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# TRIAL BALLOON ISSUE!!!

Do you like our logo? How about the title? Hopefully, you will—they both have substantial Canadian content as do the news items that follow. This experimental issue of <u>CAN GROUP NEWS</u> grew out of the recommendation of the Ad Hoc Committee to Study the Organizational Needs of Canadian Health Sciences Librarians that the Canadian Group initiate a newsletter. The future success and continuing publication of the <u>NEWS</u> will depend on your reactions to this issue, and, if it is to have a future, on your contributions to it. Also, the problem of funding will have to raise its ugly head when the Canadian Group meets in Minneapolis. Unfortunately, it was not possible to attempt a bilingual edition at this time. If you have any comments as to whether this would appear to be a worthwhile effort or have suggestions for improving <u>CAN GROUP NEWS</u>, please write to the editor: Richard B. Fredericksen / Medical Library / Health Sciences Centre / Memorial University of Newfoundland / St. John's, Newfoundland, AlC 5S7.

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# CANADIAN GROUP MEETING SLATED FOR MINNEAPOLIS

The Canadian Group meeting that is normally held during the Annual Meeting of the Medical Library Association is now scheduled for Monday evening, June 14, 1976, at 9:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. Although, due to very tight meeting scheduling, this meeting time conflicts with the planned "Open Forum, Dialogue with the MLA Board," this was one of the few practical meeting times that was available to the Group. It was felt that Canadian members who are keen on addressing the Board could corner the individual members at some other time during the Annual Meeting. A tentative agenda for the Canadian Group meeting is given below. If you have any other items to suggest for the agenda, please contact your Chairman whose address is given in the first paragraph:

Item:

Canadian Group Meeting ...

Time/Date:

Monday, June 14, 1976; 9:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

Place:

Radisson Hotel

Minneapolis, Minnesota

Agenda:

#### I. Old Business

- A. Minutes of Last Year's Meeting
- Business Arising from the Minutes:
  - 1. Canadian Group Status Within MLA
  - 2. MLA Meeting for 1981 in Montreal
  - Report of the Ad Hoc Committee to Study the Organizational Status of Canadian Health Sciences Librarians

#### II. New Business

- Chairman's Report
- Opportunity for a Brief Report by the Head of the Health Sciences Resources Centre of CISTI
- Canadian Interlibrary Loans--The Price War
- Suggestions for New MLA CE Courses
- Elections
  - 1. Canadian Group Nominee to MLA Nominating Committee
  - Election of 1976/77 Chairman

Note: it had originally been planned to have a social event immediately following our meeting. This was to be a hosted cocktail party. Unfortunately, the anticipated sponsor for this pulled out at a very advanced stage of the planning. We may still be able to hold this event on a cash bar basis. The Chairman will attempt to determine your interest in holding such an event in a separate mailing.

## CASLIS HEALTH SCIENCES GROUP MEETING IN HALIFAX

The CASLIS Health Sciences Group of the Canadian Library Association will meet jointly with all interested librarians of health-related libraries in Halifax on Saturday, June 12, 1976 at 9:00 a.m. in the Sir Charles Tupper Medical Building to discuss the proposals for a Canadian national association of health librarians.

Representatives of the various existing health library organizations (e.g. MLA, ACMC) will be present.

All library staff from health-related libraries are welcome to attend. Those who wish to participate in the meeting but who do not wish to register for or participate in the CLA Conference should get in touch with Alan MacDonald, Health Sciences Librarian, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia, B3H 4H7.

ILL War: In order to provide an opportunity for all positions concerning Interlibrary Loan charges to be heard in an open forum, the CASTIS Division of CLA will present a Workshop on ILL on Friday, June 11, 1976 at 2:00 p.m. in the Sir Charles Tupper Medical Building, Dalhousie University as part of the annual CLA Conference.

#### WORKSHOPS

Halifax, Nova Scotia: Health Science Information and Library Services Workshop to run from July 25-31, 1976. Sponsored by Dalhousie University's Division of Continuing Medical Education and School of Library Service, the workshop is designed for professional personnel in hospitals, staff of government health services, and those working in community health agencies. Intended audience is those concerned with the basics of organizing and developing health information and/or library service or those who wish to improve the ability to use more effectively those facilities already available to them. For more information, course fees, registration forms, write: Mrs. Bernadette Coyle / Assistant to the Director for Continuing Education / School of Library Service / Dalhousie University / Halifax, N. S. B3H 4H8.

<u>Kingston, Ontario</u>: A Regional Workshop on Library Services in Health Care Institutions, May 5 - 7, 1976. Sponsored by the Ontario Medical Association, Ontario Hospital Association and the Registered Nurses Association of Ontario. Areas of investigation will be library administration, use of reference tools, and use of audio-visuals in the health sciences. For more information, contact Margaret Y. Walshe, Ontario Medical Association, 240 St. George Street, Toronto M5R 2P4, or, Margaret Murray, Ontario Hospital Association, 150 Ferrand Drive, Don Mills, Ontario.

#### NEW BUILDING ACTIVITY

The Queen's Health Sciences Library reports that construction of a new Basic Sciences/Library Building has begun on that campus. The two level library area in the new building is scheduled for occupancy in December 1977 or January 1978.

The William Boyd Library of the Academy of Medicine, Toronto, reports that the Academy is adding a new wing to existing facilities. When completed in the Spring of 1976, the William Boyd Library will house and service the library of the Canadian Society of Aviation Medicine—a unique collection of material including reports and original papers on all aspects of aviation, space and underwater medicine and physiology.

### BABKIN GUIDE AVAILABLE

Two graduate students at McGill University have prepared a 37-page "Guide to the Papers of Boris P. Babkin" that may be of interest to readers of CAN GROUP NEWS.

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Babkin (1877-1950) was a physiologist who was also the student and biographer of Ivan Pavlov. The Babkin papers, now housed in the Osler Library, consist of lecture notes, papers, and reprints in psychology; correspondence with Pavlov and his family; photographs, facsimiles, and papers used in writing Pavlov: A Biography (Chicago: Univ. of Chicago Press, 1949); and a typescript of the biography. Anyone wishing a free copy of the guide may write:

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### FROM MANITOBA - JOURNAL ARTICLE CITED WITHOUT COMMENT

Fawcett, P. J. A biblioendochronic survey of mail strike psychosis in the current awareness reading habits of medical staff at the University of Manitoba; or, what to do until the journal comes. Manitoba Medical Journal (to be published in V. 45, no. 1 in early 1976).

# NORTH ATLANTIC HEALTH SCIENCES LIBRARIES (NAHSL)

The McGill Medical Library will play host to the 1977 Annual Meeting of the NAHSL (formerly, the New England Regional Group of the Medical Library Association). The 1976 meeting of NAHSL will be held in Burlington, Vermont on September 17 - 18, 1976.

#### MONTREAL UNION LIST IN PREP

Although no publication date has been set as of this writing, the second edition of the Union List of Serials in Montreal Hospital Libraries is in preparation. Since the first edition published in 1974, three new hospitals have joined, bringing the total to 40 contributing hospital libraries. There has been an 80% change in the holdings, and 400 new titles have been added. For more information, write the editor: Elaine Waddington / Royal Victoria Hospital / Women's Pavilion Library / 687 Pine Ave. W., Montreal 112, P. Q.

# POPULATION INFORMATION CONFERENCE

The Association for Population/Family Planning Libraries and Information Centers - International (APLIC-International) is holding its Ninth Annual Conference at the Sheraton Mt. Royal Hotel in Montreal, Canada, April 26 - 29, 1976. The focus of the Conference will be on Population Information: International Cooperation and Coordination. Registration fee for the Conference is \$40.00. For more information and a tentative program write: Association for Population/Family Planning Libraries and Information Centers - International / 165 South Second Avenue / Clarion, Pa. 16214.

#### PERSONAL NOTES

- E. C. Hayward has recently become Head, Serials Services, Dalhousie University, W. K. Kellogg Health Sciences Library.
- Philippe Louis Lemay has been appointed as Head, Health Sciences Resource
  Centre replacing Ann Nevill at CISTI. Phillippe has been on the Reference
  Staff of CISTI since April of 1974 and prior to that held positions as
  Reference Librarian and Assistant to the Director with the Vanier Medical
  and Science Library of the University of Ottawa.
- C. Miller is now Head, Information Services at Dalhousie's W. K. Kellogg Health Sciences Library.
- <u>Jayne Mortenson</u>, formerly Head, Public Services, W. K. Kellogg Health Sciences Library of Dalhousie University, is now Supervisor of Public Libraries for Nova Scotia.
- Ann D. Nevill will be leaving CISTI as Head of the Health Sciences Resource Centre on 31 March. Ann will be assuming new duties as the Librarian of the Bedford Institute, Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, in June, or, as soon as she learns the French Language.
- G. David Noble, formerly Dentistry Librarian, W. K. Kellogg Health Sciences
  Library of Dalhousie University, has become Librarian of the Cancer
  Control Agency of British Columbia.
- P. E. Pelchat has now become Head, Cataloging Services, Dalhousie University W. K. Kellogg Health Sciences Library.
- B. Prince is now Head, Circulation and External Services, Dalhousie University W. K. Kellogg Health Sciences Library.

# CANADA INSTITUTE FOR SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL INFORMATION HEALTH SCIENCES RESOURCE CENTRE

The enclosed factsheet and order form were recently sent to us by the Health Sciences Resource Centre for distribution along with the first issue of CAN GROUP NEWS. The material gives a brief review of the Centre's services and publications. Additional material is available upon request. Have a flabber-gasting for improving health related library services on a national basis? Mr. Philippe Lemay, newly appointed Head of HSRC is most interested in hearing your comments and suggestions for improving the services of CISTI and the Centre.