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LIST OF SERIAL HOLDINGS:

The 5th (1970) edition of this list has been issued this fall. In spite of additional entries it is still necessary to advise users that complete and more accurate information of holdings is to be had only through the card catalogue.

INTER-LIBRARY LOAN SERVICE:

Main stack books have been being lent on a 4-week basis plus an additional 2-week allowance for transit time, while the branches have been lending on a 2-week basis plus a 2-week transit time allowance. Increasing pressure on the main stack collection has now forced a decision to adopt a uniform period of two weeks plus two weeks' transit time. This change at the same time brings the loan period into line with the borrowing privileges of our own students.

Concern was also expressed at the ILL meeting of October 1 over the large number of requests emanating from Alberta and Saskatchewan. The possibility of reminding institutions in those provinces to check the National Library for sources within their own boundaries is being considered.

Discussion was initiated on the possibility of inaugurating an ILL service to all B.C. college and university libraries which may wish to participate. Foreseeable problems include:

1) the likely heavy demand for items already under heavy pressure at U.B.C. Limiting access to "research" material is expected to result in increasingly elastic use of the term rather than in an alleviation of the problem.

2) the use of photocopying might result in popular items being constantly off the shelves awaiting xeroxing.

An in-depth study was recommended, including consideration of the three major universities all participating, each acting as the main support resource for its own satellite group of colleges.

LOUIS RIEL - PATRIOT OR TRAITOR?

The Special Collections Division has mounted a display of manuscripts, pictures and books relating to the controversial figure in Canadian history, Louis Riel. The exhibits include colourful lithographs graphically portraying the Rebellion of 1885, several interesting manuscripts concerning the Rebellion of 1870, and some of the original declarations made during the unrest at the Red River Settlement. Also shown is a facsimile of the famous letter bought by the National Historic Sites Service at a recent Montreal auction for \$16,000.

SECURITY:

The University Security Patrol reports that on October 7 it found the east face north door of the Main Library open at 1.38 a.m. The need for constant attention to the proper securing of all outlets and to general security measures cannot be too highly stressed.

SHARED CATALOGUING:

At a meeting on October 9, it was decided to continue this project without change at least through December.

During the month of August, U.B.C. used 26 cards from S.F.U., 52 from U.Vic., 10 from York and none from Waterloo or Windsor. The interference of a move to new quarters was a temporary handicap to York, and it is expected that their cards will have proved more useful when the next statistics are compiled.

The possibility of expanding the number of participating institutions and that of the larger libraries covering the alphabet between them (doubling up the coverage of the smaller ones) were mooted and will be subjects for discussion at the next meeting (probably in January).

