

Black Americana Postcard Price Guide: A Century of History Preserved on Postcards, by J. L. Mashburn (351 pages, October 1995), is more than a price guide for collectors—it offers hundreds of examples of postcards published between 1895 and 1980 that portray the social history of African Americans. Many of the images are demeaning racial stereotypes that would be unthinkable today. Others depict famous athletes and entertainers,

black soldiers, convicts, and families attending church. A catalog like this one is a good reminder of how valuable postcards can be as historical documents, especially since some photographs (including a lynching in 1908) were published only as postcards. \$19.95 (plus \$3.00 handling). Colonial House, P.O. Box 609, Enka, NC 28728. ISBN 1-885940-01-7.

Hubble Vision: Astronomy with the Hubble Space Telescope, by Carolyn Collins Petersen and John C. Brandt (252 pages, November 1995), tells the Hubble story from first launch in 1990 to its refurbishing in 1993. The real stars of the mission are the spectacular photographs the telescope made and which are presented in detail here. Planets, star clusters, and supernovae are shown here in detail never previously seen, as well as such exotic objects as black holes, active galactic nuclei, peculiar stars, and optical jets. A glossary helps to bring scientific terms into focus. Never seen two galaxies collide? *Hubble Vision* has a photo. Remember Jupiter's collision with a comet in 1994? See the scars close up, all for only \$39.95. Cambridge University Press, 40 W. 20th St., New York, NY 10011-4211. ISBN 0-521-49643-8.

Judith Sargent Murray: Her First 100 Letters, edited by Marianne Dunlop (118 pages, July 1995), contains the first 100 of more than 2,000 letters to friends and family written by Murray, an 18th-century Boston essayist and

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perhaps the first feminist theorist. The letters she copied into 20 volumes of leather-bound letterbooks sat for 160 years in a private library in Natchez before they were rediscovered. They document American life during the Revolutionary War and contain her thoughts on how the new nation might redefine social values. \$39.95. Sargent House Museum, 49 Middle St., Gloucester, MA 01930.

Library Patrons and the Law, by Arlene Bielefeld and Lawrence Cheeseman (142 pages, October 1995), outlines the constitutional and statutory rights of library users. Chapters cover the First Amendment, the right to receive information and ideas, the right to privacy, freedom of information (sunshine) laws, copyright, the Americans with Disabilities Act, codes of ethics, censorship, and patron rules of conduct. Relevant cases like *Board of Education v. Pico* are discussed in plain language. \$35.00. Neal-Schuman Publishers, Inc., 100 Varick St., New York, NY 10013. ISBN 1-55570-132-9.

The **Oxford** series of dictionaries continues with pictorial **Chinese-English** (July 1995, \$21.95, ISBN 0-19-582785-6), **Italian-English** (July 1995, \$19.95, ISBN 0-19-864517-1), and **English** (September 1995, \$17.95, ISBN 0-19-861311-3) dictionaries, as well as pocket **English-Latin** (July 1995, \$11.95, ISBN 0-19-864228-8) and **English-Russian** (August 1995, \$11.95, ISBN 0-19-864526-0) dictionaries. Contact Oxford University Press, 198 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10016.

The Rubber Stamp Sourcebook: A Complete Guide to Images, Projects, Resources, by David Ward (334 pages, October 1995), showcases some 3,000 copyrighted rubber-stamp images and explains how to use rubber stamps to enhance letters and postcards, bookmarks, personal checks, office memos, and wrapping paper. Special techniques such as embossing, sponging, masking, and eraser carving are also described. The author provides comprehensive lists of rubber stamp stores, mail

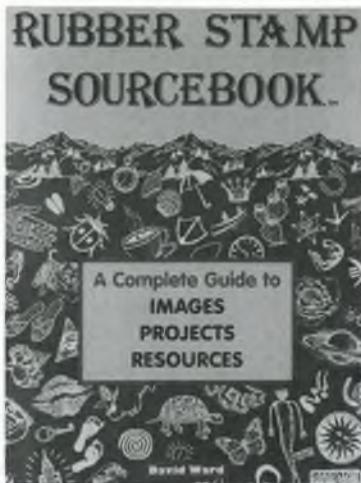
order catalogs, suppliers, and clubs (for those wild rubber stamp collectors), as well as a useful bibliography of books, videos, and magazines. \$19.95 (plus \$4.00 shipping). Cornucopia Press, 4739 University Way N.E., Suite 1610-B, Seattle, WA 98105. ISBN 0-9641445-0-6.

Temple of Liberty: Building the Capitol for a New Nation, by Pamela Scott (159 pages, July 1995), accompanied the Library of Congress exhibition in 1995 to commemorate the bicentennial of the U.S. Capitol building.

Many rare drawings and prints held by LC were assembled for the occasion, along with documents and artifacts from other institutions that shed light on the design and construction of the Capitol. Scott, who served as guest curator for the collection, describes the symbology that went into the building, the design competition, and features of the dome, rotunda, porticoes, wings, and extension. A bibliography and photographic catalog of objects accompany the text. \$21.95. Oxford Univ. Press, 198 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10016. ISBN 0-19-509858-7.

Washington Online: How to Access the Government's Electronic Bulletin Boards, by Bruce Maxwell (340 pages, April 1995), offers detailed information on nearly 200 federal bulletin board systems (BBSs). Each listing provides voice and data telephone numbers, FedWorld gateway numbers, availability of a manual, time restrictions, background, and basic features and structure. Some of the more interesting places are: the Environmental Protection Agency's Online Library System, Telephone Time for Computers, and the Hay Locator Service. \$19.95. Congressional Quarterly Books, 1414 22nd St., N.W., Washington, DC 20037. ISBN 1-56802-000-7.

A related reference is **The Internet Guide for the Legal Researcher**, by Don MacLeod (306 pages, February 1995), which (after the obligatory Internet overview for newbies) lists and describes law-related listservs, talk and chat servers, gophers, online state resources, Web sites, and law libraries. Practical and succinct



advice. \$50.00 (plus \$6.00 shipping). Infosources Pub., 140 Norma Rd., Teaneck, NJ 07666. ISBN 0-939486-34-2.

Who's Who in Russia and the CIS Republics, edited by Vladimir Morozov (328 pages, February 1995), presents biographies of more than 1,000 political leaders, military commanders, scientists, religious figures, entrepreneurs, and others from the former Soviet Union. An introduction explains the intricacies of the Commonwealth of Independent States, and appen-

dices offer access by profession, government affiliation, honors or awards, and publications. \$60.00. Henry Holt and Co., 115 W. 18th St., New York, NY 10011. ISBN 0-8050-2691-6. ■

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academic librarians as leaders. An advisory committee has already been appointed to develop the infrastructure for the center, and some exciting programs are in the developmental stages.

ACRL is engaged in a major cooperative project with the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools, the Western Accrediting Commission for Senior Colleges and Universities, and the American Association of Higher Education to collect data for the purpose of documenting practices of schools in integrating information resources and technologies in higher education curricula across the United States. In addition to surveying the institutions in the six accrediting regions, a series of "best case" workshops was held and others are planned, a journal article is being written, and the American Council of Education is publishing the results of the study in book form.

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These are just the highlights of a number of tangible projects in the works at ACRL. Watch *C&ERL News* for updates on our progress and remember, the Strategic Plan is a living document. Be sure to send us your ideas and comments on how to make ACRL an effective organization that meets your needs. ■