Northern Libraries Colloquy — 1974

The fourth Northern Libraries Colloquy will be held at the Arctic Institute of North America, Montreal, on June 3-7, 1974. The planning committee met in November and drew up a tentative program. The first day is devoted to progress reports from the editors of the various bibliographies—Arctic, Yukon, Antarctic, a report from the task force on an International Polar Bibliography, Union List of Northern Archives, Defence Scientific Information Service (DSIS) and a tour of the Arctic Institute of North America Library. A tour of the National Science Library, Ottawa, the Parliament library and the Houses of Parliament has been arranged for the next day. On Thursday morning there will be a panel discussion. The panelists will talk about native rights and northern development. In the afternoon will be the closing session when past, present, and future projects will be reviewed, and discussed. A post Colloquy field trip is planned. Efforts are being made to secure financial assistance to cover some of the colloquy costs. For further information write: Irene Coutinho at the Institute, 1020 Pine Ave., West, Montreal, Quebec.

The Arctic Institute of North America Library provides a research service so those unable to visit this repository of information on the North will have access to its large, comprehensive collection. The staff has competent language facility in Russian, Norwegian, Swedish, Danish, Finnish, German and French. The library can provide you with a list of titles (with annotations when available), complete bibliographical details, indicating where the materials are available and will include foreign language publications if required. Research charges are at a rate of $15.00 per hour to cover basic costs. If you tell them your subject and the type of search you need they will be able to give you some estimates of the cost for your particular search.

Marian Jones, Librarian for the Institute of Sedimentary and Petroleum Geology, Geological Survey of Canada in Calgary sent a list of the recent publications of the Environmental—Social Program Northern Pipelines. This program is part of the Canadian government’s Task Force on Northern Oil Development. Reports include:


73-10 Cing-Mars, J., *Preliminary Archaeological Study, Mackenzie Corridor*. Information Canada Cat. No. R72-8273 $1.00


73-12 Reeder, S.W., *Water Quality of the Mackenzie River Basin*. Information Canada Cat. No. R72-8973 $1.00


These publications may be purchased through any Information Canada Bookstore or may be ordered directly from Information Canada, 171 Slater Street, Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0S9.

The new director of the Institute of Sedimentary and Petroleum Geology is Dr. D. F. Stott who has been with the Institute for seven years. He has many years experience as a field geologist in Alberta, British Columbia and the Arctic Islands. His studies have proved of major significance in the analysis of the sedimentary basins of Western Canada as potential sources and reservoirs of oil and gas.

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If you have duplicate copies of ARCTIC BIBLIOGRAPHY, V. 9 and 10; CANADA YEAR BOOKS 1962 through 1967 or know where copies can be located, please contact Mrs. Norma Loffthouse, Library, Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Affairs, P. O. Box 1500, Yellowknife, N.W.T. XOE 1 HO.

A new diamond drill core library has opened in Yellowknife. Names after Dr. Clifford S. Lord, recently retired Chief Geologist of the Geological Survey of Canada, the new library will provide geologists with facilities for storing and examining drill cores from various mining properties in the N.W.T.

The Resident Geologist's office has recently compiled a list of mining and service companies currently operating in the N.W.T. Copies are available from the library.

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Captain T. A. Favier, Commander Northern Region, Northwest Territories, writes that their library has a new name: Noris Information Research and Reference Library. In mid-February, the library will move back into the Evans Building, Northern Region Headquarters, where new shelving is being set up so that materials from the Churchill Library can be available.

Cataloging of books from Churchill is being done with assistance from a "Winter Works Project."

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The University of Alaska must have its accreditation renewed every ten years as do other universities in the United States. The visit of the accreditation team is preceded by a year-long period of self-study, and the Elmer E. Rasmuson Library has just completed its portion of this project. One of the goals of the library is "developing the most comprehensive collection on Alaska and the Polar Regions," to the extent that this can be done without interfering with the primary obligation to support the general academic program of the northern region.

Strengths of the library are seen as a good physical plant and well-qualified staff; an inadequate budget is (as in most libraries) the greatest weakness.

The Rasmuson Library is working on a special program dealing with its Alaskan collections, to be aired over KUAC-TV, Fairbanks, in March. Plans are to discuss the library's holdings in all forms, as well as the ongoing program of microfilming Alaska newspapers and the intent to someday produce a book catalog of the Skinner Collection of Alaskan. Hopefully, some viewers will be impelled to offer the library items now reposing in attics, basements and steamer trunks writes Charles Parr, Arctic Bibliographer for the library.
In 1976 the United States celebrates the 200th anniversary of its independence. Several ideas for the bicentennial year advanced by the Alaska commission are “an Alaskan-Danish-Russian observance of the efforts of explorer Vitus Bering” at his grave in the Commander Islands, and “an international observance of the achievements in polar research accomplished through international cooperation,” to take place on Ice Island T-3 (Fletcher Island).

The Institute for Northern Studies, University of Saskatchewan, has an active publications program. NEWS FROM THE CANADIAN NORTH, a monthly compilation of newspaper clippings principally from THE EDMONTON JOURNAL has nearly 100 subscribers. The subscription is $25/year for issues each of which exceed 50 pages.

Institute librarian Joan Elliott writes that they recently acquired the 29-volume set of Journals and Correspondence of the Hudson’s Bay Record Society, London.

In addition to contract research reports, the Institute plans to prepare a general and comprehensive bibliography on Northern Saskatchewan to replace and update their other bibliographies. Some of the publications available include:

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Orders should be addressed to: Miss Pat Getzlf
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The Boreal Institute for Northern Studies Library, University of Alberta, Edmonton, has recently acquired a copy of the judgement by Mr. Justice Malouf re the James Bay Hydro Project. A Xeroxed copy will be available for circulation.

A set of the unpublished reports and studies collected by the Peace-Athabasca Study Group during their study of the effects of the Bennett Dam on the Peace-Athabasca delta has been deposited in the library. A listing can be sent to anyone interested.

The Institute is in the process of establishing a newsletter which will be circulated to interested persons and groups. It is intended to inform people of teaching, research and other activities concerning the North taking place on the University of Alberta campus.

Nita Cook, Librarian, mentions that readers who receive their monthly accessions list will note a format change as of December 1973. The listing now includes analytic entries for periodical articles, book chapters, etc., as well as the usual assortment of monographs and pamphlets. The analytic
entries are mostly acquired from cards received from the Scott Polar Research Institute. The new style accessions list is produced by photo-reduction of the original catalogue card which saves retyping as was done before. Hopefully it is still as useful, and is far simpler for us to compile. Any comments would be appreciated.

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Among new acquisitions in the Alaska Historical Library section, Alaska Division of State Libraries, Juneau, are the following films concerning northern pipelines:

ENERGY FROM THE ARCTIC. Filmed in Canada and the state of Alaska. [Toronto, Ontario] Canadian Arctic Gas Study Limited, 1971. 29 min. sound, color, 16mm.

Summary: shows the work being performed by the arctic gas project research facilities in Canada's Northwest Territory to determine what effects the removal and transportation of petroleum products from the Arctic will have on the natural environment.

THE ARCTIC — THE WILDLIFE — PIPELINE. Filmed in Canada and the state of Alaska. Toronto, Ontario, prepared by Robin Gunn, Limited for Canadian Arctic Gas Study Limited, 1971. 27 min. sound, color, 16mm.

Summary: a comprehensive look at the detailed testing programs underway in the Arctic to determine effects the building and operation of a pipeline will have on the flora and fauna.

A large collection of glass plate negatives of the Yakutat area were presented to the Alaska Historical Library by the Byron Mallott family. The collection included many native portraits and views of the town with its buildings. Mr. Mallott is Commissioner of the Alaska Department of Community and Regional Affairs.

Nancy Ebina has returned to the Alaska Division of State Libraries from California. Formerly in charge of Technical Services, Nancy is now cataloging and doing research/reference in the Alaska Historical Library section.

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Those of you who were at the Northern Libraries Colloquy at the SPRI last June may remember a recital on the barrel organ taken to the Arctic by Sir William Edward Parry in the 1820s. A long-playing record of the organ's 40 tunes has recently been released and is available for sale at the Institute. If you would like to buy a copy of the record, please write to Clive Holland. The price of the record will be L2.40 (Great Britain) or L2.85 (overseas).

THIRD NORTHERN LIBRARIES COLLOQUIY PROCEEDINGS. Work is progressing on the editing of these proceedings and providing all goes well they should be ready to distribute in March.

FACSIMILE REPRODUCTIONS OF ANTARCTIC WATERCOLOURS BY EDWARD ADRIAN WILSON (1872-1912). In response to innumerable requests from the public over the years, SPRI has decided to publish four of E. A. Wilson's delightful watercolours painted on Ross Island, McMurdo Sound, Antarctica, while acting as Chief Scientist on Captain Scott's TERRA NOVA expedition of 1910-12. The watercolours are being reproduced by the collotype process which will guarantee that the facsimiles are faithful in every way to the originals. It is hoped to be able to offer these either singly or in sets for sale towards the end of March 1974. Prices will be in the region of L2.00 each.

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The Institute of Social Economic and Government Research Library, University of Alaska, has new files for its extensive vertical file collection which covers a wide range of Alaska subjects.
While the Institute research staff utilizes the library collection for various studies and consultant projects, the library wants to make the collection more available to other members of the University system.

The Geological Survey of Greenland publishes bulletins, reports and geological maps resulting from their geological research.

Stuart Watt, a Colloquy member from the Survey, sent a list of several publications.

No. 50 Results from a geological reconnaissance around Svartenhuk Halvo, West Greenland, by V. Munther.
   D.kr. 9.00

No. 51 Progress report on the geology of the Fiskenaeset region, South-West Greenland.
   D.kr. 22.00

No. 52 Precambrian structures of the Ikorfet peninsula, Agto region, West Greenland, by L. Skjernaa.
   D.kr. 12.00

No. 53 Geological results of the 1971 expedition to central West Greenland (Cretaceous-Tertiary sediments & volcanics).
   D.kr. 9.00

Surface Postage & Packing: ADD 10% to total order (Minimum D.kr. 3.00)

Airmail Postage & Packing: ADD 33% to total order (Minimum D.kr. 5.00)

Checks should be made payable to "Geological Survey of Greenland" and preferably expressed in Danish Kroner drawable on a Danish bank. Customers are liable for all bank and conversion charges, as well as underpayments resulting from exchange-rate fluctuations.

What impact will the discharge of treated tanker ballast water have on the marine environment of Port Valdez, where the Trans-Alaska Pipeline would terminate? In May 1971 scientists of the University of Alaska's Institute of Marine Science, supported by the Alyeska Pipeline Service Co., began a one-year, intensive study of the waters of Port Valdez. The findings were also applicable to coastal zone management problems and consequently had broad general importance. With additional support from the National Sea Grant Program and National Science Foundation, the project was expanded to provide for a more complete study and wider distribution of the results. Now the Institute of Marine Science has published the findings of that research in a 500-page volume entitled "Environmental Studies of Port Valdez." Editors of the work are Dr. Donald W. Hook, director of the Institute; W. E. Shiels; and E. J. Kelley. The publication can be obtained from the University Institute, Fairbanks 909701, at $15 a copy. An additional volume of data from the research is available at $10.