

Meetings

- 11 February 1971 Panel discussion: Problems of Academic Library Administration. Staff Lounge, 7:30. On the panel will be Elaine Hanson, Lois Heiser, Nevin Raber.
- 21-22 May 1971 Midwest Academic Librarians Conference
- 7-8 May 1971 Ohio Valley Technical Service Librarians, Berea College, Kentucky.

National Library Week Committee Report

One of the main attractions for the celebration of National Library Week, April 18-24, will be a book collection contest. It is open to all undergraduate students who have an outstanding collection of books based on a particular subject, author or theme. Each collection must consist of a minimum of 35 titles, of which 25 will be displayed for judging on April 16. Three winners will be announced during National Library Week. The prizes are as follows:

1st prize - Physiologus (Bishop Theobald's Bestiary of Twelve Animals) English translation by Willis Barnstone, woodcuts and lithographs by Rudy Pozzatti. Published and donated by the IU Press.

2nd prize - Fifty dollars. Donated by the IU Foundation.

3rd prize - Book donated by the IU Bookstore. Title to be announced later.

March 15 is the application deadline. Information about the contest and applications are available from the Undergraduate Library Reference Desk.

Advertising for the book sale has gotten underway. Last year the sale netted \$140 for undergraduate scholarships. This year it is hoped to receive many more books so that the donations could be at least \$500. The Undergraduate Library is serving as the collection point for the books. Tom Michalak is in charge of picking up large collections of books.

Monthly Staff Meeting, December 16, 1970

Dr. Miller outlined the procedures being followed in a current review of newspaper subscriptions and holdings of the University Library. To meet the serials budget, Dr. Miller reported that with the advice of the subject librarians involved he is discontinuing subscriptions to certain newspapers. He hopes that a better representation of western Europe and the United States will be achieved in the newspaper collection after the newspaper review is completed in the next few months. With the exception of newspapers such as Pravda and Izvestia, present library policy states that no permanent files are kept of newspapers that are readily available from the Center for Research Libraries. Also an attempt is being made to replace newspaper print with microfilm copies wherever possible. Mr. Michalak, Mr. Shipps and Mrs. Cridland are on the committee working on recommendations for priorities in the replacement of newspapers lost in the 1969 fires.

Miss Flener announced that student and staff advisory committees to the library administration are being organized. Miss Flener also noted that the University's calendar change (effective in the 1971-72 academic year) may have some effect on vacation and staffing schedules. Department heads should be aware that classes will begin August 30 and that there will be a longer period between the first and second semesters next year.

Odette Shepherd commented on the proceedings of a recent conference on microforms sponsored by the U.S.O.E. and the University of Denver at which they discussed the quality of microforms produced, standardization in format, acceptance of microforms by users, and librarians' knowledge of microforms.

Alan Taylor explained the present situation concerning the committee on the status of librarians at Indiana University and called for suggestions from the librarians on possible future approaches and goals of the committee.

Mrs. Simonson recommended that an investigation be made into a program of role reversal between members of the public services and technical services departments in the Indiana University Library.

Scoop Sheet Sketches

Since September, 1970 eighteen librarians have joined the professional staff. This number includes five interns. An additional five, including two interns, will begin working in February.

In order to learn more about these new additions to our ranks, we sent questionnaires to each, soliciting vital statistics as well as any other interesting tidbits that they were willing to share with us. The results of this questionnaire will appear as thumbnail biographical sketches in this and future Scoop Sheets. (Our sketches will appear in the order that the questionnaires were returned to us)

Jean Taylor (Reference Librarian, Undergraduate Collections). Jean, who was born in Peoria, Illinois, received her A.B. degree from Bradley University in Peoria and her M.A.L.S. from Rosary College in River Forest, Illinois. Her special fields of study were history and Spanish.

Before coming to Indiana University, she was employed by the Chicago Public Library and worked in the Hild Regional Branch and also in the Central Library in Reference and the popular library.

She is married to Arthur Taylor, a graduate assistant in the Division of Instructional Technology. They reside in Evermann Apartments.

As for her interests, hobbies, etc., Jean lists films, classical, jazz and folk music, football and basketball and knitting.

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Ellen Rudolph, Assistant Order Librarian, is a native of Huntingburg, Indiana and a graduate of DePauw University. Ellen began her career as an elementary school teacher in Bridgeport, Connecticut and Russellville, Indiana.

In 1954 when her husband joined the faculty of Louisville Presbyterian Seminary, Ellen accepted the position of manager of the seminary's bookstore. Later, at her husband's suggestion, she decided to enter Indiana University Graduate Library School and together they finished their work for an M.L.S. in 1968.

Before accepting her present position, Ellen worked as a reference librarian at the Louisville Free Public Library and also as assistant order librarian at Temple University.

As with most working wives, Ellen finds that there isn't much time for hobbies or outside activities, but she does enjoy reading, sewing, and hiking. She is looking forward to some travel in the future.

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L. C. Rudolph (Head of Technical Services, Lilly Library) As an officer in the U.S. Army Air Force during World War II, "Rudy" little thought that some day he would become a librarian. The years between 1945 and 1968, when he received his M.L.S. from Indiana University, were spent earning an A.B. from DePauw University, a B.D. from Louisville Presbyterian Seminary, and a Ph.D. from Yale University. For 15 of those years he was a professor of church history at Louisville Presbyterian Seminary.

Born in Jasper, Indiana, he met his wife Ellen when she was a school girl. After the war they were married and both entered college at DePauw. Years later they again decided to go back to school together -- this time it was to earn a degree in Library Science from Indiana University. After graduation Rudy was a rare books bibliographer at the University of Pennsylvania.

In answer to the questionnaire concerning his interests, hobbies and outside activities, he simply wrote "survival; service."

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Joseph Wehlacz, Intern at the Chemistry Library, entered the library field with a master's degree in organic chemistry from Indiana University. He received a B.S. in chemistry from Memphis State, cum laude, where he was also a member of the basketball team.

A native of Chicago, Joe now resides at 411 E. 8th St. He actively participates in basketball, both in the city and on campus and enjoys watching most sports. His other interests include reading and listening to popular and classical music. He expresses a special pleasure in meeting people of different beliefs and views and feels that the university campus is one of the most intellectually and socially stimulating atmospheres to be found.

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Did You Read...

Library Journal's annual NON*AWARDS presented to "those otherwise unsung heroes and heroines" for "their unique contributions to librarianship?" Included was:

THE LOW PROFILE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD, consisting of a California Finch crouching, to the six Jersey City librarians who went on strike, but came back after a few days when it became clear that no one had missed them.

On second thought maybe it really isn't so funny. Any librarian who is not missed "after a few days" probably is not worth having on the staff to begin with.
LJ, Dec. 15, 1970. p 4207

The report of ALA's Library Administration Division regarding their investigation of the nonrenewal of contracts of five University of Missouri librarians? The complaint filed by the MISSOURI FIVE boils down to the violation of their rights as professional librarians. LAD concludes that technically these librarians had no more rights than non-professional employees. Missouri librarians do not have faculty status and the "informal practice" of continuing employment after five years' service is purely arbitrary. The LAD Board is "unable to recommend to the five complainants any specific, further actions which they should have taken in regard to their employment status." The members of the division do, however, suggest that the library work toward improvements of personnel status, employment policies, and personnel procedures including the detailed explanation of same in a personnel manual. They further urge that the University of Missouri recognize and implement the general policy adopted by the Association of College and Research Libraries with regard to full academic status and tenure for professional librarians. LAD states:

The formal recognition of academic status and tenure for librarians will resolve many of the questions and problems of the library's operations which can never be solved without the acceptance of the library staff into the fundamental employment structure of the University.

Am. Libraries, Nov. 1970, p 983-984

The survey of library salaries as reflected in classified ads, Sept. 1969 and Sept, 1970? This survey on salary trends was prepared by the Library Administration Division Office of ALA. The survey was made by studying the classified ads in the periodicals, American Libraries, Library Journal, Wilson Library Bulletin, and College and Research Libraries. In September 1969, 39 percent of the jobs advertised required no experience. This figure had been steadily increasing up to September, 1969. But in September 1970 the figure dropped to 24 percent requiring no experience. The article is accompanied by six charts, two of which show the highest, median, and lowest starting salaries for positions requiring MS in LS and no experience, and for positions requiring MS in LS plus experience.

Am. Libraries, Jan. 1971, p 118-119.

In case you've forgotten, it is time to pay annual dues to InULA.