.

Straws in the wind. The 1:25,000 7 ½ x 15' metric map series may be dead. The Reagan administration is cutting back the Metric Board and backing away from metrification (and straight into the 17th century). Rumour hath it that once the maps in the mill are complete, there will be no more. While I can only deplore the retreat from metrics, I can't say that I (or anybody else) will miss that particular format. If the 1:25K series is revived at a later date we will have to fight harder and earlier for an acceptable format.

Does anybody out there feel strongly enough about a new national atlas to try and get a resolution through ALA at Philadelphia? It will carry a lot more weight with Association support, rather than just the Roundtable. Let me know.

The new USGS price schedule includes a 50% discount on orders over $500. This is a substantial gain from the old schedule, although you do have to buy more. It just might make it worthwhile for a map jobber to take up the USGS line.

PHILADELPHIA UPDATE: Joseph Yeninas will be the speaker from the AP, and William N. Palmstrom will be the National Geographic man. Yeninas is Graphics Director, and Palmstrom Associate Director, Art Division. Gary North is confirmed as giving the "P" map paper. """"""""SEE YOU ALL IN PHILADELPHIA!"""

AND FROM THE EDITOR: Next deadline is APRIL 25, 1982.

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Western Association of Map Libraries, Spring meeting, March 25-26, Stanford University, Meyer Library
Thursday, March 25: Map reading tools for map libraries (Gerry Greenberg)
  - Mapping the coastal ecological inventory (Jay Watson)
  - A review of new U.S.G.S.-National Mapping Division products, policies, prices (Gerry Greenberg)
Friday, March 26: The use of maps in explorational geology (William Beatty)
  - Sub-surface soundings for new archaeological mapping (Roger Vickers)
  - Guidebooks to America: the Federal Writers Project (Peter Stark)
  - Using Landsat data (Ronald Lyon)

National Online Meeting, March 30-April 1, 1982, Sheraton Centre Hotel, NY (Learned Information, Stokes Road, Anderson House, Medford NJ 08055)

Map Online Users Group Workshop REVISED DATES (the hotel was filled with rabid basketball fans the previously announced weekend)
April 15-17, 1982, OCLC HQ, Dublin OH
Thursday, April 15: Workshop--Map cataloging under AACR2 (Mary Larsgaard)
Friday, April 16: more of the same in the morning; tour of new OCLC facilities in the afternoon (and if I can find the Sigma that keeps losing my new records just before I'm going to produce cards, I'll kick it)
Saturday, April 17: Workshop--MARC tagging under AACR2 (Elizabeth Mangan)
COST: $15; send to June C. Harris, 1411 Golden Ave., Apt.1, Ann Arbor 48104; checks payable to: Map Online Users Group
Hotel: L&K Motel, 50 East Wilson Bridge, Worthington OH 43085;(614)846-8830

Special Libraries Association Geography and Map Division meetings, June 5-11, Detroit (SLA, 235 Park Avenue South, New York 10003)
Rumour hath it that attendees will have to fight their way to the convention hotels through an automobile race ...
Saturday, June 5 9:30-4:30 Continuing education course: Remote Sensing and Geographic Information Systems (about $75)
Sunday, June 6 noon-3pm G&M D Executive Board meeting
  - G&M D poster session: Maps for Special Libraries
  - G&M D open house
Monday, June 7 9:30-11:30am G&M D lunch, speaker, tour in Ann Arbor
  - 2:00-3:15 "Computer Graphics & Mapping" (Richard Phillips)
  - 3:30-5:00pm Tour of Environmental Research Institute of Michigan
Tuesday, June 8 9:30-11:30am noon-6:30pm
  - G&M D honors/awards, dinner, speaker - the latter to be Sherman Wu (Chief, Branch of Astrogeologic Studies, USGS, Flagstaff) on "Planetary Mapping"
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Wednesday, June 9 1-4 pm
Contributed papers session; chair, John Schroeder
Design & implementation of Milwaukee Museum's automated map catalog (Patricia Laughlin)
(titles to be announced - Janet Rudd)
DIDS: a de facto national atlas (Mark Monmonier)
Fundamentals of remote sensing (David Lusch)
ULIC: history, function & future (Larry Carver & Christopher Baruth)

Thursday, June 10 9:30-5
Field trip: talk, lunch, tour; co-sponsored with Natural Resources Division
10-11am Canada land data system (Elizabeth Snell)
11-noon Bus tour, w. Essex County
noon-1pm Lunch, Anderson Harbour Light Tavern
Amherstburg, Ontario

Friday, June 11 10-5pm
Tour of Ann Arbor Map Collections
7:30pm- Post-conference social readjustment party
- token donation; Jim Minton’s place in Ann Arbor

Thinking about going to ALA? If your library gets it, look at Philadelphia for February 1982; it’s that mag’s dining-out annual. $1.95

Do note that there will be a continuing education course on maps, CE 201, taught (I use that term loosely) by David Cobb and Charley Seavey. Friday, July 9, 9-5; ACRL members $95, non-members $135.

NEWS

Landsat prices are due to go up October 1, 1982; for example, a 10-inch color paper product will be $45; NOAA is taking over management. Generally speaking, prices will about triple.


New map librarian at Texas A&M Library is Judy Rieke; welcome to the madness, Judy!

Ed Thatcher, founding father of the Western Association of Map Libraries, has been named Map Librarian Emeritus at the University of Oregon. You can reach him at: Friends Centre, 115 Mt. Eden Rd., Auckland 3, NEW ZEALAND.

It’s that time of year again, for signing up for LC G&M Division’s Summer Special Project (the 31st is coming up); it will begin Tuesday, July 6 and end Friday, August 13. Interested? Ralph Ehrenberg, Assistant Chief, Geography & Map Division, LC, Washington, D.C. 20540.

The Hermon Dunlap Smith Center for the History of Cartography is running another Summer Institute in Cartography (7 June-2 July, 1982); info from the Center at The Newberry Library, 60 West Walton Street, Chicago IL 60610.

JOBS

Change in info on Charley Seavey’s position at UNM. See last base line for address.

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On the Cataloging/Cataloguing Front

Dorothy McGarry

Coming Events

The Map Online Users Group is planning a workshop for April 15-17, 1982, to be held at OCLC headquarters in Dublin, Ohio. Scheduled are 1 1/2 days of a map cataloging workshop and one day of MARC tagging, both related to AACR2. Mary Larsgaard will be giving the cataloging workshop. For further information, contact June Harris, 1411 Golden Ave., Apt. 1, Ann Arbor, MI 48204.

Mary Larsgaard will hold a meeting at the SLA annual conference in Detroit on June 7 to report as representative from SLA to the ALA Committee on Cataloging: Description and Access. Following her meeting the Cataloging Committee of SLA's Geography and Map Division will hold an open meeting for people interested in hearing from a representative from the Library of Congress' Geography and Map Division on experiences with AACR2. This will also provide an opportunity to discuss map cataloging.

The Map Online Users Group will hold a meeting at the SLA conference Tuesday, June 8.

The ALA Resources and Technical Services Division, Reference and Adult Services Division, and Library and Information Technology Association are jointly sponsoring a preconference on online catalogs which will be held at the ALA annual conference in Philadelphia, July 8 and 9, 1982. On Tuesday, July 13 the RTSD Cataloging and Classification Section's Subject Analysis Committee has planned a program on "subject access in an online environment."

RTSD and the Library of Congress are planning a series of regional workshop on name authority work, and on subject headings and subject authority work. Each of these institutes will be held in five or six locations, starting in the fall of 1982.
Miscellaneous

Laura Macqueen has distributed a questionnaire through the Map Online Users Group Newsletter to determine the kinds of maps which may be found on the OCLC, RLIN, and UTLAS databases. The questions include the number of maps cataloged a month, changes commonly made in records, etc. We can look forward to the results of the analysis in a forthcoming newsletter.

One of the topics of conversation at the ALA Midwinter meeting in Denver concerned LC's use of "compatible headings." Many catalogers expressed the opinion that LC should cease to use these headings. There has been discussion at LC about whether the cost would be greater to go completely to AACR2 forms of names for any names which will be encountered for the first time (names already established as "compatible" would not be redone). Libraries which rely on LC forms of names must often guess what form LC will choose if they catalog a work before the Library of Congress. There are a number of forms which require decisions, and the individual library must search through the various LC catalogs they have, spending time on the searching and the decision process. The end result may still be different from LC's. If you have an opinion on "compatible headings," please write to Joe Howard at the Library of Congress and let him know.

Rule Interpretations


I'd like to apologize for a typo in the last column. The addition of a category f) for entry under corporate name for maps belong in 21.182, of course, and not in 21.15B.

In the literature base line 3(2):29


"Statistics on headings in the MARC file," by Sally H. McCallum and James L. Godwin provides information on headings that appear on the bibliographic records in the LC MARC II files.

Integrated access, and AACR rules compared to AACR2. "In the iron age of cataloging," by Stephen Van Houten discusses cataloging historically and concludes with the continuing need to understand the principles of cataloging in the age of the computer. The third paper is "Problems of cataloging and classification in theater librarianship," by Lee R. Nemchek.

A number of references to sources on map cataloging can be found in the Western Association of Map Libraries Information Bulletin, v. 13, no. 1, November 1981. "A very select listing of resources for map librarianship including articles on recent developments," by Constance M. Piquette.

Documents to the People, v. 9, no. 6, November 1981, includes a report on the CIP program for Canadian government publication in 'News from Canada,' by Patricia M. Grenier. LeRoy C. Schwarzkopf, in "1981 fall meeting Depository Library Council to the Public Printer" reports on Government Printing Office cataloging and indexing activities. GPO was to become a CONSER authorization center in January 1982. GPO is also entering a cooperative project with the National Audiovisual Center to catalog about 600 av titles per year. Its cataloging manual is being revised by a consultant, to be distributed to depository libraries.

The RTSD Newsletter, November/December 1981, has two columns which included information on cataloging. The Online catalogs column by Jaye Bausser "Authority files and the online catalog," discussed the Bibliographic Service Development Program of the Council on Library Resources task force to plan for a national name authority service. Their report, "Requirements for the name authority file service," was issued in spring 1981. A section of Colleen F. Bednar's Library Exchange column included "Handling series at University of Louisville." The column describes how they changed all their series since January 1981 to conform to AACR2 choice, splitting files with over 15 entries.
The On-Line Audiovisual Catalogers Newsletter, v. 1, no. 4, December 1981 includes explanations of some rules related to AV cataloging, questions sent to the Library of Congress and answers received, and a selection of rules from the CSB related specifically to AV material.

The SLA G&M Division Bulletin, no. 126, December 1981 included "Innocent pleasures: ISBD(CH), AACR2, and map cataloging," by Robert W. Karrow, Jr. This was a detailed analysis and comparison, including the impact on map cataloging. "The organization of maps, a bibliography," by Judith DeBoard Sadler is a bibliography of books and articles which deal with cataloging and classification of maps.

The RTSD Newsletter, January/February 1982 Library Exchange column discusses cataloging of microforms, with information on the Association of Research Libraries' microform project. The Online Catalogs column discusses systems at Virginia Tech, the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, the University of Alabama-Birmingham, and the University of California. Several of these started as circulation systems, with the intention of development into online catalogs, while the UC system was developed initially as a catalog.

Library Resources & Technical Services, January/March 1982, v. 26, no. 1 includes an article by John Hostage on "AACR2, OCLC, and the card catalog in the medium-sized library." This reports a study of a year's cataloging to determine rates of conflict and the amount of corrections that would be required with changes to AACR2; creation of split files and their effect on changes required were considered using different scenarios. The study was done at the University of Illinois at Chicago Circle.

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Feedback wanted section

Please contact me if you: are planning meetings or know of any you'd like to have listed in this column; want to share information on books or articles you've read; have cataloging problems or solutions you're willing to share; or have topics you'd like to see discussed in this column. I would like to hear from you.

Dorothy McGarry
UCLA, Physical Sciences

NEW BOOKS AND MAPS


CORRECTION to last issue, p.13-14; Geoplotter to be used with Ryder's Standard Geographic Reference: the United States of America is $5.

First part of the National Gazetteer of the U.S. (to be issued as USGS Professional paper 1200) is to be New Jersey, in early 1982; no timetable established for the rest, except that it is to take about 5 years.

Cape Cod environmental atlas (1979) is out of print.

Almost out: WAML's Occasional Paper no. 6 on microcartography, printed 1981, c1982, $20 from: Stan Stevens, Editor WAML IB, Library, University of California, Santa Cruz CA 95064. Checks payable to WAML.


Handbook of geographical nicknames / Harold S. Sharp. 1980. $10 from Scarecrow.

To be published sometime in the future by Garland Press: Cartobibliography of Alaska to the year 1900, by Marvin Falk.

Hand held viewers for microfiche and aperture cards. £8.50 (hard) or £3.00 (paper) from National Reprographic Centre for Documentation, Hatfield Polytechnic, Bayfordbury, Hertford, Hertfordshire, England SG13 8LD.

In USGS New Pubs, Nov. 1981, p.6-7: Professional paper 0628 (The tectonics of North America - a discussion to accompany the tectonic map of NA) has been reprinted; $5.50. New, and apparently free (?), maybe from Text Products Section, Eastern Distrib., USGS, 6045 Pickett, Alexandria 22304 (?) are Circular 801 (Geological mapping of Kentucky - a history and evaluation...), Circular 802 (Alaskan Mineral Resource Assessment Program: background info to accompany folio of geologic and resources maps of Chignik and Sutwik Island quadrangles), Circular 834 THE GEM OF CIRCULARS (Worldwide directory of national earth-science agencies and related international organizations), and Circulars 858-A and 858-B (Preliminary metallogenic map of North America: a numerical listing of deposits; ...: an alphabetical listing of deposits).

All the following listings come from Jim Coombs:

- Surname map of Ireland / Irish Ancestors. $7.95 from Irish Ancestors, PO Box 7575, Kansas City MO 64116. Also available from them: Geographical Guide to Ireland and Guide to Irish History, plus "Genuine Irish" t-shirts and letterhead stationery (sorry, no beer mugs).
- Monongahela National Forest, West Virginia. 1981. Free on depository (A13.28: M76/981) or $1 from Forest Supervisor, the Forest, Elkins WV 26241.
- Sumter National Forest (Andrew Pickens Ranger District), South Carolina. 1981. Free on dep. (A13.28:Su6) or $1 from Forest Supervisor, the Forest, 1835 Assembly St., Strom Thurmond Bldg., Columbia SC 29202. OCLC 7935475.
- Geothermal resources of Montana. Free on dep. (C55.22/2:M76/no.4) or from Montana Bureau of Mines & Geology, Montana College of Mineral Science and Technology, Butte 59701. OCLC B150141.


Map facsimiles from LC. About $10-$20 + 1.50 shipping/handling. From Publishing Office at LC, Washington DC 20540 (ask for their Card & Gift Cat.)


Has ANYONE out there received 1-1100 (USGS)? Bob Batchelder of University of Calgary says no one in Canada got theirs (it's a geologic-tectonic map of the Caribbean or something like that), and Laura Macqueen of USGS Library Cataloging says it was cataloged in April of 1981 - I've put in a claim.

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(New Maps, cont.)

(JBP) Gold site maps of North Carolina, Virginia, Georgia; $6 per state from Big Ten, Inc. POBox 1231, Cocoa Beach FL 32931.

3 new base maps of the urban community of Quebec (hope I've translated that properly) - 1:20,000, 1:50,000, and 1:125,000. Distributed by Service d'aménagement du territoire, Communauté urbaine de Quebec, 399 rue St-Joseph est, Quebec G1K 8E2. See Cartologica (accessions list published by La Cartothèque, Bibliothèque de l'Université Laval, Quebec, Canada G1K 7P4), no. 63, pl-4, Dec. 1981 for writeup.


Biking guide of Monmouth County (NJ). FREE from: Monmouth County Planning Board, Hall of Records Annex, 2nd Floor, Main Street, Freehold NJ 07728. Thanks to Robert W. Stewart, Director of the Asbury Park Free Library for info.

If you persist, and underline the word "geologic," you too may receive your free copy of "Index: In progress and available geologic mapping" (1981) from: Dept. of Conservation and Economic Development, Div. of Mineral Resources, Box 3667, Charlottesville VA 22903.

Georgia relief. 1:mil. 1978. $1.50.
A cartogram showing United Methodists in America featuring rural and metropolitan distribution. 1981. $4 or thereabouts.

Georgia county base maps. 1810-1970 (in 10-year intervals). $1.50 per set. The above 3 all from DOG (Dept. of Geog), Cartographic Laboratory, Georgia State University.


Geologic map of Nevada AND Geologic map of Kentucky. The first is a reprint - $10 from USGS/Denver; the second is 1981, $8.50 from USGS/East.

QUESTION BOX

1. Is anyone using RLN in an acquisition program for maps, and if so, how? (JC)
2. Has anyone bought the World forestry atlas from Paul Parey Scientific Publishers (461 Park Ave S., NY 10016)? is it worthwhile? (JC)
3. How do other catalogers list coordinates on maps where thematic information stops at political boundaries, but base map extends to neat line? Example: Geologic map of US / USGS. 1974. AACR2 is not specific enough (Ed.: so what else is new) - 3.301.

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Question Box - Answers

for 2(4): 1. We tried leaving them flat, interfiled with "normal" quads, but they ended up being crumpled at the back of the drawer. Now we just fold them in half (I have a student do it - I leave the room). No problems so far.

2. SMSU uses the tattletape system, but we don't put tape on the maps; we put it on the inside of map circulation tubes and cover it with masking tape.
(both answers courtesy JC)

NEW PERIODICAL ARTICLES

From our beloved Chairperson: Washington Post, Feb. 19 (Friday), p.D5; article on maps (something about maps as Escape?). And in the Feb. Omni, an article on computer-based ground level mapping system using (?) movies - anyway, Charley says it's good - perhaps even excellent.

ACML (Association of Canadian Map Libraries) B 40, p.55-56, has a review of PAIGH 1:250,000-scale sheets of Latin America issued so far.

All the following listings from JC:

Jan. '82 is the annual year-in-review issue, and contains articles on geoscience information (Mary W. Scott), mapping (Margaret F. Eister, she of the geologic map indexes for states), and remote sensing (Richard Williams).

New from the Wisconsin State Cartographer's Office (144 Science Hall, Madison WI 53706): Remote sensing broadcast: Wisconsin mapping bulletin supplement.


Map Online Users Group Newsletter no. 9, Feb. 1982. Just appeared; if you're in need of a copy and did not get one, write: Laura Macqueen, Library, MS 950, USGS, National Center, REston VA 22092 (703)860-6679.

New accessions list: The Dartmouth Compass. John Berthelsen, Map Library H.B. 6025, Dartmouth College Library, Hanover NH 03755.

Library resources & technical services 26(1). Another good read for us academics.


College & research libraries news 43(2):39-41: lists ACRL pubs available.

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DEALERS CATALOGS


Just got this one today: Unipub's "Map and atlas catalog 1982" - 345 Park Avenue South, NY 10016.

DMA maps are still available from DMA (to the general public), NOT from the National Ocean Survey - UNLESS these are the aeronautical charts that both NOS and DMA catalogs say you should get from NOS. Ray Lawyer of DMA informs me that the old DMA price listing (dated 1978) is probably going to be redone soon (no time frame), and he thinks the prices will change upward.

Hammond library catalog 1981/82: new titles, back list, maps, atlases, globes. Once again maps have some strange bedfellows. Library Division, Hammond, Maplewood NJ 07040.

Order form for airborne indexes (for U.S. states). Free from Regional Geophysics Branch, USGS, Bldg. 25, Federal Center, Box 25046, MS 964, Denver 80225. The state indexes themselves seem also to be free. New one has been added: United States regional.

New price on 1-sheet MF's seems to be $1.25; 2 sheets seem to be $2.50.

E.W. Knappman, Publisher, Facts on File, 460 Park Avenue South, NY 10016 would like to know if a pub modeled on MAPS ON FILE, "Historical maps on file," would be of interest.

Hollinger update 2(1), Nov. 1981 - talks about various matters of interest to map libraries. POBox 6185, Arlington VA 22206. (703)671-6600. Hollinger now has out new mailer, advertising map folder stock, ap envelopes.

Northeast Document Conservation Center (Abbot Hall, 24 School Street, Andover MA 01810-4099 (617)470-1010) has a brochure explaining their services.


1-page pricelist from: Center for Cave and Karst Studies, Dept. of Geog. & Geology, Western Kentucky U., Bowling Green KY 42101.

Recent books in geography and population studies. Listing from Cambridge U. Press, American Branch, 32 East 57 Street, NY 10022.

The NCGE/GPN slides. Fall 1981. List of slide sets available from CPN, Box 80669 Lincoln NE 68501.


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J B Post sent the following business cards (no, not his own): J.L. Smith Co., Map publishers and manufacturers, 2104 Walnut St., Phil. 19103 (estab. 1868). Victor Auguste Gustin, Nautical instruments, agents US hydrographic survey, sub-agent British Admiralty charts & pubs., 105 S. Second St., Phil. Alfred B. Patton, Inc., Swamp Road and Center St., Doylestown PA 18901 (Delaware Valley's largest map dealer & publisher).

Calling card: Rusty's Maps/Colorado Mining District Research Study (CMDRS), POBox 5, Arvada CO 80001. (303)421-8833.

Petroleum Information, POBox 2612, Denver 80201 has new catalog of maps out.

Knogo Corporation, 100 Tec Street, Hicksville NY 11801 ((516)822-4200) has a security system with possibilities for map application; their desensitizer is a flat surface, not one of those things where it's obviously built to hold a book spine.

Forsyth Travel Library (9154 West 57th St., POBox 2975, Shawnee Mission Kan. 66201) has a Special 1981-82 Maps Catalog.


Arcadio Lopez, 20, Capitan Haya St., Madrid-20, Spain offers to act as a buying agent for libraries wishing to purchase maps & books edited in Spain.

Champion Map Corporation, POBox 5545, Charlotte NC 28225 has done a mailing to map libraries; if yours got lost in the mail, do send for it (included free, rele-

Business card that came with mine says: Francie Macey, 1-800-438-7406. (want maps!)

Nystrom, 3333 Elston Ave., Chicago 60618 - I just received their:1980/81 Nystrom maps (pages taken from their complete catalog).

New price list - Kistler Graphics, POBox 5467, Denver 80217.

Historic American maps and urban plans. Catalog of Historic Urban Plans, Box 276, Ithaca NY 14850.

ASCs prices for mosaics & aerial photographic reproductions - just received mine, dated April 1, 1981 - 2222 West 2300 South, POBox 30010, Salt Lake City 84130. (801)524-5856.

New price list from Western Economic Research Co., 13427 Ventura Blvd. Sherman Oaks CA 91423.

Recently met this person at SEAAG, and he seems very knowledgeable & helpful: Frank D. Beatty, Facility Chief/Geographer, National Space Technology Laboratories, NSTL Station, Miss. 39529. (601)688-3541.

Flyer - Mid-America Remote Sensing Center (yes, their acronym is MARC), Murray State University, Murray KY 42071.

Oops - A Christmas Catalogue (no.41), from Walter Reuben, 910 American Bank Tower, Austin TX 78701.
Iron Maiden Systems Ltd., 230 41 Ave., NE, Calgary, Alberta T2E 2N3 - this storage system has definite possibilities - send for a catalog. Kind of like a walk-in closet for maps.

For that elegant LCG&M atlas shelving - get your descriptive brochure from Reflector Hardware Corporation, 1400 North 25th Ave., Melrose Park IL 60160.

Don't forget to get a couple of copies of USGS's new "US maps, price list" - USGS, National Mapping Program, Reston VA 22092. Dated 11/25/81.

Telberg (foreign geologic maps jobber), PODraw 920, Sag Harbor NY 11963 has a new concise catalog out.

The Canada Map Office has a free microfiche catalog listing their topos - send for a sample copy. CMOffice, Dept. of Energy, Mines & Resources, 615 Booth St., Ottawa K1A OE9.

Oklahoma Oil Maps, Inc., 1100 Classen Drive - Suite 222 Plaza Court Bldg., Oklahoma City LK 73103 has a new "Descriptive brochure" of their maps out.

Get your new price list for Landsat imagery from EROS Data Center, Sioux Falls 57198.

My letter to the Alliance for Survival, 712 S. Grandview St., LA 90057 came back (moved--left no address) - does anyone have a new address?

DUPLICATE MAPS

Your editor has an 18" National Geographic Society globe stand that she would love to trade for a 12" stand. She also has: SLAG&M B 68,69,70; Report of the National Magnetic Anomaly Map group, 1976; dttt indexes for 1979 and 1980; rev. pages of Janet Allin's Map Sources Directory (I mean the old pages); Geological Survey of Alabama maps no. 115, 87, 121,116,131. Your editor NEEDS: Australia 1:250,000 geologic sheets for a whole bunch - if you have dups, let me know, and I'll send you my want list.

The Map Room, Science Library, Vanderbilt University, Nashville TN 37203 would like to receive duplicate exchange lists.

LIGHTER ON THE SIDE

Thanks to all of you who have responded in re bars/restaurants named The Library, it seems that we map folk may visit nearly any major metropolitan area (and even some minor ones) and imbibe spirituous beverages surrounded, if not by maps, at least by books. John Kawula (U.ID) reports that there is a bar in Ames (Iowa, I think) called The Library, and one of his cohorts at UID thinks there is a "similar place in the Empress Hotel in Victoria, although this should be considered unverified information. While I was a student at Emory there was a bar called the Pharr Library on Pharr Road..." Mary Anne Waltz (Syracuse U.) says there is a discotheque/bar called The Library in the Hotel Syracuse in (you guessed it) Syracuse NY. And during the van ride at the end of ALA Midwinter to USGS Distribution in Denver (at one point of which I had us going exactly the opposite direction from what we should have been - I never said I had any sense of direction), various persons in the base line 3(2):39
van stated there were bars called The Library in Springfield MO, Columbus OH, Waterloo IA, and Jerome AZ (this one may be a restaurant). And a correspondent from (I think) MIT (I've lost the envelope) says there is, in the Boston area (Brookline to be precise) a bar/restaurant called The Colorado Public Library! Now, that I MUST visit!

At last they're seeing the light; JC reports that in OCLC's 1980/81 annual report, p.11 contains computer-plotted (?) maps showing regional network affiliate boundaries.

And from The Ozarks Mountaineer, May-June 1981, p. 42-43: Mrs. Majel North, a rock collector from Piney Point MO has a goal, to find a rock the shape of Texas. She has found rocks resembling the shape of every other state, all approximately the same scale, that she has mounted to create a rock-map of the U.S. (would Jim Coombs lie to us? he even sent me a copy of the article, which includes a photo of her rock map).

From The New Yorker, Feb. 1, 1982, p.32-34: Jonathan Robbin, of Claritas (company located in Virginia, right across the Potomac from DC) is using zip codes to locate demographic groups and map them (typical groups: Money & Brains, Urban Gold Coast, Bohemian Mix, Dixie-style tenements), and has a map on his office wall of Zip 10019 showing how it works.

Somehow I found this, although probably true, slightly risible: If circulated, maps should be laid flat between stiff boards to provide protection and minimize damage to the maps (Gerber, Gloria et al. Map storage and care in active collections. SLAG&MD #125:17). If the maps in my Map Room DIDN'T check out, they'd be stolen with unbelievable speed - and it's all I can do to force people to use map tubes; I fear that any suggestion of using boards would provoke disbelief and then laughter...

From Keystone Motorist, 11/81, p.12: seems the auto instrument panel may someday be replaced by a television screen, upon which the driver could call up maps, probably on cassettes.

True, oh King: "The Polish people may win the prize for history's least enviable geographical placement" (New Yorker, Nov. 9, 1981, p.82).

The Folger Shakespeare Library (201 East Capitol Street, S.E., Washington 20003) has issued their 1981-2 Gift Catalogue, again with maps (see p.24-25) - and I can't tell you how strongly I am tempted by their Atlas Scarf (silk, yet), 26"x26", C-470, $26, design adapted from 16th-century atlases in the Folger Collection. I already have a map scarf (silk, of course, my dear) from Trimingham's in Bermuda; and this looks like the only kind or format of rare maps I can afford to collect!

Slipped off the table from a fine eating establishment in Gainesville: a place mat of the United States of Dixie (like that New Yorker's version of US).

While at SEAAG, having a quiet drink with some map librarians (I suppose I could get in with a better group of people, but it wouldn't be as much fun), someone mentioned that recent research has clearly shown that it's better for you (sleepwise and waking-upwise) if you sleep aligned with base line 3(2):40
or rather along the north/south line as oriented (!) toward the magnetic pole. The soul who mentioned this (and who shall remain nameless only because I can’t remember his name) stated that obviously what was needed was to print sheets (the kind that go on beds) so you would be sure thusly to align yourself; of course, these would have to be sold with a compass...

(JC) Pigeon droppings have been accumulating at an alarming rate at USGS HQ in Reston (there are several pointed remarks that could be made here, but since your ED. being a lady, I shan’t make them), so the manager of the building got 30 blue & gray pigeon hawks from the West Virginia hills. And now, concludes the article in Pennypower 8(3), Jan. 19, 1982, "How workers have to step gingerly to avoid dead pigeons. So how do you get rid of 30 well-fed hawks?"

A shadow over the enchanted forest...

(JBP) Pellennorath, no.5, Jan. 1982, features "The Little Kingdoms of Romance (1894-1924)". And more on fantasy lands - Jerry Grimms has created the Republic of Reyes, a cluster of islands somewhere in North America; and of course has made a map of the place (Philadelphia Inquirer, Dec.20, 1981, 22-M).

No-Comment category: After looking at Syrie Maugham's famous all-white drawing room in Chelsea, "Everything was so immaculate and hygienic that Margot Oxford, who had been somewhat taken aback on entering the room, recovered herself enough to give the advice, 'Dear Mrs. Maugham, what you need are a few old varnished maps on the wall.'" (Beaton, Cecil. 1954. The glass of fashion. Garden City NY: Doubleday).

Brentano's (POBox 1408, Asbury Park NJ 07712-1408) is selling Waddington's jigsaw map of North America, $6 on sale, $7.50 regularly.

Received in my Map Room from a nameless donor: a map of an area in Texas on the Shackelford County/Callahan County line, showing land ownership, with, at the top a blind asylum, south of that the Bayland Orphan Asylum, southeast of that a lunatic asylum, and south of that (you guessed it) university lands. My library director says we’re located on the northern edge of the latter. No title on this gem; looks about 1930s?


LC card set map 46-142 (GSMS East Indies) gives call no.:G8070 1/2 1928.G7. (?)

(JBP) The well-known science fiction & fantasy artist Diane Duane has produced an interesting map of an imaginary place. Based on the stories by Roger Zelazny, her offering is a topographic map in quadrangle format for the Mount Kolvir area of Amber, an imaginary country. The 5 6 x 46 cm. map is attributed to the Amber Geological Survey (AMIGS 2151-893 FJ/7) and is rather good. $3.00 from Merlin’s Closet, 355 South Main St., Providence RI 02903 in the East & by Bruce Pelz (librarian at UCLC?) in West.

Now available for all you t-shirt fans: U. of Oregon Map Room t-shirt - oblique Mollweide proj., silkscreened dark brown on either, white, tan or light blue. $5. An extra $1 gets it for you in bright red. Sue Trevitt-Clark of the Map Room saws the medium tend to shrink & the large don’t. The check should be made out to Sue; address: Map Room, Condon Hall, UO, Eugene 97403.
On the front page (?) of Update (a publication for the friends of the University of Minnesota) 9(2), Winter 1982 – a map of Minnesota, pictorial in nature.

The Writers Digest articles on maps (mentioned in about base line 2(4)) provoked a letter from the reader extolling the virtues of the 1:250,000 plastic raised relief maps of the US, being sold by Hubbard (Box 104, Northbrook IL 60062) – which maps seem to be selling like hotcakes in Foss's General Store (If We Don't Have It, You Don't Need It) in beautiful downtown Golden.

From the August pages of Architectural Digest, Feb. 1982 ($4.00 the copy): Nancy Graves is yet another artist who has succumbed to the beauty of maps; she says, “One of the most complete abstractions is mapping, because it can relate to any kind of abstract thought.” (p.154)

The same issue of AD notes, on p.193, that AD has purchased/acquired GEO. And on p.184, gives a view into the lives of the rich: “To Mr. Chase, a trip to Peru is incomplete without a visit to the Galapagos Islands.” I've always felt the same.

The Sub-Librarians, Scion of the Baker Street Irregulars in the American Library Association is planning on having a cocktail party or suchlike at ALA in Philly, and I for one hope to be there.

Anyone wanting a copy of Charley's map, New Mexico Depository Libraries, may receive same by sending self-addressed manila envelope with 40¢ postage on it to: Sandy Faull, Documents Librarian, New Mexico State Library, 325 Don Gaspar (can that be right? but that's what the letter says), Santa Fe NM 87503.

And now, brought to you at very little expense, our cartoonist in Missouri:

MAP REFERENCE QUESTION #57

May I help you?

Yeah, I wanna see a map!

Well, we have over 100,000 maps here. Which one do you want to see?

How about one that shows undiscovered gold mines?