

# 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 9th NORTHERN LIBRARIES COLLOQUY June 2-5, Tromsø, Norway

Ole A. Broenmo, Colloquy chairman, sent this preliminary program of speakers. There will be a North American Day organized by Nita Cooke with five persons from the United States and Canada presenting papers on library resources and research connected with the Arctic areas. Presentations will also be made on research at the Nordic Lapp Institute and other areas of interest in Scandinavia. A tour is scheduled for June 5. For further details contact Ole Broenmo, University Library of Tromsø, Postboks 678, 9001 Tromsø, Norway.

### Preliminary Program, June 2-4

The University Library of Tromsø, northern-most university in the world. *Ole A. Broenmo.*

Library cooperation between the Nordic countries. *Gerhard Munthe*

An integrated computerized library system for the university libraries in Tromsø, Trondheim and Bergen. *Terje Hoetseth*

Scandinavian databases in natural sciences of interest to arctic research.

*Odd Haraldjohannessen*

Research, publication and reference work concerning ethnic minorities in northern areas.

*Kirsten Danielsen*

Bibliographic sources of the history of the northern regions. *Jens Lauesen*

The Dutch exploration of the arctic at the end of the 16th century, the equipment of the last expedition of Willem Barents, 1596-97. *J. Braat*

Historical research on Svalbard. *S. Barr*

The Norwegian Polar Institute, problems concerning translations from Russian. *Odd Rogne*

Historical materials relating to the former Russian America. *Marvin W. Falk*

The picture collection of the Scott Polar Institute. *H.G.R. Kinn*

The new computerized Lapp bibliography at the University of Trondheim. *Anders Loew*  
Tromsø museum, research and library collection. (This paper will be combined with a visit to the museum.) *Astrid Unte*

The Eiscat project. (This paper will be given at the site of the Eiscat installations 5 miles outside Tromsø.) *Professor Olav Holt*

University of Lapland Library. *Lea Karhumaa*

The computerization of the Lapponica bibliography. *Salme Korhonen*

Research and publications concerning legal rights of ethnic minorities. *H. Minde*

Research and publication in Arctic biology. *Professor Elias Schytte Blix*

Norwegian geological exploration of the continental shelf. *Assistant Professor Tore Vorren*



Two new publications describe recent Arctic research supported by the U.S. A National Science Foundation. A PROGRAM REPORT (volume 5, number 7, October 1981) discusses Antarctic and Arctic research and lists Arctic research grants made in fiscal 1980. A pamphlet, ARCTIC RESEARCH: FISCAL YEAR 1981, lists NSF arctic grants made in that fiscal year. Single copies may be obtained from the Polar Information Service, National Science Foundation, Washington, D.C. 20550.

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Scientific Reports of Captain R.F. Scott's Terra Nova expedition to the Antarctic regions 1910-13 are available at the Scott Polar Research Institute. There are limited stocks of some volumes and parts of the Terra Nova expedition reports which are in short supply. A list of titles and prices may be obtained from the Institute at Lensfield Road, Cambridge, England CB2 1ER.

Garland Publishing Inc. of New York, specialists in the publication of bibliographies and other reference works, are shortly to publish a catalogue of manuscripts in the Scott Polar Research Institute, Cambridge. This will include details of such important northern collections as the personal and expedition journals of Sir John and Lady Franklin, Sir William Edward Parry, Sir George Back, Sir John and Sir James Clark Ross, Captain William Penny, and many others, from the early nineteenth century until recent times. The catalogue runs to 815p., including an index of expeditions and voyages, and will be published in Spring 1982 at a price of \$100.

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The Trans-Arctic expedition scientific report no. 1 SYNOPSIS OF RESULTS by Sir Vivian Fuchs FRS is available free to libraries for the price of postage which must accompany the request. Estimate 1 kilogram weight to figure shipping cost to your location. Send request to: Trans-Antarctic Association, c/o British Antarctic Survey, Madingley Road, Cambridge CB 0ET, England.

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The personal papers and private library of Urban C. "Pete" Nelson have been donated to the Alaska Historical Library by Ruth Nelson in memory of her husband. Pete Nelson came to Alaska in 1948 as a wildlife biologist for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and served as regional director from 1958-1963. After several years outside Alaska, he returned in 1967 to accept an appointment as Commissioner of Alaska Department of Fish and Game until his resignation in 1968. He served many years on the Joint Board of Fish and Game, two terms on the Alaska Game Board, and was active in various resource management societies. The Nelson Collection includes wildlife management reference material used by Pete in his work, personal writings, field diaries as a wildlife biologist, duck stamps, and photographs; also, the scrapbooks and diaries of Charles Sprague, Alaska's first Territorial Fish Commissioner and Superintendent of Hatcheries are part of this collection.

Additional Alaska Packers Association cannery records are to be given to The Alaska Historical Library. These records include personnel files of employers working aboard ship and on land in canneries, ledgers on cannery



operations, Star Fleet ships' papers and blueprints, correspondence, etc. A \$5500 grant has been received from the Alaska Historical Commission to begin preliminary arrangement of the records and microfilming material of major importance for sharing the collection.

Microfilm copies of Alaska records from the U.S. Office of Territories files in the National Archives are now available in Alaska. The Alaska State Library arranged for the microfilming of a select group of records documenting resource development activities in 1930-1950. The files include records providing historical data on the reindeer industry, reports of investigations on reindeer herds and corporations, such as the Nunivak Development Company and Lomen Reindeer Corporation in the 1930's. Extensive files of records on the Alaska Rural Rehabilitation Corporation which administered the Matanuska Colony development are of particular interest and information on selection of families from the Midwest to farm in the Matanuska Valley. Other colonization proposals for Alaska are also in the records and forestry and paper pulp activity in Southeast Alaska. Those interested in the subjects covered in the fourteen microfilm rolls made of Records from the Office of the Territories (Record Group 126) can borrow the microfilm or purchase microfilm copies at \$7.50 per roll from the Alaska State Library, Pouch G, Juneau 99811.

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On June 30th, 1982 the doors of the Institute for Northern Studies at the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon will close, according to Robert M. Bone, INS director. This centre of northern research and training will have come to an end after 22 years of service. The demise of the Institute for Northern Studies has greatly shocked and saddened its supporters. An effort has been made to salvage as many activities as possible by transferring key programs to other areas of the University. For example, the Northern Scientific Training Grants Program is now administered by the College of Graduate Studies and Research; the INS Library holdings, including the Petitot Collection, are now housed in the University Library; The Musk-Ox Journal is under the wing of the Department of Geological Sciences; and the Arctic Research and Training Centre is managed by the Vice-President of Special Projects. At the moment, there are no firm plans for the re-establishment of the lecture series, the Musk-Ox Circle. This salvaging strategy will provide a base level for northern-oriented activities on this campus and from this position perhaps this campus can rekindle its northern role in another form and under another leadership. The INS Library holdings are now under the administration of the University Library. With the exception of the Petitot collection, these holdings are currently housed in Government Documents section under Mr. Peter Burslem. The Petitot collection has been placed in the Special Collections section under Mrs. Shirley Perkins. All INS books in process of cataloguing are being located in the main University library. Thus, the INS northern book collection will not be increased. Mrs. Rose Gyorgy, our former librarian, has retired.

The University has maintained its membership in the Association of Canadian Universities for Northern Studies and this link with other northern-oriented campuses will continue to play an important role in maintaining a high profile for arctic and subarctic research at the University of Saskatchewan.

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The Anchorage Historical and Fine Arts Museum Archives has recently purchased from the family of Alwin Wheatley, an engineer for the Alaska Central Railroad during the years 1906-18, photographs collected to illustrate the activity in the Kenai Peninsula/Cook Inlet area during those times. The album of approximately 150 photos includes views of Natives in residence at Knik, the original townsite of Matanuska, and various shots of the Alaska Central Railroad, writes librarian Diane Brenner.

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Jennifer Wentworth, the Polar Gas librarian for nearly five years, resigned in September of 1981 and now is home, with her new son.

The Polar Gas Library is receiving the transcripts of the Arctic Pilot Project hearing currently being conducted in Ottawa by the National Energy Board.

A short list of library acquisitions is prepared each month for circulation among Polar Gas staff. Copies of this list are available to interested libraries. Contact: Carolyn Stone, Library, Polar Gas Project, P.O. Box 90, Commerce Court West, Toronto, Canada M5L 1H3.

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The University of Alaska, Anchorage's Archives and Manuscripts Department has published a guide to the Richard T. Harris family papers donated by Fred Harris. The publication includes a description of the materials in the collection, list of correspondents, and index. The collection includes legal and mining records, memoranda, photographs and other materials of the Harris family and R.T. Harris who was one of the founders of Juneau, Alaska. The addenda contains transcribed letters of several individuals including George Pilz who originally grubstaked Harris. The guide has been distributed to various Alaska libraries and other institutions which have programs concerning northern or Pacific rim studies. Colloquy members interested in receiving the guide should contact Dennis Walle, UAA Archives, 3211 Providence Drive, Anchorage, AK 99504.

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Nita Cooke at the Boreal Institute of Northern Studies in Edmonton, Alberta wrote that Cinetel Film Productions, Ltd. has produced an excellent film on the MacKenzie Delta Eskimos which won several awards at the Alberta Film Festival. The color film titled Inypiatvn is in two parts with a total time of 55 minutes. Purchase or rental information is available from Context International, 1700 Walnut St., Suite 1107, Philadelphia, PA 19103 or 1170 Hornby St., Suite 140, Vancouver, B.C. V6Z 1B1.

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Lois Raycroft, Librarian at the Yukon Indian Resource Center in Whitehorse, Y.T., writes that the Education Department of the Council for Yukon Indians has started a two week Training of Trainers Program for participants from twelve communities. This is the first step in community training to be given Indian trainers. The Resource Centre is acquiring material for these programs.

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New publication: A CHOICE OF FUTURES: POLITICS IN THE CANADIAN NORTH, by Gurston Dacks (Dept. of Political Science, Univ. of Alberta) 226p., \$12.95 pa., \$16.95 hard cover. Available from Methuen Publications, 2330 Midland Ave. Agincourt, Ontario M1S 1P7.

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ECOLOGY OF THE CANADIAN ARCTIC ARCHIPELAGO; SELECTED REFERENCES is an annotated bibliography available in nine volumes with two additional volumes in progress or planned. Sponsored by the Arctic Land Use Research Committee of the Department of Indian and Northern Affairs, the volumes are available at no charge upon individual request to:

Dr. D.M. Barnett  
Environmental Studies Division  
Department of Indian and Northern Affairs  
Room 619, Les Terraces de la Chaudiere  
10 Wellington St.  
Hull, Quebec K1A 0H4

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Dartmouth College has begun work on its Title II-C project "Strengthening Polar Resources," which will last until the end of 1982. The project involves polar resource material held by Dartmouth (primarily the Stefansson Collection), and includes retrospective conversion of cataloging records for this material and conservation of the material itself. In addition, manuscripts from the Stefansson Collection which have never before been processed are being processed and cataloged. The cataloging records involved in the project are being input into RLIN, and will also go into the Cold Regions Database. Dartmouth is interested in sharing these records with any research facility which would like to have them, and will be able to sell tapes of these records to those who may wish to purchase them. It is hoped that the work will make Dartmouth's polar resources more accessible to users outside of the area. Direct inquiries about the project, the collection, or the sale of tapes to: Margaret Lourie, Project Librarian for Polar Resources, Dartmouth College Library, Hanover, NH 03755.

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The following items are now available through the Inuit Tapirisat of Canada office for a nominal charge:

Complete press kit - re: Arctic Pilot Project  
Complete press kit - re: Nunavut Plebiscite (posters  
and flyers are also available).

The 1980/81 ITC annual report is also available for \$5.00 from ITC Information Services, 176 Gloucester St., 3rd Floor, Ottawa, Ontario K2P 0A6. 1981 marked the tenth anniversary of the Inuit Tapirisat of Canada and the annual report salutes this event.

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The Arktisk Institute has a new addition to their extensive photograph collection of Greenland and the Arctic regions. An album of photographs taken in Greenland around 1860 by H.J. Rink, the well-known Arctic scientist and civil servant who lived there from 1819-1893 is at the Institute, according to N.O. Christensen.



ACTA ARCTICA is a scientific publication of the Arktisk Institut in Denmark published at irregular intervals in English, French or German. Scientific papers of general Arctic interest in the fields of humanistic and natural sciences will be considered for publication. Manuscripts should be forwarded to the Editor, Arktisk Institut, L.E. Bruunsvej 10, 2920 Charlottenlund, Denmark. Most earlier editions of ACTA ARCTICA listed here are available at reasonable prices from the Institut.

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