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# 1967 GIS CONVENTION in NEW ORLEANS, La.

The 2nd Annual Convention of the Geoscience Information Society will be held in New Orleans in conjunction with the meetings of the Geological Society of America, 20-22 November 1967. The one-day session, Wednesday November 22nd, will feature a morning Symposium on Information Systems, Services, and Networks in the Geosciences. The GIS business meeting is scheduled for 1:30 P.M. Both sessions will be held in the Gold Room of the Roosevelt Hotel.

Seven symposium papers have been scheduled:

1. Harold L. Cousminer (American Museum of Natural History) An information system in micropaleontology	9:00 A.M.
<ol> <li>Martin Weiss (National Oceanographic Data Center)         Considerations in developing marine geoscience data storage- retrieval systems</li> </ol>	9:20
<ol> <li>Daniel E. Appleman (U.S. Geological Survey)</li> <li>Geologic data storage and retrieval in the U.S. Geological Survey</li> </ol>	9:40
4. C.F. Burk, Jr. (Geological Survey of Canada) National system for storage and retrieval of raw geologic data in Canada	10:00
Coffee: 10:20 - 10:35	
5. Roy W. Graves, Jr. (University of Tulsa), D.P. Helander, & S.J. Martinez The University of Tulsa information retrieval system	10:35
6. Melvin Weinstock (Herner & Company), and Saul Herner A model for a United States geoscience library and information network	10:55
7. Anthony P. Harvey (British Museum: Natural History) Recent progress in geological documentation and bibliography	11:15

Co-chairmen of the GIS Symposium will be Dr. James W. Clarke (U.S. Geological Survey) and Mrs. Kathryn N. Cutler (Stanford University).

There will be a GIS Field Trip to the Louisiana State University Libraries in Baton Rouge on Sunday, November 19th. Included in the trip will be a tour of LSU's Science Division Library. A \$10.00 fee, paid in advance, will cover the bus transportation and lunch at the LSU Union (your check, payable to the Geoscience Information Society, should accompany your completed ballot for election of GIS officers, and returned to the Secretary: Dederick C. Ward III, Earth Sciences Library, 204 Geology Bldg, Univ of Colorado, Boulder, Colo 80302). The field trip will start at 10:30 A.M. from the Roosevelt Hotel, and will end by 6:00 P.M. back at the hotel.

GIS members have received, or shortly will receive, Circular no.2 of the Geological Society of America, describing the GSA meetings. Registration for the GSA meetings is \$12.50 for geologists, GIS members, and the general public. There is  $\underline{no}$  pre-registration this year.

There will be a meeting of the GIS Executive Committee on Tuesday night, November 21st.

## GIS AFFILIATED WITH GSA

On 7 May 1967, the Council of the Geological Society of America approved the application of the Geoscience Information Society to become associated formally with the GSA. By this action, GIS becomes the 7th professional society to elect to share the privileges and responsibilities of holding consolidated national (and some sectional) meetings.

The Geological Society of America has recently moved its Headquarters from New York City to the Colorado Building in Boulder, Colo. The Executive Secretary of GSA, Raymond C. Becker, is a member of GIS. New mailing address for GSA: P.O. Box 1719, Boulder, Colo. 80302.

The formative years of GIS have been marked by close cooperation with and assistance from the Geological Society of America. GIS was proposed during the Miami Beach GSA meetings in 1964, and was organized and elected its first officers at the Kansas City, Mo., GSA meetings in 1965. As GSA's guest last year in San Francisco, GIS held its first annual convention. GIS Conferees on the GSA Committee on Technical Program for 1967 were Secretary Dederick C. Ward III (GIS official delegate) and Bill L. Long (GIS representative).

#### RECRUITMENT GRANT from GSA

The Geological Society of America has granted \$500.00 to GIS to point young geoscience graduates into careers as librarians.

The GIS will distribute packets of a new brochure to about 750 colleges and universities which grant degrees or have courses in the geosciences. These brochures will describe what professional librarians do, indicate the educational and personal requirements of the profession, and explain how to obtain one of the numerous scholarships now available.

In addition, a series of advertisements, placed in <u>Geotimes</u>, will call the readers' attention to career opportunities in geology libraries.

It is estimated that the shortage of professional librarians, now about 10%, will grow to at least 30% by 1975, with a resulting drastic curtailment of the nation's library services. The GSA's generous grant will be of tangible help in warding off such a collapse of services in the geoscience area, reports GIS recruitment officer Mark W. Pangborn, Jr.

### HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARIES BUYING LIST -

A 7-page leaflet, entitled A Buying List of 100 Good Geology Books for the High School Library, compiled by Mark W. Pangborn, Jr., has been published jointly by GIS and the National Association of Geology Teachers. It was distributed last month in cooperation with the National Science Teachers Association and Lamar State College of Technology.

The books and other materials in the list are suitable for high school students, grades 9 through 12. Several asterisked titles are recommended for first purchase. The entries are annotated and arranged by subject. Prices are given for all titles. GIS hopes that this leaflet will be useful in upgrading the geology collections in our nation's high schools.

Free copies of the buying list may be obtained from: William H. Matthews III, Chairman, Committee on Education, National Association of Geology Teachers, Lamar State College of Technology, Beaumont, Tex. 77704.

## SYMPOSIUM on GEOLOGICAL LIBRARY PROBLEMS

Chairman Eleanore E. Wilkins (U.S. Geological Survey, Menlo Park, Calif) reports that the committee on the symposium has completed an analysis of the questionnaire which was sent to earth science libraries and librarian members of GIS. About 50% responded. The committee held a meeting on Sept 9th and a report outlining the plan for the symposium will be submitted soon. Other members of the committee include: Ida M. Dobler (Univ of California, Davis); Mrs. Beatrice L. Lukens (Univ of California, Berkeley); and Mrs. Margaret C. Marshburn (Standard Oil Company of California).

### GUIDEBOOK and EPHEMERAL MATERIALS COMMITTEE

Chairman John A. Chaffin (Librarian, Northwood Institute, Box 58, Cedar Hill, Tex. 75104) reports that the committee has received contributions of holdings of field conference guidebooks from 18 libraries. The major contribution was the 680 richly annotated entries provided by Mrs. Thelma L. Guion, geology librarian at the Univ of Texas.

The committee is presently searching for funds (about \$200) to prepare a preliminary checklist edition for distribution at the GIS convention in New Orleans. This preliminary edition will be a location index to geologic field trip guidebooks in selected U.S. and Canadian libraries. The guidebooks listed are the result of field trips conducted in North America, and by any type of organization. Eventually, the committee hopes to see a virtually complete retrospective volume that would include all field trip materials, and possibly all society—authored materials, fully identified, located, and indexed.

The guidebook committees of GIS and the American Association of Petroleum Geologists (Dr. Russell Smith, Univ of Nebraska, chairman of AAPG committee) are considering the joint publication of a 3-volume work: (1) bibliography arranged by author (society) main entry; (2) enriched key-word-incontext subject index; and (3) union list of holdings.

#### COMMITTEE on GEOSCIENCE SERIALS

Sara Aull (Librarian, Science Library, Univ of Houston, Cullen Blvd, Houston, Tex. 77004) is chairman of the committee, and she reports that plans are well underway for a checklist of currently published geoscience serials. A formal plan and accompanying budget have been prepared; and a proposal requesting financial support to administer the project will be forwarded to the GIS Executive Committee, or to the American Geological Institute. About \$4,800 will be sought to prepare the checklist. Additional funds for publication will also be required.

The first phase of the project is a listing of geological serials currently indexed by the U.S., French, and Russian indexing and abstracting services. Harold R. (Bob) Malinowsky (Science & Engineering Librarian, Univ of Kansas) has agreed to supervise the compilation of the checklist.

The committee's overall purpose is to identify as nearly as possible all currently published serials (excluding maps in series and guidebooks for field trips). The checklist will: (1) aid indexing and abstracting services in their coverage of geoscience literature; (2) serve as an acquisition tool for librarians; (3) facilitate uniformity in title listings and standardization of abbreviations; and (4) provide a bibliographical guide for individual libraries, and for national and regional union lists. The checklist will also serve as a preliminary source for a planned comprehensive and continuing listing of all geoscience serial publications.

## SUBJECT HEADINGS CONFERENCE

About 25 persons attended the open meeting of the GIS Subject Headings Committee on 31 May 1967 during the 58th annual convention of the Special Libraries Association in New York City. Committee chairman Harold A. Siroonian conducted an informal panel discussion on problems in the use of geoscience subject headings in library card catalogs.

The following talks were presented during the meeting: Myrl D. Powell (U.S. Library of Congress)—"Subject cataloging of geoscience materials at the Library of Congress"; Mrs. Sharlene G. Rafter (U.S. Environmental Science Services Administration)—"Report on the study of the effectiveness of L.C. Subject Headings in the ESSA catalog"; and Mrs. Janet R. Katz-Masson (Univ of Illinois)—"Day to day problems a geoscience cataloger faces with L.C. Subject Headings".

The question of a separate list of Geoscience Subject Headings, to be compiled from the master list of the Library of Congress, is being investigated.

## GISers in the NEWS

The new Science and Engineering Librarian at the Univ of Kansas is <u>Harold R. Malinowsky</u>, formerly Head, Science-Engineering Library, Univ of Denver. He will be in charge of the 5 science and engineering libraries, including the earth science library.

John F. Splettstoesser, formerly acting head of the Cold Regions Bibliography Section, U.S. Library of Congress, is now the Assistant Director, Institute of Polar Studies, Ohio State Univ, Columbus.

<u>Dr. Robert M. Sneider</u> is now Staff Product Geologist at the Shell Oil Company in Houston, Tex; he was formerly with Shell Oil in Los Angeles.

Geography students of Assistant Professor Tom L. Martinson (formerly at Univ of Colorado) have compiled a 30-page "Selected List of Basic Guides and Readings for Graduate Students in Geography". Issued Spring 1967, this partially annotated guide was prepared by a seminar class in Bibliography and Library Methods in Geography; it is believed "to be the first of its kind compiled by students for students". Free copies of the guide are available from the Dept of Geography, Univ of Colorado, Boulder, Colo. 80302. Prof. Martinson is now Director of International Area Studies and Assistant Professor of Geography at Ball State Univ, Muncie, Ind. 47306.

Dr. Howard A. Meyerhoff, former chairman of the geology dept at Univ of Pennsylvania, has retired with the title of Professor Emeritus. At his retirement, his colleagues and former associates established the Howard A. Meyerhoff Fund for Graduate Research.

Bill M. Woods has resigned as Executive Director of Special Libraries Association, a position he had held since August 1959. He has been appointed Management Planner of Engineering Index, Inc., New York City, effective Sept 1967. In his new position, Mr. Woods will be working as a consultant on a project, "Information System Development: Phase I—Management Planning", being supported by a six-month grant from the National Science Foundation.

Mrs. Anne T. Popenuck, librarian at Woodward-Clyde-Sherard and Associates, Oakland, Calif, became Mrs. R.F. Harrigan on 31 August 1967.

On 1 August 1967, <u>Dr. Keith M. Clayton</u> became the first Dean of the School of Environmental Sciences at Univ of East Anglia, University Village, Norwich, NOR 77H, England. He was formerly Reader in Geography at the London School of Economics. At the new Univ of East Anglia, Dr. Clayton has a research grant "to establish the extent of the journal literature for both geology and geography (at first just geomorphology and geography) and we hope in time to build up a small sub-department concerned with documentation". "Geographical Abstracts", edited by Dr. Clayton, will move to the new address.

Dr. Sigmund I. Hammer, head of Gravity Section, Gulf Research and Development Co., has been appointed to the AGI Committee on Manpower. The committee will provide overall guidance of the manpower studies program, suggest new projects that AGI could undertake, and promote cooperation with other organizations that sponsor manpower studies.

Edward P. Thatcher, Science and Map Librarian at Univ of Oregon, has accepted a 2-year appointment beginning Sept 1967 as Sub-Librarian with responsibility for serials at Kashim Ibrahim Library, Ahmadu Bello Univ, Zaria, Northern Nigeria.

Mrs. Marguerite M. Hanchey, associate librarian and head of science division, Louisiana State Univ Library, served as a consultant in building up and re-organizing the library of the College of Agriculture, Malaya, in the town of Serdang, about 14 miles from Kuala Lumpur, the capitol of Malaysia. The project was sponsored jointly by the Ford Foundation and LSU. Mrs. Hanchey visited other libraries in Southeast Asia during her tour, June-August 1967.

Dr. Foster D. Smith, Jr., director of science information at the American Geological Institute, has been invited to serve as a liaison representative of AGI to the National Academy of Sciences/National Academy of Engineering Committee on Scientific and Technical Communication (SATCOM). The committee is instructed to review existing services and to recommend additional activities that are needed within both the private sector and the government, if the requirements of the scientific and engineering community for technical information services are to be met. SATCOM's recommendations can affect national planning for science information services including services for the geological sciences.

## BIBLIOGRAPHY of GEOLOGICAL THESES

The National Science Foundation has approved a grant proposal from the American Geological Institute for support of publication of a bibliography of geological theses accepted by U.S. and Canadian colleges and universities for the years 1965 and 1966. The bibliography will be published by AGI. Dederick C. Ward III, who is compiling the bibliography, is now gathering titles of 1967 theses.

# RECENT PUBLICATIONS by GIS MEMBERS

- Hawkes, Herbert E. (April 1967) Geology.
  Library trends, v.15, no.4, p.816-828.

  ---A report on the 1961 literature of geology based on a study carried out by the American Geological Institute under an agreement with the National Academy of Sciences. About 30,000 papers were published in 1961, mostly in Russian (30%) and English (27%). This report is a contribution to "Bibliography: current state and future trends, pt.2".
- Pearl, Richard M. (1967) Gems, minerals, crystals and ores: the collector's encyclopedia. New York: Golden Press. 320p. --- Reprint of the 1964 edition.
- Petriwsky, Eugene E., and Ward, Dederick C.

  III (June 1967) <u>Citing Russian articles</u>. Journal of geological education, v.15, no.3, p.118-119.---Recommends a practical solution for consistent citing of Russian papers.
- Weinstock, Melvin (May-June 1967) Network concepts in scientific and technical libraries. Special libraries, v.58, p.328-334.—The network comprises a national library serving as the central unit, major resource regional units, mission-oriented special units, and repository interlibrary units. The fundamental relationships among these units and criteria for their selection are described.

GIS members are urged to advise the Secretary (see address on last page) promptly of any address changes so that copies of the Newsletter and other notices of GIS activities will reach their proper destinations.

## NEW MEMBERS of GIS

- Bishop, Dr Olga B.: Associate Professor, School of Library Science, Univ of Toronto, 167 College St, Toronto 2B, Ontario, Canada
- Boyd, (Miss) LaRue: Supervisor, Geological Files and Geological Library, Amerada Petroleum Corp, Box 2040, Tulsa, Okla 74102
- Coury, (Mrs) Anny B.: Geologist/Librarian, Texas Gulf Sulphur Co, Rm.1804, 811 Rusk Ave, Houston, Tex 77002
- Easton, William: Map Librarian, Milner Library
  Illinois State Univ, Normal, Ill 61761
- Gustafson, (Mrs) Jean B.: Librarian, Salem Technical Vocational Community College, 4389 Satter Drive N.E., Salem, Ore 97303
- Harvey, Carlotta G.: Librarian, Mobil Oil Canada Ltd, Box 800, Calgary, Alberta, Canada
- Karnupe, Mara E.: Science Librarian, Carleton
  Univ Library, Colonel By Drive, Ottawa 1,
  Ontario, Canada
- Lander, James F.: Chief, National Earthquake Information Center, Coast & Geodetic Survey, U.S. Environmental Science Services Administration, WSC Bldg no.1, Rockville, Md 20852
- Marshall, Kevin M.W.: Librarian-in-Training, National Science Library, National Research Council of Canada, Sussex Drive, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada
- Martinson, Tom L.: Director of International Area Studies and Assistant Professor of Geography, Ball State Univ, Muncie, Ind 47306
- Paskoff, Roland: Professor of Geography, Univ of Chile, Casilla 94 Correo Las Condes, Santiago, Chile
- Scott, Barry: Librarian, Macquarie Univ Library, Eastwood, New South Wales 2122, Austral
- Teach, (Mrs) Marian A.: Reference Librarian, La Habra Laboratory for Exploration and Research, Chevron Research Co, Box 446, La Habra, Calif 90633
- von Hake, Carl A.: Chief, Earthquake Information Section, Seismology Division, Coast & Geodetic Survey, U.S. Environmental Science Services Administration, Rockville, Md 20852
- Watson, Elizabeth A.: Research Geologist, Minerals Exploration Co, Union Oil Center, Los Angeles, Calif 90017
- Wolford, Janet: Acquisitions Librarian, Field Research Laboratory, Mobil Research and Development Corp, Box 900, Dallas, Tex 75221

#### WESTERN ASSOCIATION of MAP LIBRARIANS

The Western Association of Map Librarians was formally established on 1 July 1967 at San Francisco State College. The purpose of the Association shall be "to encourage high standards in every phase of the organization and administration of map libraries by: (a) providing for the discussion of mutual problems and interests through meetings and/or publications; (b) exchanging information on experiences, ideas, and methods; (c) encouraging higher production standards of map manufacturers; (d) establishing and improving standards of professional service in this field".

Membership is open to any individual engaged in the development and service of map collections, and to institutions and business firms having map collections and interested in furthering the purpose of the Association. Annual dues rates: individuals \$5, institutions \$25, and supporting members \$100. The officers for 1967-1968 are:

President: Stanley D. Stevens, Map Librarian, Univ of California, Santa Cruz, Calif 95060

President-Elect: Carlos B. Hagen, Head, Map Library, Univ of California, Los Angeles, Calif 90024

Secretary-Treasurer: Miss Mimi Sayer, Social Science & Business Librarian, San Francisco State College, 1630 Holloway Ave, San Francisco, Calif 94132

The Association's first project is to compile a directory of map collections within the region of the Association (British Columbia, Alberta, Alaska, Hawaii, Washington, Oregon, California, Idaho, Nevada, and Arizona). Questionnaires are being sent to institutions in this region. Chairman of the Map Directory Committee is Mary Schell, California State Library, Sacramento, Calif.

The next general meeting of the Association will be held 27 October 1967 at the Special Collections Dept, Fresno State College Library, Fresno, Calif. The meeting is in conjunction with the Conference of the California Library Association.

GISers active in the new group include Mrs. Beatrice L. Lukens (Univ of California, Berkeley), Edward C. Jestes (Univ of California, Davis), Eleanore E. Wilkins (U.S. Geological Survey, Menlo Park, Calif), and Edward P. Thatcher (Univ of Oregon). Mr. Thatcher was

among those who initially suggested the formation of the association in August 1966.

## ASSOCIATION of EARTH SCIENCE EDITORS

The first conference of the embryonic "Association of Earth Science Editors" (AESE) is scheduled for 16-17 October 1967 at The Chemical Abstracts Service facilities, Columbus, Ohio. The conference is the result of an earlier meeting between a group of earth science editors and their counterparts in the biological sciences.

GISer Thomas F. Rafter, Jr., was appointed secretary of an <u>ad hoc</u> committee which organized the conference and drafted a constitution and by-laws for the Association. The proposed constitution will be submitted to the "membership" at the business meeting scheduled for the afternoon of the 17th. AESE is oriented toward those who have responsibility for the total direction (primarily editing and its attendant problems) of a continuing publication in the earth science

The conference features 3 panel discussions: cooperation between editors; new concepts in publishing—what constitutes scientific publication?; and editing earth science journals. The last—named session is a moderated open discussion in which conferees will be able to submit questions for group discussion or consensus of opinion. Such questions may include journal publicity, copyright problems, advertising & taxation, journal economics, etc.

A tour of The Chemical Abstracts Service facilities in the afternoon of the 16th will acquaint conferees with all aspects of the operation, including new methods employed to meet increased service demands in a relared science.

GISers are invited to attend the conference. Registration fee of \$12.00 includes two meals. Information and registration forms can be obtained from the secretary of the committee, Thomas F. Rafter, Jr., American Geological Institute, 1444 N St N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005.

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## MIDWEST MAP LIBRARIANS WORKSHOP

A workshop to provide a chance for map librarians in the Midwest to get acquainted with others, and to discuss aspects of map librarianship and organization of a map librarians group, will be held on 14-15 October 1967 in the Sheraton-Schroeder Hotel, Milwaukee, Wisc. The workshop will be held in conjunction with and following the North Central Library Conference to be held 11-14 October.

Workshop panels will discuss acquisitions, establishing a new map library, storage and preservation, cataloging and classification, reference problems, weeding the collection, and miscellaneous topics. Individual visits to the Univ of Wisconsin (Milwaukee) Map Library are planned. John Wolter, formerly map librarian, Univ of Minnesota, will chair the organization meeting on the night of the 14th.

Further information can be obtained from the organizing chairman, Miss Mary Galneder, Map Library, Science Hall, Univ of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisc. 53706.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Geonews, a new periodical compiled by GISer Edward L. Martin (Institute of Geological Sciences, South Kensington, London S.W. 7, England), issued vol.1, no.1, in the Spring 1967. It is sent free of charge to all subscribers to Geodoc and British Geological Literature. The new periodical contains notices of geological publications, meetings, and other news items. Subsequent issues will contain reference sheets dealing with particular topics in the field of geoscience documentation. Mr. Martin would be glad to send copies (individually or in bulk) of Geonews to anyone interested.

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The Geological Society of America has issued Catalog of Works in Print--1967, a new 84-page catalog listing currently available publications issued by GSA from 1934 through those scheduled for publication during 1967. Copies of the catalog are available without charge from: Publication Sales, The Geological Society of America, 231 East 46th St, New York, N.Y. 10017 (after November 1st: P.O. Box 1719, Boulder, Colo. 80302).

The American Museum of Natural History has a number of volumes of various State Geological Survey publications for sale. For a listing of what is available, interested individuals and libraries should contact: George H. Goodwin, Jr., Librarian, The American Museum of Natural History, Central Park West at 79th St, New York, N.Y. 10024 (Refer to File No.

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In August 1966, the U.S. Environmental Science Services Administration established a National Earthquake Information Center (NEIC) at its headquarters in Rockville, Md. NEIC is to provide an improved source of information for the general public and the scientific communi-In March 1967, the Center began publishing a monthly Earthquake Information Bulletin designed "to provide current information about earthquakes of the world and seismological activities of interest both to seismologists and to individuals who are not necessarily specialists in the science". Most earthquakes reported felt in the United States will be included; also, there will be announcements regarding forthcoming scientific meetings, developments in seismological instrumentation, This publication is available on request to NEIC, Coast & Geodetic Survey, Environmental Science Services Administration, Rockville, Md. 20852. The Chief of NEIC is GIS member James F. Lander.

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The American Institute of Professional Geologists (AIPG) announces that the subscription rate of The Professional Geologist, the official publication of AIPG, has been lowered. Effective 1 January 1967 (retroactive), the yearly rate is \$5 to institutional libraries and \$10 to nonmembers and corporations. Subscription orders should be sent to AIPG, General Headquarters, Box 836, Golden, Colo. 80401.

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The Council on Education in the Geological Sciences (CEGS), a project of the American Geological Institute, has been moved from Palo Alto, Calif, to AGI headquarters, 1444 N St N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005. CEGS, with financial support from the National Science Foundation, is developing programs that will lead to improved undergraduate geology curriculums, teaching materials, new approaches for beginning geology courses, and training programs for university teachers of geology.

# AGI COUNCIL of SOCIETY PRESIDENTS

The American Geological Institute is preparing reports on current activities in earth science information as the basis for discussing with member society officers the planning of coordinated information activities in the geosciences. This subject will be on the agenda of the 29 October 1967 meeting of the AGI Council of Society Presidents.

Any suggestions from GISers should be relayed to GIS President Mrs. Harriet W. Smith by October 20th in order that she may prepare her comments for the forthcoming meeting of the AGI Council.

#### **ERRATA**

GIS Newsletter no.4, p.5: Miss V. Vern Hutchison (not Vern V. Hutchinson) is Administrative Librarian, Petroleum Library, U.S. Bureau of Mines, Bartlesville, Okla.

GIS Directory of Personnel, p.15: Mrs. Dorothy B. Vitaliano is with the U.S. Geological Survey at Indiana Univ, Bloomington, not in Washington, D.C.

# USGS NEEDS LIBRARIANS

The U.S. Geological Survey Library, Washington, D.C., has openings for librarians, at Grade GS-7, \$6451 per year, although appointments are occasionally made at a higher grade. At present catalogers and an assistant map curator are needed. Librarians with geoscience backgrounds and with language ability are preferred. Geologists may also be hired as Technical Information Specialists to perform reference work.

Candidates who do not have Civil Service status should file with the Interagency Board of U.S. Civil Service Examiners for Washington, D.C., 1900 E St N.W., Washington, D.C. 20415, under provisions of Examination Announcement No. WA-7-04, issued 10 January 1967. Copies of the Examination Announcement and forms for filing may be obtained from the address above.

A person interested in a career with the Geological Survey should submit his letter of inquiry, with a resume of experience and training, to the Librarian, U.S. Geological Survey Library, Rm.1033, Washington, DC 20242.

## GIS OFFICERS and COMMITTEES

# Executive Committee

- President: Mrs. Harriet W. Smith (Librarian, Geology Library, 223 Natural History Bldg, Univ of Illinois, Urbana, Ill. 61801)
- Secretary (President-elect): Dederick C. Ward III (Librarian, Earth Sciences Library, 204 Geology Bldg, Univ of Colorado, Boulder, Colo. 80302)
- Treasurer: Mrs. Georgianna D. Conant (3070 Porter St N.W., Washington, D.C. 20008)
  Past President: Mark W. Pangborn, Jr. (Ref-
- Past President: Mark W. Pangborn, Jr. (Reference Librarian and Map Curator, U.S. Geological Survey, Washington, D.C. 20242)

# Committee Chairmen

- Committee on Geoscience Serials: Sara Aull (Librarian, Science Library, Univ of Houston, Cullen Blvd, Houston, Tex. 77004)
- Guidebook and Ephemeral Materials Committee: John A. Chaffin (Librarian, Northwood Institute, Box 58, Cedar Hill, Tex. 75104)
- Subject Headings Committee: Harold A. Siroonian (2879 Heath Ave, Bronx, N.Y. 10463)
- Project Development Committee: Dr. Keith Young (Professor of Geology, Dept of Geology, Univ of Texas, Austin, Tex. 78712)
- Symposium on Geological Library Problems: Eleanore E. Wilkins (Librarian, U.S. Geological Survey, 345 Middlefield Rd, Menlo Park, Calif 94025)
- Constitution Revision Committee: Henry A. Fontaine (Librarian, Jefferson County Public Library, 911 10th St, Golden, Colo. 80401)

## GIS Newsletter

Editor: Robert McAfee, jr. (American Geological Institute, 1444 N St N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005)

The Editor encourages the membership to contribute news items for future issues of the Newsletter. We are especially interested in the activities of our foreign-based members. Also, any member not receiving the AGI news magazine Geotimes should write directly to AGI or to Mr. McAfee to insure that the mailing list is complete and accurate.

### ELECTION of GIS OFFICERS

All GIS members in good standing are entitled to vote on the two elective positions—Secretary (President-elect) and Treasurer—for the year 1968. A <u>ballot</u> is enclosed with this newsletter in the regular mailing to all members of the Society. It is requested that all ballots be completed and returned <u>before November</u> 6th to the present Secretary: Dederick C. Ward III, Earth Sciences Library, 204 Geology Bldg, Univ of Colorado, Boulder, Colo. 80302.

The Nominating Committee (Mrs. Janet R. Katz-Masson, Univ of Illinois, chairman; Mrs. Dorothy B. Vitaliano, U.S. Geological Survey; and David Elazar, Wayne State Univ) has presented the names of two candidates for each elective position:

# SECRETARY (PRESIDENT-ELECT):

- Eleanore E. Wilkins. 1954- Librarian, U.S. Geological Survey, Menlo Park, Calif.; 1947-1953 Librarian, National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory, Cleveland; 1944-1946 Technical Librarian, U.S. Air Force Proving Grounds, Eglin Field, Fla.; 1942-1944 Reference Librarian, Carnegie Public Library, Pittsburgh.---A.B. 1940 Social Studies (Washington Univ, St. Louis); B.S. 1942 Library Science (Carnegie Institute of Technology, Pittsburgh).---Active in Western Association of Map Librarians.---GIS activities: chairman, Symposium on Geological Library Problems; member, Committee on Geoscience Serials; co-chairman, 1966 Convention in San Francisco.
- William H. Matthews III. 1955- Lamar State College of Technology (Professor of Geology since 1962); 1952-1955 Petroleum Geologist, Texas Company; 1951-1952 Assistant Professorof Geology, Texas Christian Univ.---B.A. 1948 Geology (Texas Christian Univ); M.A. 1949 Geology (Texas Christian Univ).---Chairman, Committee on Education, National Association of Geology Teachers; winner 1964 Neil Miner Award given by NAGT for teaching excellence; 1964- Editor, Earth Science Curriculum Project Reference Series; past president of Texas Section of NAGT, the Beaumont Geological Society, and Earth Science Section of Texas Academy of Science.---GIS activities: assisted in publication of A Buying List of 100 Good Geology Books for the High School Library.

# **TREASURER:**

- Mrs. Georgianna D. Conant. 1954- Geologist (abstracter and indexer), U.S. Geological Survey, Washington, D.C.; 1928-1933 Assistant, Geology Dept, Cornell Univ.---A.B. 1927 Geology (Smith College); M.A. 1928 Geology (Cornell Univ).---GIS activities: 1967 Treasurer.
- Mrs. Marjorie W. Wheeler. 1964- Librarian, Southwest Center for Advanced Studies, Dallas; 1963-1964 Librarian, Arlington State College, Arlington, Tex; 1962-1963 Bibliographer, Univ of Texas.---A.B. 1937 Geology (Smith College); A.M. 1939 Geology (Johns Hopkins Univ).---GIS activities: member, Guidebook and Ephemeral Materials Committee; member, Project Development Committee; compiling guide for Earth Science Curriculum Project on how to find earth science information, aimed at high school and beginning college level.

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GIS members planning to attend the Annual Convention and/or Field Trip in November are requested to indicate their intentions on the Official Ballot.