

Division of the Library has stated that the only official organization that gives designations to astronomical bodies or planetary features is the International Astronomical Union.

The Registry's application file was closed because of the company's failure to respond to a request for clarification of authorship of the list of names it submitted for copyright. However, a copyright registration would not guarantee the authenticity of information contained in a work, nor would it protect the association of a proper name with any star or planetary feature. Theoretically, the same star could be "sold" to two different individuals by two different star registration systems (many others are in existence) without any copyright violation.

•The New York Public Library's Public Catalog Room and Main Reading Room closed on January 18 for the first time since the Central Research Library opened its doors in 1911. The closing launched a 9-12 month project which entails major restoration of the room and its conversion from an obsolete card catalog system to a contemporary bibliographic computer system. Service resumed

on January 19 in the Main Reading Room, the North Hall of which will serve as an interim catalog room through the duration of the project. Public users can enter through the Local History Division.

This major project, enabled by grants from the Kresge Foundation, the Pew Memorial Trust, and other foundations, will take two important steps: the 8,000-drawer card catalog will be replaced by the library's 800-volume *Dictionary Catalog*, recently completed for materials cataloged before 1972; and 50 computer terminals will be installed to serve as the catalog for materials cataloged more recently. This new Catalog of The New York Public Library (CATNYP) was developed by Carlyle Systems of Berkeley, California.

The restoration of the Public Catalog Room will include cleaning and repairing of the bronze chandeliers, the bronze gallery railing, reading lamps, and the museum-quality oak reading tables. A new ceiling mural will be painted, and temperature and humidity controls will provide a better environment for both books and patrons. ■■

• PEOPLE •

Profile

EARLE C. FERGUSON has been appointed director of libraries for the University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, effective July 1. Since July 1983 he has been director pro tem; during the previous year he was appointed associate director and three months later, acting director.

Ferguson first came to the University in 1970 when he was appointed cataloger for the Law Library. He is a graduate of the Universities of Windsor and Toronto, where he earned his bachelor of arts and bachelor of library science degrees respectively. He has served on a number of professional committees in the Canadian Association of University Teachers, the Canadian Library Association, the Canadian Association of College and University Libraries, the Canadian Association of Law Libraries, and the American Association of Law Libraries.

Ferguson chaired the Law Libraries Cooperative Cataloguing Group from 1972 until his appointment as associate director in 1982.

People in the news

THOMAS J. GALVIN, dean of the University of Pittsburgh School of Library and Information Science, has been elected to a three-year term on the board of the Council on Postsecondary Accreditation (COPA). He will serve as one of three representatives of the Assembly of Specialized Accrediting Bodies, the 37-member group that includes ALA, the American Bar Association, the Liaison Committee on Medical Education, and the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business. COPA is the national non-governmental self-regulatory organization that works to foster and facilitate the role of accrediting agencies in promoting and ensuring the quality and diversity of American post-secondary education.

MARTIN LEWIS, assistant librarian at the Medical and Dental Library at the University of Leeds, England, has joined the Barker Engineering Library at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology for one year as an exchange program participant. Earlier, Lewis had been assistant librarian at the Leeds

Science and Engineering Library, and at MIT he will be responsible for collection development activities in mechanical engineering.

Appointments

(Appointment notices are taken from library newsletters, letters from personnel offices and appointees, and other sources. To ensure that your appointment appears, write to the Editor, ACRL, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611-2795.)

AMIRA LEFTKOWITZ AARON is now systems librarian at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge.

ALICJA ALTENBERGER has been appointed cataloger in Harvard's Solidarity Bibliographic Center, Houghton Library.

SALLY J. ARMISTEAD is now head of cataloging services at Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey.

DANIEL R. ARRIGONA is the new reference librarian at Iowa State University, Ames.

LAWRENCE ASHMUN has been appointed Thai language cataloger at Northern Illinois University, DeKalb.

CHERYL HIGHAM BEATTY is now head of public services at Sacred Heart University, Fairfield, Connecticut.

JOHN W. BERRY has been appointed systems development librarian at Northern Illinois University, DeKalb.

ANN BIRNEY is now reference librarian for humanities at Kansas State University, Manhattan.

ALISON BUNTING is the new biomedical librarian at the University of California, Los Angeles.

GENEVA BUSH has been appointed head of library branch operations at the University of South Alabama, Baldwin County.

JAMES CARSON has been appointed project archivist at Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois.

JANET CARTER has been appointed reference librarian at the University of California, Los Angeles, Biomedical Library.

PATRICIA CLOUD has been appointed assistant university archivist at Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois.

MARJORIE DOYLE has been appointed business, economics, and government publications librarian at Northern Illinois University, DeKalb.

BRADLEY ECKOLS has been appointed reference and government documents librarian at Wayne State College, Nebraska.

MARY ENGBRETSON has been appointed head of reference services at the University of South Alabama, Mobile.

BRUCE ENTZ is now librarian at Tabor College, Hillsboro, Kansas.

JANET ERICKSON has been appointed reference librarian at the University of California, Los Angeles, Biomedical Library.

VERA L. FINLEY is now serials/audiovisuals cataloger at the University of South Alabama, Mobile.

KAARINA FLINT has assumed new duties as head of interlibrary services at the University of California, Los Angeles.

JOSEPH GABRIEL is now serials librarian at the University of Lowell, Massachusetts.

JAMES GARRETT is the new cataloger at the Northwestern University Medical Library, Chicago.

SUSAN GRIGG has been named director of the college archives and the Sophia Smith Collection at Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts.

CLAUDETTE S. HAGLE is now head reference librarian at the University of Dallas, Irving, Texas.

FRANK HOUDEK has been named director of the Law Library at Southern Illinois University, Carbondale.

MARILYN HOYE has been appointed government documents librarian at East Texas State University, Commerce.

LAI-YING HSIUNG has been appointed head of cataloging at Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

ROGER F. JACOBS has been named director of the Notre Dame Law School Library, Indiana.

SUSAN JORDAN has been appointed director of library development at Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois.

DEBRA S. KETCHELL has been appointed coordinator of the Washington Health Information Service, University of Washington Health Sciences Library, Seattle.

RONNIE KLEIN has been appointed assistant reference librarian at Framingham State College, Massachusetts.

GLORY KOSMATKA is a new reference librarian at Northwestern University Medical Library, Chicago.

A. DEAN LARSEN has assumed new duties as associate university librarian at Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah.

THERESA LEE has been appointed assistant librarian at the University of Michigan Engineering/Transportation Library, Ann Arbor.

JOY LILJEGREN has been appointed Africana Project archivist at Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois.

ABIGAIL LOOMIS has been appointed general reference and information desk services librarian at Northern Illinois University, DeKalb.

ELLEN MCCRADY has been appointed preservation librarian at Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah.

OLIVIA M. A. MADISON is now head of the Monographs Department at Iowa State University, Ames.

NEILL MEANY has been appointed archivist for the Oregon Province of Jesuits, Gonzaga University, Spokane, Washington.

PHYLLIS S. MIRSKY has been appointed acting university librarian at the University of California,

San Diego.

DILYS E. MORRIS has been promoted to assistant director for technical services at Iowa State University, Ames.

BRUCE MORTON has been appointed head of reference at Montana State University, Bozeman.

LARRY OSTLER has been appointed assistant librarian for information at Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah.

JOHN BRUCE PITCHER has been appointed head of the Serials Department at the University of California, Irvine.

MARY ALICE POWERS has been appointed reference librarian at Harvard University's Baker Library.

SHARON PROPAS has been appointed reference/interlibrary loan librarian at Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois.

PATRICIA G. RAMAGE has been named automation librarian at the University of South Alabama, Mobile.

KEVIN RANDALL has been appointed serials cataloger at Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois.

GORDON S. ROWLEY has been appointed acting associate director for research services at Northern Illinois University, DeKalb.

CATHERINE SANBORN has been appointed assistant catalog librarian at Gonzaga University, Spokane, Washington.

STEPHANIE SHANE has been appointed catalog librarian at Framingham State College, Massachusetts.

JAMES SHEDLOCK is now head of public services at the Northwestern University Medical Library, Chicago.

ROBERT SORGENFREI has been named assistant acquisitions librarian at the University of Missouri, Columbia.

JEAN STEFANCIC is now acquisitions and serials librarian at the University of San Francisco Law Library.

ROBERT STIVERS has been appointed associate law librarian for research at the George Washington University Law Library.

EDWARD TAWYEA has been appointed associate director of the Northwestern University Medical Library, Chicago.

EARL TAYLOR has been appointed director of library systems and operations at Boston College, Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts.

SUZANNE M. TEUTEBERG has been appointed media specialist at Harvard University's Gutman Library.

ROGER K. THOMAS is now serials cataloger at Indiana University, Bloomington.

ELIZABETH A. TITUS has been named assistant director for public services at Northern Illinois University, DeKalb.

JOHN E. ULMSCHNEIDER is now library automa-

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tion systems manager at the College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Virginia.

PHILIP VAN DE VOORDE has been appointed head of the Information Services Department, Iowa State University, Ames.

CARROLL H. VARNER has been named assistant director for technical services at Northern Illinois University, DeKalb.

G. GARRY WARREN has been named library director at Fort Hays State University, Hays, Kansas.

J. WHALEY has been appointed head of collection development at Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond.

SWARNA WICKREMERATNE has been appointed Africana Project indexer at Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois.

DAWN WILLIAMS has been appointed monographic cataloger at Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois.

KARYL WINN has been appointed head of the Manuscripts and University Archives Division at the University of Washington, Seattle.

Retirements

MELVA DWYER, head of the Fine Arts Division at the University of British Columbia, retired in December after 31 years of service.

MARC GITTELSON, undergraduate librarian at the University of California, San Diego, retired on December 28.

ESTHER JOHNSON, head of the Forestry Library at the University of California, Berkeley, retired on January 3 after over 32 years of service.

MARTHA MOORE, senior cataloger in the Library of Congress Serial Record Division, retired August 31 with over 15 years of Federal service.

RENATA ROTKOWITZ, director of public services and collection development for the libraries of Washington University, St. Louis, retired on November 30.

Rotkowitz began her career at Washington University in 1966 as a Slavic and West European bibliographer, then rose to the rank of principal bibliographer. She served in this capacity before being promoted to assistant university librarian, then acting university librarian from February 1977 to September 1978, at which time she was appointed to her most recent position.

She has also taught courses in the University's library science program and courses in Polish history. After retirement she will continue teaching at Washington University in the Western European



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ELISABETH SCITOVSKY, an original cataloger at Stanford University since 1970, retired on November 30. She had received her first library degree in Budapest, then received a second MLS at Rutgers after coming to this country in 1956.

DOROTHY SHIELDS, West European bibliographer at the University of British Columbia, retired in December after 23 years of service.

HARRY TARLIN, director of Utica College Library, New York, for 15 years, retired in December. He had previously served for 15 years at Brandeis University.

Deaths

BARBARA BEGG, reference librarian at the Science & Engineering Library, University of California, San Diego, passed away on October 13.

FLORENCE HILDEBRANDT, rare book cataloger at the University of California, Davis, from 1964 to 1967, died in Massachusetts a few months ago. She had earlier served as head of the Loan Department at Davis.

CONRAD C. REINING, former head of the African Section at the Library of Congress, died on October 30 after a long illness. An internationally recognized anthropologist, Reining served as head of the Section from 1960 to 1966. ■ ■

Strategic Planning Task Force appointed

A Strategic Planning Task Force has been appointed by ACRL President Sharon Rogers to create a written strategic plan for ACRL based on the "Proposed Planning Process for the Association of College and Research Libraries," which appeared in *C&RL News*, September 1984, pp.396-401.

The Task Force will present its five-year written strategic plan to the Board of Directors at the 1986 ALA Annual Conference in New York.

Susan Klingberg, California State University, Sacramento, chairs the Task Force. The other members are: David Bishop, University of Georgia; Don Riggs, Arizona State University; Sharon Hogan, Louisiana State University; Keith Russell, National Agricultural Library; JoAn Segal, ACRL; and Carla J. Stoffle, University of Michigan.

Anyone needing information about the Task Force or wishing to share concerns and information should contact: Susan Klingberg, Head, Education and Psychology Reference Department, California State University Library, 2000 Jed Smith Drive, Sacramento, CA 95819; (916) 454-6776.

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