

INULA

Calendar

May 19, 1970 InULA annual business meeting.

June 28-July 4 ALA, Detroit.

National Library Week Celebration

Everyone who witnessed the opening of the 10¢ book sale can attest to the fact that it was literally a "crashing" success. The profits from the sale, \$138.10, will be sent to the student scholarship fund. We have had favorable comments on the book marks, the concert, and the coffee hour. The committee has started a National Library Week file and would welcome suggestions to add to it for next year.

We would like to thank all InULA members for their donations of books for the sale and of time to staff the activities; special thanks to Connie Hittle for her striking design for the book marks.

The suggestion boxes placed in the Graduate and Undergraduate Libraries on April 15 contained 113 and 80 suggestions respectively. Approximately half of the slips were signed; very few were jokes. The following are some of the major categories of concern:

Graduate

1. noise
2. graduate reserve
3. specific collection suggestions
4. circulation methods, loan policies and fines
5. pen, pencil and paper dispensers
6. need for 5¢ Xerox

UGL

1. noise
2. food services
3. 24-hour study area
4. too cold

A committee is being formed to acknowledge the signed suggestions and make plans for InULA recommendations. The seriousness of the student response reveals that they are concerned about the library.

Monthly Staff Meeting, April 15, 1970.

Dan Goodwin and Richard Counts, guests from the Aerospace Research Applications Center, described the computer-based information services provided to the campus by that Center. At present ARAC provides free current-awareness and retrospective searches on the Center's store of abstract literature for University personnel. Mr. Counts explained that the more costly service of providing retrospective searches will probably cease to be free of charge as of July 1, 1970. One of the services that ARAC offers is the matching of an individual's interest profile against the machine-readable form of Chemical Abstracts. John Knego announced that 44 graduate students and 30 faculty members from the Chemistry Department are now taking advantage of this service. Mr. Counts and Mr. Goodwin encouraged those interested in subscribing to the Center's information services to contact ARAC for details.

Mr. Hsu described his recent trip to the Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies in San Francisco, April 3-5. Mr. Hsu attended sessions of the conference concerned with East Asian libraries at which the present status and future development of bibliographic control in Asian Studies were discussed.

Larry Fortado of RCL Public Services reported on that department's use of United Parcel Services in an attempt to speed delivery of library materials to regional campuses.

Carol Tullis described the responses to a recent questionnaire sent to members of the departments of Physics, Mathematics and Astronomy on uses of conference proceedings. By discovering the degree of use of proceedings and how library users approach the collection for such literature, Miss Tullis hopes to gain some knowledge of ways that the librarian might make this search easier.

Dominique de Lerma presented a paper to the group ("Subject Librarians and Innovation") in which he stated the belief that librarians have a definite opportunity available to them in their bibliographic functions to contribute to the academic environment of the University. Mr. de Lerma pointed out that librarians should not overlook off-campus sources for funding of bibliographic projects and called attention to a January, 1970 bulletin of the U.S. Office of Education that outlines possibilities researchers might take advantage of.

Odetta Pratt and Oleg Kudryk gave current standings of the serials, binding and book budgets. Mr. Kudryk reported that the book budget had increased 30% from the beginning of the fiscal year as a result of various grants, U.S.O.E. funds and reimbursement from fire insurance claims.

Report of the Committee on the Career Status of Library Personnel

On February 16, 1970 Joseph Hartley, Vice-President and Dean for Academic Affairs formalized the appointment of a nine-member Committee on the Career Status of Library Personnel. The members elected by the librarians are Margaret Coolman (RCL), Thomas Michalak (formerly of the Ad Hoc Committee on Faculty Status), and Alan Taylor (representing Bloomington librarians). The members elected by the Faculty Council are Jared Curtis (English), Donald Carmony (History), and Donald Richards (Fort Wayne). In addition, Vice-President Hartley appointed Dean Roger Buck, Vice-Chancellor John Buhner (I.U.-P.U. I.) and Dean Rufus Reiberg (Regional Campuses) as regular members, and Jane Flener and Dean Bernard Fry as consultants to the Committee. Professor Carmony was designated Chairman; Terry Olsen was elected to serve as Secretary.

The Committee is meeting on alternate Tuesdays. The first two meetings were largely concerned with educating the non-librarians about the nature of academic librarianship and with describing the internal structures of the various library systems throughout the whole University.

At the request of the Chairman the librarian members prepared three circulars outlining the direction which they believed the Committee should pursue in making its recommendations. The circulars reflected the following broad points of view:

- a) that the University Libraries should be treated like a school within the University and
- b) that the Library faculty should be integrated with the regular teaching faculty and
- c) that librarians currently on the staff should be given the option of remaining on the staff under present conditions, or of adopting faculty status with all the responsibilities as well as the privileges implicit in the change of status.

The librarians believe that the system employed at the University of Oregon presented a viable model and attempted to construct suitable analogs whereby all librarians currently on academic appointment could, if they so desired, transfer smoothly to faculty status.

This plan did not meet with the approval of some committee members who foresaw some serious disadvantages to librarians. The Chairman established a sub-committee to explore other possibilities, one of which seemed to resemble the Purdue model, and this is currently under investigation by both the Chairman's and librarians' sub-committees.

What progress has been made so far is entirely of an intangible nature. The faculty members are beginning to grasp the diversity of roles and tasks performed by librarians, and to understand the importance of library experience in molding the competent librarian. At the same time the library members are gaining a fuller understanding of the complexity and the flexibility -- not to say inconsistency -- with which Indiana University has developed its faculties in Bloomington, Indianapolis and the five regional campuses.

Alan Taylor
Margaret Coolman

Because of difficulties with Collegiate Printers the Scoop Sheet is quite late. As a result the report of the Monthly Staff Meeting May 19 has been added.

Monthly Staff Meeting, May 19, 1970

Mary Baker, Tom Glastras, Alice Wickizer, Odette Shepherd, Tom Souter, Anthony Shipps and Wil Baatz reported on their recent visit to the Center for Research Libraries in Chicago and the University of Chicago Library.

The Center for Research Libraries is a cooperative library venture in which the cost of expensive and rarely used research materials is shared by member institutions. The Center also serves as a storehouse in which member libraries may permanently deposit infrequently used materials. These materials are made accessible by the Center upon request to member libraries, including Indiana University Library.

The Center's collection includes American and foreign newspapers, foreign dissertations, children's literature, state documents, periodicals indexed by Biological Abstracts and Chemical Abstracts, microfilm collections of Africana, foreign government documents and many other notable collections important to research. The Center's collections are described in the Center for Research Libraries Handbook available in the Government Publications Dept., Serials Dept., Reference Dept. and Interlibrary Loan Office. The Center has also published a list of its newspaper holdings and is in the process of publishing its Catalog of Monographs. Indiana University Library has received the newspaper list and the first 3 volumes of the Catalog. A volume listing the Center's serials is planned for the future.

In order to make maximum use of available shelving space the Center stores its materials by size and accession number. Because of this arrangement and the fact that materials are listed only by main entry, the Center needs full verification by a requesting library before adequate service can be given.

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Members of/Indiana University Library staff are encouraged to use the Center's collection as a source for research materials and as an acquisitions agent. The Center welcomes suggestions for purchases of materials that are better acquired cooperatively than by an individual library.

Besides requests by mail the Center will accept "rush" requests collect by telephone and teletype. Materials can be borrowed for undergraduates as well as graduates and faculty on an unlimited loan, with the understanding that the material may be recalled for other borrowers after two weeks.

While in Chicago, the above members of the Library staff also had the opportunity to tour the old University of Chicago Library. The University of Chicago Library is preparing to move into a new building that will house three million volumes.

Alice Wickizer commented on the Midwest Academic Librarians Conference sponsored jointly by Drake University and Grand View College at Des Moines. The topic of the conference was "New Ventures in Academic Library Cooperation."

Lois Heiser reviewed the events sponsored by InULA on April 15 in celebration of National Library Week. Lois announced the decision of InULA to donate the funds from the book sale to the general scholarship fund of Indiana University.

Hazel Gaiser explained that the staff of the Periodicals Reading Room has access to information about a serial -- whether it is held by the library, bound, waiting for the bindery, or being claimed. She stressed, however, that patrons should be referred initially to the card catalog where the serial holdings are fully described.

Del Mackowski announced that the Microforms Dept. is currently updating its chronological list of the newspaper holdings of the University. The card catalog now reflects fire losses for the newspaper collection. One of the fire losses was large portions of the Indiana Daily Student and the holdings of the Journalism Reading Room at Ernie Pyle Hall should be remembered as a supplement to the Library holdings of the Daily Student. Miss Mackowski explained that the Microforms Dept does not have facilities to produce microfilm and that such filming must be arranged with the Microfilm Dept. of the University at N. Cottage Grove.

Mr. Baatz stressed that the title page of each library publication should include the words "Indiana University Library," the name of the originating department, and the date of publication.

The next monthly staff meeting will be held in September, 1970.