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The Rare Books and Manuscripts Section of the Association of College and Research Libraries, a division of the American Library Association, will sponsor a Preconference in Los Angeles, June 21 - 23, 1973, on "Pacific Coast Research Collections."

Representatives from California libraries will discuss their special collections and answer questions about their research materials. Other speakers will present talks on the southern California book trade, California book clubs, and cultural thieves. Robert L. Collison will discuss the training of manuscript and special collections librarians. Panels will consider collections for the study of ethnic groups and the handling of new types of special collections (slides, film research, and oral history).

Participants in the Preconference will tour several locations, including the Henry E. Huntington Library, the Southwest Museum and Library, the UCLA special collections, and Los Angeles antiquarian booksellers.

The Preconference fee for non-ALA members is \$80 if paid by May 15, \$90 if paid after May 15. The fee for non-ALA members is \$100. Registration will be limited to two hundred persons. Registration materials and further information may be obtained from the ACRL Office, American Library Association, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago, IL 60611.