Against the Grain
“Linking Publishers, Vendors and Librarians”

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If Rumors Were Horses

Clifford Lynch, the lead-off speaker at the 1991 Charleston Conference, received the LITA/Gaylord Award for Achievement in Library and Information Technology during the LITA President’s Program in Atlanta.

Bowker has appointed 18 library professionals to serve as members of a new Bowker Library Advisory Board. The Board will meet twice a year and the first meeting was during the ALA Conference in Atlanta, GA.

Corrie Marsh (Head of Acquisitions at George Washington University’s Gelman Library) has accepted the job of Product Manager at NOTIS, effective the end of November, 1991. Congratulations, Corrie. And speaking of NOTIS, the sale to Ameritech has gone through.

September 11, 1991, Chronicle of Higher Education, p. A19 quotes one of our old friends — Scott Bullard. He is now Director of the Copyright Permissions Service offered by the National Association of College Stores (a trade association). This information from the person who reads everything that comes into the LSU Library, Chuck Hamaker!

Publishers Weekly for 9/20/91 shows that title output dropped considerably in 1990. It was at a ten year low since 1980.

Annette John (Acquisitions Librarian at Washington and Lee University Library) is back at work, after a year’s leave spent in London, Oxford, and Seattle. She writes that it was the fastest year in human memory and lots of fun. Welcome back to the real world, Annette!

And Chuck Hamaker just came back from a week-long (almost) stay in Provo, Utah where he was given the Brigham Young University Library School Outstanding Alumnus award. Congratulations, Chuck!

Elsevier Science Publishers, Elsevier Science Publishing Co., Inc. (ESPC, Inc.) has announced changes in its book publishing and distribution programs in North America. ESPC, Inc. in New York has decided to reallocate its resources and strengthen its efforts on the acquisition and development of journals for both the academic and professional markets. This will be carried out in two ways. First, ESPC, Inc., will divest itself of its New York book publishing program in both the biomedical and physical sciences areas, which includes the Medical Examination Publishing Company (MEPC) imprint. The program currently consists of 75 front-list titles annually. The second is that the North American distribution of book programs for Elsevier Science Publishers BV, Amsterdam, the Netherlands and Elsevier Science Publishers, Ltd., London, England, will be directly managed by those respective locations. Imprints for these pub-

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