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See *NLM News* Nov. 1988 Vol. 43, No. 11

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see frontispiece!

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MEDICAL LIBRARY ASSOCIATION ORAL HISTORY COMMITTEE

The MLA Oral History Committee met June 2, 1991 in San Francisco. Current members of the Committee are: Billie Broaddus, Chair; Judith Robinson, Barbara Van Brimmer, Anne Carroll Bunting, Julia C. Player, Mary Jarvis. Board and Staff Liaisons: Kimberly Pierceall, Publications Manager, Program Staff, David W. Boilard, Section Council Liaison

In January, Dorothy Whitcomb turned over the Chairmanship to Billie Broaddus. The committee submitted a proposal for the poster session in San Francisco and it was accepted. The theme was "The Grand Old Ladies of MLA" featuring Janet Doe, Gertrude Annan and Mary Louise Marshall. Dorothy Whitcomb scripted the text and the poster was prepared at the University of Cincinnati by Billie Broaddus. The poster session was very popular and a success for the committee's work.

During the year Nancy Zinn in UCSF had worked to set up an Oral History CE Course. Due to low registration the course was cancelled.

The following interviews have been completed: Jean Miller interviewed by Charles Sargent, Jess Martin interviewed by Anne Carroll Bunting, Holly Buchanan interviewed by Leonard Eddy.

Barbara Van Brimmer, Ohio State University, prepared a bibliography of oral history resources which was distributed at the annual meeting. Anyone wishing a copy of the bibliography may contact Billie Broaddus or Barbara Van Brimmer.

Plans for the coming year include preparation of an article for BMLA regarding the work of the Committee, submitting the brief biographies that appear with each transcript to the Editor of the MLA News which could be used as side-bars for the issues with a byline attributing to the work of the Oral History Committee. Various members will continue to interview, transcribe, edit and publish the MLA oral histories. We will propose a "lunch and learn" on how to do oral history for the 1992

meeting and submit a new poster session on the "Men from MLA" which will feature four of our past presidents.

The Oral History Committee passed the following motion: We, the Oral History Committee of the Medical Library Association, honor and thank Dorothy Whitcomb for past and continuing service to the Committee, the Association and the history of health science librarianship.



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Thank you to everyone who submitted news items for this issue. Please send me news items for the next issue by November 25. All news is welcome. Send to: Mary Teloh, Special Collections, Vanderbilt Medical Center Library, Nashville, TN 37232-2340 or phone: (615) 322-0008, FAX: (615) 343-6454

In The News

An exhibit from the Wellcome Institute for the History of Medicine was opened in a formal ceremony on May 2nd. The exhibition was part of the Birmingham Festival of Arts salute to Great Britain. The exhibit was composed of a series of visual materials centered around the themes of "Disease," "Medicine and Caricature," "Medical Education," "The Physician," "Surgery," and "Therapeutics." This special exhibit was displayed in the Medical Alumni Building from May 2-10th.

This year's 21st meeting of the American Osler Society was held in conjunction with the annual meeting of the American College of Physicians in New Orleans, April 11 and 12. ALHHS member Richard Eimas presented a paper entitled "S. Weir Mitchell, Physician, Author, and Philadelphian."

The Rare Books and Manuscripts Section of ACRL held its 32nd Preconference June 25-28, 1991, at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and at Duke University, in Durham, North Carolina. The theme of this conference was "Keeping the Facts in Artifacts: Conserving the Physical Evidence of Special Collections Materials and Its Impact on Research." Highlights of this meeting included a presentation by British bookbinder Nicholas Pickwoad entitled, "The Uses of Bookbinding History," Barbra Higgenbotham's overview of rare book and manuscript librarianship, "To Preserve the Best and Noblest Thoughts of Man," and Carolyn Clark Morrow's presentation, "Justifying Conservation Treatments."

During 1991, Washington University School of Medicine is celebrating its centennial. In October a three day symposium was held and the new Library and Biomedical Communications Center was dedicated. Daniel Boorstin, Ph.D., historian and former director of the Library of Congress, gave the dedication address on October 12, 1991.

Chris Hoolihan, History of Medicine Library at the Edward G. Miner Library, University of Rochester Medicine Center, presented a lecture on "Anatomic Illustration During the Renaissance" at the September 25th meeting of the College of Physicians of Philadelphia, Section on Medical History.

The Third Annual New York Archives week was held October 13-19. The Medical Archivists Group of the Archivists Round Table of Metropolitan New York in conjunction with The Section on Historical Medicine of The New York Academy of Medicine hosted an October 16th lecture on "Naval Medicine and the Two Ocean War" by Dale C. Smith, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Section of Medical History, Uniformed Services University of Health Sciences, Bethesda, Maryland.

Exhibits

The above mentioned Medical Archivists Group also assembled an exhibit on "War and Medicine: a View From the Archives." The multi-institutional exhibit will

be on display in the Library Reading Room of The New York Academy of Medicine until January 25, 1992.

Joan Echtenkamp Klein reports that her library hosted "To Your Health: An Exhibition of Posters for Contemporary Public Health Issues." from August 17 through October 13, 1991. This major traveling exhibit features 76 of the more than 2,500 public health posters in the Prints and Photographs Collection of the National Library of Medicine. William H. Helfand, the curator of the To Your Health exhibit and expert on the interlocking histories of the health sciences and the graphic arts, presented an illustrated lecture on the subject on October 3rd in the Wilhelm Moll Rare Book and Medical History Room of the Library.

On display at Vanderbilt Medical Center Library is an exhibit on "Mark Twain and Medicine." This exhibit features the life-long collection of Marc Hollender, M.D., Professor Emeritus of Psychiatry. He began collecting first editions of Twain over 50 years ago and donated his collection of over 350 volumes to Vanderbilt's Central Library in 1980. Mark Twain had very strong opinions, not always favorable, about the medical profession of his era.

Washington University has an exhibit on "McDowell's College and Pope's College: the Pre-History of Washington University School of Medicine" in its Glaser Gallery. This exhibit traces the history of two rival institutions and their various collegiate affiliates from 1840-1899.

Acquisitions of Note

Mary Anne Hoffman reports the recent acquisition at Wright State University of the papers and artwork of medical illustrator, Dorothy Brower. Brower's career as a medical illustrator began in the 1930's at The Johns Hopkins University where she studied with Max Broedel. It concluded at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, where she worked in a top secret environment with America's first astronauts as they prepared for manned space flight.

Brower recently donated much of her life's artwork to the historical archives of the Fordham Health Sciences Library at Wright State. The donation includes boxes of sketches and detailed drawings, photographs, and three-dimensional wax sculptures.

Grants

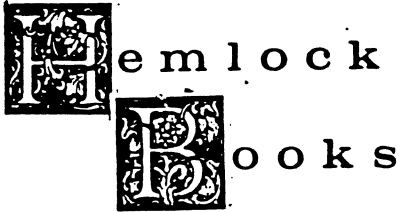
Katherine McDonell reports that the Indiana Medical History Museum received an Institute of Museum Services General Operating Support Grant. It will use the grant money to develop programs for school children, self-guided tours of the museum, and exhibits on the history of health care. We wish Kathy good luck in her new position as Assistant Director for Marketing and Communications at the Indiana Center for Philanthropy in Indianapolis.

The College of Physicians of Philadelphia is one of 18 Philadelphia-area research libraries to share a \$2.77 million grant from the Pew Charitable Trusts for a collaborative project to improve access to rare books, manuscripts, archives, films, photographs, and drawings. The five-year project, which is also receiving \$1.38 million in matching funds, will result in the addition of 250,000 computerized descriptions of holdings in OCLC and RLIN.

Congratulations

The Murray Gottlieb Prize was presented to Mary R. McCarl at the 1991 Annual Meeting of the Medical Library Association. Mary's prize winning essay is titled "A Hospital By and For Blacks: A Chapter in the Medical History of Birmingham, Alabama, 1930-1954." The Gottlieb Award is awarded for the best unpublished essay on the history of medicine and allied sciences written by a health sciences librarian.

Barbara Irwin reports that the historical collections of the George F. Smith Library of the Health Sciences, University of Medicine & Dentistry of New Jersey, has received a \$25,000 endowment from Morris H.



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Call for Papers

The Annual Meeting of the Medical History Society of New Jersey will be held on Wednesday, May 13, 1992 at the Academy of Medicine of New Jersey in Lawrenceville, New Jersey. The theme: Bibliophilia and Medical History; those interested in presenting a 20 minute paper should send a 200 word abstract to Barbara Irwin, MHSNJ Annual Meeting Program Chair, UMDNJ-George F. Smith Library, 30 12th Avenue, Newark, NJ 07103-2754. The annual Saffron Lecturer will be W. Bruce Fye, who will speak on "Medical Book Collecting and Scholarship: Past, Present, and Future."

Duplicates Again

Small medical history library looking to correspond with others interested in a trade of duplicates. Will send list of duplicates in areas of gynecology, obstetrics and women's health issues for you to check against your holdings, and in return would like to select from your duplicates. Please contact: Susan Rishworth, History Librarian, ACOG, 09 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20024-2188; phone (202) 863-2578

Homeless

Guild for Infant Survival, a non-profit, volunteer organization, has voluminous files of materials regarding the problem of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome and the development of the Guild. The Guild was the first group to be specifically concerned with the tragic ramifications of SIDS by involving families and other volunteers. Its goals were to help stricken parents and friends cope with the tragedy of SIDS, to educate health professionals and the public as to its scope and significance in infant mortality, and to encourage research activities.

The materials cover from 1964 through the 1970s and include research reports, publications, articles, Congressional testimony, Guild pamphlets, medical examiner papers, surveys, statistics, correspondence, NIH and other HEW/HHS documents, books, video and audio tapes, bibliographies, and related information. They are presently housed in a volunteer's home and the Guild is seeking an institutional home for them. If interested, contact: Saul and Sylvia Goldberg, 9706 Mendoza Road, Randallstown, Maryland 21133; phone (301) 922-1802.

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The Association of Librarians in the History of the Health Sciences. The ALHHS is looking for a permanent home for its archives and is, therefore, seeking expressions of interest from institutions capable of providing such a place.

The archives of the Association presently comprise two Hollinger boxes in good order. Specifically, it consists of correspondence, a complete run of the Watermark, and miscellaneous documents such as election notices, membership lists, etc. One purpose for seeking a permanent home for these papers is that it also provides an occasion for the more systematic collection of papers relating to the Association.

Several matters, such as the ownership of the papers, access, and the sum of money that the Association would provide each year for supplies and processing, would require negotiation.

Proposals should be submitted before February 1, 1992 to: Jodi Koste, Chair, ALHHS Ad Hoc Committee on Archives, Medical College—Virginia Commonwealth University, 316 Wallingham Drive, Midlothian, Virginia 23113.

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HHSS/MLA PROGRAM

Our thanks to David Boilard, past chair of the History of the Health Sciences Section of the Medical Library Association for this outline of their annual program in San Francisco.

FOUNDATIONS OF ORAL HISTORY

Moderator: Nancy Zinn, Head of Special Collections and University Archivist, University of California-San Francisco

Speakers: Jack D. Pressman, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, History of the Health Sciences, University of California-San Francisco

"Speaking the Truth: Oral History and the Historian"

Nancy Rockafeller, Ph.D., Postdoctoral Research Fellow, History of the Health Sciences, University of California-San Francisco

"Constructing New Documents: The UCSF Oral History Project As An Archival Source"

Susan B. Case, Rare Books Librarian, University of Kansas Medical Center, Kansas City spoke and showed a video on "Rebirth of the History of Medicine Collection at the University of Kansas Medical Center"

The Section met for lunch with the speakers at the Park Fifty-Five Restaurant; wine was graciously provided by Jeremy Norman & Co., Inc.

The day's program concluded with a guided tour of the new Medical Library and of Special Collections, UC-SF by Nancy W. Zinn, Head of Special Collections and University Archivist

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HHSS/MLA Minutes

The annual meeting was called to order at 8:15 a.m. in Room Yosemite C, San Francisco Hilton by Chair David Boilard. Eleven members were present. Minutes of the annual meeting of May 22, 1990 in Detroit, Michigan were approved.

Bylaws.

The MLA would like the nominee for the Nominating Committee to be chosen before the annual meeting. This will necessitate a change in the bylaws. It was proposed that the ballot be printed in the newsletter, and returned at least six weeks prior to the meeting during the MLA meeting.

Section Council.

MLA would like the Section election process to be in compliance with their rules. MLA would also like program chairs to be chosen three years in advance so that they might work with the national program committee.

Status of the Oral History Committee.

It was voted that Section Council should ask the Board for clarification of the status of the Oral History Committee. (At present it is a sub-committee of the History of the Health Sciences, but with different funding.) The Section voted to suggest that the Oral History Committee be designated an independent committee, reporting to the Board.

Program Planning.

The poster session at this meeting was considered to be a great success. It was felt that this should be continued at future meetings. Time and type of sessions for the 1992 meeting should be decided within the next month. It was felt that an evening open house at the 1993 meeting (which will be at the Palmer House in Chicago) would be appropriate.

Continuing Education.

The Oral History Course was cancelled. It was felt that it was too expensive (\$200, plus one extra day at the hotel), and that publicity was inadequate and too late. It was suggested that a Journal Club, which would discuss articles, would be an appropriate CE course. At the moment all courses have to meet physically (perhaps this one could meet at AAHM), but it was felt that E-mail could be used for this in the future.

Bylaws.

Revisions of the Section bylaws were "suggested" so that they might be vetted by the Bylaws Committee of MLA to make sure that they are in compliance with the MLA standards. Once vetted, they will be sent by mail to the membership. They include the suggestion that a quorum be set at 15% of members present at the annual meeting.

Finances.

It was felt that the MLA takes disproportionate amount of the Section dues money for administrative expenses (administration fee of \$103.40 against dues of \$550.00). It was decided that the Executive Committee should consider a withdrawal from the system of having the MLA administer the dues, but to stay with the present system for one more year. It was felt that it might be possible to get institutional support. The question will be raised in the newsletter.

Membership.

The list of members who did not renew for 1991 has been sent to the chair of the membership committee. Newsletter. It was reported that Judith Overmier, who was editing both *The Watermark* for ALHHS and *Incipit* for the HHSS, has declined to continue editing *Incipit*, but Dorothy Whitcomb has volunteered to take over. The ALHHS voted to invite HHSS to discuss a merger of the two newsletters, but it was felt that since it will be necessary to print nominations in the HHSS newsletter, and that the two organizations run on different calendars, it was voted that *Incipit* should remain separate in content and mailing. It was also voted to recommend to the chair

to accept Dorothy Whitcomb's offer to act as editor. It was suggested that reports on the oral history project be made a regular feature of the newsletter.

Oral History.

Four tape recorded interviews have been transcribed and edited. The poster session on "The Grand Old Ladies" was well-received. It is hoped that every president of MLA will be interviewed as part of the project.

The business meeting adjourned at 9:49 a.m.

The program began at 10:00 a.m., followed by lunch at 12:00 noon at the Parc 955 Hotel.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Rhinelanders McCarl, Secretary-Treasurer.

HHSS/MLA Treasurer's Report

Opening balance, 25 July 1990	675.18
Deposit, Section dues	446.60
Total	1121.78

Charges	
Newsletter, Judith Overmier	105.20
	85.14
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total	250.54

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Total expenses	904.11
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June 19, 1991

Mary Rhinelanders McCarl, Secretary-Treasurer

HHSS/MLA Objectives 1991-1992

1. To maintain interest in the history of the health sciences within the membership of the Medical Library Association by arranging a program for the MLA annual meeting in Washington, D.C. in 1992.
2. To continue to support a survey of historical collections in medical schools and medical societies.
3. To examine the relationship between our newsletter *Incipit* and *The Watermark* (Association of Librarians in the History of the Health Sciences Newsletter)
4. To evaluate the formal operating agreement between the History of the Health Sciences Section and the Medical Library Association.

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITY FOR ALHHS MEMBERS

The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists and Ortho Pharmaceutical Corporation jointly sponsor two \$5,000 fellowships in the history of American obstetrics and gynecology each year. ACOG members and other qualified individuals are encouraged to apply. The recipients of the fellowships spend one month in the Washington DC area working full-time to complete their specific historical research project.

Although the fellowships will be based in the ACOG History Library, the fellows are encouraged to use other national, historical, and medical collections in the DC area. The results of this research must be disseminated through either publication or presentation at a professional meeting.

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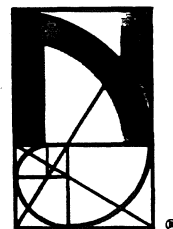
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In a time of new technology and shrinking budgets, why should medical libraries devote human and fiscal resources to building and maintaining collections of rare books, manuscripts, and other historical materials? The purpose of the next HHSS/MLA program session is to explore the role that historical collections can play in today's medical library, from the perspectives of a library director, a special collections librarian, and a faculty member user. Consideration will be given to the use of historical collections to support such activities as: teaching and research in the history of the health sciences, education in the health sciences, library exhibits, "friends" groups, symposia and other conferences, and the humanistic goals of medical institutions. The program will be held in Washington, D.C. on Wednesday, May 20, 1992 from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. The overall theme is *Old Books in a New Age: The Role of a Historical Collection in Today's Medical Library*. Speaking from the perspective of a medical library director will be Lucretia W. McClure, Director of the Edward G. Miner Library, University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry. Nancy W. Zinn, Special Collections Librarian at the University of California, San Francisco Library will speak from the perspective of a special collections librarian. The faculty member user of the collections will be represented by Robert J.T. Joy, M.D., Professor of Medical History, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences.

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