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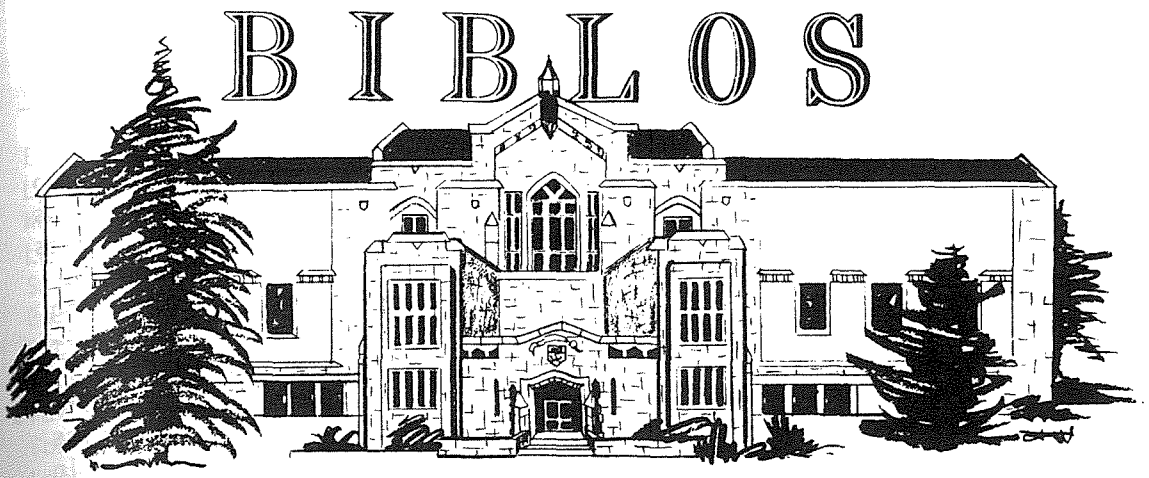

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THE YEAR A DECADE ENDED

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THAT WAS THE FIFTY-FOURTH YEAR THAT JUST PASSED BY. Every year the University Librarian is called upon to present a Report to Senate. Unfortunately, for Senate, those Reports can't begin to tell the whole story, since they must deal in such general terms. The readers of BIBLOS are more fortunate, because in these pages the Divisions tell them in a more direct and personal way what it is that is happening everywhere throughout the...I was going to say "system", but that implies perhaps a little more organization than we have at times...so let us say, Community. In my dictionary, a Community is said to be: 1) a group of people living together and having interests, work, etc. in common - that fits pretty well; 2) a group of animals or plants living together in the same environment - that's us too, since we could be called animals and I see plants here and there around the libraries: 3) a fellowship. That last idea is an attractive one. I suppose it isn't possible to put four hundred people together in physical surroundings which leave something to be desired with work to do that is not always interesting or creative, and have universal pleasure, love and happiness. Nevertheless, there is evidence of fellowship among the staff of the library, and this can only be increased by having an understanding of what your co-workers are doing in the many divisions and branches of the Library. So read on. And thank you for being here.

Basil Stuart-Stubbs
University Librarian

FLASH - OPEN HOUSE 1970 - LIBRARY
Friday March 6th 3 pm - 10 pm. Saturday March 7th 10 am - 10 pm

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WOW!!
40 pages.
It's a
record

WE WELCOME:

Elizabeth Brock	L.A. I	Circulation
Lynne Malecot	L.A. II	Mathematics
Nadia Carli	L.A. I	Sedgewick
Lawrence Slaughter	L.A. I	Sedgewick
Suzanne Boughey	L.A. II	Music
Barbara Saint	L.A. III	Social Sciences
Richard Moore	L.A. I	Catalogue
Lynette Hendry	L.A. III	Catalogue
Pat Lanphear	L.A. II	Woodward
Connie Papin	L.A. III	Sedgewick
Leona Polonich	L.A. III	For/Agric.
Larry Thiessen	Stack Attendant	Curr. Lab.
Linda Lines	L.A. II	Sedgewick
Kathy Harrington	L.A. I	Social Sciences
Dianne Brehm	L.A. III	B.M.B.
Janice Austin	L.A. II	Curric. Lab.
Linda Burkhart	L.A. I	Circulation
David Wisdom	L.A. I	Woodward
Thomas Howe	L.A. I	Sedgewick
Jana Abramson	L.A. I	Prebindery
Michael Howe	Stack Attendant	Sedgewick
Elizabeth Planedin	L.A. II	Systems
Pauline Lambert	L.A. I	Gov. Pubs.
Sylvia Ho	L.A. III	Asian Studies
Pat Cook	L.A.II	Serials
Maureen Otterson	L.A. III	B.M.B.
Debby Savage	L.A. I	Sedgewick
Margaret Thiessen	L.A. I	Fisheries
Mathew Tai	Stack Attendant	Circulation
Albert Brookhouse	L.A. I	Catalogue
Lizanne Holland	L.A. II	Catalogue
Dawn Willems	L.A. I	Catalogue
Judy Fiene	L.A. I	Sedgewick
Errol Kalpatoo	L.A. I	Sedgewick
Susan Belman	L.A. I	Catalogue

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Eve Porter	L.A. II	Music	to	L.A. III	Music
Bev Richards	L.A. III	SSD	to	L.A. IV	SSD
Peter Trevillion	L.A. I	Sedgewick	to	St. Att.	Sedge.
Linda Laktin	L.A. I	Cat.	to	L.A. II	Cat.
Lynda Neal	L.A. I	Circ.	to	L.A. II	Circ.
Trudy Lewis	L.A. II	Serials	to	Clerk III	Serials
D'Arcy Murphy	St. Atten.	Sedgewick	to	L.A. III	Sp. Coll.
Susan Shillitto	L.A. I	Cat.	to	L.A. II	Cat.
Sandra Johnson	L.A. II	Systems	to	K.P.O.	Systems
Liz Fussel	L.A. III	SSD	to	L.A. IV	SSD
Moona Prasad	L.A. III	Sedgewick	to	L.A. IV	Cat.
Michael Jessen	L.A. I	Woodward	to	L.A. II	Cat.
Tom Howe	L.A. I	Sedgewick	to	Stack Att.	Sedge.

WE SAY FAREWELL TO:

Cheryl Steinhauer	L.A. III	Music
Eric Thomson	L.A. I	Sedgewick
Shui-Ying Huang	L.A. III	Asian Studies
Carol-Ann Baker	L.A. III	B.M.B.
Linda Cartlidge	L.A. III	Serials
Courtenay Palsson	L.A. IV	Spec. Coll.
Lynn Ramos	L.A. I	Prebindery
Leslie Barton	L.A. I	Gov. Pubs.
Richard Howlett	Stack Attendant	Sedgewick
Ardele Aldrich	L.A. II	Cat.
Linda Dorricott	L.A. I	Fisheries
Heather Lindquist	L.A. I	Woodward
Ian Edwards	Stack Attendant	Circulation
Pat Denroche	L.A. II	Sedgewick
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Marie Morgan	L.A. III	Sedgewick
Irene Everest	L.A. III	For/Agric.
Jean Bryfogle	L.A. IV	Catalogue
Jean Pounder	L.A. I	Catalogue
Peggy Scott	L.A. I	Catalogue
Sheila Smyth	L.A. II	Catalogue
Daphne Brown	L.A. I	Sedgewick
Claudia Warren	L.A. I	Catalogue
Carol Challoner	L.A. I	Curric. Lab.

SHADES OF CHRISTMAS PAST - but not forgotten

As you all know, that is those who were lucky enough to be there, the Main Library's "Hospitality Table" held the Tuesday before Christmas in the Lunchroom, was an outstanding success. The event drew almost a hundred percent participation from the staff and the quantity and quality of the "goodies" brought to the smorgasbord was immensely varied and to say the least, scrumptious. Those rum balls still linger tantalizingly in the memory. Through the day many visitors from the branch Libraries dropped by and were most welcomed.

With the many prizes that were donated it was possible to draw for a lucky number at least every half hour - the names of all members on staff, Main, branches and hourly, were placed in the box, so that every one had an equal chance. Below, a little overdue we must admit, you will find the names of the lucky prize winners.

We of the Biblos Staff would like to thank everyone who helped to make the day so successful. We also hope that the "Hospitality Table" will become an annual Christmas event and that it will enjoy in the future the same co-operative spirit that was so evident on December 23, 1969.

PRIZE WINNERS:			DRAWN BY
1. Can mixed nuts	Carol Janzen	Sedgewick	L. Fricke
2. Gonzalez Sherry	Carole Wisdom	Fine Arts	D. McInnes
3. Tray & Shortbread	Craig Jones	Cat.	L. Kalinsky
4. Bottle of wine	Elaine Wilson	Cat.	R. Brongers
5. Bottle crackling rosé	Hildegard Spaulding	Woodward	J. Selby
6. Box of chocs.	Bob MacDonald	Admin.	E. Kinnard
7. Bottle of wine	Marianne Becker	Science	J. Gray
8. Pottery coffee mugs	Pat Bolton	Systems	S. Ilic
9. Greek cookies	Joan Sandilands	Hums.	G. Elliston
10. Banjo of Chocs.	Ardele Bruce	Cat.	N. Omelusik
11. Shortbread	Jonn Olldym	Circ.	Y. Forsythe
12. Tin English Biscuits	Wayne Taylor	Cat.	T. Erickson
13. Mumms Champagne	Lois Carrier	S.S.D.	B. Hamilton
14. Box mixed nuts	William Daly	Systems	J. Olldym
15. Poinsettia	Janet Taggart	Map Div.	David Miller
16. 15 lb. Turkey	Jennifer Gallup	Hums.	Mc Elrod
17. Box of chocs.	Ralph Stanton	Acq.	V. Carlisle
18. Box of chocs.	Fred Wong	Sedgewick	K. Kent
19. Tin of shortbread	Kate Gibson	Circ.	J. Cardin
20. Tin of shortbread	Maureen Wilson	Map Div.	H. Uit den Bosch

ST WIBBY REPORTS...

CONGRATULATIONS to Bob MacDonald who now heads up the Technical Processing Divisions. Official title-Coordinator of Technical Processes and Systems. And welcome to Heather Keate, Science Bibliographer as of February 1st.

NEW CITIZENS - MALE
Tom Shorthouse of Law welcomed a second son to the family fold on January 31st. John Douglas weighed in at 7 lbs 9 ounces. Kathy Kent, ex head of the Math Library introduced Michael Alfred to the world on January 8th. Birth weight 7 lbs 7 ounces. And a son Robert Carson born to Penny Damm who used to be in the Searching section of Cataloguing.

WOODWARD LIBRARY
Displays for the month carrying through OPEN HOUSE Subjects to be covered: The Red Cross; Dr. Norman Bethune (controversial surgeon in Communist China); Florence Nightingale; Evolution of the treatment of Cancer; Rare Medical Books.

NOW IT CAN BE TOLD that delicious crab meat that appeared on the "hospitality table" at Christmas was as fresh as a trip to the ocean bed the previous day could make it. Linda Putnam of Cataloguing caught the 12 crabs whilst on a Scuba Diviving trip - but she won't devulge the where.

TALKING about Linda brings to

mind that she is Production manager for the Drama "PORTRAIT IN BLACK" which is being performed by the United Players March 12,13 & 14 at St. James Auditorium. Tickets are available from her.

FINE ARTS GALLERY. "A receiver in which the incoming signal is mixed with a locally generated signal to produce an intermediate frequency which is then amplified and detected a second time to produce the audio frequency." Feb. 25 to Mar. 14. The above tongue twister is the title of a Sound Show opening at the Fine Arts Gallery, U.B.C., on

Feb. 25. This exhibition is the third event in the Festival of Contemporary Arts 1970.

WE SEE THAT Duane Lunden of the Mail Room had a showing of his drawings as part of the Fine Arts Gallery's Festival of the Contemporary Arts. Feb. 3/18. Most impressive. How about something for PAGE 4U Duane?

STILL in the realm of the Arts. Congratulations again to Claudia Kaye who for the second straight year has been chosen as one of the three local artists to compete in the Regional (New York Metropolitan Opera Company's) auditions in Seattle. We have our fingers crossed Claudia. FLASH: We hear that Claudia performed most delightfully in her Professional Debut with the Vancouver Symphony Friday Feb. 13th at the Queen E. (Gilbert & Sullivan program).

NEW CITIZENS - FEMALE
Irene Norden's many friends will be happy to learn that she gave birth to a daughter, Julie Irene, on the 29th Jan. Irene was many years in the Main Library before transferring to the Biomed. branch at the V.G.H. And another ex-staff member happy to welcome the birth of a daughter is Caroline Stewart of added copies. Sue Ellen arrived 22nd Jan. weighing 7 lbs 3 ounces.

FINE ARTS
Melva Dwyer attended the conference of the College Art Association of America in Washington, D.C. Jan. 28-31st and Diana Kraetschmer will be attending the Universities Art Association of Canada Conference in Toronto March 13-15.

SOCIAL SCIENCES besides repotting their large collection of plants would like to thank the Phantom Burglar who, upon written request has been replacing items of money and candy "borrowed" from various desk drawers, in that department, from which items disappeared. Very interesting!

THREE MARRIAGES took place on the 14th Feb. What better day than St. Valentine's to start long life and happiness. Nadia Carli of Sedgewick became Mrs. Claus Hauk; Elaine Hoffman of Circulation was married to Alistaire McIntyre; and Marg Thomas of Systems will be known in the future as Mrs. Jean Bellavance.

PHOTOGRAPH MODELS. It has been a great month for staff photos to appear in various local publications. Hope it had nothing to do with the great "Slow down". There was Heather Fearn with Dali in the Spotlight section of the Province. Basil Stuart-Stubbs in the Sun and Lynne MacIver in the Province showing off "The Bible". Booktrucks galore with Martha

Tully of Cataloguing in the Province and same scene with Lynn Millar also of Cataloguing in the Sun. Nobody on the Social Page but then we have missed several deliveries so who knows.

TRAVELLERS to warmer climes include Betty Misewich of Cataloguing off to the Island of Maui. Mavis Balshaw, also of Cataloguing off to Peru. And of course Pat O'Rourke of Circulation is still sporting a bit of a tan picked up in Hawaii. We understand Diana Kent of the Woodward Library is checking Flora and Fauna in Hawaii and Helen Allen also from over there is in Africa and has already visited some of the big game reserves.

AND ON THAT happy note aurevoir until next month. Hope to see some of you at the Open House March 6/7, 1970.

FLASH - OPEN HOUSE 1970 - STACKS IN THE MAIN LIBRARY

People will be free to wander through
the Main Library
Stack entries will be manned both days

SPECIAL NOTE

To all you wonderful chroniclers from the various divisions, to the Open House committee for providing us with items for our "flash announcements", to our ever witty cartoonists and to everyone else, who contributed to this the 1969 Annual Review, a great big vote of gratitude from your Biblos Editorial Staff.

Pat LaVac	Deanna Norris
Judy Cardin	Georgia MacRae
Peg Leighton	Martina Cipolli
Ralph Stanton	Diana Kraetschmer

ACQUISITIONS DIVISION...7th Floor

The passing of another year has, predictably, been accompanied by a few new developments in the Acquisitions Division.

In automation, a computerized accounting system for book funds was introduced with the beginning of the new fiscal year in April. It is now possible to provide more detailed information on transactions which have taken place in the various appropriations. A second important step was the inclusion, late in the year, of the Woodward Library in the ordering system. It is hoped that all branches and divisions now doing their own ordering will eventually follow suit, with the result that a central order record and uniform accounting input will be available.

Some experimentation with a microform approach to the on order/in process printout was conducted. Cartridge microfilm and microfiche were both tried, but no decision has yet been made on the adoption of this format. Some modifications to the way in which information is presented in the existing printout are also being considered, with the possible introduction of a title approach the major point of interest.

There was, if you will pardon an excursion into the vernacular of the sports page, a multi-player trade between Acquisitions and the Gifts and Exchanges Division in which Linda Kwong went to G & E for Janet Yuan and the Prebindery. Now, if we can only come up with a fourth starter...

FLASH - OPEN HOUSE 1970 - seventh floor.

Acquisitions
See the Flexowriter - how it works - how it relates to the Computer.
Follow the coloured rope from acqusition through CATALOGUING - see the path a book must follow before it is ready to circulate. Ask questions- this is how you learn about your library.

ASIAN STUDIES

Puzzles, puzzles! 1969 was so full of them for Asian Studies that not even its all Oriental staff could solve. Statistics shot up in all directions, 100% in cataloguing and 77% in circulation, but you would be quite wrong if you think we have received any encouragement. Despite all that at home, the division head was invited in the summer by librarians abroad to the University of Wisconsin to help organize and teach at an Institute on Bibliographic Services in East Asian Studies.

A series of "happy occasions" occurred since September; one of the library assistants got married, another went to library school, and two others were going to be mothers. It was so difficult to replace such experienced staff that their departure left a rather sad atmosphere, which is still lingering on. Fortunately, a Japanese librarian was finally added to the staff after 4 years' searching.

In September, a doctorate programme started in the Department of Asian Studies. To meet the increased demand of study space, students were asked to double up in sharing the carrells. Alas, we could not ask our books to do the same, so the space situation was literally on a downward trend; 250 shelves of them have so far been moved to the basement. In last year's report, Government Publications mentioned that their staff "gasped about in their airless atmosphere". What an apt description for the Asian Studies staff! We are gasping like fish out of water. Whenever a large shipment of books, folders, or government publications arrived, we had no choice but to push our readers away so that we could use the only large tables available for unpacking and processing.

"Why, silly, didn't you make use of the 1,184 sq. ft. of the "airless" space vacated 3 months ago by your next door neighbour?" That's a good question. But where would you store the Colbeck Stock that is shelved there now? Would the floor be strong enough to support more shelves? How well could we spare a member of our small staff to be put there away from the Asian Studies proper?

Puzzles, puzzles, where will they end? But we love our Asian Studies Library, and "Love...endures all things," and "He who endures to the end will be saved". Amen.

FORESTRY/AGRICULTURE LIBRARY

Last year I outlined a wonderful 5 point programme for 1969. The only thing wrong was that I got my figures transposed. Instead of 5 points for 1 year, I should have been content with 1 point on a 5 year plan basis.

Of the five points blithely proposed our greatest success has been in the 'remaining' cheerful at all costs' department and even there oftentimes the keen eye could detect a hint of strain behind the brave smiles. Indeed the strain has been too great for Irene who has chosen motherhood as an escape.

About the rest of the programme it behooves us to maintain a diplomatic silence. We did think briefly that we'd managed to get the bugs out of our catalogue at last summer's inventory but our joy has been short lived. It seems we failed to exterminate them completely and they are creeping back in - creatures of a strain resistant to all the control measure in our book.

As for plans for 1970, we have planned nothing and have high hopes of reaching our objectives!. M.M.

FLASH - OPEN HOUSE 1970
LAW LIBRARY

Saroka Productions
presents
TRIAL OF THE CENTURY - at
the Law School
Real live drama with
studentsand library staff
as the actors.
FRIDAY 7.30 p.m. SATURDAY 11 a.m. & 3 p.m.

IN TROUBLE WITH THE LAW? See the students who will be manning the booths - in the Library at the Faculty of Law.

CATALOGUE DIVISION

The year 1969 was not a year of major innovation as was the year 1968, but rather a year of consolidation. In some areas the pain of earlier change wore off, in others only the shock.

Some new projects were undertaken:

1) The shelf list has now been filmed. The film will be kept up-to-date by filming cards sent to the union catalogue in Ottawa, thus safeguarding the catalogue records of the library.
2) Public catalogue expansion: The public catalogue has been expanded and projection of future cabinet needs made.
3) Title cards for books not having title entry (a near third of the collection) are in the process of being typed. These titles had not been made for a variety of reasons, including their similarity to a subject heading.
4) Filing revision has been undertaken for most of the branch libraries.
5) Woodward and Sedgewick have found the filing of subject cards by imprint date to be a good arrangement. This change is being considered for the main catalogue.

The Division processed 137,565 volumes during the 1968/69 academic year and has now reduced the storage collection to 21,000 volumes. The typing backlog has waned and waxed.

Except for December, the Division reached its goal of doing at least 10,000 volumes per month and averaged well over that for the year. The difference between this and last year's figure is roughly that of the in-Division backlog of titles and added volumes and copies cleared out last year. Next year we expect roughly the same production of 10,000 volumes per month.

The Colbeck collection (not stock) brief listing project is completed with main entry cards in the public catalogue for all titles.

Wilson Listening Room records are being catalogued. In addition to an improved list, general references from composer name in the public catalogue refer patrons to the computer listing of records.

The Catalogue Division has undertaken the cataloguing of other non-book materials as well: films, recordings, and pictures for the Curriculum Laboratory and recordings for Music and Woodward. Some feel that the greatest weakness in our service to the campus is our failure to offer centralized audio-visual services; the Division has the ability to backup through organization of materials any efforts the library might make to create such a central audio-visual agency.

The new heads of the Subdivision of the Catalogue Division (Freda Bailey in Original Cataloguing, Margaret Price in LC Cataloguing and Ann Turner in Preparation) have laboured mightily, and the Division continues to keep abreast of current acquisitions and to work away on the storage collection and uncatalogued reading rooms.

Next year we look forward to the operation of a shared cataloguing program with U. Vic and SFU. Beginning with 1970 imprints it is planned that each instituituion will give express cataloguing to one third of the alphabet (by title) and exchange catalogue copy. A file of 1970 and later imprints in the other two institutions will be created by title in the Division and will be available for consultation by other Divisions.

BIBLIOGRAPHY DIVISION

If change can be construed as progress, it may be said that during the past year the Bibliography Division has progressed. We expanded to take in Gifts and Exchange. After wearing 2 hats for several months Graham Elliston stepped into Mr. Lanning's shoes to devote his full time to developing and filling in periodical backfiles. Graham's job as Western European Bibliographer was taken on by Dorothy Shields. Gerry Palsson, Science Bibliographer, left in July, lured to Arizona by southern sunshine. His position was difficult to fill. A large backlog of work and a jubilant Science Division welcomes Heather Keate who began as Science Bibliographer on February 2nd. Eleanor Mercer, when asked for comment on her area, sighed that the processing of the Colbeck stock goes on, and on, and on... Our Chief is on a trip to Mexico and not available for comment - when comment does come, we expect a flow of fluent Spanish.

D.S.

HUMANITIES DIVISION

1969 saw several staff changes in the Humanities Division and its fosterchild, Interlibrary Loan. Sue Port, a veteran of six years with the Library, left in May to live in Castlegar, where her husband is teaching sociology at Selkirk College. Joan Sandilands moved down the hall from Information and Orientation to take Sue's place.

Kathy Becker transferred from Interlibrary Loans to the Reading Rooms Division and her job as chief book-sender-outer is now being done by Josie Bannerman. I.L.L.'s increasingly heave burden has been eased by the arrival in January of Halina Mitton, a graduate of the U.B.C. School of Librarianship, who will come in two days a week until the end of March to help. The hardworking I.L.L. group has processed a record number of requests this year: 7,595 items were lent and 4,027 were borrowed.

The Humanities Division has produced two new reference guides in the past year: Guide to reference materials in German language and literature, by Barbara Walden, and Reference Guide to book reviews, by Jennifer Gallup. Guides to linguistics, American and English literature, Spanish literature, and Comparative literature are in process. Maria Horvath has completed Part 2 of her Doukhobor bibliography and has had two articles published, one in a German Journal, the other in the Mennonite Quarterly Review.

In May, Jennifer Gallup flew off to libraries in New York and Boston to examine material on T.S. Eliot. Jenny now reports (with a wild look heavenward) that her Eliot bibliography is "nearing completion".

One of the Humanitarians' wishes has been granted in the past year: a turnstile is being installed at the door of the Ridington Room, and we hope it will solve our chronic problem of missing reference books. Now if only the fairy godmother would provide real opening windows in the Ridington Room.....

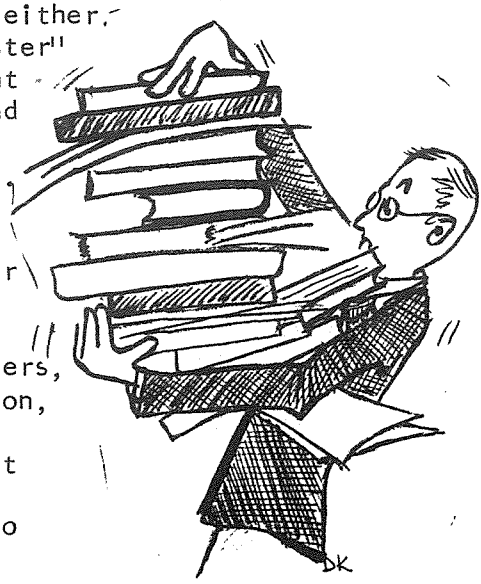
FLASH - OPEN HOUSE 1970 - 8th FLOOR
See the huge 4'x 8' aireal photograph of Vancouver and the Fraser Valley MAP DIV.

SCIENCE DIVISION 1969

In 1969 the Science Division stepped into the computer age by serving as "search editors" for the new Canada wide SDI (Selective Dissemination of Information) service of the National Science Library. This current awareness service alerts its subscribers to the existence of recently published papers in their specific fields of interest. The search editor's function is to give assistance in the construction of individual "interest profiles", (consisting of terms combined into "search equations") which are fed to the computer in Ottawa where they are compared against magnetic tapes containing bibliographic data regarding papers recently published in some 9000 journals. This scanning and matching of profiles and tapes takes place at regular intervals and results in selective bibliographies that are sent to subscribers on a weekly or bi-weekly basis. Our first customers, though few in number, seem to be satisfied.

Our Telex service (the only Telex on campus is located in the Science Division) continued to flourish and became better known to the point where it was necessary to restate our policy that we will serve university departments for urgent, official business only... even if at Christmas time we may have closed one eye and processed one or two frivolous messages.

While the computer and the Telex produced reams of paper, our book collection did not stop growing either. Once again we pushed the "measure-Master" along the three miles of shelving that hold the science collection (our speed improved by 50% to 30ft./minute) and came up with some interesting figures. The stack collection had grown 9½% in one year which compounded would lead to a doubling in size in 8 years. Our reference collection had grown 24%.



Amidst these modern phenomena: computers, teleprinters, and publication explosion, the staff kept its cool and we almost got through the year unscathed. Almost but not quite:- two weeks before the end of 1969 we lost Valerie Roddick to

quiet domesticity and Karin Casasempere to motherhood. They left with our thanks and good wishes. Another serious loss was that of our "guest" Gerry Palsson, the Science Bibliographer, who left for the greener pastures of Arizona and proved to be irreplaceable in more ways than one. Another "guest" joined us in the fall: - Vera Niessen of the Reading Rooms Division is looking after the science reading rooms and a home base in the Science Division seemed the obvious place for her. She has already turned out to be an excellent shock-absorber. New faces among our own staff:- Anne Severson (succeeding Valerie Roddick) and Marianne Becker (succeeding Karin Casasempere) made a fresh start on December 16.

Prospects for the seventies: - growth, and all the problems resulting therefrom. However, more immediately we are looking forward to the arrival of the new Science Bibliographer, Heather Keate, who will come and stay with us starting February 2nd.

I don't know how much human interest or humour is in here but there has been lots of human sweat and tears about this place during the past year...

CURRICULUM LABORATORY
PLUS CA CHANGE PLUS C'EST LA MEME CHOSE

Well, 1969 finally saw the Curriculum Lab. enter the age of computers, circulation wise. Unfortunately, it wasn't enough to keep our previous circ assistant from flying off to Europe in a shower of manual charge cards. Two new positions were added to the staff, turnstiles were put into place, and an open stack policy adopted - all in an effort to deal with our crowds (read hoards) of eager (read harassed) Education students. These changes, by the way, gave Physical Plant an opportunity to demonstrate its usual blinding efficiency. A job begun in May of '69 was completely finished by January of 1970. Summer school came and, mercifully, went...books were labled and moved...journals were brought from the Main Library...the audio-visual collection was catalogued and classified...pamphlet files were sorted...staff members had babies and/or got married and, after suffering through it all, we're still faced with as many problems and as much work as when we started. What did someone say about running to stand still???

WHAT A DIFFERENCE A DECADE MAKES

Every other news media has been busy reviewing the decade of the sixties and here, not to be outdone, are some interesting facts and figures from the Library statistics.

Interesting Comparisons.

STAFF

September 1st 1960		January 1st 1970	
Librarians	30	Librarians	92½
Senior Lib. Assts.	1	Lib. Assts. 4	47
Library Assts.	20	Lib. Assts. III	65
Clerks II	7	Lib. Assts. II	61
Clerks I	21	Lib. Assts. I	62
Secretaries	4	Secretaries	7
Stack Attnds.	1	Stack Attnds.	9
Bindery	5	Bindery	8
		Clerical & Others	24
TOTAL	89	TOTAL	375

SALARIES

July 1st 1960			July 1st 1970		
Librarians I	$4000 per annum		Librarians starting		$7000
" II	$5000 "				
" III	$5900 "				
Snr. Lib. Asst.	Starting	$241.50	Lib. Assts. IV	"	$ 480.
Lib. Asst.	"	221.50	" III	"	411.
Clerk II	"	211.50	" II	"	325.
Clerk I	"	181.50	" I	"	288.
Secretary I	"		Secretary I	"	311.
Stack Super. (1)	"	241.50	Stack Super.	"	460.
			Stack Attnd.	"	372.

Other wages have risen accordingly.

TURNOVER OF SUPPORTING STAFF

1959/60	All	67%	→ (Lib. Assistants 95.8%)
1968/69	"	43.1%	

BOOKBUDGET	1959/60 $213,349	1969/70 estimated $1,171,517
SIZE OF COLLEC.	Aug/60 452,370	Jan/70 approx. 1,100,000
TOTAL CIRCULATION year ending Aug./60	394,080	68/69 1,622,451 & figures are already way over this for 69/70.

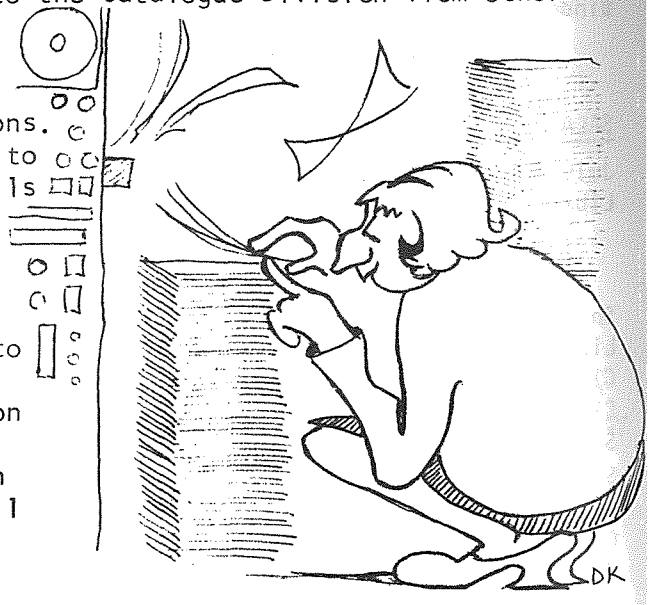
And the people who were here when the decade started:
Basil Stuart-Stubbs, Bill Bell, Percy Fryer, Mrs. Forsythe, Melva Dwyer, Eleanor Mercer, Joan Selby, Meg Little, Miss Ng, Gerry Dobbin, Steve Johnson, Anna Leith, Anita Harris, M. Wilson, E. Woodward.

SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

This is a division of scattered splinter groups. Much of the vital work goes on in the corner office on level five where our two programmers write, debug, and adapt the programs which are the basis of the Library's computerized systems. The keypunch and flexowriter operators work in a noisy, cheerful room on level eight, and our roving Girl Friday, Pat Bolton, is usually to be found in Serials or Acquisitions.

Very few new projects were undertaken in 1969. Book cards were punched for the entire Curriculum Laboratory collection last spring, so that they could join the IBM 1030 Circulation system in July. At much the same time, the accounting section of the Acquisitions system was installed, with many attendant problems. Since mid-November all Woodward book orders have been typed for the computer acquisitions system; earlier we had begun to type multiple order forms for books being sent to the Catalogue Division from other branches and divisions.

During the year we have had our full quota of resignations. While new staff needed time to become adjusted to the details of our routines, the volume of material to be processed increased in all categories. Consequently we are running faster and faster in order to stay in the same place. If even one person is sick or on holiday we start to lose ground immediately! So with a bonne sainte to one and all we look forward to 1970.



FLASH - OPEN HOUSE 1970 - HISTORY OF THE LIBRARY U.B.C.

Large case outside Social Sciences

MUSIC LIBRARY 1969:

Statistics:

Book Circulation: 39.6% Increase
Record Circulation: 96.2% Increase

Important new acquisition:

Microfilms of Music Manuscripts from European libraries (through courtesy of the Vancouver Foundation and Canada Council).

Staff:

Addition of an L.A. III position with - so far - 3 incumbents: Ann Matthiesen - Cheryl Steinhauer - Eve Porter. The new L.A. II is Suzanne Boughey (Edna Corbin-Johnston resigned to become a housewife and mother).

FINE ARTS DIVISION - RESUME OF 1969

SPRING 1969:

Romance, staff changes, hope, excitement and restlessness mark the beginning of the new year in the Fine Arts Division. Maureen Devine replaces Eveline Warbey as our secretary-typist. Sally Krieger (from New York no less) joins the staff. Diana flies to Switzerland and Austria for two weeks and comes home engaged. Jill Wade flies home to Winnipeg. In May, Miss Dwyer tours England, Holland and France with her nephew. And, the same month, Diana is married in Vancouver to Wilhelm Kraetschmer, a graduate of the University of Vienna.

SUMMER:

Spring restlessness resolves itself in more staff changes, lots of swimming at Empire Pool and a few more relaxed smiles. We pass through summer school and inventory unscarred. Joan Wenman leaves for the greener fields of Europe. Evelyn Roth enrolls in an Italian course and begins to sew her "Venetian Collection". Diana sojourns happily for a weekend in San Francisco. Jill Wade decides to leave the library world and explore the creative fields of pottery and weaving.

FALL 1969:

A bustle of preparations, renewed energies and good resolutions creates the atmosphere at the beginning of session. We bid farewell to Evelyn Roth who leaves for Venice with the UBC School of Architecture, and welcome Jane Shinn (heritage: Portsmouth, England and good ole' Sedge). At last we replace Joanie Wenman (our periodicals lady) - and with Carole Wisdom from Prebindery! Into this somewhat hectic world comes our new librarian - Peggy Wroblewski. (Hmmmmmmmm - Wroblewsky, Kraetschmer, Dwyer - try leaving phone messages and spelling those three names!) Peg comes to us via Montreal, San Francisco and UBC Library School of 1968. Miss Dwyer attends a conference in Washington, D.C. of the Council of Planning Librarians and she is appointed Vice President. She begins immediately to plan their New York Conference in 1970 - menus from New York Hilton and Lecturers from Princeton University. Peggy enrolls in an evening course called "Cities of Consequence".

WINTER 1969:

A year of change ends quietly, even imperceptively. Our newest acquisition is an SCM copy machine which ticks away happily in one corner. Maureen becomes an aunt and the Fine Arts Division tingles with some excitement awaiting July 1970 when we have our second baby (and er...Sally Krieger's first). Letters come in from the former staff from Europe and eastern Canada. Miss Dwyer attends another conference in Washington, D.C. This one is called the College Art Association. Circulation increases and plans begin for the new decade.

ANIMAL RESOURCE ECOLOGY LIBRARY

For the main part of 1969 the Animal Resource Ecology Library (formerly the Institute of Fisheries Library) remained under the direction of Mr. Huibert Verwey in the Biological Sciences complex B-8.

In April, the long-awaited Dennison Reader-Printer was installed and in addition to the regular acquisition of new journals and books we increased our collection of reprints and translations by 100 bound volumes. Meanwhile, shelving space which in 1968 had been loosely termed "inadequate" in 1969 became clearly defined as "desperate".

In November Mr. Verwey resigned his post as Head Librarian of this Library and left U.B.C. to accept a position as Collections Librarian at Memorial University of Newfoundland. With his departure our library publication, the Institute of Fisheries, Library Bulletin with its circulation of 450 was discontinued and is now being continued from Memorial University.

Until a new librarian can be found to fill the gap left at Mr. Verwey's leaving, our growth and also our future as an independently functioning library is severly restricted.

Terri Bergsma
Margaret Thiessen

LAW LIBRARY

Graffiti discovered on the wall of the old Law Building, 2001 A.D. "...Writing this from under a pile of catalogue cards, somewhere in the Faculty of Law. They are stifling, stifling. We hear that more are coming tomorrow, but it is no longer possible to separate fact from fiction. The building is filled with ominous whispers from under many other mounds of cards. None of us sees much of the outside world anymore. When we laugh we laugh alone, and always at cruel, bibliographic jokes..."

In July 1969, the fateful decision was made to classify the law collection and the job has been undertaken with great enthusiasm and zeal. A published schedule designed by Elizabeth Moys was adopted because, unlike the one currently in the planning process at the Library of Congress, it breaks down the areas of law essentially by subject rather than jurisdiction. We feel that this is of greatest value in a law school. It is a "K" schedule and matches LC in form, so we are confident that it will be successful, with a few adaptations (eg. KC: International law has been dropped in favour of JX).

Every card in our present catalog will have to be replaced, a process which has resulted in a considerably expanded workload here (see Graffiti). Also, all the older books must have new spine labels attached to them, and call numbers added to the circulation cards. At times we get a little desperate at the prospect. But, all in all, this should be considered our Great Leap Forward during the past year. (ed. note) We have a dandy iron for those labels - clothes pressed while you wait.

On a human level, Donna Mackenzie was promoted from librarianship to Motherhood, producing a fine son named John Duncan. She was replaced by Allen Soroka, a recent graduate of the Columbia University School of Librarianship, who was for five years a practising lawyer in the public defender system of New York City. Everyone is delighted to have this voice of authority in the reference area. And with Allen's many fascinating tales from the criminal courts, coffee breaks here have improved immeasurably.

SEDGEWICK

There were a number of changes in Sedgewick in 1969, some of them major others minor. A change that seems to be occurring on an annual basis is an increase in circulation, up from 391,835 in 1968 to 443,521 in 1969. Just as important as this change in total quantity is the change indicated by the decrease in reserve loans, down from 66,740 in 1968 to 57,108 in 1969. Accounting for this change is a collection that continues to grow in breadth and depth and improve in quality (through selection of new titles and weeding of outdated or little used titles), an increase in the number of course items processed (more requests filled, more copies per student, etc.), and a deliberate policy of keeping as many materials on week loan as possilbe (thereby reducing the frusttration of one day and two hour loans for students).

A second change in 1969 was the growth of the paperback collection, up from about 200 titles in 1968 to approximately 1200 titles in 1969. This growth was made possible by a gift of $1,500 from U.B.C. alumni. The collection has been successful in meeting its original aim of encouraging students to read beyond the relatively narrow limits of their course requirements. Circulation here, interestingly enough corresponds roughly with the size of the collection, with approximately 200 loans per month before the new addition, and approximately 1,000 per month after.

The most important change of the year, of course, came with the Board of Governor's approval of the plans for a new Sedgewick undergraduate library. The new library will provide more space for collections (up from 80,000 volumes to 200,000 volumes), for study space for students (up from 500 to 1,500 seats), and for work space for staff (up from approximately 1,800 sq. ft. to approximately 4,500 sq. ft.) Just as significant as this increase

in space, is the improvement of the quality of the "environment" in the new library. The consulting architects have paid careful attention to the overall design of the library to insure that it is both a highly aesthetic as well as a highly functional building. Equal attention is being paid (by "environmental psychologists" among others), to lighting, colour schemes, floor covering, furniture, etc. The new library, then, will not only be a more spacious but also a more pleasant place to work and study in.

SERIALS

It gives us a great pleasure to find that our problems are those of progress and coordination; and both will (hopefully) be solved with our professional automation, R. MacDonald being lined up as our coordinator.

FACTS in figures: Master File contains 22,000 cards; every month between 3,000 - 4,000 changes are effected on them; monthly claims sent out are in the neighbourhood of 500; in 1969 we placed approximately 2,500 orders.

PROJECT type works: Reading Room subscriptions have been repatriated under a more orderly and revised policy and procedure. Acquisitions continuations transfer is at standstill at the moment; staff is being planned for the continuation and completion of the undertaking. A redefinition of materials coming under the two divisions is also under consideration.

AUTOMATION LINE: A serials list has been produced by the computer in call number order and distributed in 4 copies: Woodward, Social Sciences, Information and Serials.

Method of check-in procedure has been changed from check-in cards to check-in lists; consequently Collator, programmed for automatic ciling (merging) has been removed.

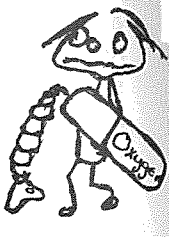
Gathering of publishing pattern of titles (frequency, receipt, supplements, indexes etc.) is progressing smoothly with a suprisingly cooperative response from all agencies contacted. All these data will form the basis of more perfect automatic claiming and renewal system.

The redesign of format-frequency-distribution of Serials print-outs (weekly-daily) is in the discussion stage.

Automation of order-invoice operation waited until Acquisitions perfected same line and now it's Serials turn to turn to this sweet thing in the Spring.

ALL THESE marvelous changes are due to a changing staff: permanent staff numbers: 12; of these 12 joined Serials in 1969; 13 left Serials in 1969 - if you can make sense of this let us know. There is one staff to be singled out as member of the first crop of Library Technicians trained at Vancouver City College: Grace Ferguson; she is doing just fine. So is Joan Stuchner doing field work here from the same school.

VISITORS who came to admire-imitate-adulate etc. (no one criticized) during 1969 were: Serials staff and New Assistant Librarian of Technical Services from SFU; Professor Simmons, from the School of Librarianship; the UBC Prelibrarianship Club and various agents: Swets & Zeitlinger (Holland), Blackwell (England) through a Librarian Agent; Dawson (Canada-USA); Stechert-Hafner (USA).



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- OPEN HOUSE 1970 -

GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS
&
MICRO DIVISION

A display of microform-prints on various themes will be organized at the top of the stairs and then visitors will be guided to our reference area to be shown the "intimate details" of reproduction, reduction, availability, readability, possibility, etc.

If you feel a need for visual stimulation or relaxation in pastels come to our "therapy-centre" before March 6-7, or if you are interested in the nitty-gritty operations of the microworld, visit Floor 6 during Open House.

Ask how to steal the U.B.C. Library in a shoe box.

READING ROOMS DIVISION

Necessary funds having been provided in the 1969/70 budget to implement a long standing Senate policy on Reading Rooms, by decree of Basil, the Reading Rooms division came into being July 1st., 1969. What the Division was to do and how expected to do it had received of course, due thought and was broadly spelt out in a directive. However, in essence we were as a Division to administer that portion of the privy purse allocated for Reading Room University Library's collection, and aid and assist faculty departments in the operation of the then existing thirty-eight authorized Reading Rooms on Campus. To do our !thing! we were to have a staff of one Librarian, four Library Assistants III and a typist L.A. I.

Standard procedure for commencing any enterprise is that you recruit staff and make an assessment of the situation. To allow time however, for training of personnel it was decided that staffing would be stretched over a three month period. (This is only palaver - it really meant that the boss had to learn first what it is all about.) There was also the need to obtain accomodation and furniture so - the Faculty Publications kindly moved out of the Floor 5 offices and the Division Head established squatters rights to Bill Watson's former office.

Staff was engaged with Claire Gagne coming to us in all innocence out of High School to work as Girl Friday and typist, and Kathy Becker transferred from ILL as the Division's first L.A. III. Next Vera Niessen moved from Circulation in August to look after the Science Reading Rooms (her qualification being that her husband was a student of Electrical Engineering) and Heather Hodgins from University of Saskatchewan as the third L.A. III. Finally we completed the staff in October with Bess Rivett for the Woodward affiliated Reading Rooms. Bess had the background of being once in charge of the Montreal General Hospital medical collection.

In the meantime Walter Harrington and the Library Assistants were busy with the survey of Reading Rooms, commencing a programme of cataloguing their collections, contacting Heads of Departments and faculty representatives to explain what the new policy was all about and fighting the paper war. We were also trying to cope with a flood of Book Orders and Periodical transfers and requests pouring in, now that Departments had a new source of money for books. (There is nothing like money to spend!) Generally response by Departments to the innovation of receiving assistance from the Library was most favorably received - in fact some cases too ardently with expectations for services beyond our resources, at least for the immediate.

Taking stock of our domain, we found that we had a total collection in Reading Rooms of well over 25,000 volumes, most requiring cataloguing, and about 800 periodicals to transfer to the Library's system. Also, that no two Reading Rooms were alike in the service offered, scope of collections, staffing, accomodation or policy. Five were larger than some of our Branch libraries, and one fitted into an 8' x 10' room.

With the splendid co-operation of Serials personnel we have now placed some 850 periodical subscriptions for Reading Rooms and this project is nearly finished. Furthermore, what we think is a good modus operandi has been developed with Searching and Acquisitions for the processing of Reading Room book orders, and since July over 2400 Book Requests have been handled for Reading Rooms. A beginning has been made in the cataloguing of the Reading Room collections; six completed and three in progress. Towards this project Cataloguing has been most understanding of our needs and their indulgence of our transgressions is appreciated.

Much has been accomplished in the last six months including the organizing of two more Reading Rooms on Campus, much is yet to be done. What has been done is credited to the hard work of five capable Library Assistants and the grand co-operation of the staff of all the Division we have asked, bugged and cajoled into helping us.

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will be marked by arrows.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS DIVISION

So we're called Special Collections, but it might be of interest to know that in addition to collecting we also service undergraduates, graduates, members of Faculty and staff, and visitors of all sorts. In spite of this our collecting binge carries on. During the year we acquired a lot of paper in various shapes and forms, from heavy tomes to postage stamps, giving rise to various problems from storage and cataloguing to such things as insect pollution.

We acquired such a vast quantity of manuscripts and records during 1969 that several tons had to be placed in commercial storage. The largest category of papers, records of British Columbia fishing companies, were acquired as a result of various amalgamations and take overs in the fishing industry. Papers came in from as far afield as Alert Bay, Skeena River and Steveston, with more promised. Other collections of interest which we acquired during the year from the B.C. Liberal Association, Roderick Haig-Brown, Mack Eastman, the founders of U.B.C.'s history department, Dr. N.A.M. MacKenzie, former U.B.C. President, and Dr. Frank Buck, the leading light in the first landscaping of campus.

Our collection of underground press and radical papers was enlarged when Social Science Division's collection of samples was merged with ours. We now have a new field of interest - modern Canadian poetry - which was initiated because most of the Library's collection was missing from the Main Stacks. Our most notable acquisition was the Dali Alice which is still on display and still arousing a lot of interest.

As well as compiling a bibliography of British Columbia books for each issue of B.C. Studies, Frances Woodward has completed a list of theses relating to British Columbia history, which was published as one of the Library's reference guides.

The social highlight of the year was in June when Heather Patterson became Heather Fearn in a romantic ceremony on board a boat in Smuggler's Cove.

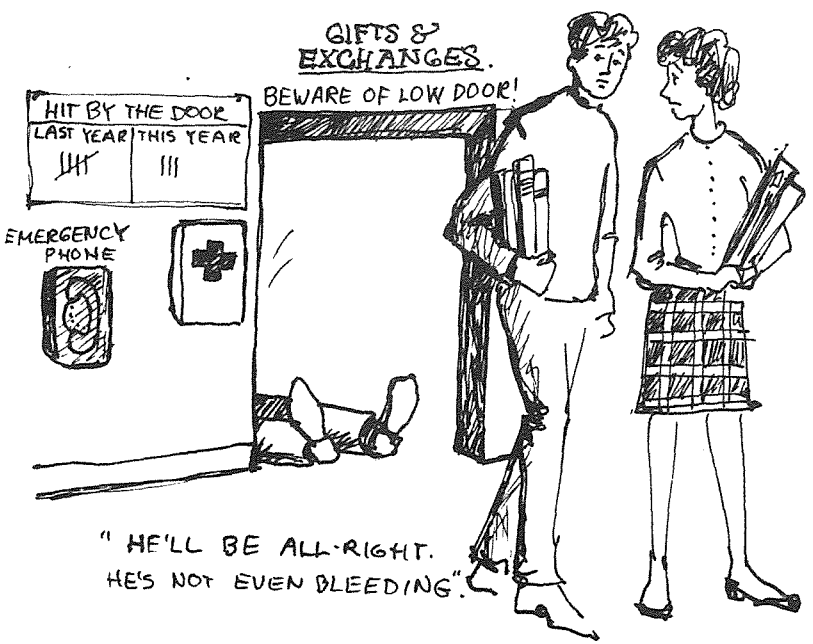
GIFTS AND EXCHANGE DIVISION

The Gifts and Exchange Division was sailing through a rather uneventful year, until July, when Walter Harrington was lost to the Reading Rooms Division and Janet Yuan to Acquisitions Division. In their place came Linda Kwong and Geraldine Griffin, who was replaced by Geraldine Hollett when she got married three months later.

Characteristically, as soon as the ladies took over, everything in sight was rearranged - furniture, books, the correspondence file... All the journals were moved down to Floor 2 where they were arranged in alphabetical order.

Meanwhile, the work went on. In 1969, the Division exchanged publications with 280 libraries, produced 6 exchange lists, received 35 significant gifts in some 2766 volumes and gained for the library $8848.00 from the sale of duplicates.

In the entire year, only three people got hit when they went through the low door, and two of them did not even bleed!



THE COLBECK COLLECTION AND THE COLBECK BOOKSTOCK: PROGRESS REPORT.

For those of you who have recently joined the Library staff I will quote the following paragraph regarding the history of the Colbeck Collection and bookstock which was written by Elsie de Bruijn in The December issue of the UBC Library News:

"In 1967 an English bookseller, Norman Colbeck, donated his outstanding collection of nineteenth century English literature to the UBC Library and joined the staff as curator and bibliographical consultant. At the same time the Simon Fraser and University of Victoria libraries joined with UBC in purchasing the contents of his bookstore. Thus UBC acquired two separate collections: the specialized Colbeck Collection of books and manuscripts, and one-third of the much more varied Colbeck bookstock, which is being shared equally with Simon Fraser and the University of Victoria. During the past two years the library staff have been hard at work preparing both sets of books for use by the public."

All printed material in the Colbeck Collection is now catalogued and in use-particularly by graduate students and members of the English Department.

The many thousands of volumes in the Colbeck bookstock have been unpacked and searched by members of the L.C. Cataloguing section. This has been a long and dusty job which, I am happy to report is almost at an end- hopefully within the next month. The several thousand volumes which have been selected by UBC are already catalogued and incorporated into the Library collection.

Mavis C. Balshaw

PREBINDERY:

Thirty days ago I was asked to produce an article on Prebindery's activities during the past year for publication in this issue of Biblos. With thirty days grace I could easily compose, adjust, polish, grease and oil each word; so that all would fit jam tight into a brilliant thesis. Well!, thirty days of jotting, scribbling, erasing, has brought Prebindery's leader to the finish line. Press time and no thesis. Not one single brilliant word. The only accomplishment is, that time has enabled the author to corect the speling of his scribbles.

Statistically, figuratively, chartwise, Prebindery doesn't exist. Other than producing without halt nor delay, in sunshine or rain, the scheduled number of journals and monographs each week; Prebindery can add nothing to the history of the Library. Not one single iota. Yearly, monthly, weekly, daily, the activity in Prebindery is a continuous concerted rush by allconcerned, to prepare one batch of material for binding before another lands at the back door.

For those readers of Biblos who might be waiting for this bit of news, here is a revised roster of Prebindery Staff. Number one girl, Kathy Rankin, number two, Laura Funk, three Dorothy Friesen, four Jana Abramson. Helen Goetz remains the anchor man in the Mending Department. Some foot shuffling in the background might indicate another presence. During the past year the staff has developed a few new idiosyncrasies. The OUT! Thing, in Prebindery is coughing or sneezing. This could mean a cold. A day off. An extra load of work for someone else. Coughing and sneezing are OUT. The IN! Thing, in CONTAC C. To be really In, and to show ones' love for ones' fellow workers, is to have a certificate for a recent flu shot. Thats dedication. So if you happen to be in the presence of a colleague that coughs or sneezes, they may not be dedicated but most likely ill.

Best wishes and good health to all Biblos readers from Prebindery Staff. Have a happy summers holiday. If no further invitations to glorify Prebindery come from Biblos until next year, Merry Christmas too.

MATH LIBRARY

In December, two new math study rooms, mainly for undergraduates, were opened in the Math Annex. Result.....much quietness for faculty members to study reference material. We received about 20 new journals and 750 new books. In order to cope with this growth rate we have to look for needed stack space. This summer we will try to knock out a section of wall between the library and the adjoining study room so that both rooms will become library space. Our circulation in 1969 from January to December was 24,000 compared with 19,000 in 1968. A rough calculation showed an increase of 21.8%. There was a marked increase of users in the computing science area indicating that more and more students are getting interested in the computing science courses.

In the middle of October our librarian, Mrs. Kathy Kent, resigned due to the upcoming birth of her baby, born Michael Alfred, 7 lbs. 7 ozs. on January 8, 1970. In the meantime, David Thomas of Science division has been our part-time supervisor. In November

we lost Carol Wilson to Toronto and gained Lynne Malecot from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

After one bombing and one bomb threat, we are still surviving and our Friday evening student assistant still hasn't left us which indicates great dedication to the cause.

FLASH - OPEN HOUSE 1970 - SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Main entrance hall - See many interesting items brought down from Special Collections and displayed in the show cases, including one of the Shakespeare Folios.

MAP DIVISION - 1969:

The map division has continued, like every other section in the Library to get busier, and this year, to cope with the situation, another Library Assistant, Janet Taggart, has joined us. We now have four full time staff members - 3 short and one tall, so handy for those deep files.

Maps have been arriving in large quantities and space in the map drawers has been dwindling rapidly. During the year blanket orders for Atlases have been started. Many faculty members have discovered that items can be borrowed for lectures and they are beginning to make full use of the service.

And several displays have been prepared during the year for the Education department's social studies classes. We would say a very satisfying year.

As to the 1970 outlook - preparations are going on apace for the "Great Event" when the Map Division will play host to the Association of Canadian Map Libraries. Maureen Wilson of the Map Division and Frances Woodward of Special Collections are busy planning both the program and social events. Among other speakers will be Basil Stuart-Stubbs, presenting the Library's fascinating collection of historical Japanese Maps.

CIRCULATION DIVISION

Circulation was enlarged in July by the addition of the Extension Library, which had formerly been under the Gifts and Exchanges librarian.

Early in the year, Circulation and Sedgewick took part in a use study conducted under the Donner Foundation grant. By making use of a computer-produced listing of frequently used books, we chose a number of titles of which extra copies should be purchased. This next year the circulation of these books will be studied and compared with their past use in order to determine what effect the availability of additional copies has upon borrowing.

Because of the shortage of space for the book collection, the old rebinds cage on Floor 3 was cleaned out in the spring and converted to stack space. This enabled Pat O'Rourke and his helpers to space out part of the collection, thus relieving congestion in a few areas.

The most important event for circulation in 1969, as it was the year before, was the continuing increase in our work. Borrowing during the fall of 1969 was 23% greater than in 1968. When this is added to the 22% increase experienced in 1968, that means we have a lot more work to cope with than we had two years ago. March was the busiest month during winter session, which was expected since March is always far busier than any other month. Except that this year, it was early in October that we unexpectedly surpassed the alltime busiest day that we had bragged about so much in March. Then week after week there was at least one day in which the new record was broken, until on November 24, the automated system (including branch libraries) recorded 17,870 transactions - all in that one day! When you realize that in little more than one year before, 10,000 per day was cause for excitement, you can get an idea of the magnitude of this event. It set off such a flurry of speculation that rash talk was heard about running a betting pool and "What odds on 20,000 per day by mid-March?" Any takers on that bet abruptly withdrew on January 5, 1970. That was the day the machines chattered steadily all day until they had punched out cards for 19,736 transactions! And the busiest month is yet to come! Don't ask any Circulation staff to guess what the next record day will be; we are afraid to think about it.

An outside drive-in book return bin was installed in front of SUB and is becoming quite popular. (We started clearing it daily as soon as the key was located).

This past year also witnessed the installation of lockers where-in students may safely leave their briefcases and other belongings while they study in the stacks. The greatest benefit from this is the cessation of those plaintive choruses, "My LUNCH! Where is my lunch?"

In December we measured the books in the stacks to see if the shelves are really filling up as fast as we imagine they are. The result? We were not imagining, it's true. Now we wonder: should we require that every staff member shall borrow 50 books per month and keep them at home - safely of course - until the library acquires more shelving? Or should we make it 100 books per month? We know a few faculty members who are already doing their bit in this fashion but - judging from past performance - they won't bring any books back when we are ready, so we decline to call upon their services.

SOCIAL WORK

"God is dead, and 200,000 Social Workers have risen to take his place". And we in the Social Work Library are busy helping to fill the gap!

And so a cheerful and busy hello from us down here in our cottage by the sea.

1969 saw some additions to the Library. To mention a few:

One reader-printer machine.
One numbering machine.

Books Massive Psychic Trauma
By Alfred Hitchcock

The Trouble With Feet
By Fred Astair.

Plans for 1970 include a visit to Japan by one lucky staff member, Jill Dewhurst. And a prolonged visit to the dentist, by one unlucky staff member (no names mentioned). So, if you have any queries regarding either subject, call us, don't be afraid to just call us...

FLASH - OPEN HOUSE 1970 - MAIN FLOOR?

See the complete model of the new Sedgewick Library plus drawings.

FACULTY PUBLICATIONS 1969

ACCOMPLISHMENT: One down and one to go: completed Publications of the Faculty and Staff July 1, 1967 to June 30, 1968; meanwhile, began organizing material for the next issue.

LOCATION: Moved again: still on Floor 5, since July 1 we have had a private (secluded?) office with a beautiful - often entertaining - view toward SUB.

CHANGES: Elisabeth Bouscholte has our best wishes for success and happiness in her year as a full-time student at UBC. Irma Hemstock, who joined us in October, is tailor-made for the place.

FUTURE: The completion of the current bibliography will terminate the series; the library will have concluded its commitment to produce the Publications of the Faculty and Staff...

HERE & NOW: We extend our grateful thanks to everyone in every department for the co-operation and sympathetic interest so willingly given.

RECORD COLLECTION

Once again, the Record Collection has a comparatively cheerful report to give. Last year I reported that there were very few changes to speak of, that really it was more and more of the same old thing. So this year I will say still more of the same old thing. 40,000 records went out the door (most came back again) and 47,000 were used in the listening room. I didn't feel the 37% increase very much, but then, Alison does the shelving.

We are about to double the number of turntables and amplifiers in the listening room which should help in keeping our average up. We are not doubling the area- just jamming in more bodies.

For those who haven't heard, I would like to mention the proposed merger with the Sedgewick Library. With the completion and occupancy of the new building, sometime in '72, we will be part of the Erickson Empire.

We had, as always, some very interesting questions to answer. I would like to pass along a few of the year's most interesting episodes. All of these begin in the same manner with the questioner approaching the counter, only the questions and answers are different.

He: I guess you haven't got any modern music here.
Us: Well, yes, we have all the latest C.R.I.'s, Louisvilles, Destos and any others we stumble upon.
He: Yeah, but what about modern music?

Us: What modern music do you want?
He: I'm lookin' for the sound track to Zorba the Greek.

Another exchange went about like this:

He: Do you have any self-help records?
Us: What is a self-help record?
He: Well, I'm a salesman and I want a record to help me sell better.
Us: This type of record is listed in Schwann but there are none in our buildings.
He: Are you gonna get any?
Us: No, however, should they produce any on sales-resistance, we'll buy those!!!

A short exchange went like this:

He: How many records can I listen to at once?
Us: About the best anyone has been able to do is one at a time!

INFORMATION AND ORIENTATION

Following the first full year of operation since its creation in mid 1968, the division is encouraged by several indicators that some of its programs and projects are reaching an increasing number of library users. The inference is drawn from the statistical data below. We hope that some qualitative effects have accrued as well.

Last fall, more than 2,000 students attended the library orientation program - a slide/tape presentation, followed by a guided tour of Main and Sedgewick Libraries. (Fall enrolment for entering freshman was 3,717). By comparison, in 1968 only 1090 students received the guided tour alone, since this was all that was available.

Approximately 7,500 copies of the new handbook for students, Know Your Library, have been picked up by or passed out to library users during the past four months. (A revised edition is planned for readiness by the start of the summer session).

In October, a reprint of the bookmarks in use last year was received. 40,000 of them were distributed, and the supply has been exhausted. A small reprint order has been placed to fill in the period until we can design some new bookmarks.

And while on the subject of graphic artwork - Merike Patrason has made over 900 signs since her August 1 appointment. In addition she has rendered a number of graphics and layouts for the Library's many continuing publications. Still other assignments she has handled are the exhibits in the display cases and the directory in the foyer of the Main Library. Open House will bring more work.

Finally, we must mention the 3,000 copies of Library News that are being distributed monthly. Most of them are sent to faculty and administration (2,200) but 150 are mailed to other libraries, associations, specific requesters, and the remaining 650 are distributed to Library staff and users. Thanks to its capable editor, Elsie de Bruijn, Library News has received many compliments.

GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS DIVISION

1969 was a red-letter (red-pillar) year for the Government Publications Division - we suddenly found ourselves with light, air and privacy. After a hectic Spring and a busy Summer we put forth a final effort in September, re-arranging our entire collection to make space for our new work room and reference area. We are all more than pleased with the result and with our red, white and black colour scheme. For some reason the Fall term seemed to pass quickly and relatively pleasantly!

In 1969 we also managed to have one wedding, two trips to Europe, several trips to the U.S. and a case of mumps.

In 1970, we are looking forward to our participation in the University's "Open House" at the beginning of March. Our microform collection will be one of the features of the Library's contribution to the festivities and we have an interesting (at least we think so) series of displays planned. Please visit us then - or any time. (If you do you may be one of the luckly 10,000 to win a plastic reel for your very own microfilm. Thanks to University Microfilms we have a slight surplus).

SOCIAL SCIENCES DIVISION

In our last year's report, we resolved (it being New Year's and we being of good cheer and in sound mind[?]) that by this New Year's we would be fully staffed and have all the newly published reference materials we needed. Ergo! We are fully staffed! And the reference books do flow in! (Unfortuantely, they seem to flow out again just about as quickly - so now we're waiting with bated breath for the relocation of our turnstile, and hopefully with the improved security we may even be able to find those new reference books!). No less than 31 bibliography lectures were delivered in the fall term, and we are beginning to feel as if we might acquire teaching certificates by some process of osmosis. Our reference queries become more interesting (and stranger!) as time goes on - how do you handle a request for material on "ESP among the Aboriginies"?

BIOMEDICAL BRANCH LIBRARY - VGH

The Bio-medical Branch Library at the Vancouver General Hospital has been quite the scene of change over the past few months.

Approximately 50% of the staff (by number) and 25% of the walls (by square feet) are new and different. The former quaint, intimate library, though still very intimate (especially during coffee break, when everyone crowds into the Telex room - Xerox room - washroom for sustenance) is not quite as quaint as before; a bright new reference area and a private office for the boss librarian have been carved out of a corner of the reading room

But the biggest attraction (not counting the new staff) is the Skin Show, more properly called the audio-visual aids, which are kept in constant use by students, faculty, staff, etc. Mass media has invaded the medical profession, and the medical library, most successfully.

One further piece of information passed along from Biom-Med. from their Kardex file...

"Clinical Medicine. Subscription cancelled
1963 - not paid since then;
cops still coming

(Question: Who would think the cops cared?)

WOODWARD BIOMEDICAL LIBRARY

One bird's eye view during a year of expansion:

Strikes are not all bad; they serve as an excuse for all parties concerned.

Water comes through holes in a roof - even faster if there is no roof.

At Woodward, staff members are frequently in absolute accord on ideal vacation times; they are never in absolute accord concerning colour schemes.

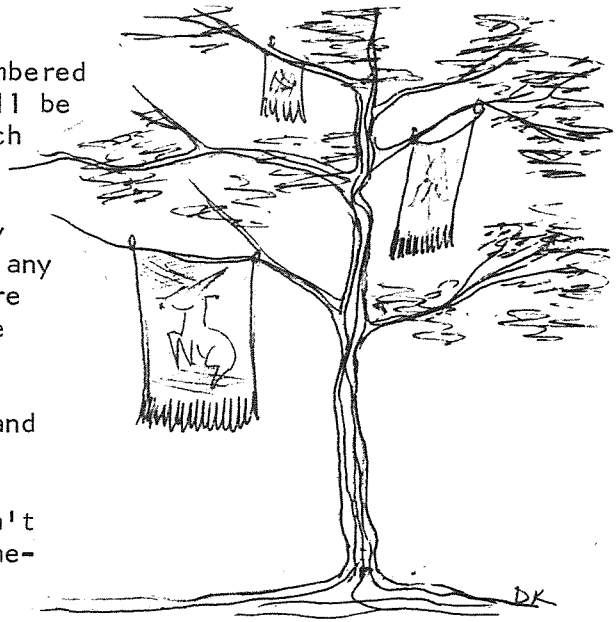
Contractors' motto: a crisis a day will keep the library staff at bay.

For every vital item remembered during planning, there will be two equally important which have been forgotten.

All guarantees of delivery will fail to materialize; any hoped for delay will ensure arrival of items which are difficult to store.

Things could get worse - and they will!

By the way, tapestries don't grow on trees, but can sometimes be found there.



FLASH - OPEN HOUSE 1970 - ASIAN STUDIES

History of the Chinese Book and Calligraphy. Through all the periods and stages from the Oracle bones ---- lithographs. Inscription, binding, printing, they will all be there. Display will be on floor 3 MAIN ENTRANCE HALL

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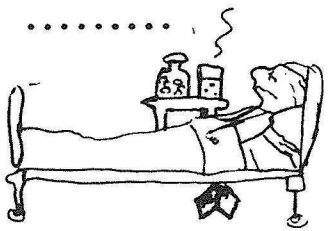
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