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UNIVERSITY LIBRARIAN'S TERM ENDS

After serving as Acting University Librarian from 1981-1982 and as University Librarian from 1982, Doug McInnes has accepted an appointment as Head of Woodward Library. His term as University Librarian ends June 30, 1989, or as soon as a new Librarian is appointed. A President's Search Committee is being established to consider candidates.

"While I was University Librarian, there were retrenchments throughout the University and the Library system but there have also been some positive developments," Mr. McInnes said. "It appears the Library is on the threshold of obtaining improved space for collections and some of its services. An online public catalogue has been introduced, along with technologies such as CD-ROM and facsimile transmission. We have forged stronger relationships with the community. President Strangway's *Report on the Library* in 1987 helped focus attention on some of the major issues facing UBC Library and all research libraries today."

On leaving his position as University Librarian, Mr. McInnes paid tribute to the Library's staff. "I am particularly proud of the way they have responded to increased demand for services and reduced resources. The Library has become more efficient in its operations and full credit should be given to staff who have introduced new and more effective ways of handling large volumes of work. UBC is fortunate to have so many Library staff who are dedicated to maintaining high standards of service."

In moving to Woodward Library, Mr. McInnes will be assuming duties that he left years ago. He was the first Head of Woodward Library from 1964 until 1967, when he was appointed the Library's first Assistant University Librarian for Public Services. During his career at UBC, Mr. McInnes has held many offices in local and national professional associations. He is currently completing a two-year term as President of the Canadian Association of Research Libraries.

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Season's Greetings

One of two photographs of campus winter scenes chosen for UBC Archives' first Christmas cards. The other is of the Main Library viewed through a snow covered branch. You may buy the black and white cards from Special Collections, Main Library, weekdays from 8:30 to 5:00 and Saturdays from 12 noon to 5:00. A single card costs $.80, 10 cards $7.00, and 25 cards $16.25. For more information, phone the UBC Archivist, Chris Hives (228-5877).

ASIA/PACIFIC

Humanities/Social Sciences Collection

The Asia/Pacific collection in the humanities and social sciences emphasizes Japan, China, Korea, Southeast Asia, South Asia, Australia and New Zealand. It is located in the Main Library, the Asian Library and the Sedgewick Undergraduate Library. The Main Library has material in English and other European languages; the Asian Library has material in Asian languages; and Sedgewick Library has additional copies of undergraduate course-related high demand material in English.

Who selects what in the Library

English and Western European language material

- Fine arts and music - Hans Burndorfer (4959, 3589)
- Serials and reference sources - Humanities/Social Sciences librarians (2725)
- Governmental materials - Government Publications librarians (2584)
- Undergraduate materials - Sedgewick librarians (4908)
- Humanities and social sciences books - Collections Division bibliographers:
  English language - Jennifer Forbes (3748)
  Western European - Les Karpinski (3748)

Asian language material

Asian Library librarians:

- Chinese materials - Linda Joe, Head, Asian Library (5905) Shui-Yim Tse (2023)
- Japanese materials - Tsuneharu Gonnami (2023)

The Asian Library is in the process of recruiting for three staff to take charge of collection development in Korean, South Asian and Indonesian languages. Once these positions are filled, the Library will proceed immediately to establish an acquisitions program for material in Korean and Indonesian languages.

Acquisition programs for current books

The Main Library acquires humanities and social sciences material both about and originating in Asia/Pacific countries. The Library is on the mailing list of about 250 Asian publishers who publish in the English language and we have a blanket order program with the Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute for English publications originating in India. A list of the more important sources that we use is available from the Collections Division, Main Library.

Material about the Pacific Rim published outside the region is obtained either on approval plans for the United Kingdom, the United States, Canada, Germany and France or is selected individually from a wide variety of sources. Research institutes and associations in Australia, the United States, the United Kingdom and other European and Asian countries also publish important monograph series, research papers, reports and working papers. Whenever possible, we obtain these automatically on standing order. A list of some of the more important English language series acquired regularly is available in the Collections Division.

The Asian Library prefers to acquire Asian language publications directly from the country of origin, if possible. In the past, however, most publications from the People's Republic of China were acquired through a Hong Kong dealer. Beginning in 1989, new books published in the PRC will be selected and ordered from Beijing before they are published. New books in South Asian languages are supplied on blanket order by Shastri.

The Library welcomes the participation of faculty members in collection development. If you have any questions about the selection process or have purchase requests, please phone the librarian responsible for the area or type of material in which you are interested.

Jennifer Forbes, Linda Joe

Fax "Born Again"

Although facsimile transmission has been around for decades, the use of fax in libraries for administrative purposes and document delivery is only now taking off.

Facsimile transmission is a communications system which sends documents by phone lines from one fax machine to another. To transmit, the operator at the sending location inputs the phone number of the receiving location. After the phone connection is made, the scanner "reads" the document, translates what it sees into dots per square inch and into tones of varying frequency and sends the "page" through the phone lines. At the receiving end, the tones are translated back to dots on paper and printed out.

The Library now has fax machines in six locations: the Health Sciences libraries (Woodward, Hamber, Biomedical Branch, St. Paul's), Law Library and Main Library. The Woodward Foundation funded the Library's first fax machines for the Health Sciences Network. The Network uses fax to transmit requests between branch libraries and, occasionally, for document delivery. The Law Library uses fax to transmit documents (usually articles or cases) to law firms and other requestors. The Interlibrary Loan Division in Main Library and the ILL unit in Woodward Library use fax to transmit documents to off-campus requestors and to receive documents.

Most libraries from which we borrow do not have fax document delivery services yet. For those few which do, the Interlibrary Loan Borrowing Service can order documents by fax for UBC borrowers. The charge is $10 per article and $1 per page faxed. For more information, phone Patrick Dunn, Interlibrary Loan Division (228-6721).

Please note: The general fax centre for the campus is Media Services. Phone 228-4771 for more information.

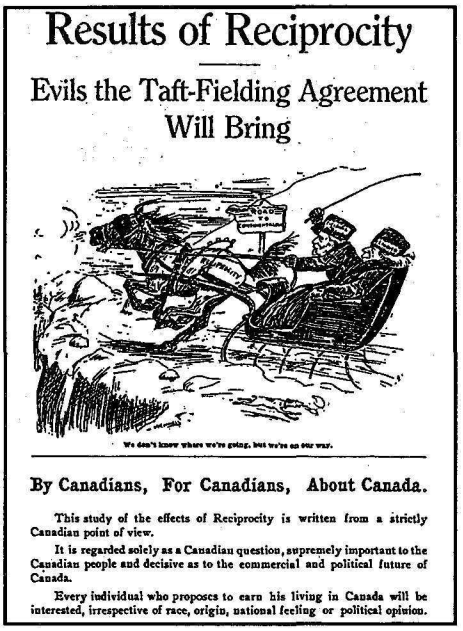
Margaret Friesen

$37,000 SSHRCC Grant for Canadiana Pamphlets

Researchers in Canadian history will benefit soon from a $37,000 Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council grant to Special Collections. The grant, under the Canadian Research Tools Programme, will make possible a computerized catalogue of the Library's unique Canadian pamphlet collection. There are more than 20,000 pamphlets on subjects such as Canadian history, politics and literature, with emphasis on British Columbia, voyages of exploration to the west coast of North America and the Arctic, the fur trade, the War of 1812, Canadian railway history, the Riel Rebellion and the 1837 Rebellion.

Until now, the pamphlets were accessible to researchers only with the help of the Division's professional staff. Some of the pamphlets are briefly listed in a card file; others are unlisted in manuscript collections. Few are listed in bibliographies. Once the pamphlets are listed in the Library's online Miscellaneous Materials file, they will be retrievable by author, title, subject and keyword. In addition, UBC Library will produce 200 microfiche sets of the catalogue for distribution to university, college and public libraries throughout Canada.

Anne Yandle



Results of Reciprocity

Evils the Taft-Fielding Agreement Will Bring

We don't know where we're going, but we're on our way.

By Canadians, For Canadians, About Canada.

This study of the effects of Reciprocity is written from a strictly Canadian point of view.

It is regarded solely as a Canadian question, supremely important to the Canadian people and decisive as to the commercial and political future of Canada.

Every individual who proposes to earn his living in Canada will be interested, irrespective of race, origin, national feeling or political opinion.

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1986 Census Soon?

The UBC Data Library has received many enquiries about the availability of the 1986 Census files. Because of the unprecedented cost increase for the 1986 files compared to earlier years, it has not, until now, been feasible to consider acquiring them.

However, primarily due to the efforts of Laine Ruus, the former UBC Data Librarian, now at the Univeristy of Toronto, negotiations with Statistics Canada to form a consortium of academic libraries to purchase and redistribute the 1986 Census files among members are underway. The membership of the consortium will probably be based on the membership of the Canadian Association of Research Libraries.

Specific details are not available yet but it seems an agreement with Statistics Canada will be reached soon. Therefore, it is likely that the Data Library will be able to make the machine readable 1986 Census basic summary tables and associated geographic files available to the UBC academic community. Further developments will be announced as soon as possible.

Meanwhile, the Data Library does have the 1986 short form data for British Columbia available in the PCENSUS database (see *Campus Computing*, May 1988). PCENSUS may be used on the PC in the Data Library.

Hilde Colenbrander

Canadian Politics Bibliography

The first microfiche edition of the more than 12,000 item *Canadian Politics: A Selective Bibliography to 1988*, compiled by Iza Laponce, the political science librarian, is now available. The bibliography is also accessible via command mode on the Library's online bibliography file BIBL. Microfiche sets can be consulted in the Humanities and Social Sciences Reference Division, Sedgewick Library, Law Library and Social Work Library. They are also for sale for $75 each plus 6% sales tax. Phone Sue Ziggiotti (228-6275). A printed thesaurus to the subject headings in the bibliography is included with each fiche set. Several thousand citations are added annually to the file and updated editions of the microfiche are planned.

The bibliography's interdisciplinary coverage provides an important and useful source for faculty, students and other researchers interested in such topics as political parties, voting behaviour, electoral systems, constitutional questions, native rights, civil rights, multicultural policy, ethnic relations, federal-provincial relations, provincial politics, local politics, public, social, cultural, economic and trade policies, mass media, social conditions, social stratification, foreign relations, defence policy, etc., in Canada. Generally excluding popular or journalistic publications, the bibliography includes citations to books and parts of books, journal articles and conference papers. You can look up citations by author, title, keyword in title and subject heading.

For more information about the bibliography, please phone Iza Laponce (228-5923) or send a message via $Message on MTS.

Iza Laponce

CAS Online Workshops

Chemical Abstracts Services is offering three workshops at UBC December 6, 7 and 8 in the Sedgewick Library Conference Room. Important sources of chemical/molecular information are now often available only in online databases such as the Registry File and CASREACT. Take this opportunity to become familiar with new information sources and retrieval techniques.
Please phone the CAS Workshop Coordinator for registration forms or more information.
(800-848-6538, Ext. 2557).

CA File Basic Workshop
December 6 9:00 - 4:00 $75US*

The CA file is the online version of Chemical Abstracts. Topics include how to search the file using the CA file command language, what information can be searched, and how to evaluate your search results. The CA file command language can also be used to search other STN databases. The workshop is for those with little or no online searching experience.

Registry File Basic Workshop
December 7 9:00 - 4:00 $75US*

The Registry File provides access to the CAS Registry System of over 8 million substances. Using its unique structure-based search capabilities, you can find substances that share specific combinations of atoms and bonds. The File can also be searched using complete substance names, fragments of names, molecular formulas, and other chemical dictionary information. The workshop will focus on structure searching.

CASREACT Workshop
December 8 9:00 - 1:00 $55US*

The CASREACT file contains detailed information about chemical reactions. Topics include effective search strategy, search and display fields, and file crossover. The workshop is for those interested in organic synthetic research, including biomolecules and organometallics and who are familiar with STN commands and the Registry File.

Workshops include online practice.

If enough people are interested, CAS will give a free demonstration of the online version of *Beilstein* the afternoon of December 8. Please phone Helen Mayoh (228-4363).

**Fee given is the reduced rate (50% off) for faculty, staff and students of academic institutions.*

Compact Discs

The 4,000 compact discs in the Wilson Recordings Collection have a new home. The room has space for 7,000 compact discs and allows music lovers to browse the collection. The new arrivals shelf is another popular addition for avid CD borrowers. Compact disc players are not yet available in the Recordings Collection.

Around The Libraries

People

Suzanne Dodson, the Preservation Librarian and Head of Government Publications and Microforms Division, has been named Convenor of the International Organization For Standardization's Working Group 3, Applications of Microforms in Libraries. The ISO develops standards which can be used throughout the world. Most of the standards are subsequently adopted by Canada...**Margaret Price** has been appointed Acting Associate Head of Woodward Library until March 31, 1989 or until a new University Librarian has been appointed... **Joanne Naslund** from the Curriculum Laboratory and **Sally Clinton** from Education presented a one day BCLA workshop on whole language to school librarians November 18 in Kelowna.

Publications

Interlibrary Loan Borrowing Service

UBC Library Online series:
- Questions and Answers
- Remote Access for Faculty and Graduate Students
- Introduction to Command Mode
- Quick Reference for Command Mode

If you would like any of these information sheets, please phone Information and Orientation (228-2076).

UBCLIB: a Reference Manual for Command Mode is available for $2.50 at the Bookstore.

Displays

Free Trade - Past and Present
Special Collections

UBC Press
The Ubyssey 1918-1988
Main Library

Anaesthesia
Antisepsis
Chinese Medicine
Woodward Memorial Room

Chains of Consequence: Recent Paintings by Janis Vilks
Until December 17
Fine Arts Gallery

Toys from Junk: Recycle it
Curriculum Laboratory

Editor: Julie Stevens
Design: Merry Meredith

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