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The arguments put forth on both sides of the proposed Chapter constitutional amendments were intelligent, cogent and left me still undecided as to how to vote on this issue.

The SouthEastern Chapter is in a bind. The AALS meets annually in January, so a regional meeting in August is logical for them. The Law Librarians meet annually in June or July, so that our regional meeting is right after the convention. Is it not a good time for another meeting, but what to do? Perhaps a solution is to hold our regional meeting in odd numbered years with the law professors. In even numbered years, hold an institute in the Spring.

We could experiment one year and hold our annual meeting right after the AALL convention. Let everyone have thursday off and start friday morning with a breakfast=business meeting. And go on for several days in the convention city. Thus, we would save our institutions and our pocket books the additional airfare and save the headaches of making two sets of reservations. People who did not attend the national convention could come to the regional meeting.

I wonder why the dues are going up. Scholarships and this newsletter use up most of the funds. But we have a substantial balance in our treasury. At the breakfast meeting, no one asked why the dues were being raised.

Next year, I hope that our breakfast meeting will be held on Tuesday, so that we can have a prolonged discussion. Our meeting this year was cut short because we wanted to attend the AALL business meeting.

G.T.

PRESIDENT'S PAGE

The office of President brings a unique view of the workings of the Chapter and I would like to share some of my observations, frustrations, and rewards. This is my version of "I've got some good news and some bad news."

First the "bad news"--The committee structure is definitely a source of frustration. Generally committees are designed to perform the work of an organization, but in the Southeastern Chapter that is not always the case for various reasons. Some committees are obsolete and/or lack definition; others have trouble functioning because of logistics, and/or member disinterest. I would recommend the committee system be reassessed, eliminate those which serve no real purpose and concentrate on those which benefit the Chapter. The possibility of funding certain committees should also be a consideration.

Now for the "good news"--It has been very rewarding to watch the development of the Chapter's annual meeting/institute which now offers programs designed to interest all sectors of our membership from the academic to the private firm librarian. Furthermore, I think it is a positive step that the Chapter has become financially independent. Traditionally the law schools controlled the purse strings for better or worse, profit or loss. Now the Chapter has the responsibility which provides an even greater incentive to produce marketable and interesting programs. It is most important that the Chapter membership continue to work together and take advantage of all the experience and talents available here in the Southeast.

This leads me to the topic of the upcoming bylaws change which was much debated at our meeting in St. Louis. To delete the sentence: "Meetings shall be held generally coinciding with the meetings of the Southeastern Regional Conference of Law Teachers" as proposed by the Bylaws Committee would simply affirm the ability of the Executive Board to select an annual meeting site in the best interests of the membership. The phrase "generally coinciding" has been interpreted in several ways and the deletion of this sentence would eliminate any problem with its interpretation. The Chapter would then have the option to meet with or without the law teachers as it sees fit. The proposed amendment is not meant to be a divisive measure, but rather a unifying one. Its purpose is to assure that the Chapter recognize the needs of the entire membership and be diligent in its efforts to accomodate everyone. Therefore, I recommend the Chapter adopt the proposed change if only to clarify the powers of the Executive Board so as to allow the Board to serve the membership in the best possible manner.

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I understand there is also some concern about potential effect of the new Atlanta Chapter on the membership of the Southeastern Chapter. The Atlanta Chapter has been an active local organization for over six years. The group sought Chapter status mainly for recognition by its employers and the local community, not to compete with Southeastern. Many members maintain dual memberships acknowledging the need not only for local but regional contacts, experience, and expertise. I'm sure these members will continue to benefit from both alliances.

Finally, I encourage you all to make plans to attend the Gatlinburg meeting. The program should prove to be informative and interesting; the program committee has worked diligently to locate good speakers.

Your support is needed! Look forward to seeing you there.

Anne H. Butler
President, S.E./A.A.L.L.

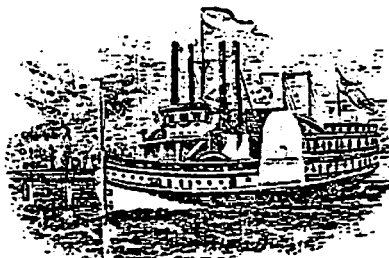


JOBS, JOBS

Leigh Morris, Law Librarian at the University of Richmond, reports that because of the switch in chairmen of the national AALL Placement Committee the job vacancylisting was not completed in time for this newsletter. She will have a complete listing at the August meeting in Gatlinburg.

VIRGINIA. UNIVERSITY OF. Law Library. Reference Librarian. Requirements are a M.L.S. degree from an accredited Library School and experience, knowledge of computerized systems. For further information, contact:

Barbara Murphy,
Univ. of Virginia Law Library
Charlottesville, Va. 22901.



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REPLY TO EDITORIAL

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Mr. Gene Teitelbaum
Law Librarian
University of Louisville
Louisville, KY 40208

Dear Mr. Teitelbaum:

We read with interest your two recent editorials on the Bluebook. Although we do not agree with every detail of your criticisms, on the whole they are insightful and fair. We would like to explain briefly our role in the preparation of the Bluebook and to respond to one of the suggestions made in your March editorial.

The Bluebook is a cooperative venture among the Harvard, Columbia, and the University of Pennsylvania Law Reviews and the Yale Law Journal. Responsibility for preparation of new editions is rotated between the schools, while each new printing of an edition is done by Harvard alone. Major changes are made between editions, with representatives of all four journals participating. The changes made between printings are generally quite minor and are made by the Harvard Law Review's executive editors.

We turn to your suggestion that an A.A.L.L. committee be established to advise the law reviews responsible for the Bluebook. This is, we think, an excellent idea. The librarians' expert knowledge of legal source material would complement the journals' knowledge of style. Consistent records of the reasons for adopting or rejecting certain citation conventions might be established. Such a committee would also lend a measure of continuity to compensate for the inherent limitations of the one-year term of office of all executive editors. We must add as a caveat that our enthusiasm for this proposal may not be shared by our successors (the first of whom will take over next February), and of course we cannot speak for the other law reviews. But we can assure you that any suggestion sent to us -- whether by a committee or by an individual -- will be welcomed and considered.

Thank you for your interest in the Bluebook.

Sincerely,

Alan Teitelbaum

Roy Englert

Alan Teitelbaum
Roy Englert
Executive Editors

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SOUTH CAROLINA LEG INFO

This article written by Steve Juang, Assistant Law Librarian at the University of South Carolina Law Library is the tenth in this series.

SOUTH CAROLINA LEGISLATIVE INFORMATION

by
Steve Huang.

The South Carolina legislature convenes annually on the second Tuesday in January. The House is reorganized (new committee assignments, etc.) every two years and the Senate every four years after the general election. Effective as of June 28, 1979, the regular session shall adjourn sine die each year not later than the first Thursday in June; provided, however, such session may be extended by concurrent resolution adopted by a two-thirds vote of both the Senate and House. The Governor may call special sessions.

The legislature usually meets on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays for statewide issues and Fridays for local and temporary legislation. If the pressure of business dictates, they may also meet in the evenings or on Fridays, especially close to adjournment.

The following services should provide necessary South Carolina legislative sources for researchers:

House & Senate Calendars

The Calendar of each house is its agenda for the day. The Calendar lists bills and resolutions in the order in which they are to be considered, motions, committee hearings, invitations to the General Assembly, and Joint Assemblies when they are scheduled. They are available every session day.

House & Senate Journals

The House and Senate Journals contain the minutes of the meetings of the respective houses. Printed daily and at the end of each year bound, the Journal records all legislative action and proceedings (except debate) as well as selected committee reports. If a roll-call vote is taken it is recorded in the Journal. It is an indispensable tool for following the progress of legislation on a daily basis.

Digest of the House & Senate Bills and Resolutions

The Digest gives the status of all bills and resolutions introduced this session by title and is printed every two weeks during the session. The information is based on the data in the computer. One may also obtain it by calling the State House toll free during session (803 758-5870) on the status of a bill covered by the digest and since the publication of the latest Digest. This service has been available since 1975.

House & Senate Bills

House and Senate bills are printed at least one day before their second reading. They are revised and reprinted as amended. In addition to the title and text, the slip bills included names of members introducing them, dates when first read and committee reports.

Session Laws

When bills are ratified by the legislature and signed by the governor, their titles are changed to acts. All acts and joint resolutions are then compiled and published in advance sheets first and yearly compilation later. This publication contains also rules and regulations issued pursuant to law in a particular year.

State Register

The State Register contains notices, proposed regulations, emergency regulations, final form regulations and other documents filed in the office of the Legislative Council. It is published irregularly, approximately once every two weeks.

Codes

South Carolina Code of Laws; 1976 is the current code of the state statutes. It is annotated, updated annually and with index volumes. Statutory tables in Volume 22 are especially useful in tracing current statutes back to the earlier codes.

SOURCES

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MINUTES OF JUNE MEETING IN ST. LOUIS.

Southeastern Chapter
American Association Of Law Libraries

The Southeastern Chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries met at 8:15 a.m. on Wednesday, June 25, 1980, at the Chase-Park Plaza Hotel in St. Louis, Missouri. President Anne Butler presided. After calling the meeting to order the President thanked William Gaunt and Sons for hosting the Chapter breakfast. She announced that Hazel Key had recently retired after completing 52 years of service at the University of Virginia Law Library. Carol West moved that Hazel Key be named a life member of the Chapter. Mary Oliver seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

The following reports were presented:

1. The Secretary-Treasurer, Frances Hall, reported that there was a balance of \$2,251.11 in the treasury as of the end of May, 1980.
2. The Tellers Committee composed of Constance Matzen and Frances Hall reported the results of the May election as follows: Michael A. Beaird received 86 votes for Vice-President/President Elect and Anne Slaughter Towles received 86 votes for Secretary-Treasurer. No other candidates were nominated. The Committee recommended that the Bylaws be revised to clarify the election procedures.
3. The Scholarship Committee Chairman, Carol West, reported that Anne Slaughter Towles, Margaret D. Martin, and Anne D. Bardolf had been awarded Chapter scholarships of \$200.
4. The Constitution Committee Chairman, Leigh Morris, reported that the Committee wished to correct a mistake in the proposed amendments to the Bylaws as published in the Southeastern Law Librarian by changing the word "on" to "or" in the first line of Article IV, Section 1. The Committee proposed that Article I, Section 2.b.4. which reads "Members failing to pay dues for two successive years shall be dropped from membership," be deleted.

In the discussion of the proposed amendment to delete the sentence in Article II, Section 1 which now reads, "Meetings shall be held generally coinciding with the meetings of the Southeastern Regional Conference of Law Teachers," the following views were expressed. Leah Chanin recommended that the proposal be postponed until it was determined the effect that the establishment of the Atlanta Chapter would have on the composition of the Southeastern Chapter. William Younger stated that he was disturbed by the proposal to sever relations with the law teachers because that group provided an opportunity for court librarians to learn from academics. He proposed that spring institutes be continued. He also recommended that the term of Chapter offices be changed to one year, noting that there were many members who were qualified for Chapter offices. Robin Mills recommended that the Bylaw proposal be postponed until the Williamsburg meeting. She also spoke in favor of a one year term for officers. Leigh Morris explained that she did not anticipate that the Atlanta Chapter would make a difference in the membership and that the proposal was aimed at the problem of having a Chapter meeting less than two months after the AALL annual meeting. Mary Oliver pointed out that the present provision does not absolutely require that the Chapter meeting be with the law teachers. She noted that when the programs were not concurrent it prolonged the meeting for academic librarians. Bonnie Preece stated that as a law firm librarian, she appreciated being able to meet with the law teachers. Donald Ziegenfuss stated that there should be provisions

for flexibility. Frances Hall pointed out that the present Bylaw does not require that all meetings be with the law teachers. Michael Beaird stated that having two meetings close together presented problems. Anne Towles agreed, noting that time was needed between meetings to accomplish projects. Howard Hood stated that the Bylaws should be clarified. Carol Billings mentioned that recent programs had not been concurrent. Anne Butler stated that the members of the Atlanta Chapter expect to continue their membership in the Southeastern Chapter and that an annual meeting combined with a spring institute would attract more librarians. On a point of order, Frances Hall pointed out that according to the Bylaws the proper time to vote on amendments was the annual meeting rather than at the meeting at the AALL convention.

5. The Private Law Libraries Committee Chairman, Anne Slaughter Towles, reported that she had written to 40 private law librarians inviting them to join the Chapter and that 4 have joined so far.

6. The Program Committee Chairman, Robin Mills, reported that the planning for the annual meeting had been completed and that information concerning the program had been published.

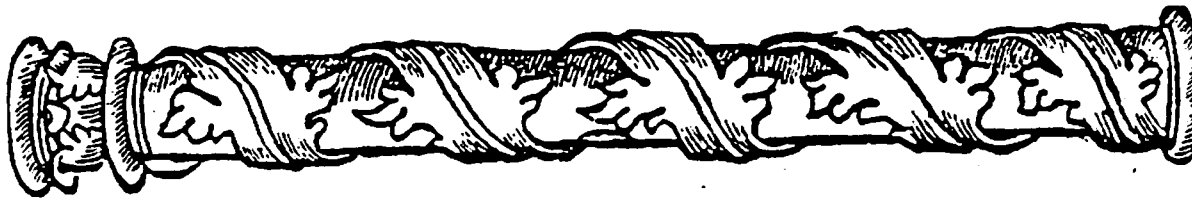
7. Local Arrangements Committee Chairman, Bardie Wolfe, urged that hotel reservations for the Gatlinburg meeting be made immediately.

8. Southeastern Law Librarian editor, Gene Teitelbaum, reported that the fourth issue of volume 5 of the newsletter will contain a five-year index and that the first issue of volume 6 will be published in July. He requested the membership to submit articles for the newsletter.

Following the reports, Mary Oliver announced that Caroline Heriot, the former Chapter president, was in the hospital and suggested that the Chapter send her a card. The President concurred in the suggestion. As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Frances H. Hall
Frances H. Hall
Secretary-Treasurer



I offered CURRENT LAW INDEX equal space to respond to my review of the first three issues. They have not sent in their reply. It will be printed if and when I receive it.



AUGUST S E MEETING

PROPOSED SCHEDULE OF EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Monday, Aug. 11

12:00 - All Afternoon	Registration
3:00 - 3:45 p.m.	New Developments in Banking Law Frederick A. Gertz University of South Carolina School of Law
3:45 - 4:15 p.m.	Break (Coffee sponsored by FRED B. ROTHMAN COMPANY)
4:15 - 5:00 p.m.	Banking Law Research Resources Joan Gervino American Bankers Association Library
5:00 - 6:45 p.m.	Dinner on your own
6:45 - 7:45 p.m.	Opening Reception (Sponsored by CONGRESSIONAL INFORMATION SERVICE, INC., FAXON AND HARRISON COMPANY)
7:45 -	Sweet Fanny Adams Theatre and Music Hall (Sponsored by W. S. HEIN COMPANY)

Tuesday, Aug. 12

8:30 - 10:30 a.m.	Chapter Breakfast and Business Meeting (Hosted by WILLIAM W. GAUNT & SONS)
10:30 - 11:00 a.m.	Break (Coffee sponsored by FRED B. ROTHMAN COMPANY)
11:00 - 12:30 p.m.	Law Library Management in the 80's Robin K. Mills University of South Carolina Law Library
12:30 - 2:00 p.m.	Lunch on your own
2:00 - 3:15 p.m.	Concurrent Workshops: I Techniques of Accountability for Academic and Other Law Libraries Glenn F. Miller Orlando Public Library

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3:15 - 3:45 p.m.

3:45 - 5:00 p.m.

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

8:00 -

Wednesday, Aug. 13

9:00 - 10:15 a.m.

10:15 - 10:45 a.m.

10:45 - 12:00 p.m.

Techniques of Accountability for
Private Law Libraries
Austin Doherty
Hogan & Hartson, Washington, D.C.

Break (Coffee sponsored by FRED
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Committee Meetings

President's Wine & Cheese Reception
(Sponsored by BUREAU OF NATIONAL
AFFAIRS)

Banquet

SOURCES OF STATE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

State Administrative Procedure
Roger Jacobs
Supreme Court of the United States
Library

Susanne Hughes
Louisiana Legislative Council
Library

Break (Sponsored by FRED B. ROTHMAN
COMPANY)

Panel: Availability and Access-
ibility of State Administrative
Documents
Cameron Allen
Rutgers University Law Library

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The Local Arrangements Committee wishes to extend an invitation on behalf
of S.E.A.L.L. to all chapter members to attend the 1980 Gatlinburg meeting.
We are looking forward to seeing you in Gatlinburg in August.

Very truly yours,

Reba A. Best Bardie C. Wolfe, Jr.
D. Cheryn Picquet David Brennan

LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTEE

Robin Mills
PROGRAM CHAIRMAN

S.E.A.L.L. BRIEFS

compiled by Ann T. Fessenden

FLORIDA

Two new assistant librarians have been appointed at the DADE COUNTY Law Library. Barbara Hunt and Arthur Liebhaber were both promoted from within the library staff. The Miami Beach Auxiliary of Dade County Law Library also has a new librarian, Mary Elizabeth Conner. She worked for the Collier County Free Public Library before going to Dade County. Alice K. Murphy, former Assistant Librarian at Dade County, has left to become Assistant Librarian for Children's Services at North Miami Public Library. Also, Dade County has opened a new Juvenile Center branch.

Kathryne Steffenson Stokes has been appointed Assistant Law Librarian for Public Services at the UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI Law Library. She holds a Masters degree in Library Science from Florida State University and a law degree from the University of Miami. In addition to having worked in several libraries, she has practiced law in Miami.

GEORGIA

Peggy Martin was hired last November by the FULTON COUNTY Superior Court as a consultant to reorganize their library, which consists of approximately 10,000 volumes. She initiated reference and routing services to the judges and other court personnel. Installation of Lexis is being considered. Future plans also include the compilation of a union list for the various courthouse collections. Ms. Martin was aided by a report on the library prepared by three other local law librarians, Kay Todd, Margarette Dye, and Susan Foote. They began work before she was employed and continued through the fall. Copies of their report are available to interested persons.

KENTUCKY

A new building addition has been completed at the UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY Law School, which has increased the law library's space to 33,757 square feet. This new addition will enable the library to increase its total seating capacity to above the A.A.L.S. requirement of 65%. There will be 80 locked carrels, 56 open carrels, and table seating for over 200. The addition also tripled the workspace available for technical services, and increased the library's volume capacity to over 173,000. A policy of replacing little-used hard copy material with microforms will help preserve shelf space.

The library has Solinet and Lexis terminals, and has requested a book detection system which the staff hopes will be approved within the next year. As a part of the university library community, the law library will participate in an automated circulation system when it becomes available.

LOUISIANA

Peggy Harper, Associate Law Librarian at Louisiana State University Law Library retired on June 30, 1980 after thirty six (36) years of service. Ms. Harper is a former President of the Louisiana Library Association.

MISSISSIPPI

Julia Starnes, former librarian of the MISSISSIPPI STATE LAW LIBRARY, died last January at the age of 90. Before her retirement in 1968, she had been the State Law Librarian for 23 years, serving under 8 Mississippi governors.

The new UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI L.Q.C. Lamar Law Center and James O. Eastland Law Library were formally dedicated on March 22. The dedication address was delivered by U.S. Supreme Court Justice Byron R. White. Guests of honor included Sen. James O. Eastland, Sen. Thad Cochran, Gov. William Winter, and numerous other federal, state and local judges and government officials. The ceremony included the reading of a congratulatory message from President Carter. The new building was occupied in August, 1978.

NORTH CAROLINA

Claire Germain is on a 2-month leave of absence from DUKE UNIVERSITY School of Law Library. She has been invited by the Max-Planck Institute for Foreign and Private International Law in Hamburg, West Germany, to be a Research Fellow and Guest Librarian during May and June. In addition to her professional activities, she will do research in European Community Law.

Jane D. Braun has become head cataloger at the UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA Law Library. Prior to coming to North Carolina, she served as AV/Reference Librarian at the University of Florida Law Library, and Head of Technical Services at the University of Missouri-Kansas City Law Library. She is a certified law librarian.



PREVENT A DISASTER

Fire and water are two dangers constantly threatening libraries. Stanford University had a serious flooding in November 1978. They were able to save many books, because they had planned ahead. To plan ahead, you should consult the following:

Buchanan. The Stanford Library flood restoration project. COLLEGE AND RESEARCH LIBRARIES, November 1979, p 539-548.

Leighton. The Stanford Flood. COLLEGE AND RESEARCH LIBRARIES. September 1979, p. 450-459.

Univ. of California, Berkeley. Task Group on the Presevation of Library Materials. Disaster prevention and disaster preparedness. April 1978.. 23 page pamphlet. \$2.00.



