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## From the Editor

*With this issue, NORTH CAROLINA LIBRARIES launches a new feature. Interspersed throughout the year, we will highlight the careers of a variety of the state's librarians and library leaders through oral history, in the belief that we cannot understand our present or plan for our future without understanding our past — and that this is best understood through the words of the individuals involved. The inauguration of this feature looks at three special North Carolina library leaders: Florence Blakely, Dr. Ed Holley, and Elinor Swaim. We have plans to interview many others. We will welcome your suggestions and willingness to interview these individuals. Tapes of these interviews will be deposited in the NCLA archives.*