The following table summarizes the responses to the four questions included in the survey. Here, too, it can be seen that respondents were very positive to the idea of a primarily hard-copy publication.

			No	
Question	Yes	No	Ans.	
Would AJCL be read more?	72%	2%	<b>26</b> %	
Would submissions increase?	56%	8%	36%	
Would you elect to receive HC?	63 %	18%	19%	
Should dues depend on form?	47 %	17%	36%	
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The responses were also tabulated *separately* for the U.S., Canada, and the other countries, but the results did not differ significantly from the combined results shown. About 35 additional responses were received after the meeting, but it was apparent from looking at them carefully that they would not significantly affect the results already tabulated.

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## Program of the 1979 ACL Meeting

The 17th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics was held at the University of California at San Diego, in La Jolla, California, on the weekend of August 11-12, 1979. The program committee for the meeting consisted of Norm Sondheimer (Chairman), Barbara Sangster, Bonnie Lynn Webber, and Ralph Weischedel, and the local arrangements chairman was Jim Levin. The 24 papers listed below were presented there. Copies of the proceedings, which includes the full text of most of these papers and extended abstracts of the others, along with an introduction to each session by its chairperson, are available for \$5 from Don Walker at the address given on the inside front cover of this issue.

## SESSION I - Language Structure and Parsing Martin Kay, Xerox Palo Alto Research Center

Towards a Self-Extending Parser

Jaime G. Carbonell, Carnegie-Mellon University

Word Expert Parsing Stephen Small, University of Maryland

Schank/Riesbeck vs. Norman/Rumelhart: What's the Difference?

Marc Eisenstadt, The Open University

Toward a Computational Theory of Speech Perception Jonathan Allen, *MIT* 

Ungrammaticality and Extra-Grammaticality in Natural Language Understanding Systems

Stan Kwasny, *The Ohio State University* Norman K. Sondheimer, *Sperry Univac* 

Generalized Augmented Transition Network Grammars for Generation from Semantic Networks

Stuart C. Shapiro, State University of N.Y. at Buffalo

## SESSION II - Knowledge Organization and Application

Aravind K. Joshi, University of Pennsylvania

Taxonomy, Descriptions, and Individuals in Natural Language Understanding

Ronald J. Brachman, Bolt Beranek and Newman Inc.

Semantics of Conceptual Graphs John F. Sowa, *IBM Systems Research Institute* 

On the Automatic Transformation of Class Membership Criteria

Barbara Sangster, Rutgers University

A Snapshot of KDS, a Knowledge Delivery System James A. Moore and William C. Mann, USC/Information Sciences Institute

The Use of Object-Specific Knowledge in Natural Language Processing

Mark H. Burstein, Yale University

Reading with a Purpose Michael Lebowitz, Yale University

SESSION III - Dialogue Jane Robinson, SRI International

Paraphrasing Using Given and New Information in a Question-Answer System

- Kathleen R. McKeown, University of Pennsylvania
- Where Questions Benny Shanon, *Hebrew University of Jerusalem*
- The Role of Focussing in Interpretation of Pronouns Candace L. Sidner, *MIT*
- The Structure and Process of Talking about Doing James Levin and Edwin Hutchins, *University of California, San Diego*
- Design for Dialogue Comprehension William C. Mann, USC/Information Sciences Institute

Plans, Inference, and Indirect Speech Acts James F. Allen, *University of Rochester* C. Raymond Perrault, *University of Toronto* 

**SESSION IV - Applications** 

David G. Hays, State University of N.Y. at Buffalo

EUFID: A Friendly and Flexible Front-end for Data Management Systems

Marjorie Templeton, Systems Development Corp.

An Application of Automated Language Understanding Techniques to the Generation of Data Base Elements Georgette Silva, Christine Montgomery, and Don Dwiggins, *Operating Systems, Inc.* 

Response Generation in Question-Answering Systems Ralph Grishman, New York University

Natural Language Input to a Computer-Based Glaucoma Consultation System

Victor B. Cielsielski, Rutgers University

Prospects for Computer-Assisted Dialect Adaption David J. Weber, UCLA and Summer Inst. of Ling. William C. Mann, USC/Information Sciences Institute

Powerful Ideas in Computational Linguistics – Implications for Problem Solving and Education Gerhard Fischer, *University of Stuttgart*