by George M. Eberhart

- A Dictionary of Linguistics and Phonetics, by David Crystal (389 pages, 3d ed., May 1991), adds nearly 300 new terms that have developed in the field of linguistics since the previous edition in 1985. Special attention is paid to recent phonological theories, such as metrical phonology, pragmatics, and the terminology of government-binding theory. Copies are available for \$49.95 (cloth) from Basil Blackwell, Three Cambridge Center, Cambridge, MA 02142. ISBN 0-631-17869-4.
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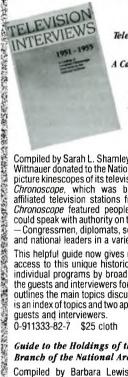
- literature and market research publications, and a disquisition on the variations in terminology (sorry, but consensus favors opticaldisk, not opticaldisc). The bibliographic listings are well-annotated and describe many European sources often ignored in standard North American compilations. Copies may be ordered for \$90.00 from Cassell, Publishers Distribution Center, P.O. Box C831, Rutherford, NJ 07070. ISBN 0-7201-2093-4.
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- Libraries and Information Services Today: The Yearly Chronicle, June Lester, consulting editor (310 pages, July 1991), takes up where the now defunct ALA Yearbook left off. This first edition contains 36 topical reports by experts in the field, 23 biographies, and four association reports. Of particular interest are Barbara Moran's report on academic libraries; fundraising and financialdevelopments by Dwight Burlingame; information technology by Richard W. Boss; and reference services by Jim Rettig. Succeeding volumes will be published prior to ALA Annual Conference. A nice companion volume to *The Whole* Library Handbook!![by our own George Eberhart-Ed.] Copies may be ordered for \$32.40 (ALA members) and \$36.00 (nonmembers) from ALA Publishing, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611. ISBN 0-8389-0566-8.
- Library Computing in Canada: Bilingualism, Multiculturalism, and Transborder Connections, edited by Nancy Melin Nelson and Eric Flower (110 pages, July 1991), contains papers presented at the first Computers in Libraries Canada conference in Toronto, September 1990. Highlights include a vendor's perspective on bilingual library automation (John Richardson), CA°NET, the Canadian link to INTERNET (Carole Moore), and two perspectives on Canadian interlibrary loan (Debra Wallace and Leslie Morris). Morris, incidentally, attributes the strong interlibrary cooperation between western Canada and the western United States to East Canada's hangups with what the Americans did to them in the War of 1812—but wasn't it the Brits who burned down the Library of Congress? The book may be ordered for \$39.00 from the Meckler Corporation, 11 Ferry Lane West, Westport, CT 06880. ISBN 0-88736-792-5.

- **Library Provision in Higher Education** Institutions (209 pages, July 1991) is a report commissioned by the Australian National Board of Employment, Education and Training to examine the most important issues facing academic libraries in Australia. Many of the problems addressed are the same ones that North American librarians are trying to solve (the impact of new technologies, access, management, performance measurement, library cooperation, space planning, standards), and it is very intriguing to see what measures the Australians are recommending their government take to help improve things. It's filled with interesting statistics, too. Copies are available for \$16.95 from the Australian Government Publishing Service, North American Operations, P.O. Box 7, Planetarium Station, New York, NY 10024. ISBN 0-644-13543-3.
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- Technology and Choice: Readings from Technology and Culture, edited by Marcel C. LaFollette and Jeffrey K. Stine (341 pages, April 1991), reprinted from the quarterly journal, Technology and Culture, published by the University of Chicago Press. This collection of 14 essays addresses historical choices that individuals, societies. governments, and industries have had to make regarding the use of technology. Some topics: "Domestic Electric Plugs and Receptacles, 1881-1931, "The Garbage Disposer, the Public Health, and the Good Life," "From Virginia Dare to Virginia Slims: Women and Technology in American Life," and "Nuclear Power and the Environment: The Atomic Energy Commission and Thermal Pollution, 1965-1971." Copies may be ordered for \$30.95 (cloth) from the University of Chicago Press, 5720 S. Woodlawn Ave., Chicago, IL 60637. ISBN 0-226-46776-7.
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