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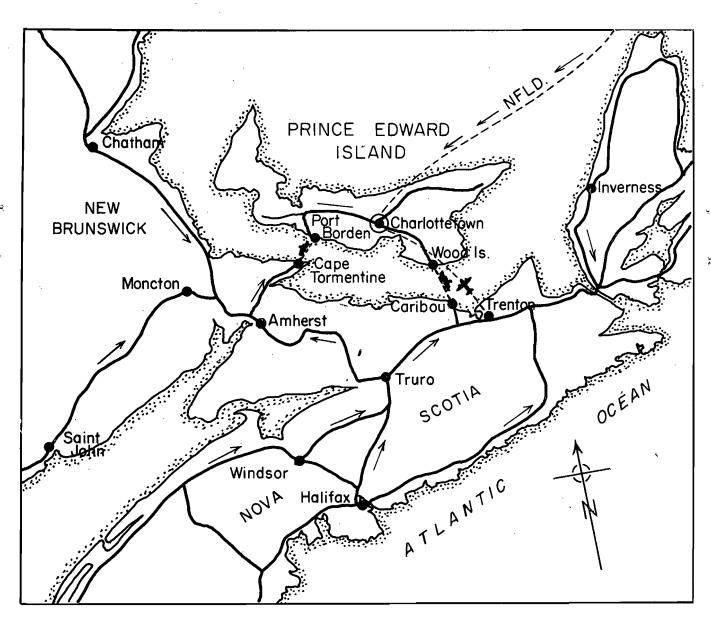
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A.P.L.A. CONFERENCE

PROGRAM

ATLANTIC PROVINCES LIBRARY ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE - May 20-22, 1962

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I.

Meetings will be held at Montgomery Hall, Prince of Wales College, but since a very small númber are interested in staying there, lodging and meals will not be available at Montgomery Hall. Delegates are asked to make their own reservations.

Sunday, May 20	8:30 p.m.	Registration - Montgomery Hall
Monday, May 21	9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 12-2 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 3:45 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Registration continues Annual meeting, A. P. L. A. Discussion of certification Lünch Library Inquiry, Group discussion Inquiry recommendations Dinner tendered by Dept. of Education
	10:45 a.m. 12:30 a.m.	Business meeting Government assistance to libraries Luncheon tendered by City of Charlottetown

Tuesday afternoon

Drives to points of interest may be arranged.

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OTHER CONFERENCES

American Library Association Miami Beach, Florida, June 17-23, 1962

Canadian Library Association Ottawa, Ontario
June 22-29, 1962

Ontario Library Association Combined with CLA-ACB

CANADIAN CONFERENCE ON EDUCATION

(from a Librarian's point of view)

by Sister Frances Dolores
Librarian
Mount Saint Vincent College

The Canadian Conference on Education held in Montreal from March 4-8 brought together some 2,000 delegates from across Canada, representing more than 70 accredited sponsoring organizations. The papers read and words spoken during the four-day convention received newspaper, TV and radio coverage unequalled perhaps by any other gathering of its kind and challenged the best efforts of reporters and 'rapporteurs' by the very diversity of opinion expressed.

Despite the criticism of the Conference for being too big, trying to do too much, and taking too general a view at times when specifics were demanded -- and despite the shadow cast by the omnipresence of bi-lingualism and "the two cultures" -- the Montreal GAZETTE was probably not exaggerating when it summed up the results as "An overwhelming success".

The primary aim of the Conference was "to improve communication among the segments of Canadian society interested in education by bringing them together so as to assure an exchange of ideas and information between the public and those responsible for the direction and encouragement of education on all levels in Canada".

In this the Conference succeeded and it did so not so much by bringing its 2,000 delegates into the conference and banquet halls to listen to eminent speakers at several plenary sessions, but chiefly by giving delegates the opportunity to fan out into special interest groups called forums.

There were seven of these forums, each of which had its own chairman and co-chairman, a study director and four 'rapporteurs'. Every one of the accredited delegates attending the Conference (and everyone had to be accredited by one of the sponsoring organizations in order to attend) was previously assigned to a Forum of designated interest.

Previous to the Conference, seven studies or working papers prepared by specialists on the topics of each Forum had been published and circulated to delegates. They were as follows: A. The Professional Status of Teachers. B. The Development of Student Potential. C. New Developments in Society. D. Financing Education. E. Continuing Education. F. The Citizen in Education. G. Education and Employment.

Once the Forums got off to a start with a quota of registrants (and some of them were oversubscribed long before registration closed), they broke up into workgroups of from 15 to 50 where individuals had an opportunity to voice ideas (or pet theories), have them discussed and debated, and if they were worth enough, eventually formulated into a Recommendation from the Forum at the close of the Conference.

What part did librarians take in all this activity?
Well, first of all the Canadian Library Association was invited to send twenty delegates to this Conference whereas at the first one held in Ottawa three years ago, CLA had been represented merely by a few observers. Of the 20 delegates, nine were from public libraries, four were school librarians, two college and university, and three were trustees. There were in addition the official representatives of Canadian Library Week, the Canadian Association of Children's Librarians, and Miss Elizabeth Morton, Executive Director of the Canadian Library Association. Five other librarians were present as representatives of other organizations, one of whom (Mr. William L. Graff, Chief Librarian of North York Public Library) was one of the 'rapporteurs' for Forum "E".

The CLA delegation was perhaps one of the best prepared groups attending the Conference from the point of view of having its goals defined. This was in no small measure due to the planning of Miss Bertha Bassam, Chairman, who had also attended some of the planning sessions of the Conference Committee. Through the coordinated efforts of Miss Bassam and Miss Morton, all the librarians attending the Conference met together for an informal round-table discussion Saturday evening before the opening of the Conven-Delegates were distributed according to their interests and preferences among the seven Forums so that in each Forum at least one or two librarians would participate and in some (notably Forum "E", Continuing Education) there were several librarians. Librarians also planned informal breakfast or luncheon get-togethers during the Forum discussion sessions and at the end of the week, Miss Bassam again met with her delegation to sum up opinion.

were educators and the cross-section of citizens attending the Canadian Conference on Education any more aware of the role of libraries and librarians in the general education program as a result of CLA participation? I think so: According to reports, there was no Workshop meeting at which a librarian was present that did not offer some opportunity to highlight an angle of the library potential. There may have been one or two where the 'stage-management' was more deliberate and the spot-light turned on full. Most of us discovered that the stony stares we received for saying "our piece" was not due to any actual hostility to the library idea but simply to the fact that some people had never really thought of libraries in relation to continuing education, or new developments in society, or student potential, -- or at all:

Among the more evident products of our participation were the following recommendations presented by their respective Forum chairmen in the final plenary session of the Conference:

Forum B: Development of Student Potential.

... That more consideration be given to the training of teacher-librarians and that, in rural areas, consulting librarians be made available to visit schools.

Forum C: New Developments in Society.

... That good public and school library service is essential to the achievement of the aims expressed in the above recommendations (3,4,5,8,9,11,12,13,14,16) and that therefore they should be provided for all Canadians.

Forum E: Continuing Education.

... This Forum urges educators to recognize the public library as a fundamental education service. Books, other written materials, films and records are the basic tools of formal and informal education. We recommend increased financial support at the local and provincial levels of government, augmented by federal aid, so as to raise present services across the country to approved standards.

Forum F: The Citizen in Education.

- ...a. That Departments of Education or of Cultural Affairs assist in the expansion and coordination of library services at the community level.
 - b. That provinces which do not have Supervisors of School Library Services in Departments of Education appoint them to advise and assist local educational authorities in providing adequate school library service.

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RECRUITMENT

Careers in Librarianship were among those discussed at the Annual Student Career Counselling Program held by the National Employment Service at their offices in Halifax on May 2 and 3.

Miss Shirley Coulter, Supervisor of School Libraries, conducted interviews. Although 13 students had shown an interest in Librarianship, only 6 showed up (a good average) but these students asked pertinent questions and seemed genuinely interested in this particular profession.

Several letters from students requesting information about this profession have been received recently by the Teachers' Library, proving that students are certainly becoming more aware of the possibilities of Librarianship as a career.

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BOOK NOTES

PICTOU-INSPIRED BOOK

from the Pictou Advocate February 22, 1962

Lilla Stirling has written a new book about Pictou called The Stowaway Piper. This is her fourth book for children of the age which she understands so well since she teaches school - the fourth grade - in Stamford, Connecticut. You will want to read the charming story yourself of Dougal Donald Macdonald, and read it aloud to the younger members of your family.

The autographed copy presented to the Pictou Regional Library by Miss Stirling bear the following message:

To Pictou, The Inspiration of Dougal D.

There is a town
Where gleaming church spires
Catch the morning light.
There is a town
Where the sea laps softly
Caressing the shore,
A town rich in history and legend!
Whose ancestors brought courage,
To the junior citizens of this town,
Preseverance and spirituality to New Scotland,
I send this book!

Miss Stirling, daughter of Dr. A. D. Stirling, visits Pictou every summer and her many friends and admirers are always pleased when another book appears under her name.

The delightful illustrations are by Kurt Werth, and the book is published by Thomas Nelson & Sons.

YOU ENGLISH WORDS, by John Moore. London, Collins, 1961.

"You English words / I know you; / You are light as dreams/
Tough as oak, / Precious as gold, / As poppies and corn. / Or an old cloak."

Edward Thomas.

A man who is evidently an avid collector of word lore exhibits in this book some of the treasures he gathered in wide reading of all kind of authors. He delves into the history of English - its derivation from remote Indo-European ancestry, developments

through the centuries, the influence of languages such as Norman French and Latin, and the assimilation of words picked up all over the world - in Arabia, Malaya, North America, Japan, or Russia. He presents words derived from the names of people and places, invented words, words of unknown origin, euphemisms, and words that have acquired entirely new meanings.

One chapter takes us into a byway of the language, and introduces the dialect words he knew in childhood in his native Gloucester - many of which he later met in Shakespeare's works, for example, "Squitch" and moithered". Such words add vitality and expressiveness to the talk of the country people.

He talks about English writers noted for their skill with words and considers the great influence on the English lnaguage wielded by the King James Bible and by Shakespeare.

Dictionaries also caught his attention - Dr. Johnson's Dictionary, which he worked on for seven years and probably wouldn't have completed except for economic necessity, - and the Oxford Dictionary, begun in the 19th century by Richard C. Trench and requiring 70 years to complete.

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Written in graceful style which avoids the pitfalls of compilation, YOU ENGLISH WORDS can lead the reader to new appreciation of our language.

D. Cullen

COMFORTABLE WORDS, by Bergen Evans. N.Y., Random House, 1962.

"Uncle, for God's sake, speak comfortable words". Richard II.

In dictionary arrangement, this book deals with words and phrases, tracing etymology, commenting on pronunciation, changes in word meaning, the evolution of new words, and other aspects of the English language.

The author explains that many words not used in written English are acceptable in speaking, and he condemns a rigid attitude toward the form of the language - he thinks that those who object to such formations as "enthuse" and "destruct" are fighting a losing battle. His paragraphs on "aunt" and "buoy" support the pronunciations common hereabouts.

The usefulness of this book for reference purposes may be doubtful, but one can find in it many interesting though unessential bits of information:

Why is New York called Gatham? Have hatters more inclination to madness than other people? Why is the word "Mayday" used as a distress call? Who concocted the tale of the Great Panjandrum? What is the tune the old cow died of?

D. Cullen

USING LIBRARIES, by Kenneth Whittaker. London, Grafton, 1961.

In his book, USING LIBRARIES, Mr. Whittaker has treated the subject in a manner that is interesting to librarians and library patrons alike.

In the opening chapter, he takes the reader through the library world and briefs him on the different types of libraries.

raries.

His treatment of the catalogue and the arrangement of books explains much that is bewildering to the casual reader and freshman student. The Dewey Classification becomes a real guide and key not only to the arrangement of books on the shelves but also to the contents to be found within each classification.

The catalogue takes on new meaning. The explanation of the Anglo-American Code helps settle the vexing problem of what to do with names like Sheila Kaye-Smith and Daphne Du Maurier. All details for the catalogue card such as, front., illus., port., map or maps, tabs., etc. are clearly defined.

The author outlines and explains the procedure to follow in seeking information and in beginning research. He does this with such careful direction that one wishes it might be required reading at the beginning of the college year.

This little book is a useful guide for the student and a must for the future librarian.

Mary Donahoe Prince of Wales College

INVITATION TO FRENCH, by Margarita Madrigal & Pierre Launay.
N. Y., Simon & Schuster. Paperback.

This book is not a basic text, not a reader, not a grammar. Used by an imaginative teacher, it could help students who have been subjected to oral French for one or two years. It would then be a source of situations within which the student could enrich and expand his concepts and some thinking in the new language at a beginner's level.

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This book could also be of challenging value to groups of teachers (and others) who meet informally in small study sessions to refresh and improve their fluency in oral French.

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REPORT FROM NOVA SCOTIA

Charlotte Allan Vice-President for N. S.

Nova Scotia libraries have been observing anniversaries during 1961-62. The Halifax Memorial Library held a Tenth Anniversary of the Library's opening; the Nova Scotia Research Foundation Library has been sharing in the observance of the centenary of the N. S. Institute of Science; the Halifax Library Association has passed the quarter century mark.

We are justifiably proud of the development in library service over the past twenty-five years, but what of the

present and future?

Most of the libraries report a growing concern for the lack of facilities to provide the services demanded by their public. Public, university and special libraries are all faced with the problems of inadequate space, insufficient professional staff and the frequent changes in clerical staff.

St. Francis Xavier University has finalized plans for a new library and construction will probably begin in 1963. Meanwhile, the staff is coping with the requests from a larger student body and faculty, and in between the demands of a daily schedule is working on a union list of books and periodicals now in departmental libraries.

The University of King's College Library expects to have larger quarters as a part of the general expansion program

of the University.

The libraries of the professional schools of Dal-housie University are working in close co-operation with the University Library in their binding program, and are also sharing in the use of the A. B. Dick Mimeograph Machine in the Cataloguing Department.

The Naval Research Establishment Library reports a revision of the subscription list, omitting journals of a general type, and concentrating on those of a scientific and technical nature. This library now has a staff of three, one professional, one assistant, one clerical worker.

The Nova Scotia Teachers' College has advertised for

a Professional Librarian.

A Committee is working on the CLA Inquiry and its findings will be incorporated in a report to be presented at the A. P. L. A. Conference in May.

The Vice-President for N. S. has been acting as liaison with the CLA Recruitment Committee. The very important task of recruitment must be the business of every librarian in the Atlantic Provinces if we are to give adequate library service to our public.

LIBRARY DAZE

BOOKMOBILE BLUES or A DAY ON THE AVRL BOOKMOBILE

Ruth V. Coyne Annapolis Valley Regional Library

The show must never cease, they say, But here's how it just did to-day ...

It is April 16th and driver Dan and I are off to Port Lorne in the bookmobile. A snow storm comes, and grows quickly. We are straining up the mountain - then finally have to back down to try an easier way. I grip a metal rim in front which flies off in my hand. In five minutes the oil gauge begins to dance madly up and down. As we reach the foot of the mountain - plunk! - the muffler breaks loose and drops.

At Lawrencetown, the garage men refuse to get under our monster as there is too much snow. Danny must: He reappears soaked from head to foot. We buy more oil and then are off to try another more gently slope. We finally manage two stops before lunch, then eat our sandwiches. Danny starts the engine ... we're stuck - very stuck.

As we peer through the storm, we find no houses in sight. Danny walks bravely to the north and in half an hour returns slightly snow-bitten. He has found two houses, but no one inside. Refusing to let me go, he rests a while before ploughing south. Another hour passes. He is back, and has phoned the wrecker from a house a mile away.

We wait... we wait... we sort the shelves... we do exercises... we wait...

Five o'clock comes and we decide to walk to the house. The lines are now dead and the men of the house say the wrecker had to turn back as the snow is too deep. Our hostess gives us tea, warm socks, boots and gloves.

It is now 6:30 and we are walking over the mountain looking rather pathetic. Dan has a blanket clutched under his chin. I slide along in too-large boots. We hope the animals who see us go by are amused since no one else can be.

At last we see the lights of Greenwood Air Base in the distance. The nearest house turns out to be a nursing home - near Paradise!! From here we phone Annapolis Royal. The kind lady in charge of the nursing home gives us coffee and a change of socks (for Shank's Pony Express). We call home...noone in. We call a taxi...they are all out. We call another. It comes within the hour, and finally we are home. It is 8:30...

So ends our sorry tale of woe -We're glad it isn't often so, For as a rule, we'd have you know, Our motto's "Ever on the Go!" P. S. News Flash, April 17. Three tractors and one wrecker pull Bookmobile free at Mount Rose.

ALL ON A MONDAY MORNING

Rova Scotia Provincial Library

MONDAY morning -- not blue Monday, but grey Monday: skies, streets, rain, everything grey and cold. However, this Monday the temperature of the library is just right, we think - until we sit at our desks and receive the full force of the wind from the ventilator on our heads and shoulders. The engineer had promised not to turn that one on until we asked him to. Still, we shan't be sitting at our desks much this morning, so we won't telephone him, but if he happens along, we'll ask him to turn it down.

As usual, A. arrived first this morning, and has uncovered the typewriters and unlocked L.'s desk, getting her morning exercise releasing the peg underneath that holds the left-hand tier of drawers closed. L. looks at the miscellaneous pile of cards, catalogues, notes and what not on her blotter, wishing she could sweep them off -- or at least attend to them. But she sternly reminds herself that the "professional" reading and reviews which brightened her, weekend must be sent on, and goes to the typewriter to make notes and order-cards from them. A. collects books and cards and sits down at the Underwood to type cards for this month's cataloguing.

M. deposits a small pile of mail in L.'s basket, but it is ignored until the pile of reviews is dealt with. (9:30) The mail is quite "ordinary" today. An Interlibrary Loan form forwarded from the National Library; the book for once is in our own collection, so it is removed from the shelf and left for A. to prepare for mailing. Another Interlibrary Loan form returned, as we had expected, from the "Lending Library" as being too much in demand to lend now. The book: Jennings' BOOK OF TROUT FLIES. We have another location for it, which we must telephone, but that can't be done until tomorrow. There are two envelopes of requests from Regional Libraries, which L. examines, jotting down an occasional suggestion or correction. Someone wants material on Stradivarius (he seems to be quite in the news in N. S. just now) including "his violins, how many have been found and where, if possible". L. looks in the 787.1's on the shelf; some are "out", but she finds Silverman's VIOLIN HUNTER and takes it for its interest, and an article in Poidras' DICTIONARY OF VIOLIN MAKERS, which can be photocopied. But "how many" and "where" cannot be answered from anything we have (has anyone else?). These books go on A. 's desk with the rest of the requests.

Next is a letter from a teacher, to whom we have been sending books all winter for a correspondence course in English, as she lives in one of the counties where there is no Regional Library. This time she needs a "translation" of Chaucer, and material on his "narrative method and devices", something on the Elizabethan stage and audiences, and a "summary or precis" of each of Shakespeare's plays! L. collects half-a-dozen books for her, covering everything but the summaries, and puts the pile on A.'s desk. As she begins the letter to accompany them, there is a telephone call from a Department official who needs the name of the publisher of a book he wants to order. The letter finished, there is an acknowledgment to be written for a pamphlet received, another for items received "on exchange" (with postage to be enclosed) and some free material to be written for. M. says she will have time after lunch to type the letters -- good!

The rest of the mail is easily disposed of -- with thanks to the "round file" -- including a returned loan which goes to swell the pile on A.'s desk. It is now 10:30.

A. has finished the card typing for the morning, and the pile of books is on the typewriter desk to be revised, along with those put aside on Friday. While A. sets to work on the miscellany on her desk, increased by a dozen or so returned loans that the postman has just delivered; L. begins to revise the catalogue typing.

The telephone: two buzzes. But this is a simple request for a location of a title in the Union Catalogue, and takes but a few seconds. The revising finished, the perfect sets of cards are put away to be filed next month, the books to be "processed" -- buzz, buzz again -- can we find a poem that used to be in an old Nova Scotia reader: King Hakon's Last Battle. (With the help of the N. S. Collection at the Legislative Library and the memory of one of the staff in the Teachers' Library, we do).

11:25. A. brings the results of her searching for items on the request slips to be checked by L. There is just time to do this before lunch. A. settles once more at the typewriter to correct any errors on the catalogue cards.

Monday morning is over!!

Address on a letter recently received at the Nova Scotia Provincial Library:

THE LIBRARIAN
UNIVERSITY OF NOVA SCOTIA
NEWFOUNDLAND, CANADA

BULLETIN BRIEFS

-ANNAPOLIS VALLEY REGIONAL LIBRARY— During Canadian Library Week we were interested to hear the Gillans in the daily CBC Farm Radio Program come to the defense of library service to rural areas. Newspapers had reported doubt expressed on the part of a few municipal councillors about the value of the bookmobile in their districts. The Gillans, realizing the importance of books as educational tools, interviewed various members of the community in an effort to secure signatures to a petition to continue this invaluable service.

-HALIFAX LIBRARY ASSOCIATION- The April meeting was held at the New Men's Residence, Dalhousie University, when Professor J. Zarand, St. Mary's University, spoke on oriental rugs. The annual meeting will be held on May 7, at

Mount Saint Vincent College.

-NEWFOUNDLAND REGIONAL LIBRARIES- LEWISPORTE-The library here is one of the most attractive in the province and is very well used. An annual house-to-house fund raising project, which substantially adds to the Library Board's revenue, provided new furniture for the library this past year. This town now has an excellent weekly newspaper to which Mrs. Downton, the librarian, frequently contributes items about the library and reviews of new books acquired. BOTWOOD-This library is now situated on the ground floor of the Masonic Building, quarters being provided free of cost through the co-operation of the Town Council and the Masonic Lodge. GLOVERTOWN. A new library is being erected there and should be ready for occupancy by late spring. The Library Board has been very enterprising in exploring every possible means of assistance in their building project and have received tremendous co-operation from almost every source. For example, a construction company gave them a discarded building from which they were able to salvage a considerable amount of lumber; the National Parks Commission provided transportation to get the building to the required site; the local Town Council provided the land while the Lion's Club sponsored a social function to raise funds. The Board also sent letters to numerous former residents requesting contributions and received a splendid response.

-SAINT JOHN FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY- BOYS' AND GIRLS' ROOM- The monthly story hour started in Young Canada's Book Week with the theme "Fairy Tales Around the World". Mrs. Eileen Travis, dressed in authentic costumes, was the storyteller. Preceding each story hour Mrs. Travis and Mrs. Armitage put in many hours of research to obtain suitable classical music to be used

as background during the stories. At the Christmas story hour, 137 children were present as well as 7 adults. In October and November, 14 classes of school children accompanied by their teachers, spent a morning at the library. Talks were given by various staff members on the use of the library and the books that could be found there. Through the kindness of several business firms who lent display racks to the library, a fine display of 300 new books was arranged during YCBW.

-GLACE BAY- During the past year the library assisted ever increasing numbers of students from both elementary and high schools. Students from Xavier Junior College residing in Glace Bay and district continue to use the library extensively, and while it is not possible for a small public library to devote too much space to material which is primarily useful to college students, efforts have been made to increase the collection in English literature, economics and history with

books which would also appeal to general readers.
-YARMOUTH PUBLIC LIBRARY- Because of the forming of the new Drama Study Group in this town, the Library has been given two books which may be of special interest to members of this group, -- One Hundred Years of Theatre in America, by Daniel Blum, and The Developmentof Dramatic Art, new edition, by

Donald Clive Stuart.

-CAPE BRETON REGIONAL LIBRARY- NORTH SYDNEY BRANCH- YCBW was celebrated by book displays, gay posters and two contests, and increased use of the library was stimulated by teachers who arranged book displays and gave talks to their students. A conference of Branch Librarians was held HEADQUARTERSrecently when representatives of seven libraries serving communities of fewer than 14,000 inhabitants met for discussion of their activities and problems. GLACE BAY LIBRARY- A highrarian, Miss Isabel Abernethy, was assisted in this by Miss Ruth McDormand, Supervisor of Branch Libraries, and Miss Cathy Nichols, of the James McConnell Memorial Library, Sydney. -VICTORIA COUNTY- The reading habits of Victoria County residents came in for praise in Baddeck in February during a heated County Council debate on the merits of the Regional Library system. The controversy arose when several councillors suggested scrapping the library service and applying the savings toward a wage increase for the county's teachers. Councillor John Montgomery entered the debate on the side of the library and said that it had been a great force for adult education and had played a key part in the school system. He noted that unofficial library surveys had rated Victoria County foremost in an island-wide trend toward better quality literature. School Inspector R. G. Bain informed the Council that from a financial viewpoint, the county must retain the library service or face the cost of establishing separate libraries in all County schools. (WHY DOES IT HAVE TO BE EITHER - OR??? Ed.) After hearing the views of the above speakers, Council dropped the matter with no further action taken.

-COLCHESTER-EAST HANTS REGIONAL LIBRARY - TRURO- On Friday morning, January 26, the senior class of Play School, which is held at the First United Church, paid a visit to the Children's Room. The children were greeted by Miss Anne Loughead, Children's Librarian, who showed them a number of picture books and told the story of Millions of Cats, by Wanda Gag, and Petunia, by Roger Duvoisin. TATAMAGOUCHE- Branch librarian, Mrs. Lloyd Campbell, reports that teenagers in this area have been responsible for boosting library circulation during the past two years. BOOKMOBILE- Regional Librarian. Miss Greta L. Rose, reports that according to figures submitted by teachers of rural schools in this area, their pupils are making good use of the book deposits. These deposits are left at approximately 50 schools and average one book per pupil. Each book is read, of course, by many children. For the first three months of 1962 the number of books read by these rural children reached a total of 13,238.

-ANNAPOLIS VALLEY REGIONAL LIBRARY- The annual meeting of the AVRL Board was held in the Regional High School, Middleton, on April 17. Miss Alberta Letts, Director of the Provincial

Library, was present.

-SCHOOL LIBRARIES IN NOVA SCOTIA- The Library at the Regional High School, Parrsboro, is in constant use by the more than 400 pupils enrolled there. There are approximately 900 books in the collection as well as a variety of current magazines. Every class in the school from Grade 7 to 12 has a reading period once a week when students are free to browse and borrow books. In addition to this period, bus students are given a choice each day at 12:30 of visiting the library, using the gym or going outdoors. School librarian, Mrs. Viva Maloney, reports that many students choose to spend this time in the Library.

-LIBRARY COMMITTEE, NOVA SCOTIA FEDERATION OF HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATIONS- This committee held its second meeting at Morrison High School, Glace Bay, on April 3. Plans were made for participation of its members in the program at the annual confermance.

ence, July 11-12.

TEACHERS' LIBRARY, HALIFAX- During Canadian Library Week,
Miss Shirley Coulter, Supervisor of School Libraries for Nova
Scotia, was interviewed on the school library situation in
Canada by Mrs. Helen Golding for the CBC program Trans-Canada
Matinee, and on school libraries in Nova Scotia by Joan Marshall
for her women's morning program. Early in April, Miss Coulter
visited the Coxheath Elementary School, Cape Breton, to
assist the Library Committee with setting up a library and
the Port Hawkesbury School to see the library there. This
school was to have a library room and shelves and reading
tables had been provided. However, the room was immediately
needed as a classroom so the stage in the gym was converted
to a library. A partition was constructed to separate the
library from the main gym and posters, book jackets, and contributions from the different classes decorate the library
side. An occasional basketball thudding against the partition

does cause a slight distraction, but Miss Pat Cunningham, teacher in charge, reports that the students have developed tremendous powers of concentration and the library is used constantly for research and study. The students themselves are extremely interested in the library and have formed a Library Committee which keeps the shelves in order, looks after library routines and assists Miss Cunningham in many ways. On the afternoon of Miss Coulter's visit a "mending party" was held with volunteer workers coming to the library during their spare periods to mend and letter books and to talk to her about the library. On April 17, Miss Coulter took part in a large career conference held at the Hants East Rural High School when she spoke to two groups of students on Librarianship as a Career. A book display of recent additions to the Teachers' Library was on exhibit during the Conference held by the N. S. Teachers' Union, April 24-27. A display of books on child art and art education was sent to the Conference of the N. S. Society for Education through Art, held at Centre School, Lunenburg Co., May 4-5.

-PICTOU COUNTY REGIONAL LIBRARY- Mrs. Margaret Wheeler, Chief Librarian, was guest speaker at the West Side Home and School Association in March and at the New Glasgow

Rotary Club in April.

-NEW GLASGOW LIBRARY- Among the many requests made recently was a call from a local industry for a Spanish dictionary. This firm is carrying on correspondence with a Spanish-speaking country in a search for new business prospects. The dictionary is a search for new business prospects.

tionary was secured through Interlibrary Loan...

-CHARLOTTETOWN, LEGISLATIVE AND PUBLIC LIBRARY- Miss Jean Gill, Librarian, reports that, "Correspondence has almost doubled... a large percentage of letters came from people seeking information on former residents... the proportion of young people using the library has increased ... an increasing interest in old documents indicates the need of organization of such material and its preservation ... a slight decrease was noted in the Boys' and Girls' Department which can be accounted for by the fact that nearly all the schools have libraries ... the Librarian is continuing, when time permits, to assist in the preparation of sketches of personages prominent in the political, economic and cultural life of Prince Edward Island for inclusion in the Dictionary of Canadian Biography ... a book display featuring music, art, biographies, was a part of the library's observance of Canadian Library Week ... six beautiful books on Art were presented to the library in memory of one who had distinguished herself in the library profession.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee submits the following names for office in the Atlantic Provinces Library Association for 1962-63:

President: Miss Charlotte Allan

Vice-President for Nova Scotia and President-Elect:
Miss M. Kathleen Currie

Vice-President for New Brunswick: Miss Marian Gardiner

Vice-President for Prince Edward Island: Mrs. Frances Lothian

Vice-President for Newfoundland: Miss Mona Cram

Secretary-Treasurer: Miss Isabel Abernethy

Respectfully submitted,

Mona Cram
Hope Jarvis
Dorothy MacKay, Chairman

TALK... TALK... TALK

from Newfoundland Regional Libraries Newsletter, Winter 1962

The regular programmes sponsored by the Public Libraries Board have been broadcast over CBC every Tuesday night
during the winter and will continue until the end of April. Mr.
Donovan undertook to be responsible for them until the end of
January and did a number of interesting book reviews. Since
then, the programmes have been done by various members of the
staff including Miss Mews, who had done two - one a talk and the
other a reading of poetry with commentary; Mrs. Butt who interviewed Professor Paul West on his recently published novel; Miss
Mercer and Miss Mifflen who gave talks. Featured in a later
programme will be Mrs. Adams, librarian at Corner Brook, who will
collaborate with Mr. MacEachern, University Extension Worker, in
an interview.

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VISITING LIBRARIAN

Mr. Kalu Okorie, regional librarian and secretary of the Eastern Nigerian Library Board, visited Nova Scotia in March and April to begin his cross-Canada tour of libraries.

While in Canada, he hopes to look into administration of public libraries, public relations between libraries and other organizations, extension services and education services of libraries.

Mr. Okorie received most of his library training in England and spent three years at Loughborough College in Leicestershire. For nine months he practiced in county, university, regional and other libraries in various parts of Scotland, England and Ireland, and also spent five weeks in Scandinavian countries.

Following his formal training ten years ago, Mr. Okorie returned to his own country. The outlook was disappointing then, but there is now a school for librarians, combining English and American systems of training, with another to be established based principally on United States and Canadian methods.

There are many vernacular languages in Nigeria today but the official language is English. Therefore, most of the books in libraries are in English and especially those for younger readers. These books would be more useful if they told stories of life in Nigeria. Fortunately, young novelists there are beginning to do some writing along this line.

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Mr. Okorie said that he thought it wrong to have a graduate come into a library to work without having any real background in the library field. Prospective librarians in Nigeria must have at least a year's experience in a library before attending a library school.

Nigeria has no school libraries. Some schools have collections of books but nothing that amounts to much. UNESCO is trying to do something about this problem.

Mr. Okorie said that his country has three bookmobiles. While in Canada, he hopes to see how boats are used in serving as libraries as this type of vehicle would be useful in Nigeria.

While in Nova Scotia, Mr. Okorie visited libraries in the Halifax area, Cape Breton and St. Francis Xavier University. He was also interviewed on local TV.

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY OF NEWFOUNDLAND St. John's, Newfoundland

Position open for Chief Librarian in rapidly growing modern University; new Library Building. Fifth year Library degree, experience in academic libraries, administrative and planning ability required. One month's vacation each year with every fourth summer off. Contributory pension plan and comprehensive Group Insurance-Medical Benefit Plan. Salary will be dependent upon qualifications and experience. Applications with curriculum vitae, names of three referees, and recent photograph should be sent to the the President, Memorial University of Newfoundland, St. John's, Newfoundland.

The Library of Memorial University of Newfoundland requires professional staff (5th year degree) for positions in Reference. Circulation, Accessions and Cataloguing. One month's annual vacation; every 4th summer off; pension and insurance plans. Salary in accordance with training and experience. Apply as above.

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So much for Public Libraries Board programmes. and above the line of duty, staff members have been sounding forth in a variety of ways, on a variety of topics. Mr. Donovan has appeared on television in connection with the various film services available in the province with specific reference to the service recently initiated in the Gosling Memorial Library. He also took part in a panel discussion with the President of St. John's Regional Council of Home and School Associations, and a member of the National Association. This was recorded in Montreal during the Conference on Education and will be broadcast over CBC on March 29. In addition, he recently chaired a discussion on School Libraries at the Parkins' Acar demy Home and School and is to address the Kiwanis Club during Canadian Library Week. Finally, he has done a series of three articles on library service for the Newfoundland Teachers' Association Journal, one of which has already been published.

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REPORT FROM P.E.I.

Mir/ Donahoe Vice-President for P. E. I.

Miss Cullen reports that there were no changes in organization or staff in 1961-62, and circulation remained much as in the previous year.

However, she notes some increase in public interest in libraries, particularly in libraries for elementary and high schools. Seven or eight new high schools have been built in the last couple of years, and these buildings include a room for a library though no provision has been made for supplying books or librarians. The Provincial Home and School Association, at their annual meeting in 1961, and in a brief presented to the Provincial Government, asked for the appointment of a professional librarian as supervisor of school libraries.

A sod-turning ceremony took place at St. Dunstan's University campus last week for the new \$450,000 new library to be completed early next spring.

Miss Gill reports a busy year at the public library. Increased interest in local history has doubled their correspondence with inquiries coming from Canada, Great Britain, the United States, and Australia. All sections show a greater demand for serious reading material. Extensive use has also been made of pamphlets and periodicals. Requests to the Prince Edward Island Libraries increased as did the number of Interlibrary Loans.

Mrs. Lothian at the Queen Charlotte High School has stimulated a great deal of interest among the students there. Library Assistants are appointed in each class for a two-month period. A Puppet Club, under the direction of the Librarian, met after school. (The children participating in this group were not the academic stars, but results show the amazing possibilities that lie hidden in many of the children of lesser academic standing.) A Science Club meets regularly in the library workroom.

Mrs. Taylor, Birchwood High School, conducted a very successful Poetry Contest for Library Week. She received more than one hundred good entries.

Prince of Wales College had a big increase in enrollment with a corresponding demand on limited library facilities. Extra-mural and night class courses also place a heavy burden on the limited book stock.

A.L.A. ITEMS

A survey of libraries who are interested in employing foreign librarians is being conducted by the International Relations Office of the American Library Association, according to Joseph F. Shubert, assistant director of the IRO.

"We frequently receive inquiries from librarians of other countries who wish to emigrate or to spend a limited time working in an American library. We do not, of course, offer them a placement service and usually suggest that they write directly to libraries in which they are interested."

"However, we have compiled a short list of libraries which are interested in receiving such applications, and we would like to know of others," Mr. Shubert said.

Libraries wishing to be included in the list should send the name and address of the institution, added comments on the type of personnel desired and from which countries, an indication of the minimum term for which the appointment is likely to be made and whether the personnel desired are those emigrating to the U.S. or those available for a limited term.

Information should be returned to the International Relations Office, A L A, 50 East Huron St., Chicago II, Illinois.

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As you can see then, Mr. Donovan has been a very busy man and must surely be saying "of making of talks there is no end and much writing is a weariness to the flesh".

Miss Mews has been much in demand to give illustrated travel talks at various Service organizations and Church Associations, showing pictures she took in her recent European travels. Mrs. Butt has been on Trans-Canada Matinee in a panel discussion on Education, together with Mrs. Daphne House and Mrs. Helena Frecker, both well known in library circles. Miss Mifflen will be giving talks on Trans-Canada Matinee and the Sunday Miscellany programme in the near future.

Finally, a delightful and amusing ballad called "The Impossible Newfoundlanders" by Mrs. Butt appeared in a recent issue of the Daily News.

QUOTABLE QUOTES

"Cultural interests and the love of reading are always rewarding; they give power to the young and charm the
old; they add grace to prosperity and are a sure refuge and
consolation in times of trouble. They delight us at home and
never burden our public life. They stand us in good stead
through the watches of the night, on our journeys, and in
the country."
Cicero's speech of Archias, a poet appealing for Roman citizenship.

From Everyday Life in Ancient Rome, by F. R. Cowell. N. Y., Putnam, 1961.

IN FUTURE ISSUES

- 1. An article by last year's A P L A Scholarship winner, about her year at the University of Toronto Library School.
- 2. Miss Shirley Elliott, Nova-Scotia Legislative Library, has been appointed librarian for the Duke of Edinburgh's Commonwealth Study Tour and leaves for Toronto on May 12 to begin the trip. We are looking forward to a report on this Tour when she returns.
- 3. Reports from New Brunswick and Newfoundland on their past year's activities.
- 4. Announcement of the winners of this year's Nova Scotia Provincial Scholarships and of the A P L A Scholarship.



Father Cotter, Librarian, St. Mary's University, Halifax, N.S.