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University Libraries— A Community Resource

Part 3

By Judith Reade

Editor's Note: This is the third and final part of a series surveying the services available at university libraries to non-university users. In this section university libraries in P.E.I., New Brunswick, and Newfoundland are examined. In addition, an overview is given of the state of such service in the Atlantic region.

CONCLUSION

From this survey, it is evident that all university libraries provide service to those not part of the university community, though the range and extent of services vary from institution to institution. The future development of these services remains to be seen, since a number of libraries mentioned how busy staff are at present coping with internal users. No one was out beating the bushes looking for further clientele! Most universities rely on word-of-mouth to bring details of services to external borrowers, as opposed to formal advertisements or public relations exercises.

A number of factors can be said to determine the type and range of services offered. Libraries in rural or isolated areas, where there are few other library resources, tend to provide more services than libraries

in heavily-populated, urban areas, where public library and specialist services are readily available. University libraries in areas where school library services are inadequate (a point often mentioned) offer more than libraries in districts where school library service can be said to be comprehensive.

Libraries which have special collections, particularly in the fields of local history and genealogy, also attract more external users, as do libraries in universities which are heavily used by the general public, e.g., for conferences, continuing education courses and summer-long programmes such as Elderhostel.

Offering service to external borrowers, especially high school students, is not without its problems. Some institutions allow borrowing by high school pupils on a par with regular clients. Others restrict use to reference only; still others have been forced to ban high school students altogether because of problems experienced—demand for material already in heavy use by university students; damage to library books, especially encyclopedias; noise problems; general mischief-making; lack of seating, etc. Most universities accept the fact that high school students will form part of their clientele. Some libraries in areas where school library services cannot

meet students' needs (and improvement is unlikely) make definite arrangements to accommodate this class of user and to provide for students using the collection as individuals or as a group.

One interesting development mentioned by a couple of institutions is the introduction of services to corporate and industrial

users. This is a good example of a gap in the provision of information services to the community being recognized and successfully filled. The proliferation of database services and the availability of information in compact disc format has made the development of these services possible.

My sincere thanks to the Chief Librarians and librarians responsible for user services who very willingly gave of their time to talk to me and answer my questions during my research for this survey of university libraries.

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Library (and Location)	Fee	Services Available for Off-Campus Borrowers	Off-Campus Clientele	Special Collections Available to the Public	Data bases available to the Public
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Centre Universitaire Saint-Louis-Mallet (Edmundston, N.B.)	No Charge	General Public may borrow all circulating materials. ILL. Database searches (Patron pays cost)	Teachers, High School Students, Community College Students, General Public.	Genealogical Archives.	DIALOG, CAN/OLE, QUESTEL, SDM, FP ONLINE INFO GLOBE
Ralph Pickard Bell Library, Mount Allison University (Sackville, N.B.)	No Charge	Town residents may borrow circulating collections. Teachers who are non residents may be issued a borrower's card. High school students who are town residents may borrow 2 books at a time (Special collections not open to high school students). ILL. Databases (Patron pays cost). Reference services. Tours.	General public Teachers, High school students, Summer visitors.	Acadiana (Winthrop Pickard Bell Collection), Folklore, ballads, and poetry (Mary Mellish Archibald Collection), Local History.	CAN/OLE, DIALOG, WILSONLINE, STN
Bibliothèque Champlain Université de Moncton (Moncton, N.B.)	No Charge. Card issued for 4 months	Circulating collections. ILL. Database searches (\$20 service charge plus cost of search). Reference services. 55-60% of the collection is in English.	Teachers, Local Businesses, Mount Allison Faculty (given extended loan period), Radio Canada employees. High School Students may NOT use the library. Has 500-600 external borrowers	Acadian literature and history, French Canadian literature.	
Bibliothèque de l'école de droit Université de Moncton (Moncton, N.B.)		Reference services. Photocopying, FAX, and Database searches available on cost recovery basis. NO borrowing for off campus users. Tours to specific groups.	Lawyers.		QUICKLAW
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Ward Chipman Library U.N.B. (Saint John, N.B.)	No Charge. Card renewed annually.	Circulating collections. ILL. Database searches (Patron pays cost). Reference. Orientation sessions (by special request)	Local Industries, Teachers, High school students (cards available for grades 10-12, valid for school year). Currently 2,500 off-campus users registered.	Science fiction and fantasy. Governor Generals of Canada Collection	DIALOG, CAN/OLE, DOBIS, CD-ROM.
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Queen Elizabeth II Library, Memorial University (St. John's, NFLD.)	No Charge. Card renewed annually.	Circulating collections. Reference services.	High school students (reference only) Government scientists and researchers.	Newfoundlandia.	

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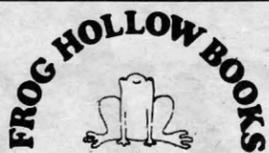
The APLA Memorial Awards Committee has made two awards this year. Eric Swanick of the New Brunswick Legislative Library received funding to attend a pre-SLA conference Middle Management Institute course entitled Marketing and Public Relations. Mr. Swanick will act as a resource person in the area of marketing and public relations for the APLA community.

The other award went to Ruth Miller at Mount Allison University who left in August for a year's exchange with a librarian from Deakin University: Warrnambool in Australia. Ruth's award will be used to attend the biennial conference of

the Australian Library and Information Association in Perth, West Australia from Sept. 30-Oct. 15, 1990.

Any APLA member in need of financial assistance for study or research may be considered for an award from the APLA Memorial Trust. To apply, send a letter outlining the proposed programme and estimated costs as well as a C.V. copy to:

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IN MEMORIAM

Terence K. Amis
(1933-1990)

-by Ruth Mitchell

Terry Amis was born and received his early education in Rugby, England. Beginning his work career on a sugar estate in Guyana in 1949, he then came to Canada in 1954 to work for a Toronto publishing house. He subsequently returned to studies, received a Bachelor of Theology from the Toronto Bible College and spent a number of years involved in church work in several provinces as well as in Guadeloupe.

In 1969, Terry received a Bachelor of Arts in honours Latin from the University of New Brunswick and the following year completed a Bachelor of Library Science at the University of British Columbia. Returning to U.N.B., he worked as Reference and Serials Librarian until July 1971 when he accepted the position of Extension Librarian with the Albert-Westmorland-Kent Regional Library. As Extension Librarian and later as Assistant Regional Librarian (1976), Terry was very much involved in the development of both public and school libraries in the region. This

included teaching courses in school librarianship and helping to set up a demonstration school library.

Terry was also very active in library organizations. His participation included terms as Secretary-Treasurer for CSLA (1972-73); as APLA Vice-President for New Brunswick (1972-73); as APLA President (1978-79); as Secretary for the APLA Committee on Aims and Objectives (1974-75); and as CLA Councillor (1975-78).

Since leaving the Albert-Westmorland-Kent Regional Library in 1981, Terry has continued his connection with the library world as a publisher's sales representative in the Atlantic area.

On July 26, friends and colleagues of Terry Amis gathered to say farewell and were reminded by Rev. Lowry of Terry's deep interest in books, music, and theology. We also remembered his concern for the well-being of others and his capacity to be a friend.

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Canadian Children's Book Week 1990

Tying in with the International Year of Literacy, Canadian Children's Book Week 1990 will focus on the theme, **Reading: A Lifelong Adventure**. To avoid conflicts with Remembrance Day, Book Week will be one week earlier this year, Nov. 3 through to Nov. 10.

Author/illustrators scheduled to tour through the Atlantic region this coming November, are as follows:

Nova Scotia: Heather Collins, Toronto illustrator of over 15 books for young people, including *Woosh! I Hear a Sound, When You Were Little and I Was Big*, and *The Bare*

Naked Book, all published by Annick. Her newest books coming out this year are *The Dressed Up Book*, written by Kathy Stinson (Annick) and *Come Sit By Me*, written by Margaret Merrifield (Women's Press).

New Brunswick: Kevin Major, award-winning Newfoundland author, whose young adult novels include *Hold Fast* (Clarke, Irwin), *Far From Shore* (Clarke, Irwin), *Dear Bruce Springsteen* (Doubleday) and his latest, *Blood Red Ochre* (Doubleday).

P.E.I.: Martha Brooks, Winnipeg

novelist, short-story writer and playwright, author of *A Hill For Looking* (Queenston House) and *Paradise Cafe and Other Stories* (Thistle-down).

Newfoundland: Michelle Lemieux, Quebec City illustrator/author, whose works include *What is That Noise?* (Methuen), *Winter Magic*, written by Eveline Lassler (Methuen), and *Amahl and the Night Visitors*, written by G. C. Menotti (Macmillan).

Labrador: Sandy Frances Duncan, B.C. writer for young adults, whose books include *The*

Toothpaste Genie (Scholastic-Tab) and *Dragonhunt* (Women's Press). Her newest book, *Step Aside Grace Kelly* (Kids Can) will be coming out this fall.

For further information or interest in hosting a reading for one of these author/illustrators, please contact:

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N.B. Librarian Attends Scottish Library Association Conference

by Barbara M. Cowan

The 76th annual conference of the Scottish Library Association was held at the Peebles Hydro Hotel May 21-24, 1990. The SLA was founded in 1908 with 65 members and has grown to have over 2300 members covering all aspects of the library and information world. Like APLA, the SLA has as its main aims the promotion of libraries and librarianship, the improvement of library services and the qualifications and status of librarians.

The conference was attended by just under 170 people. Unlike our APLA conferences, the numbers of trade exhibitors and local

government councillors attending the sessions was very high. I found that there were very few women at the conference and that most of the librarians attending were of the senior management ranks. However, public library representation was extremely high with approximately 50 librarians while there were only 10 or so librarians from other types of libraries.

The sessions themselves were open to all registered participants—there was no division into sessions aimed at a specific group or type of library. The sessions themselves ranged from philosophical discussions to fairly specific guidelines on current topics.

The conference opened on a

Monday evening with a dinner at which the President of the (British) Library Association Maurice Line was the speaker. Sessions then ran from Tuesday to Thursday at noon. For those who have attended jam packed filled conferences in Canada this was a most leisurely conference—starting at 10 a.m. and finishing by 4 p.m. each afternoon. I attended the conference with a fellow Canadian, Ann Curry, who is also studying here at the University of Sheffield.

Each session lasted for about an hour and the moderators were scrupulous about keeping to the time limits imposed. The trade exhibit was well attended and all coffee breaks were held in the exhibit area.

The SLA President, Henry Heaney, Librarian and Keeper of the Hunterian Books and Manuscripts at Glasgow University Library was the first speaker. He gave a philosophical address on the nature of libraries, culture, scholarship, and recreation. In a totally different vein, Dr. George Gordon, Director of the Centre for Academic Practice at the University of Strathclyde spoke on staff appraisal: the need for an appraisal system, the benefits as well as the disadvantages of having a system along with some of the problems that might be experienced in setting up a system.

Performance measure and "how-my-library-did-it" were foci of the director of the Wiltshire County Council Library and Museum Service, Ron Pybus. This had started four years earlier with a desire to measure the performance of the stock, i.e., the usage of the book stock, and had moved on to measure the performance of the rest of the library. A manual has been prepared by the library service giving specifics of their work and examples of measures developed. Mark Fisher, a Labour MP and shadow spokesman on Arts and Libraries, spoke on the policies which Labour would implement if elected.

The final morning of the conference was devoted to shorter sessions but there were more: Library education, library building, and the Scottish Library and Information Council were the final topics.

I was very glad to attend the conference and to have the opportunity to meet some Scottish librarians. Peebles itself is a lovely spot on the River Tweed where John Buchan, Governor General of Canada in the late 1930's grew up. His home has been turned into a restaurant and there is an extensive museum in a nearby town about his life and family.

Barbara M. Cowan was formerly Adult Services Librarian at the Saint John Regional Library and is presently working towards her Ph.D. at the University of Sheffield.

New Nova Scotia Provincial Librarian Appointed

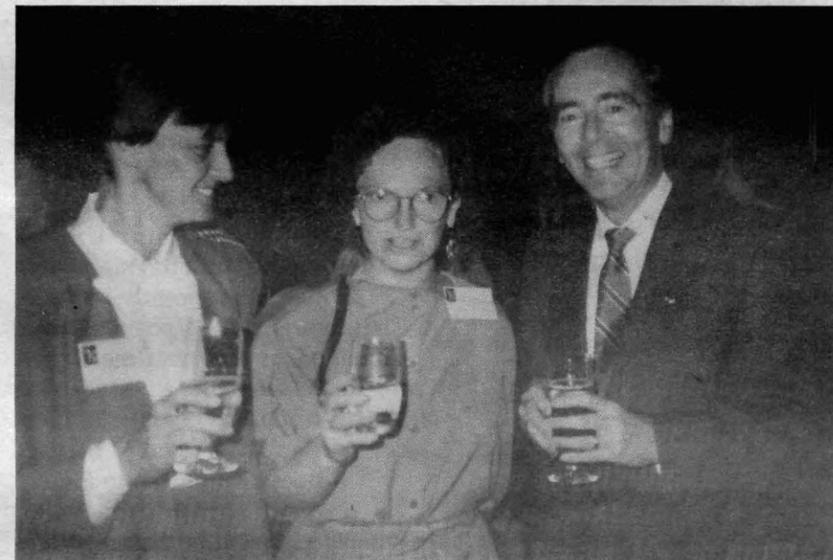
Marion L. Pape has been appointed Nova Scotia Provincial Librarian, effective September 4, 1990. The announcement was made June 18 by Education Minister Ron Giffin, Q.C.

Ms. Pape was Director of Northwest Territories Library Services at Hay River, NWT. Prior to that she was a department head in the Saskatoon Public Library and a school librarian in Calgary and Whitehorse, NWT.

In her new position Ms. Pape will be located within the Department of Education in Halifax. She is responsible for planning and directing the operation of the Provincial Library, and for promotion and extension of library services in the province. The Provincial Librarian advises 11 regional library boards.

Ms. Pape holds a Master of Library Science degree from the University of Alberta, and education certificate from the Ontario College of Education, and a Bachelor of Arts degree from University of Toronto.

Her past activities include involvement in five-year



Judith Head and Ian Wilson meet the new Nova Scotia Provincial Librarian, Marion Pape at the APLA Conference

operational planning for NWT Library Services development and the introduction of French-language materials, programs and services. She was representative for NWT at resource sharing meetings with the province of Alberta, the NWT, and the Yukon, sponsored by the National Library of Canada.

Since 1984 she has been an elected member of the Hay River Education

Society, with responsibility for chairing several committees. In 1986 she received an Arts Administration diploma from the Banff School of Management.

Ms. Pape is a member of the Canadian Library Association, the Saskatchewan Library Association, the American Library Association and the Northwest Territories Library Association.



NEWS FROM THE REGIONS

NEWS FROM NEWFOUNDLAND

University

The 1990 fall Spires workshop will be held on the MUN campus, Oct. 3-5. With 15 presentations to be coordinated by people from far and wide, the MUN staff are keeping busy. Out on the "west coast"—of Nfld., that is—the Grenfell College Library is in mid-bar code as they prepare for automated circulation in the fall.

Colleges

The growth spurt continues in the community colleges in the wake of the reorganization of post-secondary education, although the final shape of the institutions is still unclear. Joan Roberts has just been appointed to the position at Cabot Institute of Applied Arts and Technology which was recently vacated by Pamela Morgan, when she moved to Health Sciences at MUN. At my last count, college librarians numbered eight with a ninth position currently being advertised for the Grand Falls campus. An association of the college librarians is now being formed with high priority being given to developing a shared catalog. However, that many-headed monster—existing systems—has already risen to give this group its first challenge.

Public Libraries

The town of Stephenville has guaranteed a loan which will enable the Stephenville Library Board to go ahead with tendering for its new library facility. A small grant of \$20,000 was made this year by the Provincial Public Libraries Board, which continues to seek special funding for the project from the Department of Municipal Affairs. The total cost is estimated to be between \$600,000 and \$700,000; over \$200,000 has already been raised locally. It is hoped that the sod-turning will take place before September.

The Provincial Public Libraries Board has recently signed its third contract with C.U.P.E. Local 2329, which represents both full and part-time employees, excluding librarians, and a few senior support staff positions. It will expire in March 1991.

The Provincial Libraries Board will be holding its 2nd symposium in St. John's, Sept. 17-19. Provincial board members with representation from the regional boards, some staff and some representatives from the public will meet to grapple with the topic: "Trustees as power brokers".

Gail Hogan has left the position of children's librarian with St. John's City Libraries to take a position at the Law Society Library. The position for Regional Librarian for Burin-Bonavista has been filled by Margaret Ann Fowler. The

Labrador-Northern position is still vacant but candidates from the United States are being interviewed.

The Newfoundland Public Library system now has 25 or 76% of total graduates from level one of Memorial University Extension's Library Certificate Program and quite a few more staff members are among the 200 students currently enrolled in the program, which began in the fall of 1986.

Courses in the program are, for the most part, offered through correspondence, with some teleconference. The Division of Continuing Studies has recently begun to promote the Certificate Program in Library Studies out of the province. So far, the response has been very enthusiastic. Student feedback indicates that the program has been extremely useful to those involved in the library field in this province. An advanced certificate program in library studies is currently under development in the Division of Continuing Studies.

-Elinor Benjamin

NEWS FROM PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

1990 continues to be a year of change for the Provincial Library. On August 1st it was moved from the Department of Education to the Department of Community and Cultural Affairs rejoining the Provincial Archives which had been shifted there several years ago. The official reason was to give it a higher profile in a smaller department. It is likely that this will speed up its departure from Charlottetown; the latest estimate is late 1991 for the move to Morell.

Two sections of the Provincial Library, the Media Centre and the School Library consultant's position, were retained by the Department of Education as being integral to the delivery of educational services. The latter will be moved to the Department's headquarters when space becomes available.

A one-year position is being created at U.P.E.I. in order to assist in the catalogue automation project which is just beginning. As well the library is acquiring Laserquest to assist in retrospective conversion.

The first two courses in a ten course diploma program for school librarians were recently completed at U.P.E.I.. The instructor was Art Forgay, former School Library consultant with the Saskatchewan Department of Education.

Carol-Ann Haycock will be returning to the island in September to give a one-day workshop for secondary teachers and teacher-librarians at Souris H. S. co-sponsored by Unit Four and the Department of Education.

-Don Carter

NEWS FROM NEW BRUNSWICK/NOUVELLES DU NOUVEAU-BRUNSWICK

The Ralph Pickard Bell Library at Mount Allison University welcomes John Pinson from Australia who is participating in a year-long exchange with Ruth Miller, Reference Librarian. While John learns the idiosyncrasies of Canadian academic libraries, Ruth will be down under at Deakin University: Warrnambool.

The University of New Brunswick library system has purchased CD-ROM catalogues for The General Science Index, U.S. Government Publications, a nursing index (CINAHL), The Sport Index, Canadian Business and Current Affairs, and the Oxford English Dictionary. Because of the cost of the system and also to make maximum use of resources, the system has been designed so that it may be accessed from all of UNB's six libraries in Fredericton. The new CD-ROM research computers were made possible through a grant from UNB's undesignated endowment, The Futures Fund.

The New Brunswick Teachers' Association and Library Council presented the Distinguished Award 1990 to Dave Trenholm, Principal of Claude D. Taylor School, Riverview, District No. 15. Mr. Trenholm has consistently supported school libraries throughout his career. In his school, the library was examined, evaluated and remodelled into a multi-purpose, multi-action centre. Mr. Trenholm is the fifth winner of this award.

-Claire Dionne

NEWS FROM NOVA SCOTIA

Nova Scotia Government Libraries Council

The results of a Joint Union/Management Pay Equity Committee were recently released. The Librarian I and II positions were examined, as they met the criteria for this examination. Librarians II were awarded pay equity and will receive an adjustment of that classification from PR(9) to PR(12). As a result of this decision, Librarians II will be classified at a higher level than Librarians III (PR(11)).

Librarians I were deemed to have pay equity in their present classification and were therefore not given any adjustment. They will remain at PR(7). This results in 5 levels separating Librarians I and II. This imbalance between Librarians I and II is a matter of utmost concern to all librarians in the government's employ. The NSGLC has written a letter to the appropriate authorities regarding this matter.

In other NSGLC news, the results of the Library Resources Survey have been returned. A workshop is being planned to discuss it and to prepare a response to its recommendations.

Nova Scotia Library Association

Last minute reminder: This year's conference is being held in Sydney from Sept. 28-30. Details can be obtained from Faye Hopkins, Cape Breton Regional Library, 902-562-3279 or Cindy Kowalczyk, Glace Bay Public Library, 902-849-8657.

The Steering Committee for the Ann Connor-Brimer Children's Literature Award of NSLA is pleased to announce that about \$5,000.00 has been raised to date from booksellers, publishers, libraries, associations and personal donations. The amount represents about half of what is minimally needed to establish an annual monetary award to a children's author resident in the Atlantic Provinces.

The Steering Committee anticipates that the first award can be made in 1991. To achieve that goal, the Steering Committee is soliciting nominations for 5 people interested in serving on the first Ann Connor-Brimer Children's Literature Award Committee. Those interested may send a letter and a copy of their C.V. before Sept. 28 to: Lynda Marsh, Children's Librarian, Colchester-East Hants Regional Library, 754 Prince St., Truro, N.S. B2N 1C9.

Nova Scotia Legislative Library

The Legislative Library is pleased to announce its selection of an integrated library system: DYNIX. The planned installation date is Fall 1990.

The 1989 edition of the annual checklist, *Publications of the Province of Nova Scotia*, will be the first fully automated compilation produced using INMAGIC software. It should be available by the end of 1990.

Efamol Research Institute Library

Kim Pattenden, who has worked in the Library since 1985, has switched careers and has joined the company's front office staff. Replacing Kim as the I.L.L. contact person is Deva McNeil. Deva is a graduate of the Kingstec Library Technician Program.

Kingstec Community College

Kingstec is offering a course entitled Science Information Services. This Continuing Education Program will be held at Acadia University in the Vaughn Memorial Library from Oct.-Dec. 1990. Jackie MacDonald is the instructor. Registration is limited.

Halifax Library Association

A full slate of informative and enjoyable evenings is being planned for 1990-91 by HLA, and everyone is invited to attend.

NEWS FROM NOVA SCOTIA, continued

The HLA Executive for 1990-91 is: President Penny Logan, Halifax County Regional Library; Past-President Laura Jantek, Halifax City Regional Library; Vice President Jennifer Evans, Halifax City Regional Library; Secretary Carole Compton-Smith, N.S. Community College; Treasurer Michael Colborne, Halifax City Regional Library; Membership Sally Wood, Saint Mary's University and Councillors Peter Lambly of Halifax and Sharon MacDonald of Dartmouth Regional Library.

Transport Canada Regional Library
Gary Keirstead has recently joined the Regional Library, Transport Canada in Dartmouth.

National Research Council—Institute for Marine Biosciences Library
"The Atlantic Research Laboratory of the National Research Council of Canada has been renamed the Institute for Marine Biosciences. The name reflects a clearer research focus for the Laboratory ... which will lead NRC's research activities in the marine biosciences with emphasis on marine biotechnology and the development of new methods for organic analysis." Annabelle Taylor continues as Librarian.

Dalhousie School of Library and Information Studies—Associated Alumni
The Associated Alumni will be hosting a Welcoming reception for incoming Library School students on Thursday, September 27, 1990 in the Dalhousie Art Gallery from 7-10 p.m. There will be a cash bar. Dr. Norman Horrocks, former Director of the School, and Ms. Marion Pape, the new Provincial Librarian, have been specially invited to attend. All alumni are welcome.

Library Technician Program—Halifax campus, N.S. Community College
A new intake of library technician students took place on June 4, 1990. The program continues to run on the flex year with the next graduating class in Feb. 1991. A new activity for instructors in the program is the offering of evening and Saturday courses starting in September. The courses offered will be: How to use the library; Records management; and, Refresher cataloguing.
The Halifax campus is offering a variety of courses in the Fall suitable for those involved in business and industry. Those listed are taught by the Library Technician instructors but other courses might also be relevant. Information on all courses is available by contacting the campus at 424-7999. It is hoped that those listed above might be useful for both students and those working in libraries.

Halifax City Regional Library
The Chairman of the Library Board, Mr. J. Philip Vaughan, was among several representatives from Halifax who visited Halifax's "twin city", Hakodate, Japan.
The North Branch Library will soon be sporting a new roof. Each of the three branches have had 3M Book Detection Systems installed.
A new booklet entitled **Resource lists in print** will provide a source for the more than fifty resource lists that have been prepared by the

Library. They are available free to individuals and organizations.
Cape Breton Regional Library
Cape Breton Regional Library will host the NSLA Conference in Sydney from Sept. 28-30. Eileen Kingsbury, Co-ordinator of Children's Programs, conducted an In-Service for branch staff in May. Plans are underway for the Library's 40th anniversary celebrations in September.
-Gwen Whitford

Mount "A" Students Vote Direct Financial Support to Library

Students at Mount Allison University, in a gesture of support for the library, have voted to contribute \$45,000 over a three year period to the Ralph Pickard Bell Library.
In the 1989/90 year students contributed \$15,000 to support purchase of library materials
In this year, a similar amount has been used to purchase a security system for the library.
In the third year the \$15,000 will likely be used again to purchase library materials.
According to Sara Guild, incoming SAC Vice President and the 1989/90 SAC Library

Representative on Library Committee, "Directing money toward the Library is in everyone's best interest and it yields tangible results for students presently attending Mount Allison. At a time when the monetary situation at Mount A makes it seem students pay more and receive less, it is nice to see something tangible, such as books and a security system, for our money."
- Bradd Burningham



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YESTERDAY'S NEWS:

The Preservation of New Brunswick Newspapers

by Ian A. Wilson and Diana Moore

Atantic Provinces archivists, librarians and researchers have a longstanding interest in newspapers as a valuable record of community life and heritage. One common denominator of newspapers wherever published is a built-in "crumble effect". This is not professional conservation terminology, but it does express a reality for those of us who have attempted to handle retrospective files.

For generations in New Brunswick preservation of newspapers meant retention of original issues—what other option was there? The truly amazing aspect of retention is that so much was actually saved by a variety of individuals, institutions and publishers. Much has slipped between the cracks but the spectrum of what remains is substantial indeed.

And then there's microfilm. New Brunswick had a headstart in knowing how this technological advance should be applied to newspapers, thanks to J. Russel Harper. Published in 1961, the *Historical Directory of New Brunswick Newspapers and Periodicals* attempted to identify "every known New Brunswick newspaper and all periodicals..." (p. 121, HDNBNP, UNB, 1961). In addition to holdings statements, the directory provided other useful

information about New Brunswick's newspapers and it quickly became an essential reference source.

Due to the very late appearance of the New Brunswick Provincial Archives on the scene and because of the massive size and range of the retrospective mission, responsibility for microfilming newspapers largely fell on other institutions, principally three university libraries: University of New Brunswick, Université de Moncton and Mount Allison University, with participation from the New Brunswick Museum and the Saint John Free Public Library. What a mission it was and is—586 newspaper titles published in 54 communities over a 207 year period! The Provincial Archives has since assumed responsibility for the filming of several of the Province's major daily newspapers and has provided valuable assistance in filming files of older and specialized newspapers.

The program began in 1968 when the University of New Brunswick Library microfilmed, for conservation purposes, its extensive weekly newspaper files, supplemented by those it could borrow from publishers and other owners. Rights were obtained for the sale of positive prints. The market, of course, was and is very limited, so that a price which would bring full cost recovery has never been feasible. In 1972, an *Ad Hoc* group of university and public

librarians, the Provincial Archivist and the Director of Provincial Library Services met to consider ways to accelerate the microfilming process. It was agreed that responsibility for the weeklies would be shared and funds sought to increase the microfilming capacity of the Province's universities through the purchase of cameras and related equipment.

An approach made through the University Presidents to the then New Brunswick Higher Education Committee resulted in a seed money grant of \$2,000.00 for each of the university libraries and the establishment of revolving funds for the future. Hardware was purchased and the program began. The coordinating group became the New Brunswick Microfilming Committee of the New Brunswick Higher Education Commission and met regularly until that Commission ceased and was replaced by the Maritime counterpart with its wider jurisdiction. Thereafter, the Committee members conferred informally and met occasionally and the program has continued along the lines devised. Each year microfilming and microfilm holdings were reported in a *Register* issued by the Council of Head Librarians of New Brunswick. Cooperation virtually eliminated any duplication of effort.

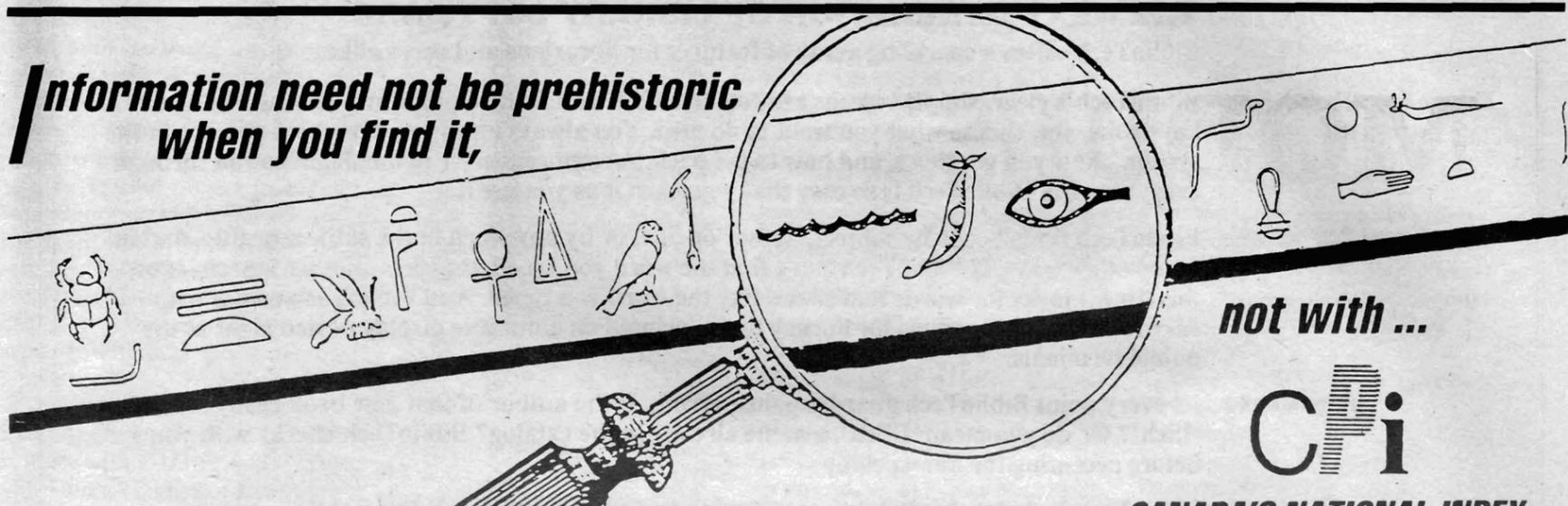
The Committee was agreeable to carrying on the loose federation but all members voiced the same

concern—namely, that costs were outrunning their institution's capacity to support the undertaking, principally because of the increasing cost of raw microfilm and the small and fragile market which precluded setting a price which would ensure full cost recovery. The labour intensive aspects of ensuring as complete a collection as possible prior to filming represented an additional cost.

The earlier Canadian Library Association microfilming projects also accomplished a great deal in their aim to preserve a cross section of Canadian community newspapers. The National Library of Canada's 1972 initiative is now a matter of well documented benefit to the nation. The Decentralized Program for Canadian Newspapers supplied funding for many projects throughout Canada and renewed attention to Canadian newspaper preservation, quality control and access to the information recorded. New Brunswick's response to the initiative resulted in the formation of an *Ad Hoc* Committee of the Council of Head Librarians of New Brunswick: the Committee for the Preservation of New Brunswick Newspapers.

The Committee Chairperson was Provincial Archivist Marion Beyea and members were Sheila Laidlaw, University Librarian, University of New Brunswick; and Ian Wilson, City Librarian, Saint John Free
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 Public Library. With funding from the National Library of Canada, the Ad Hoc Committee seconded Helen Craig, Librarian, University of New Brunswick, to compile the **New Brunswick Newspaper Directory 1883-1988**, which was published in 1989. Copies may be purchased from Saint John Free Public Library, 1 Market Square, Saint John, N.B., E2L 4Z6. Envoy: Admin.NBS.

Where does New Brunswick go from here? Additional funding

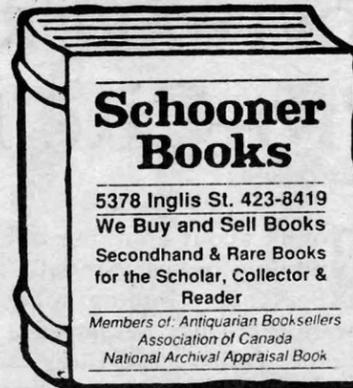
from the National Library of Canada allowed the Ad Hoc Committee to commission researcher Diana Moore to consult with the committee and prepare a Masterplan for the Preservation of and Access to New Brunswick Newspapers. Following review by the Ad Hoc Committee the plan was accepted in 1990. The goals of the New Brunswick Newspaper Masterplan are as follows:

(1) to identify all currently published New Brunswick

newspapers, and to specify the agency responsible for microfilming and retaining originals.

(2) to prepare a strategy to ensure systematic filming of current titles and the centralized reporting of new titles, as well as prepare a strategy for the storage of masters.

(3) to determine responsibility for reporting new titles discovered, microfilming and indexing
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-by Diane Buhay

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Pro-Cite provides 20 pre-defined workforms, each for a different type of material—books, articles, recordings, maps, musical scores, etc. In addition, it allows the flexibility of custom-designing additional workforms for media not

anticipated by Pro-Cite. Each workform presents a subset of Pro-Cite's 45 pre-defined field types such as author, title, abstract and publication date, for which you just "fill in the blanks". User-created authority lists, for those frequently used terms, help keep the records standardized.

Standard Macintosh editing techniques of cut, copy, and paste are available for editing the Pro-Cite records. If a selective bibliography is desired, Pro-Cite has sophisticated search capabilities that include Boolean operators and right- and

left-handed truncation. Once the records have been selected and sorted, Pro-Cite will create a formatted bibliography. The punctuation between elements within a record is determined by a "punctuation file". Several punctuation files are included as part of the package. They simulate various bibliographic styles such as the Modern Language Association, the Index Medicus and the journal Nature. This comes in handy when a bibliography must be reformatted to suit another style. And if none of the punctuation files suit your needs, then it's possible to modify an existing file or create files of your own.

Maintenance of the database is possible with features such as deleting records, renumbering records, weeding out duplicate records, and making global changes.

Pro-Cite is also available for the PC. I have used the PC version and found it comparable to the Mac version. For an idea of what the PC version can do, other than bibliographies, have a look at the *Directory of New Brunswick Researchers in Science and Technology*. The records were created in Pro-Cite and the file was imported into Word Perfect for further editing.

I generally liked the program and would certainly use it again for similar projects. One of the features I liked most about Pro-Cite was its ability to create subject bibliographies. Index terms are printed with the formatted citation below. One of the least liked features was finding my way through the manual. So, if you like to read, 600 pages are ahead of you. For more information on Pro-Cite consult:

1. Cheney, Debora and George Jenks. "To Pro-Cite or Not to Pro-Cite." *Library Software Review* (Nov/Dec 1988): 411-417.
2. Eckhardt, Robert C. "Getting your books in order." *Macworld* (September 1988): 240-242.

Bibliography compiled with Pro-Cite using the MLA bibliographic style.

Version: Pro-Cite 1.3 **Company:** Personal Bibliographic Software

Requires: Macintosh with at least 512K of memory, System 4.1 or higher and two floppy disks or hard disk recommended.

Price: \$495

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- accomplished.
- (4) to identify and specify the scope of retrospective filming still to be completed, and refilming needs.
 - (5) to prepare a draft letter of agreement for holders of originals which are to be microfilmed.
 - (6) to prepare a standard "first frame" and establish standards as to the comprehensiveness of filming.
 - (7) to make note of the "Checklist of New Brunswick Materials on Microfilm".
 - (8) to establish a policy on where and how to keep originals.
 - (9) to collect information relevant to indexing of newspapers and identify cooperative project possibilities.
 - (10) to review existing documentation of current and completed newspaper indexing projects and update.

All four Atlantic Provinces have now developed some measure of control over the major task of preserving and providing access to our newspapers. The *Historical Directory of Newfoundland and Labrador Newspapers, 1807 - 1989* is published. So is the *Checklist and Historical Directory of Prince Edward Island Newspapers, 1787 - 1986*. The *Nova Scotia Directory of Newspapers, and Union List, 1807 - 1987* is expected to be available by

August 1990.

Is the timing not right for a newspapers session at APLA Conference '91?

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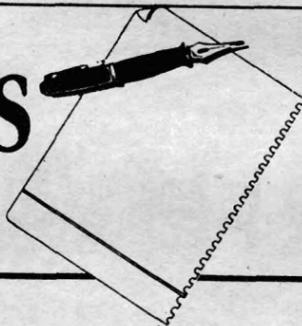
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Summer has drawn to a close, and plans are well underway for the next APLA Executive Meeting, to be held September 22 and 23, in Halifax. Agenda items include our association's finances, the membership brochure and conference planning for Corner Brook in 1991 and Halifax in 1992.

Over the summer, APLA has been busy: orienting new Committee and Interest Group

Convenors, answering questions from prospective members, and keeping in touch with other library associations about copyright, funding for libraries and the GST.

If there are any concerns that you would like APLA to address, or if you have any questions about APLA, please contact your provincial Vice President, or me. Our addresses are listed to your right.

-Andrea John