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FROM THE CHAIR

There will be a MAGERT reception at ALA Midwinter in San Antonio on Friday January 19, 1996. Details are in this issue of *base line*. See you there!

Please plan to come to New York next summer. There will be a MAGERT hotel, which will be announced soon, two exciting programs, a reception, a visit to the New York Public Library Map Collection, and a local field trip. Details will be in the next *base line* and posted on MAPS-L. The dates are July 5-9, 1996, so write them in your brand New 1996 calendars!

In the meantime, I hope you all have a very enjoyable Holiday Season, and a Happy New Year!

Margaret Brill

ON THE CATALOGING/CATALOGUING FRONT

What follows is the text distributed by Susan Moore at the University of Arizona of a proposal the MAGERT Cataloging and Classification Committee hopes to have discussed at the ALA Midwinter meeting.

1. INTRODUCTION

This proposal from the Map and Geography Round Table Committee on Cataloging and Classification requests adding additional character positions to the 007 field for maps in order to adequately describe the physical description details of remote-sensing images. Adding character positions 08-13 will accommodate information relative to remote-sensing images (i.e., when character position 01 contains the value r). For all other values in character position 01 these additional character positions would be set to n for not applicable. As remote-sensing images become more widely available and as the platforms from which the images are taken become more diverse, the need for providing an area to describe the physical aspects of the images grows.

2. PROPOSED CHANGES

Character

Position Description

- 08 Altitude of sensor
- a terrestrial (on Earth)
 - b aerial (from aircraft, balloon, etc.)
 - c space (from spacecraft)
 - u unknown
 - n not applicable
 - z other
- 09 Attitude of sensor
- a low oblique (without horizon)
 - b high oblique (shows horizon)
 - n not applicable
- 10 Cloud cover
- 0 0-9%
 - 1 10-19%
 - 2 20-29%
 - 3 30-39%
 - 4 40-49%
 - 5 50-59%
 - 6 60-69%
 - 7 70-79%
 - 8 80-89%
 - 9 90-100%
 - u unknown
 - n not applicable
- 11 Type of platform
- a balloon
 - b aircraft--low altitude (<29,500 ft.)
 - c aircraft--medium altitude (29,500-49,000 ft.)
 - d aircraft--high altitude (>49,000 ft.)
 - e manned spacecraft
 - f unmanned spacecraft
 - u unknown
 - n not applicable
 - z other

- 12 Category of platform
a meteorological
b earth resources
c space observing
m multi-tasking
u unknown
n not applicable

- 13 Recording technique
a light emission
b thermal infrared scanning
c microwave emission
u unknown
n not applicable
z other

Please return any comments to Susan Moore, University of Arizona.
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This is my last column as Cataloging Column editor. After five years, I feel I need to move on to other things. Mark Crotteau of Washington State University will be taking over as Cataloging Column editor with the February, 1996 issue. Thanks for your support.

Kathy Rankin

EDITOR'S NOTE:

Many, many thanks to Kathy for all the time and hard work she has put in as cataloging editor. She has been an exemplary editor and has provided wonderful and informative columns over the years. Best of luck on all new ventures Kathy!

Welcome to Mark Crotteau of Washington State University. Mark will be the new cataloging editor for *base line*. Mark holds an MLS (as well as an MS in Biology) from University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill. He is a cataloger specializing in monographs in the sciences and in maps. Mark served as an intern on the ALCTS Scholarly Communications Committee (1993-94) and was appointed to MAGERT's Cataloging & Classification Committee last year. Mark's first column will appear in the February issue of *base line*.

NEW MAPS

WORLD MAPS

Die Welterbeliste der UNESCO 1995. UNESCO. Scale 1:55,000,000 and scale 1:14,000,000. 2 maps on 1 sheet : col. ; 29 x 77 cm. and 26 x 39 cm., folded to 30 x 20 cm. Braunschweig, Germany : Westermann Schulbuchverlag GmbH, c1995. OCLC# 33466153

A world map plus a map of the Mediterranean region showing locations of national and international nature reserves, marine reserves, biosphere sites, and cultural/heritage sites. Produced by UNESCO and the World Heritage Convention.

NORTH AMERICA

[This citation is from an announcement I received via mail]

1. *Reference Map of North America.*

"This authoritative full-colour map provides a comprehensive view of the North American continent. An invaluable reference tool for families, students, teachers and business professionals. It will first be available as a paper map (publishing date November/95) and soon in digital format suitable for Geographic Information System (GIS) applications, electronic publishing and customized digital products."

Some of the aspects of the paper map include a distance chart of major cities that includes populations and time zones; an inset showing physiography; a glossary containing 2400 places and their locations; ocean and state boundaries for the North American Free Trade Agreement member countries.

The digital files will include data elements that are feature coded and "structurally clean"; attribute data for county affiliation and populated places; and users purchasing Arc/Info files will get three layers for political names, drainage names, and populated places names in both French and English.

This work is produced by Geomatics Canada, Natural Resources Canada. Copies of the paper map can be obtained from the Canada Map Office at 1-800-465-6277, quote the product number MCR 31. Information about the upcoming digital files will be posted via the Internet at <http://www-nais.ccm.emr.ca/>

2. *Glaciotectonic Map of North America*. Glaciotectonic data compiled by James S. Aber ... [et al.]. Scale 1:6,500,000. 1 map : col. ; 82 x 116 cm., folded in envelope, with accompanying text. Boulder, Colo. : Geological Society of America, 1995. Map and chart series (Geological Society of America) ; MC-079. OCLC# 33135913

Extent of coverage includes Alaska, Canada, and the northern half of the United States. Shows glaciation limits, major geological provinces, basement faults and seismic zones, concealed structures, ice-shoved hills, and source basins. Available from: Geological Society of America, P.O. Box 9140, 3300 Penrose Place, Boulder, Colo. 80301

CANADA

Ottawa. Canada Map Office, Natural Resources Canada, c1995. OCLC# 33205189

This is the sheet number 2.1 of the 5th edition of the National Atlas of Canada. Includes insets on "Mean annual ground temperature", graph of "Ground temperature profiles for selected stations", and table showing "Extent of permafrost (% of land area underlain by permafrost)". Available for purchase from Natural Resources Canada, Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0E9

UNITED STATES -- PENNSYLVANIA

1. *Antiques Capital U.S.A., Adamstown, Pennsylvania*. Exit 21 Tourist Association. Not drawn to scale. 1 map ; 23 x 58 cm., folded to 23 x 29 cm. OCLC# 33634015

This is one of those maps that some would argue isn't worth cataloging. But, since its purpose is to show the location of antique dealers in the Adamstown area, it does that quite well. If you aren't aware of it, central Pennsylvania is BIG on antiques!

2. *Center City Philadelphia*. Scale [ca. 1:7,650]. 1 map : col. ; 24 x 38 cm. Wenonah, N.J. : Terragraphix Inc., c1995. OCLC# 33328867

Large-scale map of the central business district, including an index to hotels, museums, places of interest, and historic buildings within the historic district. Produced for the Philadelphia Convention & Visitors Bureau.

3. *Historic Sites in Delaware County : Where Pennsylvania Began*. Scale [ca. 1:125,000]. 1 map ; 26 x 36 cm. Chester, Pa. : Delaware County Convention & Visitors Bureau, [1995] OCLC# 33328718

This is one of those "placemat" style maps that you just might run across in a little local cafe. But, it is packed full of illustrations of people, buildings, and places in Delaware County, Pa., and indexed to boot! Could be useful for early American history buffs...

CENTRAL AMERICA -- COSTA RICA

Highway and Roads, Tourist Guide and Map, Costa Rica = Carreteras y Caminos y Guia Turistica Mapa, Costa Rica. prepared by Jimenez & Tanzi Ltd. Scale 1:500,000. 1 map : col. ; 66 x 76 cm., folded to 23 x 10 cm. 1995 ed. [San Jose, Costa Rica] : Instituto Geografico Nacional, 1995. OCLC# 33549799

This map also includes an inset of the city of San Jose and the surrounding area at a scale of 1:100,000.

EUROPE -- FRANCE

Plan de Paris = Map of Paris. [prepared for] Galeries Lafayette. Scale 1:30,000. 1 map : col. ; 38 x 46 cm, folded to 23 x 9 cm. Paris : RCS Paris, [1995] OCLC# 33549792

Galeries Lafayette is apparently a huge shopping mall/retail center, for this map also includes a floorplan of the mall on its verso. Many historic buildings are shown pictorially on the map, and there are ancillary maps to the subway system, the rail system. Definitely a map aimed at the tourist, based on the amount of information presented that leads one to visit various famous Paris sites.

Paige G. Andrew

NEW BOOKS AND ATLASES

The Book of the World. New York: Macmillan, 1995. \$450.00 ISBN 0-02-860811-9. Includes free CD-ROM: The Macmillan Digital World Atlas (CD-ROM is available separately for \$50.00).

Cultural Atlas of Spain and Portugal. New York: Facts on File, 1995. \$45.00 ISBN AO-0-8160-3014-6.

DeBlij, Harm. *Geography Book*. New York: Wiley, 1995. \$22.95 ISBN 0-471-11687-4.

Dorling, D. *A New Social Atlas of Britain*. New York: Wiley, 1995. \$59.95 ISBN 0-471-94868-3.

Francaviglia, Richard V. *The Shape of Texas: Maps as Metaphors*. College Station, TX: Texas A&M University Press, January 1996. \$29.50 ISBN 0-89096-664-8.

The Macmillan World Atlas. New York: Macmillan, 1995. \$59.95 ISBN 0-02-860812-7.

Smith, Darren L. *Parks Directory of the United States*. Detroit: Omnigraphics, 1995. \$145.00 ISBN 0-7808-0018-4.

Swanson, Eric R. *Geo-Texas: A Guide to the Earth Sciences*. College Station, TX: Texas A&M University Press, 1995. \$35.00 (Cloth) ISBN 0-89096-663-X; \$15.95 (Paper) ISBN 0-89096-682-6.

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MAGERT WELCOME RECEPTION AT ALA MIDWINTER IN SAN ANTONIO

There will be a MAGERT welcome reception at the ALA Midwinter Conference on the evening of Friday, January 19, 1996 in the Patio Room of the Menger Hotel, 204 Alamo Plaza (just south of the Alamo), from 8 until 10 PM. Hors d'oeuvres and drinks will be provided, courtesy of OMNI Resources.

Mark Thomas

MAGERT EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Saturday, June 24, 1995
McCormick Place Complex - North 133

The Board was called to order at 8:18 a.m. by Nan Butkovich, Chair. Other officers present included: Margaret Brill, Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect; Mark Thomas, Treasurer; and John Stevenson, Secretary. It was requested that all committee reports not requiring action by the Executive Board be presented at the General Membership Meeting. The minutes of the 1995 Midwinter Executive Board meetings were approved as published in *base line* with two corrections to the minutes of Executive Board Meeting I. Page 12, first paragraph, fourth line, the word "with" should be struck and in the second paragraph, the phrase "When their approval is given" should also be deleted. A correction to the roster was made: Daniel Seldin is not a committee chair, but the Audiovisual Coordinator.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Mark Thomas

Expenses for fiscal year 1995 have been less than budgeted in the areas of conference costs and publications, except for *base line*, which is costing slightly more than budgeted for printing and distribution. Revenues from dues remain relatively stable; revenues from publications have fallen. All together, there is an anticipated increase in MAGERT account balances for FY 1995 of slightly over \$2000, instead of the budgeted shortfall of \$3000. We will need all of this excess and more to cover a maximum of about \$7400 needed to reimburse subscribers for *Meridian* if it were to cease publication and all subscribers asked for a refund, but the account balance would be able to absorb this one-time expense.

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REPORT OF THE VICE-CHAIR/CHAIR-ELECT - Margaret Brill

Representatives of ALA round tables met to hear a presentation on the ALA self-study and plans for reorganization. The proposed new structure, with four societies, eleven centers, seven services, and a fluid array of special interest groups was recently unveiled but copies of the document describing it have been hard to come by. The concept will be presented to ALA Council. If Council approves the concept, round tables will prepare for discussions at Midwinter. A hearing on the approved changes is scheduled for Monday, from 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. in MCC E267 called "Structure Division Task Force." Judy Hambrick volunteered to obtain copies of the document and to leave them at the MAGERT table in the ALA office for interested members.

ALA is also exploring a Sunset Review Procedure to ensure that units review the need for committees and task forces. The cost of scheduling meeting rooms for meetings which are not held adds to the overhead costs of ALA. MAGERT committees have generally been quite responsible, reporting needs to the Executive Board. The MAGERT Organization Manual, currently held by Julia Gelfand, outlines a timetable for the MAGERT Chair to contact committee chairs for an agenda if they are meeting, or who then could strike inactive committees from the agenda. A review of inactive committees will be on the agenda at Midwinter. Changes in IRS rules for unreimbursed business expenses may also make members look critically at the costs of attending two ALA meetings per year.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE CHAIR - Nan Butkovich

No members of the Publications Committee were present at the Executive Board meeting, but it was decided that the committee should recommend action as to the status of *Meridian* and report on it at the second Executive Board Meeting. Many thanks to Melissa Lamont and John Olson for organizing and MapLink for underwriting the MAGERT reception.

The last *base line* contained a recruitment form announcing the seeking members interested in becoming active in MAGERT. Responses have been coming in, and the names will be turned over to Margaret Brill.

MAGERT will be publishing Olga Beshler's cartobibliography as part of the circular series.

The results of the recent MAGERT election were announced: Melissa Lamont is the new Chair-Elect and John Stevenson was elected to a second term as Secretary. Thanks were given also to Kathy Rankin and Joseph Winkler for their willingness to serve.

Daniel Seldin is the winner of the 1995 Honors Award.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
John Stevenson
Secretary

ATTENDANCE

Nan Butkovich	Pennsylvania State University
Margaret Brill	Duke University
Judy Hambrick	ALA Staff
Chris Kollen	University of Arizona
Melissa Lamont	University of Connecticut
Mary Larsgaard	University of California, Santa Barbara
Elizabeth Mangan	Library of Congress Geography & Map Division
Steve Rogers	Ohio State University
Dan Seldin	Indiana University
Kevin Spradlin	University of Nebraska
John Stevenson	University of Delaware
Mark Thomas	Texas A&M University
Joseph M. Winkler	St. Louis Public Library

MAP AND GEOGRAPHY ROUND TABLE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING II

Tuesday, June 27, 1995
McCormick Place Complex - East 257

The Board was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Nan Butkovich, Chair.
Other officers present included: Margaret Brill, Vice Chair/Chair-Elect;
Mark Thomas, Treasurer; and John Stevenson, Secretary.

Chair's Announcements - Nan Butkovich

To make the most effective use of time, the Chair requested that all reports not requiring decisions by the Executive Board should be presented at the General Membership Meeting only.

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New Business - Margaret Brill

Margaret Brill reported on the Publications Committee meeting held on Saturday, June 24. No one attending the meeting self-identified as a member of the committee, which the Executive Board viewed as a problem. MAGERT owes subscribers four issues of *Meridian* when number 10 is published. The position of *Meridian* advertising manager is still unfilled. In the course of discussion, Donna Koepp agreed to chair the committee for two years to support its reorganization. MAGERT needs a publications committee in order to offer publications with a cartographic viewpoint even if *Meridian* ceases after number 10. Judy Hambrick agreed to contact ALA publishing services to learn whether they could make layout decisions for publications such as *Meridian*. There will be more discussion of publications issues at the Midwinter meeting. It was noted that the editors of *Meridian* and *base line* have not sought the partial reimbursement of laser printer and software costs approved by the Executive Board in exchange for their continued editing and layout of *Meridian* and *base line*.

Judy Hambrick was authorized to send a MAGERT mouse pad to each of the three MapLink representatives participating in this ALA meeting. Another motion passed to reduce the price of MAGERT mouse pads from \$10.00 to \$8.00. It was also decided to have Judy Hambrick donate unsold MAGERT tee shirts to a homeless shelter.

Additional discussion centered on the status of the MAGERT Constitution and Bylaws and manual. The manual needs to be printed, reviewed, and revised. Mary Larsgaard expressed an interest in working with the manual marked up by Jenny Marie Johnson. Margaret Brill suggested that Daniel Seldin should be appointed chair of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee as he always attends ALA meetings.

There was also discussion of committees which do not meet and of the sunset procedure for disbanding such committees. Margaret Brill received approval from the Executive Board to remove inactive committees from the schedule of meetings for the Midwinter agenda. Inactive committees will be discussed at the Midwinter meeting with the intention of eliminating any which are no longer needed.

The meeting adjourned at 11:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
John Stevenson,
Secretary

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ATTENDANCE

Brent Allison	University of Minnesota
Margaret Brill	Duke University
Nan Butkovich	Pennsylvania State University
Judy Hambrick	American Library Association HQ
Donna Koepp	University of Kansas
Chris Kollen	University of Arizona
Melissa Lamont	Pennsylvania State University
Mary Larsgaard	University of California, Santa Barbara
Steve Rogers	Ohio State University
Dan Seldin	Indiana University
Kevin Spradlin	University of Nebraska
John Stevenson	University of Delaware
Mark Thomas	Texas A & M University

MAP AND GEOGRAPHY ROUND TABLE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING I

Tuesday, June 27, 1994
Palmer House - Parlor Drawing Room 5

The Board was called to order at 9:40 a.m. by Nan Butkovich, Chair. Other officers present included: Margaret Brill, Vice Chair/Chair-Elect; Mark Thomas, Treasurer; and John Stevenson, Secretary.

Chair's Report and Announcements - Nan Butkovich

Recognizing the many new faces at this membership meeting, members were asked to identify themselves to help link names with faces.

Paul Stout reported on the continued success of the MAGERT Walking Team. It was the ninth time in eleven years that MAGERT has won the team award. Susan Tulis, Melissa Lamont, Paul Stout, Dan Seldin, and Donna Koepp were all recognized. For her participation in nine of the eleven years, the team trophy was presented to Donna Koepp.

Recognizing that many members need to make flight connections, the chair recognized that some reports could be made earlier than on the printed schedule.

The Chair thanked MapLink for sponsoring the fine reception on Friday night, and John Olson and Melissa Lamont for organizing it.

Vice Chair/Chair-Elect - Margaret Brill

The draft self-study prepared by ALA has been a large topic for discussion at this ALA meeting. There is great concern that the report does not have a place for round tables. It will be on the ALA gopher. The committee wants Council to accept the report "in principle," but the Round Table Coordinating Committee decided to wait for Council's vote, which is expected to be against.

Between now and Midwinter, the incoming Chair will be evaluating MAGERT committees, and does not plan to schedule meetings for inactive committees. Committee chairs should be prepared to list their members and know when they last met. The Chair also seeks to avoid schedule conflicts between committee meetings, so any problems with the schedule should be reported to Margaret Brill. Also, members wishing to participate on committees should contact Margaret Brill for referral.

There will be no MAGERT hotel for the San Antonio meeting, but a Friday get-together is being planned. For the ALA Annual in New York City, there is no hotel as yet, but two programs are being planned: David Allen is working on a program on the digital preservation of maps. A half day field trip is being considered for Tuesday afternoon.

Treasurer - Mark Thomas

Revenues have been low, with low expenses for conferences. Costs for *base line* have been higher than budgeted. There is an anticipated shortfall due to the non-production of *Meridian*. (The formal Treasurer's Report has appeared in a previous issue of *base line*.)

Secretary's Report - John Stevenson

A roster of MAGERT Officers and Committee Chairs has appeared in *base line*. Corrections can be sent to the Secretary. An updated version will appear in *base line* and on MAPS-L.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Cataloging and Classification - Elizabeth Mangan

As a result of discussions two new subject Cutters under "Special Categories of Maps and Atlases" will be proposed by LC:

- .A25 Digital cartographic material
- .A47 Remote-sensing images

The 007 expansion proposal for remote-sensing images was review to identify those areas that have been covered by the changes to USMARC to accommodate the Content Standards for Digital Geospatial Metadata. The proposal will be modified by Susan Moore to remove the redundant information and will be prepared for submission to MARBI at MidWinter in San Antonio.

The cataloging of digital geospatial data was discussed and it was the feeling of the committee that is desirable to catalog this material following the concept of content over carrier.

Education - Chris Kollen

The Education Committee met on Saturday and is working on a paper to submit to the a journal for library education. The article is about incorporating map librarianship into the general library science curriculum for those librarians who might have responsibility for a small collection of maps.

GeoTech - Nan Butkovich for Patrick McGlamery

The committee is looking into the possibility of forming a joint committee with other ALA units, including LITA, who share an interest in GIS.

Honors - Nan Butkovich for April Carlucci

Daniel Seldin was honored for his continuing contributions to MAGERT since 1980, including his service as AV Coordinator which has resulted in the taping of many important MAGERT meetings and programs.

Membership - Steve Rogers

As of the end of April 1995, total membership in MAGERT was 408 members. This is 13 fewer members than at the same time in 1994. The 408 figure includes 333 personal members and 75 library school or corporate members.

Throughout the past year, Claire Englander has continued to send out information packets and ribbons to new members of MAGERT. She also sends out brief surveys to members who have dropped their membership. The majority of members who dropped their membership in MAGERT said they did so as a result of new or changed job responsibilities in which they no longer work with maps.

This year the MAGERT exhibit booth at the Convention Center will be near the Registration Area, not in the Exhibit Hall as in previous years. Steve Rogers is responsible for staffing the booth, and volunteers are eagerly welcomed.

Nominating - Margaret Brill, acting chair

Kathy Rankin and Melissa Lamont ran for Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect, and Joseph Winkler and John Stevenson ran for Secretary. Melissa Lamont was elected Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect and John Stevenson won a second term as Secretary. All four candidates were thanked for their willingness to serve, and encouraged to try again at a future time.

Publications - Donna Koeppe

There was not an official meeting of the committee. Donna Koeppe has agreed to take over as Chair of the Publications Committee to try to reorganize its affairs.

TASK FORCE AND DISCUSSION GROUP REPORTS

Cartographic Users Advisory Council (CUAC) - Margaret Brill

Due to a heart attack, the USGS official invited to attend this ALA meeting was unable to attend. Instead, Michael Domerenz of USGS attended and spoke at the GODORT Federal Documents Task Force Information Update. Discussions followed at the CUAC meeting. A detailed report is planned to follow and will be posted to MAPS-L and the Secretary for inclusion in *base line*.

Problems with CUAC stem from the lack of an effective chair because CUAC's constitution turns on the organizational abilities of an active chair.

MAGERT/CCS/ALCTS Joint Discussion Group - Elizabeth Mangan

This group is seeking a new chair. Due to the timely announcement of the topic, the group's program "Applying the G- Schedule to Remote-Sensing Imagery" was well attended.

Research Libraries Collection Management Group - Mary Larsgaard

The meeting was conducted in about an hour. The first third was primarily a presentation mainly by J.K. Herro, Stanford University, dealing with digital data acquisitions and what effect this has on the work load of librarians. This will be written up for *base line*. The second third was a discussion of the standards for university map libraries that Helen Jane Armstrong, University of Florida; Hart Finney, Institute for Paper Sciences; and Mary Larsgaard, University of California, Santa Barbara, have been working on based on the SLA G&M standards. It should be posted to MAPS-L and is expected to be ready for comments by October before being sent off to SLA G&M. The last third was a general discussion on the topic of map acquisitions.

Spatial Information and GIS Task Force - Margaret Brill

ALA Publications has accepted the draft, but will require significant numbers of updates and trimming in length. ALA also wants footnotes and an emphasis on public and school libraries.

LIAISON REPORTS

Anglo-American Cataloging Committee for Cartographic Materials - Mary Larsgaard

Elizabeth Mangan is running the secretariat for this international committee. There should be a meeting in November 1996 to discuss rules. There is a possibility of a meeting of the same group on the cataloging of data in digital form in UC Santa Barbara in early November, right before the National Science Foundation Digital Library Initiative meeting.

ALCTS/CC:DA (Committee on Cataloging: Description and Access) - Elizabeth Mangan

During the meetings four new task forces were formed by CC:DA: Task Force on Cataloging Music Moving Image Material; on Cataloging Works Intended for Performance; on TEI Headers; on Proposed Changes in the Distribution of CC:DA Materials. There was a report on the meeting held this spring on the ISBD(CF) Review Group.

CC:DA and the Canadian Committee on Cataloging are proposing that the JSC hold an international conference of cataloging experts in 1997. The topics to be discussed include:

- the concept of content over carrier
- the concept of publication
- the concept of edition and version
- main entry
- multi-level cataloging
- entry under corporate body
- the concepts of General and Specific Material Designator (GMD and SMD)
- the impact of system requirements on the description of an item.

Committee on Southern Map Libraries (COSML) - HelenJane Armstrong

COSML arranged a conference on GIS which featured use of the GIS in historical settings. A speaker from the U.S. Parks Service explained how GIS is being used at the site of colonial Jamestown. The next meeting, to be held in Knoxville, TN, will also deal with GIS issues.

GODORT - Margaret Brill

Assuming the duties of MAGERT Chair, a new liaison is needed to replace Margaret Brill. She encouraged interested members to contact her. New cuts to the Federal Depository Program budget by the House of Representatives would certainly cut the number of maps distributed to Federal Depository Library Program participants. GODORT members will be seeking support to restore the funds cut by the House of Representatives, and there have been messages posted to GOVDOC-L.

Library of Congress G&M - Elizabeth Mangan presented the report dated June 9, 1995 by Ralph E. Ehrenberg

Philip Lee Phillips Society

The first meeting of the Philip Lee Phillips Society's Steering Committee was held on April 10, 1995. The Phillips Society has been established as an auxiliary fund-raising organization to develop, enhance, and promote the historical collections of the Geography and Map Division. The day-long meeting was chaired by Ehrenberg and the co-chairs of the Steering Committee, Kenneth Nebenzahl and Eric Wolf. Eighteen members attended, representing map collectors, map production, map sales, and the academic disciplines of geography, historical geography, cartography, and the history of cartography. Four membership levels were established: \$50,

\$250, \$1,000, and \$5,000. A letter of solicitation and news release will be forthcoming.

Center for Geographic Information

The Geography and Map Division and eight private sector geographic information systems (GIS) firms established a Center for Geographic Information within the Geography and Map Division to promote and enhance the collections and services of the Geography and Map Division. The Organizing Meeting of the Steering Committee, Center for Geographic Information met on January 12, 1995, and included representatives from the Environmental Systems Research Institute; MAGELLAN Geographix; Tangent Engineering; Harvard Design and Mapping; Intergraph Inc.; The H. M. Gousha Company; Autometric Inc.; and MapInfo Corporation. The Steering Committee is chaired by Alan M. Voorhees, chairman of the board, Autometrics, Inc. and has established the initial level of support at \$5,000 per firm.

The Geography and Map Division placed a notice in the Commerce Business Daily on April 27 announcing the establishment of the Center for Geographic Information. The notice invited firms from the geographic community to participate in the Center. To date, more than 50 firms have responded, seeking additional information.

The Geography and Map Division and the Center for Geographic Information sponsored a G&M Exhibition Booth at the National GeoData 1995 Forum, which was held at the Hyatt Regency, Crystal City, Virginia, May 7-10, 1995. We displayed copies of several maps produced by our new electronic scanner.

National Digital Library Cartographic Program

The Library of Congress has begun a major program to digitize major core collections in order to make these collections more accessible to people across America. Much of this effort will be funded by the private sector, which has already contributed some 18 million dollars. The Geography and Map Division will participate in this program. Ten core collections have been identified for scanning, including panoramic maps of United States cities and towns; county land ownership maps, European topographic maps, and Civil War maps.

Tangent Engineering, Inc., Englewood, Colorado, has donated a large-format, flatbed color scanner, Sun Sparc20 workstation, and Hewlett-Packard Design Jet 650C color plotter which has been installed and is undergoing testing.

Acquisitions

Final drafts of Collections Policy Statements were submitted to the Library's Collections Policy Office: *Digital Geographic Data and Information*, compiled by Gary Fitzpatrick (6 pages); *Maps, Atlases, and Remote Sensing Images*, compiled by James Flatness (8 pages), and *Geography and Cartography* (Classes G, GA, GB, GF, and Z6001-Z6028), compiled by Ronald Grim (8 pages).

A collection of maps drawn by Russell Lenz, long-time cartographer for the *Christian Science Monitor* (1930s-1970s) was donated by Mrs. Russell Lenz and other family members.

The Engineering Society's Library, New York City, donated some 125 atlases, 3,000 maps and a number of texts. The majority of the gift is composed of late 19th and early 20th century geologic transportation, mining, and infrastructure maps.

The Division's Acquisition Unit initiated a map solicitation program for maps produced by regional and local government planning councils and commissions.

Complete sets of 1:500,000 and 1:1,000,000 scale topographic map series, 80% of the 1:200,000 scale series, selected 1:50,000 scale coverage, and a number of large scale city plans of the former Soviet Union have been acquired. Compiled and printed by the Soviet military, these formerly security classified maps show detailed geographic information about Russia and the Newly Independent Republics of the former Soviet Union.

During the year, the division received 19,149 sheets from the State Department Map Annex and 13,500 from the Defense Mapping Agency Library. These included military topographic maps of the former Soviet Union, former republics of the former Soviet Union, countries of Eastern and Central Europe, and other countries produced by the Red Army (RKA) Topographical Administration during the 1930s and 1940s, and Russian maps overprinted in German.

The third and final shipment of materials for the Richard Edes Harrison Collection was received. This installment was acquired shortly after his death in early 1994, and includes original sketch and drawings as well as examples of the printing and publishing aspects of his work. Also included are personal papers, correspondence, and a selection of the reference maps and atlases which he accumulated and used during his career.

The ArcInfo User's Conference Collection was donated to the Division by Jack Dangermond, President of ESRI, Inc. It consists of 2,500 computer generated maps that were displayed at annual ArcInfo User's conferences from 1988 to 1993. Produced by private and public sector users of ArcInfo software, these maps represent state-of-the-art developments in software, hardware, and application of GIS theory.

Reference Service

Two high powered computers with multi-tasking functions for handling electronic maps have been moved to the Reading Room. For the first time, the G&M Reading Room received two inquiries based on information found on LC's World Wide Web homepage. In addition, there has been an increase in the number of questions relating to GIS, about specific GIS products and their availability for use in our Reading Room, and questions resulting from searches of our database via Internet. The Geography and Map Division's World Wide Web homepage is under construction.

Barbara Story Appointed Head of Cataloging Unit

Barbara Story was appointed the new head of the Geography and Map Division's Cataloging Unit, which was effective March 20, 1995. In this position she exercises overall responsibility for directing the operations of the Cataloging Unit, including supervising a staff of 13 atlas catalogers, map catalogers, and technical information specialists, maintaining the Division's Map Cataloging Manual, and serving as liaison to the Library of Congress committees dealing with cataloging. The Cataloging Unit catalogs cartographic materials in all formats, including maps, atlases, globes, microform, and digital spatial data sets. Barbara has extensive cataloging experience in a variety of formats. After assignments in the Library's Motion Picture, Broadcasting and Recorded Sound Division and the Audiovisual Section of the Copyright Office's Cataloging Division she joined the staff of the Geography and Map Division as an Atlas Cataloger in 1990.

G-Schedule for the Former Soviet Republics

Changes to the G-Schedule for the Former Soviet Republics were approved by the Cataloging Policy and Support Office.

Conversion of G-Schedule

The Geography and Map Division is in the process of converting the *Library of Congress Classification Schedule: Class G, Subclass G* to machine-readable form. Because of the structure of the USMARC Classification Format, the printed version will be quite different from the 1976 edition. All geographic Cutters, close to 100,000 entries, will be included in the

electronic version of the schedule but no geographic Cutters will be included in the new printed version. The maps which appeared in the 1976 edition and the explanatory text describing the building of a number will be moved to *Subject Cataloging Manual: Classification*. Hopefully the conversion project will be completed this summer.

Map Cataloging Manual on Catalogers Desktop

The Map Cataloging Manual, first published in 1990, will be included as part of the CDS product, Catalogers Desktop, an electronic version of many of the Library of Congress cataloging tools. In all likelihood *Map Cataloging Manual* should be part of Catalogers Desktop by the 4th quarter of 1995. This revolutionary new cataloging tool allows a cataloger to find relevant rules and procedures through a variety of approaches. Hypertext links make it easy to move from relevant sections of one publication to another or within a single publication with a single keystroke.

1990 Summer Processing Project

Since 1951 the Geography and Map Division has sponsored a cooperative summer exchange project with university and college libraries and geography departments. The sponsoring institutions select qualified librarians, faculty members, and students to participate in the project and also cover their salaries, housing, and transportation costs. Project members work with permanent staff members of the Geography and Map Division on various tasks related to processing, bibliographic, and reference services. In exchange for these services, the participants select from surplus duplicate stocks of maps, charts, and atlases which are sent to their sponsoring institutions. Participants usually spend six weeks working in the Geography and Map Division.

Since its inception, the Geography and Map Division has distributed over 2,000,000 maps and atlases to 417 participants, representing 130 universities and colleges from all parts of the United States. Prior to the early 1980s the summer processing project was an annual event; since the 1980s it has been held about every two years. The last project was held in the summer of 1994.

The Geography and Map Division is planning to hold a summer processing project next summer. Information concerning the program will be mailed in December. If you are interested in participating, please contact the division to be sure that you receive an application and letter. This can be done through email to ehrenber@mail.loc.gov.

Machine Readable Bibliographic Instruction (MARBI) - Susan Borg

Report to follow in *base line*.

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Special Library Association

Mary Larsgaard reported that the meeting in Montreal was very well planned by Alice Hudson. The honors awards went to two MAGERT members; HelenJane Armstrong received the prestigious Bill Woods award for best article in SLA G&M Division Bulletin; the general honors award was given to Mary Larsgaard.

Western Association of Map Libraries

Mary Larsgaard reported that WAML held a joint meeting in Vancouver, BC, with the Association Canadian Map Libraries and Archives.

RBMS/GODORT/MAGERT Joint Committee on Documents as Rare Books - David Allen

Aimee Piscitelli is the incoming chair. Members want to survey depository libraries as to their holdings of Serial Set volumes, especially those with extensive holdings. A program on digital preservation topic for the ALA Annual in New York is likely, with cosponsorship by MAGERT.

Geoscience Information Society

Nan Butkovich reported that the Society met in Seattle in with a reception at the University of Washington campus. The keynote speaker was Eugene Shoemaker, speaking about comet impacts on Jupiter. They will meet again in New Orleans in November, 1995.

North American Cartographic Information Society (NACIS)

Daniel Seldin reported that NACIS jointly with the Canadian Cartographic Association in Ottawa in August 1994. The next meeting is scheduled for October in North Carolina.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

It was suggested that in the next *base line* include a "guide to acronyms" The Secretary indicated that organization names would be spelled out in the roster.

base line will need a new maps editor as Katherine Rankin will be resigning from that duty in December.

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It was voted to have the Chair write letters to support the Federal Depository Library Program on behalf of MAGERT.

It was noted that the MAGERT Chair would be the MAGERT representative to the Congress of Cartographic Information Specialists Association (CCISA).

The issue of whether vendor materials could or should be allowed to be distributed at the MAGERT booth, as differentiated from vendor information handouts distributed at MAGERT programs. It was agreed that it MAGERT would distribute only MAGERT or non-commercial materials at the MAGERT booth.

The meeting adjourned at 11:28 p.m. with the Chair's gavel being passed to the new Chair, Margaret Brill.

Respectfully submitted,
John Stevenson,
Secretary

ATTENDANCE

David Allen	SUNY Stony Brook
HelenJane Armstrong	University of Florida
Margaret Brill	Duke University
Nan Butkovich	Pennsylvania State University
Harry Davis	Southern Illinois University
J.K. Herro	Stanford University/Branner Library
Donna Koepp	University of Kansas
Chris Kollen	University of Arizona
Mary Larsgaard	University of California, Santa Barbara
Peter Limberger	University of Akron
Elizabeth Mangan	Library of Congress/Geography & Map
Katherine Rankin	University of Nevada, Las Vegas
Steve Rogers	Ohio State University
Dan Seldin	Indiana University
Kevin Spradlin	University of Nebraska
John Stevenson	University of Delaware
Barbara Story	Library of Congress/Geography & Map
Paul Stout	Ball State University
Mark Thomas	Texas A&M University
Joseph Winkler	St. Louis Public Library
Lawrence Woodward	U.S. Government Printing Office

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EXHIBIT OF MAPS TO OPEN AT MITCHELL GALLERY: *SPACE AND PLACE: WAYS OF WORLD-MAKING*

ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND, USA -- Beginning on April 12, 1996, the Mitchell Gallery at St. John's College will exhibit *Space and Place: Ways of World-Making*. The exhibition, which continues through June 16, is free and open to the public.

Sheet maps, atlases, and scrolls make up this exhibit of 49 works that reflect the traditions of Western and Chinese mapmaking. Such figures as Ptolemy, Forlani, Ortelius, Mercator, Saxton, Speed, the Blaeus, the Visschers, and anonymous Chinese mapmakers represent the history of cartography. The cartographic tradition in the West tended to emphasize advancing technologies, mathematical techniques, and scientific theory. Chinese maps show a different type of cartographic representation. These maps stay close to visible surfaces and use pictorial representations to signify places, unlike Western maps which reflect a bias toward theorizing, depth and the penetration of surfaces. All works in the exhibit are on loan from the Library of Congress, the largest collection of maps and atlases in the world, and from a private map collector.

Color catalogue available. Exhibit related events to be announced at a later date. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Sunday, noon to 5:00 p.m. and Friday evening from 7 - 8:00 p.m. The gallery is closed on Monday. Tours for schools and other groups are available. Call the gallery office at (410) 626-2556 for more information.

Contact: Hydee Schaller, Director (410) 626-2556. The Mitchell Gallery, St. John's College, P.O. Box 2800, Annapolis Maryland 21404-2800.

ALA NOMINEE FOR PRESIDENT-ELECT ESTABLISHES HOME PAGE

Barbara J. Ford, a nominee for president-elect of the American Library Association (ALA), has established a home page on the Internet to communicate with ALA members.

You can learn more about Barbara's background and ideas and communicate with her about your concerns and questions through the home page. Please visit her at http://www.uic.edu/~nrj/Barbara_Ford.html

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