

# Northern Libraries Bulletin



A news bulletin of the Northern Libraries Colloquy furnishing information on northern libraries activities, developments and cooperation; serving as an informal link for a northern libraries network. Send inquiries or news items to: Phyllis DeMuth, Alaska Division of State Libraries and Museums, Pouch G, Juneau, Alaska 99811.

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The Northern Libraries Colloquy project for updating the POLAR AND COLD REGIONS LIBRARY RESOURCES: A DIRECTORY is underway. The questionnaire has been revised to add information about automated bibliographic systems in use and on-line searching capabilities as well as modifications to some of the original questions. Forms have been sent to those libraries and archives included in the first edition as well as libraries and archives identified since then as containing significant collections of Polar material.

At the 1980 Colloquy it was decided to divide the responsibility for compiling and editing the new edition among the following three individuals: Harry King of Scott Polar Research Library will cover Europe, the Soviet Union, New Zealand and Australia; Nita Cooke of the Boreal Institute for Northern Studies will cover Canada; and Catherine Innes-Taylor, University of Alaska, Anchorage library will cover the U.S. and Japan.

Efforts have been made to identify all significant collections for inclusion in the directory but it is almost certain that we may have missed some. If your library has not received a questionnaire, please request one from one of the following depending on your geographical location.

Catherine Innes-Taylor  
UAA Library  
3211 Providence Drive  
Anchorage, AK 99504

Nita Cooke  
Boreal Institute for Northern Studies  
CW 401 Bio. Sci. Bldg.  
University of Alberta  
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Scott Polar Research Institute  
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Lensfield Road  
Cambridge, England CB2 1ER

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The Centre for Northern Studies and Research, McGill University, 1020 Pine Avenue West, Montreal Quebec H3A 1A2 has several new staff since the last bulletin. Professor Jack Cram was appointed Director and Dr. Paul Wilkinson, Associate Director for Research. Both men are well known to the Native peoples of northern Canada and northern scholars generally. Alice Gutkind is the new librarian replacing Carol Bekar Evans who moved to Albany, New York after her marriage.

During 1979-80 the Centre began a one-year course of study leading to a graduate diploma in Northern Studies, the only such course in North America, drawing on 35 members of the McGill staff and 10 other northern experts. For

1980-91, four students are registered full time and others are taking part of the course offering.

INQ, INFORMATION NORTH QUEBEC, a publication of the four northern research centres in Quebec universities, is available from INQ Bulletin, Hussein Habaili, editor, University of Quebec, Chicoutime, Quebec G7H 5N9.

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Nita Cooke, librarian for the Boreal Institute for Northern Studies, University of Alberta, Edmonton T6G 2E9, writes that compilation of the Yukon Bibliography updates continues. The explosion of literature resulting from the interest generated by the proposed pipeline has necessitated publishing the Update to 1979 in two parts. YUKON BIBLIOGRAPHY UPDATE TO 1979, Part I was published last November and contains 895 references. It has been distributed to our exchange partners and is available for purchase from the Boreal Institute for \$20.00. Part II is in press and will hopefully be published in May 1981. Meanwhile, inputting of data for update to 1980 has commenced.

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Trent University, Ontario, continued its program of study at Elizabeth Lake, Labrador. This involved research into various aspects of the ice and snow cover of the lake and related environmental phenomena. Publications produced in connection with the project include:

Adams, W.P. and N.T. Roulet. "Illustration of the Roles of Snow in the Evolution of the Winter Cover of a Lake." ARCTIC 33 (1): 100-116.

Roulet, N.T., ed. "Studies in Snow and Ice." TRENT STUDENT GEOGRAPHER, vol. 8. Peterborough, Ontario, Trent University. 193 p. (Includes bibliography of work at Trent.)

Northern librarians can expect to see the publication listed below in publishers' lists soon. It contains articles by 26 expert authors. It is likely to become a standard reference source for snow research.

Fray, D.M. and D.H. Male, eds. HANDBOOK OF SNOW. Pergamon of Canada, Ltd., 770 p.

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Alaska historian R.N. DeArmond has edited the Sophia Cracroft Journals which will soon be published by the Alaska Historical Society. The original manuscript located at Scott Polar Research Institute is being published with the Institute's approval.

The publication, titled LADY FRANKLIN VISITS SITKA, ALASKA IN 1870, is a detailed account of the stay in Sitka with sketches by Sophia Cracroft, niece and travel companion of Lady Franklin. Included are a map and census of Sitka with biographical information on residents of the former Alaska capitol. This limited edition, hard-cover book of 128 pages is now ready for the printer with delivery expected in late June. While the price of the book has not

been established, anyone interested in purchasing this work can direct inquiries to Phyllis DeMuth, Publications Chairman, Alaska Historical Society, Pouch G, Juneau, Alaska 99811

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The rapidly growing archives and manuscripts collections at the University of Alaska, Anchorage now comprise 79 collections of approximately 250 cubic feet, according to archivist Dennis Walle. Recent acquisitions include:

Anchorage Chamber of Commerce. Records, 1946-75.

Alaska Pacific Consolidated Mining Company, Independence Mine. Records, 1930-45.

Alaska Native Languages, 1890-1936. 28 reels of microfilm of the Oregon Province Archives of the Society of Jesus Native Language Collection. (Includes dictionaries, vocabularies and other material.)

Alaska Mission Collection, 1886-1964. (Microfilm of reports, diaries and papers of Jesuit missionaries.)

The microfilm collections are available for purchase from: Comtrex, Inc., South 400 Jefferson, Suite 490, Spokane, Washington 99204.

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Deborah Jones Vavra, librarian for the Goldthwait Polar Library, Institute of Polar Studies, Ohio State University, writes that an additional room has been added to the library. Also, she is recataloging material so the records of holdings will be compatible with Ohio State's computerized catalog.

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Information is being sought on a Russian-American shipyard. The Resurrection Bay Historical Society is attempting to locate the exact site of the Russian shipyard from which the vessel "Phoenix" was launched in 1794. The site was called "Voskressenski" and is believed to have been on the shores of Resurrection Bay. Please send information to Resurrection Bay Historical Society, P.O. Box 871, Seward, Alaska 99664.

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The Center for Arctic Studies, 19 rue Amelie, 75007 Paris, France, has several publications available or in progress:

Information leaflet ARCTOS (free on request)

BIBLIOGRAPHIE ARCTIQUE

No. 2--library accessions from Jan. 1973-Dec. 1976. Price 30FF or sent on institute exchange.

No. 3--library accessions from Jan. 1977-June 1980. Price 40FF.

Send orders to: C.D.S.H., 54 Boulevard Raspail, 75006 Paris, France.

The PROCEEDINGS OF THE 7TH NORTHERN LIBRARIES COLLOQUY is at the press. It will be quite long as it includes libraries, museums and film directories.

Jean Malaurie, Director of the Center, has completed a series of seven film programs on the Inuit people for French television. The films total 7 1/2 hours in length and will be shown from March 8 to April 19.

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New northern books:

NORDICITE CANADIENNE, written by Louis-Edmond Hamelin, scholarly Rector of the Universite de Trois-Rivieres, Quebec, Canada, is now available from the publishing house HMH, Montreal, in the second revised edition. This 438-page book presents the dynamic interplay of geography, ethnology, economy and politics in that 70% of Canada which is the Canadian North. Dr. Hamelin was an appointed member of the Northwest Territories Council, Yellowknife.

KOLMAKOVSKIY REDOUBT; THE ETHNOARCHAEOLOGY OF A RUSSIAN FORT IN ALASKA by Wendell H. Oswalt. Published in 1981 by the Institute of Archaeology, University of California, 405 Hilgard Ave., Los Angeles, Calif. 90024. This 212-page, illustrated volume is volume 8 of the Institute's series Monumenta Archaeologica. Dr. Oswalt provides background history of the Kuskokwim, its people, and Kolmakovskiy Redoubt founded in 1841 which served as the major Russian trading center on the river for 25 years. Details of structures at the fort, fur trade of the period and artifacts excavated from the site provide information on life at the fort and historic changes in the lives of Eskimos in western Alaska. Dr. Oswalt also excavated and dismantled the Russian blockhouse at the site and the numbered logs will eventually be reassembled at the University of Alaska Museum in Fairbanks, to be shown with artifacts from the site.

AN ARCTIC ECOSYSTEM, edited by Jerry Brown and others. Stroudsburg, Penn., Dowden, Hutchinson and Ross, Inc., 1981. This hard cover, 571-page volume is available for \$29.50 from Academic Press, Inc., 111 Fifth Ave., New York, N.Y. 10003. It is issued as US/IBP Synthesis Series 12 in the International Biological Program of research concerning "the biological basis of productivity and human welfare."

New books available from Limestone Press, P.O. Box 1604, Kingston, Ontario, Canada K7L 5C8:

Netsvetov, Iakov. THE JOURNALS OF IAKOV NETSVETOV: The Atkha Years, 1828-1844. Kingston, Ontario, The Limestone Press, 1980. 340 p., illus., 22.00. (Materials for the study of Alaska history, no. 16) Translated, with an introduction and supplementary material, by Lydia Black. The life and work of a Creole (Russian/Aleut) priest of the Russian Orthodox Church. Available from the publisher. ISBN 0-919642-92-6.

Merck, Carl Heinrich. SIBERIA AND NORTHWESTERN AMERICA, 1788-1792: The Journal of Carl Heinrich Merck, Naturalist with the Russian Scientific Expeditions Led by Captains Joseph Billings and Gavriile Sarychev. Kingston, Ontario, Limestone Press, 1980. 216 p., illus., 22.00.

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The Alaska Historical Library, Juneau, is obtaining microfilm and photocopies of Alaska manuscripts, archival records and photographs selected by librarian Phyllis DeMuth on a trip to the National Archives, University of Washington Library and Tacoma Public Library. Efforts are being made to locate subject material which will strengthen or fill in gaps in the library's holdings. Subject selections include records on Metlakatla history, the Matanuska Colony, Fort Yukon, native culture studies, fisheries, forestry, mining, reindeer industry, fur farming, histories of several military forts in Alaska, and photographs of Alaska natives and Alaska communities.

Library staff has nearly completed organizing the Alexander Dolgopolov Collection of Russian material and work for preparing the book catalog. A Russian double eagle design with label noting the Dolgopolov Collection identifies all boxes in the collection. Mrs. Ashia Doll, the donor, and Dr. Vasilli Ushanoff will visit Juneau in late July to view the collection.

Michail Vinokourov has donated an outstanding collection of early Alaskan and Eastern Siberia materials to the Alaska Historical Library to be received at a later time. The materials include books in Russian and English, early manuscript material and Mr. Vinokourov's notes and papers on the Russian Orthodox Church and other topics. The collection is donated in memory of Mr. Vinokourov's grandmother, Nadezhda Ivanovona Vinokourov, whose grave is marked in the Sitka, Alaska cemetery. The donation was arranged by Antoinette Shalkop, Russian scholar, who has been working on a special project with the Library of Congress to index, arrange, and microfilm the Russian Church archives which they hold.

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Nancy Cummings, Administrative Librarian at the U.S. Army Cold Regions Research and Engineering Laboratory, Hanover, New Hampshire 03755 writes that the Selective Dissemination of Information feature on SDC Search Service is now available for the Cold Regions database. This feature allows monthly printouts of the latest additions to the Cold Regions Bibliography or Antarctic Bibliography on specified combinations of keywords to be sent to the requestor automatically. This avoids the monthly entry exercise on keywords which are always of interest to the researcher.

The BIBLIOGRAPHY ON COLD REGIONS SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY and cumulative author/subject volumes are available from the National Technical Information Service, Springfield, Virginia.

- Vol. 32 (AD# A083017)
- Vol. 33 (AD# not available)
- Cumulative author/subject index, vol. 28-32 (AD# A083015)

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