

through attendance at vocational days and the college level — by speeches to student organizations and meetings with faculty and students.

Library schools should up-date their curriculums by requiring a course in introduction to data processing and placing more emphasis on book publishing and reading guidance. Through exploration in these areas the new graduate can enter the machine-oriented world prepared to give better service to his fellow man.

The new graduate will see many changes during his working lifetime. With new technology, the library of tomorrow will be a learning center of books, tapes, records, manuscripts, microcards, microfilms, and microfiches. It will be linked, in the foreseeable future, with libraries in the United States through the use of teletype and copying equipment, and internationally via communications satellite. This international linking will undoubtedly be achieved by a hook-up of major national libraries. These major hook-ups can be used by smaller libraries equipped with sending and receiving equipment. A beginning has been made toward futuristic library service by the new interlibrary loan project, which will link libraries in North Carolina.

Libraries are an essential service. Academic libraries must continually strengthen their financial support. A climate must be created which places the library in an important position. On many campuses the library is regarded as a necessary evil and those who work in it have no academic importance of any kind.

Some way must be found to raise the support of public libraries. To recruit qualified persons libraries must be competitive in the salaries offered to the beginning and experienced librarian. Qualified people cannot be obtained if public libraries do not achieve a higher standing in the community tax structure. It is my hope that North Carolinians for Better Libraries will do two things: First, this group can be influential in achieving better public library service in all communities; Second, there are many influential community leaders in this organization. They can serve the cause of recruiting by attending some of the vocational days and speaking on the vital importance of the public libraries in their community. In so doing, these people can perform the invaluable service of presenting the layman's point of view.

Do not maintain a passive, negative attitude toward your profession. Give your library as much good coverage as possible in the local press, radio, and television. Serve in this spirit . . .

T'is the gift to be simple

T'is the gift to be free

T'is the gift to come down where you ought to be.

— Aaron Copland, "Appalachian Spring."

COMMITTEE AND SECTION REPORTS

NORTH CAROLINA BOOKS COMMITTEE

The North Carolina Books Committee of NCLA met only one time during the 1965-67 biennium. At that meeting we decided to survey the libraries throughout the state to determine the need for a working tool that will enable librarians in the state

to build useful collections of North Caroliniana. Such a tool should be useful at all levels of library service — school, public, college, and even private collections.

We decided also that we will conduct surveys which will tell us which colleges and universities, including the new community colleges, are teaching North Carolina history, which book sellers specialize in North Caroliniana, and which publishers regularly issue North Carolina books — this information to be incorporated in a bibliography of basic North Caroliniana which we feel should be in all libraries in the state.

We also discussed the matter of issuing a classified bibliography indicating which books are in print and recommending books that we think should be reprinted.

At this one meeting we went no further than the planning stage, but I should like to recommend that this project be more fully explored and that the Committee on North Carolina Books be continued.

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION FOR LIBRARIANSHIP

The third edition of *Library Education in North Carolina* was ready to be printed immediately after the 1967 biennial conference of the North Carolina Library Association. Its purpose is two-fold: (a) it will provide current information to practicing librarians about certification requirements and opportunities for study in North Carolina, and (b) it should be useful to librarians and counselors in high schools and colleges in recruiting future librarians.

The booklet contains North Carolina requirements for school librarians and regulations for certification of public librarians. A summary is given of each program offered at the state's colleges and universities which prepares a librarian for certification as either a school or public librarian. Scholarships and loan funds for prospective librarians are described.

Since the last edition of this publication appeared in 1959, many changes have taken place in both certification and graduation requirements in library science.

The committee on Education for Librarianship is composed of Mrs. Sadie S. Hughes, Gene D. Lanier, Robert A. Miller, Elvin E. Stroud, and Mrs. Ethel K. Smith, chairman.

NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL LIBRARIANS

The big happening during the biennium was the work conference "Innovations in School Library Service", which was co-sponsored with the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction. This conference was in session September 29-October 1, 1966 at the Sir Walter Hotel in Raleigh. Miss Cora Paul Bomar and David Hunsucker from the Department of Public Instruction and the Executive Committee composed the Program Committee. Reports of the work conference were published in the Spring, 1967 issue of *North Carolina Libraries*, the Summer, 1967 issue of *Southeastern Librarian*, and the March, 1967 issue of the *NCASL Bulletin*. The Southeastern Library Association granted NCASL \$500 to help finance the work conference. Attendance reached over one thousand for the first time for a meeting of school librarians in North Carolina.

The Standards Committee has been working in an advisory capacity with the Department of Public Instruction toward revising the State Library Standards. The

American Association of School Librarians granted this committee \$200 to support its work.

The first issue of our *NCASL Bulletin* was published in March, 1967. Mrs. Sophia Potts serves as editor and works with the Publication Committee to accomplish the publication of the *Bulletin*. The *Bulletin* is intended to serve as a means of communication between the Executive Committee and members of the Section, and to provide information concerning significant school library developments.

The Archives Committee, with Hallie Bacelli as chairman, has compiled the "Highlights of Meetings of NCLA Concerning School and Children's Library Sections" from 1904 through 1949. This information will be published in the *NCASL Bulletin*.

Regulations for a NCASL scholarship were developed by the Awards and Scholarship Committee. The annual scholarship in the amount of \$350 is to be awarded to an applicant who already holds an undergraduate degree but who wishes to certify or do graduate work in library science and be a school librarian. The first scholarship was granted to Miss Lillie Inez Sanders of Cooper High School, Clayton.

The program for the Section's meeting during the biennial conference in Charlotte included a panel discussion explaining the Demonstration School Library Project in North Carolina and a speech by Augusta Baker, head of the Children's Division, New York Public Library.

Membership for the Section is 560.

Carroll R. Powell	Chairman
Mrs. Ila T. Justice	Chairman-Elect
Marilyn Pruette	Secretary-Treasurer
Mrs. Ruth A. Best	Director
Mrs. J. T. Good	Director
Olive V. Moretz	Director
Mrs. Elizabeth D. Stroupe	Director

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee met in Greensboro on January 12, 1967, to suggest and to discuss potential candidates for NCLA offices. The chairman was able to send a sample ballot to the treasurer, Leonard Johnson, before the end of February. Ballots were mailed to members during the first week in May.

The official count of the ballots was made by the chairman and her secretary. Letters announcing the results were mailed on June 12th to all candidates, the president, the recording secretary, the incoming president, the editor of *North Carolina Libraries*, and to the editorial offices of *ALA Bulletin*, *Library Journal*, *Wilson Library Bulletin*, and *Southeastern Librarian*.

675 ballots were received, of which two were invalidated. Two write-in votes were cast.

Phyllis Myron	Chairman
Dorothy Grigg, Elizabeth Copeland, Mollie Lee, Grace Farrior	

COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES SECTION

The chief organized activity of the Section was undertaken by the Junior College Committee which conducted a workshop at Wingate College in the Spring of 1967. This workshop is reported elsewhere in this issue.

The chairman of the Section headed a special committee to study the financial structure of NCLA, and some of its recommendations; e. g., membership dues increase were put into effect.

The chairman and the secretary-treasurer participated in the Spring, 1967 workshop of NCLA in Raleigh, where most of the plans for the biennial conference of the section were outlined. It was decided to plan a joint meeting with the Resources and Technical Services Section, and general agreement was reached on a subject area that would be of interest to members of both Sections.

Dr. Merrill G. Berthrong, Wake Forest University Library, Winston-Salem	.....	<i>Chairman</i>
Mrs. Ethel K. Smith, Wingate College Library, Wingate	.....	<i>Vice-Chairman</i>
Elvin Strowd, Duke University Library, Durham	.....	<i>Secretary-Treasurer</i>
Alva W. Stewart, University of North Carolina at Charlotte, Charlotte	.....	<i>Director</i>
Miss Helen Hagan, Wilmington College Library, Wilmington	.....	<i>Director</i>

ARCHIVES COMMITTEE

Work was continued during the biennium on the years 1955 to 1961. Since some of the important papers have not yet been received for these years, the archives have not been bound. All three bienniums covered by the above time period are almost complete and will be ready for binding in the near future.

Members are urged to send all archival material to the North Carolina State Library Box 2889, Raleigh, 27602, marked for the Archives Committee, NCLA.

Charlesanna Fox	.....	<i>Chairman</i>
Mrs. Hallie Bacelli, Edith Clark, Myrl Ebert, Evelyn Pope	.....

GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

The Governmental Relations Committee considered the advisability of the employment of a legislative counsel by the North Carolina Library Association for the purpose of lobbying for favorable library legislation in the N. C. General Assembly. Instead of approving the employment of such a person, the committee voted unanimously to recommend to the Executive Board of the Association that surplus funds which had been collected to employ a legislative counsel be used to assist in the development of a citizens Committee for Better Libraries, now known as North Carolinians for Better Libraries.

Recognizing the important work of the ALA Washington Office in furthering effective library legislation, the committee also recommended that the Executive Board of NCLA increase its contribution to the ALA Washington Office to \$500 for 1966. This recommendation has been implemented by the Board.

I. T. Littleton	.....	<i>Chairman</i>
Hoyt Galvin, Tommy Gaylord, David Hunsucker, Philip Ogilvie, Mrs. M. E. Taylor	.....

NLW IN NORTH CAROLINA, 1967

Following the meeting of the North Carolina Association of Library Trustees during the 1965 NCLA conference in which the chairman and members of the Governor's Commission on Library Resources discussed the results of the Commission's study which appeared as the Downs Report, the group present was challenged by David Stick to do something about the poor condition of libraries in general and public libraries in particular. Trustees' Chairman Greorge Stephens appointed a steering committee for the organization of a citizen group separate and in addition to the Trustees Association.

The Steering Committee invited a small group of interested persons, and North Carolinians for Better Libraries was incorporated in 1966, with David Stick as president. With a small grant from the North Carolina Library Association NCBL hired Mr. H. B. Rogers as Executive Director of NCBL and appointed one voting members from each of the 100 counties in the state. The first annual conference of NCBL met in March, 1967 to issue general instructions to the membership for organizing or strengthening Friends in each community, and many of the community groups were ready for action during National Library Week.

Due to the fledgling status of this group, the steering committee of National Library Week felt it would be unwise to detract from their growing support in the state by appointing a chairman for National Library Week, thereby having two state-wide library groups competing for support.

The only state-wide NLW activity was the mailing of the Governor's Proclamation, a joint resolution by the 1967 General Assembly recognizing NLW, the President's message, the *Newsweek* reprint, and a group of radio-TV spot announcements.

On the local level, NLW was observed according to the desires of the librarian and the community, and ranged from being completely ignored to highly successful. In response to the NLW questionnaire, a few librarians indicated that there was a slight amount of activity by school, college, or special libraries — this consisting mainly of a display of NLW posters.

Local radio stations and newspapers were fairly cooperative with the programs, spots, or news stories. However, they were more responsive when the library had a real ax to grind such as a bond drive, tax vote, or new library to open. Groups such as Home Demonstration, Book, Garden, Women's and civic clubs such as Rotary, Charity League, and Friends were very helpful in the local celebration. Only six communities reported a formal committee.

My state-wide appraisal of National Library Week is that it was very spotty in its observance, depending largely on the needs of the local community, and their having a special interest to serve as a basis for celebrating the week. NCBL used the week to promote the organization of Friends groups or to strengthen such existing groups. One piquant ad such as "Would you offer a librarian a Tiparillo?" in a national magazine has been worth more to librarians than all of the local publicity that we can contrive.

Arial A. Stephens,
Executive Director,
1967 National Library Week, N. C.

ASSOCIATION OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

For the two-year period of the trustee section ending October 27, 1967, the president can report concentration on one goal resulting from the study of North Carolina library resources ably directed by Dr. Robert B. Downs and published under auspices of the Governor's Commission on Resources of North Carolina Libraries.

As the report pointed out, public library standards are far from being met in a large part of the state's counties because book stock is distressingly low and salaries are likewise not adequate. These conditions, as the report indicated, stem largely from lack of enough financial support, even though professional and layman leadership has been loyal.

Working with advice and encouragement of North Carolinians for Better Libraries, the citizens organization formed after David Stick's challenge at the 1965 biennial conference in Winston-Salem, your officers received the needed support for successful passage of an act by the 1967 General Assembly authorizing a legislative study commission. David Stick was appointed by Governor Moore as chairman of this commission. First meeting was expected shortly after the 1967 biennial conference in October.

The chairman of the trustee section can be most grateful to the staff of the State Library for advice in working toward this goal, as well as to trustees and to professional members of the Public Libraries Section. In the 1967 General Assembly, the presiding officers of both houses were sympathetic. The chairmen of the two committees on libraries and many members of each house supported the bill as soon as they were satisfied as to its soundness. With a strong commission and the proper research director, such a commission should be able to bring forth a financial plan to bring this part of North Carolina's public education system up to the standard needed by our citizens.

The prospect of a salaried staff and office for the association will surely be welcomed by the trustee section. Without such help there is little prospect of building our membership to the needed strength. It can help with such basic needs as preparing and mailing dues notices, organizing efforts to gain more members, and periodic executive board meetings.

Properly carried through, these efforts can double the strength of library service.

INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM COMMITTEE

The committee met once during the biennium and made the following recommendations:

Each library, public, school, or college, should adopt a written book selection policy. Librarians and library boards should familiarize themselves with the outstanding statements on "the right to read" by educators and librarians: The Library Bill of Rights, adopted in 1948 and amended in 1961 by the A.L.A. Council; The School Library Bill of Rights, adopted by the American Association of School Librarians; and The Students Right To Read, by the National Council of Teachers of English, 1962.

Useful information for libraries faced with the problem of censorship was discussed and the following publications recommended: "How Libraries and Schools Can Resist Censorship" adopted 1962 by the A.L.A. Council; "Combatting Undemocratic

Pressures on Schools and Libraries" issued by the American Civil Liberties Union, 1964; and "What to do Before the Censor Comes — and After", a special reprint issued by the Intellectual Freedom Committee of the American Library Association from the September, 1965 issue of the "Newsletter on Intellectual Freedom".

Mrs. Dorothy B. Thomas *Chairman*
 Mrs. Sara Napier, Mrs. C. H. Martenna, Mrs. James W. Reid

JUNIOR MEMBERS ROUND TABLE

The Junior Members Round Table has held three general meetings during the biennium.

The group held its biennial breakfast meeting November 6, 1965 at the North Carolina Library Association Conference in Winston-Salem. Mr. Frank Borden Hanes, Winston-Salem author, spoke to members on "The Writer as Organization Man," elaborating on literary attitudes and devices of authors. Following the speaker, the nominating committee presented its slate of officers for the next biennium. After election of officers, the members unanimously adopted an amendment to change Article I of the By-laws (Membership) to read "those under 35 or those in the profession less than five years."

On April 30, 1966 junior members met in the Faculty Lounge of Carroll Hall on the campus of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Mr. Carroll Calhoun, Supervisor of the Library Processing Center for Community Colleges, was our speaker. Mr. Calhoun presented a brief background and history of the community college program in North Carolina.

A luncheon meeting was held May 4, 1967 at East Carolina College, Greenville, in the Buccaneer Room. Mr. Charles W. Whedbee, local judge and author of *Legends of the Outer Banks*, and Mr. David Stick of Kitty Hawk, well-known North Carolina author and book dealer, presented a most interesting and informative program. A nominating committee, consisting of Joan Riley, Benjamin Speller, and Jo Ann Bell, chairman, was appointed to prepare a slate of nominees for election at the 1967 biennial meeting.

The next meeting of Junior Members Round Table was held at the NCLA Conference at the White House Inn in Charlotte, where it sponsored a coffee hour on the afternoon of October 26. New officers of the Junior Members Round Table were elected at the breakfast meeting on the morning of October 28.

Barbara S. Garrison *Chairman*
 Gary F. Barefoot *Vice-chairman*
 Sallie E. Mann *Secretary-Treasurer*
 Ellen D. Moreland *Director*
 Mary E. Morris *Director*

NORTH CAROLINA PUBLIC LIBRARY CERTIFICATION BOARD

In September 1966, the Board met and certified three persons. One application for certification was deferred. In March, 1967 the Board met and certified seven persons; one applicant was denied certification. The Board met September 20, 1967 in Dean Walter Sedelow's office and approved the applications for eight persons. Five persons were certified provisionally upon receipt of an official transcript of library science and other

courses taken and successfully passed as well as proof of meeting other conditions for receipt of a degree or certification. One application was denied.

During the meeting September 20, 1967, the State Librarian pointed out certain weaknesses in the statement of specifications for certification under Section 4, point (c) of the "Regulations for Certification of Public Librarians, Revised, 1963." He asked and received permission to attempt to rewrite the paragraph for clearer understanding before the next meeting of the Certification Board.

Margaret E. Kalp Secretary, 1965-66
Philip S. Ogilvie Secretary, 1967-

RESOURCES AND TECHNICAL SERVICES SECTION

During the 1965-67 biennium, the Executive Committee of the Resources and Technical Services Section met on two occasions to transact business. The first meeting was held April 30, 1966, in Chapel Hill. Discussion at that time centered about the possibility of holding a workshop for Section members. Topics for the workshops, such as mechanization of technical services, the new *Anglo-American Cataloging Rules*, and the 17th edition of the *Dewey Decimal Classification*, were proposed. These topics were also designated as desirable ones for the NCLA biennial conference in 1967. Because of a lack of funds, the idea of the workshop was subsequently abandoned.

At the second meeting of the Executive Committee, held in conjunction with the NCLA officers' workshop in Raleigh, April 8, 1967, possible topics for the biennial conference program in Charlotte were delineated. Approval was given for a joint program session with the College and University Libraries Section on either the *Anglo-American Cataloging Rules* or the question of the Library of Congress versus the Dewey classification system for the academic library. Two speakers for the Charlotte conference were later invited to discuss "Classification for the College Library: Dewey or Library of Congress?" These speakers, who appeared before the joint meeting of the Resources and Technical Services and the College and University Libraries Sections Oct. 26, 1967, were William R. Pullen, Librarian, Georgia State College, Atlanta (for Library of Congress) and Leslie R. Morris, Head Cataloger, East Stroudsburg State College, East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania (for Dewey).

The Executive Committee also aided the chairman in selecting a Nominating Committee for the Section. This latter committee, which submitted its report at the Section's business meeting October 26, 1967, consists of Edna A. Lambeth, Lois B. McGirt, and Mabel B. Jones, chairman.

During the biennium, the Section was represented at the Council of Regional Groups meetings, held during the annual conferences of the American Library Association, by Mary E. Morris (New York, 1966) and Doralyn J. Hickey (San Francisco, 1967).

The chairman would deem it amiss if she were to close this report without expressing her regret that James G. Baker, vice-chairman and chairman-elect of the Section for 1963-65, found himself unable to accept the chairmanship. In addition, she feels compelled to express her sincere thanks to the Section officers and members who assisted her so competently during the term for which she served no "apprenticeship."

Doralyn J. Hickey Chairman
M. Sangster Parrott Vice-Chairman

Mary E. Morris	<i>Secretary-Treasurer</i>
Patricia E. Johnson	<i>Director</i>
Foy Lineberry	<i>Director</i>

ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE

The Organization Committee held a meeting in the Jackson Library, University of North Carolina at Greensboro, on January 21, 1967. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the reorganization of the association to include a central office with a paid administrative officer. Members present were Paul Ballance, Mrs. Helen Brown, Arial Stephens, Catherine Weir, and Marjorie Hood. The group spent the entire day discussing the necessary changes in the Constitution and By-Laws of the North Carolina Library Association to accommodate a central office and an administrative officer. These changes were written into a final report and submitted to Paul Ballance, president of NCLA, on March 10, 1967.

Paul Ballance	<i>Ex-Officio</i>
Marjorie Hood	<i>Chairman</i>
James D. Blount, Mrs. Helen Brown, Arial Stephens, Catherine Weir	

LIBRARY RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Because of the need for coordination of the various committees on resources in the North Carolina Library Association, at its first meeting in 1966, the Library Resources Committee recommended that in the future this committee be composed of the chairman or a representative appointed from the resource committees of the various NCLA sections which have such committees and other members at the discretion of the president. It was also suggested that the chairman of sections not having such a committee appoint a representative to serve on the Library Resources Committee.

For immediate action, it was recommended to the State Librarian that a study be made of the administration of the public libraries' special interlibrary subject collections as a preliminary step in the planning for statewide improvement of interlibrary cooperation. In 1967 the State Library surveyed, by means of two questionnaires, inter-library cooperation in North Carolina and the status of the special interlibrary loan collections in public libraries.

In order to obtain information on another phase of interlibrary cooperation among all types of libraries, the Library Resources Committee compiled and sent out in May, 1967 an Interlibrary Loan Policy Questionnaire. Out of 314 questionnaires sent to university, college, school, public, and special libraries, 155 were answered, at least in part, and tabulated. Public libraries had 60 returns; colleges and universities, 38; community colleges, 7; special, including technical institutes, 49 (including 17 letters instead of filled-in questionnaires); and the State Library, 1. Findings indicated the urgent need of all types of North Carolina libraries to enlarge or increase their access to bibliographic sources, now severely limited. Policies regarding lending need to be liberalized, and standard, faster, more efficient interlibrary procedures need to be adopted.

Three Library Resources Committee members attended the North Carolina State Library Conference on Interlibrary Cooperation June 6-7, 1967 and the chairman of the committee reported on the Interlibrary Loan Policy Questionnaire as information for the participants. Objectives of this conference included identifying and discussing service

needs, resources, goals, and interim steps toward interlibrary cooperation which might be undertaken under Title III of the Library Services and Construction Act; and considering changes in interlibrary loan policies and procedures within the state.

As outgrowths of this Interlibrary Cooperation Conference, a North Carolina Advisory Council for Title III has been formed, and recommendations from the conference to the North Carolina Library Association that it appoint a Development Committee cutting across type-of-library lines to recommend statewide development of library resources and services and an Automation Committee to study uses of automation in libraries and make recommendations have been implemented.

Mae S. Tucker

Chairman

James Baker, Florence Blakely, Mrs. Robert Campbell, Gertrude Coward

AD HOC COMMITTEE ON A BIBLIOGRAPHY/UNION LIST OF NORTH CAROLINA PERIODICALS

Late in 1964 an *ad hoc* committee was appointed by the NCLA Executive Board to explore the possibility and feasibility of compiling and reproducing a bibliography/union list of North Carolina periodicals. Reporting in 1965, this committee, in addition to suggesting appropriate definitions, forms, and procedures, recommended that a steering committee be named to continue the work, and possibly to organize the actual project. The present committee was the result of this recommendation.

A meeting of the committee was held at each of the two work sessions of the biennium May 7, 1966 in Greensboro and April 8, 1967 in Raleigh. At the first meeting careful consideration was given to the decisions of the former committee and, with a few modifications, these were accepted as guidelines for the projected bibliography/union list. Having reached this point, the committee proceeded to discuss broad approaches. It was agreed that no committee with scattered members could undertake successfully the necessary compilation of entries, and that the work would have to be centralized under the direction of one person specifically responsible for the project. The meeting closed with a request that the chairman secure the advice of William Powell, Librarian of the North Carolina Collection at the University in Chapel Hill, and that of Dr. H. G. Jones of the North Carolina Department of Archives and History in Raleigh.

By correspondence, since a special committee meeting could not be arranged, the chairman did communicate with the consultants, and very valuable suggestions were received in time for the next work session.

The work of the committee at its second meeting was principally that of outlining precisely what it believed necessary to the successful production of a bibliography/union list. The members agreed: (1) that the work should be done under the supervision of a professional librarian, performing full-time and with clerical assistance, (2) that funds should be provided for travel to libraries to assist in the listing of their holdings, (3) that a printing of at least 500 copies should be anticipated, and (4) that the work should be completed in a year, and not later than the close of the 1967-1969 biennium. Careful estimates indicated that the sum of \$15,000 would be required. A memorandum embodying these proposals was presented to the Executive Board.

The Board received the memorandum with sympathy but, reasonably enough, pointed out that NCLA funds would not support a project of this magnitude. However,

the president and chairman of the committee were authorized to seek a foundation grant. It is hoped that, although no grant has been secured, such a suitable supporting grant can be obtained in the near future.

Carlton P. West *Chairman*
Mrs. Ellen Moreland, Mary Canada, Elvin Strowd

PUBLIC LIBRARY SECTION

The Public Library Section meetings during the NCLA Conference in Charlotte October 26-27, 1967 showed the results of hard work on the part of members during the past two years. The close association of the State Library, Association of Library Trustees, and North Carolinians for Better Libraries was evident. Adequate physical facilities for public libraries and the State Library are not yet realized but have improved. The legislature has taken definite steps toward recognizing public library needs in North Carolina by creating the Legislative Study Commission for Libraries. The N. C. Association of Library Trustees has coordinated its work with that of librarians and has been instrumental in the formation of a strong lay group known as North Carolinians for Better Libraries. Although a substantial increase in financial support from state and federal funds has not been a reality, some significant gains have been made.

The first session of the Public Library Section consisted of reports from the following committees:

In-Service training — Miss Kathleen Gilleland, chairman; Printed Resources — Miss Margaret Johnston, chairman; Audio-Visual — Mrs. Dorothy B. Thomas, chairman; Personnel — Miss Charlesanna Fox, chairman; Automation — William O'Shea, chairman; Development — Mrs. Dorothy Shue, chairman; Membership — Miss Antoinette Searle, chairman; and Nominating — Miss Mae Tucker, chairman.

Members elected the following officers to serve during the 1967-69 biennium: Vice-chairman and chairman-elect — Kenneth Brown; Secretary — Miss Rebecca Weant; and directors — Miss Jeanette Trotter and Mrs. Barbara Heafner.

Miss Elizabeth Copeland of Greenville, incoming chairman, urged members to look toward the future as we work together as "North Carolinians for Better Libraries."

The second conference session was a joint meeting of the Public Library Section and the N. C. Association of Library Trustees. The program consisted of a panel composed of two librarians and two laymen. Panel members were George M. Stephens, chairman, N. C. Association of Library Trustees; Philip Ogilvie, state librarian of North Carolina; James Blount, treasurer, North Carolinians for Better Libraries; and Hoyt R. Galvin, director, Public Library of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County.

In summarizing the remarks of panelists, Galvin made the following points: (1) Only one-third of the national standards for public libraries have been met in North Carolina, (2) North Carolinians for Better Libraries represents the best tool for communicating our need, (3) A need exists for an interlocking network of libraries comparable to our vast interstate highway system, (4) Libraries are interdependent, and cooperation is necessary to serve library users effectively, and (5) the State Library stands as the capstone of our efforts through its services to libraries and the launching of new programs.

Evelyn L. Parks *Chairman*