

ON THE CATALOGING/CATALOGUING FRONT

Mark Crotteau, Boise State University

**Cataloging and Classification Committee Meeting
ALA Midwinter, Washington D.C., 14 January 2001**

The Committee met on Sunday in the Loew's L'Enfant Plaza Hotel. Chair Barbara Story called the meeting to order just after 9:30 A.M. Once again (I believe this is three meetings in a row) the Committee meeting was at a different location from the Map Cataloging Discussion Group meeting that immediately precedes it on the schedule. The expectation has been that the two meetings would be scheduled in the same room. Oh, the joys of ALA!

OCLC report. First on the agenda, the OCLC report was given by Barbara Story for Ellen Caplan. Barbara delivered the report in printed form due to the technical nature of much of the information.

Those interested in CORC (Cooperative Online Resource Catalog) were invited to go to the OCLC booth. Anyone with specific questions related to map records and quality control may contact Ellen: caplane@oclc.org or 800-848-5878.

Since the ALA Annual Conference there have been three implementations related to the

bibliographic data, the development of geospatial searching capabilities, and the development of shared graphics interface for geospatial searching. Test records for two map series have been imported from NIMA, and G&M is in the process of analyzing the potential benefit to the Division. NIMA catalogs map series at the sheet level.

Barbara announced that CDS has made available three months free access to the LC classification schedules on the World Wide Web. The free access began on 8 January and was to continue through 30 March. Classification Web provides full-text schedule display of the LC Classification schedules. Pending the pilot test results, CDS may offer Classification Web as a subscription-based service.

The G schedule on Classification Web was presented as not authorized, mainly due to a glitch in the China portion of the schedule that was being fixed around the time of the meeting. Someone pointed out that the search interface for the web version of the schedules is more forgiving than that for the CD-ROM. If a search is entered that includes a cutter number a result is retrieved.

Retirements. Elizabeth Mangan, the head of the Technical Services Section at G&M, retired on 3 August 1999. In her 31 years as a staff member of the Division she also served as the head of the Data Processing and Files Maintenance Team and as Acting Chief of the Division. She was instrumental in the planning and development of computerized cataloging of cartographic material. She has also played an important role in the digital conversion of historical materials in the Division's collections. As someone who has been attending the Committee meeting since 1994 I have to add that it was strange not to see Betsy at this meeting. Map catalogers everywhere are in her debt for her many contributions.

Al Herman, Senior Map Cataloger, also retired in 2000, as has been mentioned previously in this column, and Barbara mentioned that two more catalogers will probably retire this year.

Summer Project. G&M plans to have a summer project in 2001. For those readers who may not be familiar with the summer project, it is a chance for map librarians to spend a few weeks working in the Geography and Map Division in exchange for the opportunity to select items from LC's cartographic duplicates.

Revision of Chapter 12 of AACR2. At this point in the meeting the next two agenda items were delayed because Mary Larsgaard, who was scheduled to present the items, had not yet arrived. She had been delayed by an earlier commitment. Barbara Story and Mark Crotteau presented information regarding the Chapter 12 revisions. Barbara mentioned that Mary Larsgaard had requested that members of the Committee read the clean copy, a document that the Library of Congress had prepared to try to present the text of Chapter 12 as modified by recent decisions and recommendations from the Joint Steering Committee on the Revision of AACR (JSC). Among the numerous documents that have been generated as a part of the

revision process, there is an LC response to the clean copy, suggesting some further changes. Many of the documents are available at www.libraries.psu.edu/iasweb/personal/jca/ccda/docdist.html.

Mark Crotteau was appointed, on the recommendation of Barbara Story, to serve on the CC:DA task force reviewing Chapter 12 revisions. Mark stated that his appointment reflected a desire to have someone on the task force to represent the cartographic cataloging community.

The proposed revision incorporates rules for integrating resources into Chapter 12. These resources include updating loose-leaf publications and updating websites. The main question of interest to map catalogers is whether map series should be included among integrating resources. Mark had sent a message to Maps-L to solicit comments on this question. Barbara mentioned that the idea seems to have come from a meeting last summer attended by her and Elizabeth Mangan. It was suggested at that meeting that if anything could be described as cartographic integrating resources it would be map series. Sometime later it was brought to Barbara's attention that on the strength of this suggestion several cartographic examples had been added to the rules for integrating resources. Barbara asked that the examples be removed based on the fact that the cartographic catalogers have not discussed this proposition. Thus, there is no consensus among map catalogers as to whether map series are integrating resources.

Mark Crotteau reported that the LC response to the clean copy recommends removal of several cartographic examples from the text of the proposed revision. However, Mark had discovered at least one example that appears to have been missed in the LC response. He said he would review the documents and recommend removal of any remaining examples, and also notify Barbara of his recommendation. Meanwhile, the task force met on Saturday afternoon after the Committee on Cataloging: Description and Access (CC:DA) meeting to plot the strategy for their response to the revision documents.

Dorothy McGarry asked whether there was a unanimous view about map series reflected by the comments Mark received. Mark responded that the responses of those who hadn't had occasion to think about the issue before were favorable to the suggestion that map series might be considered integrating resources, while those who were more familiar with the issue seemed to believe the reverse. Arguments against the idea include the fact that in many

for other formats, including maps. She was contacted by them about this and reported to them on what the Anglo-American Cataloguing Committee for Cartographic Materials (AACCCM) is working on. Velma Parker, of the National Archives of Canada, is working on the revision of the rare maps section of *Cartographic Materials*. The committee is interested in working with AACCCM to include the maps information, and requested a copy of Velma's draft. They seemed willing to defer to the map cataloging experts on format-specific details, but the rare books cataloging rules do differ in some aspects from AACR2. One possible problem is that

report of the task force, which was sent to the author via email on 30 January. Several problem areas were identified, notably the treatment of the scale of digital resources, dates, and coordinates in Dublin Core, but no consensus was achieved. Dublin Core started out as a simplified system for recording metadata, but is becoming more complex.

Given the lack of consensus the Task Force chose to make no recommendation on changes to the Dublin Core to accommodate cartographic materials. There are avenues open to those

MAGERT EXECUTIVE BOARD II MINUTES

ALA Midwinter Meetings, Washington

Tuesday, January 16, 2001

The meeting was called to order at 8:33 AM.

The field trip to the National Archives starts at 1:15 PM on Tuesday and meets at the 7th and Pennsylvania Avenue entrance.

Wangyal Shawa had brought forward a request at Executive Board I that the Map and Geography Round Table be an associate sponsor for GIS Day. Chris Kollen had asked Danielle Alderson to verify that the Round Table could take this action. Danielle hadn't been able to check with the appropriate individual by Executive Board II.

Chris had also requested that the Map Cataloging Discussion Group and the Committee on Cataloging and Classification be scheduled in the same building (and preferably the same room). Chris had also received the listing of the programs for annual with dates and times. Two programs were scheduled at times not requested by the Chair and Chris requested that the times be changed.

We will be needing a new representative for CC:DA by Annual of 2002. Elizabeth Mangan will continue in this position until that time.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Moore

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

ALA Midwinter Meetings, Washington

Tuesday, January 16, 2001

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am.

OFFICER REPORTS

Chair

Chris Kollen

Materials concerning the new advertising campaign "@ Your Library" were distributed at the Round Table Coordinating Committee meeting on Friday.

Past Chair

Joe Winkler

No report.

Secretary

Susan Moore

No report.

Treasurer

Steve Rogers

[details at [Treasurer's Annual Report](#)]

Revenues from dues (\$6,977) were down about 6% in fiscal 2000 from those of the previous year. Sales from Occasional Papers and Circulars (a total of \$595) were up 6.5% over those of last year. Revenues from base line (\$1,381) increased 32% over the previous year but *Meridian* subscription revenues (\$690) were less than a quarter of those earned in Fiscal 1999. Operating expenses for *Meridian* (\$2,543) were 36% less than the previous year, while base line expenses (\$4,695) remained essentially the same.

The overall MAGERT account balance, which will carry over to the new fiscal year, was

cartographic materials. Paige is the chair of the committee. The committee's time line has them submitting a draft by late April/early May. Paige also encouraged anyone doing recon work of their collections to write an article. Andrea Tully responded to a question from Nancy Kandoian as to how NIMA extrapolates coordinates for early cartographic materials.

Constitution and Bylaws

David Cobb

No report.

Education

Melissa Lamont

The meeting was well attended and the discussion was constructive. The discussion and
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soon. Regional editors are currently being sought. Anyone interested in serving as a regional editor should contact either Brent Allison at b-alli@umn.edu or Steve Rogers at rogers.20@osu.edu.

The committee discussed possible future additions to the MAGERT Web site. It was hoped that future ALA Conference presentations could be rewritten in HTML and added to the site. Also, Peter Linberger will revise an article he wrote on sources of demographic data and this also may be added to the site. In addition, the appendices from the 1998 ERIC document produced by the Education Committee, "Incorporating Map Librarianship into the Library Science Curriculum: A Rationale and Guide" will be added to the Web site.

The committee spent some time considering ideas for possible future publications, including the reprinting of an index to 19th century government exploration reports of the West. The committee also discussed the wisdom/feasibility of issuing a map-illustrated T-shirt or scarf as a way to produce additional income for the organization.

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DISCUSSION GROUPS

ALCTS/MAGERT Map Cataloging Discussion Group Barbara Rappaport for Lucinda Hall

There were about twenty-five people in attendance. Lucinda asked that each individual present describe their collections and share any projects or programs that they were involved with.

Several reported that they were beginning retrospective conversion projects. There is a need for a new discussion group leader who needs to be a member of both ALCTS and MAGERT.

Federal Spatial Information Discussion Group Mark Thomas

Twenty persons attended the discussion group. After introductions, Mark Thomas updated the group on potential restructuring of federal information dissemination proposed by the National Commission on Library and Information Science (NCLIS). CUAC sent a letter of comment to NCLIS regarding this and it was a topic of discussion at GODORT's Federal Documents Task Force agency update Saturday morning. See their website at <http://www.nclis.gov> for details.

Several agency representatives were present. Trudy Suchan is a cartographer working on thematic maps in the Census Bureau's Population Division. One product on which she is now working is a set of county-level page sized maps profiling basic population and racial

characteristics for each state. Although there are no definite plans, they envision a coffee-table atlas in a few years similar to the population atlas that Census did a few years back. Fred Anderson is with the National Aeronautical Charting Office (NACO) of the FAA, the agency that used to be (before Oct. 1) the Aeronautical Charting and Cartography unit of NOAA. NACO will still print and distribute the NOAA nautical charts, along with its own aeronautical products. They also remain the civilian distributor of NIMA chart products. As NOAA charts move toward digital and print-on-demand, future depository availability is uncertain. Among other upcoming plans, NACO will be producing digital sectional aeronautical charts in a raster format.

Hedy Rossmeissl of the USGS updated us on their National Atlas program, showing examples of the separately published maps and talking about the web site. She also discussed some of their other products available online, such as seamless elevation data and the National Hydrological database. Some of this data must still be ordered once identified, but more will soon be available on a self-service basis through the Earth Explorer website. About 80% of the country is now covered by DOQs through the Microsoft Terraserver site, but many in attendance at the meeting advocated distribution to depositories or academic clearinghouses for long-term data archiving and free public availability, using an ownership model featuring redundancy of holdings. Among other announcements, Hedy noted that NIMA provides some data at a new website, www.earth-info.org.

Research Libraries Collection Management

Chris Kollen for Karl Longstreth

A representative from Endeavor came and invited people to go to a demonstration of their new geographic search engine. It allows users to search online catalogs by lat/long. The discussion group went around the table and shared issues and concerns. The International Map Trade Association will be meeting in Washington, D.C. April 19-21, 2001. The program is on the web at www.maptrade.org.

Small Map Collections

Joe Winkler

There was a small group this meeting. The issue that came out of the group was how to weed a map collection. No answers were given but some ideas were shared. Those present appeared to gain some comfort from knowing that there are others in similar situations. Joe Winkler expressed interest in stepping down as moderator after Annual.

LIAISONS & REPRESENTATIVES

USGS

Hedy Rossmeissl

USGS is restructuring to a more regional structure. The four discipline areas (geography, geology, water, and biology) will also continue to be strongly represented. The Chief Geographer retired in October and the new head of the National Mapping Program is Barbara Ryan.

The Survey is working to get more of their data available on-line. There is a new program entitled "Gateway to the Earth" and the objective is to make USGS data from all the disciplines covered by USGS more available, accessible, and easy to find. The main web page is www.usgs.gov. There is a new 888 toll-free number (1-888-ASK-USGS) which serves as a telephone portal for USGS information.

There is a new web portal for geo-information called Earth Explorer which will eventually replace an older page. GeoMac is a web site that was developed during the fire season last year and that will continue to be updated.

USGS is involved in several partnerships. The Terraserver project is continuing to develop and includes such items as digital raster images. The National Atlas site contains 200 data sets and links to several hundred other data sets at www.nationalatlas.gov. There are currently no plans to produce a paper version. They are working with National Geographic maps on a project that will provide maps on demand at kiosks at some National Parks and REI stores, with plans to expand to other recreation-focused stores.

ACRL Rare Books and Manuscripts Section

Nancy Kandoian

Nancy will serve as a liaison between MAGERT and the Bibliographic Standards Committee of the Rare Books and Manuscripts Section as they revise their manual on the cataloging of rare materials and expand the manual's coverage to rare materials other than monographs.

Education Assembly

Melissa Lamont

No report

Committee on Cataloging : Description and Access

Barbara Story for Elizabeth Mangan

The rule changes brought forward by Mary Larsgaard were approved. They next go before the Joint Steering Committee of AACR. Those individuals involved in cataloging should keep abreast of the changes being made to Chapter 12 (Serials) of AACR2R. Some of the changes may have an impact on cartographic materials.

Congress of Cartographic Information Specialists

Karl Longstreth

No report

Government Documents Round Table

Barbara Levergood

GAO is working on a report on how to transfer Superintendent of Documents responsibilities to the Library of Congress. GODORT is drafting a response to this plan. GPO expects no major changes in Congress to reduce the expectation of transferring distribution of government information to digital formats. There is a publication covering documents that should continue to be distributed in paper available from the FDLP website.

Shelia McGarr has resigned from GPO.

GODORT has a preconference on historical government documents at the 2001 annual meeting and there are plans for a preconference on the census for the 2002 annual meeting in Atlanta. There are funds available for digitization projects from the Library of Congress and more information on these funds is available on LC's web page.

CUAC

Mark Thomas

The twelve CUAC members represent six different map user organizations and meet annually with liaisons from federal agencies that create and/or disseminate spatial information (both traditional printed maps as well as digital data). There has not been a CUAC meeting since the ALA 2000 Annual Conference in Chicago, where the 2000 CUAC meeting was reported upon. The next meeting will be in Washington, hosted by the Library of Congress Geography and Map Division, during the week of April 16, just before the conference of the International Map Trade Association (IMTA) of the Americas (April 19-21).

The National Commission on Library and Information Science (NCLIS) is proposing the Public Information Resources Reform Act, which would replace existing federal information dissemination outlets such as GPO's Federal Depository Library Program, NTIS, and DOE's technical report program with a new program (Public Information Resources Access Program or PIRAP) run by a new agency (Public Information Resources Administration or PIRA). There was little or no mention of cartographic resources in the report. CUAC sent a letter of comment regarding this, asking that such resources not be forgotten and emphasizing that the FDLP has been an effective mechanism for disseminating them over the years. The letter also warned about disturbing trends in federal information dissemination such as privatization and the

resulting copyright restrictions, ignoring Title 44 requirements, an increasing number of "fugitive" documents, electronic formats that are difficult to use, and lack of archiving of electronic data.

IFLA

Melissa Lamont

The next IFLA conference is in Boston, MA in mid-August. The Geography and Map Section is planning three sessions, most of them concern digitizing historic cartographic materials and how to catalog and access the materials once reformatted. Speakers will be coming from the Netherlands, France, Canada, and the Library of Congress. There will in all probability be some field trips as well. The program is on the web at www.ifla.org.

Rare and Endangered Government Documents

Donna Koepp

There will be a Preconference at ALA Annual in San Francisco. It is being jointly sponsored by Rare and Endangered Government Publications Committee and the Federal Documents Task Force of GODORT. The program is titled, "19th and Early 20th Century Federal Documents: Research Avenues and Access Tools." Program speakers and their talks are: August A. Imholtz, Jr., "19th Century Federal Government Publications: Pre-Civil War Printing Practices and the Post-GPO World"; Gregory C. Harness (U.S. Senate Librarian), "Recreation of the First Library of Congress Collection: An Experiment in Senatorial Reader Response, and Some Problems in Senate Bibliography, Both Historical and Current"; Cindi Wolff, "Deconstructing Historical Census Publications: A Primer"; August A. Imholtz Jr., "Impeachments and Explorations: Some Research Examples of Congressional Fishing Expeditions"; Donna Koepp, "Mapping a Continent: Where the Maps Are"; Steven Daniel, "The Titanic Investigation and Other U.S. Government Document Blockbusters." The preconference is on June 14th on the campus of UC - Berkeley, from 9:00 am - 4:30 pm. It was noted that nothing about this preconference was included in the ALA Midwinter program, and we need to get something posted on the ALA website as soon as possible. Members of the Committee were urged to publicize this pre-conference to as many people as possible. E-mail notices will be posted on GOVDOCS-L and MAPS-L.

Donna Koepp and Bill Wears gave a demonstration of their Serial Set Inventory database. It covers Congresses from 1817-1969, showing their respective Serial Set volumes. Each volume has a short record giving basic bibliographic information, with volumes containing six or less titles providing information on the titles included. The database also contains holding information for depository libraries, with instructions on how you can add your holdings. The database is moving from a University of Kansas temporary location to its permanent location within the next couple of weeks. Check GOVDOCS-L and the REGP website for the location. Discussion followed about how libraries will be able to identify their Serial Set holdings and use

this information to identify rare volumes and take steps to protect their collections.

The liaison report from the Ad Hoc Committee on Digitization: John Phillips reported that the Committee had held its first meeting and received its charge. The Committee will be looking into four aspects of digitization and will have its report completed within eighteen months. The Committee will have a website for members and "associates" who are interested in the Committee's progress.

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Library of Congress Geography and Map Division

Barbara Story

Acquisitions

The Geography and Map Division acquired and reviewed 78,754 cartographic items and retained 62,134 of those items. Cooperative acquisition efforts with the State Department's Foreign Map Procurement Program resulted in receipt of cartographic material from Suriname, Guyana, French Guiana, Finland, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, Belarus, Ecuador, Colombia, Venezuela, Bolivia, Zimbabwe, Madagascar, Mauritius, Israel, Morocco, Gabon, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Papua New Guinea, New Zealand, Indonesia, Kiribati. Completed review of G&M's holding of topographic and thematic series issued by the Mexican national mapping agency, INEGI. Acquired via exchange from Natural Resources Canada 1,100 sheets of its 1:50,000 scale topographic series, completing LCM's holding of both series. Review of the cartographic products issued by U.S. state (mapping agencies) Tj T* the mais ie apaope nformas.

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Ahmed, Hadji. [A Complete and Perfect Map Describing the Whole World]. Venice, 1559 (printed 1795). This large, rare map on a cordiform projection represents probably the earliest printed example of the change of direction in the flow of ideas and information between Europe and the Islamic world.

Dr. Thomas Saarinen's collection of maps and papers relating to his long-term study of geographic and cartographic perceptions.

The cartographic items exhibited at the 1999 ESRI user conference.

Collection of over 100 finely drawn 18th and 19th century manuscript maps and surveys of large tracts of land in New York State.

Filson, John. This Map of Kentucke, 1784. This is the first edition of the first map of Kentucky.

Cataloging

The Cataloging Team of the Geography and Map Division (G&M) has been working with the Library's Cataloging Distribution Service to proof pages for G1000-G9980 for a new printed edition of LC Classification Class G. This will be the first edition of Class G that has been published since 1976. The revised printed schedule is expected to be available during the second quarter of 2001. During 2001 the schedule will also be available as a CD-ROM product as part of the Cataloging Distributions Service's product Classification Plus.

A series of formal meetings were held between the Geography and Map Division and the National Imagery and Mapping Agency (NIMA) regarding cooperative map cataloging, sharing of bibliographic data, the development of geospatial searching capabilities, and the development of shared graphics interface for geospatial searching. Test records for two map series have been imported from NIMA and G&M is in the process of analyzing the potential benefit to the Division.

National Digital Library

Currently there are 4393 maps online in the American Memory Map Collection web site (<http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/gmdhtml/gmdhome.html>) including the recent addition of the 1970 Census atlas. The work continues on the Civil War and American Revolution Era maps, which is currently the main focus of the scanning.

Phillips Society

Membership in the Phillips Society for the year 2000 reached 200 for the second year in a row,

with contributions close to \$70,000. One issue of the newsletter has been published thus far this year, with the second issue currently in preparation. The Society also issued the third number in its Occasional Paper Series. This paper, by Wesley A. Brown, *The World Image Expressed in the Rudimentum Novitiorum*, reproduces several of the oldest printed map images in the Library. The Phillips Society helped host a reception for the annual meeting of the Society for the History of Discoveries, which was held at the Library, October 12-14, 2000. Publicity for the Phillips Society 2001 annual dinner meeting will be mailed shortly. This meeting, which will be held May 3-5 at the Library, will have a theme of "America Latina: Cartographic Perspectives." There will also be a reception at the Peruvian ambassador's residence.

Retirements

Elizabeth Mangan, the head of Technical Services in the Geography and Map Division, retired August 3, 2000. Ms. Mangan was instrumental in the planning and development of computerized cataloging of cartographic material. She will also be remembered for her role in the development of the National Digital Library Program in the Geography and Map Division, which resulted in the creation of digital versions of a number of the Division's historical collections.

Announcements

There will be a summer project this year.

National Imagery and Mapping Agency

Andrea Tully

NIMA is cooperating with the Geography and Map Division of the Library of Congress to investigate the possibility of sharing bibliographic records between the agencies with the possibility of adding NIMA records to the bibliographic utilities via the Library of Congress. An independent commission reviewed NIMA's processes and the review was very thorough. Several branches of NIMA were reviewed under an outsourcing study which decided that the libraries should be outsourced.

Committee on Machine-Readable Bibliographic Information

Susan Moore

MARBI met twice at this conference. The proposal of interest to the cartographic community was Proposal 2001-02: *Non-MARC Country Codes in Fields 043 (Geographic Area Code) and 044 (Country of Publishing/Producing Entity Code)*, which would allow ISO 3166-1 codes to be used in these fields. The proposal passed.

There were two discussion papers that may be of interest. Discussion Paper 2001-DP02: *Non-MARC Language Codes in Field 041 of the Bibliographic and Community Information Formats* covered ways of permitting the use of ISO codes for languages in the field. Given the current complexity in recording this information, this would not be as straightforward as the country

releases, and plans and operations. The few maps and tables that have already been produced and distributed are linked here, such as the resident population changes between 1990 and 2000. The product overview and timeline is listed here, showing that detailed SF1 and SF2 data are scheduled for the middle and end of 2001, respectively. There is also a thorough Frequently Asked Questions list, with answers on product delivery, costs, formats, among others.

Digital Orthophotos of Alaska

A recent ESIC Information Bulletin announced the availability of the first digital orthophoto quads (DOQs) for the State of Alaska. Mostly covering the Kenai Peninsula and the Anchorage area, the DOQs are the standard 7.5' quads, representing a fourth of the area covered by the Alaska 1:63,360 topographic maps. The source for the digital photos is 1:40,000 scale, black and white imagery from 1996 and 1997. Files cost \$15 each, and are available through USGS's *Earth Explorer*, <http://earthexplorer.usgs.gov>. This site also includes a browse image of each file.

Earth Explorer is USGS's new portal for data sales, including digital elevation models, satellite imagery, DOQs, digital raster graphics, and various paper maps, including the National Atlas sheets, the USGS topographic maps, national park maps, geologic maps, and land use/land cover maps. The site requires you to register, but appears to be keeping personal information private (no spam in several months of use); you can also set up standing orders, to be notified of new items in a specific category as they become available.

ArcView 8.1

Recent postings to various lists have provided much information about the new version of ArcView (8.1), and how this new version integrates with the newest version of ArcInfo. In bringing ArcInfo more in line with the standard Windows graphical user interface, ArcInfo and ArcView have become much more similar. ESRI's site provides more information on this transition, and they are offering classes in migrating to the new versions of both packages. An article in the Winter 2000/2001 issue of ArcNews covers the new functionality, at www.esri.com/news/arcnews/winter0001/articles/aneworld.html. The pricing structure will change, with ArcView 8.x increasing by several hundred dollars. ESRI has pledged to keep supporting ArcView 3.x, however (see www.esri.com/news/arcnews/winter0001/articles/ongoingsupport.html for brief details). The licensing policy will allow users to use both versions on the same computer.

Top 10 Metadata Errors

A recent posting of the Top Ten Most Common Metadata Errors was made available by the

Community Information by Zip Code

Courtesy of Mary Finely at California State University-Northridge is a page dedicated to web sources of community information by zip code.

Focused on California, it also includes national-level data, including statistics on population, education, health, the environment, business and politics. <http://library.csun.edu/mfinley/zipstats.html> also includes references to a few print sources, as well as information on how to search other sources for additional statistics, such as library catalogs, the web, and sources like the American Statistics Index.

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available are similar maps for the Brazilian states of Minas Gerais, Rio de Janeiro, and São Paulo.

Quatro Rodas has also published a road atlas of Brazil, *Guia Estradas 2001*, a compact 6 x 9" spiral-bound book at 1:2M scale that sells for \$24.95. For even more detail at the same price, there's a new collection of maps of the capital cities of the 27 states of Brazil, *Mapas das Capitais*. The 5 x 8" 130-page book covers the central zones of each city, with regional insets showing main access roads. All are available from Treaty Oak, which has descriptions of each item at their web site (www.treatyoak.com).

Subway Series

A nice item for road map, railroad, and subway buffs, and a good addition to a historical New York collection, is *Twelve Historical New York City Street and Transit Maps, Volume II, From 1847-1939*. Compiled by John Landers and published by H & M Productions, the boxed set of color reproductions, printed at their original size, includes such unusual items as a "1926 Map of the Transit and Railroad Systems in New York City Issued by the U.S. Embassy in Germany for Use by German Tourists in America," as well as a more mundane Colton 1892 map showing the elevated railroads in New York.

The maps are accompanied by a booklet with interesting historical commentary by Landers, an obviously enthusiastic collector and amateur historian. Volume II can be ordered directly from the publisher, or from Amazon.com or Barnes & Noble. Volume I, with 12 maps from 1860-1967, was published in 1997. It's now out of print, but individual reproductions of the maps may be purchased for \$4 apiece. More information and a listing of all the maps in both series can be seen at (www.handmproductionsbooks.com).

For the Geologists

The Commission de la Carte Geologique du Monde recently issued the 2nd

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are \$1500 and \$43.

New Books

An Atlas of Palestine (The West Bank and Gaza). Bethlehem: Applied Research Institute - Jerusalem (ARIJ), 2000. 203 p., \$139.95. This is an excellent atlas focused solely on the area of the West Bank and Gaza. Five chapters cover topics under the broad headings of history and politics, socioeconomic conditions, physical characteristics, water resources, and land use. Over 100 well-produced color maps, most full-page size, illustrate a wide variety of subjects, from the settlement patterns of the various peace agreements, to the location of religious sites, hospitals and even gas stations. There's also a section of satellite images illustrating such things as land use and vegetation cover, and a number of aerial photos of various cities. The maps are nicely done, the text minimal and neutral, making this a useful acquisition for any map collection. Available from OMNI, but more details can be found at the ARIJ web site, which also has images of some of the maps (www.arij.org).

Historical Atlas of Indonesia. Robert Cribb. Honolulu: University of Hawaii Press, 2000. 256 p., \$100. ISBN: 0824821114. First published in Great Britain by Curzon Press, this long-awaited work is an outstanding atlas, covering a country that's becoming increasingly prominent in the news. The atlas is divided into five chapters: "Landscape and Environment;" "Peoples;" "States and Politics until 1800;" "The Netherlands Indies, 1800-1942;" and "War, Revolution and Political Transformation, 1942 to the Present." The 327 color maps are small but very clear and informative, and touch on seemingly every social, historical, political, and economic topic imaginable. The substantial text is also comprehensive in its coverage, well-written, and up-to-date (current through the events in East Timor in 1999). There aren't any competitors to this fine publication, an essential purchase for most libraries.

Maps of Africa to 1900: A Checklist of Maps in Atlases and Geographical Journals in the Collection of the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. Thomas J. Bassett and Yvette Scheven. University of Illinois Library and The Graduate School of Library and Information Science, 2000. 317 p., \$35 pbk. ISBN: 0878451188. A labor of love from a professor and a librarian, the latter the former African Studies Bibliographer at UI, who have compiled a list of over 2400 maps that were published in some 30 late-19th-century geographical journals and approximately 250 atlases dating from the 16th to the 19th century. The entries have minimal bibliographic information--author, title, scale, size, and source, and there are no illustrations beyond a few inserted to break the monotony of the text. But it nicely complements the American Geographical Society's *Index to Maps in Books and Periodicals*, which only includes publications after 1900, and it covers a region where there was much mapping interest just before the turn of the century.

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