

● ***Retrospective Conversion: A Practical Guide for Libraries***, by Jane Beaumont and Joseph P. Cox (198 pages, August 1989), provides information about converting a card catalog to machine-readable form for use with a computerized, automated library system. The book provides essential information for organizing a RECON project, creating or obtaining appropriate machine-readable records, and establishing ongoing procedures for online cataloging. Four appendices provide a comparative chart of RECON services, a directory of firms and organizations providing MARC records and RECON services, sample worksheets, and a selected bibliography. The guide may be ordered for \$35.00 from Meckler Corporation, 11 Ferry Lane West, Westport, CT 06880. ISBN 0-911259-25-2.

● ***Sex Discrimination in Higher Education and the Professions: An Annotated Bibliography***, by Mary Donovan (32 pages, 1989), consists of 124 annotated citations to monographs and articles that appeared in 1984–1988. Court cases and items from the popular press are excluded. Four major categories are identified (compensation/pension, hiring practices, promotion, and work environment) and library literature is well represented. Copies are available for \$10.00 from the National Center for the Study of Collective Bargaining in Higher Education and the Professions, 17 Lexington Ave., P.O. Box 322, New York, NY 10010. ISBN 0-911259-25-2.

● ***Sources in Electrical History: Archives***

and Manuscript Collections in U.S. Repositories, compiled by Joyce E. Bedi, Ronald R. Kline, and Craig Semsel (234 pages, 1989), lists 1,008 collections in 158 repositories, primarily university archives and state historical societies. This volume is the first in a series that promotes research in electrical history by making scholars aware of the diverse collections of primary sources and by encouraging the collection and preservation of these materials by archives and manuscript repositories. Subject and repository indexes are provided. The book is available for \$15.00 (prepaid) from the Center for the History of Electrical Engineering, IEEE, 354 E. 47th St., New York, NY 10017.

● ***Telecommunications for Information Specialists***, by Larry L. Learn (165 pages, June 1989), covers such topics as regulation, networks and network technology, the telecommunications infrastructure, recent developments in public networks, and future network strategies. The book has a substantial glossary of telecommunications terms and acronyms as well as a comprehensive bibliography and index. A study guide assists readers to further their understanding of the material presented. If you always wondered what was involved in multiplexing, inside wiring deregulation, or short-haul transmission devices, this is the book for you. The cost is \$15.00 (specify product code 8080). Non-members of OCLC must prepay and send orders to OCLC, Dept. 630, Box ONB, Columbus, OH 43265. ISBN 1-55653-075-7. ■ ■



October

25—Jewish libraries: The New York Metropolitan Area Chapter of the Association of Jewish Libraries will hold its Fall Conference from 1-5 p.m. at the Park Avenue Synagogue, 50 E. 87 Street, New York. A panel discussion on archives management will be followed by a tour of Yivo Institute of Jewish Research. For more information contact Esther Nussbaum at (212) 517-5955, ext. 336, or Marion Stein at (212) 678-8836.

31—Microcomputers: The New England Micro-computer Users Group, NEASIS, and 128 Librarians are jointly sponsoring a fall meeting

at GTE Labs in Waltham, Massachusetts. The topic will be "Upgrading IBM and Macintosh Computers—What? Why? When? Cost?" For further information contact Jeanne Uppgard, Library, Westfield State College, Westfield, MA 01806.

November

1-3—African studies: The fall meeting of the Archives/Libraries Committee of the African Studies Association will be held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia. The meeting agenda and room and time designations will

appear in the *African Libraries Newsletter*. A special roundtable on the book famine in Africa will take place on the 3rd. For more information contact John Bruce Howell, International Studies Bibliographer, University Libraries, University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA 52242; (319) 335-5885.

11—Technology and education: Illinois Computing Educators and the Illinois Association for Educational Communications & Technology will hold the fourth annual educators' conference, "Ice Breaker '89: Improving Instruction through Technology," at Indian Trail Junior High School, 222 N. Kennedy Drive, Addison, Illinois. Tom Snyder, creator of software for teachers, and Gary Stager, teacher trainer and author, will be the featured speakers. Sessions will be offered on administration, Appleworks, computer curriculum, curricular sharing, desktop publishing, Hypercard, interactive video, keyboarding, special education, telecommunications, and much more. Registration fees: \$35 for ICE or IAECT members; \$60 for non-members. For more information, contact Faith Caron, Conference Co-chair, ICE, 8548 W. 145th St., Orland Park, IL 60442.

17—New York: The New York Chapter of ACRL will hold its annual symposium, "Librarians and Power: An Uneasy Relationship," from 8:30-3:30 in the auditorium of the City University of New York, 33 W. 42nd Street. The keynote speaker will be Stanley Aronowitz, author and professor of sociology at CUNY. Additional speakers include Abigail Hubbard, University of Texas; Richard Halsey, SUNY/Albany; and Maureen Sullivan, Yale University. The cost, including lunch, is \$40. For further information contact Dan Rubey at (212) 960-7757, or Edith Ostrowsky at (212) 340-0890.

17—New England: The New England Chapter of ACRL will hold its fall conference, "New Libraries, Old Buildings: Accommodating New Technology in Old Facilities," at Saint Anselm College, Manchester, New Hampshire. The registration fee, which includes lunch, is \$30 for members, \$35 for non-members, and \$10 for library science students. For further information contact Frederick C., Lynden, Assistant Librarian for Technical Services, University Library Box A, Brown University, Providence, RI 02912; (401) 863-2162.

19—Jewish libraries: The New York Metropolitan Area Chapter of the Association of Jewish Libraries will hold its Fall Cataloging Workshop from 9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. at Temple Emanuel, 1 E. 65 Street, New York. For more information contact Esther Nussbaum at (212) 517-5955, ext. 336, or Marion Stein at (212) 678-8836.

February

1-2—Bibliographic instruction: Eckerd College again will host the Earlham College-Eckerd College Bibliographic Instruction Conference. This year, in addition to discussions of traditional methods of bibliographic instruction, we will emphasize the role of CD-ROM technology in bibliographic instruction. Enrollment is limited to 75. Contact: Larry Hardesty, Director of Library Services, Eckerd College Library, Box 12560, St. Petersburg, FL 33733-2560; (813) 867-1166.

20-24—Music libraries: The Music Library Association will hold its 59th annual conference at the Holiday Inn Broadway, Tucson, Arizona. On the 20th and 21st a preconference workshop is being offered, "Space Utilization in the Music Library: Creation, Renovation, Reorganization." Sessions beginning on the 21st include bibliographic instruction revisited, Southwest Native American music, preservation of sound recordings, antiquarian music collecting, and music therapy and medical aspects of the performing arts. Contact: Martin A. Silver, Music Library, University of California, Santa Barbara, CA 93106; (805) 961-3609.

March

6-7—Staff development: The University of Wisconsin-Madison will hold a conference titled "Working in Libraries: A Staff Development Conference for Library Assistants, Support Staff and Paraprofessionals" at the Yahara Center in Madison. Featured sessions will be on image, assertiveness, and the "invisible" professional; creativity; and technology. Kathleen Weibel, chair of the ALA Education Support Staff Subcommittee, will be the keynote speaker. Twelve workshops will also be offered on topics like technical services, reference work, and children's programming. Registration fee is \$65 and includes some meals. For more information contact Jane Pearlmuter, Outreach Program Manager, SLIS Continuing Education Services, 600 N. Park Street, Madison, WI 53706; (608) 262-6398. ■ ■

