

CROSSFIRE

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RUTHANN CAYLOR RETIRES By Nancy Rosenheim

Ruthann Caylor, monograph department supervisor in the acquisitions department of the Library for the past eight years, retired on September 15th, after 20 years of service at Boise State University.

Ruthann moved to Boise in 1967 with her husband, the late Dr. John Caylor of the Department of History. Her first position in the Boise State University Library was in the cataloging department, where she was responsible for cataloging books and non-print material. She joined the acquisitions department as monograph department supervisor in July, 1979. In this role Ruthann made a significant contribution to the automation of the technical services area of the Library. Her participation in the implementation of the (WLN) Washington Library Network at

BSU helped make the transition from manual to automated acquisitions and cataloging successful.

As an active member of a number of community and national organizations, Ruthann will have little spare time despite retirement. In the two weeks since her official retirement date she has traveled to Bryce and Zion National Parks in Utah and Portland, Oregon.

A deserving recipient of University emerita Status, Ruthann will continue to support the University and the Library and will remain active in campus affairs in her retirement. The Library staff will miss her guidance, technical expertise and natural authority. We expect her continued presence in our lives as a valued friend. ♣

ACQUISITIONS-SERIALS

Two areas in Technical Services have switched places: Mending and the "810" and binding processing areas of Serials have traded work space.

Now that all the "heave ho" is accomplished, and the dust has settled, we think Mending will have more space and Serials will have a unified work area.

C-D ROM

The C-D Rom reader is proving to be a very popular item, especially since the Print option was added. It is possible to limit searches by date, format, type, etc., and is much easier on the eye than the fiche catalog. Some of us even prefer it to online searching.

Physical Plant has delivered the special "secure" table for Reference and the C-D ROM has moved to that area as its permanent home. Technical Service's C-D Rom has come out of the vault. C-D Rom may well appear in many guises as vendors find new and interesting ways to package information.

INTERLIBRARY LOAN REQUEST

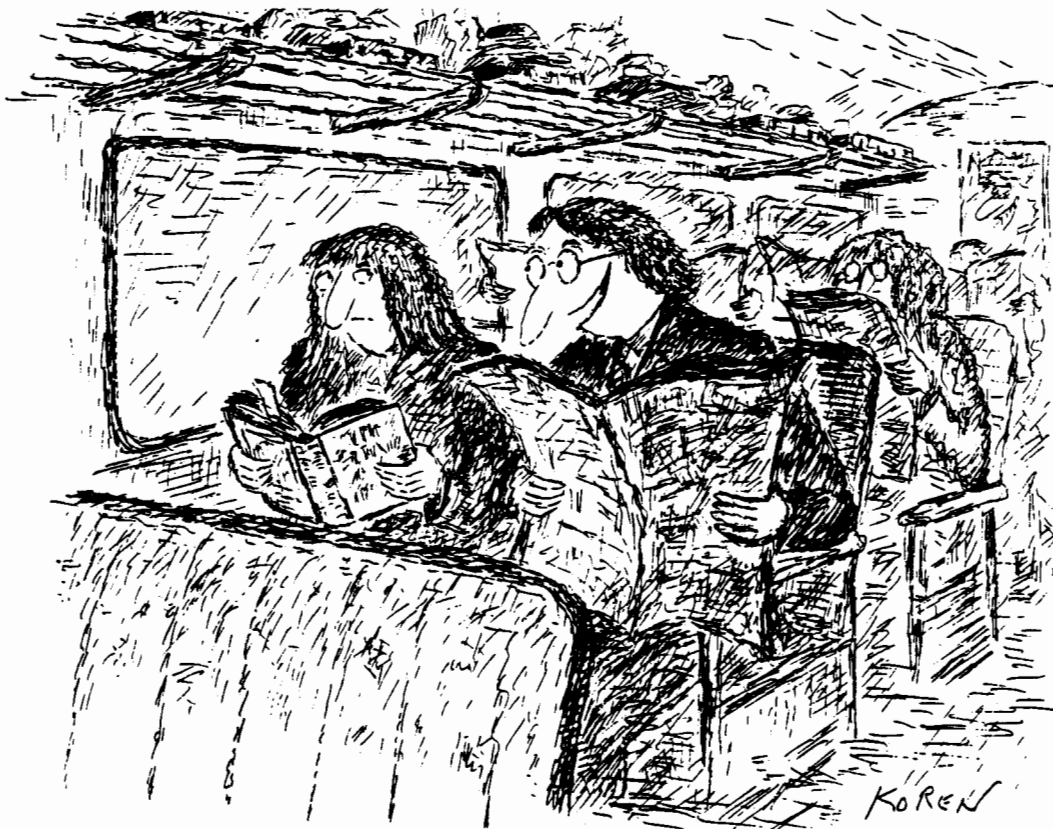
Gwenn Pittam reported that we got a book request from University Libraries, University of Hong Kong.

(Question: How much would that cost to send and when would we get the book back?)

SIGNS DRAW COMMENT

Don Haacke reports that the following note appeared on Adrien's desk as a response to the signs posted for Library Skills.

"I fell into the Reference Room (tireder than that bullet), looking for something safer than sex, and where were you?"
Signed: HL



"Hemingway! Is he any good?"

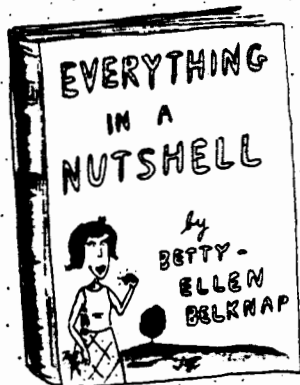
ART EXHIBIT
Linda Kay Allen

Another excellent exhibit is currently on display by the Administration office of the Library. Ann Jones, part time art instructor, has put together a small but extremely well done exhibit showing two of her creations, Grey Ghost and Dodging the Undertow. Both are batik, painted warp weaving, stitchery pieces. Two of her students have three of their works on display as part

of this exhibit. Pat Larson, sophomore, has two blankets, one of handspun cotton and the other in wool. Becky Hamblin, also a sophomore, is displaying a garment called a Choli of handspun wool.

The exhibit will be on display through December. Watch for the students' fiber pieces to change periodically as more students are ready to show their work.

IT'S THE MIRACLE BOOK!



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- Contains tons of historical facts!
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YOU NEED NEVER BUY ANOTHER BOOK AGAIN
FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIFE !!!

R. Chest

PAINTING THE LIBRARY

Several areas in the Library are being painted. The primary area is Technical Services. "It is our policy to have the painting done every 16 years whether needed or not!", Gloria Ostrander said. Other areas needing paint that are slowly

being taken care of are the areas around study carrels on the third and fourth floors and in the study rooms. It seems the students are not being given enough work to do to occupy their minds and hands while in the Library.

FALL QUARTER 1987-88

By Ralph W. Hansen

Wasn't it just yesterday that the quarter commenced? It was yesterday plus 6 weeks. I guess when you are busy the time really does fly. And of course all of us have been busy, but some have been busier than others. Take Adrien Taylor for example. As President of the Idaho Library Association he has been engaged in shepherding the Association through its annual meeting, after which he can rest on his laurels. Of course there are pluses like going to Sun Valley in the Fall and experiencing a great feeling of relief that his year as president has ended. Now all the Adrien will have to do is serve as the Past-President and attend Board meetings. Public Services can probably tell us something about being busy. Notice how the halls have a hum that has been missing in recent years? The entire University seems to be experiencing a resurgence in activity. Steve Maloney from Data Processing has reported that the lines of students wanting to use the computers began as soon as the term commenced. In past years lines did not begin until the last six weeks of the semester. It would appear that the demand for student football tickets is greater this year. Classes are larger. All-in-all it should be a good year for BSU.

Technical Services is also busy and the RECON project has moved at a predicted pace. Now there is an opportunity to process Government Documents and perhaps other materials such as phonorecords. Not so slowly

and quite surely we are approaching that lofty goal of having all of our holdings on-line and available on COM (which may soon become an on-line system). Everyone is no doubt aware of the paint job in Technical Services but have you really looked at the walls? The room looks bright and cheerful after years of neglect. Also have you noticed how much the shift in some functions has added to the workability of the room? Progress comes in small increments.

Those of us who work in the Frank Church Room have noticed a major change. Gone is the hustle and bustle of former days. Only two students of the dozen or so who work there last year are still on the project and as of October 5th only one part-time staff member remains. These three are winding down the project by finishing the computer index and sorting the few remaining boxes of files. And yet the ghosts of days past remains. The student workers had a proprietary interest in the processing that they did and they pursued it with enthusiasm. It was a unique experience which few will forget and while they no longer come to work what they did will be with us for a long time. Now that most of them are gone the room does seem ghostly.

The rest of the Library is far from ghostly, which for my part is the essence of a good working environment.

This is a "What I got out of the meeting" report. I included reports on five of the six workshops that I attended. You may want to discuss points with other attendees or find official minutes. G. Ostrander.

1987 ILA Workshops Summary:

MLN User Group Meeting

Marilyn Taylor, BPL, is the New Chairperson. Ruth Funabiki, U of I Law Library, is the new Secretary.

1. MLN still has problems with governance and prevailing view is now that public sector solution is most desirable (as opposed to privatization). MLN will continue on present course while Washington State Librarian seeks additional venture capitol funding from the Washington legislature. Much discussion on this subject regarding options (and lack thereof).

2. DATABASE growth: a. Univ. of Washington serials tapes (70,000 records) are in process of being loaded to the review file and should appear in the 4th edition of LASERCAT.

b. and, both the Nat'l Lib of Medicine unauthenticated CONSER records, and COBRA (3,000 records) (art catalogs) will be dumped. Also, archives and manuscript format will be available soon.

3. Documentation: the New Data Preparation Manual condenses and combines the former seven manuals into one.

4. ILL system. MLN is ready to implement Phase II. Phase II will provide mass updating of files by performing batch (global) updates for selected files. Idaho libraries are responsible for 5% of all ILL activity on MLN. The University of Idaho is the top lender; Boise Public Library the top borrower.

5. MLN Statistics: 4.4 million bib records (1/2 have holdings)
4.9 million authority records
10.25 million holdings (1.1 million-Idaho)

6. LASERCAT: Currently 235 subscriptions (many with grant funds, including two Idaho High Schools). The next issue will have: U of Wash. serials; more cross refs; ability to enter serials by diskette.

7. DEVELOPMENT:

a. MLN is working on a modified menu for easier public service use, also a simplified version of LASERCAT to be called LASERPAK.

b. software program similar to BRIDGEIT that will allow library to capture and download full MARC record from LASERCAT.

c. enhancement to ILL subsystem that will collect statistics for management reports

d. OMEGA Data has designed a secure workstation for \$5000.

8. Bib Standards Committee Report, Ruth Funabiki:

** Mary Bollen, U of I, Head Cataloger, is our new bib standards rep.

**approved standards for minimal level cataloging

**need for non-standard local headings will be addressed in Tech Bulletin

**T.B. 151 (monographs) will be revised soon

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

Panel: Dennis Baird, Gary Jensen & the Honorable Jesse R. Walters.

General discussion regarding the declining number of GPO titles that are distributed each year, the lack of quality control, and the increasing number of titles that are being sold at exorbitant prices. Many agencies have simply stopped printing annual reports, etc., and others are five or more years behind schedule.

Librarians were encouraged to point out the diminished collections to users and to take advantage of the GODORT alerts and Newsletter announcements and to pass concerns along to Congressmen. My understanding was that:

Craig has been found to be very receptive to calls
Stallings " " " "
McClure has shown some interest
Steve Symms has not responded

The Panel agreed that the government must find a way to balance the need to distribute information, thereby maintaining an informed democracy and at the same time keep government costs in line.

BOOKBINDINGS — HOW TO GET THE MOST OUT OF THEM AND HOW TO DECIDE IF REBINDING IS YOUR BEST OPTION

Ivan Groulik, College Place Bindery

This was a practical workshop and Mr. Groulik demonstrated the methods of in-house binding that would allow the library to get additional use of the volume, while keeping the volume in suitable shape for rebinding, as necessary.

Gorman refers to the next revision as The Consolidated Edition and says it will incorporate the changes in the original text (1978) and the three sets of printed revisions, with a separately published Chapter Nine (on computers), plus any revisions decided upon by the Jt. Steering Committee since the last revision. The Committee considers recommendations from various factions, but must meet publisher's deadline of Dec. 31, to get the volume out by Dec, 1988.

Some of the more interesting points:

1. the edition is not likely to be loose-leaf, as some have suggested, nor will it be available as data file.
2. examples will be in typescript—much clearer, easier to use
3. it will tidy up rules on accompanying material and subsequent edition statement; will allow more freedom and less confusion
4. some changes in description of materials for large print, braille materials.
5. changes in parallel statements; trying to give equal emphasis to both languages
6. lots and lots of changes in description of cartographic materials; section being re-written.
7. an edition statement for manuscripts — new
8. Chapter 9.
 - change GMD from machine readable files to computer files
 - scope of chapter now includes microcomputer software programs that are part of a devise (programmed/able calculators, for example)
 - chief source will be "whatever comes up when mounted" — that's a direct quote folks— also, cataloger can use accompanying printed material (pamphlet or jacket) if hardware not easily accessible.
 - don't have to describe the file size (number of bytes) or format because both can change
 - system requirement note will always be given as first note & will always be present

—finally recognition that an individual can have several identities and have agreed to give up on "real" or "dominant" name entry.

—revised and simplified use of geographic names, especially , Gt. Britain

—uniform titles for music will have comprehensive changes with directions as to when you can, and cannot, construct uniform titles.

—serials: rule of 5—such clearer instructions and, GPO and LC are supposed to abide by new rule.

Gorman thinks that after the Consolidated edition we will have general rules, with handbooks to explain applications for various formats. He thinks the rules are too complicated!!! He says that we are all still working in terms of the 3 x 5 card, instead of keyword access. Gorman would like to see the library networks and major university libraries initiate their own cataloging instead of waiting for LC —that LC is first among equals.

Gorman is planning a new ed. of his CONCISE AACR II.

He also suggests that we change from the Puritan ethic of correcting records (any record for any reason) to the SERVICE ETHIC of making changes to fit user needs.

SETTING THE STAGE FOR FUTURE COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT TRAINING AND ACTIVITIES IN IDAHO

Panel: Karin Ford, Paul Krause & Peggy Forcier

BACKGROUND: Phase I: 23 Idaho libraries have participated to some extent in the Pacific Northwest Conspectus (the LIRN assessment) to date. Phase II of the project is being funded by contributions made by the State Libraries. Idaho's share is \$7,500 and the money can be spent in any way the state decides.

Approximately 25 librarians met to discuss the assessment efforts and talk about the needs of the future. The group decided that a committee should be formed to formulate goals and coordinate efforts. Since much of this work coincides with work that the ISL is already doing, the The Idaho State Library will coordinate the appointment of committee members, guaranteeing that all types, sizes, and geographic locations will be represented. All libraries will have the opportunity to nominate committee members.

Much of the discussion centered upon the need for a union list of serials and the need for a common database.

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ACQUISITIONS-MONOGRAPHS

Nancy Rosenheim has moved into the Library Assistant III position in Acquisitions, a vacancy created by Ruthann Caylor's decision to retire. Mary Carter will be stepping into Nancy's "old" Library Assistant II position. The job is a combination of Receiving and RECON responsibilities. This leaves Mary Carter's old position, 1/2 time Receiving, vacant. This position has been advertised as Open, Competitive, and we hope to interview in November.



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LIBRARY SURPLUS

The following items are available to anyone who may have use for them:

- Typewriter with library keyboard typing table.
- Filing Flags.
- Plastic protective sleeves for 3 x 5 cards.
- Notebooks, binders and report folders.
- Miscellaneous office supplies. (Some of it is very interesting!) Stop by Anne Shepard-Kurek's desk and have a look if you think you might be interested.

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