From the Editor...

By Paul Agristi

At its September meeting, the NMLA Executive Board appointed a permanent editor for the Newsletter, thus making it the first issue under the new editor — and it appears in a new format. Reasons for this were two-fold: 1) issues could be gotten out relatively quickly; and 2) it is less expensive than other types of printing processes. It is hoped that you will find the new format pleasing.

This issue is almost completely taken up with the publication of the NMLA membership list so the reporting on the activities is at a minimum. However, the new membership list has been printed, hence it would have been a scarcity of items to report. News items are requested for future issues. Criticism will also be helpful.

Since the last newsletter, the voters of New Mexico approved the college library bond issue by a $7.66 percent yes vote. The bond issue provides ten million dollars over the next five years to develop university library book collections. Now the public librarians of the State are looking forward to a bill which was introduced into the current session of the Legislature on January 17th. The bill asks for $275,000 in state aid for public libraries. The bill is a result of over four years of work and has been designed to achieve some of the goals of the Coordinated Library System. A draft copy of the bill along with an explanation of it has been distributed to public librarians by the Legislation Committee of NMLA. The Committee endorses the bill and asks for your assistance in achieving its passage. This can be done in several ways:

- Personal meetings with local legislators.
- Letters and resolutions in the legislatures.
- Attend the Hearings when the bill comes up in committee.
- Keep the Legislation Committee informed of any opposition.

With successful passage of the College Library Bond Issue for academic libraries, let's get behind this public library financial assistance act. With your support, it can be made a reality.

GROUP TRAVEL PROPOSAL

Are you interested in the benefits of group travel to the annual conference of the American Library Association at Las Vegas, Nevada this summer? Elinor McCloskey has made tentative arrangements with an Albuquerque travel agency. Round trip air fare from Albuquerque will be $64.00 if a minimum of 40 people take part. If less than 15 take part, the cost would be $79.00. While you are not leave from Albuquerque, you may return at different times and on different flights. If you are interested and would like more information, fill out and send in the coupon below.

TRANSLATIONS IN LIBRARIES

The Rio Grande Chapter of the Special Libraries Association will sponsor a regional workshop on the subject of dealing with translations in libraries. The workshop will be held in Albuquerque, New Mexico, on April 25-27, 1973. The program will include the use of bibliographic tools in locating existing translations, the use of procedures for both translated material and foreign language source materials, and procedures for having original translations prepared. Emphasis will be on the subject areas of science and technology. Additional information may be obtained from: Mrs. Ann G. Miller, Reference Librarian, Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory, P. O. Box 1663, Los Alamos, New Mexico 87544. (505-673-4175).

AD HOC COMMITTEE

At the November meeting of the National Society for Education, President Neil appointed the following ad-hoc committee to work with the National staff in a study of personnel structure, certification, and manpower studies: Helen Saunders, Highland High School, athlete; Ellen Egner, Carnegie Public Library, Las Vegas; Marilyn Wilson, Special Libraries Association, University of New Mexico; Lois Didone, Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory; Jeanne Winkles, Lovington Public Library; and Elizabeth Cooper, Los Alamos Public Library.

ATOMIC ENERGY INFO

Educational booklets prepared by the Atomic Energy Commission which explains the many uses of atomic energy, the various energy origins, and the relationship of nuclear power to the environment are available free to librarians and teachers. There are 38 titles in the series. Requests should be made on library stationary to USARO-Technical Information Center, P. O. Box 82, Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

INTERMOUNTAIN UNION LIST OF SIGNALS

The Arizona State Library Association announces the publication of the third edition of the Intermountain Union List of Signals. The two-volume set lists the serial holdings of 44 universities, college, public, and special libraries in Arizona and Nevada. There are 2,034 entries as compiled by Larry Kushen, Hayden Library, Arizona State University. Name and mailing address: 2331. The purchase price is $40.00.

50TH ANNIVERSARY

Among the suggestions for activities to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the New Mexico Library Association are: some of the most interesting is the possibility of a display and/or a slide program of librarians and libraries, both past and present. If you please do the following to help: Send photographs of your original library building (interior shots, too, if you have them) and the librarian at the time of founding, your present building (if different) and your own photograph. Local publications may be able to supply some photographs. Please include full information on dates, names, addresses, etc., along with any interest shown in use of the photograph. All photographs received will be placed in the NMLA Archives for possible use at the 75th or 100th celebration. Please send photographs to: Cecil F. Clotfelter, Technical Services Librarian, Eastern New Mexico University Library, Portales, New Mexico 88130.

LIBRARY ADMINISTRATOR'S DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

The School of Library and Information Services, University of Maryland, is now accepting applications for the 1973-1974 Assistant Vice President Library Administrators Development Program. Application should be submitted to the Director of the School of Library and Information Services, University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland 20742.

PEOPLE AND PLACES

BROOKE SHELDON, Head of the Library Development Division at the State Library has taken a leave of absence to become Associate Director of the Leadership Training Institute, a U.S. Office of Education HEW Title II program. JIM ESSICK is the new reference librarian and LOUISE BONDOW is the new cataloger at the New Mexico University... LOUISE MILLAR is the Head of the newly formed Information Services, Resources and Systems Division at the State Library... CAROLINE MARSHALL retired as Librarian at the Deming Public Library in November; MARGARET BURR, a member of the staff has been appointed her successor. JAMES JOHNSTONE took over as the Northwestern Regional Library from FREDRIKA SMITI who returned to her native West Virginia... JULIA WHITE is the new librarian at the Carlsbad branch of New Mexico State University. . . J.F. MOORE is the new Director of Media Services with the Albuquerque Public Schools... ESTA LEE ALBERT is now the Sanchez Library Director at the Library Development Division at the State Library... the ALBUQUERQUE PUBLIC LIBRARY held groundbreaking ceremonies for their three million dollar main library. THOMAS BRIGANZI MEMORIAL LIBRARY in Las Cruces hopes to start renovation of their building in January; the $1,000,000 cost is coming from Revenue Sharing funds. DEMING PUBLIC LIBRARY has received $30,000 in federal Library Services and Construction Act funds for construction of a children's wing costing $60,000.