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The 100th Congress has begun with an unusually heavy hearing schedule on issues with library implications. In a two-week period, ALA provided testimony on six different subjects. A brief summary will indicate some of the issues congressional committees are exploring this session.

LC & GPO. In town and ready to testify February 23 until a heavy snowfall postponed the House Legislative Appropriations Subcommittee hearing were ALA Immediate Past President Beverly Lynch of the University of Illinois at Chicago on the Library of Congress budget, and ACRL Legislation Committee member Katherine Mawdsley of the University of California at Davis on the Government Printing Office budget. Both made useful congressional contacts and filed statements. Others who either testified at the rescheduled hearing on February 25 or filed statements on LC or GPO or both included Kaye Gapen and Malcolm Getz for the Association of Research Libraries; Page Miller, National Coordinating Committee for the Promotion of History; Sandy Morton, Special Libraries Association; and Robert Oakley, American Association of Law Libraries.

Government Documents Round Table Chair Philip Van de Voorde of Iowa State University testified on GPO March 5 before the Senate Legislative Appropriations Subcommittee on behalf of both ALA and ARL. GPO has amended its FY '88 budget to request an additional \$2 million from the GPO Revolving Fund -- \$1.2 million for additional costs of hard-copy publications, and \$800,000 at the request of the Joint Committee on Printing to fund pilot projects testing electronic distribution to depository libraries.

Sensitive information. On February 25, the House Government Operations Subcommittee on Legislation and National Security held a hearing on HR 145, the Computer Security Act of 1987, which would reestablish civilian agency responsibility for computer standards programs. Testifying against recent Administration policies to restrict access to "sensitive but unclassified" information were ALA Legislation Committee Chair Christie Vernon of the Tidewater (Va.) Area Program for St. Leo College, and Miriam Drake of Georgia Institute of Technology for ARL.

NTIS. On March 4 Ellen Detlefsen of the University of Pittsburgh School of Library and Information Science for ALA and the Medical Library Association, and James Wyatt of the University of Rochester for ARL testified in opposition to the Administration's plan to privatize the National Technical Information Service before a sympathetic House Subcommittee on Science, Research, and Technology.

Brittle books. On March 3 former ACRL President David Weber of Stanford University testified for both ALA and ARL on the problem of "brittle books" in our nation's libraries at an oversight hearing of the House Postsecondary

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Exhibition Catalogue Awards, 1987

The second annual Awards for Exhibition Catalogues have been announced by the ACRL Rare Books and Manuscripts Section.

Winners in the three divisions—expensive, moderate and inexpensive—and the institutions submitting the catalogues were as follows: "Liberty of Conscience and the Growth of Religious Diversity In Early America, 1636-1786," submitted by The John Carter Brown Library (first division); "Marks in Books," entered by Houghton Library, Harvard University (second division); "Patriots and Orangists: Revolutionary Pamphlets and Caricatures in the Netherlands, 1780-1800," submitted by the University of Michigan Library (third division).

Additional catalogues were singled out for honorable mention. In the first division, these were "Artists of the Book in Boston, 1890-1910," submitted by the Houghton Library, Harvard University, and "European Graphic Arts: The Art of the Book from Gutenberg to Picasso," entered by Princeton University Library.

Catalogues awarded honorable mention in the second division were "Alamo Images: Changing Perceptions of a Texas Experience," from DeGolyer Library, Southern Methodist University, and "Broadside and Posters from the National Archives," entered by the National Archives and Rec-

ords Administration.

Third division entries receiving honorable mention were "Charles Clinch Bubb and the Clerk's Press of Cleveland," from the University of Toledo and Kent State University, and "Embellished with Numerous Engravings: The Works of American Illustrators and Wood Engravers, 1670-1830," submitted by the University of Virginia Library.

The printed citation awards will be presented to the winners at the RBMS program on June 28, 2:00-5:30 p.m. at ALA Annual Conference in San Francisco.

Divisions were based upon unit costs for producing the exhibition catalogues. Catalogues published between September 1, 1985, and August 31, 1986, were eligible for this year's competition. Criteria for granting the awards include excellence in the areas of accuracy and consistency of presentation, clarity, quality of design and usefulness of catalogues to the intended audience.

Entries for September 1, 1986, through August 31, 1987, must be submitted by September 30, 1987. For further information, please contact Sally Leach, Chair, RBMS Committee for Awards for Exhibition Catalogues, Harry Ransom Humanities Research Center, P.O. Drawer 7219, Austin, TX 78713-7219; (512) 471-9115.

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Samuel Lazerow Fellowship awarded

Margaret Ann Johnson, head of technical services at the University of Minnesota, St. Paul, has been granted a Samuel Lazerow Fellowship by the Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL) and the Institute for Scientific Information (ISI).

Johnson proposes to study the different methods of implementing technological changes in libraries and the relative success of each approach. Her model for this study is based on banking literature. A survey of 100 technical service units in academic libraries will be conducted to gather data.

The chair of the award committee, Pam Censer, University of Florida, stated that Johnson's re-

search "should have relevance for many management decisions in technical services."

Johnson is chair of the ACRL Audiovisual Committee.

The award consists of a citation and \$1,000 contributed by ISI, and will be presented to her at the ACRL Program Meeting, 2:00-5:30 p.m., Monday, June 29, at ALA Annual Conference in San Francisco.

The Samuel Lazerow Fellowship for Research in Acquisitions or Technical Services in an Academic or Research Library honors a senior vice-president of ISI who made outstanding contributions to these fields. The fellowship fosters advances in acquisitions or technical services by providing funds for research, travel or writing.

Applications for next year's fellowship may be made to: Mary Ellen K. Davis, Program Officer, ACRL/ALA, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611. Seven copies of the application should be submitted. Applications must be received by December 1, 1987, to be eligible.

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Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship awarded

Ling Hwey Jeng, a Ph.D. candidate at the Graduate School of Library and Information Science, University of Texas at Austin, has been granted a Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship by ACRL and the Institute for Scientific Information (ISI). Her dissertation is entitled: "The Title Page as the Source of Information for Bibliographic Description: An Analysis of Its Syntactic and Semantic Characteristics."

The winning project will identify and analyze informal rules used by catalogers in academic libraries to interpret title pages. Donald F. Joyce, chair of the award committee, stated that "this dissertation proposal forecasts a highly original and creative study in academic librarianship."



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The purpose of the fellowship is to foster research in academic librarianship by encouraging and assisting doctoral students in the field with their dissertation research. Recipients of the fellowship must be active doctoral students in academic librarianship at a degree-granting institution and must have completed all their coursework and had their proposal accepted by the institution. The criteria for judging include the potential significance of the research, methodological validity, originality, clarity, and a convincing timetable.

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University libraries in Brazil to share cataloging

Brazilian university libraries passed a milestone of cooperation at the recently held Fifth National Seminar of University Libraries (5º Seminário Nacional de Bibliotecas Universitárias) in Porto Alegre, Rio Grande do Sul Province, Brazil, January 12-16, 1987.

In an attempt to link major libraries in Brazil, the university libraries adopted an automated cataloging system, BIBLIODATA, and a standard format for machine-readable bibliographic records, CALCO. Librarians at the Getulio Vargas Foundation (FGV) implemented BIBLIODATA/CALCO in 1976 in Rio de Janeiro.

A committee of representatives from several Brazilian universities made the following recommendations to the Brazilian Bureau of Higher Education in order to promote the implementation phase of the National Plan for University Libraries (see *C&RL News*, November 1986, pp. 658-59). The Committee on Intercampus Networking for Automating Bibliographic Data and Documents, recommended that:

- 1) BIBLIODATA be the National Central Unit for the cooperative cataloging network;
- 2) existing systems of automated cataloging be adapted to interface with BIBLIODATA;
- 3) locally developed systems eventually evolve to

serve as regional nuclei for cooperative cataloging.

The Committee also suggested that funding be requested from national and international agencies to assist in establishing an automation network for university libraries.

The BIBLIODATA system at the Getulio Vargas Foundation utilizes the Brazilian MARC format, CALCO (Catalogação Legível por Computador). CALCO was first developed in 1972 and is based on the LC MARCII format.

Currently 27 libraries of all types utilize BIBLIODATA for machine-readable cataloging, receiving catalog cards, spine labels, etc., as well as a COM catalog of the BIBLIODATA database of more than 170,000 member input records. FGV librarians plan to add music and map formats soon, as well as online access to the database. Libraries currently create original cataloging records on microcomputers and send disks to FGV for batch processing. The adoption of BIBLIODATA as the shared cataloging system for Brazil will go a long way toward promoting cooperation and enabling FGV to enlarge and enhance the system, offering better service over time to the member libraries.—*Janet Frederick, Head, Bibliographic Database Management Department, University of New Mexico.* ■■

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STEWART BODNER is now adjunct assistant professor, reference, at Baruch College, New York City.

CECILIA BOTERO is now Latin American serials cataloger at the University of Florida, Gainesville.

ELAINE BOYCHUK has been appointed associate university librarian for technical services at Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

SANDRA E. BOYD has been appointed assistant archivist at the University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg.

VICKIE J. BOZARTH has joined the staff of the Documents Department at the University of Kansas, Lawrence.

HEATHER J. E. BRAITHWAITE is now reference/database librarian in the Law Library at Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan.

LISA BREHM has been appointed coordinator of access services at the University of Houston, Texas.

CAROL BRUEGEMEIER has been appointed assistant reference librarian at the Albin O. Kuhn Library & Gallery of the University of Maryland, Baltimore County.

KARYLES BUTCHER has been appointed assistant director of libraries for research and reference services at Oregon State University, Corvallis.

PAUL CARNAHAN has been appointed reference librarian at Brandeis University, Waltham, Massachusetts.

JERI W. CHARLESTON is now student services librarian at Newberry College, South Carolina.

IAN A. COLFORD is now reference librarian in Information Services at Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

PRISCILLA CONOWAY-THOMPSON has joined the staff of Prince George's Community College, Largo, Maryland.

STEPHEN CORRISIN is now deputy associate librarian for technical services at Brooklyn College, New York.

LUANNE CORSETTI is the new government publications librarian at the University of California, Irvine.

BILL COVEY is now head of the Systems Office at the University of Florida, Gainesville.

HARRY DAVIS has been appointed map/assistant science librarian at Southern Illinois University, Carbondale.

DIANE DIMARTINO is now reference librarian at Baruch College, New York City.

FRANK DITROLIO has been appointed humanities bibliographer at the University of Florida, Gainesville.

CAROL DRUM is now head of the Central Science Library at the University of Florida, Gainesville.

JOHN J. ELLIOTT has been appointed catalog librarian at Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa.

ROBERT EVENSEN is the new collection development officer and creative arts librarian at Brandeis University, Waltham, Massachusetts.

ELIZABETH E. FULLER has been appointed manuscript cataloger at the Rosenbach Museum & Library, Philadelphia.

DORIS GEOGHEGAN has been appointed catalog librarian in the Library Processing Center at the University of South Carolina, Columbia.

STEVEN R. GOLDBERG has been appointed technical services librarian at Williams College, Williamstown, Massachusetts.

WILLIAM D. GOOCH has been named Texas State

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Education Subcommittee. Other witnesses at the hearing included National Endowment for the Humanities Chair Lynne Cheney, Librarian of Congress Daniel Boorstin, New York Public Library President Vartan Gregorian, New York Deputy Commissioner for Cultural Education Carole Huxley, and Council on Library Resources President Warren J. Haas.

Florence Agreement. In addition, ALA filed a statement in support of implementation of the Nairobi Protocol to the Florence Agreement on the Importation of Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Materials. The Protocol extends duty-free treatment to audio, visual and microform materials.

COGI Newsletter. The first issue of the COALITION ON GOVERNMENT INFORMATION NEWSLETTER was published in January. Planned as a quarterly, the newsletter will include articles and news items contributed by members and compiled by the ALA Washington Office. Individual subscriptions to the newsletter are \$10 prepaid to the ALA Washington Office, 110 Maryland Avenue, NE, Washington, DC 20002. The coalition developed as a result of an ALA Council resolution; it serves as a clearinghouse for 30 member-organizations united in their concern about citizens' rights to be well informed about the activities of their federal government. Nancy Kranich of New York University Libraries chairs the coalition steering committee.