

Meeting of New England College and Research Librarians

The New England College and Research Librarians, a chapter of ACRL, convened its first meeting on November 28, 1973, at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, in Cambridge.



C. James Schmidt

The program, on "Faculty Status for Librarians," was prepared by the NECRL Steering Committee: Thomas H. Cahalan, chairman; Richard A. Olsen, and Roger J. Poulin. The guidelines prepared by Harvard's Study Committee on Professional Library Personnel (*Harvard Library Bulletin*, v.21, no.3, July 1973) were presented by Edwin E. Williams, associ-

ate university librarian at Harvard, and Philip E. Leinbach, associate university librarian for personnel at Harvard. C. James Schmidt, chairman of the ACRL Committee on Academic Status and director of libraries at the State University of New York at Albany, analyzed the Harvard guidelines in terms of ACRL's policies on faculty status for academic librarians ("Standards for Faculty Status for College and University Librarians" and "Joint Statement on Faculty Status of College and University Librarians," *CRLN*, September 1972). The program attracted nearly 175 librarians from six New England states.

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