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CONVENTION BUSINESS MEETINGS BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY
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Sunday, July 7, 1985

8:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.	OBS-SIS Current & Incoming Executive Board Meeting
	TS-SIS Current & Incoming Executive Board Meeting
10:00 A.M. - Noon	TS-SIS Business Meeting
1:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.	OBS-SIS OCLC Committee
3:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.	OBS-SIS RLIN Committee

Monday, July 8, 1985

7:00 A.M. - 9:00 A.M.	TS-SIS Acquisitions Standing Committee
	TS-SIS Big Heads of Cataloging Discussion Group

Tuesday, July 9, 1985

7:00 A.M. - 9:00 A.M.	OBS-SIS Business Meeting
	TS-SIS Preservation Committee

Wednesday, July 10, 1985

7:00 A.M. - 8:00 A.M.	TS-SIS Cataloging & Classification Standing Committee
8:00 A.M. - 9:00 A.M.	OBS-SIS Incoming Executive Board
	TS-SIS Incoming Executive Board
4:00 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.	TS-SIS Serials Standing Committee
4:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.	TS-SIS Big Heads of Acquisitions Discussion Group

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The TECHNICAL SERVICES LAW LIBRARIAN will carry reports or summaries of the convention meetings and programs of the TS-SIS and OBS-SIS, act as the vehicle of communication for SIS committee activities, and carry current awareness and short implementation reports. TSSL usually will not publish substantive articles.

EDITORIAL DEADLINES

<u>Issue date</u>	<u>Deadline</u>
August (Post-convention)	July 15
November	October 7
February	January 15
May (Pre-convention)	April 7

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On-line Bibliographic Services SIS
Report from the Chair

Evelyn Smith
University of Michigan

Business Meeting

The OBS-SIS business meeting in New York will be held on Tuesday morning, July 9, 7:00 A.M. - 9:00 A.M. Coffee will be available. These items will be on the agenda for discussion:

--An unwritten rule, since the OCLC-SIS became the OBS-SIS in 1979, has been that the chair shall alternate between OCLC members and RLIN members. The current chair is from an RLIN library; the 1985/86 chair is from a WLN library. Of the willing candidates who could be found for the office of vice chair/chair elect for 1985/86, one is from an RLIN library, the other from an OCLC library. Should the unwritten rule be abolished? Changed? Put in writing?

--The new Publicity Committee has been active this year. The possibility of a directory which will list the utility to which each member belongs is being considered again. A fall survey similar to the one conducted by TS-SIS would identify volunteers and potential candidates as well as possible convention program ideas.

--The Report of the Committee to Study the TSLI was made at the Houston meeting in 1983. A summary of the eight-page report appeared in the May 1983 issue of TSLI. The report recommended the appointment of an Editorial Board to give advice and direction to the editor. The Board will consist of two OBS-SIS members, two TS-SIS members, and the editor as chair. Appointment of a Board was postponed during 1984/85 until OBS-SIS decided whether it would continue to use TSLI as its newsletter. Two OBS members have now been appointed to the Board: Betsy Ginkel (University of Maine), and Cindy Larter (University of Pittsburgh). Margaret Goldblatt (Washington University, St. Louis), and Linda Siler-Regan (Georgetown) are the TS-SIS appointees. Michele Finerty, appointed for another two-year term as editor of TSLI, will serve as chair of the Board.

Elyse Fox, editor/publisher of Legal Information Management Index, wrote to the chairs of OBS and TS to inform them that TSLI is indexed in LIMSI. LIMSI will provide photocopies of indexed articles to its subscribers for a fee. Elyse offered to execute a photocopy royalty licensing agreement with us, even though TSLI is not copyrighted.

An informal comparison of the OBS-SIS membership list and the TSLI subscription list revealed that most of the OBS members who do not receive TSLI are in private law libraries. Is there anything we should do about that?

Convention Programs. OBS-SIS is sponsoring three programs:

The Future in Bibliographic Networking: Linked Systems Project
Monday, July 8, 11:15 A.M. - 12:15 P.M.

Public Services Interface with Bibliographic Utilities-Discussion
Monday, July 8, 7:30 P.M. - 9:30 P.M.

We hope this discussion will alert public services people to the fact that OBS-SIS is relevant to them. The discussion is intended for both technical services and public services people. Unfortunately, it is scheduled at the same time as the discussion on AACR2, which many technical services people may find hard to resist.

Turnkey Vendor On-Line Public Access Catalogs
and Integrated Systems for Small and Medium-Sized Libraries
Tuesday, July 9, 1985, 9:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.

Help Wanted

We need program ideas for the 1986 Washington convention. Earlier pleas for ideas in the AALL Newsletter and in TSSL received no response whatsoever. Send to: Evelyn L. Smith, University of Michigan Law Library, Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1210.

OBS-SIS OCLC Committee

Richard Amelung
St. Louis University

The NYC convention will soon be upon us. For those attending, please note on your schedule of things to do that the OCLC Committee will meet at 1:00 P.M., Sunday, July 7. The turnout last year was most encouraging, and I hope for an even larger group in New York.

Possible topics for discussion may include the new pricing structure, an Enhance update, and the Nineteenth-Century Legal Treatises Project. Anyone who would like to suggest other agenda items should contact me as soon as possible. Frances McNamara from OCLC will be on hand again this year to provide an OCLC update and to answer questions.

Technical Services SIS

Report from the Chair

Jacqui Paul
Delaware Law School

Legal Information Management Index (LIMI) has agreed to index TSSL. The indexer wishes to provide photocopies of indexed articles and reviews to their subscribers, on request, for a fee. TSSL is not registered with the Copyright Clearance Center in Salem, MA. The indexer has requested our policy regarding photocopying of TSSL for document delivery. LIMI will be happy to execute a photocopy royalty licensing agreement with us whereby we would be paid for the right to make and sell photocopies of TSSL. Evelyn Smith is gathering information regarding the question of copyrighting TSSL. If you have an opinion on this question, please contact me and Evelyn Smith. This matter will be discussed at the TS-SIS and OBS-SIS business meetings.

Michele Finerty, editor of TSSL, would like to receive more information regarding committee projects and program planning. Please remember to submit material to Michele for publication in TSSL, as well as to Nancy Paul, editor of the committee and SIS news for the AALL Newsletter.

The Editorial Board for TSSL has been formally designated, and I have appointed Margaret Goldblatt (Washington University, St. Louis) and Linda Siler-Regan (Georgetown) to represent TS-SIS.

Save your energy for the annual meeting in New York. I think it will be the busiest convention ever for members of TS-SIS. It has been a very productive year, and I look forward to seeing you.

The Hit Parade
Marilyn Nicely
University of Oklahoma

Response to the 1986 program ballot was gratifying. The chair-elect sent out 346 ballots and received 152 responses by press time. The results are as follows:

ACQUISITIONS: Collection analysis, methods of selection (77 votes);
Automation of acquisitions (39 votes); Budget preparation and presentation (20 votes); Statistics for ABA/AALS (20 votes).

AUTOMATION: Uses of micro and minicomputers in Tech. Services (80 votes);
Changing relationships between TS and PS in an online environment (64 votes);
Automation-integrated library systems/cataloging, circulation, serials (68 votes).

CATALOGING: Establishing online catalogs (73 votes); Retrospective conversion (46 votes).

DESCRIPTION: Recent AACR2 rule interpretations (47 votes).

CLASSIFICATION AND SUBJECT ACCESS: Updating manual and/or online catalog to reflect additions and changes to LC subject headings (74 votes).

MANAGEMENT: Departmental procedures manuals (38 votes).

PRESERVATION: How to access your library's preservation/conservation needs (55 votes).

SERIALS: Designing serials/continuous check-in functions for online systems (48 votes).

Members of the Technical Services Special Interest Section are encouraged to consider these responses and to continue brainstorming program ideas for 1986. This is by no means an end to the process, just a beginning. Perhaps circumstances will affect the future so that other program ideas are just as needed as those identified in the current study. Members should feel free to use the program proposal form distributed with the ballot as their program ideas crystallize.

TS-SIS Serials Committee

Donna Hirst
University of Iowa

SERIALS CONVERSION: From Manual Systems to Automated Check-in

On Monday, July 8, from 3:00 - 5:00, the Serials Committee will be sponsoring a program on the conversion process of serial records from a manual to an automated system. The program will concentrate on the planning that needs to occur before the conversion (which records will be entered? in what order? is an inventory necessary? is additional staff needed? what is a realistic time frame?), the realities of the process (how the workflow throughout the library is affected, documentation that is needed), and the all-important evaluation process (what are the benefits, and to whom? was the planned time-table realistic? what would be done differently, given a second chance?). All of these questions will be addressed by three speakers, each using a different type of automated check-in system. Naomi Ronen (Harvard) will speak from the perspective of using an integrated system; Darcy Kirk (Boston College), from that of a stand-alone system; and Margot Rendall (John Hancock) will address using a minicomputer-based system.

During the second hour of the program, the format will change from a panel to smaller discussion groups where the audience will have an opportunity to ask specific questions. The program promises to be full of information and lots of hints from those who have already lived through the experience.

SERIALS COMMITTEE ANNUAL MEETING

During this year's business meeting in New York, there will be discussion on methods for handling replacement volumes. Kaye Stoppel (Drake) will report on the survey results. Please plan on attending and talking about your concerns, questions, and horror stories with superseded and replacement volumes. In the meantime, if you haven't yet returned the survey to Kaye, please do so as soon as possible.

On Description and Entry

Melody Lembke and Rhonda Lawrence Mittan
Los Angeles County

As identified in the February 1985 column, one of the most difficult problems in cataloging legal materials is determining when uniform titles should be assigned. To continue that discussion, we shall now examine the problem of identifying whether a collection of laws is a general collection, a general partial collection, or a subject collection. The uniform title rule for collections of laws, AACR2 25.15A1, states: "Use 'Laws, etc.' for complete or partial collections of legislative enactments other than compilations on a particular subject. If a subject compilation has a citation title (see 25.15A2), use that. Otherwise, follow the instructions in 25.3." Therefore, the uniform title "Laws, etc." would only be assigned to general collections, never to subject collections. Subject collections would be assigned a uniform title only if: 1) the collection had a citation title; or, 2) under the general uniform title rules the work needed a uniform title.

How then to distinguish between a partial general collection of laws and a subject collection? If we look at LCCN 82128511, we can see that the work on Virginia labor laws was entered under the jurisdiction as per AACR2 21.31B1.

Virginia.

Labor laws of Virginia : reprinted from the code of Virginia of 1950 and the 1981 cumulative supplement / issued by the Department of Labor and Industry. — Charlottesville, Va. : Michie Co., 1981.

93 p. ; 23 cm.

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Even though the work may be a complete compilation of all of the Virginia labor laws, it is still regarded as a subject collection. As a result, the uniform title "Laws, etc." is not assigned to the work.

The catalog record for the Virginia water pollution laws and regulations, LCCN 84620566 illustrates choice of entry according to AACR2 21.32A2: "If laws and the regulations, etc., derived from it are published together, enter the term under the heading appropriate to whichever is mentioned first in the title elements." In this work, the statutes are named first, so entry is under Virginia, with an added entry made for the regulatory agency, the State Water Control Board. A problem with this record, however, is that it too is a subject collection of laws and regulations. The uniform title "Laws, etc." should not be assigned. A uniform title for the collection of pollution laws would only be assigned if the collection had a citation title, or needed a uniform title under the general uniform title rules. Under no circumstances should the uniform title "Laws, etc." be assigned.

Virginia.

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Statutes, regulations, policies, and other documents adopted by or applicable to State Water Control Board. — 2nd ed. — Richmond, Va. (P.O. Box 11143, Richmond 23230) : The Board, [1982-

1 v. (various pagings) : ill. ; 28 cm. — (Publication / State Water Control Board, Commonwealth of Virginia ; no. RB-1-82)

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TS-SIS Preservation Standing Committee

Patricia Denham

University of Cincinnati

The business meeting of the Preservation Standing Committee will be from 7:00 - 9:00 A.M. on Tuesday, July 9th. I urge all interested members of the Association to attend the meeting. We will discuss the progress of projects begun in 1984-85, as well as plans for the coming year. There will be a report from our liaison to ALA's Preservation of Library Materials Section, who attended the midwinter meeting.

We are very excited about the program we are doing this year. Physical Properties of Books: Some Perspectives is scheduled for Monday, July 8th, from 3:00 - 5:00 P.M. The panel consists of three officials, a publisher, a paper manufacturer, and a binder. They will speak about the quality and make-up of books as well as other manufacturing issues. Jan Merrill-Oldham, Preservation Officer at the University of Connecticut, will respond to the other panelists.

A tour of the Pierpont Morgan Library of Rare Books and Manuscripts, sponsored by the Preservation Standing Committee, will be on Wednesday morning, July 10th. You must sign up for this tour at the Hospitality/Information Booth at the Hilton. Since the group will be limited to 30 members, you should sign up for this if you plan to visit the library. The tour will leave the Hilton at approximately 10:00 A.M. While at the Pierpont Morgan Library, we will be shown the Bindery and Conservation Laboratory.



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