## Letters From Home and Abroad

Editor's Note: Recently, we have received three letters which we would like to share with the rest of you. We appreciate all your letters, and will continue to publish those of general interest. Keep those cards and letters coming in!

I would appreciate if you could share the following request with your readers. The people in this community are interested in higher learning and this is the best ladder available for their intellectual, social and economic independence.

Discarded Books Needed: A public library in a rural India is in need of English books dealing with any subject. It serves the community and especially the college population. To avoid heavy duty on them please state that they are gift and have no commercial value. Address your books to: The Public Library, St. Xaviers College, Kothavara, P. O., Vaikam, Kottayam Dt. 686607, Kerala, India.

Thank you for your assistance.

Reverend Anthoney Chathaparampil,
Director of Public Library, St. Xavier's College,
Kothavara, P.O., Vaikam, Kottayam 686607.

I want to commend you and the rest of the editorial staff of *North Carolina Libraries* for the fine publication you produce. I particularly want you to know how much I enjoyed the Summer 1982 issue on circulation services. It was so nice to find four pertinent, well-written articles under one cover. I have asked my entire Circulation Department staff to read them, and I intend to keep that issue handy for future reference for staff training and planning.

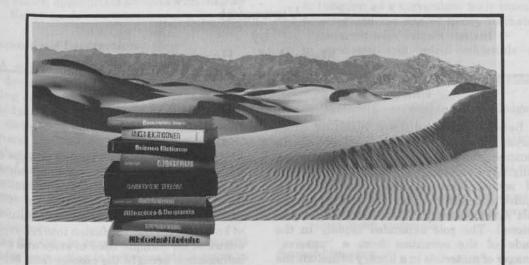
Keep up the good work! Linda D. Bly, Head, Circulation Department, Central Arkansas Library System, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201. This summer while in Turkey I worked with the USICA to procure excess library materials for Turkish university libraries. There is a great need for English language materials in their libraries. The particular university I was visiting, Hacettepe University, had NO book budget for 1982. All funds were used to continue their serials and periodicals collections. Unfortunately, most universities in Turkey are in the same predicament. Since State Surplus Property has approved this type donation, I would appreciate your circulating this letter or a letter of your own to all community colleges through your regular channels.

Library materials may be sent in all subject areas. However, extremely out of date materials should probably not be sent. The only stipulation regarding packaging is that the carton should weigh no more than 70 pounds. They may be sent library rate and the postage will be refunded by the U.S. Embassy upon receipt of the materials. Materials should be shipped to

Mr. R. E. McDowell, Director, American Library, U.S. Embassy (USICA) A.P.O., NY 09254.

I assure you the materials will be most welcome by the Turks. Thanks for your assistance. John B. Thomas, Davidson County Community College, P. O. Box 1287, Lexington, North Carolina 27292.





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