

Field Guide to Mysterious Places of Eastern North America, by Salvatore M. Trento (334 pages, May 1997), is a visitor's guide to odd stone structures from Nova Scotia to North Carolina. Most of these sites have been identified by some authors as possible evidence of precolumbian European visits: the Oak Island shaft, Nova Scotia; Mystery Hill, North Salem, N.H.; the stone tower, Newport, R.I.; Ringing Rocks State Park, Upper Black Eddy, Pa.; and the prehistoric wall at Mount Carbon, W.Va. Detailed maps, photos, history, and field notes are provided. Accompanies the author's *Field Guide to Mysterious Places of the West* (Pruett, 1994). \$18.95. Owl Books, 115 W. 18th St., New York, NY 10011. ISBN 0-8050-4449-3.

Les Bons Mots: How to Amaze Tout le Monde with Everyday French, by Eugene Ehrlich (312 pages, May 1997), will get you through cocktail parties and budget meetings alike with an arsenal of French words and phrases to confuse and amaze your colleagues. Like the author's *Amo, Amas, Amat and More* (1985) for Latin, this book won't teach you the French language, but it will equip you to punctuate your pronouncements with gems like: *C'est le monde renversé; L'argent leur fond dans les mains; or Il est tordu.* With a brief punctuation guide, notes on famous French authors,

and an index of Englished phrases. \$24.00. Henry Holt and Co., 115 W. 18th St., New York, NY 10011. ISBN 0-8050-4711-5.

Libraries and Librarianship in Japan, by Theodore F. Welch (215 pages, February 1997), examines Japanese library history from early court and temple libraries to the 47,100 libraries in the country today. Welch gives special attention to the National Diet Library and academic libraries, where the directors are rarely trained librarians. Also covered are national bibliographic control and services, automation, library and information science education, and Japanese professional organizations. \$75.00. Greenwood Press, 88 Post Road West, Westport, CT 06881-5007. ISBN 0-313-29668-5.

Library Public Relations, Promotions, and Communications, by Lisa A. Wolfe (208 pages, April 1997), offers examples and case studies of proven communication techniques and strategies for all types of libraries. Many of these approaches are appropriate for academic libraries, such as creating effective print communications and media coverage. A good introduction for libraries that need to launch a PR program. \$39.95. Neal-Schuman Publishers, 100 Varick St., New York, NY 10013. ISBN 1-55570-266-X. ■



C&R News 30th anniversary quiz

Here is the last installment of the *C&R News* 30th anniversary quiz.

Test your recollection of events that have been reported in the *News* since 1966. We hope you've enjoyed these mind benders, and that they've brought back some pleasant memories.

1. **What was offered as an alternative to** busy signals and long waits on "hold" at the reference desk in Paul Frisch and John J. Small's June 1994 article?
2. **In 1995, how many hosts were on the** Internet?

3. **According to Sherman Hayes and** Michael Kathman's October 1992 article, what is one of the most important roles for the college library?
4. **In the 1970's the University of the Pacific** received the papers of the man known as the father of the national park system. What is his name and which natural area near San Francisco is named after him?
5. **When did the New York Public Library** Public Catalog Room and Main Reading Room close for the first time since the Central Research Library opened its doors in 1911 and why?

Answers: 1. Voice mail (June 1994). 2. More than 4,800,000 (March 1995). 3. That of guinea pig (October 1992). 4. The Mur Woods redwood area is named after John Muir (June 1970). 5. On January 18, 1985, the NYPL's Public Catalog Room closed for renovation of online catalog terminals (February 1985).