GUEST EDITORIAL

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I am delighted to accept the invitation to be Editor for this double issue of *Education Libraries*. There are so many aspects of librarianship today and in this issue we are focusing on one of them - international librarianship - and trust that the contents will prove both valuable and interesting. In keeping with this theme, it seems appropriate to publish articles by authors from Canada, Wales, Germany and the United States, respectively.

The topic of international librarianship was chosen after contributors Anne Galler and Diann Rusch-Feja presented papers on the subject at a recent SLA conference. Both have adapted their presentations for this issue. Anne Galler's article, which also discusses Libraries for the Disadvantaged, one of her fields of expertise, leads naturally into an article on this topic by Dr. Sue Lithgow from Wales. Although both articles on international librarianship have the same title, Dr. Rusch-Feja's is approached from a different perspective. Nancy Floyd, director of the recently established National Library of Education in Washington, concludes our featured articles with an overview of the services provided and future goals envisioned for the Library.

The books reviewed are an eclectic selection ranging from a source book on religious higher education to an unusual work of Australian children's poetry. As always, our reviewers represent a diverse field of librarians and educators. It is hoped that all contributions will be enlightening and useful.