

June 19-27, 1995, Newbold College, Bracknell, Berkshire, England

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### **Monday, June 19**

Arrival and registration.

6:30 p.m. Harry Leonard gave a walking tour of Binfield.

### **Tuesday, June 20**

All day Cotswolds-Stratford Tour.

### **Wednesday, June 21**

8:30 a.m. Helen Pearson provided worship talk.

9:00 a.m. Welcome by Svein Myklebust, Academic Dean at Newbold. This was followed by a welcome by Harvey Brenneise, ASDAL president. He noted the conference location being held outside of North American, and related some of his own memories of Newbold.

9:20 a.m. Taylor Ruhl presented a paper, ["An American in England: British Libraries from an American Perspective."](#) Taylor spent time at Oxford while pursuing his graduate studies. The following abstract was provided by Taylor.

Abstract: Two distinct differences set British higher education apart from American higher education. First, Great Britain has almost no private institutions as they exist in the U.S., and none comparable in size or significance to private institutions like Harvard or Stanford. Most British universities are 90% government funded. Second, the great British universities, such as those at Oxford and Cambridge, are served by a number of independent "college" libraries in addition to their great "university" libraries. British academic librarianship includes almost nothing comparable to the small private college libraries common in the United States. The concerns of British academic libraries might be expected, then, to differ significantly from those of American academic libraries. The Higher Education Funding Councils for England, Scotland, Wales, and Northern Ireland commissioned a study of the status of library service. The Report of the Commission recognized early on that many of the issues identified and considered "need to be set in an international context where the U.K. is only one of many players." American and British academic libraries share significant concerns. Perhaps the greatest difference is in

the problems the British face due to significant enrollment increases. This study considers the changing nature of teaching and learning, the nature of library collections, access to information, the provision of library staffing, and funding concerns. It is instructive to see that others face problems similar to those of the United States and to see how they respond.

10:20 a.m. Per Lisle presented a paper, "[Sharing Human and Electronic Resources: An European Perspective.](#)" European SDA libraries are different than those of the U.S. notes Per. He provided the following abstract.

Abstract: This paper falls into three distinct parts. The first gives a brief overview of what there are in terms of libraries and library-like institutions in Europe. As far as academic libraries are concerned, there are only four, all of which are linked to colleges of higher education. In addition, significant resources are held in union archives and secondary school and church libraries. Historically there has been very little cooperation between those in charge of these collections. Steps are now being taken to rectify this situation. There is also a need for more research into what resources are available in European Adventist libraries.

The second part of the paper deals with the question of resource sharing in the British library community. The focus is on electronic resources, and UK based Internet services like JANET, NISS and BUBL are presented. The British library and information community has access to all the resources available on the Internet. In the past access to the net has been a problem for privately funded institutions, but this is now changing. A more general problem is that of congestion which renders the net useless at times.

The last part of the paper presents a sample of some ideas currently being debated in British librarianship. Richard Heseltine argues that the changing nature of education will force radical changes on libraries supporting higher education and that their role will be completely transformed. They will no longer be the typical student's main source of information. Electronically networked information will take over completely. There is no need to agree with Heseltine, but some of his ideas on decentralized electronically networked higher education must be of interest both to Adventist librarians and educators.

3:15 p.m. Report on breakout sessions.

### **School libraries**

Enjoyed talking together

ASDAL has important role in future

Language a problem, such as Portuguese or Croatian. No material in native language

Book system for ASDAL newsletter

**Public Services** Statistics collection important for circulation and reference

Should student workers answer reference questions?

patrons complained student worker would not answer questions

perhaps give guidelines to student workers on what they can answer  
Enforcing circulation policies  
suggest one person make final decision as to whether fines, etc. are forgiven  
How do we take care of questions relating to CD-ROM searching?  
cheat sheet for each database  
patrons not knowledgeable about which database to use  
- need assistance  
Andrews offers workshops, Loma Linda offers classes  
Training students and faculty  
we take initiative  
Evaluation of bibliographic instruction  
some ask for input  
Technical services  
Discussed current systems, most satisfied  
Significant contribution from Russian librarian  
transliteration tables needed  
Heritage and special collections a challenge  
Discussed various cataloging issues  
Is any library collecting all SDA materials?  
Andrews and Loma Linda Universities  
Does anybody want Russian stuff?  
Periodicals classified vs. alphabetized  
compact shelving suggests better to classify  
Indexes - in reference or separate  
Acquisitions - outsourcing - no one does it  
Ordering and evaluation of standing orders

### **Director's session**

Document delivery, especially North America  
Library accreditation  
ASDAL and non American libraries  
develop ASDAL booklink  
- bibliography of what is available  
help with library services and practices  
staff exchange program  
SDA depository library for each division  
ASDAL statistics useful for overseas libraries  
Overseas librarians met later in evening after dinner

### **Thursday, June 22**

8:30 a.m. Worship. Derek Beardsell, President of Newbold College, gave a history of school followed by worship talk using Proverbs 1:7 as a basis. Discussed knowledge vs. wisdom.

9:02 a.m. Keith Clouten. ["Sharing Expertise and Resources: A North American Perspective"](#) Keith provided the following summary:

Abstract: Sharing of library resources with overseas libraries used to be a simple and often clumsy operation involving exchange of duplicate lists, sending of gift materials, etc. In the 1990's sharing has taken on new meaning and possibilities as we come to grips with the age of electronic information and communication. We may visualize an Adventist "global electronic village" involving the multi-directional sharing of information between libraries all around the world.

9:54 a.m. Arthur Winzenried. ["Sharing Expertise and Resources: An Australian Perspective"](#)

Abstract: Australia feels isolated. It is about the size of North America and 1/10th the population. Distance is a cost factor. Things tend to be slow. It is difficult to get into the Internet. He noted that Australia is doing it themselves and described a case study at Lilydale Adventist Academy. He mentioned a number of factors that affected the situation at Lilydale including their emphasis on contemporary resources, and a need to serve clients during odd hours. There was in place a commitment to Microsoft products including Windows. Space was limited in the library, and there was only one librarian. They selected Imagine 3 as the program of choice which runs within a Windows NT Advanced Server Environment. With this system, library circulation operates in the usual way for any item in any medium and cataloging is done in US MARC format, and all mediums are in a common catalog. Search strategies can be customized with enormous flexibility and personalization. Networking is available for remote sites. The result at Lilydale Adventist Academy has shown that students have adapted well to the new computer environment. Common cataloging for all types of materials has proven to be an asset. Remote access has been successful. It is thought that cooperation between institutions could probably save a considerable amount of money. How much can be done depends largely at this point on the directions chosen by Adventist educational administration.

11:15 a.m. **Business session.**

Harvey Brenneise brought the meeting to order.

Secretary's report:

**MOTION:** "That the minutes of the 1994 meeting with corrections be accepted."  
**Carried.**

A corrected copy was given to the current secretary. It was noted that it has been difficult to get the statistics returned promptly from the various libraries.

Treasurer's report:

Harvey Brenneise presented the report as the treasurer was absent. Report was handed out to those present. Harvey noted that it was nice to have a healthy balance.

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**ASSOCIATION OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST  
LIBRARIANS**

**Treasurer's Report  
June 16, 1995**

|                                    |            |            |
|------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Balance on hand June 30, 1994      |            | \$3,268.02 |
| INCOME:                            |            |            |
| dues                               | 1,145.00   |            |
| subscriptions                      | 70.00      |            |
| scholarship                        | 240.00     |            |
| '94 conference refund              | 1,000.00   |            |
| '95 conference                     | 1,570.00   |            |
| interest                           | 10.39      |            |
| TOTAL:                             | \$4,035.39 | \$4,035.39 |
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|                                    |            | \$7,303.41 |
| EXPENSES:                          |            |            |
| elementary/secondary<br>brochure   | 259.81     |            |
| nonprofit corporation fee          | 20.00      |            |
| ACTION                             | 362.21     |            |
| 1995 supplies                      | 121.54     |            |
| conference                         | 1,632.17   |            |
| plaque                             | 31.95      |            |
| TOTAL:                             | \$2,427.68 | \$2,427.68 |
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| Balance on hand June 15, 1995      |            | \$4,875.73 |
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| Lincoln SDA Credit Union - 3-31-94 |            | \$3,535.93 |
| Interest income                    |            | \$137.36   |
| Lincoln SDA Credit Union - 3-31-95 |            | \$3,673.29 |
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**MOTION:** "That we accept the treasurer's report." **Carried.**

There was some discussion regarding the end of the fiscal year, noting that June 30 was a difficult deadline.

**MOTION:** "That the fiscal year be changed to May 31." **Carried.**

Election of Resolutions Committee:

The following were nominated for the resolutions committee. Arthur Winzenried, Marley Soper, Lorraine Grace, Belvina Barnes, Stan Cottrell, Sally Alger. The top three were selected, being,

Arthur Winzenried  
Marly Soper  
Sally Alger

New letterhead:

Harvey Brenneise showed new letterhead. Chloe Foutz expressed appreciation for Violet's hard work.

Marilyn Crane announcement--

offered bibliography of Ellen G. White titles. Those outside North America may make copies at 5 cents per page while at ASDAL. If from North America, she will photocopy and mail a copy for about \$10.00.

Conference Proceedings.

Should they be included in ASDAL Action? Discussion-- perhaps send with the fall issue. Might put abstracts in minutes. Concerns raised about overseas postage. Better separate for postage.

**MOTION:** "To publish conference proceedings separately and include membership form to be mailed to members." [It is understood that the ASDAL Action editor will compile and distribute them.]

SDA Advisory Committee Report given by Stan Cottrell.

4 out of 5 members present. The meeting was chaired by Stan Cottrell in the absence of Mark Copey. Lorraine Grace gave prayer. Keith Clouten voiced his concern about continuing as editor. Andrews University doesn't use the SDA Classification Scheme which makes it difficult for him to continue supervision. It was moved and voted that Marilyn Crane become editor and Keith Clouten be production manager. It was suggested to include an example of how to use system.

Warren Johns announced that a bibliography of theological books is available from the Andrews University Library.

Harvey read letter from Floda Smith sending her greetings to the delegates.

End of Business session. [Group was dismissed to have picture taken.](#)

1:30 p.m. Gilberto Abella's paper read: "[Bridging the Information Gap: SDA Higher Education Facing the Information Revolution](#)" Gilberto provides the following abstract:

Abstract: This paper provides a quick overview of the challenges facing the libraries in developing nations and articulates a set of proposals to increase their access to information. The suggestions offered focus on what S.D.A. librarians can do to increase cooperation, resource sharing, and technical development among denominational institutions all around the world. Some financial proposals were discussed, but the central point of the paper is on what can be done with inexpensive and easily accessible technology, namely FIDONET. With this low tech solution, even the poorest libraries would be able to communicate with the Internet.

### **Business session continued.**

Harvey Brenneise presides. Keith Clouten announced that Atlantic Union College had invited ASDAL to hold their 1996 Conference at AUC. He recommended that the Conference run from Tuesday through Friday or Sabbath.

**MOTION:** "To have conference at AUC next year prior to ALA." **Passed.**

Overseas librarian coordinator's report given by Keith Clouten.

Suggested establishing a small office to provide assistance overseas in areas such as acquisitions, cataloging, and periodical subscriptions. Publish newsletter. This will be called SAIL, Services to Adventist Institutional Libraries and will be housed at Andrews University.

Scholarship and Awards Committee report from Chris Cicchetti read by Harvey Brenneise.

Recommendations from committee include:

- Remove question pertaining to health from application form and reference request form.
- Remove GRE scores from list of application requirements.
- Remove requirement mentioned in cover letter that applicants "...study at least one full academic year on a full-time basis", and therefore change the letter to read that applicants must "expect to complete their degree within two years of the date of the application."

### **MOTION:**

"Remove GRE scores from list of application requirements." **Passed.** "Remove questions pertaining to health." **Passed.** "Accept recommendation of committee regarding extension

to time to complete degree to two years with exception that statement be changed to read 'within two years of the date of matriculation.'" **Passed.**

Other items from the Scholarship and Awards Committee include the following:

Report of ASDAL Scholarship Committee-- Scholarship which would normally have been given in June 1994, was awarded in April 1995 to Sarah Endres. We are now back on schedule with a second award in June, 1995. It was decided by the committee that if an applicant is related to a committee member, that committee member should abstain from voting.

Harvey read about award of scholarship to Mr. Vasilij Osadchuck.

**Motion:** "Moved that the resolutions committee be instructed to extend ASDAL's appreciation for exceptional work by the Scholarship and Awards Committee during the 1994-95 fiscal year." **Passed.**

Harvey read note from Mr. Osadchuck, who received scholarship.

Literary Awards Committee--

Harvey presented the report of Ruth Stickney in which she noted several problems. Among the problems listed were poor timing, as well as lack of time to read the materials. Suggested that consultants such as college English teachers or selected authors be more heavily utilized to assist with the selection process. The group really needs to meet two or three times per year; the Conference meeting is not sufficient to accomplish goals. Further, not all the committee members are always at the Conference. Teleconferencing might be one solution. Ruth recommended that the literary awards continue to be awarded by ASDAL on a semi-annual rotating basis to fiction on odd years and non-fiction on even years, with separate awards for young adult and children's literature being given alternate years. The award should be determined by a standing committee. Contacts should include publishing houses, college and university teachers of English, young adult literature, and children's literature, as well as ASDAL officers for preparation of plaque. Deadlines should be created for various steps. Requests for recommendations for awards should be made to college teachers as soon as lists are submitted from publishing houses. Consultants should return their recommendations by the deadline. Books with the highest number of recommendations would then be passed on to committee members to read. The finalists would then be selected by the committee via a phone teleconference. The final selection should be prepared six weeks prior to the ASDAL Conference and the author(s) be invited for the presentation at the ASDAL Awards Ceremony. Ruth also recommended that study be given to a means of encouraging publishers to make use of the market advantage of advertising the selected title as recipient of the ASDAL award. It was recommended that the awards for current year be skipped, and that the following recommendations be discussed and voted at the 1995 meeting. It was mentioned that



entire membership be encouraged to recommend books. Harvey suggested sending Ruth's report to the Constitution and Bylaws Committee, which was done.  
ASDAL membership.

Harvey will distribute applications to all interested meeting attendees. Mineola Dixon, Membership Coordinator, asked how we should recognize new members; suggested we should publicly recognize new members, put ribbon in folders, gifts, etc.; suggested orientation for new members.

## **School reports**

### Caribbean Union College (Trinidad)

will expand library 6,000 square feet to chapel  
will have two librarians starting in July  
excellent computer system for its size

### University of Eastern Africa (Kenya)

statistics read  
recommendation read concerning library

### Romanian Adventist Theological Institute

forced to move from former location  
will be large enough  
no professional librarian  
books in transit via ADRA from US

### Danish Junior College

statistics  
automation just starting

### Friedensau Theological Graduate School (Germany)

statistics  
cold war finished  
new building two years ago  
archive for European Adventist history  
- need new building

### Pakistan Adventist Seminary

statistics  
new library, moved in December 1993

Zaokski Theological Seminary (Russia)

statistics

just moved into new facility, from two rooms to four floor library  
new software system for putting holdings into MARC format  
open stacks

Adventist University of West Africa (Nigeria)

statistics

got second professional librarian this year

Montemorelos University (Mexico)

statistics

would like to see ASDAL meeting at Montemorelos

Haitian Adventist College

background

statistics

Adventist Agricultural-Industrial Academy (Brazil)

statistics

5:30 p.m. Windsor, Eton, Runnymede tour.

### **Friday, June 23**

All day Oxford Tour.

8:00 p.m. Vespers.

### **Sabbath, June 24**

8:45 a.m. Divine Service with Warren Johns, AU Seminary Librarian.

10:00 a.m. Sabbath School.

11:15 a.m. Divine Service with David Cox, Newbold College Church pastor.

2:00-5:00 p.m. Afternoon tour of the garden at Virginia Water.

8:00 p.m. Sunset worship service.

## **Sunday, June 25**

8:35 a.m. Worship with Borge Schantz.

Comments about "Your Muslim Neighbor and You." Also spoke about getting along with others and providing space.

9:00 a.m. Panel -- Arthur Winzenried, Carolyn Gaskell, Adu Worku, Harvey Brenneise. **"Where do we go from here?"**

Panel discussion to entertain questions and summarize conference. What can we do now, with support? Suggest ASDAL make resolution regarding academy librarians, that they not teach more than two classes per year. Does ASDAL see itself as providing leadership in this direction? Is that part of where we go from here? Perhaps we need lobbying efforts at the General Conference and elsewhere. There is a lack of understanding about what librarians can and should do. Their role is not clear. How do we foster understandings? Just setting standards won't solve things. One thought, how do our church schools compare with other schools? One answer might be found in vigilance. Cooperation is important, more is needed. We do work well with neighboring libraries, perhaps more than we cooperate with other SDA institutions. Cooperation allows breaks with vendors. The developing world needs cooperation with expertise, discarded materials, outdated computers. Perhaps the third world should send someone here. A subcommittee might recommend computers and systems. Electronic sharing may help and there is no shipping. Maybe set up ASDAL booklink; need organization to coordinate such. Perhaps not good to send materials overseas as current items are needed. Electronic materials are current, although some areas, such as theology never go out of date. Exchange is a possibility, especially in North America. Needs lists a possibility. The Catholic Church in Australia has a 1,000 book CD-ROM to avoid distasteful stuff on the Internet. Missionary spirit needed to bind us together.

10:35 a.m. **Business session.**

Harvey notes that Resolutions Committee will report at banquet.

Seventh-day Adventist Periodical Index Board Report, given by Keith Clouten.

The board meets twice a year with the main meeting in February. At ASDAL it reviews budgets, etc. Problems-- lost GC support without warning. Thankful for emergency funds, particularly to Gordon Madgwick. Has full-time salaried editor, no editorial assistant. Now manages with one full-time person. North American Division institutions assist financially based on enrollment. Decided to base each year's billing on last year's enrollment and will bill in the fall rather than spring as previously was the practice. This way amount will be known. Will base institution billing on cost of living adjustments. (Amount for budgeting purposes per student increases annually as cost of living published by General Conference.) With this arrangement it should work in the future. This year expect small surplus. Approximately \$32,000 billed to North American

institutions. Some pay up to \$4,000-\$5,000 though the average is \$1,000 to \$2,000. This is the 25th year, 1971-1995. Only significant reference resource the SDA Church puts out. The index is available in print and electronic formats. Mounted on JeWeL at Andrews, it is available through the Internet. Eventually may cease to print the index when Internet is available almost everywhere. What about CD-ROM? We have talked about it, but do not have the staff to do three formats. One idea is to put out as CD-ROM with full text in cooperation with publishers. Harvey notes that there is still a lot to do, particularly retrospectively. Indexing can be done remotely as well.

Cooperative Information Access Committee. Harvey Brenneise reported.

Intended to do survey to find what electronic index libraries use; this was never done. Much interest expressed in communal access of electronic indexes. Opened for discussion, Keith noted cooperation important and proposed the following motion.

**MOTION:** "That we establish a task force on international cooperation. To look fairly broadly about the way we can cooperate, and present a report at next year's ASDAL meeting." **Carried.**

Ad hoc committee nominated. It is noted that five is the standard number for ASDAL committees. The following were nominated:

Keith Clouten  
Margaret Adeogun  
Gilbert Abella  
Clinton Wahlen  
Arthur Winzenried

**MOTION:** "That the nominations cease and they be accepted as a committee." **Carried.**

Any other old business?

Harvey Brenneise noted obituary index continues under direction of Adventist Heritage Center; noted that Walla Walla College helps. Also noted that SDA librarians listserv is available at Andrews University.

New Business:

Arthur Winzenried read a rather long motion which reads as follows:

**MOTION:** "That ASDAL as representative of the Seventh-day Adventist librarian prepare a paper (possibly as the result of subcommittee action) setting out clearly and forcibly the role of a librarian, the importance of that role to the whole curriculum and the extreme importance of larger libraries (e.g. those of more than 300 clients) having at least one full-time, qualified librarian in order to effectively support the curriculum. That this statement be prepared and then presented to General Conference, to Union and Division

educational and senior administrative people as a basis for policy formulation and a statement from the International Professional Association." **Carried.**

Harvey Brenneise suggested that a committee be elected. This will be handled by the ASDAL officers who will be expected to carry out the motion.

Harvey Brenneise suggested the establishment of an ASDAL Home Page and volunteered to do it.

**MOTION:** "That Harvey Brenneise establish an ASDAL Home Page as he volunteered to do." **Carried.**

There was discussion relating to depository status so that an SDA library would get all SDA publications.

Africa, for example, needs access, at least on a continental basis. Harvey suggested each division work out its own depository arrangement with their own division publishing houses.

**MOTION:** That "Officers of ASDAL explore the possibility of establishing a liaison to the General Conference Department of Education and the publishing houses with an eye to having publishers provide copies of the publications to the libraries where each Ellen G. White Center is located." **Carried.**

Clinton Wahlen noted that he set up a display of hand produced books. He invited us to look. These will be sold to raise money.

### **School reports** (continued from previous meeting)

Middle East College (Lebanon)

statistics  
computer lab

Saleve Adventist Institute (France)

statistics  
Dewey  
CD-ROMs used  
no automation

Avondale College (Australia)

new building project  
electronic system being explored  
centennial

Pacific Union College

survey for WASC about user satisfaction

Oakwood College

school history

The new officers were installed, and Adu Worku adjourned meeting 12:30 p.m.

1:38 p.m. Ellen G. White Research Center Directors and ASDAL Joint Session.

First combined international meeting. Jim Nix gave the welcome. He gave a history of materials collected at the turn of century and North American College Heritage Rooms and E.G.W. Research Centers, and introduced the new director of the White Estate, Juan Viera. Prayer was given by Harvey Brenneise. Reports were given by various Research Center directors as to what they contain.

3:25 p.m. Panel discussion: **"Cooperation in Collecting and Preserving Adventist Resources"**

Keith Clouten (moderator), Alan Lindsay, Alberto Timm, I.J. vanZyl, Marilyn Crane, Warren Johns, Per Lisle

Relationship of particular center and library:

- Newbold College Library and E.G.W. Center work as a unit
- Andrews University-- E.G.W. Center and Heritage Center in basement, but as a separate entity. Books in JeWeL
- Loma Linda University-- cooperation evident between E.G.W. Branch Office and Archives/Special Collections. 1/2 time person does each, i.e. 1/2 + 1/2 = full
- Avondale-- library and center though independent, work together
- Brazil-- Center located downstairs in library building. Putting both E.G.W. Resource Center and library holdings on computer
- Helderberg-- "get on quite well together" though there is some rivalry as to which gets what material. Most patrons for E.G.W. Center come from College library

Keith noted that there is a fair degree of cooperation, but wonders about "friendly rivalry." Is there a clear cut development policy? Per noted that E.G.W. Center is a reference collection. There is not generally duplication between collections. Bill noted that Andrews has no collection development policy. Marilyn noted that Heritage collection has policy and is not aware of E.G.W. Branch policy. Alan indicated that they have no policy, and that there is an overlap, and space is a problem. Alberto stated that the policy is to keep whatever Adventists publish in Heritage center. I.J. vanZyl remarked that they have no high vision of collection as they have no space. They are more interested in microfiche. Books are collected to get copy of each edition of E.G.W. books. They leave the rest to the library.

## Questions:

- How do we have bibliographic control in E.G.W. Centers? Are materials included in the library catalog?
  - Andrews-- Catalogs materials on JeWeL, but some are not cataloged
  - LLU-- Books/pamphlets 90% cataloged. 50% in electronic catalog
  - Avondale-- All are cataloged in the library catalog
  - Brazil-- Document file not yet done
  - Helderberg-- Rare books in library
- Is more cooperation desirable? If so, how can we achieve it? (Question directed to both panel and audience)
  - Per-- Both library and Center can benefit. College can contribute cataloging, Center can contribute expertise and additional materials
  - Marilyn-- Cooperate on what is contained within the collection
  - Chloe-- Stress using international standards such as MARC for cooperation
  - Juan Viera-- Would like to recommend a written policy and that an electronic standard be developed
  - Margaret von Hake-- Notes that host library needs to make sure security measures are adequate
- We've discussed gives and have nots, and talked about sharing of resources. Any procedure in place for sharing with other parts of the world?
  - Per-- Newbold has ongoing program with Baltic States, also sells materials to students at a favorable price. He noted the need for a system to facilitate sharing
  - Andrews noted electronically networked library could have a bulletin board

Comment by Keith Clouten on action-- ASDAL task force is being set up to spend time looking at ways of international cooperation

## 4:45 p.m. Panel discussion: "Using Electronic Resources"

Merlin Bert (moderator), William Fagal, Timothy L. Poirier, Harvey Brenneise, Marilyn Crane.

- What type of possibilities currently exist to enhance the resources and communication of libraries and research centers?
  - E-mail is a goal for internal and external communication
  - SDA Periodical Index available online
  - Andrews posted "Steps to Christ" and "Conflict of Ages" to net. WAIS access available also. White Estate Branch Office at Andrews has placed the entire E.G. White writings on the Internet.
- What one thing do you find most exciting about the electronic age?
  - Tim-- Power at one desk, can research databases

- Harvey-- Combining of computing and telecommunications; also World Wide Web
- William-- agrees
- Marilyn-- Computers have revolutionized cataloging, and we now have sophisticated searching
- What are challenges to taking technologies to whole world?
  - Access a big problem, but changing
  - Trying to keep up with changes
- Can SDA Periodical Index be produced on CD-ROM?
  - Answer-- Problem is money.
- What does future hold?
  - Tim-- Review and Herald putting Bible Commentary and SDA Encyclopedia on CD-ROM. Photographs being put on CD-ROM
  - Harvey-- Noted above could be available on net. Preservation by digitization. An area of concern is preservation of electronic communication
  - William Fagal notes that White Estate will "be there"
  - Marilyn Crane-- Hopes to have in place global communication to share mail and information

Conclusion: God has opened up avenue to spread Gospel to every nation, kindred, tongue, and people.

7:39 p.m. Banquet

Delegates had dinner after partaking of juice in the lobby. The welcome was delivered by Per Lisle, and prayer by Adu Worku. Meal included starter of grapefruit slices, mandarin orange slices and one cherry. Dinner included vege-steaks, macaroni casserole, pizza, stuffed potatoes, garlic bread, and three kinds of salad.

The speaker was Dennis Porter, manuscript librarian at the Bodleian Library at Oxford where he collected manuscripts relating to American history and cataloged for the Bodleian. From 1958 to 1988 he worked in the Dept. of Western Manuscripts, but did not work on Saturdays. At times his religion became an embarrassment. He put on exhibition of manuscripts relating to the Reformation and no one showed up! Another incident included English students at Newbold who toured the Bodleian. One of these students stole a manuscript, as well as something else, and was caught by police. It was very embarrassing! He told many other stories relating to the Bodleian. Some stories touched Adventism and most were amusing.

Resolutions Committee Report

- **Whereas** our ASDAL President, Harvey Brenneise and our ASDAL President elect Adu Worku have spent endless hours in preparations and planning for this Conference with considerable success, and, **Whereas** it is probably impossible to



compensate them for their work, **Be it resolved** that this assembly of members show our appreciation by applause.

- **Be it resolved** that we not attend the Royal Shakespeare Theatre in Stratford-on-Avon again for at least three years unless softer seats are installed in the upper balcony so that Harvey Brenneise can sleep better during "Romeo and Juliet." **Be it resolved** that the next time we attend that Royal Shakespeare Theater that we want to see Mr. Worku act in the play entitled "Much Adu About Nothing."
- **Be it resolved** that the new president send letters of thanks to all those who presented the excellent papers and presented the inspirational worship talks and vespers.
- **Be it resolved** that the president of ASDAL write a letter of appreciation to Harry Leonard for his superb tours of Binfield and the Newbold Campus.
- **Whereas** long hours of preparation and planning have been added to their regular duties so that we might be comfortable, fed, toured, and accommodated, **Be it resolved** that the President of ASDAL write letters of appreciation to Per Lisle and to Annette Melgosa for their hard work and friendly cordial ways, and, **Be it resolved** to give them a round of applause.
- **Be it resolved** to ask our ASDAL president to write a letter of appreciation to the Newbold Administration thanking them for inviting us and hosting our meetings this year.
- **Whereas** Dr. Lee Parson was injured while in her room, **Be it resolved** that all bunk beds in rooms where ASDAL is held hereafter have guard rails with escalators for getting up and down therefrom.
- **Be it resolved** that at the next Conference Cynthia Helms be offered super glue to hold her name tag on.
- **Be it resolved** that Keith Clouten be congratulated on squeezing the conference in between his Boomerang Tours.
- **Be it resolved** that all of the Americans who came to the conference at Newbold, because of the jet lag, and the difficulty of staying awake during the meetings be considered by ASDAL to be nodding acquaintances.
- **Be it resolved** that a special letter of commendation be sent to the Scholarship and Awards Committee for their outstanding work this year.
- **Be it further resolved:**
  1. That Keith Clouten be congratulated for bravely resisting all inducements to lead an official ASDAL ten minute walk.
  2. That Jamie Walker be congratulated for being so clearly unconcerned about obtaining food locally at his earliest opportunity.
  3. That Chloe Foutz be congratulated for maintaining her perfect record of ASDAL Conference attendance.

Respectfully submitted by James Walker, ASDAL Secretary.

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