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Message from your new Director.

"Not too long ago I was told that the function of the director was to say 'yes' or 'no' (wisely if possible) to various proposals presented. Tonight I am faced with the proposal from the Chairman of our section that I contribute a Message to the first Newsletter of her regime. Obviously this is involvement beyond a mere 'yes' or 'no'. Disillusionment is being experienced.

"Seriously and sincerely may I say that our section has the challenge of being of worth to us individually as well as collectively. Whether we meet this challenge successfully, whether we achieve and maintain an alive and useful section, whether we establish an organ for an exchange of ideas, policies, practices, problems, and objectives peculiar to the junior college field is wholly up to you. Your active participation is absolutely necessary if we meet the challenge. Personally I feel that the challenge will be met. I am looking forward to meeting you at conferences and to hearing you in various forums and discussions.

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"Harassed as I am at the moment with attending to the details concerned with a book fair scheduled to occur within a week, I should have warned you that my message, if you must call it that, is uninspired and little more than a mere greeting. The Season's Greetings and Wishes of Merry Christmas and Happy New Year for each and every one of you."

Chicago Conference

Chicago was considerate in giving us comfortably cool weather for the July meeting, and our hosts did everything to make our stay enjoyable. At the Junior College meeting on Tuesday evening, July 11, there were 19 members and about an equal number of guests present. The members, from widely scattered regions, included our new secretary from Everett, Washington, and two of the regional chairmen from the Atlantic seaboard.

Mr. Donald E. Thompson, Director of Libraries at Mississippi State College, whose article on the self-survey of the University of Alabama Libraries you may have read in College and Research Libraries, April 1947, gave a helpful and stimulating talk on "Self-Survey Methods for the Junior College Library". Since this paper will probably be published in College and Research Libraries, no attempt to summarize it will be made here.

Incidentally, I hope everyone realizes that beginning with July 1952, all members of ACRL paying dues of \$5.00 or more - and all Junior College Section members are of course first members of ACRL - will receive College and Research Libraries as part of their membership.

At the business meeting of the Section after Mr. Thompson's talk, Miss Maysie Pierce reported for the Statistics committee on the postcard questionnaire which the Committee conducted to ascertain the interest of the membership in the collection and publication of statistics for junior college libraries. After some discussion it was voted to disband the committee and drop the project of collecting statistics.

On Wednesday morning 15 members of the Section enjoyed a delicious breakfast at Stouffer's Restaurant arranged by Miss Elizabeth J. Highfield. This meeting afforded an additional opportunity to get acquainted and to discuss common problems informally.

Nominating Committee for 1952.

The Chairman has appointed the following nominating committee:
Miss Gwendolyn Fisher, Lyons Township Junior College, La Grange, Illinois, Chairman;
Miss Elizabeth Neal, Compton Jr. College Library, Compton, California; Miss Lucille C. Rotchford, Georgia Military College, Milledgeville, Georgia.

Directories.

There are still copies of the Directory available. The price is 75¢ and orders should be sent to Miss Gwendolyn Fisher.

Midwinter 1952

Midwinter meeting of the A.L.A. will be held at the Edgewater Beach Hotel in Chicago, January 29- February 2.

If you cannot get away for the whole meeting, plan at least to attend the meeting of the Junior College Section on Friday, February 1, at 2:30 p.m. Our

speaker will be Professor William C. Brink of Northwestern University who will speak on "Trends in Junior College Education." In addition to carrying on our libraries efficiently, we all feel the need of keeping in touch with the general educational trends in our own field. Here is our chance!

Mr. Frank J. Bertalan, editor, will give a final report on the "List of Library Materials for Junior Colleges" and will outline a plan for supplements to keep the list current.

Best wishes to you all for Christmas and the New Year, and I hope to see many of you at the midwinter meeting.

Sincerely,

Mary E. Kauffmann, Chairman