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From Carnegie to Internet 2: Forging the Serials Future

Proceedings of the North American Serials Interest Group, Inc.

Edited by P. Michelle Fiander, Joseph C. Harmon and Jonathan David Makepeace

New York: The Haworth Press, Inc. 2000, 398 pp Casebound, ISBN: 0-7890-1007-0. USA, Canada and Mexico: \$69.95. Other countries: \$84.00. Softcover, ISBN: 0-7890-1035-0. USA, Canada and Mexico: \$39.95 Other countries: \$48.00

This volume contains the papers read at the 14th Annual NASIG Conference, a four-day meeting held at the Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, from 10-13 June 1999. There are two pre-conference programs on Metadata and Scenario Building, three plenary sessions, 19 issue sessions and summaries of 22 workshops. The proceedings provide a comprehensive report of the conference papers which discuss the powerful impact that the current explosion of information technology has had on librarianship and shares information to help the reader understand and benefit from these tools. The volume also contains a full list of the names and institutions of the over 600 conference registrants, together with a 12-page subject index.

The material was also published in *The Serials Librarian*, Volume 38, Numbers 1/2 and 3/4 (2000).

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Publications noted:

Towards electronic journals: realities for scientists, librarians and publishers by Carol Tenopir and Donald W. King Washington DC, 2000, ISBN: 0-8711-507-7. The book focuses mostly on scientists' perspective as authors and readers, how changes over the years by publishers and librarians have affected scientists, and what they should expect from electronic journal and digital journal article databases. Some myths concerning scholarly journals are described by the authors, who attempt to assess the future in a realistic manner. Most of the primary data involves US scientists, libraries and publishers, but much of the secondary data is from a European perspective, which shows few differences.

Slavic & East European Information Resources, Volume 1 (2000) published quarterly, edited by Karen A. Rondestvedt. Binghamton, NY: The Haworth Press, \$60.00 per annum. This new journal contains original research, news and technical developments and includes reviews of books and electronic media.