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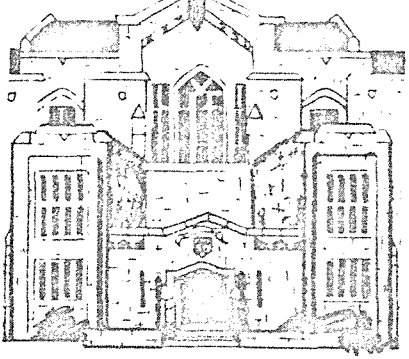

A REVIEW

On February 21st the Senate received my annual report for 1971/72, late as usual. Anyone who wants to read it will be able to obtain a copy from the nearest Division or Branch Head, and a summary will appear in the March issue of UBC Reports. But why go to the trouble when you can read about events in greater detail in this issue of Biblos? Here the true Power Elite of the Library tell it the way it is. Or is supposed to be. Or where it hurts.

Basil Stuart-Stubbs
University Librarian

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GHOSTS OF CHRISTMAS PAST

Once again the Smorgasbord in the Main Library proved to be the highlight of the Christmas season. It was most gratifying to your Biblos staff, as the organizers of this yearly event, to note the enthusiastic participation and the obvious enjoyment of the Library staff.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank those people in the Cataloguing Divison who took the time to prepare and send us a very original "thank you note" - it is always nice to know that at least some people appreciate our efforts.

As a final wind-up here is a listing of the prizes and winners at that event.

FREE STAFF DRAW - Prizes donated by many department heads and other generous people.

Bottles

J. Benjamin	Sedge.	Sinikka Kellosalmi	Woodward
Dinis Hunt	Science	David Scott	Cat.
S. Conrad	Cat.	David Miller	Acq.
Kathleen Hynes	Circ.	Mary Lubbe	Gov. Pubs.
Connie Fitpatrick	Gov. Pubs.	Ruth Howland	Sedge
Bill Bell	Admin.	Anne MacKenzie	Cat
Ikuko to Jomoto	Cat.		

Orchids

George Mead	Circ.	Barbara Gison	Woodward
A. Hoffman	Cat.	Eldo Neufeld	Cat.
Peggy Wroblewski	Fine Arts	Cathy Belyea	R.R.
Lynnette Arnold	Cat.	M. Balshaw	Cat.
Linda Senum	Curric.	C. Carter	Serials
Julian Bradley	Law	R. Boyes	Woodard
Susanne Douglas	Systems	Heather Wilson	I.L.L.
G. Macrae	Law	Dianne Bell	Law
Fiona Lanzarotta	Human.	Sylvia Harries	Acq.

Miscellaneous

Wendy McKim	Circ.	Debbie Ball	Sedge.
S. Tyrras	Cat.	Mark Perrett	Cat.
Vicki Norris	Cat.	Carol Delvo	Lunchroom
Mary Morrifee	Sedge.	Pat McMinn	Woodward
Bob Koontz	Cat.	K. Walters	Science
Shirley Halladay	Cat.	John Cummings	BMB
Muna Prasad	Cat.	Joan Cesar	Gov. Pubs.
Jum Frith	Sedge.	C. May	Pre-bind.

BIBLOS BONAZA WINNERS

Bottle of Rum	A. Hoffman	Cat.
Turkey Voucher	B. White	Educ.
Hudson Bay Gift Certificate	M. Wilson	Map
Bottle of Sherry	D. Bacon	B.M.B.
Bottle of Cold Duck	S. Matthews	Cat.
Eatons Gift Certificate	M. MacDonald	Cat.
Bottle of Scotch	G. Eadie	Music
1/2 doz. Heineken Beer	G. Macrae	Law
Turkey Voucher	P. Vermilyea	Gov. Pubs.
Bottle of Vodka	J. Lanphier	Bindery
Bottle of Port	R. Boyes	Woodward
Eatons Gift Certificate	L. Hoffman	Woodward
Turkey Voucher	M. Balshaw	Cat.
Bottle of Fiasca	L. Fricke	Cat.
Hudson Bay Gift Certificate	S. Westman	Music
Bottle of Rye	J. Anderson	Law
Bottle of Gin	L. Planedin	Systems
Bottle of Rosé	J. Anderson	Law

AND NOW FOR THE ANSWERS TO THE BIBLOS CHRISTMAS COOKBOOK CONTEST

Maria Horvath (Humanities)	11	Sue Morita (Front Office)	2
Luther Chew (Info. & Orient.)	7	Eleanor Mercer (Biblio.)	5
Bill Bell (Administration)	8	Charlie Tully (Cataloguing)	14
Pat LaVac (Law Library)	1	Tom Shorthouse (Law)	15
Inderjit Bhugra (Cataloguing)	12	Rein Brongers (Science)	9
Sui Cheong Siu (Math)	10	Percy Fryer (Bindery)	13
Anna Leith (Woodward)	3	Muna Prasad (Cataloguing)	4
Matthew Hartman (Cat.)	6		

THANKS to all those staff members who sent in their entries. Obviously it was a very tricky contest as there was no completely correct entry. However the prize of course goes to the one with the most correct answers.

THE GRAND PRIZE WINNER

A bottle of Champagne goes to-

FIONA LANZAROTTA - HUMANITIES

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ANIMAL RESOURCE ECOLOGY

1972 for Animal Resource Ecology brought new faces, new books but alas, no new space. When we all start looking taller and thinner its not some new miracle diet - just the result of breathing in so we can pass each other in the aisles.

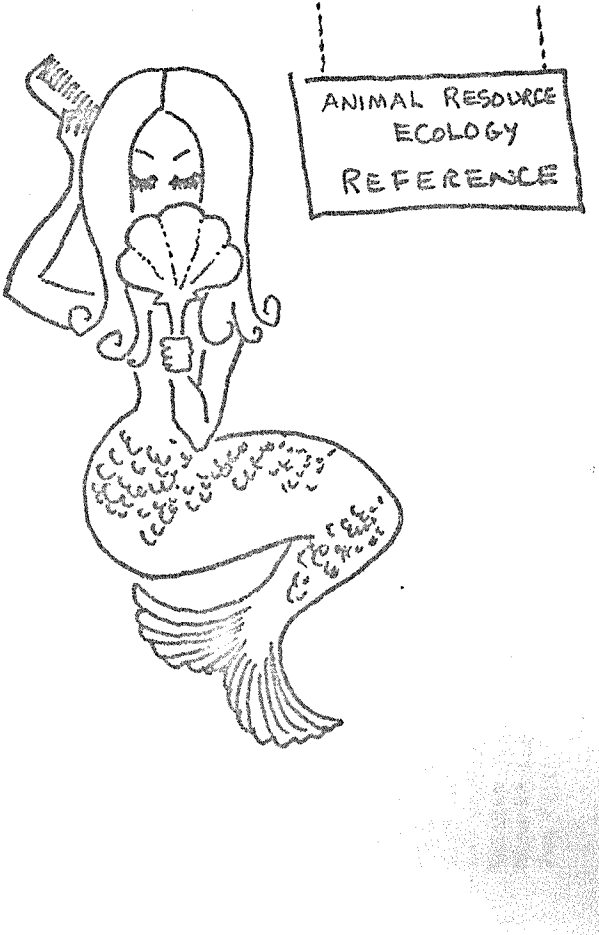
The new faces belong to Diane Paolini who has taken our multitudinous L.A. I position and Ann Nelson who after six years in Science Division decided to branch out on her own (sorry about that). Maria Hu, a veteran of two years at Animal Resource Ecology, is holding our hands, guiding us through the maze and putting names to all the people who regularly use our collection.

Speaking of collections if you are interested in anything fishy, anything from the theory of population dynamics to energy and ecology try us - we just might be able to help you.

Small library, small staff, small report, but we THINK BIG. We remain

Cheerfully yours.

A.R.E.L. Staff



NEW LOCATION

We have moved! To Sedgewick's old location, Stack Level 2, south wing, Main Library. Although the actual moving was finished in 2½ days (Fri., Sat., Dec. 29-30, and Tues., Jan. 2) with the staff-student crew working from 7:45 a.m. each day under the capable direction of Brian Varty, following T.K. Ng's plans, we are still not quite settled because of the continuing renovations that did not start until we had moved in.

With the prospect of moving before the fall term began, no major book-move had been made in the summer, resulting in a great confusion and congestion both in the catalogued and uncatalogued sections. The congestion is somewhat relieved now but the confusion remains, and the staff is working hard at shelf reading. What we need badly is a knowledgeable circulation and stack supervisor.

ADDITIONS & PROCESSING

	1970	1971	1972	%Increase
Vols. added	17,102	8,156	8,957 (4,055 t.)	9.83
Titles Catal.	3,070	3,212	4,727 (8,209 v.)	47.17
Volumes loaned	8,239	7,842	9,251	17.97

The acquisitions-cataloguing gap was closed for the first time in the Division's 12 year history! Thanks to the staff's utmost effort, we have finally reached our goal with a "great leap forward" in cataloguing output which title-wise represents a 47.17% increase over 1971!

BOOK BUDGET

Since the Cultural Revolution, 1966, publications were banned from Mainland China until mid-1971. Now materials allowed for export are increasing steadily if not fast, costing more and more. On the other hand, both the Chinese Materials and Research Aids Service Center in Taiwan (under Association for Asian Studies) and the Center for Chinese Research Materials in Washington D.C. (under Association of Research Libraries) are collecting original and obscure material on Republican and post-1949 China for publication or reproduction. As this type of material happens to be what the faculty and students need for their current research, it is much desirable for the library. However, our present book budget can only cover a very limited portion of them.

LIST OF CATALOGUED BOOKS & SUPPLEMENTS

Due to fund shortage, the October 1971 issue of our List of Catalogued Books did not appear until January, 1972. The three 1972 numbers were issued on schedule, with the last one substituted by a Supplement (#4), Bibliography or Indexes and Abstracts on Asian Studies, compiled by Mrs. Chen.

During the year, 21 new requests and orders were received for back and future issues of the List, 8 of which were particularly for Supplement #3, Bibliography of the History of the Chinese Book and Calligraphy, and 11 (including one from LC) for Supplement #2a Periodicals in Asian Studies.

LOCAL CHINESE NEWSPAPERS MICROFILMED

With financial support from the National Library, the following Chinese language dailies of Vancouver have been microfilmed in February, with a negative copy deposited in Ottawa, and a positive at UBC.

The Chinese Times (Ta Han kung pao)	1914 Aug. - 1970 Dec.	149r.
The Chinese Voice (Ch'iao sheng jih pao)	1954 Jan.-1970Dec.	37r.
The New Republic (Hsin min kuo pao)	1957 Sept. - 1970 Dec.	27r.

Negotiation started in October, 1965, when T.K. Ng visited The Chinese Times and saw the only copy of the paper lying on dusty shelves. The paper actually started in 1907, but by 1965, issues of the first years had already gone. Her microfilm proposal was generally accepted, but interested librarians of West Coast universities such as Stanford and Washington hesitated to join the project due to high costs. Once the financial problem was solved negotiation started again successfully after six years. At the final stage, Mr. Stuart-Stubbs acted as chief negotiator, while Yim Tse provided the foot-work in supervising the delivery of the paper between its office, the microfilm firm, and the Woodward Library, in whose storage area its whole backfile is shelved now.

CONCLUSION

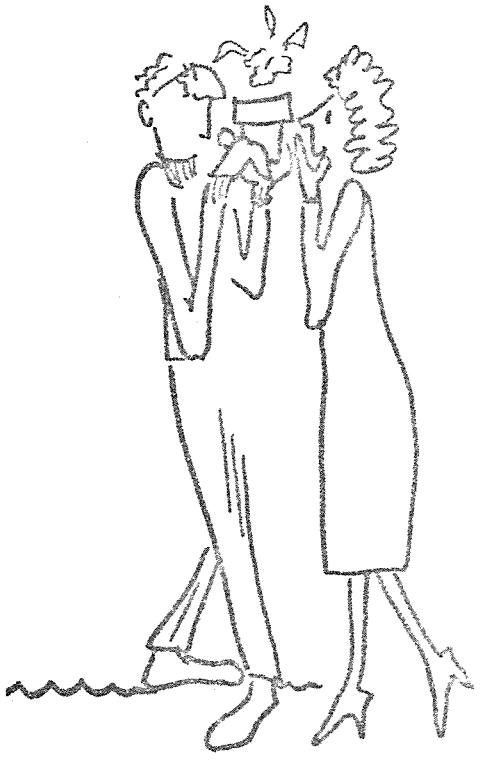
All things considered, 1972 has been a challenging but successful year, in the sense that several goals have been achieved without additional staff. To all our colleagues, therefore, a vote of thanks.

BIBLIOGRAPHY DIVISION

1972 was a year marked by changes in the U.S. book approval programme. In January 1972 we changed from an approval programme in the exact and applied science to title-by-title ordering. During the year statistics were gathered on a comparative basis and we have concluded the title-by-title method in these sciences offers considerable advantages.

By the end of the year we came to the conclusion that the U.S. approval programme in the humanities and social sciences was also in need of adjustment. Books with 1973 imprints and on will be supplied to us by John Coutts Library Services.

The constant concern throughout the year has been the rising peril caused by increasing prices for books and periodicals loaded onto a stationary, or receding book budget. Many programmes are going into the red, notably the European blankets and serials. German books, British books, Jugoslavian books, music scores, U.S.S.R. books, and others have increased in cost substantially. Over one-third of the book budget goes for serials and continuations (about $408,000 this year) and the average increase in overall cost for these, projected into next year, may be close to $50,000 - with no increase in sight in the budget to cover it.



In this year of change we lost Heather Keate to Woodward but were fortunate to be able to transfer Jack McIntosh from the Math Library to take her place. We also added Toni O'Hare to Colbeck and Michael Elliston to incunabulum book studies.

Other interesting problems on hand: the shrinkage of the Shastri book fund and the shrinkage of office space for the serials bibliographer together with the shrinkage of shelf space for periodical sets (which makes micro backfiles more attractive.).

ORIGINAL CATALOGUING

A Short Story

It was not know from where the salseman came. He appeared one day in the office of the head cataloguer, his briefcase bulging. He spoke of his produce with awe, reverence, a touch of disbelief.

"There is nothing this new catalogue can't do. You have problems? They will cease to exist. Can't fund new positions? With this catalogue you won't have to." He lowered his voice. "In fact, confidentially, you can lay off half your present staff."

The Chief was interested. "You say it's very new," he said.

"Revolutionary," the salesman said. "No library has it. We chose you to be the first." He smiled. "It is...unworldly. Maybe supernatural. And we'll give it to you. It will cost you nothing."

"Tell me about it", the head cataloguer said. "What can it do?"

"It's a catalogue computer. It has all the benefits of a catalogue and a computer put together." The salesman rummaged for a moment through his papers, pulled a few out and glanced at them. "You get a book and place it on the tray. You push the yellow button. The book is ingested into the catalogue. Don't worry about damage. In fact, the book gets coated, as an extra benefit, with a transparent coating. Lasts forever. Anyway, the book is ingested and read by the catalogue. After ten minutes, fifteen for non-English languages, a set of cards comes out of the chute near the tray. You can request any number of cards you want."

"Colour-coded?" the head cataloguer asked.

"In any colour of the rainbow," the salesman answered.

"What about the book?"

"In ten more minutes you push the blue button. The book appears from the chute, fully labelled down to set or copy number. With circulation cards and pockets. And you get no call number conflits; the catalogue has a perfect memory. It can cutter to two, three, four digits. You then place the cards, in any order, on tray C, here". he leaned over to exhibit some glossy brochures, "and they are sorted, filed...all automatically.

"What about changes of entry?" asked the cataloguer. He was more than interested by now. "We just learned that Hockey Canada

has assumed the functions of the Department of External Affairs. How would the catalogue handle that?"

"No problem. You press the 'mix' switch, near the back. That will make authority cards, cross references, the works. All the cards with the old author will automatically be updated. You even have a choice of using consecutive entry. Just think. No more revisions. No more typing cards. The catalogue will duplicate automatically. Where I come from," here the salesman looked longingly up towards the heavens, "where I come from, this catalogue has revolutionized the entire library field."

The head cataloguer thought deeply. He could see but one hitch, but as he thought and thought, it loomed larger and larger in his mind.

"I must have your answer," the salesman said. "Just give me the word and we will install it by next week. Free, of course. I don't mean to rush you but my transportation is waiting." He looked out the window towards the playing fields beyond.

The head cataloguer made his decision. He rose and offered his hand. "No. No, I'm afraid it wouldn't work here," he said. He peered over his domain. "You see," he said softly. "We have no damn room for it. No room at all."

ACQUISITIONS DIVISION

Statistically, 1972 was a routine year in the Acquisitions Division. The number of volumes processed increased slightly from 56,426 in 1971 to 58,593. The number of invoices paid will probably be up when the fiscal year ends on March 31. There were 20,738 processed in the year ending March 31, 1972 and there have been 18,741 handled as of mid January, 1973.

At the beginning of the year, we were about to consider the possibility of collaborating with SFU and UVIC to design a new ordering, processing and accounting system which could be used by all three libraries. A number of meetings were held to determine whether existing differences could be reconciled, and the result was positive. The librarians involved have almost completed drafting a statement of specifications which will be considered in conjunction with computer specialists to produce the most satisfactory system in terms of library requirements and machine efficiency.

'72 HAPPENINGS AT THE CRANE LIBRARY

What a fantastic year 1972 has been! For us here at Crane, this has been the year in which we came of age.

In January of '72 our staff jumped from 2 to 12, later on the number increased to 16. Part of our staff is provided by the Federal Government under the Local Inititative Program. This meant that we finally were able to take on people to handle our ever-increasing load of office work and inter-library loans.

We were also able to bring in some qualified people to assist in the reference area and we have eight professional readers with backgrounds in radio, TV and the theatre. This made Crane into a very busy place all year long. Literally thousands of new titles were added to our taped book collection. In addition to being read largely by our beautifully voiced readers, these were labelled, tagged and pre-catalogued by our office staff.

The increased production around here was brought about by the greater demand for our special service. Out of our nearly 25,000 loans more than half went to colleges and universities in B.C. and across Canada. Our most interesting loan was several titles to the library at the University of Stockholm, Sweden, where several blind students needed material in English and French.

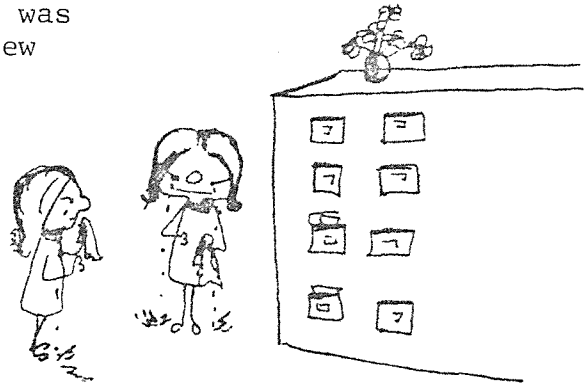
The great bulk of our reading onto tape was still carried out by our fantastically faithful volunteer readers, without whom we would not be. Over 100 readers from the library staff, the faculty and the student body made it possible for us to prepare the text books for the more than sixty blind and special students who have to rely on our material.

We saw as well, the greatest increase in ordinary students who used our library this year. With the introduction of new courses in Special Education which focus on teaching of the blind and visually handcapped, our print collection on the subject was used very heavily. Students from sociology, psychology, nursing and the language courses came in record numbers and borrowed record numbers of our books.

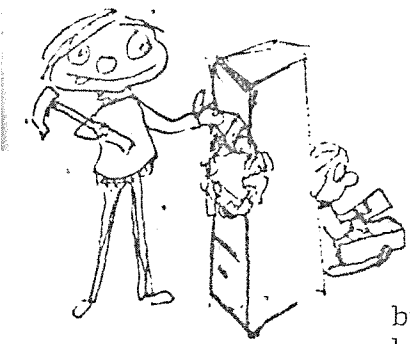
Now, as we head into 1973, the most exciting news is that we will be expanding into an adjoining area, which will give us a little more room, and which will allow our students and staff study and work space, something we ran out of almost three years ago. Our staff and students-users are now busy making plans and drawings and everyone is hoping and dreaming that Crane will become beautiful again

Circulation started the year with losses. In January, Judy Cardin, our librarian decided to try life in Australia for a while. A few others left around that time also. Then came the tragic death of Pat O'Rourke. Pat with his great sense of humour will be fondly remembered by all his friends on staff.

With the spring came more departures and more new faces. During one week in July we had five new people in training. It is fortunate that summer session was fairly quiet as it gave the new people a chance to learn how to deal with the new mini-computer which had been installed to replace the card punches. As the new system was being de-bugged the procedures changed so there were more lessons, and more lessons, and more lessons... The real problems with the new equipment came in the fall when the borrowing rose to a higher level. The library gremlins really got to work then, going from computer, to the terminals to the programmes and back again. It has been a lively year!



For months we had been coveting the space Sedgewick was to vacate, but when the spoils were divided, Circulation ended up with only a small part of Floor 5 for the book collection. Since this wasn't enough space, it was decided that there would have to be another storage project - this time serials rather than books are being stored. They have been chosen title by title by the reference librarians. We removed to storage all the designated serials from floor 4 then started moving books from floor 4 to 5. With no extra staff and with heavy load of regular shelving as well as extra moving jobs for other divisions, the move had been going slowly. But by New Years' Eve Floor 5 was finished and they had started spacing out the books on Floor 4. Later we will remove storage volumes from Floor 3 and then space out Floor 3 and so on down to Floor 1.



The year did bring some happy events: The walls and ceiling in our work area were painted. We received new drapes (when the old ones fell apart at the cleaners). The new Xerox 1000's which replaced the 720's turned out to be an improved model, just as the salesman had claimed. And a few people smiled at us.

SERIALS DIVISION

One of the most important events for Serials Division in 1972 was the automation of serial ordering. The system is modelled after the Automated Acquisitions System, with changes made to accomodate the characteristics of serial publications.

With ordering out of the way, we hope we can soon consider the automation of two other important operations in the Division: claiming and payment.

To give an idea of the activities in our Division and to keep the statistics fiends happy, here are some figures for '72.

Number of print-outs received	999
Number of issues checked in	120,974
Number of claims sent out	6,970
Number of changes made to Serials Record	78,134
Number of orders	3,624
Number of order follow-ups	1,256
Number of invoices passed	6,689

Of the 15 people in the Division, 8 are new. They are Linda Joe, Division head, Librarian; Cynthia Carter, LA II; Rosemary Caskey LA II; Lillian Dueckman LA II; Mary Hudson LA II; Edith Kenny LA II; Barbara Saint, LA IV and Bernadine Sperling LA II.

Although we are hidden away in a corner of the 7th floor and no one knows for sure whether the Division exists we are responsible for maintaining the ordering, receipt and payment of all serials ordered through the main library and its reading rooms plus the maintenance of an accurage record of all these titles, which now number some 17,000. We are lucky to have such a good group of people. It makes the conditions bearable and the work sometimes fun?

FINE ARTS DIVISION

Another busy year has slipped by, leaving us all wondering how 1973 has crept up so quickly. This summer we re-arranged book shelves, cabinets, and carrells to make room for more books and study space until next time.

We've had some staff changes in Fine Arts: Maureen Devine left in the fall to pursue her studies at Vancouver City College and Cynthia Carter moved up to Serials Division. We welcomed back Lou Hamilton who spent some time travelling in Europe, and Judy Hicks joined our staff in September.

Vacations saw Miss Dwyer off to the Netherlands and Britain, Peggy Wroblewski to Spain and Portugal and Jane Shinn to visit her hometown of Portsmouth. At Christmas, Miss Dwyer followed the sun to Hawaii, while Judy followed the snow to visit her family in Toronto.

Circulation-wise, our Checkpoint book detector is running smoothly now that the students are used to the idea, and we suspect that we are losing very few books these days.

All in all, 1972 has been a good year for Fine Arts, and we look forward to more of the same in 1973.

HUMANITIES DIVISION

1972?? Well...it was winter and we were busy. Then Spring came. Joan went to Portugal and later Les and Maria flew off for European holidays. In August we (i.e. the Humanities/Social Sciences team) moved a whole lot of books into the Ridington Room. Nice new shelves but fewer places for people to study. Shelves crowded already. In September Donna Packer left for motherhood and Bellingham, Wash. Jennifer returned from her sojourn in Germany and settled back into being a Canadian librarian. Stella left and Fiona came to be our L.A. II.

In the summer Maria's revised Doukhobor bibliography appeared and in December Joan's Guide to comparative and general literature was born. Projects on biography, dissertations, the French Revolution, and film are taking shape.

And soon spring will be here again.

GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS

One muses, as one sits and contemplates
The speed with which a year evaporates,
That 1972 could not have been so short!
As to make NOW time for our year's report!
Alas, malheureusement, it's all too true,
So here's Gov. Pubs. condensed for Seventy-two.

We lost Dorothy, Dinie, Margaret and Lynda,
Gained Wies, Mariette, Marianne and Pam.
We married off Margaret while she was still with us
And turned Miss Anne Loh into Mrs. Anne Sham.

We travelled, as usual, all over the world,
To Skookumchuck, Hong Kong, Geneva,
Pemberton, Sunshine Coast, Utah, Macao,
Wy., Nev., Ore., Gold Riv. and Alberta.

We slaved o'er our Kardex files all summer long,
And wrapped up the federal U.S.,
In the hope that their subs. would be under control;
Other subs. still to do? You can guess!

We now do the housing of newspaper files,
A tidier collection, it's true
Than the jumble of people and things that were there,
It's done lots for the visitor's first view.

And finally, because there are those in our midst
Who will feel the above's mere frivolity,
I must emphasize that we do at times work;
(These statistics will leaven the jollity).

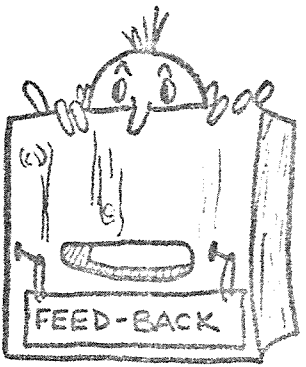
DURING 1972

We received 68,920 bibliographic items.
We processed 66,734 bibliographic items.
We ordered 3,665 items.
We answered 21,216 questions.

INFORMATION AND ORIENTATION DIVISION

Changes, unexpected as well as planned, characterized the year just passed - a year also marked by some unanticipated delays. Nancy Kubesh resigned quite suddenly in April to return to Montreal. Her position was filled in September by the appointment of Tom Eadie.

The delay in the completion of the new Sedgewick Library altered orientation plans for the new school year. And the late-in-the-year decision to transfer some 50,000 periodical volumes from the main stacks to Woodward Library storage to relieve crowded conditions necessitated further adjustments. Plans to provide improved self-help information panels in the stacks as well as printed handouts showing stack levels and call numbers are being postponed until the collections shifting is completed.



A few changes and innovations were realized without complication. Tom Eadie took over Elsie de Bruijn's responsibilities as Editor of Library News and coordinator of Library publications. Orientation literature in loose-leaf format replaced the former library handbook on an experimental basis. And at long last a communication channel between library users and the Library was opened up with the establishment of a "feed-back" deposit box and board in the lower hallway of the Main Library on which users can read the staff's replies to their questions, suggestions and complaints. The feed-back board has proven to be a point of interest for users and staff alike.

INTERLIBRARY LOAN - ANNUAL REPORT

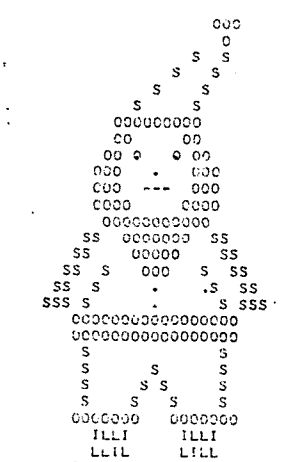
Recently a Vancouver based company called us in a panic when their mill equipment broke down. They needed a certain article in a journal which could tell them how to fix the machinery and were willing to pay any amount including taxi fare, to get the article the same afternoon. We were pleased to be able to do our job in good time before the deadline fell. There was only one delay - the taxi driver got lost for a while in the new Sedgewick Library before he phoned for help and new directions.

Well, they're not all as urgent or as mixed up but what they lack in urgency they certainly make up for in number!

We think several changes in policy over the past year have improved access to our service: graduate students no longer require their faculty supervisors' signatures on interlibrary loan requests; the TRIUL code has opened up the service to undergraduates; we have been able to supply many a disgruntled patron with a loan from another library when UBC library's copy was missing.

Among the staff leaving were Wendy, Valda, Carole, and Monica (who decided to try another lifestyle pursuing her hobbies). Diane was promoted to the LA II position when Carole accepted a promotion in cataloguing. New staff members were Heather Wilson, Barbara Mitton and Ann Hutchison.

We received many interesting and imaginative Christmas cards via telex each year. One of the most unusual telexes came from University of Toronto and we would like to reporduce it here for all the staff to see as we are indebted to many of you for assisting us in verifying interlibrary loan requests.



WISHING YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND ALL THE BEST IN THE NEW YEAR

NOS MEILLEURS VOEUX
POUR UN JOYEUX NOEL
ET UNE BONNE ANNEE

IRENE DOMBRA, ANNE MCGAUGHEY,
CHRIS LABERGE, BARBARA GREENIAUS,
GRANT HARLAND, SUSANNE HYNES

SCIENCE AND MEDICINE INTERLIBRARY LOANS
UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

----1972 in the KRIK LAB----

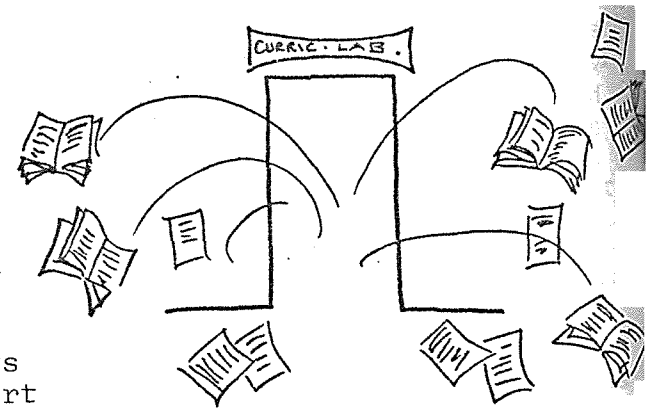
On first looking back on 1972 it didn't seem that anything had changed in this corner of the campus. After glancing at what I had written for Biblos in 1970 and 1971, however, I wasn't so sure. Sometimes things can evolve without anyone really being aware that attitudes and situations are altering.

Just last year, for example, I mentioned that there were half a million children out in the world of "Bennettland" waiting to be shown the way to the "Good Life". "Bennett Who you say?" And speaking of political happenings, does anyone now pay much attention to such old news items as 108% budget restrictions for school boards, 6.5 salary increases for teachers and civil servants, elimination of compulsary members in the B.C.T.F. or the rejection of a few construction referendums. Times do change and people bend with them.

I remember a couple of years ago complaining a little about the problems created by nearly 4,000 students working out of a building made for something like 1,500. Well, now the number of Education students has dropped to 2,500 and everyone is worried about budgets and empires. The word is obviously out that beginning teachers can no longer pick and choose where they will work. It's a new game but the remaining students have reacted by looking upon the situation as a blessing that gives them a chance to get away from the big ugly city and laugh all the way to Pouce Coupe. For the staff of Curriculum Lab., the drop in enrollment has meant a little bit of peace and quiet from time to time and somewhat less to be constantly cleaning up. Would you believe that I have heard complaints about how quiet and dead the place sometimes is??? I told you all that you really did like those hectic days!!

One thing that doesn't change from year to year, though, is the hard "routine" sort of work that library people do which shouldn't go unnoticed just because it isn't "newsworthy". Despite the drop in enrollment we still loaned out 229,448 items last year -- an increase of nearly 7%. We also added 5,228 volumes of books and many AV items to the collection

even though inflation was cutting our budget badly. Thousands of notices have been sent to erring students. Complaints have been dealt with. The whole collection has been weeded. A list of education journals taken in the Lower Mainland has been compiled. Books have been moved onto new stacks. Tours have been conducted. Classes have been shown how to mount pictures. Another television production has been made to help students use our materials..... In short we have spent most of our time keeping the place running as it should.



If it was a year of "consolidation" in the development of services it was also one in which few players came or went. Harlan Dorfman decided that he had seen enough books, messy shelves, and panicky future teachers for one lifetime and yielded his place as stack attendant to Rob Kerr who feels that he needs a year of honest toil before starting university. Earlier in the year Janette Munro had abandoned the drugstore business and Linda Senum the telephone lines to come and work as L.A. I's in the Education Faculty. Does it seem like less than a year ago???

EXTENSION LIBRARY

Extension Library is alive and well and still living on floor 2. Bianca disigned and delivered numerous beautiful signs so I am becoming territorially oriented....

Texts continue to flow in and out to our hundreds of correspondence students, scattered across Canada, the United States, Mexico and occasionally Europe. Twenty two courses are currently being offered. Seventeen Off-Campus courses are using approximately 2600 titles sent out from Extension. Stage plays for reading and studying are available for both on-campus students and theatre groups in British Columbia and a collection of Canadian plays is growing larger each month.

A letter from the Haile Selassie University library in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, requesting information on how a correspondence type library works was probably one of our most unusual but the communication that provided me with the chuckle of the week was a form from the registrar's office indicating the withdrawal of a student from one of the correspondence courses. Reason for withdrawal?? - "he escaped from prison before the course manual arrived".

Sheila Neville
Extension Library

LAW LIBRARY

It was the year that Burt Reynolds (in his celebrated all-together) was prominently displayed in a showcase, that the First Annual Law School Tricycle Race roared to a Monza finish in the main reading room, that fleas (from dogs?) forced the closing of the building while fumigators did their deadly work, and that activist female students painted WOMEN on the faculty washroom and forced their male professors into nervous and perfunctory visits for several days.

However, connoisseurs of the truly dramatic would undoubtedly have selected a quite different event as the most gripping of the year (other than Robert Stanfield's visit): the long-awaited reshelving of about one-third of the law library collection into call-number order. Preparations for this signal achievement took over two years of conscientious work by the Catalog Division and our own staff to complete and has made life a great deal easier than it used to be. Not only that, but automated circulation cards have now been punched and once they have been matched with the books who knows what electronic marvels we will be able to inaugurate!

While we await that brave new world we have occupied ourselves with little projects such as refiling the entire shelflist, fielding a team ("The Loaners") in the First Annual Law School Charades Tournament, and deciding on our favourite reference question of the year. The 1972 winner: "I think my neighbour is reading my mind. Can I sue for invasion of privacy?"

MACMILLAN LIBRARY 1972

There's no denying that in its present staff the MacMillan Library has what everyone who is losing the fight against inflation would love to have, viz. stability. Together, we four have seen three Biblos reports come and go.

With this potential it really does seem a pity we have no room to develop, but since the no-growth policy alone seems viable in the finite world of MacMillan our talents have had to be turned towards containment rather than expansion.

Thus most of our plans for the library, past, present and future, revolve around the question of room - or rather the lack of it - and each year sees another expedient designed to contain the new volumes added without moving out into the corridors. Last summer's effort involved inserting shelves into two out of every three cross aisles. While this may seem trivial to the uninitiated it provided 16% more shelves and required the combined push and pull of three strong men from Main stacks. We remember them with gratitude and sincerely hope that no slipped discs nor other lumbar trials have befallen them as a result of their good offices.

Later in the year when Main embarked on Storage II the opportunity offered to make some more space and we retired another 2000 vols. from MacM. in addition to all our pre-1950 backfiles from Main. And that move taught us something about the use of these backfiles which became this year's most popular reading simultaneously with their removal.

A space crisis also overtook our Gov. Pubs. catalogue and we had to admit at last that not one more entry could go into Kardex. Nor could we add another unit because there was nowhere to put it. So Clair's summer project, undertaken and accomplished single-mindedly and singlehandedly, was to transfer the contents of the four Kardex units on to 3X5's. Now, after a full term's use, any doubts we entertained about the direction we were being forced in, whether backwards or forwards, have been dispelled by the convenience of new arrangement.

Timed nicely to miss our summer-time lull, a turnstile was slowly installed and after many misadventures became reasonably functional once the boys became reconciled to waiting for it to open instead of striding over.

We were also able to get away with cutting back our hours from

11:00p.m. to 10:00 p.m. closing on week-days, without seriously hampering our students' efforts to study. On the contray, a substantial increase in our circulation figures for the fall term over the same period the previous year lend support to our feeling that we were busier than usual in all areas.

The staff continues to maintain excellent relations with clientele, though one does grumble that the students are beginning to call her 'Ma'am', a sure sign of the passing years. (Another of us has always been Ma'am, or maybe worse!) However, they still cherish fond memories of another sumptuous Christmas lunch as guests of Forestry, so too much pity for those wasting years need not be spared.

Also on the social side, that old-fashioned institution called marriage isn't being forgotten. Indeed Dec. 20 seems to have acquired some special appeal for LA IV's from MacMillan. Entirely without collusion we are told, our present incumbent Clair and her predecessor Mab Belford chose that date to enter into double harness. Clair's marriage to a graduate from Forestry (name of VandenBoom) was a clever piece of statecraft, we feel, and we hope to enjoy even better relations with the Faculty as a result of the alliance.

And now you're left with the impression that Clair is the star of this production you should know that she has a very able support cast in Cathy and Leona. Even Mrs. M. has been known to help.

SOCIAL SCIENCES DIVISION 1972

Our morale and our face were both lifted
When Ridington books were all shifted
To be all in one place (so be easy to trace)
On shelving so colorfully tinted!

To temper our days answering queries
We've waxed eloquent (our bib. lecture series)
We visit our profs, which puts them not off
Tho' response to our newsletter varies.

LC CATALOGUING AND BIBLIOGRAPHIC SEARCHING DIVISION

REPORT FOR 1972

This division has, for the past year, been able to maintain a high degree of currency in LC cataloguing. The P.O. Storage material awaiting shared or LC copy has reflected this up-to-date situation by having the "wait" period considerably reduced.

In addition to blanket order and regular order books, the division has also been searching and processing two interesting collections: the Jansen collection and the Scottish history collection: The former is an anthropology collection containing valuable material relating, in particular, to the North American and Australasian culture areas.

A major task undertaken this year was the up-dating of the Authority File filing. This file, because it contains "temps" for material catalogued, was given low priority compared to other files maintained by the Cataloguing Div. When we began, we were confronted with a 180-foot back-log. With the help of Orig. Catal., we have brought this figure down to 32 feet. The great in-road on the filing back-log was also aided by the decision to exclude title added entries, except when specifically required, from the Authority File.

LC Cataloguing and Bibliographic Searching Division cont'd

A great event occurred two months ago. For years, UBC has been trying to convince the Library of Congress and those libraries who receive LC copy, that a title arrangement of the DCF (rather than main entry) was a most accurate and efficient system. This year, with LC's approval, we circulated a letter advocating this change to all participating libraries. The effect of our letter was demonstrated by the results of a vote taken by LC - and from January 1973 onwards, DCF cards will be sent out pre-sorted by title. This considerably reduces our work in maintaining the file as, previously, all cards had to be re-alphabetized.

Pre-order searching, the other major part of this division's work, has - as always - kept us busy. We have averaged between 4,000 and 5,000 requisitions and out-of-print book requests searches per month. Nevertheless, more requests are received than can be processed. However, we have established a very strict priority system which ensures that urgent requests are searched immediately, and all other requisitions are processed in order of receipt.

In summary - it has been a good year!

MUSIC LIBRARY

Two notable gifts were received in 1972: First editions of Beethoven's Music (Donor: Mr. Jan Cherniavsky) and two unpublished letters by Joseph Joachim (Donor: Mrs. Leonard S. Klinck). The ethnomusicology collection has been enlarged; the collection of complete works and historical sets is steadily improving.

The annual meeting of the Pacific Northwest Chapter of the Music Library Association was held in the Music Library. Topics included: the Canadian Association of University Schools of Music, Music Libraries and Collections in Eastern Europe and a multi-media introduction to Reniassance Music Instruments.

Grace Edie sang, Larry Thiessen played the accordion and Sylvia and Hans, well.....

Again, thanks to all our friends, especially Eldo and Thom.

MAP DIVISION - 1972

Contrary to all predictions, the Map Division did not go crashing through the 8th floor to the Science Division below (although no chances are being taken in 1973 - we're moving to "Old Sedgewick")

New maps were received at approximately 550 a month (adding more weight to the floor) and increased borrowing, reference and browsing through the tourist brochures kept us all on our toes. We set up displays to illustrate different types of mapping and reference materials for the Department of Education and the Library School and Maureen Wilson was kept busy planning the Division's move to the 3rd floor and spent hours at the inevitable meetings.

Nora Williams' daily current events displays continued to attract many faculty, students and staff; some of the "regulars" dashing in, early in the morning to see what they had missed in the morning paper!

During the summer Maureen attended the Association of Canadian Map Libraries Conference in Ottawa. Nora went 'back east' to visit long lost relations and visited Niagara Falls and Upper Canada Village. We lost our morale booster, Linda Martin in marriage to Craig Jordon-Knox but in her place we were very fortunate to acquire another bright and shiny star, student assistant and "almost Librarian" Skip Wilson. When Skip returned to Library School, we welcomed Jill Chamberlin as our L.A. II.

As long as people continue to go on holiday, go fishing, canoeing, sailing, hiking, dig up fossils or just plain want to use maps to complete assignments, the Division will continue to grow and we shall be busy.

1972 did close on a rather sad note - we were ousted from the 8th floor! No more shall we be able to gaze out the window at beautiful sunsets or keep an eye on student activities outside S.U.B. but we are sure there must be some compensations in living in "OLD SEDGEWICK!"

PREBINDERY

That time again for Biblos eh? The year does surely roll around. That is not a complaint because it is not difficult to jot down a few notes to entertain library oriented personnel, with a capsule history of Prebindery's past years events. Especially if the writer has some statical figures with which to glue a few paragraphs together. Here is a little glue.

Prebindery figures are hashed up at the end of the fiscal year. I am sure no one is interested in knowing that Prebindery processed over forty-four thousand bound volumes during 1971/72, an increase over the past ten years of three hundred percent. It is anticipated that this record will not be exceeded again but will stand with other extra ordinary events of 1971/72 that make history. Forty-four thousand bound volumes is the mark.

The first six months of life in Prebindery was without incident of note - the blow came during the latter half. Have your Scotties handy for the sad part. Like a sudden unexpected gale out in Georgia Straight the first howl of disaster struck. And it was my howl. Kathy Rankin, the good old number two of Prebindery and long time servant of the Library, decided for some strange domestic reason to become a devoted housewife. Keeping the homes fire burning. This I understand was the ritual of Adam's first rib long before man learned to rub two sticks together. I guess Kathy is following some dormant basic instinct, like birds flying south in the winter. These fundamentals are not generally acknowledged in todays modern womans freedom fighting philosophy. Hurray for Kathy, too bad for Bob.

A quick shuffle was executed by the remaining staff. Jane Abramson leaped into the breach left by Kathy. Marget Hess leaped into Jana's breach. Arleigh Shandler volunteered to do her duty to the income tax office by accepting work in Prebindery. This was most unfortunate for Arleigh. She became ill after a short time and had to retire from the labour scene. At that very moment just off stage, behind the curtains, Cecily May waited for the call. Remember Cecily? A couple of years ago she intended to go astray in Europe. Tendering her resignation effective December 31st. she broke her leg skiing December 12th. However she did enjoy Europe much later.

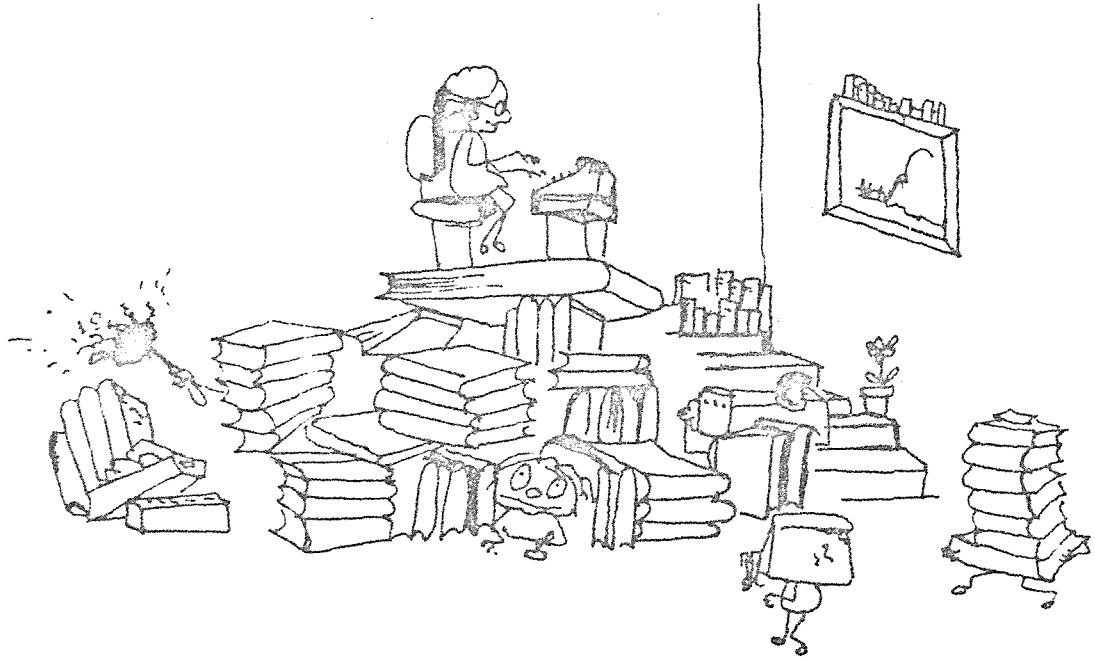
One other personality added during the year. Regina Barzynska. Everytime Regina sings a few happy carefree notes, some miserable soul phones Physical Plant, complaining the elevator squeaks.

Prebindery cont'd

Helen Goetz and Sheila Neville are still at their old stands. Breathing re-circled air from Prebindery's fan system. One thing can be said about modern lighting. The fields that Helen and Sheila labour in are lit by daylight tubes, just like having a window.

A recent exploratory examination of Prebindery's floor and walls by the people who do such things, resulted in a plan to tear up the floor, tear down the walls, replacing all with fire-proof cement. The intention is to raise the floor six inches. This should give the illusion of entering a yellow submarine if we can only persuade the planners to paint the walls yellow. For those unfamiliar with Prebindery; the workshop is approximately forty feet long, 12 feet wide and siven high. In the new layout the height will be six feet six inches. Prebindery is located on the second stack level. The bindery is on the first. Stairs connect the two departments. Anyone climbing the stairs having a cold and coughing after the second step up, causes a breeze which rolls along the whole length of the workshop creating the effects of a wind tunnel. Workers at their benches receive the full results of the blast. An attempt to improve the situation by wearing gauze masks during A,B,C,and E influenza epidemics was not a success.

When Prebindery does get torn apart we will let you know our forwarding address. In the meantime Good-bye.



READING ROOMS DIVISION

"Nothing is stationary and not to move is to go backwards." I don't know to whom I can credit this piece of garbage and it makes never mind! I needed some way to open this Biblos effort and to imply that this year seems to have been one of moves of collections and changes in staff. With the completion of Buchanan Tower the Faculty of Arts reading rooms played musical chairs as departments moved to new quarters and like Mary's lamb their reading rooms followed along behind them. Three reading rooms, English, French and a combined Economics-History Reading Room got the wall-to-wall carpet look in the Tower, and there must be something to this new library look because use picked up many fold. With the moves the Social Sciences Reading Room disappeared. Anthropology-Sociology retained the old location in Henry Angus but Political Science acquired a reading room all their own in Buchanan. Even venerable Geography Reading Room found a new location three times in size and with an airy look; in all, this spring and summer the staff supervised the moves and rearranged the collections of eleven departmental reading rooms. The relocations have resulted in improvements in study areas, collection space and furnishings. And, to satisfy those who might accuse us of empire building, two more departments were authorized reading rooms, Audiology and Agricultural Economics. Audiology which is located in the James Mather Building (Henry, that's off Fairview Avenue, Acadia Park) is presided over by Helen Constable whom some will remember from her days in Science, and Agricultural Economics is in charge of Lolita Cortez; so reading rooms now number forty-one.

During the year we had just a few organization and staff changes. Two LA III positions were made IV's and Laura Kueng and Cathy Taylor were promoted into the positions. This meant super power to the supervisors and one more worker in a LA II position, and Maja Maros, formerly of Cataloguing, came just in time to straighten out Slavonic Studies (a little Russian helps!) Kathy Becker left to return to Toronto and later to a life as a U.B.C. student. Keiko Takahashi decided in July that she again wanted to see Japan. We missed her and also the cherry blossom notif in the office, but Catherine Belyea came over from Animal Ecology to bring snowflakes and an infectious laugh. Kathy Farnan and husband left to vagabond in Europe - in January yet. However, along came Laura Brechin, who last year was Laura Funk, a single girl in Prebindery, to use all her many languages in

Reading Rooms cont'd

French, Hispanic/Italian and "English" reading rooms not to mention Asian Studies where the students like to use oriental characters to sign out books. In June, Bev Smigelski, a mother-to-be, resigned. Fortunately we were able to get Linda Hilts from Cataloguing, and who quickly mastered what mysteries there were concerning reading rooms and now keeps all of us functioning smoothly. With all this, Bess Rivett still reigns over Woodward's reading rooms preparing such entertaining projects as bibliographic exhibits in "Renal Physiology","Gastrointestinal Hormones" and "Endocrinology"

MATHEMATICS LIBRARY

Growth & Statistics

After 5½ years of operation our collection has grown from a mere 6,500 volumes to approximately 10,000 volumes. If the growth rate keeps up like that for the next couple of years, we have to plan for another expansion project. ------this time possibly upwards instead of sideways.

Last year our statistics showed an increase of 22% in circulation. We were really busy.

Staff Changes

Surprise!!! No deserters until the very last day of 1972. But for 1973 --- no predictions.

Vacation Time

Wynne spent her holidays touring the big ports along the coast up North.

Siu went to Tahiti to enjoy the natural beauty of the Pacific.

Jack basked in the sun of Palm Springs for a few days in March, but ventured no further than the Kootenays in July.

PREPARATIONS DIVISION

The Preparation Division spent another busy year battling backlogs. Victory appeared to be within our grasp in April when author-title filing was current for the first time in years, and the card typists had reduced their backlog to the point where we could talk realistically of an eight-day cycle for card production. Author-title filing continues to be current, but alas, staff turnover of nearly 100% in the Card Preparation Section played havoc with the typing backlog. It more than tripled in size before the introduction of title highlighting in October enabled us to begin gaining ground once again.

The Book Preparation Section also suffered from chronic staff turnover of over 100%. The markers spent much of the year struggling to avoid being buried alive under the incoming work, suffocated by the airless Marking Room, poisoned by the label spray, or crushed by overloaded book trucks. Despite the turnover and the appalling working conditions, the markers processed over 180,000 items in 1972, up slightly from the previous year.

The Revision Section and the Catalogue Maintenance Section were kept busy expanding and maintaining the Main and branch catalogues, and dealing with this year's crop of "snags".

A major project in which all three Catalogue Divisions participated was the re-filing of the Main subject catalogue by date in April. Date filing has proven to be faster than alphabetic filing of subject cards, and places current material on each subject at the beginning of the file of cards for that heading.

1972 has been busy and productive, if not entirely worry-free; we have high hopes for '73.

SCIENCE DIVISION

1972 turned out to be a year of upward and outward mobility - for both people and books in the Science Division.

Ann Nelson and Ann Hutchison left for the greener fields of Animal resource Ecology and Interlibrary Loans. Vreny Kuhn and Anna Materna went in search of peace and new adventures on the slopes of the Andes and Whistler Mountain. And each time we said farewell we tried to sweeten our loss by the consumption of large amounts of Black Forest cake.

Most of those whom we welcomed to fill the gaps were not entirely new to the Library. Both Kathy Walters and Janet Taggart had been here before (in RBC and Maps respectively) and both have shown it in finding their feet very quickly after a year of travelling the world in which they must have decided that after all there was no place like home. Dinie Hunt who had left us for the Government Publications Division in 1971 returned "enriched", giving us the satisfaction of having got back a bit of our own - for once! That leaves Ron Clancy as the only brand new asset. He joined the Division in September, having graduated from the University of Western Ontario's Library School, and has already managed to give us the benefit of his chemical knowledge and his horticultural advice.

Heather Keate, our guest from the Bibliography Division moved to the Woodward Library - having left her mark on the ever growing science collection. To replace her we "lost"Jack McIntosh, but our loss was to be our gain: having said good-bye on New Year's eve, we greeted him as our new "guest" in 1973!

The books also showed some mobility: upwards from level 4 to level 5, outwards into storage, and in every direction by another 8% or so. That at least is the preliminary figure for the growth of the TA to W section (now on level 5). The final figure will not be known until we have measured the whole collection after the move on level 4 will have been completed.

All of which provides another strong indication that before long we'll just have to move out altogether - to that new Science Library which so far seems to have remained an illusion just beyond the horizon.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

In our report last year we said Special Collections might be bursting out all over; this bursting has happened in the dying hours of 1972 but, like the Arabs, the Map Division did not fold their tents and silently steal wasy. The commotion has now passed and in the wake of their departure to the old Sedgewick Library, it has left us with a wide expanse of Reading Room. The silence is all the more ominous by the empty void that is left behind. We miss their cheery faces, and we now have to turn to our newspapers to find out where the event of the day has taken place, since Nora's daily newsboard has gone.

Those of you who are unaware of what dire deeds we perpetrate on the 8th floor can now read it all in the latest Alumni Chronicle.

Our acquisitors, Judy and Laurenda (we can dream up new titles too) have been busy ferreting out and cataloguing new manuscript collections, among the more notable of which are: Papers of Hoffmeister Electric; Matthew Lindfors (notable member of Swedish community); Senator J. W. deB. Farris; Leon Ladner, B.C. Federation of Labour; Mine, Mills, Smelter Union; N.D.P. Party; A.E. Richards (Great Trekker); Dean MacPhee, U.B.C. School of Nursing; Ian McNairn; Collie Verner; N.A.M. MacKenzie; and early Alma Mater Society records.

Our display case has been kept filled all year, and star billing was given to displays of Underground Comix; Henry Miller; Oral history; Book-plates; World War I Posters; and Art in Maps. From time to time we supply materials for the cases in the front hall.

The yearning for other pastures took Dave Hougham to parts unknown, and Rosina Koo to Trail, B.C. We now have in our fold, to replace them, Laurie Godfrey and Penny Heath-Eaves. We hope they find the grass green on our side of the fence.

Tenants of some of our locked carrells often become as familiar as our own staff members, especially those eager beavers who work there morning, noon and night. Quoting from a recent letter from a Malcolm Lowry scholar in Europe, here is an example of the philosophical discussions that take place on the top floor when all is quiet: "That reminds me of the nightguard at the University of B.C.- no it was the man who did the cleaning, a husky fellow. He saw me one night in that carrell outside Special Collections, all by myself He wondered what I was still studying so late. I told him: literature. "Ah", he said, "about Shakespeare and all those guys, ain't it? Yeah, I know that guy, they have foisted him on us for many

years. Oh, I hate that bastard! When I told him that Malcolm did not write in pentameters he seemed to like him better, and when he heard that Malcolm was an alcoholic who wrote about drunks, he seemed inclined to think that maybe literature could be funny."

See you next year.

SEDGEWICK

1972 was the year it all came true for Sedgewick. In the last few days of December, Sedge staff and books were moved to the new building, after six years of planning and a 1972 filled with delays, hopes, and excitement.

The last year in the old Sedge was busy as always for the staff, with approximately ½ million books circulated, 12,900 titles processed in course processing, and 16,284 reference questions answered. Sixteen new faces joined us, including a fifth reference librarian, but after September there was a definite slowdown in staff turnover, no doubt due to the impending move to our modern home. A major re-organization of the circulation staff resulted in the addition of eighty student assistants, who have been a great help at the turnstiles and book bins.

What dominated all our activities, of course, was The Move. We had been working in the old building for years, but as we watched the developing, tantalizing view across the way, our walls seemed dirtier, the shelves more tightly packed, our heating pipes more raucous and the students grumpier than ever before, and the big word was "When".

"When" is now, and we love it! Except for a few minor difficulties, such as the omission of 7 out of 8 front door handles, everything seems to be running smoothly. We've tried a few new projects (a suggestion box and board, a slide tape show for orientation purposes, etc.) and have been encouraged by their success. The students' reactions to the new building have been positive, and we're pleased to see how quickly everyone has settled in and is feeling at home.

It would be putting it mildly to say that we're looking forward to our first year in the new Sedgewick!

WOODWARD LIBRARY

View from the rear-end of '72

Way back at the beginning of the year, the adjoining I.R.C. building was completed, and the Main Entrance to Woodward was finally opened. We proceeded to move into the newly carpeted Reserve Book area, and the completed lobby area. Elsewhere in the building, total seating arrangements (980) and total stack capacity (220,000 volumes excluding compact storage) were completed, and all skeltons have been stored in available closets.

As soon as the Spring rush was past, Peg Leighton, Diana Kent, Bill Parker and others reorganized the Reference Collection into subject alcoves. The staff is still reorganizing the area, but many benefits have already been noted.

The Faculty of Medicine Administrative Offices moved out in April. By Fall the vacated space was available for individual studies or seminars; and by December, keys to open the doors were finally available.

The day that Fall term opened, borrowing began at an unheard of pace. The average monthly increase above that of the previous year was 6,000 which put a strain on all staff members in providing adequate service, but staff handled the workload smoothly. All library duties were affected, but, in particular, good co-operation and organization by Circulation Division and the Stack Supervisor were very evident. Extra student hours, of course were of great benefit.

In the Memorial area, access to the Sherrington Room was rearranged so that it is controlled through the main Memorial Room. Barbara Gibson arrived from Cataloguing in September, and with the help of a regular staff member, Claora Styron, and a volunteer, Judith Jardine, has reorganized almost everything. The improved atmosphere of welcome (no pun intended) is very evident.

'MUSICAL CHAIRS AT BMB'

A lot a changes have taken place at BMB in the past year. These include a new head librarian, George Freeman, from Social Work. John Cummings has gone to the Marjorie Smith Library as the head librarian there. Joyce Davidson left us last spring to become a reference librarian at Woodward. Next, Lucy Ussner left to go travelling. Carol Trueman had a son the middle of August and so is now enjoying her new role as a mother. Far away places, ie Europe, lured Marlene Triggs away in August. The new members of our staff include Heather MacNaughton who came here after one year arts at UBC Peggy Kielpinski joined us in August; she formerly worked in Xeroxing at the Main Library. In November Terry Lymer left the Metallurgy reading room to become a member of the BMB staff. David Robinson is now part-time reference librarian here as well as maintaining his work at Woodward. The only old standby is Dee Bacon who has been at the branch three years this year. The last year has been quite uneventful for her except for becoming accustomed to these 'few' changes.

The Woodward Xmas bash was a roaring success, if we say so ourselves. Dorothy Shepherd played Mother Christmas in a strike on the side of women's lib. She handed out white elephants to the staff (John, whatever are you going to do with that garbage can lid?) while we all partook of beverage and ate of the festive fare, part of which was supplies by staff members (I pity anyone who did not get a taste of my chopped liver) and some of which was catered (we are terribly posh over here you know). There were visits from the Branch staff, and from Basil Stuart-Stubbs and other dignitaries, and also from past Woodwardites, two of whom brought along their little reasons for having left us in the first place (i.e. babies). We all left (at five of course) wishing it could be Xmas at least once a week.

WILSON RECORDINGS COLLECTION

"Oh! You've moved to the hole in the ground? Gee, doesn't it feel like you're in a mineshaft?" That's the type of question, or observation, that I seem to meet quite regularily. But standing on the verandah I notice that the questions are not proper; we are not down in a hole, and we are at almost exactly the same elevation as our old premises in the big stone building. Regardless of the similar altitudes, I feel that we have come up in the world -- we have moved from the bottom of the one building to the top of the other!! And the quality of the new surroundings is beyond compare.

The first week or two that we were open was so hectic that we wished we were back in the quiet old corner in Main, but now the "pop" music buffs, the country and westerners, and the curiosity-seekers have departed and left us to the serious business of running our show. The exposure has given us some interesting statistics: Borrowers cards issued in the month of January doubled last year's figures, circulation was up about a third and the total shelving was up to 22,730 from last year's modest figure of 12,285. And in our spare time...

Now things are settling down and we are able to appreciate our gains, our new respectability, and our new conveniences. The greatest of these new conveniences was switching to the automated circulation system (old hat, you say) and meeting an IBM 1031 terminal - the girls have nicknamed it FRED, that didn't like cards. Incidentally, FRED stands for ridiculous. electronic device. The next of these conveniences is that carpeting on the wall: now we can climb it in comfort.

If you haven't paid us a visit, please do, and if you have,come again. And make sure to listen to a record on one of the new record players - it's the only way to fly.

TRADING POST

5 month old female tabby cat needs a new home
Is affectionate, playful and has had shots
Phone 738-6936

PENNY - POWER

The end of 1972 also marked the end of the Library's drive for the International Book Years' Penny-Power Project. Thanks to the efforts of the Library Assistant's Association, who sponsored the program, and a few loyal souls who gave a tremendous amount of their time, $370.22 was collected for this worthwhile project.

The program was set up during the summer by a small committee from the L.A.A. which was headed by Livia Fricke of Cataloguing and Jane Ainsworth of Curric. Lab. Jane also volonteered to be treasurer.

A questionnaire was sent to all Library staff members requesting help in picking our one of the eleven projects UNESCO offered. BOOKS FOR REFUGEES was chosen.

Colourful display tables designed by Richard Moore and Rick Welch of Cataloguing were set up in the Main Library, Woodward Lib.,,Sedge. and the Curric. Lab. The smaller branches and divisions received money cans and pamphlets describing Penny-Power.

A Bank account was opened in the Bank of Montreal at the SUB but by mid-October only $57.11 had been collected. Jane contacted twelve University libraries across Canada to find out if they had Penny-Power projects and what the response was like. Only one of the twelve, Queen's University, was participating in the project.

A tag day for Penny-Power was set for Nov.20, 1972. Bert Hamilton of Administration kindly offered to donate some of his orchids for sale. Although the orchids went on sale for 15¢ each, many people gave more. Thaks to Mr. Hamilton $107.00 was added to Penny-Power.

The Association also gave a Tupperware party and the proceeds, $32.00 was added to Penny-Power. The girls in Systems kindly offered to make Christmas wreaths from IBM cards. This offer was quickly accepted, and Claudia Chew organized the sale of same. Approximately $28.00 was added to the fund.

Who in the Main Library will forget the anonymous benefactor who nonchalently dropped a $50.00 bill into the can by the fifth floor stack entry.

All these things along with the donations from the cans and the cheques came to agrand total of $370.22. This money as been sent to UNESCO and the receipt will be put on display.

The Library Assistants Association would like to thank all those who helped to raise this money and those who donated to the project in any way. After such a bleak beginning The International Book Year at the U.B.C. Library was quite a success.

Jane Ainsworth. Curric.Lab.

N.B. The L.A.A. Exec. would particularly like to thank Jane and Livia who headed the committee and who gave so much time and effort to making the project the success it was.

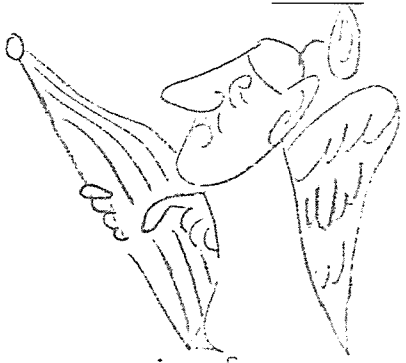
St. Wibby Reports....

CRANE LIBRARY has a new acquisition, a"Talking Typewriter". This wondrous machine is connected to the main computer and produces a regular sheet of typed copy for the students. It does such things as to repeat phonetically, via speaker, letters as they are typed, tells the students when they have reached the bottom of the page, repeats a whole sentence by letter when requested so that an error in typing can be caught, searches out words on demand so that they can be altered and types the whole page at the pressing of a key.

The "Talking Typewriter" will be demonstrated at Open House and you will be able to see it in use after that any Friday afternoon - which is the time slot that has been alloted to Crane for Computer use.

WE ARE HAPPY to announce a boy baby has been born to Peggy Wroblewski, ex of Fine Arts. Andrew James weighed in at 7lbs. 3 oz. on Sunday 18th February 1973. We hear that Andrew has already had trouble with the spelling of his name. It was spelt wrongly on the crib.

A SPEEDY recovery is wished to Nora Williams of the Map Div. who is recuperating at home after surgery and will not be back for a few weeks yet. also to Janet Lenko of law who was involved in an auto accident which completely totalled the car she was driving. Janet is



recovering from severe bruises and cuts but hopes to be back at work shortly.

WE UNDERSTAND that our favourite expectant mother in Circ is spending a great deal of time teaching fellow workers the art of weaving. Tannis also cards and dyes her own wool.

HAWAII was the Christmas destination for Melva Dwyer of Fine Arts and Paulina Kieman of Catal. is also sporting a Hawaiian tan. Elsie and Eric deBruijn with Bert Hamilton of Admin are preparing a safari to Mexico and other interesting places. We hope B.H. will find time to write us another interesting piece on his travels.

WE HEAR that a few leaks have appeared around the trees in Sedge and talking about plants reminds us that ivy is climbing on the inner west wall of the Law Library. The ivy has travelled through the air conditioning from the outside world.

STILL on things green how about that new carpeting in the front hall of the Main Lib. Brings the outside in so it does.

More.....

OUR SPIES tell us that Richard Hopkins of Sedge is open to future film offers. We understand he did a really fantastic job of acting in the information film for the new Library. Watch for a screening at Open House.

SHOW BIZ news. Jerry Andersen of Law Lib. regaled his fellow workers with behind the scene glimpses of the great Nureyev & Co. Jerry was one of the local dancers who provided background for the National Ballet on their recent visit to Vancouver.

Also

Bernie Olson and Glynis Silbernagel of the Woodward Library appeared in the Vancouver Operatic Company's production of the Mikado. They also appeared in the Victoria Production.

PENNY POWER'S Jane Ainsworth called to tell us that the only complitely full cans came from the Law Library. Law managed to turn in two cans filled with coins obtained by sale of paper clips, loaning of pens and pencil's "just for a moment" payment for "a scrap of paper" to write down call number and just plain coaxing.

LAW alos wants to remind everyone the Grand Tricycle race this year is to be run on Friday, March 16. Plan to visit in the lunch hour.

THE L.A.A. Bowling teams continue on their merry way Monday evenings. Lots of enthusiasm and a few good bowlers. Lynne MacIver of Admin. racked up a 306 game and Pat Hutchinson of the same location came up with a 299. Congrats to them both from an envious 146 average enthusiast.

TOUR OF CHINATOWN - Friday 16th March. A 1½ hour tour, by a very knowledgeable Chinese guide of some of the more interesting spots in Chinatown.
Hear the history of this fascinating area as you see the printing of the newspaper, a theatre a glimpse of the ganbling dens and many other little known plac
All this to be followed by a 10 course dinner with commentary by a Chinese chef. And all for the price of $5.00. $1.00 to be pai on registration, the balance pay able on the night of the tour.
DON'T BE DISAPPOINTED, register now.

Phone either Gwen Gregor 2231
Pat La Vac 4809
Carol Ann Gladstone 2039

Arrangements will be made to pic up your $1.00 registration.
Tour will start 7:00 p.m. from the Pender & Carroll parking lot
Stay as long as you like over dinner.

Thanks from the L.A.A. to all the people who attended the annual Wine and Cheese Party. It was as usual a very happy event. The two door prizes were won by Matt Hartman of Cat. and Ernie Yungen

And a top of the morning to you - Wibby.

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