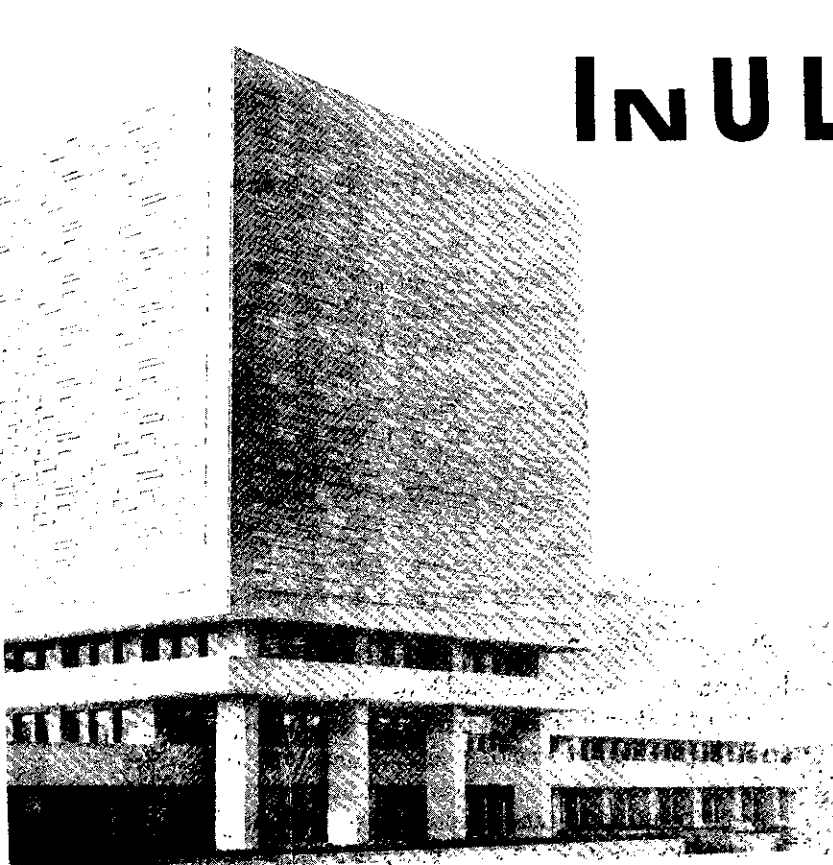


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Once again, Scoop Sheet has matured slightly since you last saw it. For the first time since the Indiana University Librarians Association was formed, the distribution of its primary medium of communication has been limited to the membership of the organization. This resulted from a vote of the members present at the last business meeting held June 6, 1972. If InULA remains active, and if Scoop Sheet is continued as one of its vital components, this action should result in an increased membership as well as a higher prestige enjoyed by the publication.

Congratulations are in order for the newly elected InULA officers. Eva Kiewitt, InULA's president, has already assumed her official role by informing Scoop Sheet that the new executive committee is scheduled to meet as soon as practical after the A.L.A. meetings in Chicago. The major topic of discussion will be the appointment of new committee chairmen.

The remaining offices have been filled by the following people:

Julie Nilson,.....Vice-President

Jean Taylor.....Secretary

David Fenske.....Treasurer

Jim Greaves.....Member-at-Large (2 year term)

Marian Shaaban.....Member-at-Large (1 year term)

:INTERFACE:

Bindery

by

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Bindery Day! Every third Thursday Heckman's driver arrives and unloads, on an average, 3000 volumes consisting of rebound and bound periodicals, books and pamphlets; and reloads about the same amount of books, pamphlets and periodicals.

The newly bound material, although nice to see, is useless unless distributed to the appropriate library sections. Ergo, guided by call numbers printed on the spines, the five women in the bindery section of the Serials Department disseminate the new-bound material, sending uncataloged matter to Cataloging, precataloged to Process, and oriental and government publications to their respective departments.

Receiving and distributing is a one-day flurry of activity, but the three weeks between each bindery day is a period of meticulous preparation. Materials submitted by branch libraries, Periodical Reading Room, Reference, Catalog Department, and the Acquisitions Department to be bound or rebound are segregated into eight classifications: books, pamphlets, periodicals, newspapers, rebinds, corrections, boxed (special) material, and pocket books. Bindery slips, in five copies, are typed for each volume in all but the last two classifications. Of the five copies of bindery slips, three copies are placed in the publication to be bound, one is filed in Bindery, and one is sent to Serials Catalog. In addition to the bindery slip, each periodical to be bound is also provided with a direction card and a computer pattern - both of which are rechecked for accuracy. Boxed (special) material is indicated to the commercial bindery only by total number, but a charge-out slip is made for each special and sent to Circulation or the branch libraries to inform them that new books have been cataloged and what date they are going to the binder. Pocket books, paperbacks up to cer-

tain sizes, are merely listed by author and title. When all bindery slips have been typed, checked for accuracy, distributed, and the material to be bound placed in the classification shelves, and all listings completed, the Bindery Section is ready for another bindery day.

In March of this year Heckman Bindery computerized our current periodicals which had been sent to them in the last two years. Through detailed analysis it was recognized that the computerized system would not only aid the Heckman Bindery in the retrieval of the pattern information and, through better systems, aid in the stabilizing of spiraling labor costs, but could also be of great aid to the libraries they serve. By furnishing libraries with detailed and total information regarding each periodical they have bound, and at the same time simplifying the libraries' method of preparing binding slips for the bindery, bindery orders could be prepared more rapidly and at less cost by the libraries than in the past. Greater accuracy of binding should also be a by-product of the system once accurate information is filed within the computer.

Among those words having a magical attraction in America is "Computer" — a promise of increased efficiency and reduced labor, which led us to great expectations; however, less speed and more work is the current result. Prior to computerization, preparation of periodicals required a direction card to be pulled and a bindery slip typed accordingly. Now, in addition to the previous operation, a computer pattern must be pulled from 35 boxes of computer patterns, placed in the volume, and then refiled upon return of the volume from the commercial bindery. We believe our speed will increase after the computer file system has been completely checked with our direction cards.

OF SPECIAL INTEREST

July 2 - 6: Annual Conference of the American Association of Law Libraries to be held at the Drake Hotel in Chicago, Illinois. Information: Robert Q. Kelly, DePaul University, Law Library, 25 E. Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Illinois 60604.

August 26 - September 2: The 38th session of the Federation of Library Associations will be held in Budapest, Hungary. Information: FIDIFLA Congress Bureau, Budapest 8, POB 12, Hungary.

October 12 - 14: Annual Conference of the Illinois Library Association will be held at the Sheraton Chicago Hotel, Chicago. Information: Peter Bury, Conf. Chmn., Glenview Pl., 1930 Glenview Rd., Glenview, ILL.

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