

## WHAT'S NEW AT THE CONNECTICUT STATE LIBRARY

### I. Staff situation

- A. Unit Head
- B. Specialist
- C. Librarian I
- D. Ted Wohlsen

### II. Services

#### A. Genealogical Index Searches

- Suspended index searches in June; plan to resume in November

#### B. Archives Reading Area hours

- Opening Archives area at 10:00 (instead of 9:30) for heldover materials

### III. Materials

#### A. Bisailon Collection

#### B. Bonding money

1. Ships Passenger Lists on Microfilm
2. Census Microfilms
3. Reprints of many New England town histories
4. Plans for FY 1996

Census microfilms for Ohio and Pennsylvania to 1850

Another segment of New York passenger lists

Any suggestions for other new items?

#### C. Other new items

1. Monthly new books lists
2. Additions to the Collection
3. New books display

#### 4. New items in "Hist Ref"

Reprint of Manwaring's Digest

#### IV ReCon

Have finished recataloging family genealogies through surnames beginning with "I";  
working on "J" and "K"

Many Masonic, GAR, Mayflower, Colonial Dames, etc. materials still on level 6

May be ReConned sometime this year

Include many ephemeral items (menus, programs, etc.)

Connecticut town histories will be among the last things to be recataloged

#### V Automation

A. Public computer -- sign-up sheet at front desk

1. Family Search
2. Automated Archives

B. New computers for library staff

C. Internet

Now have direct connection from CSL to Central Connecticut State Univ.

Connecticut Home Page on the World Wide Web:

<http://www.csu.ctstateu.edu/state.html>

Presently includes:

Addresses of town clerks & other officials

Full text of Fundamental Orders, Charter, Constitution, etc.

CSL presently has a "bare-bones" outline on the Home Page

Planning to add:

H&G "Fact Sheets"

State Archives Finding Aids

CSL catalog

Space Planning

Present "new" addition built in early 1970s with room for 20 years' growth; time more than up

Miscellaneous News:

- A. New England Historical and Genealogical Register moved from corridor to stacks
- B. Continuing to photocopy and rebind the Hale Collection

"Begging"

- A. DAR & SAR magazines
- B. Newsletters such as DFAW newsletter
- C. Family newsletters
- D. Books

Future Meetings

Would CPGC like future sessions on:

Family Search

Automated Archives

Internet

Connecticut Home Page

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