

## EDITORIAL

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The theme for this issue is electronic publishing. The first article, by Dr. Charles Meadows, introduces the topic in general and gives an overview of the principal issues. Some of these are : the approach to writing that is required in this new medium, who owns the rights to electronic articles and journals, and how works published in this fashion could be retained for future generations. The problems and the possible impact of changes are presented logically, without suggesting solutions or panaceas. I hope that presenting the topic in this way will encourage our readers to think about the various problems and perhaps start a discussion on electronic publishing, by way of letters to the editor or any other form of communication.

The second article explores electronic publishing from the point of view of an education library, and tackles the issue in a very practical way. The writer, Vivienne Monty gives a brief overview of what electronic journals are, defines the terms used in this new milieu and offers a selected list of WEB journals of interest to education librarians. Monty also covers some of the issues, notably copyright.

Although the book reviews cover many diverse subjects, it should be noted that in keeping with the current theme, there is a review of a recent book edited by Dr. Meadows, entitled *Electronic Publishing: its Impact on Publishing, Education and Reading*, which should be of particular interest.

### IN MEMORIAM

It is with great sadness that we note the sudden passing of Murray Wortzel on January 30, 1997, following a heart attack.

Murray was a founding member of the Education Division, and the recipient of its Award for Professional Excellence in 1993. He was also a long-time member of the Social Sciences Division, serving as secretary-treasurer, chair and archivist. He was inducted into SLA's Hall of Fame in 1989. He attended the 1996 Boston SLA Conference where he had the mandate to write-up the presentations of the Education Division for the Newsletter of the Social Sciences Division.

He had a life-long association with social work education, and spent his career at the City University of New York, at Hunter and Lehman Colleges. He retired in 1989 with the faculty rank of Associate Professor, and later helped plan a library for a projected Lehman-Hiroshima joint educational venture.

He was a kind and thoughtful person, a gentleman of the old school. His wide range of interests included music, theatre, art, literature, travel and culinary recipes.

Murray will be missed by all his colleagues, both within the Special Libraries Association and the library profession at large.