

Under present conditions, the lectures given in classrooms are generally catalogs of basic information which is available in any good encyclopedia and which the student might well acquire before coming to class. Were he to devote these hours to reading, he could easily spend them with the foremost authority in the field rather than with an overworked instructor whose teaching load may compel him to present a highly superficial and pedestrian treatment of the subject. - Govan, J.F., "This is, indeed, the heart of the matter." In College & research libraries, v.23, no.6, November 1962, p.469.

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Atlantic Provinces Library Association

24th Annual Conference, Moncton, N.B., June 2-4, 1963

The 24th Annual Conference of the Atlantic Provinces Library Association was held in Moncton, N. B. from June 2 to June 4, 1963. There were 47 delegates present. The meetings were chaired by the President, Miss Charlotte Allan.

The Conference opened at 8:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 2 with a reception in the new Moncton Public Library. Registration of delegates took place at this time, after which members enjoyed coffee and cake and an opportunity to look over the new library.

1st Regular Session, Monctonian Room, Brunswick Hotel,
9:00 a.m., June 3

The official business of the Conference began on Monday, June 2 in the Monctonian Room of the Brunswick Hotel. Registration was continued from 9:00 to 9:30 a.m. Delegates also had an opportunity to contribute to the Scholarship Fund at this time.

At 9:30 a.m. Miss Allan declared the Conference open for transaction of business. Miss Allan presented the President's report as follows:

I should like to welcome the delegates to the 24th Annual Conference of the Atlantic Provinces Library Association, and particularly those who are attending a Conference for the first time. I assure you that the local Committee has worked very hard to make our stay a pleasant and profitable one.

We are delighted to have the opportunity to visit the new Moncton library building and the headquarters of the Albert-Westmorland-Kent Regional Library.

During the year there has been an expansion of library services in various parts of the Atlantic Provinces. Two new branches have been opened in New Brunswick at McAdam and Nashwaaksis. The city of Dartmouth has been much interested in the development of a regional library and the City Council

has voted in favour of that city becoming a regional library unit. The Stellarton County Council has voted to join the regional library system. The Children's Department of the Halifax Memorial Library will remain open one evening a week on a trial basis. The Yarmouth Library will soon move into a new building.

Several of the University libraries are planning new buildings. St. Francis Xavier is revising and consolidating its book collection in anticipation of a new building. St. Joseph's University is in the midst of a building boom. Dalhousie University Libraries will have new accommodation as part of the University Expansion Campaign.

The Nova Scotia Research Foundation Library will be moving to larger quarters, and the Bedford Institute of Oceanography library is growing even in the midst of austerity.

The Bulletin has reported several new appointments and changes in library personnel during the year.

The Association was unable to award the Scholarship this year due to lack of funds, but expects to award one at the 1964 Conference.

During the year Miss Shirley Coulter found it necessary to retire as Editor of the Atlantic Provinces Library Association Bulletin. The Association is most appreciative of the excellent work done by Miss Coulter and her co-editor, Miss Evelyn Campbell. At the request of the executive, Mr. Donald Gammon assumed the editorship in January 1963. He is assisted by Mr. James MacEacheron and Mr. Maurice Boone.

One of the benefits derived from a Conference is the opportunity to meet persons in your own field of interest and to discuss common problems. The programme has been arranged to permit participation in interest groups - Public Libraries, University Libraries, Special Libraries, and Trustees.

We are also to have an exhibit of binding arranged by Mr. Thomas O'Neill, representative of Brown Brothers.

Now for a brief report of the activities of the Atlantic

Provinces Library Association during the year.

At the 1962 Conference a motion was presented and carried "That a Committee be formed from among the Atlantic Provinces Library Association to draw up a master plan for libraries in the area with the idea of determining what sort of service could be provided in the region."

The Executive was empowered to appoint a Master Plan Committee which would be in liaison with the Planning and Action Committee of the Canadian Library Association. It was suggested that the purpose of the Committee for the first year be exploratory and that it should report back to the Association.

The Executive appointed Mr. James MacEacheron chairman and Miss Mary Fraser, Miss Jessie Miffen, and Miss Evelyn Campbell members of the Committee. In accordance with the motion this Committee has prepared a report for the consideration of the Association.

In order to allow ample time for discussion we shall now proceed to the business of the Annual Meeting.

Minutes of 23rd Annual Conference: It was moved by Miss Shirley Elliott and seconded by Miss Hope Jarvis that, since the Minutes of the 23rd Conference had been published in the Summer 1962 (v.26, no.4) issue of the APLA Bulletin they be taken as read. This motion was carried.

Resolutions Committee: Miss Allan announced that the Resolutions Committee would consist of Miss Dorothy Cullen, Miss Greta Rose, and Miss Sylvia Fullerton, with Miss Cullen as Chairman.

Treasurer's Report: Miss Isabel Abernethy presented the Treasurer's Report showing a balance in the Scholarship Fund of \$551.22 and in the General Fund of \$617.59. Miss Abernethy moved the adoption of her report. This was seconded by Miss Ruth McDormand and carried.

Miss Allan read greetings to the Conference from the American Library Association. She also read a letter from

Miss Kathleen Currie, the President-Elect for 1963/64, expressing her regret that, owing to illness in her family, she was unable to attend the Conference, and conveying her best wishes for a successful Conference.

APLA Bulletin: In the absence of Mr. Donald Gammon, Editor of the Bulletin, the former editor, Miss Shirley Coulter, gave a brief report. She observed that an extra issue had appeared in 1962 in order to have the Bulletin run concurrently with the calendar year in future. She also noted that the format had been changed to a more compact one. She remarked that Mr. Gammon had sent out a questionnaire to the members on assuming the editorship. Miss Coulter said that she could not at this time supply details about the actual production of the Bulletin.

Following Miss Coulter's report there was some discussion of the fact that the issue of the Bulletin containing the Conference dates and programme and new slate of officers did not appear until the week before the Conference, causing some confusion among those who planned to attend. The President said that the Executive had expected the Bulletin to appear earlier than it actually did. Miss Gardiner wondered whether the Conference information should in future be published in an earlier issue. No action was taken as a result of this discussion.

Nominating Committee Report: As the Chairman of the Nominating Committee, Mr. John Maddox, was not present, his report was read by the Secretary-Treasurer. Miss Dorothy MacKay moved the adoption of the report which was seconded by Mrs. Dorothy Cooke and approved. [Mr. Maddox read the slate of officers on June 4. See p.15]

Business Arising from the Minutes: The President mentioned reports from the C.L.A. Inquiry which were dealt with at the 1962 Conference. The material brought forward from discussion groups held at that Conference was prepared in report form after the Conference and forwarded to C.L.A.

The Executive had been empowered to appoint a Committee to draw up a Master Plan for libraries in the area with the

idea of determining what sort of service could be provided in the region. It chose people who had had experience in this type of work. The Committee has done a great deal of work on the problem and will present a preliminary report.

The Secretary read a letter written by Miss Alberta Letts to Max Ferguson ('Rawhide') of the C.B.C., informing him that he had been voted an honorary member of the Association at its 1962 Conference. A reply from Mr. Ferguson accepting the membership was also read.

Nova Scotia Conference on Children: Miss Shirley Coulter, Supervisor of School Libraries for Nova Scotia, reported on the Nova Scotia Conference on Children held at King's College, Halifax, May 29-31, which she attended as a delegate from the Association. Miss Allan then thanked Miss Coulter for her comprehensive review of the Conference.

The Secretary read a letter from Miss Elizabeth Morton, Executive Secretary of the Canadian Library Association, concerning some posters which have been prepared for sale through the Canadian Library Association. Samples of these were on display at the Conference. Miss Morton also expressed her best wishes for the success of the Conference.

At 10:45 a.m. there was a break during which coffee was served.

At 11:00 a.m. the Conference resumed, having divided into three interest groups, the Public Libraries Group remaining in the Monctonian Room while the Children's Librarians and School Librarians in one group and the University and Special Librarians in another adjourned to the Moncton Public Library to discuss problems of special interest to them.

Public Libraries Group Meeting: Miss Gardiner, speaking to the public librarians, said that, because of the interest shown by the trustees in the Moncton area, one trustee, Mr. J.D. Bain, had been chosen to speak to the group. She then introduced Mr. Bain, who spoke on three facets of library service: the library itself, the trustee as a member of the Board, and the librarian. A question period followed. At conclusion of discussion it was moved by Miss Wallace and

seconded by Mr. Button that the Public Libraries Group recommend to the Resolutions Committee that they introduce a resolution to the effect that the Association have a programme next year planned for discussion of trustee-librarian problems. This motion was carried.

Following luncheon break the Conference reconvened at 2:00 p.m., June 3, in the Monctonian Room, Brunswick Hotel, with Miss Allan in the chair.

Master Plan: Miss Allan turned the meeting over to Mr. James MacEacheron, Chairman of the Master Plan Committee. Committee members Miss Evelyn Campbell and Miss Jessie Miffen joined Mr. MacEacheron on the platform. Other members of the Committee included Miss Mary Fraser, Miss Alberta Letts, Mr. R. M. Donovan, and Miss Dorothy Cullen. Miss Cullen was the only one present of these four. Mr. MacEacheron distributed to the membership a preliminary statement on "The Committee and its Work," and an outline of topics on which reports might be submitted as contributions to the Master Plan. He also distributed copies of a sample paper on library furniture as an example of the type of report that might be prepared for the plan.

Mr. MacEacheron, following his introductory remarks, elaborated on each point in the Statement, read by Miss Sheila Keene.

The Master Plan will express the views of the Atlantic Provinces Library Association on what library service in the four Provinces should be.

The Master Plan will express in a convincing and clear manner the reasons for ideal library service and methods of attaining the same.

The Master Plan will be written for and directed to the librarian, the library board or committee member, the municipal councillor, the Provincial legislator and last, but not least, the interested citizen.

As such, the Master Plan will serve:

- 1) as a guide for the establishment, operation and development of library service;
- 2) as an authoritative reference on ideal library service;
- 3) as an authoritative set of standards for library service in the four Provinces;
- 4) as a yardstick for measuring existing library service;
- 5) as a review of the current library situation.

The Master Plan will take advantage of all of the existing information and advice at its disposal. It will, at the same time, for the reasons of greater clarity, more convincing presentation, and for any other reason deemed suitable, adapt the same in order to explain and amplify the benefits and the requirements of library service in the four Provinces.

The Master Plan will, with the exception of direct interference, make every effort to influence the course of library events in the Atlantic Provinces in accordance with its concept of ideal library service.

Demonstration papers were then presented by Miss Miffelen and Miss Campbell. Miss Miffelen read a paper prepared by Mr. Donovan on the relationship between the school and the public library and Miss Campbell read a paper on the development of special libraries in the Atlantic Provinces.

Miss Allan resumed the Chair for the discussion which followed.

Miss Cullen moved that the Association commend the Master Plan Committee for the work that has been done and continue such a committee to carry out further steps in this plan. The motion was seconded by Miss Fullerton, and carried.

A discussion of method and a procedural discussion followed.

It was moved by Miss Fullerton and seconded by Miss Coulter that the Executive appoint a Committee to carry on with the Master Plan and that the appointment be made at this Conference. The motion was carried.

Miss Wallace asked about funds to help meet travelling

and other expenses of the Committee. Miss Abernethy named the present calls on the funds of the Association. It was then moved by Miss Cullen and seconded by Mr. Allison that the Association set aside \$200.00 for possible use by the Master Plan Committee for travel and other purposes. This motion was carried.

Mrs. Cooke moved that Method 3 [the commissioning by the Association of studies on the topics] be ruled out. Miss Donohoe seconded this. After some discussion this motion was passed in amended form as follows: It was moved by Mrs. Cooke and seconded by Miss Donohoe that Method 3 be ruled out and that the adoption of Method 1 [a study may be made as an original report by a Special Committee of A.P.L.A.] or Method 2 [a Special Committee of A.P.L.A. may endorse a report or statement already published elsewhere, with possible amendments to suit regional needs] or the best possible combination of these two methods be left to the discretion of the Committee.

Miss Gardiner asked how much time there would be at the 1964 Conference, which is to be held in conjunction with the Conference of the Canadian Library Association.

Mr. Allison asked if the topics for study could be presented at the session on Tuesday morning. This was agreed to. This session of the Conference then adjourned.

Tour and Reception: At 4:30 p.m. members assembled at the Brunswick Hotel and were taken in cars to the Magnetic Hill Look-off. Members then proceeded to Magnetic Hill Inn where they enjoyed a reception tendered by the Board of the Albert-Westmorland-Kent Regional Library.

At 6:30 p.m. a lobster dinner was served in the dining room of the Inn. It was tendered by the Westmorland County Council and the Board of the Albert-Westmorland-Kent Regional Library. The dinner was chaired by Mr. Hubert Button, Chairman of the Albert-Westmorland-Kent Regional Library Board. Mr. Button introduced the speaker, Dr. Leon Richard, who spoke on "Bi-culturalism." Mr. Gattinger thanked Dr. Richard on behalf of the Association.

Regular Session, Monctonian Room, Brunswick Hotel,
9:00 a.m., June 4

The Conference resumed at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday June 4.

Mr. Tom O'Neil of Frank M. O'Neill and Co. Ltd., Halifax had arranged a display of book binding for the information of members.

Scholarship Committee Report: Miss Evelyn Campbell gave the report of the Scholarship Committee. She announced that there would be no award this year as there was not enough money collected.

The Secretary read the 1959 motion announcing the creation of the Scholarship Fund. Miss Campbell pointed out that at that time there were no provincial scholarships. The APLA Scholarship was not getting quite the enthusiastic response from the membership that it received in its first two years. The provincial governments are offering more help now. Do we want to continue or have we accomplished what we set out to do, namely to stimulate other agencies such as the Provincial governments? Unless we receive funds from some other source than our present one we cannot hope to award more than every three years. At the 1962 Conference it was proposed to ask municipal boards for donations. This was done and some were very generous.

Mr. Button said it was a good thing to have the Scholarship even if it is awarded only every two or three years. Provincial scholarships do not cover all the expenses for an individual attending library school.

The President asked if it was the wish of the Association that the Scholarship be continued. Miss Campbell stated that comparatively few applications have been received. In 1961 there was only one. She asked for suggestions for better advertising.

Mr. Button moved that the wording of the 1959 motion be changed from "... authority should be given to the Executive to so alter the annual amount ..." to "... authority is given to the Executive to so alter the

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annual amount ..." This motion was seconded by Miss Campbell and carried.

Miss Campbell concluded with a gentle reminder that the Scholarship is the responsibility of the members of the Association.

Mr. MacEacheron asked how much had been collected at this Conference as a result of having a special place at the registration desk for contributions. The Secretary replied that \$34.00 had been collected up to that time. [Total amount collected at the Conference was \$58.00.]

A.P.L.A. Checklist: Miss Shirley Elliott reported on the Checklist. She announced that Volume 6 would appear shortly. The format would be the same as in Volume 5. A key to abbreviations used in the Checklist had been added.

In the past the policy was to distribute copies of the Checklist free to members of the Association. The Atlantic Provinces Economic Council, which published the list, is now experiencing financial difficulties and in future a charge of \$2.00 per copy would have to be made.

New Business: Miss Allan announced that the Conference of the Canadian Library Association will be held in Halifax in 1964. She asked whether committees should be appointed to help with arrangements. There was discussion of this.

Miss Campbell said that in 1954 when the C.L.A. Conference was last held in Halifax, there was a committee consisting of the Director of Regional Libraries for Nova Scotia, the Chief Librarian of the Halifax Memorial Library, a representative from Dalhousie University, and Miss Campbell representing Special Libraries. Nominally the Atlantic Provinces Library Association is host to the Conference.

It was moved by Miss Campbell and seconded by Miss McDermand that the Director of Regional Libraries for Nova Scotia be authorized to appoint a Committee to assist the C.L.A. Headquarters in Ottawa with arrangements for the Conference to be held in Halifax in 1964. Carried.

A letter was then read from Manitoba inviting the President of this Association to be a head table guest at the C.L.A. Conference dinner on June 24. Miss Allan asked that, since Miss Currie, President-elect of this Association for 1963/64, will be unable to attend the Conference, some member of the Executive who would be attending volunteer to represent the Association in this capacity. As members of the Executive were not sure whether they would be attending, Miss Cullen, President for 1961/62, agreed to represent the Association.

Miss Campbell moved that greetings be sent from this Association to the Canadian Library Association on the occasion of their meeting in Winnipeg this June and that the Secretary-Treasurer be authorized to send such greetings. This was seconded by Miss Newsom and carried.

Miss Allan announced that the Master Plan Committee for 1963/64 had been appointed as follows: Chairman, Mr. James MacEacheron, members, Miss Pauline Home and Mr. F.E. Gattinger.

Miss Allan then called for topics for the Master Plan for 1964 for the guidance of the Committee. Mr. MacEacheron asked that this be left for discussion by various groups which would be meeting later in the morning.

Miss Cullen, Chairman of the Resolutions Committee, presented its report as follows: - Resolved that the thanks of the Atlantic Provinces Library Association be expressed to:

- 1) the Albert-Westmorland-Kent Regional Library for hospitality to the Conference and to its staff for excellent arrangements for the Conference.
- 2) the Westmorland County Council and the Board of the Albert-Westmorland-Kent Regional Library for the most enjoyable dinner at Magnetic Hill.
- 3) the City of Moncton for the luncheon on June 4 and to Mayor Jones for presiding as Chairman at the luncheon.
- 4) Mr. J. D. Bain, Dr. Leon Richard, and Mrs. Vera Day Ayling for their stimulating contributions to the Conference.
- 5) press, radio, and television for publicity given to the Conference.

Miss Cullen moved the adoption of these courtesy resolutions. This was seconded by Miss Fullerton and carried.

Miss Cullen then presented the following resolution arising from the group who listened to Mr. Bain's talk on the morning of June 3 and participated in the discussion which followed: Resolved that the Atlantic Provinces Library Association recommend to the Executive that we have at the next Conference a programme planned for discussion of trustee-librarian problems. Adoption of this resolution was moved by Miss Cullen and seconded by Miss Rose. This was adopted.

Mr. Button moved that the incoming Executive examine the wisdom of making provision for adding a trustee to the APLA Executive in future. He explained that this will underline the fact that we are working together. Such a choice might be made by the President of the Association from among trustees residing in his or her home town. This motion was seconded by Miss Coulter, who also suggested that it should be amended to include library committee members for non-public libraries. Mrs. Cooke pointed out that very few trustees or library committee members are members of the Association. After discussion the amended motion "that the incoming Executive examine the wisdom of making provision for adding a trustee or library committee member to the APLA Executive in future," as moved by Mr. Button and seconded by Miss Coulter was carried.

Miss Coulter spoke briefly on Young Canada's Book Week for 1963. Later Miss Coulter announced that Mrs. LeButt would be the Y.C.B.W. representative for this area.

The Conference then divided into two groups, one remaining in the Monctonian Room to discuss Public Library Standards while the other group visited St. Joseph's University to look at its Acadian Collection.

From the meeting of the group on Public Library Standards, the following volunteered to work on topics within the scope of the Master Plan:

Mr. MacEacheron: Library Administration - Equipment
Miss McDormand: Library Administration - Branch Libraries
and Deposit Stations

Miss MacKay and Mrs. Sowby: Library Administration - Bookmobiles

Miss Rose: Library Service - Children's Work (Mrs. LeButt to assist with this)

Mr. Button: Library Administration - The Library Board

Miss Cullen: Legislation - Provincial Legislation

Miss Miffen: Library Administration - Films

Mrs. Wheeler: Library Service - Public Libraries

Others were prevented from volunteering at that time by the President's announcement that the time of the meeting had expired.

The group from St. Joseph's University then rejoined the meeting and Miss Allan explained what had been done regarding the Master Plan and asked if members of the other group would like to volunteer in the same manner.

Mr. Gattinger felt that the best way for this group was for individuals to be chosen to look after certain topics. He suggested that this group take the list of topics and select from it the areas relevant to University libraries and send them to the various heads of University libraries, explaining to them what we are trying to achieve and asking each of them to volunteer to do one section. Mr. Gattinger volunteered to assume the responsibility for looking after this.

The special librarians then considered their contribution. Miss Allan offered to do the topic Library Administration - Periodicals. Miss Bergey and Miss Campbell will assist Miss Allan with this project.

Mrs. Cooke, President of the Halifax Library Association, said that this Association will tackle a topic and do what they can. They will announce their topic later.

Slate of Officers for 1963/64: Miss Allan then called upon Mr. John Maddox, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, whose report was read and adopted in his absence at the first business meeting on June 3, to read the slate of officers for 1963/64. Mr. Maddox read as follows:

President

Miss M. Kathleen Currie, Halifax Memorial Library,
Halifax, N. S.

Vice-President for Newfoundland and President-Elect

Mr. F. Eugene Gattinger, Memorial University of
Newfoundland, St. John's, Newfoundland

Secretary-Treasurer

Miss Ruth McDormand, Cape Breton Regional Library,
Sydney, N. S.

Vice-President for New Brunswick

Mr. Yves Roberge, Albert-Westmorland-Kent Regional
Library, Moncton, N. B.

Vice-President for Nova Scotia

Miss Gladys F. Black, Nova Scotia Provincial Library,
Halifax, N. S.

Vice-President for Prince Edward Island

Miss Mary E. Newsom, Charlottetown Public Library,
Charlottetown, P. E. I.

Other members of the executive, ex officio are:

Past-President

Miss Charlotte Allan, Bedford Oceanographic Institute,
Dartmouth, N. S.

Editor of the APLA Bulletin

Mr. Donald B. Gammon, Research Station, Canada Agriculture,
Box 280, Fredericton, N. B.

Miss Allan then explained that, since the President-Elect for 1963/64, Miss Currie, was unable to be present, Mr. Gattinger, President-Elect for 1964/65 would take the chair in her place.

Mr. Gattinger then assumed the chair. He asked for discussion on the 1964 meeting of the Association. Would we wish to meet at a separate time from the Canadian Library Association or immediately before or after their meeting, or by a combination of the two or concurrently with C.L.A. by co-operation with the C.L.A. Committee?

Miss Gardiner moved and Miss McDormand seconded that we hold the APLA Conference for one full day prior to the

C.L.A. Conference.

Mr. Gattinger asked whether, if we follow this plan and if certain meetings have to be held in abeyance, we could meet again during the week.

Miss Gardiner said it was discovered last year that a joint conference does not work. Miss Cullen objected to having meetings all day on a Sunday. Saturday was then suggested as a possibility.

It was then suggested that we pass Miss Gardiner's motion and leave the choice of a day to the Executive. The motion, that we hold the APLA Conference for one full day prior to the C.L.A. Conference, was then put to the vote and carried.

Members then attended a luncheon given by the city of Moncton at the Brunswick Hotel. Mayor L. C. Jones of Moncton welcomed the members of the Association and expressed his regret that he would be unable to remain to chair the meeting. Mr. Button then assumed this position.

Miss Marian Gardiner introduced the guest speaker, Mrs. Vera Day Ayling, who spoke on "The Ups and Downs of a Woman Journalist." Miss Coulter thanked Mrs. Ayling on behalf of the Association for her talk.

Miss Miffen moved a vote of thanks to the outgoing executive and especially to the Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Abernethy, who is retiring from this office after eight years. Members signified their appreciation.

Mr. Button then declared the 24th Annual Conference adjourned.

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Position Vacant

Librarian II, Central Library Services, Fredericton,
N.B. Salary: \$6024.00 - \$7320.00.

Topics for Master Plan

Library Service

- 1) Purpose, Aim, etc.
- 2) Description (to achieve purpose, aim, etc.)
 - a) Public
 - b) School
 - c) Special
 - d) University and College
- 3) Description (by type of service)
 - a) Circulation
 - b) Reference
 - c) Young People's
 - d) Children's
 - e) Audio-Visual

Library Administration

- 1) The Library Board or Committee
- 2) Personnel
 - a) Classification
 - b) Qualification
 - c) Working conditions
- 3) Building and Grounds
- 4) Equipment
- 5) Extension
 - a) Bookmobile(s)
 - b) Branch library(ies)
 - c) Deposit system
 - d) Etc.

6) The Collection

- a) Books
- b) Periodicals
- c) Government documents
- d) Pamphlets
- e) Films
- f) Recordings
- g) Paintings

7) Use

- a) Rules and regulations

8) Public Relations

- a) Statistics
- b) Research
- c) Surveys

9) Finance

Co-operation

- 1) Inter-library (including a statement on purpose, need, etc.)
- 2) Inter-type of library
- 3) Inter-provincial
- 4) Communication
- 5) Library and other institutions

The Library Association (Regional)

- 1) Organization (Study of its constitution, bylaws, etc. to meet recent thinking and development)

Legislation and Formalities

- 1) National (e.g. National Library, Federal Aid)
- 2) Provincial
- 3) Agreements and contracts (e.g. inter-municipality, province-municipality)
- 4) By-laws (e.g. Library Boards and Committees)

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Nova Scotia

Provincial Library (HQ: Halifax)

A laminating machine for book jackets has been purchased.

Colchester East Hants Regional Library (HQ: Truro)

Miss Gwynneth Hughes has been appointed Assistant Librarian. A native of Montreal, Miss Hughes received her B.A. degree from McGill University in 1962 and her B. L. S. degree from the McGill Library School in 1963. She is in charge of bookmobile work and will spend alternate weeks on the route and at headquarters.

The local tourist bureau has mimeographed library folders for distribution, inviting visitors to "join" the library and listing the rules. On a \$3.00 deposit any visitor may have borrowing privileges. The money is refunded with the return of all books.

Annapolis Valley Regional Library (HQ: Annapolis Royal)

Bookmobile librarian, Miss Ruth Coyne, is spending July and August in Europe.

Mrs. C. L. Ingles of the Reference Department, Ottawa Public Library, and Miss Margaret Martin of the Halifax Memorial Library were recent visitors in Annapolis Royal and spent an afternoon on the bookmobile on one of its Bay of Fundy Shore runs.

The Headquarters Building, which also houses the Annapolis Royal Branch, is to receive a coat of paint this summer.

Acadia University Library, Wolfville

Mrs. Elsie McCabe Findlay has been appointed to the staff and took up her new duties August 1. Mrs. Findlay was previously librarian at Quincy Point High School, Quincy, Mass. She and her husband, Mr. Warren Findlay, have recently moved to Nova Scotia. She replaces Mrs. Jessie Richards, who has retired from full-time work after 19 years of service. Mrs. Richards is spending the summer in Germany and the British Isles. On her return she will resume work with the library on a part-time basis.

The most unusual query to reach the Acadia Library for many years came from a man in Mexico City, who wrote enquiring for a copy of his own death notice. After some search, the notice was found, having resulted from a false report of his death during action in World War I.

Law Library, Dalhousie University, Halifax, N.S.

Mr. John H. Mercer entered on duty as Cataloguer and Assistant Librarian July 15. Mr. Mercer has a B. A. degree from Dalhousie University (1954) and a B. Ed. degree from Dalhousie (1957). He taught history and allied subjects at the senior high school level in the public schools of Nova Scotia for five years. In May of 1963 he was awarded the degree of B. L. S. from the University of Toronto Library School.

The Canadian Association of Law Libraries was officially recognized as a Chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries at the annual convention of the AALL on

Mackinac Island, July 3-7, 1963. Marianne Scott of McGill is the President of the Canadian Association and Eunice W. Beeson, Law Librarian at Dalhousie, has been acting as Secretary and Treasurer.

New Brunswick

Central Library Services (HQ: Fredericton)

Miss Marcia Hickman has resigned. She plans an extensive tour of Europe.

York Regional Library (HQ: Fredericton)

Mrs. Paul LeButt assumes the duties of Regional Librarian on September 1, 1963. Mrs. LeButt has served as bookmobile librarian for the past year.

Albert-Westmorland-Kent Regional Library (HQ: Moncton)

Mr. Yves Roberge, Assistant Regional Librarian, is teaching for the second year a class at the summer school at St. Joseph's College in Littérature de jeunesse.

The 1962 annual report of the library was "recommended for its readability, its concise statements of the library's aims and achievements and for a cover which is both simple and symbolic in design" during the presentation of the Julia Wright Merrill Awards at the C.L.A. Conference in Winnipeg.

Saint John Free Public Library

Miss Helen H. Cummings, Provincial Library, Halifax, has been appointed chief librarian. A graduate of Acadia University and the McGill Library School, Miss Cummings has held posts in the Atlantic Provinces, Saskatchewan, and Oregon.

Legislative Library, Fredericton

Mr. Maurice P. Boone was Visiting Instructor in the Department of Library Science, Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio, June 10 to June 16.

