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NORTH CAROLINA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

From the President

Summer was a time that seemed to fly by, only a memory now. Nevertheless, it was a busy one, and many fine things happened regarding NCLA. The sections have been busy with workshops, very professional in presentation and very well received. You can read in the section reports elsewhere in this issue what each has been doing ... it's impressive.

ALA in Dallas was almost a mini-conference for NCLA. Everywhere I turned I ran into North Carolinians. I attended the ALA-sponsored Chapter Conclave with other association presidents from around the country. Emily Boyce was busy with Council meetings as our representative. Gene Lanier received the John Phillip Immroth Memorial Award at the meeting of the Intellectual Freedom Round Table. Edith Briles made a presentation to the National Library Week Committee reporting on the outstanding School Library Media Day which was sponsored by NCASL. And there was a poster session on School Library Media Day. Jane Blesches of the Carrboro Elementary School was one of four winners of the Putnam Publishing Group Awards for ALSC members who were attending their first ALA conference. NCASL was also very active in leading the discussions regarding the future relationship of AASL and ALA. And countless other NCLAs were attending committee meetings all over the place. With so many NCLAs in Dallas, it was frustrating not to have some time when we could all get together for a brief visit. Emily Boyce and Rebecca Ballentine, our representatives for ALA and SELA respectively, are going to see if there is some arrangement we can make for future conferences to remedy this.

New Members. Know someone you would like to see a member of NCLA? Be sure and give them a copy of the handsome brochure which the Membership Committee has just published. Jot a note to the chairman of the committee, Jane Williams, c/o North Carolina State Library, 109 East Jones Street, Raleigh, NC 27611. She will see that you are sent some brochures.

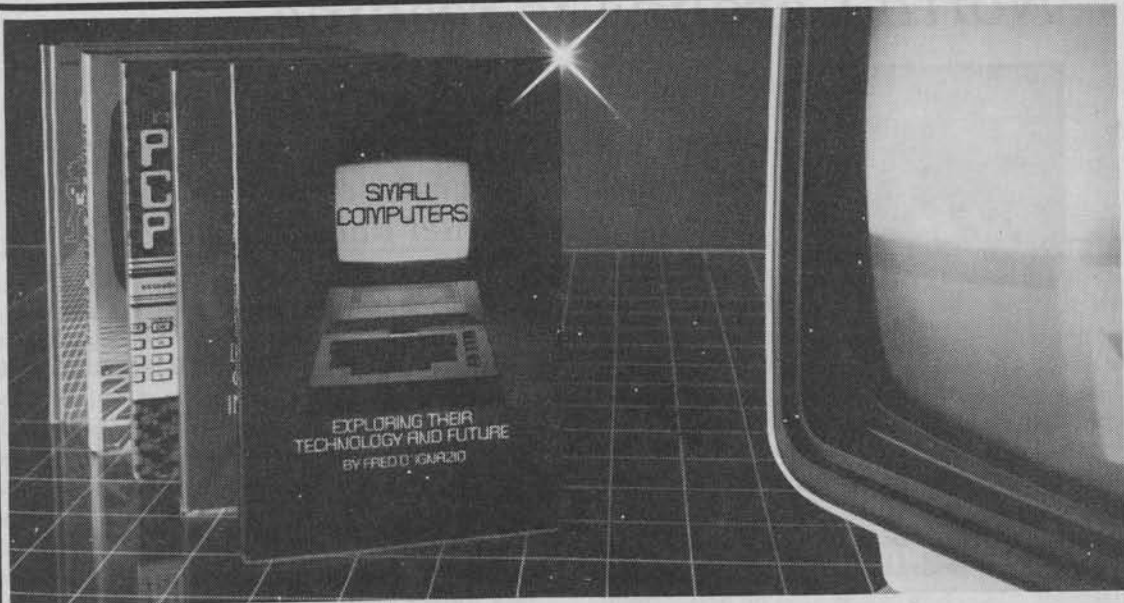
NCLA/LSCA Grants. Some of the finest things for which the State Library has used LSCA funds are continuing education grants. They have been made to sections and roundtables of NCLA for the support of various workshops and programs. The Resources and Technical Services Section, Public Library Section Audiovisual Committee, Roundtable on the Status of Women in Librarianship, as well as other groups, have received these grants. Jane Williams, assistant state librarian, administers these grants. They are making a big difference for our association.

Mertys Bell Retires. She retired as dean of learning resources at Guilford Technical Community College after eighteen years of service. However, NCLA is glad that this dedicated librarian will remain on the Executive Board for her full term. It is our good fortune.

And we welcome Mary Avery as the new chair of the Junior College Section. Andrea Brown has resigned since she has moved to Richmond, Virginia. We thank Andrea for her outstanding service to NCLA and look forward to working with Mary.

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