If Rumors Were Horses

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Networks and Electronic Publishing: A View

by Steven Ellis (Penn State) <sre@psuias.psu.edu>

Often characterized as another Wild West, much of the hype associated with the Internet tends to border on a new Manifest Destiny. In the context of academic publishing in the humanities, it often seems as well — to listen to much of the rhetoric at conferences, that all text is tending toward electronic text. However much the stuff of hype, the metaphor of the West does illustrate some features of electronic scholarly activity in the humanities. Certainly the limits of enterprise (and perhaps sometimes of the copyright law) have been and will continue to be tried. It is the purpose of this paper to explore scholarly publishing, particularly of what are commonly called primary sources, in the context of this unfolding electronic frontier. Libraries, in fact, are only just beginning to respond to the issues of electronic publishing. Approaches can take several forms. Often digital library initiatives include provisions for the distribution of primary sources in the humanities, in addition to electronic serial distribution, and standards such as Z39.50 that allow for the exchange of electronic information between institutions. New areas within libraries have been created to provide access to electronic texts — the products of electronic publishing, both by purchasing them, and by assisting in their retrieval when they are in the public domain. These new areas are often called electronic text centers. As the electronic text librarian at Penn State, I am involved in setting up such a center. Many of the issues discussed continued on page 16

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Just learned from John Secor and Colin Harrison that their two companies — Yankee Book Peddler, Inc. (YBP) located in Contocook, NH, USA, and W.H. Everett and Son Ltd. (Everetts) located in London — have announced the formation of a strategic alliance to supply English language scholarly materials and collection management services to academic and research markets worldwide. The two companies will remain independent but will cooperate to share bibliographic information, approval plan expertise, technical knowledge and marketing resources. The strategic alliance will begin as a joint marketing agreement that will permit each company to sell the other's services to customers in geographic regions where each can meet individual libraries' specific needs. As the relationship matures, YBP and Everetts will cooperate further, eventually aiming to provide to their customers seamless and fully-integrated services spanning every English language book in print, encompassing firm order monographs, continuations, approval plans, blanket orders, technical services and shelf-ready materials. The two companies will soon be seeking libraries interested in working with them to refine the new services. Joint product and service development is expected to begin right away and to continue over the next several years.

Some late breaking news. Academic Book Center, in Portland, Oregon, has become the first book vendor to participate in a new OCLC program that will accelerate upgrading of Cataloging in Publication (CIP) from the Library of Congress (LC) in the OCLC Online Union Catalog (OLUC). Through an agreement with Academic Book Center, professional catalogers from the OCLC TECHPRO service will be stationed at Academic Book Center, where they will upgrade CIP records in the OLUC to full-MARC records as newly published materials arrive. TECHPRO catalogers at Academic Book Center expect to process approximately 3,000 OLUC/CIP records a month.

At the end of September, Cardinal G. Emmett Carter, former Roman Catholic Bishop of London, officially opened the new state-of continued on page 6
Look, y'all, the only reason that Against the Grain works as a publication and that the Charleston Conference works as a Conference is because of all of YOU, YOU, YOU out there! Against the Grain is a fabulously, wonderfully, greatly dynamic publication. I look forward to working on each issue. I always learn so very, very, very much and what’s fun about it is that we are all learning together, teaching each other, getting to know each other.

This issue has so much in it it’s hard to remember it all! We have some great interviews with Nat Bodian and Jim Stephens. We have some great articles on electronic information delivery by Steven Ellis and John Long. Thanks to Barbara Dean’s hard work, profiles from Heather Miller, Judy Webster, and Sandy Paul. We have a wonderful op ed from William Hamilton. Plus a publisher profile from Arlene Els, a woman who started her own publishing company. A look at ALA, MLA and SLA exhibits from the energetic, grils-loving Judy Luther. Celia Wagner’s wonderful annual title trends survey. And I’ve just scratched the surface.

This is the last issue of 1995. Have some great holidays til we meet again in 1996. Oh, yes, in the meantime, in between time, and see you at the Charleston Conference! And renew your subscription!
And speaking of acquisitions deans (borrowing the phrase from Peter Stevens of U. of Washington), I miss him and he hasn’t been gone that long. It’s Joe Barker (U. of Calif., Berkeley) who recently left acquisitions for teaching. As the 15th Charleston Conference approaches, I can’t help but recall all of his insightful papers and his smiling presence. We will continue to miss you, Joe, but please keep in touch.

Recently spoke with the indefatigable Twyla Racz (E. Michigan University) who keeps on writing abstracts for Bet You Missed It (see this issue, page 65). Twyla was heading off for a miniature books conference which sounded like fun.

Addison-Wesley’s pilot program to sell books directly to students has stirred unusual controversy among booksellers and publishers. In a statement released by the AAP (Association for American Publishers) the AAP states that the Executive Council of AAP’s Higher Education Division, representing American textbook publishers, recognizes both the importance of college stores as the major retail outlet for students, and the right of any publisher to reach the ultimate customer in any manner it chooses. For further information contact Patricia Peron at 202-233-3335, ext. 236.

Met with and did a GREAT interview with the awesome Arthur Brody, the founder of Brodart in New York recently. Look for our upcoming interview in ATG? Have you renewed your subscription yet?

*Bowker*Reed Reference Electronic Publishing has formed an alliance with OCLC (Online Computer Library Center) allowing library staff and patrons to electronically access the Books in Print database using OCLC’s First Search and EPIC systems. Access through EPIC will allow for pay-as-you-go searching. Access through FirstSearch, a menu-driven system for end-user searching, will allow for subscription pricing or for per-search pricing. BIP is also available on OCLC’s PromptSelect for integration with materials selection and ordering. And, by the way, for a detailed review of Books in Print PLUS (the CD-ROM product), read Ken Kister’s excellent review (this issue, page 46). I sure learned things I didn’t know about this staple in our library environment!

Heard on the Internet from the vivacious Rosanna O’Neil (Director of Marketing, University Park Media) about Rosanna’s success in NYC to see the play Sunset Boulevard (wow! wow!) with Anne Jennings (Sinkler & Boyd). Was hoping to meet up with Kenneth Soechter (Acquisitions Librarian/Bibliographer at The Metropolitan Museum of Art’s Watson Library <metart3@metgate.metro.org>) but guess the meeting will have to wait til the Charleston Conference!

This came courtesy of the Law Library listserv — Gray Cary Ware & Freidrichen, a 250-attorney general practice law firm in San Diego and Palo Alto, CA, announce a home page with a special emphasis on legal issues of the Internet, written for both lawyers and non-lawyers. Additionally, the page site has articles on recent legal matters, background information on all the practice areas encompassed by the firm, forms to order literature, and hypertext links to clients and other legal sources. Gray Cary Ware & Freidrichen’s home page can be accessed at <http://www.gcw.com>. For further information, contact Mary Gallagher at 415/383-2238 or <mgallagher@GCWF.com>.

This off of cni-copyright listserv — A URL leading to “basic” discussions of copyright in works of visual art and in software. (Patents and trademarks also) : <http://www.fplc.edu/tfield/order.htm> From this is Tom Field of the Franklin Pierce Law Center <tfield@fplc.edu>.

Birdie MacLennan (SERIALST <listowner/Moderator> U. of Vermont <bmaclennan@uvvm.uvm.edu>) or <bmaclennan@moose.uvm.edu> announces the availability of a new Web page for SERIALST at <http://www.uvm.edu>.

Beau David Case (Indiana U.) <bearcase@hamlet.u cs.indiana.edu> (did you read his op ed in the September issue of ATG?) has accepted a job on the faculty at Ohio State University.

Understand that it’s not too much longer now ’til Barbara Hoffert’s (Library Journal) due date! What an exciting time of life!

Angela D’Agostino <dagadisonto@reedref.com> invites us to browse Reed Reference’s new WWW site <http://www.reedref.com>.

Recently also met the charming James G. Spady, a mover and shaker with the Black History Museum (P.O. Box 15057, Philadelphia, PA 19130). We hope that representatives will be at the upcoming Charleston Conference and, meantime, check out some of James’ books!

Craig Flansburg is now Account Executive in the Southeast (from North Carolina to Texas) for SilverPlatter. Congratulations, Craig! You know, not only is Craig a pretty ham-zowie person, his wife Ronnie, a librarian herself, is the greatest.

Well, I always knew that Bill Hannay (Schiff Hardin & Waite) was into the money. Recently saw his picture (and an article too, no less, called “Back in the Ex-U.S.S.R.”) in the Chicago Tribune Magazine, and Bill has been in Russia on a “World Bank-funded legal assistance program to counsel Russians on their developing free market systems.” So that’s why he’s been out of touch with us? Hey, Bill, can you spare some time? Or should I say a dime?

The Illinois Library Computer Systems Organization (ILCSO) recently selected DRA (Data Research Associates) to provide all of its members with the next generation of automation and networking services. ILCSO will use DRA’s system and services to upgrade automation at the 45 participating libraries, and to improve and enhance the resource sharing and union catalog aspects of ILLINET Online. ILCSO’s member institutions comprise all state-supported universities; five publicly supported community colleges; 25 private colleges and universities; a state-supported high school specializing in math and science; and the Illinois State Library. For more information, contact Joe Bonwith at 800-325-0888.

The New York Academy of Medicine Library has established the HIV/AIDS Information Outreach Project to provide the most current health information to community-based organizations working with people affected by HIV/AIDS. The project provides participating community-based organizations and their clients with the following free services: expert research services; rapid delivery of published literature including technical reports, journal articles, and other publications; one-to-one training in the use of Internet information resources; and access to the online databases of the National Library of Medicine. For more information, contact 212-876-8200, ext 318 or <dvinfo@nyam.org>.

Readmore, Inc. announces the creation of BackMed, a new Internet list devoted exclusively to the informal exchange of back issues of medical and health sciences serials and books among libraries. The archives of BackMed, as well as Backserv (for non-medical materials) are publicly available on the Readmore webserver and gopher and are fully searchable using built-in WAIS indexing at <http://www.readmore.com>.

The highly competent Amira Aaron <aaron@READMORE.COM> sent news on Serialist of SISAC’s (the Serials Industry Systems Advisory Committee) announcement of the availability of the SISAC XI2 Implementation Guideline published June 1995. This implementation guide was developed by SISAC to serve as the guideline manual for EDI for the serials industry. It includes the SISAC/ICEDIS industry con-
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ventions for the following ASC X12 trans-
action sets: Invoice (810), Dispatch Data
(856), Claim (869), Claim Response (870)
and Functional Acknowledgment (997). In
addition, the manual includes critical infor-
mation about the use and implementation of
EDI, covering many of the business issues,
legal considerations, communication and
technical issues involved in EDI projects.
The manual is now available for purchase at
a member (SISAC or BISG) rate of $175.00
and a non-member rate of $250.00. An or-
der may be sent online to that standards
woman, Sandy Paul at 4164812@mci-
mail.com.

Recently spent some fabulous time in
Charleston with Karalyn Kavanaugh
(EBSCO). Karalyn has promised to help
coordinate group dinners for interested
parties. A post-conference Charleston Confer-
ence. If anybody can do it. Karalyn can!

Two libraries, Southern Methodist Uni-
versity (SMU), Dallas and the Newberry
Library, Chicago, are examples of sites that
have already seen significant results in
expanding patron access and enhancing com-
community awareness using Ameritech’s
NetPublisher, the product which was named
Editors’ Choice by PC Magazine. If you
want to know more, contact Barbara
Brodney at eebrodney@als.ameritech.com.

Plenum Publishing Corporation has
added its catalogs to Informatics’ TitleNet,
the Internet site for browsing and searching
publishers’ catalogs. Plenum’s catalog infor-
mation includes descriptive text, reviews,
contents data, and audience focus for thou-
tsands of titles. Reach Plenum Publishing’s
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titlenet.com or via the World Wide Web at
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Barbara Stewart (ISI) is some hot ticket,
not to mention her husband Ed. She recently
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picture, no less, what a great idea) from wild
Florida climes. And we hope to see you
soon at the Chas. Conference, Barbara!

Mike Markwith (Swets) sends word that
Carol Macadam will join Swets effective
October 2. Carol has most recently worked
as a librarian in serials at Princeton, has an
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representing Swets services to academic and
medical libraries in the US.

More news from Swets. A new Board
level position has been created at Swets &
Zeitlinger BV Head Office. Mr. Pieter
Rustenburg has been appointed as Director
of Systems and Technology. He will be
responsible for technological development
and strategy for Swets computer and net-
work operations and for relations with pub-
lis h ers.

Heard recently from Paul Sanz of
Readex who says that he was excited about
the upcoming Vikki Medaglia interview of
Suzy Schmitz in ATG November (have you
read it, see this issue, page 76). Also under-
stand that Jean Kobza (NewsBank/Readex)
will be at the Charleston Conference.
Wow!

Lynda Meyer (Net Technologies, New
York) has written a fabulous meeting report
on Multimedia Now which we took a few
issues to be able to run. But — it is in this
issue (p. 56) so READ it and learn a lot!
Thanks, Lynda!

During the ACRL Conference, Pauline
Williams (U. of Montevallo) subscribed to
ATG and she hasn’t gotten one yet. Sorry,
Pauline! You can’t get够 help these days,
especially when that person is the Editor!

Rebecca Seger (Lyman says I spelled
her name wrong and it is not his fault!!)
called. She is now the library sales rep for
McGraw Hill plus she just bought her “new-
born” (now 2½ years old) a “big boy” bed
last night.

ACRL, New England Chapter has an-
ounced the program for its fall conference
(October 27) — The Digital Academic Li-
brary: Getting There. The conference will
be held at Regis College in Weston, Massa-
echusetts, only a few miles from Boston.

Plenum Publishing Corporation has
added its catalogs to Informatics’ TitleNet,
the Internet site for browsing and searching
publishers’ catalogs. Plenum’s catalog infor-
mation includes descriptive text, reviews,
content data, and audience focus for thou-
tsands of titles. Reach Plenum Publishing’s
TitleNet catalog via gopher at: gopher-
titlenet.com or via the World Wide Web at
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and Veronica L.C. Stevenson of the
Greater New York Metropolitan Area
Chapter of the ACRL (ACRL/NY), writes
that this year’s annual symposium will ad-
dress “Libraries in Transition: Learning and
Communicating in the Electronic Environ-
ment,” and will be held Wed., December 13
at the Fashion Institute of Technology. Try
<vstevens@aurora.liu.net> for more info.

Joyce Ogburn (Yale) writes that she
will not be attending the Chas. Conf. this
year. Instead, she is sending her acquisi-
tions librarian Xin Li (as is Sheen Lee).
Let’s all track her down and say “hey!!!”

NISO has approved and published the
revised Information Retrieval (Z39.50):
Application Service definition and Pro-
tocol Specification (ANSI/NISO Z39.50-
1995), available from NISO Press
<nisoq@gni.org> for $79. This adds sev-
eral new services and facilities and includes
numerous enhancements such as the ability
to request specific portions of a document;
the ability to scan terms in a list or index;
and faster retrieval of a large number of
records by allowing a server to respond to a
present request with multiple response mes-
ages.

NISO has also approved and published
the first national standard for single-tier steel
bracket library shelving. This new standard
(ANSI/NISO Z39.73-1994) describes the
specific performance requirements that steel
shelving should meet and is available from
NISO Press <niso@gni.org> for $40.

CD-ROM products are now available
through W.T. Cox Subscriptions (Golds-
boro, NC, ph. 800-555-8088) in response to
requests from libraries.

Bob Dukes (Chair of the Physics Dept.
at the College of Chas.) writes to tell us that
there is now an Electronic Version of Astro-
physical Journal Letters (EApJL) available
on the World Wide Web. The American
Astronomical Society and the University
of Chicago Press, with funding from the
National Science Foundation, have cre-
ated the first online journal for reporting
astronomical research results. The EApJL
is complete with the figures, line drawings,
tables of numbers and complex mathemati-
cal symbols which appear in the paper
version. The EApJL can be found on the
WWW at http://www.aas.org/Apjl. Access to
the journal will be free to all readers until 1997.
Bringing out an electronic version of the
Astrophysical Journal Letters is the first
step in the conversion to electronic form of
all the research journals published by the
American Astronomical Society. Mean-
while, the society has no plans to discon-
tinue the corresponding conventional paper
versions. The electronic version will be avail-
able one month before the corresponding
paper copies.

Bill Richards has been chosen as the
new director of Georgia College. Congratu-
lations!

The Faxon Company recently reported
that its World Wide Web site on the Internet
has received the highest rating possible from
The McKinley Internet Directory. Have
you visited it yet?

Speaking on serialist in the early fall,
Chris Schneider (Marketing & Sales, Gor-
don & Breach) <chris.schneider-
@gpb.com> and Karen Elton (Head, Cu-
ster Services, International Publishers
Distributor) <karen.elton@gpb.com> as
well as Diane Appleton (Vice President,
Publisher Services, Faxon) <atson-
@g-box.com> made the following announce-
ment: “Effective July 28, Faxon has resumed
doing business with International Publish-
ers Distributor, distributor of Gordon &
Breath and Harwood Academic titles. Al-
though Faxon and STBS, former distributor
of these titles, ceased to do business in the
early part of 1994, none of the companies
are or have been involved in a lawsuit against
the other. Faxon is pleased to be able to
provide Gordon & Breath and Harwood

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Adrian Alexander (Faxon!) and Mary Lou Goodyear (Texas A&M and RASD president!) Adrian and Mary Lou were married on June 22, 1995 during the 1995 ALA Annual Conference in Chicago which they thought was the perfect place to have family and friends. Congratulations to both of them!


Speaking of the Web, "Reittig on Reference" debuted on Monday, October 2 at <http://www.hhwils.com> This is a free service sponsored by the H.W. Wilson Co., which provides reviews of new reference books and Internet-based reference sources. Jim Reittig, who is well known to all of us as a cracker-jack reference reviewer, will be speaking at the Charleston Conference in November.

Her voice will always cheer you up no matter how down in the dumps you are. Dimi Berkner calling from Developmental Studies Center in Palo Alto says she is coming to the Charleston Conference and is looking forward to seeing Ken Kister, Gerald Garbacz, and Fred Philipp among all of us.

Look, y'all, my e-mail address is <straucl@cofc.edu>. Don't forget the "k" because if you do I will not get the message. And that would be bad.

Charles Willett <willett@freenet.ulf.edu> (Crisis Press, Gainesville, FL) will be at the Charleston Conference. He also says he is looking forward to seeing Ken Kister who taught him "Reference Methods", his favorite course in Library School at Simmons College. Charles is the new editor of Counterpoint, an alternative review journal to be put out by the Alternatives in Print Task Force (AIP) of ALA's Social Responsibilities Round Table. The first issue is scheduled for January, 1997. Charles will have a Simulation Room on Friday at the 1995 Charleston Conference.

Have received word that **30** people have signed up for the Golf Tournament during the Charleston Conference. Pretty unbelievable. And the Tournament is the brain-child of the President John Riley (Ambassador Book Service)!

Dawson Subscription Service announced in November that it will implement the Source subscription system, initially developed for use at Faxon Company, as its operating system. Implementation of Source at Dawson Subscription Service will be completed in time to process 1997 subscriptions. The Source system is a powerful and flexible system designed to support every phase of serials acquisiton needs. Based on a relational database technology and a three-tier client/server model, Source includes an online client service that brings the system's power and capability to the client's desktop.

According to the law library listserv, West Publishing Company, Eagan, Minnesota, and Juris Publishing, Inc. Irvington, New York, jointly announced that the companies have entered into an agreement that will allow Juris to include star pagination to West case reports in Juris' Black Lung Reporter publications. West compiles the case reports it creates into various series of reporters that make up the National Reporter System. Each volume in each series is separately paginated by West to enable attorneys to readily cite to and find a particular West case report. A star pagination license allows another publisher to include the corresponding West pagination and page breaks within its own case reports, making it easy for users of these publications to provide citations to West reporters in memora nda, briefs and other legal writing. More information can be obtained from West outside counsel, Jim Schatz, who can be reached at 612/339-6900.

According to TAP-INFO and James Love <love@tap.org>, in a surprising move, West Publishing announced on August 29, that it had hired investment bankers Goldman Sachs and E.G. Edwards to explore the sale or restructuring of West Publishing. Details of the announcement appeared in the Wed., August 30, issue of the Minneapolis Star Tribune in a story by John Ostlund.

IME Systems Inc., a world leader in library automation, has announced the relocation of their U.S. office from Dedham, MA to Boston, MA. As of October 1, their new address and phone/fax are — 50 Congress St., Suite 825, Boston, MA 02109-4006. Ph.: 617-722-0808; fax 617-722-9893.

Irv Muchnik (The National Writers Union) (which is near and dear to my heart) wrote to say he enjoyed the September issue of ATG but that a "sticky-fingered member, no doubt" absconded with his copy. ATG/September. He called to request a copy of the Becky Lenzini interview in the September ATG! We would love to hear more from the NWU, Irv, and just maybe you need another subscription! Keep us posted!

Charles ("The Grandfather") Germain was recently traveling in the West when he encountered heat so hot (I guess that's an oxymoron) in Arizona that it fried a computer in his car. The next day he traveled to continued on page 14
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Boulder, CO in a summer suit and nearly froze to death in the snow! Talk about inconsistencies!

Roxy Rust (Westvaco, Charleston, SC) is looking for an out of print book dealer who specializes in forestry books. Does anyone have a recommendation?

Heard from Chris Ellicott (Director of Marketing & Electronic Networking, Login Brothers) <ccc@lib.com> who had just dined with Becky L at A/AL/Chicago. Hope to meet at the upcoming Chas. Conference!

The "over there" man, Jim Smith (EBSCO) is coming over here to Charleston for the Conference. In the meantime his daughter Melissa is getting married and his lovable, energetic, incredibly hospitable wife Cherry is keeping him straight.

And Donna Cohen (Rollins) <Donna.Cohen@Rollins.edu> says it does not look like she will be able to attend the Charleston Conference this year since they are implementing a new online system and the training is the same week as the Conference. Kind of a hole in the year, she says. For us too, Donna! But see you next year!

In this issue, thanks to the energetic Barbara Dean (Fairfax County Library) <bdean@vsal.leeo.edu> we have profiles encouraged of — Sandy Paul <s0004164812@mcmail.com>, Judy Webster <jwebster@utk.edu>, and Heather Miller <HM766@cnsvax.ubany.edu>. Read about them on pages 81, 90, and 93 this issue.

Was talking via e-mail to Joseph Allen <jalen@copyright.com>, President and CEO of the Copyright Clearance Center. The CCC has agreed to participate in the Rump Session of the 1995 Charleston Conference from 4-6 on Saturday for all us die hards out there. Pretty exciting.

PAIS (Public Affairs Information Service, Inc.) has added thirty-four journal titles to the list of more than 1,250 journals indexed in PAIS International, the world’s leading database covering political, economic, and social issues. The journals are published in thirteen countries including Korea, Peru, Zimbabwe, Thailand, Hungary, and Sierra Leone. Most are in English. Overall PAIS International indexes journals published in 60 countries in 6 languages — English, German, French, Spanish, Italian and Portuguese. Journal titles added to PAIS International will continue to be announced on PAIS' new Internet Home Page, to be available by the end of September at <http://pais.inter.net/pais>.

Barry Lee <74044.3050@compuserve.com> (The Reference Society) recently held a National Directory Conference in New York. Raisaa Fomerand, publisher of The Librarians Yellow Pages, (what an incredible woman!) was one of the featured speakers. We hope he will write the meeting up for ATG/And They Were There. How about it, Barry?

Hadn't heard from John Archer (UC San Diego) <John_Archer@UCSD-LIBRARY.ucsd.edu> for a long time so sent him an e-mail. (isn’t e-mail great?). Anyway, no grass is growing under John’s toes. He has just gotten married (around the eighth of September, no less) and spent his honeymoon in Santa Barbara. John has already made his room reservation for the Charleston Conference. Have you? And check out his WWW site, URL: <http://gort.ucsd.edu/jarcher/index.html>.

The soft-spoken and efficient (a great combination) Elsie Pritchard <pritcher@morehead-st.edu> (Morehead State University) is hard at work on the Automation Lunches for the Charleston Conference. Thank you, Elsie!

Besides getting married, Carol Pitts Hawks <chawks.1@osu.edu> (Editor-in-Chief of Library Acquisitions: Practice & Theory) is looking forward to reviewing applications for 1996 Research Awards. The goodess it wasn’t a hurricane!). Let’s look for Shannon and Annabel Fogel (Brodart’s cataloging manager) at the 1995 Charleston Conference!

Via the Internet, Libraries now can access their order files and the complete Harrassowitz serials database. This new service includes access to both Continuations and Journals. Harrassowitz Online is password-protected and provides an accurate and up-to-date picture of library orders. If you want to know more call 800-348-6886 or <service@harrassowitz.de>.

Kansas State University Library has selected Voyager 3.0, the client/server library management system developed by Endeavor Information Systems Inc.

Recently heard from Stacey Gottfried of Electronic Book Technologies, Inc. (One Richmond Square, Providence, RI 02906 <stacey_gottfried@ebt.com>) about some of their products and services. For example, DynaText™ Electronic Publishing System is an electronic book publishing system which accepts SGML and builds dynamic platform-independent electronic books that can include hyperlinks, tables, equations, graphics, animation, audio and video. Users can write notes, create cross-references, perform sophisticated searches, print selectively, and cut-and-paste content into other applications.

Kluwer Academic Publishers (Dorcréct) is the first to sign an agreement with Pica, Centre for Library Automation in Leiden, on electronic access of full text journal articles within the WebDOC pilot project. Within the WebDOC project, initiated by Pica, a number of Dutch and German academic libraries will cooperate with commercial publishers to offer their endusers access to electronic journal articles. Publishers will deliver SGML-headers of journal articles containing bibliographic data and abstracts. From these data, Pica will build a catalog/WebCAT) linking to full text articles stored on local servers maintained by the information providers or on a server at Pica’s. Initially, the Kluwer journals to be accessed will be mainly in the field of Mathematics, Information Science and Economics/Business Information. For the time being, document formats are restricted to Postscript, PDF, HTML and TIFF-images. Kluwer has opted for PDF files. Documents will be made accessible via WWW-browsers such as MOSAIC and Netscape to endusers who are registered at one of the participating libraries. Endusers of libraries that are subscribing to journals Kluwer makes available in WebDOC will have unlimited access, whereas a pay-per-view system will apply for journals to which there is no subscription. WebDOC is expected to go live on January 1, 1996 and will run for an initial trial period until the end of December 1997. Further information can be obtained from <vanderlinden@wkap.nl>.