El paso del norte at the savage interior of an unmapped continent received its name twenty-two years before Pilgrim fathers set foot on the eastern coast of North America.

It was in the time of the second Philip of Spain, in the year 1598, that the conquistador Juan de Oñate with his company of soldiers and colonists forded a lonely desert river. It made a green welcome ribbon of cottonwood trees and bottomland grass through a sandy waste. Riding for a few leagues upstream, Oñate came to a defile where the river’s course abruptly cut through a steep-sided groove between foothills of bare mountains. The conquistador knew a strategic feature of terrain when he saw it. He named the narrow notch through which a living water flowed upon a dry wilderness El Paso del Norte, The Pass of the North. Then Oñate rode on with his company - to the north - to carve by force of arms a new province, New Mexico, at the remote periphery of remotest New Spain.

On the cruel road to the new province the pass became a familiar landmark and campsite, but waited sixty years for any permanent habitation. In 1659 a Franciscan mission was established a league below the pass, on the south side of the river. By the time another slowly moving Spanish Colonial century had gone by, the King’s visiting surveyor, Nicolás de Lafora, could report in 1776 that Paso del Norte was a string of hamlets and riverside farms making “a continuous settlement seven leagues long” inhabited by “5000 souls.”
Not until after 1827 were any houses built, or irrigation *acequias* dug, or lands cultivated, on the north bank of the river below the pass at the present site of El Paso, Texas. It became United States territory in 1848 and two nations suddenly faced each other across the desert river. Three decades later the little town on the far frontier edge of Texas was an adobe village of 700 not always peaceful and quiet inhabitants whose little farms and *ranchitos* shared the common waters of the life-giving Río Grande with the venerable parent-town, newly named Ciudad Juárez, across the river. The arrival of railways in 1881 changed everything, bringing crowds of drifters, growing pains, and riotous living to both towns at the pass. Then, before the turn of the century, law and order replaced riotousness; the frontier died while a busy, steadily increasing citizenry watched a raw town become a substantial city.

Now two substantial cities, together numbering more than a half million people, stand thriving at Juan de Oñate’s strategic pass on a teeming crossroad of a tamed continent. These people, Anglo and Latin, still share the life-giving waters of a river, still share in the singular character of a long past and a stony pass, in a land of little rain and vast space, of bare earth and strong sky.

—Tom Lea

*Spring, 1961*

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The illustration on the next page is from a book to be published next fall: *My Forty Years in El Paso, 1848-1898*, by W. W. Mills — a reprint with voluminous notes by Rex W. Strickland and more than twenty drawings by Tom Lea. In addition to the trade edition there will be 100 deluxe copies with a special print (23 x 16 inches) of early El Paso, done in two colors by Tom Lea, suitable for framing. To be designed and published by Carl Hertzog at El Paso.

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48th Annual Conference

TEXAS LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

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NEW MEXICO LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

April 12 - 16, 1961 at El Paso

Wednesday, April 12

2:00 PM Registration CORTEZ HOTEL LOBBY

2:00 PM Texas Regional Group of Catalogers and Classifiers TERRACE ROOM

PRESIDING: Mary Stone, Chairman
Head Cataloger, University of Texas Library

PROGRAM: “Catalog Code Revision: Its Background and Current Status”
MRS. ORCENA MAHONEY, Executive Secretary, Resources and Technical Services Division, American Library Association

Business Meeting

6:00 PM Dinner — TLA Executive Board MIRROR ROOM

PRESIDING: Ruth M. Junkin, President, Texas Library Association
Supervisor of Library Service, Austin Public Schools

7:00 PM Meeting — NMLA Executive Board
EL PASO PUBLIC LIBRARY, MARY I. STANTON ROOM

PRESIDING: Mrs. Bertha R. Allen, President, New Mexico Library Assn.
Librarian, Sandia Corporation Library, Albuquerque
Thursday, April 13

8:00 AM Registration                      CORTEZ HOTEL LOBBY

9:30 AM Public Libraries Division, TLA      SOUTH TERRACE ROOM

Presiding: Mrs. Phyllis Burson, Chairman
Librarian, La Retama Public Library, Corpus Christi
Business Meeting

10:00 AM Combined Meeting                   CRYSTAL BALLROOM

Public Libraries Division, Texas Library Association
Public Libraries Section, New Mexico Library Association

Presiding: Mrs. Phyllis Burson, Chairman
Public Libraries Division, Texas Library Association

Workshop: "Applying Today's Business Methods to Library Operation"

11:30 AM Public Libraries Section, NMLA     WEST TERRACE ROOM

Presiding: Octavia Fellin
Librarian, Gallup Public Library
Business Meeting

Inspection of Exhibits                      MEZZANINE HOTEL CORTEZ

2:00 PM First General Session              CRYSTAL BALLROOM

Presiding: Ruth M. Junkin, President
Texas Library Association

Program: "2,293,900 Children"
Welcome to the City by the Mayor of El Paso
Greetings from the El Paso Public Library Board of Trustees
IRVING SCHWARTZ, President
Introduction of Mary Gaver
DOROTHY J. WATKINS, New Mexico State Library Extension
Service, Santa Fe

"Beyond the Alps"
MARY GAVER, Associate Professor, Graduate School of Library
Service, Rutgers University

Greetings from the President, American Library Association
Introduction of Exhibitors and Local Committee Chairmen
ELIZABETH KELLY, Chairman, 1961 Conference
Announcements
Thursday (continued)

4:00 PM  Tea and Open House  EL PASO PUBLIC LIBRARY
      HOSTS: El Paso Public Library Board of Trustees

4:30 PM  Library Development Committee, TLA
      EL PASO PUBLIC LIBRARY, MARY I. STANTON ROOM
      PRESIDING: Genevieve Dixon, Chairman, Director, School of Library Science,
                    Texas Woman's University, Denton

4:30 PM  District Planning Committee, TLA
      EL PASO PUBLIC LIBRARY, MARY I. STANTON ROOM 2
      PRESIDING: Mrs. Joecile McDowell Maranta, Committee Chairman
                    Librarian, Dallas County Public Library

6:00 PM  Dinner — Combined Sponsorship
      TERRACE ROOM [OPEN TO EVERYONE]
      Public Libraries Section, New Mexico Library Association
      Public Libraries Division, Texas Library Association
      PRESIDING: William D. Gooch, Vice-Chairman, Public Libraries Division,
                    Texas Library Association
                    Bookmobile Librarian, Mary E. Bivins Memorial Library, Amarillo
      PROGRAM: Introduction of Rabbi Olan
                    MRS. LILLIAN M. BRADSHAW, Assistant Director,
                    Dallas Public Library
                    "Books and Modern Man"
                    RABBI LEVI OLAN, Temple Emanu-El, Dallas

Friday, April 14

7:30 AM  Breakfast  SUN ROOM
      Archives, State and Local History Division, TLA
      PRESIDING: James Day, Division Chairman
                    Archivist, Texas State Library
      PROGRAM: "Turmoil in New Mexico"
                    JOSEPH F. HALFIN, Administrator, State Records of New Mexico

7:30 AM  Breakfast — Executive Committee
      School Libraries Division, TLA  MIRROR ROOM
      PRESIDING: Travis E. Tyer, Chairman
                    Librarian, Seminole High School, Seminole
      Executive Committee Meeting, including present and incoming officers and district chairmen of TLA and TSTA
Friday (continued)

8:00 AM  New Mexico Library Association  South Terrace
PRESIDING:  Mrs. Bertha R. Allen, President
Business Meeting

9:00 AM  Texas Library Association  Crystal Ballroom
PRESIDING:  Ruth M. Junkin, President
Business Meeting
Teen Age Library Association Report
LOU WESCOTT, Seminole High School
Progress in the Texas State Library
MRS. ALBERT R. CAUTHORN, Texas Library and Historical Comm.

10:00 AM  Combined Meeting  El Paso Public Library,
SULLIVAN GALLERY
Children's Libraries Division, Texas Library Association
Children's, Young People's and School Libraries Section, New Mexico Library Association

PRESIDING:  Mrs. Gwen Alcorn, Chairman, Children's Libraries Division, Texas Library Association
Assistant Librarian, Andrews County Library, Andrews

PROGRAM:
"A Centennial Look at Confederate Children's Books"
DR. SARAH LAW KENNERLY, Professor of Library Science,
North Texas State College, Denton

10:00 AM  Trustees Division, NMLA  El Paso Public Library,
MARY I. STANTON [1]
PRESIDING:  Mrs. W. H. Gary, Chairman
Trustee, Hatch Public Library, Rincon
Business Meeting

10:00 AM  Friends of Texas Libraries  El Paso Public Library,
MARY I. STANTON [2]
PRESIDING:  Clay Bailey, Treasurer
Assistant District Director, Public Relations, U. S. Steel Corp., Houston
Business Meeting

12 NOON  Lunch – Friends of Texas Libraries  South Terrace
[ OPEN TO EVERYONE ]
PRESIDING:  Clay Bailey, Treasurer
Friday (continued)

PROGRAM:  “Law and Order – An Optimistic View”  
DILLON ANDERSON, Chairman, Texas Committee for National  
Library Week, Houston

12 NOON Lunch – Combined Meeting  
WEST TERRACE  
College Libraries Division, Texas Library Association  
Special Libraries Division, Texas Library Association  
Rio Grande Chapter, Special Libraries Association  
College, University and Special Libraries Section,  
New Mexico Library Association

PRESIDING:  W. Martin Speare, Chairman, College, University and  
Special Libraries Section, New Mexico Library Association  
Librarian, New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology, Socorro

PROGRAM:  “Adventures Among the Booksellers”  
EVERETT L. DeGOLYER, Jr.,  
Secretary, DeGolyer Foundation, Dallas

2:00 PM Combined Meeting  
CRYSTAL BALLROOM  
School Libraries Division, Texas Library Association  
Children’s, Young People’s and School Libraries Section,  
New Mexico Library Association

PRESIDING:  Travis E. Tyer, Chairman, School Libraries Division, Texas  
Library Association

PROGRAM:  “In Step With Today’s Educational Upheavals”  
MARY GAVER, Associate Professor, Graduate School of Library  
Service, Rutgers University

BUZZ SESSIONS — PANEL DISCUSSIONS  
ELENA DE VANLEY, Principal, Craft Elementary School, Carlsbad  
MIGNON R. GILBERT, Senior High School, Fort Stockton  
F. J. YOUNG, Superintendent, Seminole Public Schools, Seminole

2:00 PM Combined Meeting  
WEST TERRACE  
College Libraries Division, Texas Library Association  
Special Libraries Division, Texas Library Association  
Rio Grande Chapter, Special Libraries Association  
College, University and Special Libraries Section,  
New Mexico Library Association

PRESIDING:  Mrs. Ruth S. Wikoff, Chairman, College Libraries Division,  
Texas Library Association  
Librarian, University of Houston
Friday (continued)

PROGRAM: "Louisiana Recruiting Project"
JAMES S. COOKSTON, Director of Recruiting Project,
Louisiana State Library

Round Table Discussion: Cooperation Between College,
University and Special Libraries
W. MARTIN SPEARE, Moderator
CHESTER LINSCHIED
MRS. WILLIE D. SERVIS
AMMARETTE ROBERTS

2:30 PM Combined Meeting of Trustees
(Texas and New Mexico) LOWER VALLEY BRANCH LIBRARY
PRESIDING: Mrs. Jane Burges Perrenot, Trustee, El Paso Public Library

PROGRAM: "Spanish Books in the Southwestern Library"
DR. JOHN H. McNEELY, Associate Professor of History,
Texas Western College

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION:
"Public Relations Made Dynamic Through Community
Groups Such as Friends of the Library"

"Greater Service – A Trustee Responsibility"

"Meeting Community Needs Through a More Functional
Building"
MRS. W. H. GARY, Moderator

Tour of Lower Valley Branch Library, followed by trips to
the two branches under construction

4:00 PM College Libraries Division, TLA TERRACE
PRESIDING: Mrs. Ruth S. Wikoff, Chairman

Business Meeting

4:00 PM School Libraries Division, TLA TERRACE
PRESIDING: Tracis E. Tyler, Chairman

Business Meeting

4:00 PM Children's Libraries Division, TLA TERRACE
PRESIDING: Mrs. Gwen Alcorn, Chairman

Business Meeting
Friday (continued)

4:00 PM  Children's, Young People's and School Libraries 
Section, New Mexico Library Association 

PRESIDING:  MRS. MILDRED C. NEAL, CHAIRMAN 
Librarian, Carlsbad High School 
Business Meeting 

4:00 PM  Special Libraries Division, TLA 

PRESIDING:  MRS. YVONNE GREER, CHAIRMAN 
Librarian, El Paso Natural Gas Company 
Business Meeting 

4:00 PM  College, University and Special Libraries Section, 
New Mexico Library Association 

PRESIDING:  W. MARTIN SPEARE, CHAIRMAN 
Business Meeting 

6:00 PM  Library School Dinners 

NORTH TEXAS STATE COLLEGE, Dept. of Library Service 
PRESIDING:  DAVID A. WEBB, DIRECTOR 
TERRACE ROOM 

OUR LADY OF THE LAKE COLLEGE, Dept. of Librarianship 
PRESIDING:  SISTER JANE MARIE, C.D.P., HEAD 
TERRACE ROOM 

PROGRAM:  "The Library Is For All" 
LUCILE RALEY, Consultant for School Libraries, 
Waco Public Schools 

EAST TEXAS STATE COLLEGE, Department of Library Science 
PRESIDING:  DR. JOHN E. BURKE, DIRECTOR 
TERRACE ROOM 

PROGRAM:  "Expanding Horizons of Library Service" 
DR. JOHN E. BURKE 

"Progress in Implementing New ALA Standards for School 
Libraries in Texas" 
ORLAND (JACK) WAGES 

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, Graduate School of Library Science 
PRESIDING:  DR. R. R. DOUGLASS, DIRECTOR 
SUN ROOM 

TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY, School of Library Science 
PRESIDING:  MRS. MARYE JO SMITH 
Librarian, Panola College Library, Carthage 

TERRACE ROOM 

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Friday (continued)

PRATT INSTITUTE, Library School

PRESIDING: Elizabeth Kelly
Librarian, El Paso Public Library

PROGRAM: Adapting the East Orange Methods To The Southwest
LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY, Library School

PRESIDING: Frederica Killgore
Extension Loan Library, University of Texas

6:30 PM Dinner — Combined Meeting
Special Libraries Division, Texas Library Association
Rio Grande Chapter, Special Libraries Association

6:30 PM Dinner — Combined Meeting
Juarez
Charmant Cafe

8:00 PM Second General Session
Crystal Ballroom

PRESIDING: Mrs. Bertha R. Allen, President, New Mexico Library Assn.

PROGRAM: “1,300,650 Young People”

Introduction
JAMES D. MEEKS, Director, Dallas Public Library

“Three Sides of a Book”
FRED GIPSON, author of Old Yeller

ROBERT HUGH DUMAS, Coordinator of Young Adult Services
PAT MOORE, student, El Paso

Greetings from the President-Elect, SWLA
MATTIE RUTH MOORE, Library Consultant, Dallas Public Schools

Texas Library Association Awards
New Mexico Library Association Scholarship Award

Saturday, April 15

7:30 AM Breakfast
Mirror Room

Rio Grande Chapter, Special Libraries Association

PRESIDING: William Richardson, Chairman
Reference Librarian, Sandia Corporation, Albuquerque

Business Meeting

7:30 AM Breakfast — Combined Meeting
Terrace Room

Children’s Libraries Division, Texas Library Association
School Libraries Division, Texas Library Association
Children’s, Young People’s and School Libraries Section,
New Mexico Library Association
Saturday (continued)

PRESIDING: Travis E. Tyer, Chairman, School Libraries Division, Texas Library Association

8:30 AM Demonstration Story Hour
MRS. F. J. ALLEN, El Paso  CRYSTAL BALLROOM

10:00 AM Third General Session  CRYSTAL BALLROOM

PRESIDING: Mrs. Carolyn Marshall, President-Elect, New Mexico Library Association
            Librarian, Deming Public Library
            James D. Meeks, President-Elect, Texas Library Association

PROGRAM: “1,130,100 College and University Students”

Introduction of Lewis C. Branscomb
C. L. SONNICHSEN, author, Prof. of English, Texas Western College

LEWIS C. BRANSCOMB, Director, Ohio State University Library

An Appreciation of the Work of Carl Hertzog
ROLAND DICKEY, Director, Univ. of New Mex. Press, Albuquerque

National Library Week Reports:

TEXAS – Mrs. Dorothy Steinbomer, Executive Director, Texas Committee for National Library Week
            Librarian, San Antonio Public Library

NEW MEXICO – Mrs. Helen Redman, Executive Director, New Mexico Committee for National Library Week
            Librarian, Los Alamos Scientific Lab., Los Alamos

Introduction of Texas and New Mexico Delegates to
            ALA Tour of Swedish Libraries, 1960

MRS. HELEN C. LYNCH, member, New Mexico State Library
            Commission Librarian, Silver City Public Library

MRS. LILLIAN M. BRADSHAW
            Assistant Director, Dallas Public Library
Saturday (continued)

12 NOON Lunch – TLA

Present and Incoming Executive Boards

PRESIDING: Ruth M. Junkin, President, Texas Library Association

12 NOON Lunch – NMLA

Present and Incoming Executive Boards,
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Membership: Sister Jane Marie, c.d.p., Head, Department of Librarianship, Our Lady of the Lake College, San Antonio.

Publications: Mrs. Lucile Wilson, Assistant Librarian, Episcopal Theological Seminary Library, Austin.

Publicity: Cloyd H. McClung, Librarian, Tidwell Bible Library, Baylor University, Waco.

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