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Greetings to all good map enthusiasts, wherever you may be! I've spent a great deal of time since the Chicago conference tying up loose ends and, no doubt, unravelling new ones of which I am not aware as yet.

The Chicago conference was a model of smoothness, thanks in large part to Phil Hoehn's extensive pre-planning, the preparation put forth by committee chairs, and (of course) Bob Karrow's ferreting out of interesting activities. In short, while the Chair does the administrative work, the membership is what makes these meetings work. I have a hard act to follow, but will do my best for New York. Phil is not being allowed to rest on his laurels, having taken on the task of chairing the Publications Committee; no doubt he will work there as flawlessly as he did in Chicago.

You will find in this issue a preliminary schedule for the Midwinter meetings, to be held in Chicago in January. The schedule is subject to some refining, primarily with ALA headquarters; I would ask committee chairs in particular to get in touch with me if there are any problems envisioned with the draft schedule. I will be sending out committee notifications (hopefully before this issue of base line hits the streets) to chairs and to committee members; thank you one and all for volunteering. You are what makes MAGERT work so well!

I look forward to working with all of you this year--please don't hesitate to get in touch with me if there is anything I can do to make membership in MAGERT more useful to you.

Linda Carlson Sharp
Chair

At last, volume 6, number 4 of base line!!!! You probably were wondering if it was still being published. Let me apologize for the delay and explain. I left for vacation on July 31 and had not yet received all of the material for the issue. When I returned to work on August 15, I began compiling everything and brought the completed issue to duplicating. Well, duplicating was short-staffed due to vacations and were looking at a two-week turn-around time for any duplicating requests. Thus, the delay in getting this issue to you at anormal time. This will be the last issue that Dorothy McGarry will be the Cataloging Editor. Due to other commitments, including chairing CC:DA, she has turned in her resignation. I want to thank Dorothy for doing an excellent job. Her columns were always complete, informative, and on time. I will miss working with her. Thanks again, Dorothy. Replacing Dorothy as the Cataloging Editor, beginning with the next issue, will be Mary Larsgaard, a familiar name to everyone. Mary's address is: Arthur Lakes Library, Colorado School of Mines, Golden, CO 80401. Speaking of addresses, please note my new address and telephone number. This is effective as of August 19, 1985. This issue also has an advertisement from Bill Stewart for two trips to Ecuador. Sounds interesting.

The fifth annual membership meeting was to order by Chair James A. Coombs on Sunday, June 24, 1984, with twenty-five members attending.

1. Chair's Report. J. Coombs reported on the Midwinter Meeting, his efforts in planning this Annual Conference, and on meetings of Round Table Chairs, in which strategies were discussed concerning ALA's revision of its financial assessments of Round Tables planning and Round Table Chairs.

2. Secretary/Treasurer. L. Macqueen reported that there was approximately $3,000 in the Treasury, and that MAGERT needed a prepared budget.

3. Education Committee. R. Martin report that D. Cobb and C. Seavey would be giving an ACRL workshop in Chicago, that E. Matteucci and S. Clarke were preparing a reading list for library educators, and that a survey of map librarianship in librarianship textbooks was underway.

4. Exhibits Committee. It was reported that the MAGERT table was being staffed during this annual meeting from 12:30 to 2:00, that we now have a packing crate for shipping the exhibit (which only needs a change of maps to be suitable for every conference).

5. Membership Committee. The Committee mailed recruitment materials to Library Schools, S.L.A. members, A.L.A. student members and base line subscribers. 327 were sent out.

6. Nominating Committee. It was reported that Linda Carlson Sharp and Peter L. Stark were elected as Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect and Treasurer respectively.

7. Organization Committee. J. Coombs reported on the development of the MAGERT "Organization Manual" and passed out copies to Exec. Bd. for their review and comments.


9. Government Printing Office. A summary report was presented on a recent legal decision which ruled that the Joint Committee on Printing has no authority over the printing activities of executive departments.

10. IFLA. G. North outlined recent activities including the completion of the world directory, a manual of map curatorship, and the upcoming meeting in Nairobi.

The second session of the Membership Meeting was called to order by Chair James A. Coombs on Sunday June 26, with 20 members attending.

1. Audio-Visual Committee. D. Seldin reported on activities and problems.

2. Honors Award Committee. A. Hudson presented the MAGERT Award to Jeremiah B. Post for outstanding service to the profession and to MAGERT. She reported that a press release was being sent out by A.L.A., and asked that nominees for
future awards be given to J. Coombs.

3. Publications Committee. Western Association of Map Libraries and Anglo-American Cataloguing Committee for Cartographic Materials. D. Koeppe reported on activities of the Committee and its two Dallas meetings, and on upcoming WAML meetings. There was no AACCCM activity on which to report.

4. Map Online Users Task Force, Map Online Users Group and RTSD/CCS/CCDA. B. Robertson discussed various issues including the need for a standardized list of coordinates, the OCLC "enhance" program, the MARC 007 field, the 040 subfield "e," and a Joint Steering Committee proposal for a new GMO and SMD for braille maps and atlases. It was M/S/P that the MAGERT Chair be directed to establish a Cataloging and Classification Task Force and that the Executive Board consider making this a Committee at a future time.

5. Chicago Conference. P. Hoehn reported on planning activities.

6. Library of Congress, MARBI. E. Mangan reported on recent LC activities and accomplishments, including its holdings of 3.8 million maps, 48,000 atlases, 400 globes and 20,000 relief models, the NUC for Cartographic Materials, the ability to update MARC maps online, the MARC Conversion Manual for Maps, and minimal level cataloging. MARBI's recent concerns included its structure (the need for utility representation), finalization of the holdings format, and the AACCCM manual.

7. GODORT. J. Coombs read a report by S. Tulis on GODORT concerns having implications for map curators.

8. New Officers. P. Hoehn, and L. Sharp were installed as Chair and Vice-Chair respectively.

MINUTES EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
DALLAS

The Executive Board meeting was called to order by Chair James A. Coombs on Sunday June 24, with 12 members attending.

1. Publications Committee. D. Koeppe reported on recent activities.

2. Membership Committee. A. Hudson stated that MAGERT had 358 members as of April 1984, 288 personal and 70 organizational. She outlined plans for a recruitment campaign.

3. Travel Funds. After discussion, it was M/S/P that MAGERT not appropriate travel funds for officers to attend MAGERT meetings. It was recommended nominees for office seek support from their institutions prior to agreeing to run for office.

4. Public Libraries Association Liaison. It was M/S/P to defer this decision until the Midwinter meeting. D. Koeppe will look into the matter and prepare a report and recommendation.

5. Rare Books and Manuscripts Section/ACRL. B. Martin reported on recent activities of that organization.
6. Future Meetings. It was recommended that whenever possible, the order of meetings at the annual conference be: (1) Committees and Task Forces, (2) Membership Meeting, (3) Executive Board.

7. Organization Committee. It was M/S/P to dissolve the Organization Committee and transfer its activities to the Constitution and Bylaws Committee.

CALL FOR PAPERS

MAGERT NEW YORK PROGRAM: The American Library Association will meet in New York, 28 June-3 July 1986. Papers are welcome on the following themes: literary concepts of geography; the antiquarian map market, especially for non-antiquarian collections; new mapping technologies; and non-traditional maps. Spoken presentations should be planned for no more than 20 minutes, although the papers themselves may well be lengthy. Please send a title and brief description or outline by 1 November 1985. Final paper selection will be made by 1 December 1985. Papers accepted for presentation will be considered for publication at a later date.

Contact: Linda Carlson Sharp, Technical Services, Indiana Historical Society Library, 315 W. Ohio Street, Indianapolis IN 46202.

Thanks to the local arrangements folks of MAGERT for the fine job putting us up at the Talbott, for the receptions, and for the packet of materials for the Chicago ALA conference.

MAGERT members made a great showing at the 1985 2nd annual ALA Fun Run in Chicago: Chris Waters(?) from the Univ. of Chicago placed 2nd in the run and David Cobb placed 8th(?) (I'm not sure of these facts), and in the walk, Paul Stout left the rest in the dust as he finished 1st by a wide margin. Jim Coombs finished 2nd, and MAGERT took 2nd place in the walk team competition.

This year, MAGERT is offering an iron-on transfer which can be applied to a T-shirt or anything you choose. The design is the MAGERT logo (as shown). The actual size is 4 x 7". The map is blue and the print is black.

Send $2.50 check/money order made payable to MAGERT to Jim Coombs, Map Collection Meyer Library, 3636 S. 13th St., Springfield, MO 65804-0095.

Also, it would be extremely helpful if you would include a self-addressed 5x7 or larger manila envelope with a 22¢ stamp.
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"missing" addresses from the above list can be found elsewhere in this issue.

Carlson Sharp, Chair
From: Membership Committee/MATRT
To: The Members!

Wow! There are 400, yes!, 400 of us MATRT folk now. I am pleased to report, shortly after the conference, more will probably have joined us in Chicago, and the count is probably a bit higher, but it is a great feeling to have broken 400!

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On membership promotion... we want to concentrate on those states with 5 or fewer members (refer to the map in the February 1965 issue of base line). The membership committee encourages each of you to join your state library associations, and to offer to do programs or give talks on map librarianship, thereby promoting membership in ALA's MATRT. When you go to your state library association meetings, talk about MATRT, and take along some MATRT fliers, available from Elaine Minneci at ALA hqtrs.

The Membership Committee welcomes your ideas on how to bring in new members, so we can break 500 next year! Write to Alice Hudson with your ideas.

We welcome Rebecca Elses to the Membership Committee. She is the new assistant reference librarian at Oklahoma State University in Stillwater as of August 13, 1965.
MAGERT HONORS AWARD--1985: GARY W. NORTH. This year's recipient of the MAGERT Honors Award is Gary W. North, Associate Chief of the U.S.G.S. National Mapping Division. Gary's relationship with map librarians began in the summer of 1977 at the S.L.A. Annual Conference in New York. He had just replaced Frank Swinnerton as Chief of the N.C.I.C., and one of the responsibilities he assumed was to go to that conference to talk to the map librarians about N.C.I.C. Up until this time, the U.S.G.S. and map librarians did not communicate very well and Gary probably did not know what to expect at the meeting. Gary was the last speaker at an afternoon meeting and apparently wowed the map librarians with information about new U.S.G.S. products, services, and plans for the future. After the meeting, a few of the map librarians retired to a nearby tavern and Gary was invited to attend. He came and the experience obviously convinced him that the two groups needed to get together, because he set up the meeting between map librarians and N.C.I.C. at U.S.G.S. in Denver the next Spring which will go down in history as the beginning of improved cooperation. Since then, Gary has continued to encourage cooperation between U.S.G.S. and map librarians, has convinced U.S.G.S. that map libraries are vital components of their public relations program, and has kept map librarians informed of new U.S.G.S. developments. To top off this tribute, I want to share that I found out that Gary was not planning to attend this conference because he is planning to attend IFLA in Chicago. But when he learned he was to receive the award, he made special arrangements to attend A.L.A. So on behalf of the Honors Awards Committee and the
entire MAGEPT membership, it is my honor to present you with this award and a check for $25.00, to cover the cost of framing. (PH).

DEALERS' CATALOGS


Wm. Reese, no. 33 Western Americana. Wm. Reese Co., 409 Temple St., New Haven, CT 06511.

Henry Stevens, Son and Stiles, Historical American I. Henry Stevens, Son & Stiles, c/o Thomas P. MacDonnell, P.O. Box 1299, Williamsburg, VA 23187 or 4 Upper Church Lane, Farnham, Surrey, England GU9 7PW.

Helen R. Kahn, Catalogue 19, Spring 1985. Helen R. Kahn Antiquarian Books, P.O. Box 323, Victoria Station, Montreal, Quebec, CANADA H3Z 2V8.


Collectors Circle Ltd. Price List R-8506. Collectors Circle Ltd., P.O. Box 225, Lemont, IL 60435.

Jenkins Company, Catalogue 175, Texas and The West. The Jenkins Co., P.O. Box 2085, Austin, TX 78768.


Rockford Map Publishers, April 1, 1985. Rockford Map Publishers, Inc., P.O. Box 6126, Rockford, IL 61125.


Book Passage. Travel Books, Guides and Maps, Summer 1985. 57 Post St., 4th Floor, San Francisco, CA. (NAK).

Board of Jewish Education. Maps of Israel for Every Budget, parts 1 and 2. 426 W. 58th St., New York, NY 10019. (NAK).

Pennwell Maps Catalog, Summer 1985. PennWell Maps, P.O. Box 21278, Tulsa, OK 74121.

NEW BOOKS AND ATLASES


Computer Road Atlas, Roadsearch Map. Columbia Software, Box 2235W, Columbia, MD 21045. 301-997-3100. Roadsearch $34.95; Roadsearch Plus, $74.95. Roadsearch is a computerized road atlas that helps you plan trips; contains a roadmap of 487 cities and 70,000 road miles. Computes the shortest route or alternative route. (JP)


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Geoscience Information Society, Proceedings of the 19th Meeting of the Geoscience Information Society, Nov. 5-8, 1984. "Maps in the Geoscience Community." Alexandria, VA: GIS, c/o American Geological Institute, 1985. $20.00. "This is a must publication for collections supporting studies in geology. It covers the history of geologic mapping; current geologic map indexes; map user needs; preservation of geologic maps folded up in the back of various publications; survey of selected geoscience maps; computer database searching in the geosciences; and collection development in the geosciences. Abstracts for each contribution are included. An excellent survey of current concerns of the geoscience-maps community." (MLL)


Originally published by the Laboratory for Computer Graphics and Spatial Analysis at the Harvard Univ. Graduate School of Design, this collection is for those involved in computer graphics or geographic information systems in business, government or education. All volumes are available separately or in a complete set. (MLL)


Metropolitan Museum of Art, Travel Diary. $6.95. Item # K0333G. (MLL)


FORTHCOMING PUBLICATIONS


U.S. GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS

USGS Coastal Research, Studies, and Maps - A Source of Information for Coastal Decisionmaking. USGS Circular 883. SU DOC # I19.4/2:883. (CC)


MARC Conversion Manual, Maps. Content Designation Conventions and Procedures for AACR2. 1st ed. SU DOC # LC5.8:M18. (CC)


Texture Analysis and Cartographic Feature Extraction. From: Computer Sciences Laboratories, U.S. Army Engineer Topographic Labs, Fort Belvoir, VA. SU DOC # D103. 20/66:0370. (CC)

River Information Digest, 1985. 3rd ed. SU DOC # I29.2:R52/2. (CC)

CANADIAN GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS

Offprint of National Map Collection Annual Report, 7th Offprint of AR of the Public Archives of Canada. Back Copies also available. (MLL)


I encourage all readers to send me items to include in this column! Mail has been a little slow!

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ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

"How Do You Fold This One?" The Oakland California Tribune, May 19, 1985, Section D, p. 1. A photograph and short article on "gigantic map of the United States" that was imprinted on the school yard of Alameda's Longfellow Elementary School. The U.S.-Canadian border is 300 feet long!! (PH)

Antique globe, 3.5" diameter base and 8.5" tall, is available from Grand Finale, P.O. Box 819027, Farmers Branch, TX 75262-0049 for $23.00, plus $3.75 for shipping. It has a sale price of $15.99, but there is no indication on how long this sale price lasts. The catalog number is XP330. (MLL)
NEW PERIODICAL ARTICLES


W.A.M.L. Information Bulletin. 16(March 1985):


S.L.A. Geography and Map Division Bulletin. no. 139(March 1985):

Robar, T.J. "University Map Collections: Comparative Statistics." pp. 10-16.


W.A.M.L. Information Bulletin. 16(June 1985):


S.L.A. Geography and Map Division Bulletin. no 140(June 1985):

"Standards for University Map Collections, Section B: Collections." pp. 2-3.
Berthelsen, J.F. "Nautical Charts Computerized Index System (NCCIS)." pp. 9-14
Plus regular features and columns.

New Zealand Map Keepers' Circle Newsletter. no. 18(May 1985):


Clifton, H.E. "Tips on Talks, Or How to Keep and Audience Attentive, Alert, and Around for the Conclusions at a Scientific Meeting." G.S.A. News & Information. 7(June 1985): 88-90.


CONFERENCES AND EXHIBITIONS

California Map Society. 17th General Conference, September 11-17, 1985, Los Angeles and San Francisco. For more information, please contact: Noel Diaz, California Map Society, 12021 Wilshire Boulevard, Box 2008, West Los Angeles, CA 90025.

Western Association of Map Libraries Fall Meeting. September 19-20, 1985, University of California, Davis, CA. For more information, please contact: David Lundquist, Map Section, Shields Library, University of California, Davis, CA 95616.


19th International Symposium on Remote Sensing of Environment. October 21-25, 1985, Ann Arbor, MI. For more information, please contact: Remote Sensing Center/ERIM, P.O. Box 8616, Ann Arbor, MI 48107. (MLL).


Map Curators' Group Practical Workshop in Map Librarianship. September 6, 1985, Aberystwyth, England. For more information, please contact: Mr. N.W.T. Chisholm (BCS 1985), Dept. of Geography, U.C.W., Llandinam Building, Penglais, Aberystwyth, Dyfed, SY23 3DB ENGLAND.

The U.S.G.S. touring exhibit, MAPS AND MINDS, is scheduled to be shown at the following locations: Maryland Science Center, Baltimore, August 17-December 1, 1985; and the Thames Science Center, New London, CT, December 21, 1985-February 2, 1986.


PRESERVATION


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ON THE CATALOGING/CATALOGUING FRONT

by Dorothy McGarry

Ellen Caplan, Quality Control Librarian, Online Data Quality Control Section, Marketing & User Services Division, OCLC, contacted me and offered to send information she gathered on records in the OCLC database. She sent the following information:

One of the major tasks of the Online Data Quality Control Section is to change records in OCLC's Online Union Catalog. From July 1984 to June 1985 the section changed a total of 173,800 records. This represented a 27% increase over the previous year. These changes included 2,511 type code changes, 35,431 deleted records, 4,969 records updated to match LC copy, and 130,889 records with other changes. In addition, staff of the Retrospective Conversion Section updated 10,635 records to match LC copy, while Enhance libraries changed 48,509 records. ODQCS has trained 44 libraries for the Enhance program. They are not accepting applications for libraries wishing to participate in Enhance until September 30. Map libraries are not yet participating in the program, so they are being encouraged to apply. Those interested should contact their networks.

Changes OCLC makes to the formats are usually announced in technical bulletins before being incorporated in the format documentation. Map catalogers should watch for these bulletins; if they do not receive them on a regular basis, they could contact their networks.

Technical Bulletin no. 155, Changes to Bibliographic Formats: MARC Updates Nos. 9, 10, and 11, will be distributed in the next few weeks. OCLC plans to install the changes announced in the third quarter of 1985. Changes to the maps format described in this bulletin will affect fields 070, 080, 241, 500, 520, 534, 599, 690, 691, 755, 773, and 886. In addition, OCLC will validate 73 new language codes for use in the "Lang" element of the Fixed Field and in field 041. The codes will be documented in the revision pages of the OCLC-MARC Code Lists to be distributed by the end of August.

Ellen Caplan also included an explanation on coding of field 007 for certain types of maps. It appears in Bits & Pieces, no. 66, June 15, 1985, which was sent to the networks. I am including it at the end of the column because I have the impression many people have questions about the use of the 007 for maps.

There was some mixup in scheduling an organizational meeting of a new discussion group on map cataloging, which is being held under the aegis of the RTSD Cataloging and Classification Section. Despite the problems, about 10 people showed up and had a lively discussion of topics that such a group could usefully discuss. There was much enthusiasm for pursuing the formation of the group, so look forward to the listing for the Midwinter conference, and attend if you will be in Chicago then.

Pat Moore sent me a report on the Cataloging and Classification Task Force. At Midwinter the Task Force voted to change the original charge to add responsibility for subject cataloging and classification. The proposal has been submitted to MAGERT's Constitution and Bylaws Committee. The CCS discussion group on map cataloging can meet on an ad hoc basis for two years at annual and Midwinter conferences. The meeting in Chicago included discussing the future of the group, and it was decided to plan a meeting for the Midwinter conference with the topic "Maps in the Public/Union Catalog." No formal program is possible, but an agenda can be circulated prior to the meeting, and general announcements put in appropriate newsletters. At the end of two years application can be made for the discussion group to become permanent if there is sufficient interest.

Efforts to coordinate cooperative cataloging included completion of cataloging of Illinois county maps, which are available in OCLC. Some of UC Berkeley's cataloging is available on RLIN. The report of the meeting discussing possible cooperative cataloging efforts between the Library of Congress, USGS, GeoRef, and GPO, held in Washington Feb. 25, 1985, is available from Gil Baldwin of the GPO. Discussion included the possibility that a proposed cooperative effort be organized through
the Federal Library and Information Center Committee under Jim Riley and include SLA, Federal Libraries, and MOUG, since neither GPO nor LC thought it was currently in a position to devote any resources to developing standards for a shared cataloging effort. Pat received a response to the position statement on expanded Cutter lists at the MOUG meeting at the ALA conference. It was stated that LC would begin to publish the Cutter lists they have in approximately 6 months, in the Cataloging Service Bulletin.

Pat received information from Velma Parker of the Canadian National Map Collection that a new committee, the Canadian Committee on Bibliographic Control of Cartographic Material, was recently formed within the Association of Canadian Map Libraries. That Committee is similar to CCLAT.

Pat reports that the AACCCM would like to have proposals for changes to Chapter 3 ready for presentation to the Joint Steering Committee for Revision of AARC before their 1987 meeting.

Richard Fox has been added to the Task Force as a representative from the Library of Congress.

I was only able to attend part of the meeting of MAGERT's Cataloging and Classification Task Force. Janet Hill reported in her role of MAGERT liaison to the CC/DA. There was also a brief discussion on cataloging of aerial photographs, but there was disagreement on some of the details among those present.

Some topics from CC/DA: The Committee looked at a revised version of a proposal to re-order the rules for music uniform titles in Chapter 25. JSC will be asked to approve these major editorial changes at its August meeting. LC has proposed the the JSC definitions for "analog sound recording" and "digital sound recording." A Task Force will be set up to consider implications of an Australian proposal to modify 22.2C to do away with the rule for "predominant" names. A Task Force will also be set up to recommend proposed revisions to Chapter 9 on machine-readable data files.

Some notes provided by Ronda Breithard and by Sara Shatford: LC has decided to use an added entry for minimal level cataloging records if the main entry is the title. Also if the series form differs from the transcription they will add the series in traced form. Tape distribution of subject authorities will take place after January 1986, with the first distribution a cumulative master file followed by a weekly service. The new edition of LC/SH will include data through 1984. The LC Subject Cataloging Division is working on a shellfiling manual. There are too many revisions needed to the Subject Cataloging Manual, so it will be replaced instead of LC issuing supplements, probably in the Fall of 1985 or Winter of 1986. There is a new policy on related terms prohibiting related terms that begin with the same word. There has been a change in policy so that cases where a term is used as the main topic in one case, subdivided by place, and as a subdivision in another, are eliminated. For example, rather than Libraries--Illinois--Cook County, but Chicago--Libraries, Libraries--Illinois--Chicago will now be the correct form. The CIP office is planning an update project to update approximately 7500 records from 1972-1982 which are still in CIP form. They will work with RLIN records in this project.

In the literature:

_Cartographiti: The Newsletter of the Map Curator's Group of the British Cartographic Society_, no. 10, June 1985 (thanks to Jim Walsh). "£43,000 Awarded by British Library Research and Development to University of Edinburgh Department of Geography." The grant was given for the Cartographic Information Retrieval System developed in the Department. The Map Room of the National Library of Scotland has established a computer link to the Department in order to enter its own catalog records. Other map libraries in the UK will also help to evaluate the database and the automated graphic indexing facility over the next two years.

This will be my last column for base line. I have enjoyed preparing the column for the last several years, but due to the pressure of other commitments, this seems a wise time to stop and let someone else take over.
CATALOGING

TRANSLATION VALUES TO 007 FOR OBSOLETE FORM (SPECIAL FORMAT CHARACTERISTICS) CODES FOR MAPS

In 1984 March several codes for the fixed field element Form (Special Format Characteristics) in the maps format became obsolete with the validation of field 007 (Physical Description Fixed Field). Betsy Mangan of LC’s Geography and Map Division has provided the following statement and translation chart to help users code the 007 field for certain types of maps:

Interpreting the new Coded Physical Description field (007) relative to the obsolete codes in the Special Format Characteristics fixed field area is not generally considered to be a one-for-one relationship. However, generally, there is an easily determined "normal" equivalent to the now obsolete codes, i.e., an equivalent which is the proper "character string" for the 007 field most of the time. Some evaluation of the actual details being coded for a particular record must be done to determine if the "normal" equivalent is the proper code string for the item in particular.

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<td>blue print line</td>
<td>a j a a z a a</td>
<td>uncolored positive photocopy (blue)</td>
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<td>b</td>
<td>photocopy</td>
<td>a j a a z b a</td>
<td>uncolored positive photocopy (dark on light, not blue)</td>
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<td>c</td>
<td>negative photocopy</td>
<td>a j a a z b b</td>
<td>uncolored negative photocopy (light on dark)</td>
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Again remember that these are only the "normal" or "standard" equivalents. Any variations for the particular item being described must be reflected in the 007 field. For example, if you are cataloging a colored facsimile of a view printed on vellum, the 007 field would be fa a b y d c e f g h i

The now obsolete code of "h" is not translated into field 007. Since the information being coded was considered to be subjective and LC-centric and therefore not appropriate for the US communications format the code was simply made obsolete. Within the Geography and Map Division, the coding of a "rare" item is handled with a local catalogers' note (field 952) which is not distributed. As pre-AACR2 [LC-MARC] records are processed [by the Geography and Map Division] to update the access points to AACR2, the obsolete code of "h" will be deleted from the record and replaced with a 952 note.

Users should be reminded that field 007 is more comprehensive in coverage than the obsolete Special Format Characteristics fixed field element. The 007 field is designed to describe, in coded form, the physical description of all maps, not just those with certain "special" characteristics. Consequently, it is required for all map records entered according to I level standards.

For a complete description of field 007 for maps see the Maps Format, MP0:a-b (rev.8503).

—Ellen Caplan

DATE: July 19, 1985

TO: Jim Walsh, Baseline Editor

FROM: Janet Swan Hill

Linda Carlson Sharp told me you were the one to send this to. I hope you can find space for it in Baseline between now and the Midwinter meeting.

MAGERT's Cataloging and Classification Task Force was instrumental forming an ad hoc Map Cataloging Discussion Group in the Cataloging and Classification Section of the Resources and Technical Services Division (RTSD/CCS). The organizational meeting in Chicago was scheduled at the last minute, so it was not included in the the ALA conference program, and was naturally sparsely attended (ca. 12 attendees). A second meeting will be held at Midwinter. The second meeting will be publicized in the RTSD Newsletter, and Baseline, so we are hoping for a good turnout. Some MAGERT members may wonder what a discussion group is, what the purpose of this one is, and what its relationship is with MAGERT.
PURPOSE: The Discussion Group provides a forum where people can meet relatively informally to discuss map cataloging issues and problems. The decision to try a map discussion group arose out of difficulties in offering a formal MAGERT map cataloging workshop or preconference. The expense and effort involved in a workshop is large, and the demand for it is unknown. A discussion group is one way to "test the waters" to see the amount and type of potential interest in more elaborate programming.

STRUCTURE: CCS Discussion Groups are formed at the request of individuals who wish to discuss matters of common concern that fall within the function statement of CCS, but which are not being met by existing committees or discussion groups. Two preliminary meetings may be held, after which the group may petition for official status. The petition must be signed by at least 10 CCS members, and includes a statement of purpose and need for the group. Discussion group meetings are open to any ALA attendee. The group has no appointed members. The only officer required is a Chair, who must be a CCS member, and who is elected by the discussion group membership.

ACTIVITY: In RTSD/CCS, discussion groups are held strictly to the discussion format. They do not offer programs. Discussions are lead by "discussion leaders", "facilitators", or "catalysts", but not "speakers". Topics are usually identified in advance and people may be invited to make short presentations (not "papers"), aimed at sparking conversation.

THE NEXT MEETING: At the organizational meeting several topics for future discussion were identified. The first topic for Midwinter will be: Maps in the main catalog -- Should they be there; How should they be represented; Should they be specially identified, and if so, how (e.g. with a GMD)? We may also discuss: Cataloging tools -- What tools and rules do you need; Are some better than others; Are some unnecessary?

WHAT'S IN IT FOR MAGERT? (1) The Discussion Group provides an informal problem-oriented forum that is not easily managed within the structure of the Roundtable. (2) RTSD has nearly 5,000 personal members who receive the RTSD Newsletter, in which meetings of the discussion group will be announced. The potential for attracting interested participants who might not be aware of other map-oriented offerings is high. Some of these people might eventually be enticed into the MAGERT fold. (3) The discussion group can provide an opportunity to MAGERT to assess the degree and type of interest in instructional programming under consideration by MAGERT.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR MAGERT: Although the discussion group may be of interest to MAGERT members, and a welcome addition to the ALA conference program, several things need to be kept in mind. (1) The discussion group is unaffiliated with MAGERT except through common interest. (2) The petition for official status will need to be presented to CCS following this Midwinter meeting, and will need to be signed by 10 or more CCS members. (3) The Chair must be a member of CCS. (4) There is no membership requirement for meeting attendance, but successful long-term existence of the group will depend on having sufficient CCS members interested in the work of the group.

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WHAT TO DO: (1) Write me with suggestions for topics, to volunteer as a "catalyst", for information, etc. (Janet Swan Hill; Head, Catalog Dept; Northwestern Univ. Lib.; Evanston, IL 60201) (2) Come to the discussion group meeting at Midwinter. (3) If you are an RTSU member interested in cataloging, be a CCS member too (no extra charge). (3) If you do not belong to RTSU, and are interested in cataloging, consider joining RTSU (it costs). (4) Sign the petition for formal status at Midwinter. (5) Ferret out your friends who may be attending ALA, who may not be MAGERT members, but who might be interested in talking about map cataloging.

JOBS

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TO APPLY: Send resume and the names of three professional references to Janet Hazelton, Assistant Director for Administrative Services, University of Wyoming Libraries, Box 3334, University Station, Laramie, WY 82071. The University of Wyoming is an equal opportunity/affirmative action institution.

GREAT MOMENTS IN MAP LIBRARIANSHIP

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LET'S SEE... WHERE'S THE SCALE ON THIS MAP... IS IT A MERCATOR OR A SINUSOIDAL PROJECTION... DOES THE "X" MEAN TRUE NORTH OR MAGNETIC NORTH... WHAT WOULD THE AREA-SUBJECT CUTTER BE FOR THIS MAP... MAYBE I SHOULD SEE IF IT'S ON THE DEPOSITORY SHIPPING LIST... I KNOW I'LL SCARE A REFRESHMENT STAND FOR A REFERENCE.

THANKS FOR THE IDEA, DEAN!
GENERAL


(Map of the world's climates) by Prof. Joseph Litynski. 1985. Scale 1:27,000,000. (Printed in 20 colors, tear-resistant paper, mounted on wooden dowels, comes with 50 page brochure, "The numerical classification of world's climates"). Available for $76.00 from Prof. Litynski, C.P. 366, Pierrefonds, Quebec H9H 4L1, Canada. (JC)

AMERICAS

Geologic map of Tennessee. Scale 1:250,000. 1966. (This old map has been reprinted and is again available). Available for $2.50/sheet plus $1.00 for 1-3 sheets or $1.50 for 4-10 sheets p+h from Tennessee Dept. of Conservation, Publication Sales Office, 701 Broadway, Nashville, TN 7219-5237. RLIN NJRG83-N549. (JC)

Yankee Magazine’s street maps of Boston and Yankee Magazine’s travel maps of New England. 1985? Both 32 pp., 8½” x 11”. Available for $4.95 each from Yankee Books, Box YHA$, Depot Square, Peterborough, NH 03458. (JW)


Index maps for Geological Survey of Wyoming Map Series MS-91, MS-97, MS-9K, MS-9L, and MS-9M. Scale 1:1,000,000. Available for $3.50 each from Geological Survey of Wyoming at the above address.


Bedrock geological map of Connecticut. 1985. Scale 1:125,000. 2 sheets, col., lots of references. Available for $10.00 plus $1.00 p+h(?) from Dept. of Environmental Protection, Natural Resources Center—Publications & Sales, 165 Capital Ave., Rm. 555, Hartford, CT 06106. RLIN NYPG-M545. (NAK)

U.S.G.S. has issued 4 new experimental maps printed on plastic waterproof stock: Acadia, ME; Voyagers, MN; Yosemite National Park, CA; Amistad Nation Recreation Area, TX. Each map is available from the appropriate Distribution Center for $6.10. (JW)
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Status of horizontal control, United States; Status of vertical control, U.S.: and Index of geodetic control diagrams. Published by U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA, NOS are available free from U.S.G.S. (MLL)

High-altitude photography is now available at 1:24,000 in both black and white ($25) and color infrared ($50), none older than 1978, from EROS Data Center or contact any NCIC office. (CC)

**MISCELLANEOUS & ADDENDA**

Address correction for Landsat MSS digital mosaic of souther New England (base line 6(2):70): Cartographic Services, 102-D Hasbrouck Laboratory, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA 01003. (Unlaminated $5.00, Laminated $7.50). (NAR)

The Reagan-Bush map of the western Soviet Empire. Scale 1:16,000,000. Weinberger-Shultz projection. by Jack Huberman in The Nation, June 15, 1985, p. 725. (Be sure to check out this "Cold War Cartography") (BA)


**NEWS**

Charlotte Slocum, a MAGERT Member, has been appointed city and regional planning librarian at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. (AH).

Julie Rinaldi, a MAGERT Member, who has served as Acting Head of the Earth Sciences Library since January 1984, has been appointed as Head of this Branch, effective June 1, 1985. The position is at the University of California, Berkeley. (PH).

Kathleen M. Wyman has been appointed map librarian, Scott Library, York University, North York, Ontario, Canada.


"Times Mirror Company Gives the Library Innovative Maps Painted by Hal Shelton." Library of Congress Information Bulletin, 44(June 10, 1985): 121, 123. "L.C. has received more than 25 original hand-painted color relief maps created by one of America's foremost 20th-century innovators in cartographic design, Hal Shelton."
The U.S.G.S. has advised LPS of G.P.O. that the U.S. Topographic/Bathymetric Map Series, class I 19.101: (nos.), item 0619-g-2G will no longer be separately issued or distributed. Future maps of this type will be included in the topographic quadrangles or topographic specials series. (Administrative Notes, v. 6, no. 6). (MLL, CC).

Representatives of various functional areas within the Library Programs Service and the Documents Technical Support Group conducted a preliminary meeting and site visit at the National Ocean Service (NOS) on June 6, 1985. LPS and NOS will be working toward the establishment of a cooperative project to bring the NOS maps and charts into the Depository Library Program. NOS now maintains its own depository program, and primarily produces and distributes aeronautical and nautical charts. Although it is very early in this project, we anticipate results similar in structure to the Geological Survey and Defense Mapping Agency project. (Administrative Notes, v. 6, no. 8, June 1985). (CC).

As of August 26, 1985, the Special Libraries Association new address and phone number is: 1700 18th St., N.W., Washington, DC 20009; (202) 234-4700.

Hunter College of the City University of New York has a new academic program in geography leading to the Master of Arts degree. The program will emphasize the rapidly evolving and expanding fields of remote sensing, geographic information systems, computer cartography, spatial modeling and spatial statistics, as well as provide training in areas of traditional cartography and field methods. For more information, please contact: Hunter College, Department of Geology and Geography, 695 Park Ave., New York, NY 10021. (NAK).

Kathleen Eisenbeis of the University of Texas at Austin has deciphered the map shipping labels, as received through G.P.O.'s depository program. The complete list may be found in the May, 1985 issue of Administrative Notes, pp. 31-36. Those wishing a copy should contact their documents librarian or the base line editor.

The following information was received from Jim Coombs:

I was a member of a delegation of 67 library and information science specialists who flew to the Peoples' Republic of China in April, 1985 for an exchange with Chinese librarians. Each delegate prepared presentations to give at formal seminars, but we also participated in informal discussions, library tours, and general sightseeing.

We arrived in Beijing on April 13 and spent five days there. We then spent two days in Xian, five days in Chengdu, and two days in Shanghai. While in Beijing and Xian, there were two, sometimes three, choices of activities each day and we could sign-up for any, as long as there was room on the bus. The delegation was split into two groups in Xian, and the other group went to Wuhan, Nanjing, and Guangzhou, while my group was in Chengdu and Shanghai. The two groups reunited in Hong Kong for two days of R & R before flying back home.

A typical library visit went like this: we would pile out of the bus and go through a receiving line with the Chinese librarians outside the front entrance of the library. We would then be led inside to seminar room for tea and a "brief introduction" to the library. Then we would give presentations, the Chinese would give presentations, and/or we would have a question and answer session. Then we would go on a brief tour of the library building.
My fundamental impression of Chinese libraries is sadness. The things we take for
granted here are luxuries in China, and I am not talking about material goods.
I am referring to freedom of, and access to, information, cartographic and
otherwise. The situation has improved greatly in the last ten years, but
anything, in my opinion, would be an improvement over the lot of libraries
and librarianship during the Cultural Revolution.

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