

# 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 Nottingham, Alaska Division of State Libraries, Pouch G, Juneau, Alaska 99801.

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Third Northern Libraries Colloquy. Harry King, Librarian for Scott Polar Research Institute, has received some definite acceptances from those planning to attend the Colloquy in June. It is necessary to make reservations early due to shortage of accommodations so contact Harry King as soon as possible.

Charter flights arrangements to Cambridge were checked by Patricia Smith, Librarian for the Northwest Territories, but things looked unlikely since we are widely scattered. It is best to make individual plans and possibly some could arrange to travel at a group rate.

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Editor's Note: Beginning with this issue the *Northern Libraries Bulletin* will be numbered by issue rather than volume. Previously issued were Vol. 1, No. 1-3, and Vol. 2, No. 1.

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*News of the North* issues are still needed for microfilming by Patricia Smith, Northwest Territories Public Library Services, P. O. Box 1100, Hay River. Please contact Pat if you have these issues.

## *News of the North*

1947 through 1948	1953
1949	March 20
March 18, 25	April 3, 10
April (all issues)	August 6
May 6, 13	1955
June 3, 24	June 8
1950	1956
April 21	March 2
August 25	1962
November 24	November 1
December 1, 29	1963
1951	March 21
January 19	April 4, 18
December 28	June 6, 25
1952	1964
December 25	May 28

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It was a special pleasure to receive information on the Arctic and Antarctic Research Institute Library, Fontanka 34, Leningrad, 192104 USSR, from Mrs. Olga Byzova, Librarian.

The library of the Arctic and Antarctic Research Institute was set up in 1920, the library stock is 115,000 of published units including publications on meteorology, hydrology, glaciology, geophysics, geography and related subjects as well as publications on the Arctic, Antarctic and surrounding regions.

The library renders reference and information service to scientific workers of the Institute and related institutions, prepares catalogues and files and compiles bibliographical indexes.

At present the library is engaged in compiling the Bibliographical Index of the Literature on the interaction between the air and the sea. The following bibliographical indexes have been compiled:

1. The books of the eighteenth century and of the first half of the nineteenth century in the library stock of the Arctic and Antarctic Research Institute.
2. Radiation studies in the Soviet Arctic.
3. Water regime of the river mouths.

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Alison Wilson at the Center for Polar Archives, National Archives and Records Service, Washington, D. C., reports on the following manuscript items of special interest to libraries and archives in Alaska.

Dr. Alfred M. Bailey, Director Emeritus of the Denver Museum of Natural History, has given to the Center Xerox copies of his diaries, 1912-27. Dr. Bailey was representative of the Museum of Natural History, 1921-22. The diaries include information on his service in Alaska and also Laysen Island, 1912, and a trip to Labrador.

Other diaries dealing with Alaska accessioned by the Center include those of Silas Nott Malterner of Canton, New York, that were kept while on hunting trips to Alaska and Canada: to Great Slave Lake and Barren Lands, 1894; the McKenzie River, 1895; White Ibex hunt with Professor Dyche, Kansas University and hunting on Kodiak Island, 1896; and a winter hunting trip to Lake Athabasca, 1897.

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Recently published, *The Five-Year Coordinated Plan for Arctic Research* was prepared by the Interagency Arctic Research Coordinating Committee (IARCC). This Plan reports the anticipated federally sponsored research activities of the IARCC member agencies for Fiscal Years 1973-1977. It is organized to report research by agency and by the eight program elements: Marine research, atmospheric sciences, geology-geophysics, terrestrial biology, glaciology, Man-in-the-Arctic, engineering research, and information activities. A limited amount of copies are available from the Polar Information Service, Office of Polar Programs, National Science Foundation, Washington, D. C. 20550.

An Arctic facilities handbook has been published and is now available from the Polar Information Service. The Interagency Arctic Research Coordinating Committee (IARCC) has published an *Arctic Research Logistics Support Handbook*. This Handbook is a compendium of logistic facilities in the Arctic and sub-Arctic maintained by IARCC member agencies which are available to scientists conducting research. It lists 108 facilities located from Shemya Island to Iceland and provides instructions on how to secure their use. Copies are available from the Polar Information Service, National Science Foundation, Washington, D. C. 20550.

Information Officer, Peter J. Anderson, also called to our attention a major exhibition being prepared by the National Gallery of Art titled "The Far North: 2,000 Years of American Eskimo and Indian Art." It will include more than 350 works—carvings, totems, weapons, masks on loan from collections in the Soviet Union, Finland and other nations. After leaving Washington, D. C., the exhibit will be shown in Anchorage, Alaska; Portland, Oregon; and Fort Worth, Texas, during the period March 8 to May 15.

Translation of polar literature continues. Since 1965 the National Science Foundation's Polar Information Service has been utilizing Public Law-480 funds available in foreign countries to translate significant polar literature into English. A cumulative list of 36 Soviet translations that have been published appeared in the March-April 1971 issue of the *Antarctic Journal of the United States*.

Since that list was published eight additional titles have been translated and ten have been submitted for translation. The following titles are available for \$3 from the National Technical Information Service, Springfield, Virginia 22151.

Academy of Sciences of the U.S.S.R. *Antarctica: Commission Reports 1967*. V. A. Bugaev, (chief editor). 1969. 222 pp. (TT 70-50088).

Arctic and Antarctic Research Institute. *The Physics of Ice*. V. V. Bogorodskii, (ed.). 1970. (Its Translations, Vol. 295.) 157 pp. (TT 70-50158).

Doronin, Yu. P. *Thermal Interaction of the Atmosphere and the Hydrosphere in the Arctic*. Arctic and Antarctic Scientific Research Institute. 1969. 244 pp. (TT 70-50091).

Academy of Sciences of the U.S.S.R. Interdepartmental Commission on Antarctic Research. *Antarctica Commission Reports, 1965*. 262 pp. (TT 67-59072).

Arctic and Antarctic Research Institute. *The Tenth Soviet Antarctic Expedition, 1965-1966*. Edited by M. E. Ostrekin and I. G. Petrov. (Transactions of the Soviet Antarctic Expedition, Vol. 50.) 134 pp. (TT 70-50073).

Dubrovin, L. I., and V. N. Petrov. *Scientific Stations in Antarctica, 1882-1963*. 429 pp. (TT 67-59073).

Academy of Sciences of the U.S.S.R. Soviet Committee on Antarctic Research. *The Antarctic*. 1965. 279 pp. (TT 67-59071).

Sorkina, A. I. *Atmospheric Circulation and the Related Wind Fields Over the North Pacific*. Moscow, Government Oceanographic Institute. 1963. 218 pp. (TT 70-50129).

Isayev, S. I., and Ya. I. Fel'dshteyn (eds.). *Auroras. Collection of Article 2. 17*. Moscow, "Nauka" Press. 1968. 242 pp. (NASA TT F - 637). Translated for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

The following titles have recently been submitted for translation. They will be available through NTIS.

Academy of Sciences of the U.S.S.R. 1971. *Antarctica Commissions Reports*. 1969. Moscow, Publishing House Nauka. 190 pp.

Arctic and Antarctic Scientific Research Institute. 1972. *Problems of the Arctic and the Antarctic*, issues 39 and 40.

Barkov, N. I. 1971. *Shelf Glaciers of Antarctica*. Leningrad, Arctic and Antarctic Scientific Research Institute. 228 pp.

Kornidova, N. A. 1971. *Fourteenth Soviet Antarctic Expedition (Seasonal Investigations 1968-1969). General Description and Scientific Results*. (Transactions of the Soviet Antarctic Expedition, Vol 57.) Leningrad. 276 pp.

Menshutkin, V. V. 1971. *Mathematical Modeling of Populations and Aquatic Faunal Communities*. Leningrad, Nauka Press, 195 pp.

*Recent Achievements in the Study of the Biological Nitrogen Fixation.* 1971. Moscow, Publishing House Nauka. 216 pp. (Collection of 34 articles.)

Shamont'yev, V. A. 1972. *Thirteenth Soviet Antarctic Expedition. General Description and Scientific Results.* (Transactions of the Soviet Antarctic Expedition, Vol. 55.) Leningrad. 210 pp.

Shumsky, P. A. 1969. *Dynamics of Glaciology.* Moscow, Hydrometeorological Publishing House. 174 pp.

Treshnikov, A. F., and G. I. Baranov. 1972. *Circulation Features of Water in the Arctic Basin.* Leningrad, Hydrometeorological Publishing House. 160 pp.

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Since the spring of this year our Northern Region Library has had a complete turnover of both military and civilian staff writes Capt. T. A. Favier, Northern Region Commander at Yellowknife, N.W.T. Major J. Ellis replaced Major Bewley as officer in charge of the Northern Region Information Service (NORIS) and the Library. He is assisted by Captain T. A. Favier and Mrs. Lily Stonehouse who replaced Mr. Willie Makiuk as Assistant Librarian.

Building alterations are now in progress at the Northern Region Headquarters, and by mid-January the Northern Region Library should be relocated in a larger area. We are faced with a complete reorganization of the Library to prepare for inclusion in a computerized Northern Region Information Service over the next few years.

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The library of the University of Alaska, Anchorage, has purchased a collection of Dr. William Hunt, Professor of History at the University of Alaska, Fairbanks. Much of the material is on the Arctic, Alaska, and the Pacific Basin and will be a valuable asset for students and researchers in the area, according to Catherine Innes-Taylor, Acquisitions Librarian. Several items of note are J. Callander's *Terra Australis Cognita* and John Cochrane's *Narrative of a Pedestrian Journey Through Russia and Siberia Tartary*. The books will be housed in the new Regional Materials Library, a joint facility serving the University of Alaska, Anchorage, and Alaska Methodist University. This building of 78,000 net sq. ft. was completed January, 1973, and will provide expanded library services for the University of Alaska, Anchorage, Alaska Methodist University, and the South Central Region. Our new address will be:

Regional Materials Library  
3211 Providence Drive  
Anchorage, Alaska 99504

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University of Alaska Archivist, Paul McCarthy, furnished the following details on new manuscripts in the Elmer E. Rasmuson Library.

The diaries of James H. Condit were recently presented to the University of Alaska Archives and Manuscript Collections by his daughter, Mrs. Ruth Condit Gere. As Presbyterian missionary, James H. Condit traveled widely within and without Alaska and recorded his personal experiences and observations, during the years of 1912 and 1950, in 21 individual books. The pages hold an abundance of information on missionary activities in Alaska, descriptions of cities and villages visited and people met. The diaries, with their wealth of data spanning over a period of 28 years, provide a valuable aid to researchers of Alaskan history.

Kenneth L. Houck of Bethlehem, Pa. recently donated the papers of his father, Jonas B. Houck, Attorney and Counselor. The historically significant collection consists of 32 letters, miscellaneous papers and two photographs. Jonas B. Houck wrote the letters to his wife on his journey from Detroit, Michigan, via Victoria, B. C., to Skagway, Alaska, and over the Dyea Trail to Dawson, Y.

T., and return trip via Seattle, Washington, between the months of March and September of 1898. The correspondence richly reflects the hopes as well as the challenges participants of the Klondike gold rush were confronted with and includes colorful descriptions of cities encountered along the way and other personal observations the young lawyer made on his trek toward the gold fields of the Yukon.

Manuscripts of the Alaskan novelist Barrett Willoughby are now in the University of Alaska archives. Miss Willoughby grew up in Sitka, and chose Alaska subjects for all of her works. Included are such stories as *Mirage*, *Ticket to Ketchikan*, *Annals of the Sea*, *The Golden Totem*, and *Spawn of the North*. Her files include both correspondence and photographs. The photograph collection includes excellent pictures of early Alaska (1900-1920) taken by Father Hubbard who travelled in the Land of Ten Thousand Smokes, others by Louis Lane who captained a whaling ship, and photos by Klondike Kate.

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The American Polar Society, founded in 1934, publishes *The Polar Times* in June and December, reporting on activities and findings in the polar regions, illustrated by maps and photographs. Back issues are available. Those interested in receiving *The Polar Times* may apply for membership with annual dues of one dollar (\$1.00) to: Mr. August Howard, Secretary, American Polar Society, 98-20 62nd Drive, Rego Park, New York 11374.

August Howard wrote that the Society is always interested in receiving original clippings (for reproduction by offset) for *The Polar Times*. He particularly would like to receive news and features about the Arctic areas of Alaska, Canada and the Aleutian Islands.

Everyone interested in the polar regions would certainly commend Mr. Howard for his dedicated interest in the polar regions and for editing *The Polar Times* for thirty-eight years.

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The Alaska Historical Library has received several translations as part of its "Translation project from Russian sources of material concerning Alaska Natives." Translations completed by Dr. Richard Pierce include the first Russian American Company charter (1799), Rules of the Russian-American Company (1821) and the third charter of the Russian-American Company (1844). This material is available on interlibrary loan.

*The Alaskan*, 1885-1907, a newspaper issued at Sitka, Alaska, provides excellent information on early Alaska government, Indians, mining activity, etc. The Alaska Historical Library, Pouch G, Capitol, Juneau 99801 needs to locate issues not available here to complete an in-depth index of this newspaper which will be published. Please contact Phyllis Nottingham, Librarian, if you have.

<i>The Alaskan</i> (Sitka)	1886	No. 13, Jan. 30	1888	No. 12, March 3	
		No. 24, April 17		No. 16, March 31	
		No. 40, Aug. 7		No. 17, April 7	
		No. 42 & 43, Aug. 21, 28		No. 26 & 27, June 9, 16	
		No. 44, Sept. 31		No. 34, Aug. 4	
	1887	No. 24, April 16	1892	No. 50, Dec. 31	
		No. 44, Sept. 31		1900	No. 43, Oct. 20
				1904	No. 21, June 4

An interesting article has been written by Vsevolod Rocheau on Russian Orthodox Church history in Alaska titled "Innocent Veniaminov and the Russian Mission to Alaska 1820-1840" in *St. Vladimir's Theological Quarterly*, v. 15, no. 3, 1971, pp. 105-120. From considerable research in the Russian Orthodox Church records at the Library of Congress, the author has aptly provided information on the Alaska missions, life at Unalaska, Sitka, etc., and the missionary efforts of Veniaminov.

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Military libraries in Alaska have long provided good library service to their constituents and assisted other libraries in Alaska with material.

The Special Services Post Library at Fort Richardson, Alaska, has a new reference librarian, Mrs. Joetia Walker, who replaces Mrs. Susan Hagedon as her husband is no longer stationed at Fort Richardson.

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*A Contribution to Regional Bibliography: Alaska: A Pilot Study in Indexing*, has been completed by Ms. Margaret Harris through support of the Alaska State Library and Rasmuson Library, University of Alaska. It is concerned with developing a feasible multi-media index to regional material. Its primary objective is to develop a tool for general user access to information in various formats by combining old and new methods and techniques of information retrieval. Simple computer programs manipulate the information on 106 sample items to produce a register of the items and the access indexes: issuing body/main entry, title and series, and subject/descriptor. Indexing terms were assembled from headings assigned by Library of Congress, Sears, and *Reader's Guide*, as well as from thesauri such as *Thesaurus of Engineering and Scientific Terms* and *Thesaurus of ERIC Descriptors*. A limited number of copies is available from Margaret Harris at P. O. Box 3102, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701 for \$3.00. Any discussion of the feasibility of the multi-media approach to indexing is most welcome.

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The Institute of Social, Economic and Government Research, University of Alaska is now located on Campus in the new Gruening Building. Dorothy Lunsford, Librarian, seems eager to pursue organization of the library with space and equipment now available.

Several new publications of the Institute include:

Hippler, Arthur E. and Stephen Conn. *Traditional Athabascan Law Ways and Their Relationship to Contemporary Problems of "Bush Justice."* (ISEGR Occasional Paper No. 7, August 1972)

Kleinfeld, Judith. *Effective Teachers of Indian and Eskimo High School Students.* (ISEGR Report No. 34)

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"Materials for the Study of Alaskan History" is a new series of publications issued by The Limestone Press, P. O. Box 1604, Kingston, Ontario.

The Limestone Press feels the history of Alaska has been more neglected than that of any other part of North America. A principal reason for this has been a lack of material, particularly with regard to the period of Russian rule. Many printed works are exceptionally rare, and most are in Russian. This series will include translations of previously unpublished diaries, memoirs, and official documents, and reprints of scarce works of particular value to the researcher. The number printed will be determined by advance orders.

Pierce, R. A. *Alaskan Shipping, 1867-1878.*

*Arrivals and Departures at the Port of Sitka.* Now available @ \$3.50.

Howay, J. W. *A List of trading Vessels in the Maritime Fur Trade, 1785-1825.* \$6.00.

Blaschke, Edward. *A Medical Topography of the Port of New Archangel, The Principal Settlement of the Russian Colonies in North America.*

Makarova, R. V. *Russians on the Pacific Ocean in the Second Half of the 18th Century.*

Fedorova, S. G. *The Russians in Alaska and California, From the End of the 18th Century to 1867.*

Teben'kov, M. A. *Atlas of the Northwest Coasts of America, the Aleutian Islands and the Several Places in the North Pacific Ocean*. 38 maps, in separate sheets, with *Hydrographic Notes*, boxed.

H. M. S. *Sulphur on the Northwest Coast, 1837 and 1839*.

Furuhjelm, E. H. *Sojourn at Sitka, 1854-1862*.

*Russian America: A Bio-Bibliographical Dictionary*.

*Russian America: A Bibliography*.

These books will be published as soon as sufficient orders have been received. As there may be no second printing, it will be essential to order now to secure any particular title, or to place a standing order for the series. Prices, depending upon the size and makeup of each work, will range from \$3.50 to approximately \$12.00 for soft-bound copies. Hard binding \$2.00 to \$3.00 extra.

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*Farthest North College President* is finally available reports Ted Ryberg, Director of Libraries, University of Alaska. The list price is \$7.95 and it is available from your local book dealer or the University of Alaska Bookstore, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701. Written by William R. Cashen, *Farthest North College President* is a biography of Charles E. Bunnell, the first president of what is now the University of Alaska, and a history of the early years of the university. Considerable Alaskan history and politics is woven into the book and should make it of interest.

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The library of the Glenbow-Alberta Institute is a research facility serving the needs of historians, writers and students interested in the history and development of Western and Northern Canada. It also maintains a strong historical collection of Arctic materials and works relating to the early history of the United States Northwest.

*A Catalogue of the Glenbow Historical Library* will be available in 1973 from G. K. Hall & Co. Publication.

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The Alaska Library Association in cooperation with the Alaska Federation of Natives has recently completed phase one of an Alaska Oral Literature Project. During the four-month project over 300 legends and stories were taped, mostly in the original language of the storyteller (Athapaskan, Yupik, Inupiak Eskimo, Aleut). Translations and background data about the storyteller and the story are part of the tape. The taped stories will be incorporated into the statewide cassette bank library, and widely available to schools, institutions, libraries and individuals. The project is continuing for another four months through funding and cooperation with the Tanana Chiefs Conference.

The Alaska Library Association has launched 1973 with a new broadcast schedule on the ATS-1 communications satellite. The satellite beams to 23 locations in Alaska, mostly remote native communities. Radios located in the Alaska State Library in Juneau and in the Fairbanks North Star Borough Library make it possible to fast-deliver a variety of informational service to areas which have had traditionally little communication with the rest of the state. Programming is shared by the AkLA chapters in Anchorage, Juneau and Fairbanks, thus ensuring maximum use of the major resources of the State for bush requests.

Commencing in January, 1973, the Boreal Institute for Northern Studies is marketing a KWIC Index for selected polar titles. The index will incorporate pertinent articles from northern

newspapers and government documents received on a periodic basis so that recent literature from various sources will be available as soon as possible. Recent format changes have eliminated the necessity for pseudo authors.

The monthly index will be out by the fifteenth of each month for January — November with an annual accumulation in December. It is available for \$35.00 per year or on an exchange basis, value for value. Enclosed is a sample sheet and code breakdown with examples circled. Anyone interested in the index may contact the Librarian at the Boreal Institute for Northern Studies, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta, T6G 2E9.