

Reports from NCLA Committees and Sections 1971 Spring Work Conference Betsy-Jeff Penn 4-H Center, Reidsville

The Committee on Education for Librarianship of the North Carolina Library Association met Friday morning, April 2, at the Betsy-Jeff Penn 4-H Center near Reidsville. Present were chairman Helen Hagan, Doris Cox, Ophelia Irving, Louise Plybon, Budd Gambee, and guest Kathleen Gilleland, librarian of the Northwest Regional Library of Elkin. Member James Caruth was absent.

THE MAIN PURPOSE of the meeting was to evaluate the Pinehurst Workshop on Library Education by analyzing the reports of the three discussion groups and to decide what mandate the Committee had for further action.

Dr. Cox presented a series of suggestions briefly paraphrased as follows: The Committee might—

(1) invite library educators to interact in planning for LTA curriculum design, (2) consider acting as a clearing house on opportunities in continuing education, (3) publish a summary of the Workshop along the following lines: (a) suggestions from the conference *re*: competencies needed, programs needed, components of these programs, basic needs, basic issues, (b) points of consensus (c) points at issue, (d) recommendations for action, (It was later suggested that the items in number 3 above might constitute a summary to be appended to the proceedings in *North Carolina Libraries*.)

(4) consider means for facilitating a continuing dialog with the goal of formulating objectives for library education in North Carolina,

(5) identify the needs for continuing education and compile a list for distribution of resource people in these areas, and (6) conduct an evaluative survey of the Pinehurst Workshop and analyze the findings.

After discussion, to which all members of the committee and our guest made helpful contributions, the committee decided that it would have to limit its activities because of the time element. Practicable next steps were decided upon as follows: (1) The proceedings of the Library Education Workshop will be published in the spring issue of *North Carolina Libraries*. Mr. Busbin is editing this, and he reports excellent tapes of the open meetings. This will be a very positive accomplishment. (2) A questionnaire will be published in the same issue (see page 80 of this issue) seeking to discover how active the interest is in continuing education, based on the number of replies; in what areas the greatest demand lies; what form of instruction is preferred; and if the answerer would be interested in attending an open meeting on the subject at the fall NCLA meeting in Winston-Salem. The Committee

is much indebted to Mr. Busbin for both items 1 and 2. (3) In line with number 2 above, a form was secured to petition for a place on the NCLA fall program so that such a meeting might be held if interest warrants. This would be an "open forum" at which the results of the survey might be presented, and then a discussion held, presumably between representatives of the library schools and practicing librarians.

These three steps were considered feasible by the Committee and action will proceed along these lines.

Further action on the "clearing house" idea—which probably would mean the Committee would be re-

sponsible for editing a regular column in *North Carolina Libraries* alerting readers to workshops, resource people, etc.—was postponed. The feeling seemed to be that this Committee had already done a good deal and that some activities should be left for our successors.

When chairman Hagan presented the gist of this report to the assembled group at 1 P. M., Mr. Linder of the Durham Public Library arose to praise Miss Hagan and the Committee for the Pinehurst Workshop. He said it had brought together for fruitful discussion two groups which have long needed such a meeting.

The Development Committee of the North Carolina Library Association met at the Spring Workshop at the Betsy-Jeff Penn Center on April 2, 1971, with chairman Gary Barefoot, Phil Ogilvie, Mae Tucker, and Bob Pollard in attendance. Nancy Ryder of the Resources Committee, Jane Snyder of the Recruiting Committee, and Shirley McLaughlin of the Membership Committee met with the Development Committee.

MUCH DISCUSSION centered around the final report and summary of the North Carolina Libraries Services Network. Mr. Ogilvie stated the summary of the report is just off the press and appears to have taken various recommendations, made subsequent to the earlier conflicting reports, into consideration. The provisions call for the project to begin in conjunction with the State Library with a study being made after three years to determine future direction of the Network. The summary report is designed specifically for direction to the individual legislators and will probably be made available to all NCLA members.

In conjunction with the project, Mr. Ogilvie reported that the services of Peg Shaberg of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill have been secured to study the North Carolina Union Catalog as it relates to the Network in an effort to begin Network operations in July. Later, an additional assistant State Library position, duties of which will center on the Network operation, will probably be created.

The Committee was advised by Nancy Ryder of the Resources Committee that they had recommended an advisory committee for the North Carolina Union Catalog to consist of seven members representing all facets of library interest.

Further discussion of the Development Committee resulted in the following recommendations to the Executive Board:

1. That before any statewide interlibrary loan code is adopted representatives from all types of libraries and agencies concerned in any way with interlibrary loans be given a chance to review and make recommendations to the Executive Board.
2. That any NCLA committee making recommendations to the Executive Board receive a report of action taken. It was further recommended that section and committee chairmen receive copies of the Executive Board minutes.
3. That Government Relations Committee take action on the upcoming increase in postal rate for 4th class mail, specifically re-

questing that NCLA members be contacted and urged to write their Congressman asking that Congress initiate a subsidy to help offset the effects of the imminent rate increase in view of the fact that the increasing of postal rates is now by law in the hands of an independent postal rate commission charged with making all mail self-supporting. This recommendation is made because the law is detrimental to library development in the state and nation.

4. That each NCLA member receive communication from the Executive Board regarding the need to write legislators on behalf of the appropriation of necessary funds for state aid to libraries. This request is made in view of the fact that such mail to legislators has been very light.

Nominating Committee—The following slate of officers is submitted by the Nominating Committee of NCLA for the 1972-74 biennium:

President

Miss Elizabeth H. Copeland
 Librarian
 Sheppard Memorial Library
 Greenville, North Carolina

**First Vice-President
 (President Elect)**

Dr. I. T. Littleton, Librarian
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 East Carolina University
 Greenville, North Carolina

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 North Carolina Central University
 Durham, North Carolina

Mrs. Marion J. Phillips
 Librarian
 First Ward School
 Charlotte, North Carolina

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Mr. Neal Austin
 Director
 High Point Public Library
 High Point, North Carolina

Mrs. Pauline Myrick
 Director of Educational Media
 Moore County Schools
 Carthage, North Carolina

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 Duke University Library
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Mr. Gary F. Barefoot
 Librarian
 Mount Olive Junior College
 Mount Olive, North Carolina

Treasurer

Mr. Richard T. Barker
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 Appalachian State University
 Boone, North Carolina

Mr. Edgar P. Lynch
 Technical Institute of Alamance
 Burlington, North Carolina

Directors At Large (Two to be elected)

Miss Catherine Weir, Librarian
 B. L. Smith High School
 Greensboro, North Carolina

Mr. Kenneth Brown
 Director of Libraries
 Asheville & Buncombe County
 Asheville, North Carolina

Miss Allene C. Young
 Serials Librarian
 Bluford Library

A & T State University
 Greensboro, North Carolina

Mrs. Norma M. Royal
 Media Specialist
 North Central Elementary School
 Durham, North Carolina

The Recruitment Committee of the North Carolina Library Association did not meet at the 1971 Spring Workshop April 2.

To give a report of our activities thus far, I submit statements of two of our committee members who responded to my inquiry about a meeting:

MRS. OLLIE P. BOND: "I have worked closely with the counselors at the senior high school recommending materials for pupils who desire to enter the library field, as well as to encourage pupils to enter this field. A consultant in library science was invited for career night held at the senior high."

MISS NANCY WALLACE: "My contribution has been through informal chats with individual librarians and staff members (and sometimes students) throughout the State, urging them to spread the word about the field of librarianship. I also have 'plugged' recruitment in workshops and speeches. Quite a bit of material on careers in librarianship has gone out from the State Library during the past two years."

Miss Jane Snyder designed our

"ticket" and I arranged for payment of the printing with the help of The Heckman Bindery and I also placed a full page advertisement in *North Carolina Libraries*, Summer 1971, page 113.

I have tried to operate as a "committee" and have attempted to distribute responsibility so all members would contribute equally as far as possible. It has not worked. With a few minor exceptions, most of our activity would have been done if we had not been committee members. We looked at notes of previous NCLA Recruitment Committees and noted they, too, had done a lot of planning but had done nothing concrete—at least as far as their notes indicated. The activities planned seemed to be almost off the ground when a new committee would be formed.

Someone has said, "A camel is a horse that was designed by a committee." It seems there have been a lot of Recruitment Committee Horses (ours included) in the his-

tory of the North Carolina Library Association. May I suggest a one or two man committee. Also, if a budget, however slight, could be provided, it would help tremendously.

Resources and Technical Services Section—The Executive Board of the Resources and Technical Services Section of the North Carolina Library Association met Friday morning, April 2, at the Betsy-Jeff Penn 4-H Center outside Reidsville. Present were Ruth Prince, Chairman; Eunice Drum, vice-chairman; Louise Deshaies, secretary; and Allegra Westbrooks and Joan Spencer, directors.

IT WAS DECIDED to try a luncheon-business meeting at the biennial meeting of NCLA in Winston-Salem in November. At this time the Section will discuss the idea of having an off-year meeting of the Section, perhaps a type of workshop meeting. An alternative to this may be the idea of having a "conference within a conference" at the biennial conference, with a full schedule planned, using every minute of the time. This idea is felt to be good by those who have such a busy schedule they find it hard to get to all meetings and meet the expenses of extra meetings.

A questionnaire is to be passed out at the luncheon-business meeting in Winston-Salem to see how members feel about these two ideas.

It was suggested that the questionnaire call for specific, actual situations, including speakers or leaders of discussions, which could be used at either of these types of meetings.

The chairman asked that people submit to the incoming chairman of this Section the names of people who can be submitted to A. L. A. for certain citations and awards, as the Esther Piercy Award. So often the chairman will not know those from North Carolina whose names could and should be submitted for consideration.

Allegra Westbrooks will represent North Carolina in the place of Ruth Prince at the banquet of the Council of Regional Groups at the meeting of A. L. A. in Dallas in June.

LIBRARY TRUSTEE-LIBRARIAN CONFERENCE

The Fourth Annual Library Trustee-Librarian Conference took place on March 23 and 24 in Chapel Hill at the Institute of Government. Sponsors of the conference were the North Carolina Association of Library Trustees, the State Library, and the Institute of Government of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Presentations during the conference included: Dr. Richard Rockwell on "Census Data for Governmental Agencies," Miss Elaine von Oesen on "Personnel Needs in Public Libraries," Dr. Ray L. Carpenter on "How Library Schools Are Meeting Public Library Personnel Needs," Mr. Milton S. Heath on "Institute of Government Legislative Reporting Service," Mr. George Garretson on "Bibliography for Trustees," and Miss Jane Wilson on "The Right to Read Program." Mr. Philip S. Ogilvie and Mr. Joseph S. Ferrell, also on the program, were concerned with "LSCA Amendments and North Carolina Constitutional Amendments."