

# BIBLIO-NOTES

NEWSLETTER OF THE ACRL ENGLISH AND AMERICAN  
LITERATURE DISCUSSION GROUP. #11, Fall 1987

## SAN ANTONIO MEETINGS

### 1. Membership meeting

Date and time: Mon., 11 Jan., 9:00-11:00 A.M.

Venue: To be announced.

### 2. English and American Literature Discussion Group/RLG-NCIP Supplemental Guidelines Joint Committee

Date and time: Sat., 9 Jan., 2:00-4:00 P.M.

Venue: To be announced.

A tradition of the group has been to meet informally for lunch following the Mid-Winter membership meeting. Members may wish to leave room in their schedules for this event.

## NEW ORLEANS PROGRAM PLANNING

The program title for next summer's EALDIG meeting will be "The Literary Byte: Research in the Online Age." This is an elaboration of the suggestion made at the membership meeting in San Francisco that the next program be based on Loss Glazier's proposed publication (see minutes below). Anyone interested in making a presentation or identifying potential speakers should write to Lorraine Jean (Pattee Library, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA 16802), or speak to her at Mid-Winter.

## MINUTES, 1987 ANNUAL CONFERENCE (SAN FRANCISCO)

The ACRL English and American literature discussion group met on June 30, 1987, 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the San Francisco Hilton, Continental Parlor 2. A panel discussion, LITERARY PUBLISHERS AND LIBRARIES, was followed by a business meeting. Forty-five people attended.

### Programs

LITERARY PUBLISHERS AND LIBRARIES: MAKING THE CONNECTION.  
Presentations by Jean Day, Director of Small Press Distribution;  
Jack Shoemaker, Editor-in-Chief of North Point Press; and Roberta  
Rix, Owner and General Manager of

Bookslinger. Nancy J. Peters, Co-Director of City Lights Books, was also scheduled to speak, but was unable to attend.

Co-sponsored with ACRL Rare Books and Manuscripts Section. THE BOOK ARTS IN THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA. June 28, 2:00-5:30 p.m., Sir Francis Drake Hotel, Empire Room. Presiding: Martin Antonetti. Moderator: D. Steven Corey. Presentations by Johanna Goldschmid, Special Collections, San Francisco Public Library; Sandra Kirshenbaum, Editor, Fine Print; Jennifer Larson, Proprietor, Yerba Buena Books, San Francisco; Barclay Ogden, Conservation Department, University of California--Berkeley; and Kathy Walkup, Book Arts Program, Mills College.

#### Election results for new officers, 1987-1988

Announcing the results of the elections, John Dillon, Chair, explained that ballots were sent only to persons on the EALDIG mailing list who were certified by the ACRL Office in April as paid up members. Though some persons belonging to ACRL have been active in EALDIG, they are not eligible to vote.

Vice Chair/Chair Elect: Lorraine Jean (Pattee Library, Pennsylvania State Univ., University Park, PA 16802)

Secretary: Celia Hales (Wilson Library, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN 55455)

#### Members at Large/Steering Committee:

James Campbell (Alderman Library, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA 22903)

Richard R. Centing (English Library, Ohio State University, 1858 Neil Ave., Columbus, OH 43210)

Noel Peattie (Shields Library, University of California, Davis, CA 95616)

Melissa Cain (Davis Library, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC 27514-6080) moves up from Vice Chair/Chair Elect to Chair.

#### Reports on EALDIG projects

Bill McPheron reported that ENGLISH AND AMERICAN LITERATURE: SOURCES AND STRATEGIES FOR COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT will appear in late August or early September. [Editor's note: the publication is now available from ALA for \$29.95.]

Scott Stebelman reported that the proposed LITERARY REFERENCE TOOLS project was turned down by the publishers of library-oriented materials that he approached. Recently, however, Sharon Rogers, Head of George Washington University Library, expressed interest in that institution's underwriting the publication.

Stebelman moved that the project proceed under the auspices of George Washington University. The motion was approved.

Stebelman will ask EALDIG members to photocopy portions of their institutions' reference shelf lists in call number ranges pertaining to English, American and general literature. Ultimately, the titles of literary reference works will be published in an alphabetical list with codes indicating the percentage of overlap among institutions.

#### California Poetry Bibliographers

Noel Peattie described the objectives of CPB and encouraged librarians with an interest in joining to contact him. CPB is a chapter of California Library Association, and Peattie suggested that similar poetry bibliographers groups might be formed in other states. He offered to make CPB's mission statement available to EALDIG members through Biblio-Notes if space permits. Since poetry archives are specialized, one of the functions of CPB is to direct persons selling archival material to the appropriate institution.

CPB sponsored a poetry reading at the San Francisco Public Library during the ALA conference. On June 29, Lyn Hejinian and Stephen Rodefer read their poems, and Small Press Distribution Inc. hosted a reception afterwards. Loss Glazier (Univ. of Southern California), a member both of EALDIG and of CPB, will read his poetry at the annual ALA meeting in New Orleans.

#### Schedule for future meetings

1988 Annual Conference (New Orleans). EALDIG will meet Sunday, July 10, 2:00-5:30 p.m. In order to insure timely publicity, John Dillon has submitted a tentative program description to ACRL. Melissa Cain, Chair for EALDIG for 1987-88, will submit the real program to the ALA Arrangements Office and elsewhere.

Dillon suggested that committees be formed to plan programs two years in advance so that tentative program descriptions won't be needed in the future. Volunteers to plan programs or to serve on program committees should contact Melissa Cain, Davis Library, Univ. of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC 27514-6080.

The tentative program submitted for the July 1988 meeting was based on Loss Glazier's proposed publication, LITERATURE OF THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY. It was suggested that this be approved as the actual program topic.

#### Business to be considered at Mid-Winter (San Antonio)

Laura Fuderer (221 Memorial Library, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN 46556) suggested that EALDIG consider cooperative collecting of small press publications. Fuderer's proposal will be placed on the agenda for Mid-Winter, and EALDIG members are

asked to come prepared with descriptions of how small press materials are collected at their respective institutions. Noel Peattie and Laura Fuderer will serve on the Small Press Coverage Committee.

#### Announcements

The revised membership list, available shortly, will include E-Mail numbers.

Tim Shipe (University of Iowa Libraries, University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA 52242) has volunteered to edit Biblio-Notes. The University of Iowa will underwrite the cost of production and mailing.

Betty Day (McKeldin Library, Univ. of Maryland, College Park, MD 20741) announced that Literary Research Newsletter has expanded and changed its title to Literary Research. Librarians are encouraged to contribute bibliographies and articles in literature and linguistics.

#### Other Mid-Winter meetings of interest to EALDIG members

A room will be booked at the Mid-Winter meeting for a two hour hearing on supplementary guidelines for English and American literature for the RLG Conspectus. Discussions will concern ways in which English and American literature collections may be evaluated.

David Cooper (12-3rd Street SE, Washington, DC 20003) reported that these revised draft guidelines had already been reviewed at two meetings of an ACRL Western European Specialists Section (WESS) discussion group that he chaired. A nine page draft of the supplementary guidelines may be obtained from Cooper.

Wendy Bousfield, Secretary, August 20, 1987