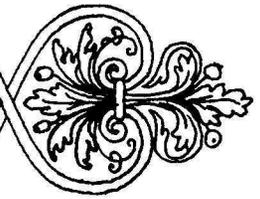


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2 MILLION, GOING ON 3 MILLION

During January 1979, without fanfare, the Library added its second millionth volume. It took fifty-four years for it to acquire the first million, and only ten to acquire the second. However, it is not expected that the collection will double again in the next ten years, the rate of growth having slowed by the combined effects of inflation and currency devaluation. In recent years, the University administration has literally saved the collections from disaster by adding enough to the budget to offset increased costs. In just four years the collections budget has been increased by 46% to \$2,550,000, sufficient to stabilize the accessions rate at about 90,000 volumes a year, in addition to other items such as microforms, recordings and maps. Experience indicates that this level of collecting is necessary if the Library is to remain current in all fields of interest to the University. Providing that the University can continue its support, the collection should attain three million volumes in the next decade.

The prediction points to a future crisis. The Library does not have within its branches, divisions and storage areas space for three million volumes. Assuming the completion of buildings now under construction or in the planning stages, and assuming that spaces vacated in the Main Library can be converted to collections storage, there is at the maximum only room enough for eight years' collection growth. Given the lead time required for the realization of new buildings; given the size of the library project needed to deal with not just the third million volume, but the fourth, and the fifth; it is not too soon to begin to plan for the building or buildings needed to carry the Library forward into the twenty-first century.

Collections, their development, their accessibility both bibliographically and physically, are central to the processes of teaching and research and to University standards. Collections development and access are the subjects of the sixty-third Annual Report of the University Library, to be presented to the April meeting of Senate, following which it will be widely distributed on campus. If you do not receive a copy you may request one from the Librarian's Office, local 3871.

MICROLISTS ESSENTIAL FOR RESEARCH

New computer-produced microcatalogues now comprise an essential segment of UBC Library records. It is extremely important for users to consult the microfiche lists as well as the card catalogue for an accurate picture of the Library's holdings; researchers not yet using the microfiche lists are missing the Library's newest additions to the collection. There are now over 70,000 titles listed on the Microcatalogue and its supplements, none of which will ever appear in the card catalogue.

The microlists are available in all campus libraries. In addition, the Microcatalogue and the Serial List, the basic lists, are now being placed in all departmental reading rooms.

MICROCATALOGUE. The Microcatalogue is presently issued bi-monthly in three sections: Authors & Titles, Subjects, and Biomedical Subjects. The card catalogues in all campus libraries (except Asian Studies) are now officially

closed and a long-term project to computerize the existing card files is underway. All new cataloguing (regardless of publication date) is entered directly on a computer data base which serves as the basis for the Microcatalogue. Thus material of any date may now be found in the Microcatalogue; but if you are searching for recent publications (1978 or later), you need check only the Microcatalogue. The Microcatalogue is currently supplemented by two other microfiche files: *RECENT CATALOGUING* and the *IN PROCESS LIST*.

SERIAL LIST. The microfiche Serial List supersedes *UBC Serial Holdings*, 1975, a volume now badly out of date. The new Serial List is issued every three months, and lists all the Library's journals, newspapers, yearbooks, and other serials, giving call numbers, locations, and holdings. The Serial List is supplemented bi-weekly by *SERIAL SUPPLEMENT*, which gives current information on serial subscriptions and holdings.

The Information and Orientation Division will arrange demonstrations of the microequipment and explanations of the new lists for individuals or small groups of faculty members, research assistants, or other interested people. Contact Joan Sandilands or Jocelyn Foster at local 2076; sessions can be arranged in either a campus reading room or the Main Library.

Special libraries or individuals requiring their own copies of the lists may subscribe after May 1 by contacting the *British Columbia Union Catalogue Project*, 7671 Alderbridge Way, Richmond, V6X 1Z9, 273-9521.

GUIDE TO MICROFORMS PUBLISHED

Suzanne Dodson, Head of the Library's Government Publications and Microforms Division, has long been concerned with scholarly access to microform materials. She has recently published a pioneer guide to these materials: *MICROFORM RESEARCH COLLECTIONS: A GUIDE* (Microform Review, Westport, Connecticut, 1978, 410 pp.)

Micropublishing has become big business (an interesting article in this regard appears in the *Times Literary Supplement*, September 22, 1978) and Dodson's guide is an important reminder to us all to consider microform resources in any search for materials. Microform sets are often very large, very expensive, and inadequately catalogued. For example, Segment I of the *Goldsmiths'-Kress Library of Economic Literature* costs \$45,000 and includes some 30,000 titles. Dodson selected 200 such important sets for her guide and gives extensive purchasing and user information for each, including scope, content, arrangement, and bibliographic control.

The *Guide* is available in many of the Library's reference divisions (Z1033 M5D64 1978) and many of the sets described have been purchased by the Library. Sets not available at UBC may be borrowed through interlibrary loan.

IMPROVED LIBRARY SERVICES FOR TEACHING HOSPITALS

Improved library services, prompted by the expanded Faculty of Medicine, are planned for the major teaching hospitals affiliated with UBC. A new library for Children's, Grace, and Shaughnessy hospitals, is under construction at the Shaughnessy site and should be completed by January 1981. Funds have been requested for 1980/81 to improve the existing libraries at St. Paul's and Vancouver General Hospital (Biomedical Branch Library). These libraries will serve UBC students and faculty as well as hospital personnel.

Woodward Biomedical Library will provide direct service to the UBC Health Sciences Hospital and will "back-up" the five off-campus teaching hospital libraries. A special service unit will be located in Woodward to handle requests from the hospitals.

UBC Library has become heavily involved in planning the expanded services but it has not yet been determined if the hospital libraries will become an official part of the UBC Library system.

WATCH DUE DATES ON BOUND JOURNALS

Circulation Division noted recently that several faculty members were surprised when not given a seven-day grace period in which to return bound journals requested by other borrowers. Journals are *not* automatically extended to end-of-term, as are monographs in Main Library and some branches. Journals are loaned for one week only, and if requested by others during that week, penalties begin to accrue on the day following the due date. However, some bound journals (those not frequently used) may be borrowed on extended loan, at your request, in which case you *will* receive a call-in and the seven-day grace period. And, of course, those journals not taken on extended loan may be renewed each week.

USE OF LIBRARY TELEX LIMITED

Although the Library does not act as a University message centre, messages intended for faculty members, students, and other university departments are frequently received on the Library's telex. The Library does attempt to pass on such messages, but must resort to campus mail when the recipient cannot easily be reached by phone. Often the messages are incompletely addressed, and it may be difficult or impossible to identify the recipient.

Under the circumstances, faculty members and others should advise any persons likely to send them messages by telex to use other means; in urgent cases, long distance telephone calls are preferable. If there are campus departments which might use a telex regularly, they should consider the advantages of installing their own machine, thus obtaining a separate listing in the Telex Directory. To send telex messages, please contact the Purchasing Department, local 4105.

MANUSCRIPT ACQUISITIONS

Special Collections Division has received recently the *HUMBIRD FAMILY PAPERS*. These consist of the minute books and financial records of the Victoria Lumber and Manufacturing Company Ltd., Chemainus, 1889-1950; Humbird Lumber Company, Washington, 1900-47; Clearwater Timber Co., 1900-24; and First National Bank, Sandpoint, Idaho, 1925-32; stock certificates of the Jacob Humbird Holding Co., Maryland, 1932-40; documents and photographs relating to the Seaboard Shipping Company; a land purchase ledger, including enclosures, marked J.A. Humbird, Minnesota, 1878-1900; and financial records of the Jacob Humbird Trust Funds, 1884-1905, Jacob Humbird estate, 1893-1939, and John A. Humbird estate, 1910-62. Stock certificates, 1899-1901, and financial records and correspondence of the Ashcroft Water, Electric and Improvement Company, 1934-53, relating to its activities and financial records of Ashcroft Irrigated Lands Limited, 1952-60, correspondence relating to development of East Bench irrigation, 1952-56, and a 1918 report with photos and plans are also available.

Records relating to the union movement have been recently received from the B.C. Federation of Labour, Canadian Merchant Service Guild, and John Stanton.

ARCHIVES ACQUIRES TAPES

UBC Archives has acquired an important set of tapes from the Centre for Continuing Education of UBC. These tapes, which date from 1966, were made in conjunction with the Humanities and Sciences program directed by Sol Kort. There are more than one hundred tapes of lectures given at UBC for the courses *Quest for Liberation*, *Explorations in the Human Potential*, *Contemporary Thought*. Speakers brought to the campus for these series included Colin Wilson, Ashley Montagu, Baba Ram Dass, Theodore Roszak, Lionel Tiger, to name just a few.

These audio tapes are available for use in the Special Collections Division, Main Library. An accessions list in the Division gives the titles and names of speakers of the 800 tapes held in the archives and available for use.

CLAIMANT SOUGHT FOR PHOTOGRAPH OF SHIP

The Library recently received a black and white photograph of the t.t. *KARAMA MAERSK* (Lindø Hull No. 61.1) from the Odense Steel Shipyard Ltd. Unfortunately, the sender lost the original request and the name of the individual needing the photograph is unknown. If it is yours, please contact Graham Elliston, local 2304.

BRITISH LIBRARY CLOSING WEEK MOVED TO FALL

The British Library (previously known as the British Museum Reading Room) has changed the dates of its annual closing from late spring to mid-fall. It now closes the "week following the last complete week in October". In 1979 that is October 29 to November 3.

BACK ISSUES WANTED

The following items are needed to complete the Library's holdings:

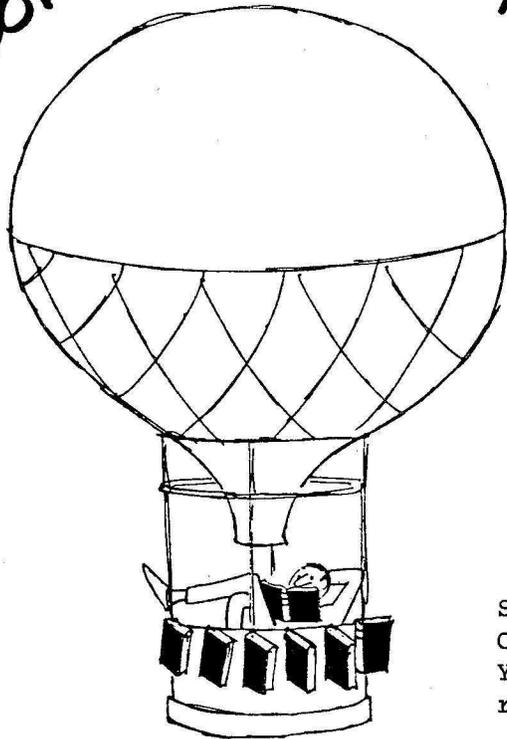
AMERICAN NURSERYMAN. v.146 n.1(1977)
ATLANTIC REPORT; AN ANALYSIS OF CURRENT ECONOMIC TRENDS. v.12 n.2-3(Apr, Jul, 1977)
BRITISH COLUMBIA HISTORICAL QUARTERLY. v.5 n.3-4
CANADIAN POLITICAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION. BULLETIN. v.5 n.1-2 (1975); v.6 n.5(1977)
CHEMISTRY IN CANADA. v.28 n.3,7-9(1976)
CINEMA CANADA. n.3(1972)
COMMONWEALTH JOURNAL. v.2 n.2-3(1959)
CONTINUO. v.1 n.1-6(1977)
FOLIO. (SASKATOON) v.1 n.1-11(1973); v.2(1974)
PERFORMANCE. (VANCOUVER, B.C.) v.1; v.2 no.1-3,9-12; v.3 n.1-3,5-6,8; v.5 n.3.
PHILOSOPHY EAST AND WEST. v.24 n.2(1974); v.28 n.1-2
PRZEGLAD GEOGRAFICZNY. v.30 n.2-3(1958)
TIMES, LONDON. EDUCATIONAL SUPPLEMENT. n.3120(Mar 14, 1975);
n.3183-3186(Jun 4,11,18,25,1976)
URBAN READER. v.2 n.1-6(1974); v.3 n.1(1975)

If you can supply any of these, please telephone Graham Elliston, local 2304.

PUBLICATION NOTE

The New Series of the *Library News* will be published irregularly. Serials staff please note that volume 11, number 3 never appeared; volume 11 is complete in 2 issues.

DON'T FLY AWAY



WITHOUT RETURNING
OR RENEWING
YOUR LIBRARY BOOKS

Soon after April 7, the Library's end-of-term date, Circulation divisions will be mailing call-in notices. You can help to reduce paperwork by returning or renewing books before April 7.

We are particularly anxious to have books returned by those of you who expect to be away from the campus during the spring and summer terms. We can't help a borrower who needs an item out on loan to a person who can't be reached.

If you are going to be absent, and wish to renew rather than return items, please have someone check your mail regularly and respond to library call-ins. If you wish, we will mail any necessary notices to your home during the spring and summer period; please let us know by writing Mary Banham, Circulation Division, Main Library or phoning 228-3993.

If it is not possible for you to renew *Main Library* books before April 7, we suggest that you return your end-of-term notice to the Circulation Division, indicating which items you wish to renew and which you are returning.

Although some of you may view this thrice-yearly exercise of calling in books as a bother, others have thanked us for reminding them of the items which are charged out to them. Often a person will have finished with a book, but may have forgotten to return it. The return of materials makes them more readily accessible to others, and the Library a more useful place. The call-in process also allows us to correct any errors in our record.

Our thanks to those many faculty members who have been cooperative during the past year in responding to the needs of other borrowers, and thus assisting us in operating a more effective Library.