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CAMPUS LIBRARY HOURS - WINTER SESSION, 1973-74

Main Library	Monday-Thursday	8 am - 11 pm
	Friday	8 am - 6 pm
	Saturday	9 am - 5 pm
	Sunday	12 noon - 11 pm
Animal Resources Ecology (Fisheries) Library	Monday-Friday	9 am - 5 pm
	Saturday-Sunday	CLOSED
Brock Hall Study Area	Monday-Sunday	8 am - midnight
Crane Library	Monday-Thursday	9 am - 9 pm
	Friday-Saturday	9 am - 5 pm
	Sunday	1 pm - 5 pm
Curriculum Laboratory	Monday-Thursday	8 am - 10 pm
	Friday	8 am - 5 pm
	Saturday	9 am - 5 pm
	Sunday	12 noon - 6 pm
Law Library	Monday-Friday	8 am - midnight
	Saturday	9 am - 8 pm
	Sunday	12 noon - midnight
Macmillan (Forestry/ Agriculture) Library	Monday-Thursday	8 am - 10 pm
	Friday	8 am - 5 pm*
	Saturday	9 am - 5 pm
	Sunday	CLOSED

*Some Friday hours have been extended during this session.

Marjorie Smith (Social Work) Library		
Sept. 10 - Dec. 21	Monday & Thursday	9 am - 10 pm
	Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday	9 am - 6 pm
	Saturday	9 am - 5 pm
	Sunday	CLOSED
Jan. 2 - April 11	Monday-Thursday	9 am - 10 pm
Mathematics Library	Monday-Friday	8 am - 10 pm
	Saturday	10 am - 5 pm
	Sunday	CLOSED
Medical Branch Library (Vancouver General Hospital)	Monday-Thursday	8 am - 11 pm
	Friday	8 am - 10 pm
	Saturday	9 am - 5 pm
	Sunday	12 noon - 10 pm
Music Library	Monday-Friday	8 am - 11 pm
	Saturday	9 am - 5 pm
	Sunday	12 noon - 11 pm
Recordings Collection	Monday-Friday	8.30 am - 10 pm
	Saturday	9 am - 5 pm
	Sunday	12 noon - 5 pm

Sedgewick & Woodward Libraries	Monday-Friday	8 am - 11.45 pm
	Saturday	9 am - 5 pm*
	Sunday	12 noon - 11.45 pm
*Starting October 6 Sedgewick	Saturday	9 am - 11.45 pm

MAIN LIBRARY HOURS - WINTER SESSION, 1973-74

Building Open	Monday-Thursday	8 am - 11 pm
	Friday	8 am - 6 pm
	Saturday	9 am - 5 pm
	Sunday	12 noon - 11 pm
Asian Studies Division	Monday-Thursday	8.30 am - 10 pm
	Friday	8.30 am - 6 pm
	Saturday	9 am - 5 pm
	Sunday	CLOSED
Fine Arts Division	Monday-Thursday	8 am - 11 pm
	Friday	8 am - 6 pm
	Saturday	9 am - 5 pm
	Sunday	12 noon - 6 pm
Government Publications & Microforms	Monday-Thursday	8 am - 10 pm
	Friday	8 am - 5 pm
	Saturday	9 am - 5 pm
	Sunday	12 noon - 10 pm
Map Division and Special Collections	Monday-Friday	8.30 am - 5 pm
	Saturday	9 am - 5 pm
	Sunday	CLOSED

Members of the Circulation staff will be on duty at the turnstiles and the Main Loan Desk as long as the building is open.

WATERGATE AND THE LIBRARY

The remarkable decline of the U.S. dollar (and consequently the Canadian dollar) in foreign exchange markets, linked by most commentators to U.S. political problems, establishes an unpleasant connection between the library budget and the Watergate scandal. The cost of the German Mark in July had risen by 50%, the French Franc by 42%, the Dutch Guilder by 43% and the Swedish Kroner by 35%. The only other currency seriously affecting library book purchases, the British Pound, had remained relatively stable with respect to the Canadian (and the U.S.) dollar, but even its 3.1% increase means that an additional $4,030 would be required to buy the same amount of sterling as last year. And of course the same amount of sterling (or marks or francs etc.) will not buy as many books this year: the inflationary increase in book prices is approximately 10%. The combination of these factors has serious implications for acquisition policies adopted by the U.B.C. Library. (See following story, *New Books From Germany*.)

Book purchases, although necessary to maintain an adequate library collection, can be restricted in certain areas to ease the strain on the budget. It is more difficult, however, to reduce expenditures on periodicals and continuations where the library is committed to certain subscriptions and would have great difficulty obtaining backfiles should subscriptions be dropped and subsequently reopened. (It should be noted here that the Library has for some time opened no new subscriptions without cancelling equivalent ones. See *UBC Library News*, Volume 5, No. 8) For this reason, the effects of devaluation on the periodicals/continuations budget is of crucial importance. The effect of these factors is such that an addition of $65,000 to the budget would be necessary to maintain last year's level of acquisition. When it is considered that the pressure on the periodicals/continuations budget has been such that it is traditionally overspent at a rate that might lead to a $50,000 deficit this year, it can be seen that stringent measures may have to be taken if the library has to live within its devalued means.

The dollar's exchange value has improved since July, when these figures were prepared, but it is impossible to confidently assume that this improvement will continue, or that the resumption of the Watergate hearings will have no effect.

NEW BOOKS FROM GERMANY

Due to the decline in the value of the dollar in relation to the D-Mark, and a tight budget, the library has been obliged to curtail its blanket order arrangement for new books *published in Germany*. Effective immediately, new books in anthropology, geography, sociology, psychology, education, economics, and political sciences will be excluded from the blanket order. Books in these areas which are required for the library's collection will be ordered by library staff. Suggestions for purchase will be welcome and should be sent to Miss Dorothy Shields, Bibliography Division.

MICROFORM COLLECTION

The University of British Columbia Library's microform collection is "micro" in format only. In all other respects it is very much a "macro" collection. As of August 1, 1973 the collection numbered 1,493,148 pieces, if one counts one reel of microfilm or one microfiche as one "piece". In the statistics for 1971/72 for those libraries which belong to the Association of Research Libraries only Syracuse University in New York had a larger microform collection than UBC's and theirs topped ours by a mere 195,000 pieces.

What do we have in microform? We have material in almost any subject field one cares to name. Our collection is enormously varied. It ranges from newspapers - world famous titles like the *Times*, the *New York Times*, and the Vancouver *Sun* - through large collections of French, German, British and American drama, books printed in English, French, German, and Italian before 1601, collections of the papers of various American presidents including Abraham Lincoln, Andrew Jackson, and Ulysses S. Grant, the *Underground Newspapers* collection, women's liberation periodicals, German medieval manuscripts, records of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, Canadian comic books printed during the Second World War, technical reports from the United States Atomic Energy Commission and the United States Technical Information Service, newspapers of the French résistance during the Second World War - to the first years of *Playboy*, in glorious colour. As you see, we have something to suit every taste, as well as major resources for research in most fields. We are able to provide material from such magnificent collections as those of the British Museum, the Bibliothèque Nationale, and the Library of Congress.

The Microform Division has a collection of the most of the printed bibliographies and guides to the various microform sets. Indeed many of these large microform sets are based on bibliographies; Pollard's and Redgrave's *A Short-title catalogue of books printed in England, Scotland, & Ireland and of English books printed abroad, 1475-1640* is the basis for the University Microfilms' collection *Early English books before 1640*. In some instances additional copies of the printed bibliographies are kept in one of the subject divisions of the library and occasionally the only copy of a relevant bibliography may be in one of these other divisions. The Location File in the main concourse provides the clues to who has what. The location file also indicates where various items in microform will be found. Although the Microforms Division in the main library building houses the major part of the collection, microforms are located in other parts of the library system including the Woodward Biomedical Library, the Sedgewick Library, the Macmillan Library, the Music Library, the M. Smith Library, and the Law Library.

Most of the items held by the Library in microform are catalogued in the same way in which printed materials are catalogued. In many cases large collections in microform are purchased complete with their own catalogue cards and these cards can be adapted for use in our own catalogue. In some instances, however, very large collections have been bought for which no cataloguing has been provided by the publisher and when this happens our own Cataloguing Division must work overtime in an attempt to provide catalogue cards for literally thousands of items. With the best will in the world there are still limitations to what even our cataloguers can do and one will therefore not find, in our main card catalogue, absolutely everything the library has in microform. The moral of all this is: regardless of the subject, if you don't find what you are looking for in the main card catalogue, checking with the Microforms Division is worth a try.

We have equipment for reading all our microforms. We also have printers with which we can print pages from every type of microform. Our newest pieces of equipment are our printer and processor, used for making duplicate microfiche. This means that if you would like to have your own microfiche version of any of our microfiche collection we can duplicate our fiche for you at prices ranging from 15 cents per fiche. Because of the great variety of equipment available in our library system you can borrow any kind of microform through interlibrary loan secure in the knowledge that when it comes you will be able to read it, (with the inevitable exceptions - ultramicrofiche and COM fiche, which you probably wouldn't want anyway so they don't count).

We lend everything in our microform collection, both to individuals and through interlibrary loans. We also have three small readers - two which will handle both microfilm and microfiche and one for microfiche only - which we lend. The Sub-committee on Microforms and Microreaders of TRIUL - Tri-University Libraries - is working on a guide to the large microform collections held by Simon Fraser, UBC, and the University of Victoria and when this is finished it should help to make everyone even more aware of the materials available.

I hope that the foregoing will result in a rush to the 6th floor of the main library building where the Microforms Division lurks. The collection is very well used but many who should be aware of its existence obviously aren't. The Microforms Division is always delighted to give tours of the collection to anyone who is interested. Please call Suzanne Dodson at locals 3858 or 2584 if you would like to arrange a visit.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Recent acquisitions in the Special Collections Division include

a) the personal papers of Bertrand Sinclair, 1878-1972, author of several novels and many short stories about British Columbia.

b) eleven manuscript notebooks of Dr. H.G. Barnett, noted Pacific Northwest anthropologist, compiled during several trips to British Columbia in the 1930's.

The U.B.C. Archives in the Special Collections Division have acquired

a) School of Nursing, University of B.C., records, 1919-1945.

b) Papers of Frank Fairchild Wesbrook, former President of U.B.C.

c) Papers of George Gordon Moe, former Professor and Head of the Department of Agronomy, U.B.C.

In April 1973, the U.B.C. Archives were named the official depository of the Alumni Association inactive records.

MARIHUANA AND MISUNDERSTANDING

If someone who has ordered (and paid for) a copy of *Marihuana: A Signal of Misunderstanding* (the Technical Papers of the First Report of the National Commission on Marihuana and Drug Abuse) has yet to receive a copy, it may be that we have it. Government Publications has received a copy which can't be accounted for. Contact Connie Fitzpatrick at local 2584 if you think it may be yours.

SOCIAL SCIENCES CITATION INDEX

The first issue of this tri-annual index has been received in the Ridington Room of the Main Library. Volume 1 is the CITATION INDEX, an alphabetical list of cited authors and the source articles in which they are cited. Volume 2 contains the SOURCE INDEX, which is an index to the authors of the articles which cite the authors in volume 1. A subject (key word) index is also to be found in volume 2.

Among the many questions that this index can answer are: "Has this paper been cited?" "Has this report been published in a journal?" "Who else is working in this field?" "Of what current works is this man primary author?" "What older works has this man written?"

SEDGEWICK CASSETTE COLLECTION

Something new has been added to Sedgewick. A small collection of tape cassettes covering various topics (not music) can be located through Sedge's catalogue by subject, author, or title and is available at the circulation desk. The emphasis of the collection is on current topics of international interest and Canadian literature and history (examples, CBC discussion programs, Canadian Poets on Tape, etc.)

The tape cassettes may be checked out for one week and played on your own cassette player or on one of four machines available for this purpose in the Wilson Recordings Collection. Happy listening!

SCIENCE DIVISION

Tours and lectures: librarians in the Science Division of the Main Library will once again be available for subject oriented tours and lectures on the use of the scientific literature. In the past these have proven to be appreciated most by groups of upper-year or graduate students.

UBC/SDI: the Science Division will offer assistance in the preparation of "interest profiles" for the UBC/SDI service, which offers monthly printouts listing new monographic acquisitions of the UBC Library in the field of interest of its individual subscribers. The service is available to UBC faculty members There is no charge.

CAN/SDI: the Division will continue to offer assistance in the preparation and revision of "interest profiles" for the National Science Library's CAN/SDI current awareness service. This computer-based information retrieval system now includes a number of data bases which fairly well cover the scientific literature of the day. Subscribers will receive regular printouts, tailored to their subject interest, giving reference to current journal articles, reports, books, patents, and conference proceedings.

To encourage users to experiment with the system the Library also offers to pay the $40.00 base fee for new subscribers who are UBC faculty members or graduate students. (The National Science Library will bill subscribers at the end of their subscription year for the balance which will be based on use.)

For further information about these and other services offered by the Science Division please call R.J. Brongers at local 3826.

SERIALS WANTED

The following out-of-print journal is needed to complete the library's holdings:
U.B.C. Alumni Chronicle, vol. 24, no. 4 (Winter 1970).
If you can help, please contact Graham Elliston, Bibliography Division, Main Library, (local 2304).

TOURS OF THE MAIN LIBRARY

In order to introduce new students to the UBC Library, and to renew acquaintances with old hands who wish a refresher, the Library has been offering general tours of the Main Library on a twice daily basis since the beginning of classes, as well as running a daily audio-visual program which provides an introduction to the library system. Now that the fall term is under way, and assignments are stimulating an interest in library resources, it should be stressed that the Library provides tours for class groups on a year-round basis. If you would like your class shown through the Main Library and introduced to the variety and use of its facilities and services, you can arrange a class tour by phoning the Information and Orientation Division at 228-2077, or by filling out and forwarding the following form.

(Those wishing tours of Sedgewick Library for their classes should contact Shelley Criddle at 228-4908.)

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Information and Orientation Division, Main Library, Campus Mail

REQUEST FOR CLASS TOUR

Date wanted: _____ Time: _____

Class: _____ Number in class: _____

Instructor: _____ Phone: _____

Special Interest(s): _____

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