The annual meeting of the ALA Headquarters Staff Association was held this year on Monday, January 24. The meeting was chaired by President Helen Kinsey, who called for reports from the chairmen of the various committees, delivered her annual report for 1966 (full text following), and introduced the newly elected principal officers for 1967:

**OFFICERS 1967**

President........................................Raymond Granberg
Vice President & President-Elect.............Michael Madden
Secretary...........................................Mrs. Edith McCormick
Treasurer..........................................Mrs. Wilma Brooks

The following chairmen of standing committees and subcommittees have been appointed for 1967:

**Standing Committees**

Information & Welfare.........................Helen Quinn
Personnel..........................................Edward Johnson
Social.............................................Mrs. Louise Brewer

**Information & Welfare Subcommittees**

Staff Lounge-Books & Magazines..............Mrs. Pat Rath
Convalescence and Condolence..............Pat Montmarquette
Housekeeping and Supplies.................Mrs. Anna Elafros
Vending Machines..............................Mrs. Pat Goldie
Bulletin Board.................................Thomas Smith
In the spring of 1966 the Merit Award Committee - Phyllis Maggeroli, chairman, Erlyenne Meuer, and Miriam Hornback - prepared a slate of candidates from which you selected Nick Ardell to receive the Headquarters Staff Association Merit Award. You have read the report [in the August 1966 issue of the Reporter] of his experiences at the New York Conference.

Chris Hoy again conducted a series of Noon-Hour Film Showings for the enjoyment of the staff. In addition to his showing of some half dozen or more films, Esther Potts showed slides of her trip to Norway, and Les Asheim his slides of South America.

In the fall we made the final payment on the flagpole.

The Crusade of Mercy campaign at ALA Headquarters was conducted by Barbara Duree. A total of $1,396.67 was collected, representing 37 contributors from the staff.

Through the work of Elaine Mitchell, editor, and reporters Eileen Mahoney, Rose Mary Chamberlin, Kay Sturm, Nick Ardell and Gladys Piez, you have been able to keep informed, via the Headquarters Reporter, of the professional and personal activities of your fellow staff members.

During the Christmas season the staff had two decorated Christmas trees to enjoy, thanks to Ruth Bull and her committee: Peggy Sullivan, Mary Cradick, Maureen Glennon, Peggy Evans, Marilyn Graves, Lourrie Podolak, Dick Blasage, Edith McCormick and Joan Odom.

Elizabeth Rodell and Ed Strable took charge of collecting and delivering 500 paperbacks which the staff contributed to Cook County Hospital at Christmas time.

Also, at Christmas time the staff association collected and sent staff contributions to Good Fellows, CARE, and UNESCO, adding $25.00 each to CARE and UNESCO.

[Note: the CARE contribution amounted to $34.00, which was distributed as follows: (3) packages to Honduras Village Library, (9) packages of Elementary School Kits to India, and (5) packages of Student Kits to Turkey.]

Although the 1966 Executive Committee came up with no startling new ideas or took any world shaking actions, it has by no means been idle. It held several regular meetings during the year and countless small conferences and telephone conversations to carry on the business of the Headquarters Staff Association and to give consideration to your suggestions and requests.

This administration's claim to fame, if indeed it has any, lies in the many social events it has sponsored and in the well-padded treasury it is turning over to the incoming officers. If last year's administration called themselves the "Big Spenders," perhaps this one should be called the Socialites, Conservatives, or just plain "Tightwads."
President's Report 1966 (cont’d.)

Our greatest failure, as I see it, is in not working out a satisfactory means of welcoming new staff members and inviting them to join the Headquarters Staff Association. Perhaps the next Executive Committee will be able to solve this problem. I urge them to give the matter top priority.

I would like to give my personal thanks to everyone who, in any way however small, gave time, thought, and energy to Headquarters Staff Association affairs during the past year.

Especially do I thank my office mate, Ruth Bull, who, without complaint, has suffered through a year of almost daily interruptions from Staff Association business.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen Kinsey, President 1966
Headquarters Staff Association

TREASURER’S REPORT, 1966

Respectfully submitted,

Miriam Donahoe
Treasurer, 1966
Headquarters Staff Association

Balance on hand, January 1966..........................$ 250.78

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Balance on hand, January 20, 1967........................$ 515.00
FUTURE FILM SCHEDULE - STAFF LOUNGE

Following is the list of coming attractions for the Staff Association film showings, courtesy C. J. Hoy, chairman, Staff Association A-V Committee. Same time: 12:00 Noon; same place: staff lounge.

Wednesday, March 8   "Wings to Alaska." -Pictures the landscape of Alaska, its mountain ranges, forest and glaciers, and the people who live there—the Eskimo, the Indian, the pioneer. Emphasizes the fact that Alaska is a State with room for individual expression. [27 minutes, color.]

Wednesday, March 22  "Wonderful World of San Francisco." -Full of excitement, scenic beauty and startling contrasts, this dazzling film about San Francisco will appeal to everyone. Brilliant photography. Songs by Tony Bennett. [28 minutes, color.]

Wednesday, April 5   "Miss Goodall & Chimps." -This is an Encyclopaedia Britannica film which was shown on television. A young woman scientist's five years in the jungle is shown in a very interesting manner. [28 minutes, color.]

Wednesday, April 19  "Variation on an Italian Theme." -Charming color vignettes reveal a side of Italy rarely photographed and little known to travelers. Film shows an American girl bicycling along back roads of Aosta, where every bend uncovers a castle or farmhouse unchanged since the Middle Ages. Visit a blacksmith in a remote mountain cabin; a young boy who charms his guests with hospitality; and a respect for family traditions. [28 minutes, color.]

MORE HONORS FOR MILDRED BATECHLDER

Former CSD and YASD Executive Secretary, Miss Mildred Batchelder, was voted the recipient of the Constance Lindsay Skinner Award for 1967, an award given by the Women's National Book Association for outstanding general contribution to the world of books. The Award will be presented to Miss Batchelder at a dinner to be held in Chicago on May 18, 1967.

The Catholic Library Association High School Libraries Section Newsletter for Winter, 1967, announces that Mildred Batchelder will be presented with a Certificate of Merit Award at the annual CLA convention in Cleveland on Wednesday, March 31, 1967. There is a nice write-up of her in the newsletter, too. The other recipient of a Certificate of Merit will be Francis Keppel, the former Commissioner of Education and Assistant Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, (for Education).