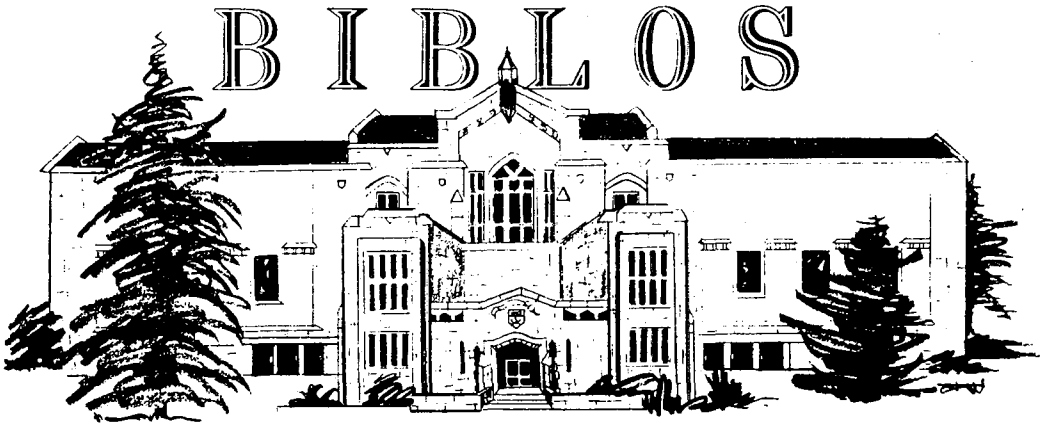


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Introducing your Biblos Staff for the year 1971/72.

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| Pat La Vac | Law Library |
| Shelley Criddle | Sedgewick |
| David Miller | Acquisitions |
| Adrienne Clark | Woodward Library |
| Tannis Browning | Circulation |
| Georgia Macrae | Law Library |
| Gwen Gregor | Map Division |
| Judy Coombs | Special Collections |
| Sheila Cooper | Cataloguing |
| Pat La Vac Jr. | Administration |
| Diana Cooper | Fine Arts } Cartoons |
| Suzanne Dobson | Government Pubs. } Cartoons |

UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

## STAFF CHANGES

### A Hearty Welcome To:

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|---|---|---|
| Claire Dolsen | L. A. II | Serials |
| Frances Reynolds | L. A. I | Government Publications |
| Dawn Sperling | L. A. I | Cataloguing Preparations |
| Wendy Borden | L. A. I | Fine Arts |
| Diane Grzebieluch | L. A. I | Interlibrary Loans |
| Belvon Lee | L. A. III | Sedgewick |
| Barbara Teagle | L. A. I | Cataloguing Preparations |
| Carol Emmons | L. A. III | Sedgewick |
| Teresa Clarke | L. A. II | Cataloguing L. C. |
| Leigh Burrows | L. A. I | Woodward |
| Glynis Lowe | L. A. I | Woodward |
| Elizabeth Taylor | L. A. III | Sedgewick |
| Betty Gawdin | L. A. I | Cataloguing Preparations |
| Rita Chan | L. A. I | Cataloguing Preparations |
| Maxine Harris | L. A. I | Cataloguing Preparations |
| Linda Hilts | L. A. II | Cataloguing Preparations |
| Catherine Boyle | L. A. I | Circulation |
| Mary Kasper | L. A. II | Cataloguing Preparations |
| Carole Claus | Secretary II | Serials |
| Deborah Needley | L. A. I | Cataloguing Preparations |
| Rosalie McPherson | L. A. I | Cataloguing Preparations |
| Sheila Konrad | L. A. II | Cataloguing L. C. |
| Jean Douglas | L. A. I | Sedgewick |
| Susan Dehnel | L. A. I | Acquisitions (Prebindery) |
| Judy Whitehead | L. A. I | Woodward |
| Victoria Norris | L. A. II | Serials |
| Susan Wyngaarden | L. A. II | Serials |
| Katherine Plett | L. A. III | Bibliography |
| Susan Gordon | L. A. II | Serials |
| Myra Hoffman | Clerk II | Acquisitions |
| Ardelle Henderson | Flexo. Oper. | Systems |
| Marylen Meyer | Flexo. Oper. | Systems |
| Shirley Collins | L. A. II | Serials |
| David Goodwin | St. Attend. | Sedgewick |
| Maureen Adams | L. A. II | Original Cataloguing |
| Moraig Nicholson | L. A. II | Original Cataloguing |
| Marie Poulier | L. A. I | Circulation |
| Jean Irwin | L. A. I | Cataloguing Preparations |
| Russ Anton | St. Attend. | Circulation |

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| Marija Potocnik | L. A. I | Cataloguing Preparations |
| Honey Lord | L. A. I | Cataloguing Preparations |
| Toni O'Hare | L. A. I | Circulation |
| Brian Taylor | St. Attend. | Circulation |
| Brian Sloan | St. Attend. | Sedgewick |
| Leslie Kenmuir | L. A. I | Cataloguing Preparations |
| David Sellers | L. A. III | Government Publications |
| Sandra Berkowski | L. A. I | Cataloguing Preparations |
| Merrilee Anderson | L. A. II | Cataloguing Preparations |
| Jennifer McAfee | Clerk I | Acquisitions |
| Sharon Kenny | Secre. II | Acquisitions |
| Dale Burgess | St. Attend. | Circulation |
| Nancy Barkwill | L. A. I | Curriculum Laboratory |
| Patricia Buerk | L. A. I | Sedgewick |
| John Guy | L. A. I | Cataloguing Preparations |
| Linda Martin | L. A. I | Map |
| Margaret Simmons | L. A. I | Government Publications |
| Richard Pringle | L. A. I | Curriculum Laboratory |
| Denise Underhill | L. A. I | Sedgewick |
| Lucy Ussner | L. A. I | Biomedical Branch |
| Marion Campbell | Secretary I | Administration |
| Carole Wisdom | L. A. IV | Original Cataloguing |
| Susan Elliot | L. A. I | Sedgewick |
| Maureen Carey | L. A. I | Cataloguing Preparations |
| Linda Burkhart | L. A. I | Circulation |
| Carol Sinclair | Secretary I | Administration |
| Janis McFadden | L. A. I | Social Sciences |
| Esi Shafir | L. A. I | Circulation |
| Marilyn Semple | L. A. I | Sedgewick |
| Fiona Lanzarotta | L. A. I | Woodward |
| Mary Mortifee | L. A. I | Sedgewick |
| David Hougham | L. A. I | Special Collections |
| Debbie Ball | L. A. I | Sedgewick |
| Wendy Palmer | L. A. II | Cataloguing Preparations |
| Paula Hilderley | L. A. I | Woodward |
| Glenna Lunde | L. A. I | Sedgewick |
| Deborah Udy | L. A. II | Law Library |
| Ava Tam | L. A. III | Asian Studies |
| Charles Tully | L. A. III | Cataloguing Preparations |

Congratulations To:

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| Kathy Weyer | L.A. III L.C. Cat. | to | L.A. IV Cat. Prep. |
| Grace Ferguson | L. A. II Serials | to | L. A. III Serials |
| Debbie Savage | L.A. I Sedgewick | to | L.A. II Sedgewick |
| Josephine Cuff | L.A. II L.C. Cat. | to | L.A. III Cataloguing |
| Qui Yong Poh | L.A. I Preparation | to | L.A. III L.C. Cat. |
| Judy Lee | L.A. II Sedgewick | to | L.A. III Woodward |
| Sheila Cooper | L.A. II L.C. Cat. | to | L.A. III L.C. Cat. |
| Karen Shaw | L.A. II Orig.Cat. | to | L.A. III L.C. Cat. |
| Lizanne Reveley | L.A. II Cat. Prep. | to | L.A. III L.C. Cat. |
| Barbara Wragg | L.A. I Woodward | to | L.A. II Orig. Cat. |
| Kay Tomiye | L.A. II Serials | to | L.A. III Asian Studies |
| Phil Vacheresse | Clerk III Circ. | to | L.A. IV Curr. Lab. |
| Patrick Gibson | St.Att. Circ. | to | L.A. III Circulation |
| Elizabeth Strong | L.A. I Woodward | to | L.A. II Woodward |
| Jessica Lyth | L.A. I Sedgewick | to | L.A. II Sedgewick |
| Karen Peplow | L.A. II I.L.L. | to | L.A. III I.L.L. |
| Louise van den Wyngaart | L.A. I S.S.D. | to | L.A. II S.S.D. |
| Bill Dudley | L.A. I Spec.Coll. | to | St. Att. Sedgewick |
| Janet Yuan | L.A. IV Acq. | to | L.A. V L.C. Cat. |
| Stella Coubaraki | L.A. I Woodward | to | L.A. II Humanities |
| Lynn Peirson | L.A. I Sedgewick | to | L.A. II Sedgewick |
| Marlene Hamakawa | L.A. II Serials | to | L.A. III Serials |
| Martha Tully | L.A. III Cat.Prep. | to | L.A. IV Acquisitions |

We Say Farewell To:

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| Suzanne Ruzicka | L. A. II | Systems |
| Cathy Paris | L. A. I | Government Publications |
| Heather MacAndrew | L. A. III | Sedgewick |
| Diane Butterfield | L. A. III | Sedgewick |
| Doris Warkentin | L. A. IV | L. C. Cataloguing |
| Mary Akehurst | Secretary II | Government Publications |
| Vera Sebb | L. A. II | Serials |
| Pat Lamphear | L. A. II | Woodward |
| Anne Von Renesse | L. A. I | Circulation |
| Janice Roy | L. A. III | L. C. Cataloguing |
| Maria Maros | L. A. I | Cataloguing Preparations |
| Barry Henderson | Stack Attend. | Sedgewick |
| Gerry Hollett | L. A. III | Bibliography (G&E) |
| Linda Berdusco | L. A. I | Sedgewick |

Farewells Cont'd.

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| Kate Gibson | Clerk II | Acquisitions |
| Frances Haywood-Farmer | L. A. I | Sedgewick |
| Karen Cowgill | K. P. O. | Systems |
| Janet Gladstone | L. A. I | Sedgewick |
| Sally Hubbard | L. A. II | Catalogue Preparations |
| Barbara Robson | L. A. I | Circulation |
| Louise Hazel | L. A. II | Woodward |
| Brigitte Duvigneau | L. A. II | Original Cataloguing |
| Kate Millar | L. A. II | Serials |
| Joy Korman | Secretary II | Acquisitions |
| Mary Chow | L. A. II | Original Cataloguing |
| Gina Sen | L. A. II | Original Cataloguing |
| Vivian Galbraith | L. A. I | Cataloguing Preparations |
| Janet Taggart | L. A. I | Map |
| Josie Bannerman | L. A. III | Interlibrary Loans |
| Steve Prokopenko | Stack Attend. | Circulation |
| Gudrun Hiemstra | L. A. IV | Original Cataloguing |
| Barbara Chambers | L. A. I | Cataloguing Preparations |
| Elaine Willson | L. A. V | L. C. Cataloguing |
| Ruth Fahlman | L. A. I | B. M. B. |
| Margaret McCann | Clerk II | Administration |
| Kathy Walters | L. A. I | Circulation |
| Phyllis Miles | L. A. I | Cataloguing Preparations |
| Diane Goudey | L. A. II | Social Sciences |
| Sally Chan | L. A. III | Asian Studies |
| Marg Colclough | Secretary I | Administration |
| Judy Rennison | L. A. II | Humanities |
| Erik Williams | Stack Attend. | Sedgewick |
| Louise Hamilton | L. A. II | Fine Arts |
| Trudy Lewis | L. A. III | Serials |
| Judy Fiene | L. A. I | Sedgewick |
| Nancy Clarke | L. A. I | Catalogue Preparations |
| Ronaldo Jago | K. P. O. | Systems |
| Susan Kent | L. A. I | Circulation |
| Betty van Assum | L. A. III | Woodward |
| Helene Schmidt | L. A. II | Law |

Editorial.

I am on soap box this month about the disappointing lack of interest shown by the 410½ members on the Library Staff in participating in the series of educational tours that are being arranged through the Library Assistants Association.

We hear the constant cry for "involvement" does this showing mean that the staff both non-professional and professional only seeks to be involved in their own field and are not interested in seeing how other industries and professions work. Or perhaps there is a feeling of superiority that other walks of life have no bearing on our own.

Is the cry for involvement only a lip service to the pattern of work, home, T.V. and bed, or that further education can only be found in the academic atmosphere of extra courses, night school or C.B.C. documentaries, but never in a foundry or commercial enterprise.

Possibly a night in Gastown holds more excitement than an evening at C.P. Air, Dairyland or Gulf Oil, but what does one actually learn. Possibly it is much more exciting to carry a banner in an anti-pollution parade than to go to a refinery and view the problem from the other side and to find out what is being attempted, but is this honest especially when the opportunity is there.

The Library Assistants Association does thank the 12 people who showed up for that most interesting tour of the Gulf Oil but what happened to the rest of the 24 who signed up? We ask for a pre-tour registration to make sure that we can meet the minimum numbers required for any such outing. It seldom matters if more than the required numbers attend but, as in the last tour, it is most embarassing and disappointing for everyone when less than the minimum puts in an appearance.

It might be added that of the 12 who did tour Gulf Oil only 5 were actually members of the Library Staff..... My! 5 out of 410½...How inspiring!!

PAL

## GULF OIL REFINERY TOUR

On Tuesday August 16 the Library Assistants Association and friends toured the Gulf Oil Refinery in Port Moody. The tour began with a movie explaining the refining process. Then one of the Gulf engineers held a question and answer period where we learned some astounding facts. For example:

- There are fourteen types of diesel fuel alone which come from crude oil during the refining process, not to mention gasoline, propane, butane, stove oil etc.
- A refinery becomes obsolete within fifteen years therefore it must constantly be rebuilt and modernized.
- AND according to the Gulf engineer, leaded gasolines cause LESS not MORE pollution than unleaded gasolines.

Apparently, the controversy began with the proposed future use of a catalytic muffler for cars. This muffler cleaned the car exhaust but the lead in the gasoline poisoned the catalyst in the muffler thus causing even dirtier exhaust. To be effective, this muffler could only be used only on a car burning unleaded gasoline. However, today's cars don't have catalytic mufflers and won't have them before 1975, if then. Meanwhile, the NO or LOW lead gas is causing more harm than good. Lead in today's gas leaves deposits around the valves which keep your car running more smoothly and lead also raises the octane level of gas for cleaner burning and fewer exhaust emissions. No lead gas doesn't. SO SAY THE GULF EXPERTS.

Next we toured the refinery which covers over 200 acres with storage tanks, labs, a control room, cracking towers and pipes. The pipes, if laid end to end, would cover a distance of 50 miles. The refinery employs about 100 people and supplies the lower mainland with Gulf gasoline and other petroleum products.

Information for those interested in the pollution problem. Five tons of liquid sulphur per day are reclaimed from the wastes that used to be released into the air. Gulf Oil has really tackled this problem with success thereby protecting the many homes which have grown up around them during the years and incidently all of us as well.

Melissa & Carol-Anne Baker

## SOME AFTERTHOUGHTS OF THE CLA CONFERENCE

By now, detailed reports on the Vancouver Conference have appeared in the professional literature. Rather than cover the same ground, I will ask the editor's indulgence and change my assignment to offer a few personal opinions on one of the matters discussed at this meeting.

The Conference theme was "Reorganization, Recruitment, Results." Basic to the exploration of this theme was the report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Aims and Objectives. This report was based on submissions from the membership as well as the deliberations of the Committee itself, and was subsequently accepted by the Council and the general meeting after minor modifications. Thus the priorities established therein must be regarded as an accurate reflection of the thinking of Canadian librarians on the relative importance of the problems confronting themselves, their institutions and the Association. This being the case, one can only despair at the failure of the profession to manifest an intelligent appreciation of the facts of life. The priorities assigned to the objectives identified in the report reveal a preoccupation with issues that have a high titillation quotient and a propensity to moralize in the absence of any evidence that perdition is imminent, while relegating more crucial matters to the background.

There are four groups of objectives in the report. The first, and "over-riding", priority is communication between the Association apparatus and the membership. No one can deny the need for an informed and involved membership. However, one wonders whether such a piece of conventional wisdom should logically belong in a statement of organizational objectives, let alone be assigned this degree of significance. An organization's aims and objectives are its justification for its existence. But communication of the type specified is a means to an end, not a raison d'etre, and it seems that an administrative truism has been allowed to overshadow more substantial requirements.

These fundamental considerations are discussed in the second and third ranked groups of objectives, which pertain to librarians and libraries respectively. The report stresses "the necessity for putting greater emphasis on what the Association can do for librarians, as distinct from libraries, if it wishes to attract the support and active participation of larger numbers of the profession." The most prominent of these objectives include the promotion of high standards of librarianship and professional conduct, the protection of rights, duties and responsibilities against extraneous pressures and the development of standards related to working conditions and employment practices. To achieve these objectives, the preparation of a code of ethics, a librarians' bill of rights and the promulgation of the existing statement on intellectual freedom are recommended.

Having emphasized these things, the report moves on to an area "concerned with libraries as institutions rather than with librarians as individuals." The key aims here are to promote public knowledge, interest and support for the development of libraries and "to promote library interests directly and actively at the federal level of government and, as appropriate, at provincial and other levels of government." Here, at last, we have found something of transcendent importance. Anyone with a modicum of perception will appreciate that libraries are not among the most cherished of services available to the community. This being the case, it must certainly be of the first order of importance for those who believe in the value of libraries to devote maximum effort to the reversal of this state of affairs. Everything hinges upon public awareness and acceptance, for with it comes financial support, which is the key to most of the things that librarians seek for themselves and their clientele. If libraries achieve stature and prosperity within the community, the people who operate them will share the glory and be heard. If the institutions themselves are ignored and misunderstood, the aspirations of their servants will be unrealized. Success will not come easily, if it can come at all, given the nature of our offering and the habits of society, but the effort must be made. Can it be argued seriously that

baubles like a code of ethics and a bill of rights are our most pressing needs?

Finally, buried deep in the last group, the general objectives, is a statement of the need to guard against government action which would infringe on fair copying practices, equitable customs treatment and effective channels of procurement. These matters are contral to the day-to-day operation of libraries. That they should be considered less than the objectives given the highest priority is ludicrous.

The Canadian Library Association is seeking greater participation from members of the profession, particularly the more recent graduates. The greatest single deterrent to membership is the high cost of belonging. Although the fee structure is scaled according to one's ability to pay, the cost remains prohibitive in the eyes of many librarians. A beginning librarian would pay approximately forty dollars at current salary levels. Considering that many, and perhaps most, graduates have debts to discharge upon taking employment, a fee of this magnitude is discouraging at that point in time. Today's employment situation, in which many graduates will wait months before finding a position, accentuates the problem. The Association should consider establishing a special fee for recent graduates, perhaps fifteen dollars per annum for the first three years after graduation, to stimulate membership among those whose lack of support is of greatest concern.

The future of the Canadian Library Association is foreshadowed in the report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Aims and Objectives. If one understands correctly, the Association will allocate its energy and resources according to the priorities established in this document, which is cause for the greatest pessimism.

Nick Omelusik

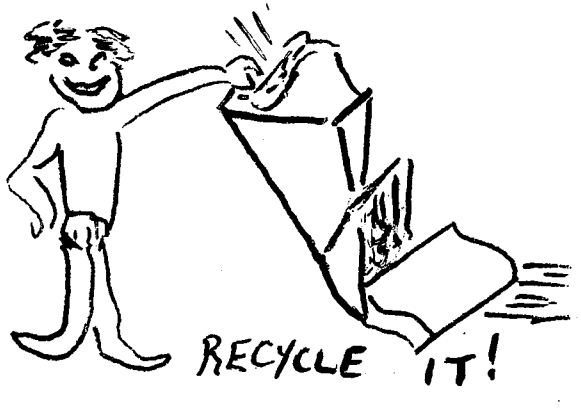
## RE-CYCLING HOME WASTE

You know it's the right thing to do! You know our natural resources are dwindling and our waterways are becoming more polluted as the weeks go by. Almost everything can be recycled.

DON'T DISCARD IT!

Newspapers are the most obvious but are the least marketable. They should be tied tightly with twine in bundles about 12" thick. Cardboard food boxes, cigarette boxes, brown paper bags should be folded flat and tied tightly in about 15-pound bundles. Waste paper includes junk mail (how about returning this faithfully to sender instead), writing paper, envelopes and most other household paper (toilet paper cores, paper towelling, etc.) should be sorted into a box or bag, tied and labelled. Glass returnable bottles, washed liquor bottles, washed jars can be packed and colour sorted if you have a large quantity. Metal scrap, tin cans and aluminum utensils, containers and foil can be sold directly if you wish to any neighbourhoos junk dealer. Egg cartons, both plastic and cardboard, should be opened and tied in bundles of 25. Rags can be boxed or put in bags, tied and labelled.

Removing the above items from your home garbage could return, for the average household, about 3 pounds of resources a day to the economy. More explicit instructions for sorting, tieing, etc., are available from the Library



Recycling Committee: Joyce Harries, Circulation, 2668; Claudia Kerr, Cataloguing, 2304; Leagh Carrell, Woodward, 4445; or Carol Martin (nee Litz) Animal Resources Ecology, 3324. The above items can be turned in directly to the Joshua Society warehouse, 115 E. 2nd. Ave., Vancouver (2nd & Main). Their telephone is 872-8674. There are depots at: 5641 Barker St., Burnaby; 953 Finn Road, Richmond; 2241 Haywood, West Vancouver; 4511 Capilano Road, North Vancouver.

Now comes the part that Joshua can't do and that's to see that you make the maximum use of everything you buy.

Use envelopes and paper scrap as scratch paper.
Share your newspaper with a neighbour.
Re-use envelopes, plastic bags, paper bags, aluminum foil.
Do lists on the backs of old letters, envelopes, cereal boxes, computer paper.
Re-use gift wrap, elastic bands, string.
Donate old magazines to hospitals, or library staff room.
When it can't be used once more, recycle it.

Re-use glass jars for preserving.
Store leftovers and dry foods in jars or cans.
Return all soft drink bottles to depots.
Give wine bottles to a friend who brews.
Trade in cars, appliances, tires, etc., don't dump them.
Return coat hangers to cleaners.
When it can't be used once more, recycle it.

Start a compost heap for your organic wastes.
Donate useable clothes to

Salvation Army, Welfare Industries or X-Kalay
Free Store.
Buy fresh produce instead of canned.
Buy milk in re-usable plastic or glass jugs.
Avoid disposable paper products of all types.

THINK!

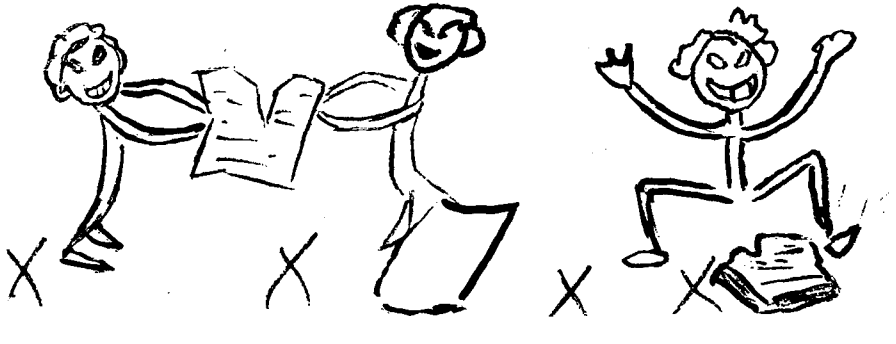
Recycling goes beyond the maximum use of consumer goods. The most important part of a "recycling awareness" is intelligent buying. Ask yourself:

Do I need this?
Do I need to buy it new?
Is this product overpackaged?
Is this product economically and ecologically sound?
Can I use or recycle the product and the container?

That's easy. Now comes the hard part, and that's increasing the market for goods made from recycled materials. Until the public uses these products in large quantities there is no way recycling can work, it just won't pay. So, as usual, it comes down to you. You decide to consume goods that leave the least possible waste. You decide, recycle that waste. Finally, interest your friends in what you are doing and why. Who knows, one of them may care enough to follow your example.

It's a lot to take on all at once. Try to get into recycling slowly. Save paper only this month, add glass next, then metal later when you are organized. It's the awareness that counts!

J. Harries & C. Kerr



## COMMITTEE ON SALARIES & BENEFITS OF SUPPORTING STAFF

Election time is at hand. Time, therefore, to review a year's work.

Our primary concern this year was to recommend increases in supporting staff salaries, not only to meet the rising cost of living, but also to seek parity with other major university libraries.

Our secondary concern was with staff benefits, such as, vacations, shift differential, increase in the LA II salary scale and superannuation. Based on our recommendations and on the Library Administration's negotiating with University Personnel on our behalf, the following has resulted:

Shift differential

Because of the inconvenience of shift work, staff who must work regular evening and weekend shifts may now receive a pay differential of 5%, not as much as we hoped for but it does give us a figure on which to base further recommendations. This amount compares favourably with that earned by other UBC employees who work a similar shift schedule.

LA II Salary increase

Acknowledging that LA II's are unique, that is, unlike Clerk II's, they are required to train and supervise other employees, must be more specialized, have increased responsibility in public services during evening hours, etc., University Personnel have readjusted the LA II salary scale upward.

Superannuation

The Committee recommended that the discriminatory practice of requiring female employees to contribute to the plan for three years before UBC would contribute its share be discontinued. The results were announced in the August 9th issue of the University of British Columbia library bulletin: "As of July 1st, 1971 the employer's contribution will now start at the same time as the [female] employee's."

Vacations

Although we have recommended a reduction in the waiting time for 3 and 4 week vacations, no word has yet been received in this matter.

Claudia Kerr[Chairman]

CONFERENCES AND TRAVELS again in the news this month.

Judy Coombs, Spec. Coll. will be attending the Conference of the Society of American Archivists in San Fransisco October 12 - 15.

Ann Yandle and Larenda Daniells of Spec. Coll. attended P.N.L.A. and Ann also took part in the meeting of the Society of State and Local History in Portland.

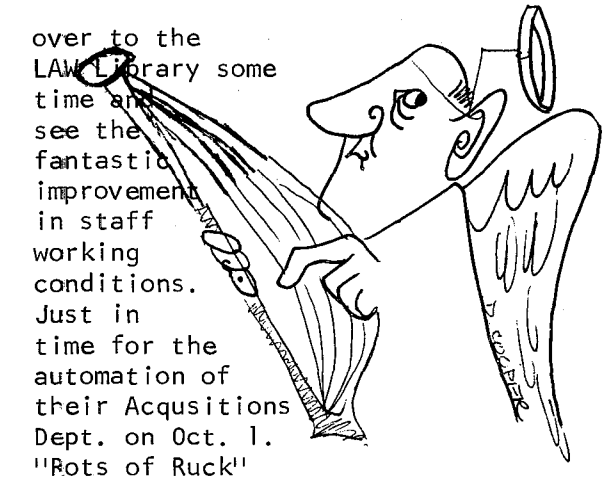
Rein Brongers (Science) and Don Dennis (Systems) will be going to the annual meeting of the Western Chapter of American Society for Information Science at the Banff School of Fine Arts Oct. 3 - 5.

Maureen Wilson (Map Div.) has been holidaying in Great Britain where she attended the Historical Cartographers Conference in Edinburgh. She also travelled to the Continent and visited a map dealer in Stuttgart.

FINE ARTS report additions and changes in that division include

1. The installation of CHECK-POINT (an electronic device for monitoring books which have not been officially signed out). Hopefully this will cut down on losses in the future.
2. A new office for Melva Dwyer.

TALKING about new offices, pop over to the LAW Library some time and see the fantastic improvement in staff working conditions. Just in time for the automation of their Acqusitions Dept. on Oct. 1.
"Rots of Ruck"



I.L.L. has lost Josie Bennerman to Library School and Karen Peplow has been holidaying in Hawaii.

Honeymooning in Hawaii
Carol-Ann Baker of Psychiatry Reading Room who became Mrs. Court Gladstone on the 25th of Sept.
and
Bev Richmyre of Reading Rooms will be honeymooning in Mexico after her marriage to Danny Snigeski on the 9th of Oct.

Cataloguing informs us that Rosemary Ormerod of that dept. gave birth to a baby girl. 7 lbs. 7 ozs.

QUESTION: Who is the man with the mirror toed shoes?

WOODWARD LIBRARY called to

report that Peg Leighton is off to Nanaimo Friday, October 1st to lecture the Lab. Technicians of B.C. on Library Service - emphasis on regional plans that are in operation now.

Anna Leith will be in Edmonton Oct. 4th - 7th chairing the meeting of the Association of Canadian Medical Colleges.

FRIENDS of Bev Roper who used to be with Cataloguing will be interested to know that she and her husband are now in town for a few months. Bev is apparently having a problem trying to get permission for her pet mongoose to enter the country. The mongoose joined Bev and her husband in Algeria.

DURING the last few weeks many staff members have left the Library to travel in Europe. These include Nancy Clark of Cataloguing whose many illustrations for Biblos will be sadly missed. Janet Taggart of Map Dept. and Marg McCann of Admin. left together for England and they will be joined there by Marg Colclough also of Admin.

OTHER temporary travellers abroad. Ritva Tavela (Cat. Div) is presently on a Flying World Tour. Ritva's husband is a pilot for one of the major airlines.
and Mavis Balshaw of Cat. was also in England.

A new and unusual home for Inge Fleet of R.B.C. and her husband. They will be launching it, a 42 foot ferro-cement ketch, named 'Gandolf" on Sept. 30.

I am sure every one will join in sending "get-well" wishes to Henry - the heating man and Les - Library delivery, both of whom are recovering from hospital visits. Les, we understand will not be with us for a while, he would probably welcome some mail.

The item below appeared in the Daily Mirror in England:

SOUVENIR--from grandpa's door: CANADIAN Basil Stubbs bought a hammer and chisel yesterday and, with official permission and watched by a friendly policeman prised an old knocker and letter box from the front door of a partly-demolished house.

The house, in Hall - Street, Hull, was where his grandfather lived in 1880.

Mr. Stubbs, 41, Librarian at the British Columbia University in Vancouver, came to Hull on holiday to trach down his family background.

ON YOUR travels around the Main Library, take a look at some of the personal collections in the various divisions.

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## THE TWO-YEAR M.L.S. PROGRAMME FOR LIBRARIANS

This September, a new programme for the training of librarians will commence at the School of Librarianship. Since there has been a certain amount of curiosity concerning the rationale behind the change from the traditional one-year, B.L.S. programme, perhaps a few words of explanation from "the top of the stairs" will be helpful.

In 1960, when the School's programme was initiated, the B.L.S. was the standard first professional degree in Canada. The other two accredited schools in Canada, at McGill University and the University of Toronto, awarded the B.L.S. after one academic year of course work. Library schools in the United States, on the other hand, had already by this time gone over to the M.L.S. as the first professional degree, typically offered after one calendar year's study (two semesters plus summer session).

The situation in Canada began to change completely. The Graduate School of Library Science of McGill University dropped the B.L.S. degree in 1964 and now awards the M.L.S. only, after a course of study requiring two academic years. In 1969 the library schools at the University of Toronto and the University of Western Ontario adopted similar programmes. The University of Montreal secured approval for a similar approach, to begin within the next year.

The result was that the University of British Columbia School of Librarianship would soon have been the only accredited library school in Canada - indeed in North America - still offering a B.L.S. To retain the B.L.S. programme simply meant that the U.B.C. School of Librarianship would speedily have come to be regarded as sub-standard. Its power to attract good students and faculty members and its ability to place its graduates in first-class libraries would have been severly reduced and its continued accreditation in question. In consultation with the Council of the School and members of the academic and professional community therefore, the new programme was designed, and was

passed by the Senate in May of 1970.

The general movement towards the lengthening of the library education programme reflects two basic changes in the nature of librarianship: growth of the field of knowledge and change in the kind of work done by librarians.

Librarianship is a rapidly expanding profession. Many standard areas of library studies have grown to encompass an amount of material impossible to cover within a single year. More important, the emergence of new areas of concern and new methods require treatment for which no time was available. Among these, the computer and its effect on library procedure and the storage and retrieval of information must be singled out for mention. The revolutionary effects of the computer are changing the work of the librarian and the librarian's preparation must be altered accordingly.

The other main trend has been in the direction of specialization and managerial responsibility. Until recently the chief demand has been for "general librarians", that is, for graduates with relatively little intensive training. This situation has changed in two ways. More and more routine library work is being done by machines or by trained sub-professional personel; formal training of such personnel is now offered in many community colleges and technical institutes.

Conversely, as libraries become larger and more complex, the need has grown for librarians who can assume administrative responsibilities or specialized duties. Computerized storage and retrieval of information, as already mentioned, is one such area where further training is required. Another important new role for the librarian is that of the literature specialist and bibliographer. As universities become more and more dependent upon such specialists to develop collections and to offer research assistance, their training requires greater subject and technical knowledge.

The purpose of the new programme is to prepare students to deal effectively with the problems that present themselves

in the administration, design and operation of library services. To provide such preparation, the programme will devote the first year to a sequence of required courses covering those aspects of professional knowledge which should be common to all librarians. In the second year students will build on this core by specialized studies relevant to their particular background and proposed direction of professional development. In most instances, the second year will combine studies within librarianship proper with those in other university departments. As fields such as statistics, computer science, public administration, etc., impinge directly on important aspects of librarianship, students should have the opportunity of taking courses in those areas. Moreover, in line with the growing requirement for librarians to serve as literature specialists and subject bibliographers, it is desirable that students have the chance to take more courses in other departments so as to reinforce their subject knowledge.

Candidates for admission will be of two types for the first few years of the programme: 1) those beginning study in librarianship for the first time, and 2) those who have already earned the B.L.S. degree or its equivalent but desire additional specialized education.

The curriculum for the First Year is prescribed, while details of the Second Year programme are designed to meet the needs of the individual student in terms of this educational and occupational background and his special field of library interest.

The first year of the programme requires attendance on a full-time basis. The second year of the programme may be taken on a part-time basis and need not begin immediately after completion of the first year. However, all degree requirements must be met within a period of five years after registration in the M.L.S. programme in the case of a student already holding the B.L.S.

Registration for the first year of the course now stands

at 60, while approximately eight former graduates of this and other library schools will be registering for the second year on a full, or part-time basis. Members of the faculty of the School are confident that the new programme will do much to alleviate the traditional pressures which seemed to be exacted by the pace of the former highly concentrated course. There will be more time available to students to complete assignments, and to pursue specific areas of study in greater depth than had previously been possible.

The opportunity of taking classes "outside the School" should also help to generate new interests and allow students a greater sense of relationship with the university as a whole.

We have, in short, done all we can to provide the best possible education for librarians and at the same time, to make attendance at library school a worthwhile, and perhaps a pleasant experience.

Wish us luck! Margaret Burke

"So What's New?"

Linen or Cotton RAGS, though they appear of but little confequence to each family who may fave them; yet in the courfe of one year, if carefully referved, they will amount to fomething: perhaps fufficient to pay for a year's newf-papers or to purchafe a few quires of writing paper, a bible, a pfalmbook, or fchoolbooks for children--and are as eafily thrown into a fmall bag, as swept into the fire, or out of doors. The benefit to the publick will be very great, as no writing or printing can be done without paper, and no paper can be made without Rags. Every perfon, therefore, who wifhes well to the manufactures of his country, to the education of his children, or the MEDIUM through which all knowledge is derived, muft be convinces of the importance of faving that trifling but moft effential article. The families in town and country are earneftly requefted to attend to thefe obfervations, and to be careful in referving their Rags, whether linen or cotton; and every thing made of cotton or flax. They will be received at the office of the fubfcriber, for newfpapers, or books - or for any printing which may be wanted.

The Concord Herald, and
Newhampfhire Intelligencer May 4, 1790.

FROM THE LAND OF THE OLD TESTAMENT WE HAVE WORD....

From the forefront of Abraham's bosom in the eleventh day of Sivan, nineteen hundred and seventy-one years after the appearance of the prophet, Jesus, in the land of his forefathers.

"It came to pass that a Vancouverite entered the land of Israel through the city of Tel Aviv. And there did she approach the government tourist desk. Now this desk was sorely beset and ringed around by the people known as tourists. And these people did press around and make great noise about their reservations and their confirmation by telephone to the ancient city of Jerusalem.

But this Vancouverite had no reservation and did stand quietly and wait her turn which came at the very last. And the tourist agent was very weary and did make many calls and did yell upon the instrument known as the telephone. At last, it came to pass that she engaged a room in a hotel designated as class "c", and verily, named the "Savoy Hotel". It also happened that she was able only to give the directions "near unto the post office" to the Vancouverite who had sought earnestly the address of the hotel to which she would come. "Knoweth thou not the post office? Then must thou ask!"

Whereupon the Vancouverite did go out to seek the bus to Jerusalem which was said to run each hour upon the hour. She did find that she had missed the bus that was designated as being due at three, because, verily, it had arrived fifteen minutes earlier than its appointed time of departure. The Vancouverite was filled with wonderment, but sat and waited patiently for the bus which would surely arrive at four.

She did sit, arraigned in her cases, under the sign which did say "Jerusalem". And she had made careful inquiries and many of the natives of that place had assured her than the sign under which she waited did say "Jerusalem", for the writing of that land was strange in the eye of the Vancouverite and she could read it not. She did ignore the signs that read the names of Haifa, or Jaffa, or Pesah-Tikva, and other names unknown and strange to the Vancouverite.

And the bus that was destined to arrive at four and for which she waited did, indeed, arrive at twenty-five minutes to four. But it stopped not at the sign "Jerusalem" but chose, rather, to stop at a sign reading another place, and so it came to pass that the Vancouverite also did miss this bus, and, within her wonderment at the customs of this land did begin to harden into anger.

But at length did she arrive in the Holy City having at last caught the bus of the next hour. And she was weary and decided that, this once, she would take a taxi against her vow to use only the public transportation of the countries through which she travelled. But the taxi-driver knew not the hotel called "Savoy" but undertook to convey her to the post office. He did offer no assistance with her bags, nor did he open the door, and when they did arrive at the post office, neither did he alight, he did gesture to her to assist him to close the door as he could not reach it from his position in the forefront of his taxi. Because of the anger which was growing within her, the Vancouverite did say "Asketh thou for help from me when thou helpest not me?" However, she did give the door a bunt with her foot and the taxi driver did, at last, smile upon her.

But at the post office they knew not the Savoy Hotel and there were many consultations, and, at last, a telephone call. And after that it came to pass that they said to the Vancouverite that she must take up her bags and walk to the gate called the Haifa gate and near unto that would she find another post office, and surely, near that would be the hotel

she so earnestly sought. And they answered the Vancouverite when she did ask for directions "Knowest thou not? Then must walk straight and ask of the people".

And she did so but the people she asked answered in a strange tongue, or with shrugs, and none offered to help or lead the way. She found no good Samaritan, but she did find, at last, two of the Jewish faith from the City of New York and they spoke a tongue not unlike her own. And, indeed, did they give her true directions, but then came the bus they must catch and they were swept away.

And so it came to pass that she took up her bags again and walked to the gate named Haifa and she was sore, weary and the people of the land turned aside from her and helped her not. And inside the gate she came to a square where there were many small shops and within sat the Isrealites. And she did ask of them "where is the post office", and they did say "there", and she did look, and behold she saw the post office. and then did she say "where is the hotel known as the 'Savoy'?" And they did say "the hotel known as the 'Savoy' is not at the gate known as Haifa, but rather, it is near the post office at the gate known as Herod's gate." And further they said "thou must take up thy bags and walk....."

And it was then that anger rose in the Vancouverite and she did lift up her voice in the square and did berate the people saying that they were an unkind people, and an unhelpful people, and many other things of a like nature did she say unto them. And the people did run out from their houses and their shops and did gather around her and did listen in amazement. And she did call upon the Lord to

smite them, and then did the Lord smote them, and then did they realize that there was a prophetess risen among them, and they remembered the fate of Sodom and Gomorrah. And then did the Lord scatter them and they fled to aid the Vancouverite- one did lift her bags, and another did invite her into his shop, and a third drew a map to direct her to Herod's gate, and a fourth offered her refreshment, and a fifth came and said unto her that he would guide her to a vehicle which would transport her to the hotel named Savoy. And it came to pass that he did so, and did carry her bags, and did accompany her in the vehicle of the kind known as taxi. Nor would he allow the man who drove the vehicle to make any charge. And so it was that the Vancouverite came at last in triumph to the hotel known as Savoy! And she who had been an outcast in the land of Isreal and among the children of the Isrealites was no longer so, and dwelt among them in contentment.

Joan Selby

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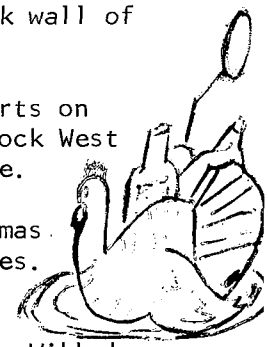
St. Wibby continued:

Cataloguing has some very interesting postal displays on the pillars and Leah Gordon's desk features colorful book covers. Take a look in passing at the fancy posters on the back wall of Nick Omelusik's Office, Acquisitions.

DON'T FORGET the Library Assistants Bowling league starts on Thursday October 7th at the Alma Bowling Alley 3500 block West Broadway 7 p.m. Turn up and tone up. Everyone welcome.



WATCH for announcements next month re. another grand Xmas Sweepstake...Turkeys and other Christmas cheer as prizes. Not to be confused with the annual Smorgasbord.

Any announcements or notes of interest for the next St. Wibby's column must be in my hands by 22nd October. Address any such items to me St. Wibby, c/o Librarians Office. Main Library or phone my earthly agent Gwen in the Map division 2231.

Thank you and until next month happy haunting on Oct. 31.

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