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Plan to attend the ORALL Fall Meeting, which will be held in conjunction with ALLUNY at Niagara Falls, N.Y., October 14-16.

SYNOPSIS OF THE SPRING MEETING

The Spring Meeting of the Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries was held at the Hollenden House Hotel, Cleveland, Ohio, May 20-22. The first day of the meeting was devoted to tours of several law libraries in Cleveland and an Executive Committee meeting. In the evening members had the opportunity to see the Broadway play "Raisin."

Following a business meeting the morning of Friday, May 21, the day was devoted to the program. The topic of the morning session was "Organizing Your Library." Nancy Bliss and Roger Jacobs were the speakers. The afternoon session featured Kathy Price and Diane Witkowski on the subject of "Library Personnel." Individual workshops by type of library followed. Mr. Jack Ellenberger, Vice President-President Elect of AALL, addressed the members at the Friday evening banquet.

Committee meetings and luncheon were scheduled for Saturday.

Major items covered at the Friday business meeting included Mr. James Bailey's announcement that the Fall Meeting will be held at the Niagara Hilton Hotel, Niagara Falls, New York, October 14-16, in conjunction with the Association of Law Libraries of Upstate New York (ALLUNY). Mr. Jorge Carro presented the Treasurer's Report, showing a balance of \$4,742 as of April 30, 1976. Questions raised for future consideration were the desirability of authorizing amendments to the ORALL constitution to be made at any regular meeting of the members and of allowing the Executive Committee to plan Spring Meeting sites several years in advance so that hotel space can be booked at the site of the Ohio State Bar Association annual meetings.

(Minutes of the meeting will be circulated in the Newsletter prior to the Fall Meeting. Summaries of committee reports appear in this issue.)

A NOTE OF THANKS

The Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries expresses its appreciation to those whose contributions helped to make our recent meeting a success:

Anderson Publishing Co.
Congressional Information Service
William W. Gaunt
William S. Hein Co.
Microcard Editions
Oceana Publications, Inc.
Fred B. Rothman
Tax Management/B.N.A.

NO CHAPTER BREAKFAST SCHEDULED

ORALL will not schedule a Chapter Breakfast at the AALL Annual Meeting.

LAW LIBRARIANS' VIEWS NOTED IN LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION REPORT

Once again the views of Ohio law librarians are before the Ohio General Assembly on a matter of long-standing concern, this time in a report of the Legislative Service Commission, Staff Research Report No. 122, "The Ohio Administrative Procedure Act." The report notes the general dissatisfaction

of lawyers and law librarians with the notice and publication requirements for administrative agency rules and regulations, which are referred to by the report as subjects for legislative action.

ACQUISITIONS INFORMATION

The Library Committee of the Association of the Bar of New York City has published its acquisitions guidelines in "The Record", Vol. 31, No. 3, March, 1976, 202-209. The guidelines establish general policy and suggest priorities for acquisitions. They will be useful to librarians wishing to establish or evaluate their library's policy.

A list of recommended minimum holdings for law libraries in England and Wales has been published in the Journal of the Society of Public Teachers of Law, Vol. 13 n.s., July, 1975, 332-341. The list contains titles for the Commonwealth countries' primary and secondary sources and International and Bibliography sections.

NEWS FROM THE COMMITTEES

Constitution and By-Laws Committee, Nancy Miller, Chairperson.

The Constitution and By-Laws Committee has recommended a number of changes in the wording of the constitution. Language which is archaic, inconsistent, or outmoded is recommended for deletion. (The full text of recommended changes and supporting reasons is to appear in the Newsletter for review by the members prior to the annual meeting.)

Legislative Committee, Arthur Fiske, Chairperson.

The Legislative Committee reports no adverse legislation affecting law libraries enacted in Ohio during the current legislative session. Proposed legislation to require the printing of all administrative rules and regulations was not enacted. In related events, the Executive Committee of the Ohio State Bar Association deferred a request by the Administrative Law and Law Libraries Committees that an action be instituted for a writ of mandamus to compel agency compliance with existing statutes requiring publication of rules and regulations.

The Michigan Law Librarians, along with the Legal Publications Committee of the State Bar of Michigan, are attempting to secure revision of the Michigan Administrative Code, which was last revised in 1954, and to have it kept up and distributed by a commercial publisher.

Membership Committee, Barbara Rennolet, Chairperson.

The Membership Committee reports that as of May 20, 1976, the total membership of ORALL was 205. Fifteen new members have joined during the year. Projects of the Membership Committee for the year will include the 1976 Membership Directory, active recruitment of new members (which will be accomplished in part by contacting all law school deans and library science departments in the area), and examination of Life Membership status.

Nominating Committee, William James, Chairperson.

The Nominating Committee reports that so far during the year only one letter has been received suggesting nominations for officers for next year. The membership is urged to submit suggestions to the committee.

Placement Committee, Richard Bear, Chairperson.

The Placement Committee reports nine vacancies and five letters from persons desiring employment in the region. Nationally, as of April 1, 1976, thirty-seven positions were open and the national committee had fifty-four active applications; twenty-six of the applicants have M.L.S. degrees and the remainder have J.D. or dual degrees. It is presumed that the low number of applicants and vacancies results from the depressed economy, uncertainty about the direction of the economy, and the "wait and see" attitude typical of election years.

Continuing Education Committee, James Bailey, Chairperson.

Mr. Bailey announced at the Spring Meeting that the new committee has plans underway to develop an educational exchange program for professional library personnel within the region. The basic concept of the program is to have the visiting librarian work two or more days at the host library and stay during this time with a regular staff member to reduce expenses.

Guidelines Committee, Barbara Rainwater, Chairperson.

The Guidelines Committee is studying the present Guidelines with a view toward codifying them. Suggestions for additional guidelines topics will be welcome.

Model Bibliography Committee, Carol Bratton, Chairperson.

The updated 1976 Model Bibliography is ready and copies were distributed to members attending the Spring Meeting. The bibliography has been expanded to include a Basic Bibliography, Basic Ohio Library Sources to be Current, and a list of publishers' addresses.

Michigan law librarians are preparing a model bibliography of all Michigan legal materials in print and available on a commercial basis. It will be published in the Michigan State Bar Journal in June or July. A list of official state publications related to law is expected to be completed later in the year.

Indiana law librarians have started a bibliography project for the legal materials of that state. The Committee hopes to have a bibliography for each state actively represented in ORALL.

Union List Committee, John Zimmerman, Chairperson.

The Union List Committee has begun updating the ORALL Union List of Serials. Materials for updating have been mailed to participating libraries and should be submitted by them to the Information Referral Center as soon as possible and not later than July 5, so that the updated list can be published before the Fall Meeting. The cost of the updated Union List is estimated at \$33.00 if a two column program can be used, \$35.00 if it cannot.

The University of Cincinnati Law Library and the Cleveland-Marshall College of Law Library have indicated that they will be participating in the Union List. The University of Akron Law Library has withdrawn. Other libraries desiring to participate may contact the committee chairperson or the Information Referral Center for information.

NEWS FROM THE MEMBERS

Prof. Oscar M. Trelles will be leaving his position as Director of the University of Dayton Law Library to become Associate Dean of the Law School, Law Library Director, and Director of Fund Raising at Nova University Law School, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. Although he begins his new duties September 1, he will complete his term as President of ORALL.

We are confident that Oscar will enjoy much success in his new position, as he has in his present position and as President of this Association.

Mr. Arthur Fiske has resigned the chair of the ORALL Legislative Committee and will be succeeded by Ms. Vivian Balester.

Art's long and distinguished service on this committee has earned him the respect and gratitude of the entire Association.

Mrs. Adrijana P. Randolph (Danielle), formerly Cataloger's Assistant at Wayne State University Law Library, has been appointed Law Librarian at the Detroit law firm of Bodman, Longley, Bogle, Armstrong & Dahling. Her new post began March 1.

Mr. Richard Beer and his staff were the recipients of well-deserved praise for their work during May 5 ceremonies dedicating the Oakland County Law Library to Retired Judge Clark J. Adams and U.S. District Court Judge Phillip Pratt.

Prof. Roger Jacobs, Law Librarian at Southern Illinois University, served as a member of an A.B.A. inspection team at the New England School of Law in April. The Southern Illinois University School of Law graduated its first class May 14, conferring seventy J.D. degrees.

Mr. Frank E. Miller, Sr., a lawyer who in 1948 received the Toledo Bar Association's "Order of the Heel" for his work in organizing the Lucas County Law Library, died recently at age 89. The oldest practicing attorney in Toledo, he was the treasurer of the library at the time of his death.

PLACEMENT

Indiana

Readers' Services Librarian. Indiana University School of Law, largest law library in the state. One year in circulation and reference work required, preferably in law. Duties: basic reference, supervision of circulation assistant, night desk attendant, and supplementation assistant, as well as about 15 to 20 part-time student assistants. Salary: \$10,500 and up commensurate with qualifications and experience. Contact Prof. James F. Bailey III, Director of the Law Library, Indiana University School of Law, 735 W. New York St., Indianapolis, Indiana 46202. (317) 264-4028.

Michigan

Associate Law Librarian. Detroit College of Law Library. Requirements: J.D. and M.L.S. preferred. Salary negotiable. Position available August, 1976. Contact Mario Ceresa, Detroit College of Law Library, 130 E. Elizabeth Street, Detroit, Michigan 48201.

Ohio

Head Law Librarian. Pettit College of Law, Ohio Northern University. M.L.S. and J.D. required plus appropriate qualifications. Salary negotiable. Contact Mr. Albert A. Baillis, Acting Dean, Pettit College of Law, Ohio Northern University, Ada, Ohio 45810.

Librarian. Law firm of Hahn, Loeser, Freedheim, Dean, and Wellman. M.L.S. and some experience as a law librarian required. Duties: full responsibility for library and related facilities. Contact Hahn, Loeser, Freedheim, Dean, and Wellman, 800 National City-E. 6th Bldg., Cleveland, Ohio 44114, Attention: Harry D. Mercer.

Law Librarian. Akron Law Library Association. Requirements: M.L.S. as well as significant law library administrative experience. Some experience in law library planning and a law degree useful but not necessary. Salary negotiable. Contact Gertrude S. Johnson, Akron Law Library Association, Summit County Court House, Akron, Ohio 44308.

Head Librarian. Trumbull County Law Library. M.L.S. with some legal training required. Student working for J.D. would also be considered. Library is located near Akron Law School. Will be in charge of entire collection. Salary negotiable. Contact Evelyn G. Deltitt, Librarian, Trumbull County Law Library Association, Trumbull County Court House, Warren, Ohio 44481.

Director of Law Library. University of Dayton. To commence August 1, 1976. Two year old ABA previously accredited law school with over 100,000 volumes fully cataloged and classified. Well organized staff of three professionals besides the director and five clericals. J.D. and M.L.S. preferred. Administrative experience most desirable. Salary negotiable. For further information contact Dean Richard L. Braun, University of Dayton Law School, Dayton, Ohio 45469. (513) 229-3211. The University of Dayton is an equal opportunity-affirmative action employer.

Head Catalog Librarian. University of Dayton Law School Library. M.L.S. with experience in law library preferred. Will be responsible for all catalog department operations, procedures and supervision of catalog department staff (one full-time catalog assistant and part-time help). Salary negotiable. Position available July 1, 1976, Send resume to Prof. Oscar M. Trelles, Director of the Law Library, University of Dayton, Dayton, Ohio 45469. The University of Dayton is an equal opportunity employer.

Assistant Law Librarian. University of Akron School of Law. M.L.S., J.D. and good academic record necessary. Will be in charge of reference and acquisitions. Salary negotiable. Position available August 1, 1976. Send resume with references to B.C. Gire, Law Librarian, C. Blake McDowell Law Center, University of Akron, Akron, Ohio 44325. The University of Akron is an equal opportunity employer.

Public Services Librarian. University of Akron Law School. M.L.S. with experience in law library preferred. Responsible for circulation operations and procedures, supervision of circulation personnel and scheduling of student assistants. Salary negotiable. Position available August 1, 1976. Send resume to B.C. Gire, Law Librarian, C. Blake McDowell Law Center, University of Akron, Akron, Ohio 44325. The University of Akron is an equal opportunity employer.