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1. 1993 Conference

The 1993 conference of the Bibliographical Society of Canada / Société bibliographique du Canada was held on Monday, 15 June and Tuesday, 16 June 1993, at McMaster University in Hamilton, Ontario. The programme consisted of 15 papers on the theme of the history of the book in Canada, plus a research-in-progress session surveying developments in bibliography across the country. The 48th Annual General Meeting of BSC/SBC was held at 4:30 p.m. on 15 June in the Michael G. DeGroot Building of Business, with about 40 members present.

Minutes of the 1993 Annual General Meeting

1. Welcome from the President: Sandra Alston welcomed all members, and thanked Carl Spadoni for making the local arrangements. Bertrum MacDonald moved that the agenda, which had previously been circulated, be accepted, seconded by Apollonia Steele. CARRIED.
2. Presentation of the Tremaine Medal: Gwen Davies, Chair of the Tremaine Medal Committee, thanked Anne Yandle and Joyce Banks for their work on the Committee, and then presented the Tremaine Medal to Joan Winearls. (The full citation and the response by Joan Winearls are published in *Papers/Cahiers*.)
3. Minutes of the Forty-Seventh Annual Meeting: The minutes had been published in the May 1993 *Bulletin* (New Series, No. 40) and circulated to members. Adoption was moved by Patricia Fleming, seconded by Bruce Whiteman. CARRIED.
4. Report by the President: Sandra Alston reported on issues that had arisen since the last meeting:
 - a) The 104 resolutions arising from the Third National Conference on Canadian Bibliography in Charlottetown have been translated into both official languages, and were sent to 67 different organizations, each with an individual covering letter signed by John Lennox, President of the Association for Canadian Studies, and by Sandra Alston. A few responses have been received. Several of the resolutions were addressed to this Society, and are being dealt with through such measures as monitoring SSHRC, setting up the Institute for Canadian Bibliography, and publishing the papers of the conference as a unit.
 - b) The Society sent two briefs to the Summit on Information Policy in Ottawa, and Sandra Alston attended the Summit as a participant representing this Society. A report on progress has just been published by CLA.
 - c) Council continues to follow developments resulting from cancellation of the Canadian Studies Research Tools Programme, and this Fall received a document entitled "Preliminary impacts of SSHRC programme reforms: summary report on the monitoring of the 1991 and 1992 research grants competitions." On the whole, it appears that SSHRC is pleased with the way the programme is now administered. Preliminary statistics for the last SSHRC competition are now available, which indicate that 17 of 31 stand-alone tools were funded, and 6 of 22 research tools with programme of research were funded. A summary of results is in the Fall 1993 *Bulletin*.
 - d) Brochures have been sent to all members concerning the summer course being offered by the Institute on Canadian Bibliography, a joint body of the National Library and BSC/SBC. This is a totally self-funding body; no financial commitment has been undertaken by us, with the exception of funding of tuition for two members of this Society.
 - e) The possibility of setting up an e-mail list on Internet devoted to bibliography has been discussed. The University of Toronto Computing Centre is willing to provide the mechanism to host the discussion group, and Sandra Alston has volunteered to act as list moderator.

- f) A fellowships brochure, similar to our regular membership brochure, will be published shortly and will be distributed to members.
- g) Plans for the 50th anniversary of the Society are now underway. A committee is being formed, and a history of the Society will be published, probably in *Papers/Cahiers*.
- h) A sub-committee has been formed to revise the Society's constitution; anyone desiring to serve on this committee is asked to contact Sandra Alston.
- i) The resignation of the editor of *Papers/Cahiers*, Bruce Whiteman, was received with regret. As well, three Council members have come to the end of their term of office: Paul Aubin, Margaret Hammond, and Karen Smith. The President thanked all these officers on behalf of the membership.
- j) Sandra noted that many were saddened to hear of the death of Agnes O'Dea, one of our most distinguished members.

Sandra Alston moved receipt of her report and asked for questions. There was some general discussion about SSHRC, and the repercussions of the changes to the programme. Bernard Katz suggested that those interested in further discussion on the SSHRC situation could meet again after the final session.

5. Report of the Treasurer: Bernard Katz presented and distributed the financial report for the year ending 31 December 1992, noting that he was very pleased to be able to report on the solid financial status of the Society. He moved receipt of the report and answered questions.

6. Report of the Secretary: Anne Dondertman reported on the consequences of the loss of the Society's Book Rate status with Canada Post, which was that our postage costs more than tripled in the last mailing. In order to take advantage of the cheapest possible rates for the Fall mailing, we will switch to plain manilla envelopes rather than the padded bubble bags used previously. Also, in light of increased mailing costs, Council has voted to add the actual costs of mailing to all publication orders. Anne Dondertman asked members who experience any problems with their mailing, such as damaged shipments or incomplete mailings, to contact her, and moved receipt of the Report.

7. Report of the Nominating Committee: Margaret Hammond presented her report, including the slate of officers nominated for next year's Council, and asked for nominations from the floor. There being none, Margaret Hammond moved acceptance of the nominations, seconded by Judy Donnelly.

CARRIED. The resulting changes to Council are:

President	Eric Swanick
Past President	Sandra Alston
1st Vice-President	Tom Vincent
2nd Vice-President	Joanne Henning
Councillors	
1993-1996	James Carley
	Richard Lapointe
	Milada Vlach
Editor, <i>Papers/Cahiers</i>	Carl Spadoni
Review Editor (E)	Michel Brisebois (E)

8. Report of the Publications Committee: M. Williamson presented the report. The Publications Committee met twice over the course of the year. Bruce Whiteman, who has edited *Papers/Cahiers* for five years, submitted his resignation. Carl Spadoni will assume the editorship with the first issue in 1994.

Under Bruce's editorship *Papers/Cahiers* continued twice yearly publication, and editorial policy began to address the concerns expressed by SSHRC when, in 1991, they rejected our application for funding. Readers are already seeing heightened French-language content, and this will be expanded to include

French abstracts for English articles as well as English abstracts for articles published in French. Similarly, the book review editors will seek French-language reviewers of English publications, and vice versa. Book reviews are not now being indexed, and Mary Williamson is pursuing this. Publication costs have been a concern, but a change in printers has resulted in savings of over 30% on per-page printing costs. At this time next year we will once again apply for funding under the SSHRC Aid to Learned Journals programme, and much of our energy during this coming year will be channelled into the application.

The Committee received a report from Eric Swanick regarding publication later this year of the complete proceedings of the Charlottetown conference. The Committee is looking ahead to 1996 when BSC/SBC will celebrate its 50th anniversary, and is considering commissioning at least one article on the history of the Society. The index to *Papers/Cahiers* being compiled by Jan Roseneder will also be published in 1996. Mary Williamson thanked Bruce Whiteman for his term as editor, and moved acceptance of the report. Bernard Katz then reminded members that the number of paid-up memberships is crucial for all SSHRC funding.

9. Date and place of the next Annual Conference: Tom Vincent reported that the next Annual Conference of the Society will take place on 7-8 June 1994 in Calgary with the Learned Societies, and the focus will be on western Canada. He circulated a draft version of the Call for Papers and asked for submissions.

10. Other business:

a) The editors of the journal *Modern Drama* have asked for volunteers to work on an international bibliography. Those interested are asked to contact Sharon Brown at the University of Toronto Library.

b) The President, Sandra Alston, thanked Eric Swanick on behalf of all members for his hard work in organizing the conference. As this was the last meeting for Sandra Alston as President, she then thanked all Council members for their time and effort, noting that she had never before worked with a more dedicated and hard-working group of people.

11. Adjournment: Eric Swanick moved adjournment, seconded by Joanne Henning.

A. Dondertman, Secretary

2. The Forty-Ninth Annual Conference of the Bibliographical Society of Canada / Société bibliographique du Canada: Biblio Round Up: Herding Books in the Wild Wild West

Annual Conference 7-8 June 1994

Conférence annuel 7-8 juin 1994

June 7 juin

9:00-9:30

Bruce Peel: An Afternoon in Highgate Cemetery

9:30-10:00

Ian MacLaren (Canadian Studies/English, University of Alberta):

Bibliographical Aspects of the Writing and Painting of George Back, Explorer with Franklin of Canada's Northwest, 1819-1822

10:00-10:30

Break / Pause

10:30-11:00

Paul G. Boulton (Red Deer College): Red Deer College Press — A Brief History

11:00-11:30

Peter Mitham (English, University of Alberta): Towards an Annotated Bibliography of Robert W. Service's Verse

11:30-13:00

Lunch / déjeuner

13:00-13:30 James G. Randall (English, University of Alberta): John Bunyan at the University of Alberta
 13:30-14:00 Alan Richards (English, University of Alberta): Recalling Texas — Evolving Texts in the Poetry of Bert Almon
 14:00-15:00 Get Ready Time / Pause d'apprêt
 15:00-16:30 Tours of Glenbow Museum and City Archives
 16:30-18:30 Reception at Aquila Books and Tremaine Medal Presentation Ceremony

June 8 juin

very early Chuckwagon Breakfast / petit déjeuner rustique
 9:00-9:30 Peter McNally (Library School, McGill University): Western Canadiana at McGill — Lande and Arkin Collections
 9:30-10:00 Patricia Belier (Library, University of New Brunswick): A New Brunswicker on the Oregon Trail — UNB's Burpee Collection
 10:00-10:30 Break / Pause
 10:30-11:00 Chris Hives and Frances Woodward (Archives and Library, University of British Columbia): Bibliographical Resources for British Columbia Studies
 11:00-11:30 Catrionna Da Scossa (Library School, University of Alberta): Bibliographical Capture of Mary Meigs
 11:30-13:00 Lunch / déjeuner
 13:00-13:30 Elizabeth Driver (Researcher, Toronto): On the Trail of Western Cookbooks
 13:30-14:00 Murray McGillivray and Laurie Whitely (Library, University of Calgary): Digital Imaging of Medieval Manuscripts and Incunabula
 14:00-15:00 Annual General Meeting
 15:00-16:00 Get Ready Time / Pause d'apprêt
 16:00 Mountain Ranch Barbecue

3. Nominating Committee of Council, Report of Recommendations

The Nominating Committee presents the following slate as proposed Society officers for 1994-1995:

Executive

President	Eric Swanick
Past President	Sandra Alston
1st Vice-President	Tom Vincent
2nd Vice-President	TBA
Secretary	Anne Dondertman
Treasurer	Bernard Katz
Associate-Secretary	Michel Brisebois

Council

1994-1997	Patricia Belier Louise Carpentier Jennifer Connor
1993-1996	James Carley Richard Lapointe Milada Vlach
1992-1995	Joyce Banks Pam Bjornson

Chair, Publications Committee
Editor, *Papers/Cahiers*
Review Editors

Editor, *Bulletin*
Indexer to the Society

Ian MacLaren
Mary Williamson
Carl Spadoni
Michel Brisebois (E)
François Melançon (F)
Merrill Distad
Jan Roseneder

4. Joanne Henning — Expression of Thanks

Members of the Society will be saddened to learn that the Second Vice-President, Joanne Henning, has resigned because of "personal circumstances." The Society is indebted to Joanne for her many contributions to the Society.

5. Marie Tremaine Fellowship

The Tremaine Fellowship is offered in memory of and through the generosity of Marie Tremaine (1902-1984), the doyenne of Canadian bibliography. The Fellowship Committee has recommended, and council unanimously approved, the award of this year's Fellowship to Philip Kokotailo (English, McGill University). The sum of \$1,000 will assist Kokotailo to compile an annotated edition of Louis Dudek's letters to Ezra Pound.

Dudek credited Pound with a crucial influence, not only on the development of his own poetry, but also on his efforts to bring a second wave of modernism into Canadian literature. Dudek did not retain copies of his letters; however, Kokotailo has located over thirty Dudek letters in the Pound correspondence at Yale and in material in the Ransom Center in Texas. Kokotailo's annotated edition of Dudek's letters to Pound will be supplemented by his essay on the Dudek/Pound relationship and the influence of their correspondence. ECW Press and Golden Dog Press have expressed an interest in publishing the results.

6. Marie Tremaine Medal

The Tremaine Medal Committee has recommended, and Council unanimously approved, the award of the Marie Tremaine Medal to Paul Aubin (formerly of the Institut québécois de recherche sur la culture). M. Aubin has made many bibliographic contributions and is especially known for *Bibliographie de l'histoire du Québec et du Canada / Bibliography of the History of Quebec and Canada, 1946- .*

Aubin has spoken on bibliographic topics; is a co-producer of the bibliographic database, HISCABEQ; and has made a number of other bibliographic contributions. He is now completing a bibliography on francophones in western Canada. This will be followed by a bibliography on francophones in Ontario. In his paper at the Charlottetown Conference, Peter McNally stated that, "concerning the secondary literature, Paul Aubin has completely transformed the study of Canadian history...."

7. Bruce Peel Elected Honorary Life Member of BSC/SBC

At the September 1993 meeting of the Council of BSC/SBC, Bruce Peel was named an Honorary Life Member of the Society. He was nominated by Joyce M. Banks and Liana Van der Bellen. Their citation read: "In accordance with the Society's constitution, we wish to nominate Bruce Braden Peel for

Honorary Membership in the Bibliographical Society of Canada / Société bibliographique du Canada. Bruce Peel was President of the Society 1970-1972, Chair of the Publications Committee 1974-1983, and recipient of the Marie Tremaine Medal in 1975. It is most appropriate, at this time, that Bruce Peel's great contribution to Canadian bibliography and to the renown of the Society be recognized with this honour."

In accepting the nomination, Dr. Peel sent the following letter to the Society President, Eric L. Swanick: "Your letter informing me that the Council of the Bibliographical Society of Canada has voted me an Honorary Life Member came as a surprise. And was all the more gratifying in that the vote was unanimous. I shall try to measure up to the good opinion members have of my past bibliographical efforts as expressed by this honor... Please convey to Council members my appreciation and pleasure at being honored."

8. CIHM/ICMH, *Facsimile / Fac-Similé*

The Canadian Institute for Historical Microreproductions / Institut canadien de microreproductions historiques publishes the *Early Canadiana* research collection, a library of pre-1920 print Canadiana on microfiche. The collection is a major resource for the study of Canada in all disciplines, and the CIHM/ICMH newsletter *Facsimile / Fac-Similé* is intended to promote awareness and use of the collection. With the tenth issue (Number 10, November 1993), publication of *Facsimile / Fac-Similé* will resume on a regular semi-annual basis. Future issues will focus on themes such as rare books, Canadian literature, women writers, and history perspectives, all related to the *Early Canadiana* collections. Former subscribers will receive their copies regularly from this issue on. If you wish to be placed on the mailing list for future issues please call or write CIHM/ICMH. The newsletter is free of charge. Direct all correspondence to: *Facsimile* Newsletter, c/o Canadian Institute for Historical Microreproductions, P.O. Box 2428, Station D, Ottawa ON K1P 5W5. FAX: 613-235-9752.

9. History Computerization Project

The History Computerization Project now offers free workshops and a printed tutorial on the use of computer database management for historical research, writing, and cataloging. Those unable to attend the workshops can still obtain the 80-page workshop tutorial by mail. The workshops and tutorial give organizations and researchers a chance to see how easy it can be to build an historical database. The project, sponsored by the Regional History Center of the University of Southern California and the Los Angeles City Historical Society, is building a Regional History Information Network through which researchers and repositories can exchange information. The Los Angeles Bibliography Project has created a database of source materials and a directory of historical repositories. Both projects employ the History Database programme, running on IBM PC compatible computers. The course textbook is *Database Design: Applications of Library Cataloguing Techniques* by David L. Clark (McGraw-Hill-TAB). For a current workshop schedule and a free copy of the tutorial, contact: History Computerization Project, 24851 Piuma Road, Malibu, California 90265 U.S.A. ☎ 818-591-9371.

10. GRÉLQ

INFOGRÉLQ, the newsletter of the Groupe de recherche sur l'édition littéraire au Québec (GRÉLQ), is published twice a year — Winter and Fall. For more information write: GRÉLQ, Université de Sherbrooke, Sherbrooke PQ J1K 2R1 or FAX: 819-821-7238.

11. Notice of OALT/ABO Meeting

The Ontario Association of Library Technicians / Association des bibliotechniciens de l'Ontario (OALT/ABO) invites you to participate in their annual conference: Revolution Evolution, 25-29 May 1994, at Erindale College in Mississauga, Ontario. Workshops include Internet, stress management, career development, and automated library systems. Conference inquiries should be addressed to: Marsha Hunt, Conference Chairperson, c/o OALT/ABO, Abbey Market Post Office, Box 76010, Upper Middle Road West, Oakville ON L6M 3H5.

12. *Postscript: A Journal of Graduate Criticism and Theory*

Postscript, edited and published bi-annually by the English graduate students of Memorial University of Newfoundland, is devoted to the creation of new space for graduate students working, writing, reading, and publishing within and beyond the walls of academia. *Postscript* welcomes the submission of essays on literature, language, theory, and pedagogy, as well as work in progress. Papers responding to issues of current debate within the humanities are encouraged.

Now *Postscript* is soliciting papers for a Fall 1994 special issue on Gender-bending. The deadline for these submissions is 15 July 1994. For further information contact: *Postscript*, Managing Editors, Dept of English A-3000, Memorial University of Newfoundland, St. John's Newfoundland A1C 5S7. e-mail lreid@leif.ucs.mun.ca

13. In Memoriam: James J. Talman, 1904-1993

Canada's archival, bibliographic, library, and scholarly community notes with sadness the death last November of one of its senior members. James John Talman was born 15 September 1904 in Beira, Portuguese East Africa. He attended the Universities of Western Ontario (B.A., 1925; M.A., 1927) and Toronto (Ph.D., 1930), and was subsequently awarded honorary degrees by Waterloo University (D.Litt., 1960) and U.W.O. (LL.D., 1972).

Dr. Talman served as Assistant Archivist in the Ontario Provincial Archives (1930-1934), Provincial Archivist of Ontario (1934-1939), Legislative Librarian of Ontario (1935-1939), Assistant University Librarian of U.W.O. (1939-1947), University Librarian of U.W.O. (1947-1970), and (1956-) Professor of History and Graduate Studies at U.W.O.

An early commentator on the use and value of travel literature, he published extensively on the economic, religious, and social history of Ontario, and developed a particular expertise in the history of that province's journalists and newspapers. With his wife Ruth as co-author, Talman contributed a chapter on early settlement in the Canadas (1763-1812) which has appeared in both editions of Klinck, et al., *Literary History of Canada*. These interests, along with his professional postings, led to service on many organisations, including: Ontario Historical Society (President, 1939-1942; Secretary, 1944-1947), Ontario Library Association (President, 1945-1946), Canadian Library Association (Council, 1949-1951; Treasurer, 1956-1959), Canadian Historical Association (President, 1954-1955), the Governor General's Award Board (Chairman, 1956-1959), Canadian Historic Sites and Monuments Board (1961-1972), and Ontario Conservation Review Board (1975-1981).