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Academic Library Buildings Awards

Three U.S. academic library buildings have been selected to receive architectural awards in the fourth Library Buildings Award Program sponsored jointly by The American Institute of Architects, The American Library Association, and The National Book Committee.

Presentation of the award citations to libraries and architects were made at special ceremonies planned to coincide with National Library Week on April 21-27.

Project: Saint John's University Library¹
Collegeville, Minnesota

Architect: Marcel Breuer, FAIA and Hamilton P. Smith, AIA Architects
New York, New York

Owner: St. John's Abbey & University
Librarian: Reverend Benjamin Stein, O.S.
Reverend Ronald Roloff, O.S.

General Contractor: Gunnar I. Johnson & Son, Inc.

Jury Comment:

"This college library is a simple and direct solution, executed with restraint and good taste. The architect was aware of the need for flexibility. The interiors are quiet and conducive to reading and studying. The use of structural 'trees' seems appropriate to the large size of the main reading room."

Project: Hofstra University Library¹
Hempstead, Long Island, New York

¹ Saint John's University library was supported by federal funds under Title I of the Higher Education Facilities Act; the Hofstra University library was supported by federal funds under Title II of that Act.

Architects: Warner Burns Toan Lunde, New York, New York

Owner: Dormitory Authority of the State of New York

Librarian: Dr. Ellsworth G. Mason

Engineer: Severud-Perrone-Fischer-Sturm-Conlin-Bandel

Landscape Architect: M. Paul Friedberg & Associates

General Contractor: Gerace & Castagna, Inc.

Jury Comment:

"A crowded academic quadrangle and a campus divided by a major expressway created difficult problems in designing the new library for Hofstra University. The architect provided an attractive and efficient solution in a two-story pavilion surmounted by an eight-story central tower. The principal reading and staff areas in the new building, which are contained in the pavilion, service the majority of library users, including undergraduates. The tower contains those portions of the collections and services most used by graduate students and faculty."

Project: Library Institute for Advanced Education
Princeton, New Jersey

Architects: Harrison & Abramovitz, New York, New York

Owner: Institute for Advanced Study

Librarian: Dr. Judith Sachs

Engineer: Paul Weidlinger

Landscape Architect: Clark and Rapuano

General Contractor: Matthews Construction Company

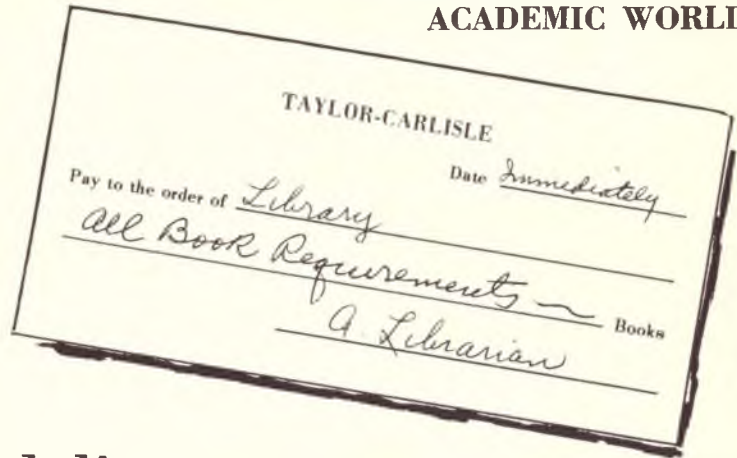
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JUNIOR COLLEGE LIBRARIES SECTION NOMINEES 1968/69

Information included in the list of nominees for offices 1968/69 as published in the January 1968 *CRL News*, p. 5 has been made incorrect by the resignation of Lynn Bartlett as Vice Chairman and Chairman-Elect of the Junior College Libraries Section. Nominees for JCLS offices for 1968/69 are as follows.

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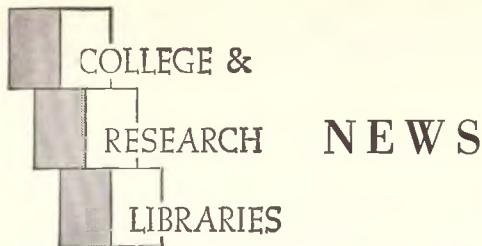
ORGANIZATION MEETING E & BS SUBSECTION

The formation of an Education and Behavioral Sciences Subsection of the Subject Specialists Section was approved at the Midwinter Meeting of the ACRL Board of Directors. The goal of the new Subsection will be to bring together librarians interested in working on the problems of providing library service to educators, psychologists, and sociologists.

Barbara S. Marks, education librarian, New York University, will serve as Provisional Chairman of the Subsection until organizational efforts are completed and the first elected chairman has taken office. She will be assisted in the coming months by Wayne Gossage, library director, Bank Street College of Education library, New York, and Howard Dillon, associate librarian, Harvard University, graduate school of education library.

An organizational meeting will be held at the annual meeting of ALA in Kansas City. All interested librarians are urged to attend that meeting. In the meantime, a brief letter to Mrs. Marks (New York University Libraries, Washington Square, 10003) would put you on the mailing list for organizational materials and related information.

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Third Library History Seminar

A dedicated and enthusiastic array of library historians, antiquaries, and genealogists descended upon Tallahassee on February 8 for the Third Library History Seminar at Florida State University. Supplemented by library school students and faculty, as well as other interested persons from the area, the group sat dutifully through three days of activities, and all appeared to agree that they profited considerably from hearing some of the excellent papers and discussions, formal and informal, which were aired.

Working sessions began on Thursday with a presentation by two FSU historians of the ways in which they went about the business of historical research. The next session demonstrated historical criticism. Here two more FSU history professors served as discussants of two surprisingly good library history papers prepared by library school students Ruth Kent and Homer Walton, Jr.

Seven varied and interesting papers were presented on Friday. Kent State's Sidney Jackson opened the day with a discussion of contradictory views on books and reading among early humanists. Thomas Slavens, University of Michigan, described the circumstances under which the highly treasured Van Ess collection came to rest in the Union Theological Seminary. George S. Bobinski, University of Kentucky, closed the morning with an account of the bibliothecal importance of Andrew Carnegie's colleagues, James Bertram and Alvin S. Johnson. In the afternoon Robert V. Williams of the Georgia Department of Archives described the library and its setting in George Whitefield's Bethesda; William J. Van Beynum of the Middletown (Conn.) public library spoke on "The Book-Company of Durham;" Case Western Reserve's Clark A. Elliott pointed out the importance of the U.S. Bureau of Education to library history in that *annus mirabilis* 1876; and Nova's Robert Havlik told of the more recent experience of the Library Services Branch of USOE.

The best line of the show came on Saturday morning in Budd L. Gambee's (University of North Carolina) paper on "Representation of American Librarianship at World's Fairs, 1853-1876." Quoting a journalist's description of the persons attending the library conclave of 1876, he reported that "No one could judge from their appearance that they were librarians." The last paper read was Robert C. Miller's (University of Chicago) history of the International Publishers' Association, 1896-1962.

Two special sessions were also scheduled

during the three-day meeting. Lawrence Towner told the delegates on Thursday evening about his own Newberry library, and at a very fine banquet on Friday night David Kaser (Joint University Libraries) spoke on "Tom Brown's Library at Rugby."

The seminar concluded before lunch on Saturday with a summary by "the Grand Old Man" of library history in America, the dean emeritus of FSU's library school, Louis Shores. All in all the conference was a good one which was well worth its designation as the third in a short but meaningful series of meetings designed to foster and encourage greater interest in the area of library history.—D.K. ■■

ACADEMIC LIBRARY . . .

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Jury Comment:

"This simple, yet elegant, project is very well detailed, well appointed, and well furnished. It presents an ingenious solution to the overall lighting scheme. The roof is pierced and beam coves allow natural light to beautifully enter the building."

Pictures of award-of-merit academic library buildings are on pages 136 and 137.

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