

GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS ROUNDTABLE OF OHIO

Fall Meeting - October 19, 1984

Ohio Univ.-Athens, OH

Reports on the recent Council were given by Karen Kottsy, Jean Sears, and Charity Davis. It was noted that the method of numbering shipping lists will change and that maps will start coming between October and November. The Army Training Manuals are being sent electronically and therefore are not considered printed and not available through the depository program. (Write to the Army, GPO, etc if you want that policy changed.) GPO is considering an on-demand sales policy--they will make fiche of all items and if the item runs out, they will produce fiche on demand. Also, it was pointed out that librarians should write to agencies about fugitive documents.

New-Business--Clyde Hordusky discussed the problems the Secretary of State is having in publishing the Laws of Ohio and the Roster, required by the Code. Write to Jennifer Bruner at Secretary of State Office, 30 E. Broad St., 13th floor, Columbus, OH 43215 to let them know how urgent this matter is.

The programs were given by Julia Baldwin and Sandra McAnich. Julia reported on the project of her sabbatical, a survey of the Ohio academic depository libraries. She discussed the administration, development, promotion, etc of depository collections in the state. The major problems she found were holdings gaps, space, weeding, and GPO's inconsistent format. On the positive side, she discovered that, in general, the program seems to be doing well. She encouraged everyone to pitch in to help the smaller schools that may not have as many resources as the larger ones.

The group then broke for lunch at the lovely Union on the Campus. After the meal, Julia continued her presentation with a slide tour of Ohio's beautiful campuses.

The meeting concluded with a discussion of planning for an online catalog by Sandra McAnich of the GODORT Cataloging Committee. She pointed out the problems a documents librarian should plan for, for example, what level of cataloging is needed, should GPO tapes be used and what corporate words appear most frequently in document citations.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:00 PM by the President, George Kline.