

# Doc's Prescriptions

Ohio GODORT

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To the Members:

This last letter is difficult to write. My feelings at leaving office are very confused. I'm a bit let down because of the number of things I would like to have accomplished which time, circumstance and lack of perseverance have thwarted. As always, too, there is a certain reluctance to let go. At the same time, I am happy to look back on the few good things which have occurred during my term of office. I find it particularly gratifying that during this time OHIO GORDORT established the "CLYDE" giving our Clyde just a little of the recognition he deserves so very much. In addition, Ellen Conrad of Wooster secured permission for us to use the Ohio State Seal as part of the new emblem for our newsletter and Karen Kottsy has taken the infant well nurtured by George Kline and given it a polished maturity. Finally, this spring has seen the establishment of a committee to begin working on union listing of major microform sets and indexes. I know that Carol will be just as encouraged by your help and cooperation as I have been and I wish her the best of success during her term as President.

Sincerely,  
Mary Webb Prophet

## EDITORIAL

I am sorry for the delay in getting this issue out but, our printer, after many reports and bibliographies has died. We are getting a new one very soon. In the mean time, after we tracked down a printer, learned how to use it, and adjusted the margins, the air conditioning system goes out on campus. The computers got turned off at 80 degrees but, the people didn't get sent home until it was over 85 degrees. Its going to be a long hot summer.

The deadline for the Fall issue will be September 1st. The issue will be mailed September 15th and I go on vacation the 16th. The theme of the issue will be documents and high technology. I am looking for articles and comments on new equipment, new software programs, new uses of old programs, etc. Would anyone be interested in writing an article on how they feel about high tech and documents? How do you really feel about getting the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on a CD-ROM?

On the subject of new equipment, the University of Cincinnati is getting a new telephone system. On the 13th of July I go for two hours of training in the use of the new telephones. For some reason I do not think this is going to be as easy as they claim. The new number for the UC Documents Office is 1-513-556-1873. This should happen about September 1st.

When Carol asked for ideas for the newsletter and for future meetings, one of the requests was for book reviews in the newsletter. The reason that we do not have book reviews is that no one has volunteered to write them. I will be very glad to print short (400 words) book reviews or longer bibliographic essays, but we need someone to volunteer to write them. Or if there is a book or an item number that you have a question about send the title to me and I will try to find someone to write the review. We accept suggestions and ideas for articles, gladly.

Everything that I receive for the newsletter is retyped into our word processing system, which uses MASS 11. So anything you submit needs to be readable, but it does not have to be a final copy. Please do not hesitate to send in an article because you feel that you may not type or spell well. My typists are very good, anyone who can read my handwriting has to be. And MASS 11 can spell.

I have asked Graham Walden, our new program chair/president elect, to write a short report on the programs from our meetings. The first one on the Spring meeting is in this issue. Taylor Fitchitt, the Head of the Marx Law Library at the University of Cincinnati, wrote the short article on their Human Rights Institute. The Urban Morgan Institute is a very important addition to the University of Cincinnati and the material there, such as the UN official records and the Human Rights Committee records from READEX, are not available in the immediate area.

I would like to thank Mary Prophet for the articles, advise, help and ideas she has provided to DOC'S PRESCRIPTIONS this year. I hope that she will continue to be an active contributor. I also want to thank everyone else who has helped with the newsletter this past year. It has been a good learning experience and lots of fun as well. I am looking forward to working with Carol and Graham during the coming year.

*Karen*

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Coleen Parmer, our retiring Sec/Treasurer has received her library degree from Kent State. CONGRATULATIONS.

Joel Zucker formerly at Bowling Green University is going back to library school this fall at Rutgers University for a doctorate.

We extend a belated welcome to Ken Grabach, Documents Librarian and Mary Cline, Documents Service Technician, at Miami University, Oxford.

DOC TECH

The Kent State University Documents Department is loading Marcive records into their on line catalog beginning with 1987 materials. Contact Rosemary Hendrick for details.

Bowling Green University has the Marcive records on microfilm. There are three microfilm machines available for public access.

The Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County has purchased the MONTHLY CATALOG on CD-ROM from Autographics.

## OF INTEREST

A list of federal correctional institutions may be found in the U. S. Bureau of Prisons STATISTICAL REPORT for fiscal year 1986 (J 16.23/5:986).

Lists of the proposed amendments to the Constitution of the United States prior to 1969 may be found in the serial set, # 3550-2, 8546, 12445, 12480. The most recent compilation was prepared by the Congressional Research Service and covers the years 1969-1984. The Northern Kentucky University Documents Department has a copy of this report of approximately 300 pages. Contact Phillip Yannarella for additional information.

The DIGEST OF PUBLIC BILLS is now an annual publication. This news is from the "What ever happened to ..." section of ADMIN NOTES. The information is very much appreciated and I am glad to see it being published by GPO.

The June 1988 issue of CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE REVIEW (LC 14.19:) deals with international trade. Each issue contains short articles, on topics of current interest. In this issue there is an article that gives some background on the new harmonized trade schedules. Other issues have been devoted to the Central American peace prospects (April, 1988), World oil (March, 1988), and Contra Aid (March, 1987). The item number for the series is 807-A-5.

ARMY REGULATIONS ON TRANSPORTATION AND TRAVEL (D 101.9:55-61/2) contains official tables of distances for foreign travel, in case you need to know the distances between U. S. Military bases in England and Turkey.

The Health Care Financing Administration publishes a REPORT OF PHYSICIANS/PRACTITIONERS, PROVIDERS, AND/OR OTHER HEALTH CARE SUPPLIERS SANCTIONED/REINSTATED (HE 22.8/6-5:A/B-88-1). It lists the reasons why they were suspended, the length of the suspensions, and the section of the Social Security Act used to impose the sanction.

You can tell I've been filing services again--Part 103 of the U.S. CUSTOMS SERVICES REGULATIONS (T 17.9:987) is on the availability of information from the Customs Service. The addresses of the regional public reading rooms are given as well as the regulations for access to the material.

## BIBLIOGRAPHIES AND GUIDES

Bowling Green University Library has a guide on how to find a SUDOC number in the document stacks, and what the various parts of the number mean.

Does anyone have a bibliography or guide they would like to share. Please send me a copy.

## MEETINGS

The Union List Committee met at Kenyon College and is working on a survey to be mailed later this summer. Anne Peterson, University of Akron, is chairing this committee. If you would like to be on the committee or have any questions, please contact her at 1-216-375-7234.

Carol Singer, Mary Prophet, Saragail Lynch and Margaret Powell have submitted a proposal for a panel to be given at ACRL in April 1989.

Ohio GODORT's fall meeting will be in Cincinnati on October 21st. Additional details will be in the next issue of DOC'S PRESCRIPTIONS. The preliminary plans are for a meeting on CD-ROMS: what, why, how, etc. It has been suggested that we have a dinner meeting on the 20th to start the program. Please let Graham know how you would feel about this. Also if you have any suggestions for the meeting please contact him at 1-614-292-6175. He will be back from ALA by the 15th of July.

If you are planning to spend the night in Cincinnati, the Vernon Manor is a very nice hotel near the University. They have set aside a block of rooms for our meeting. Please call them at 1-513-281-3300 for reservations. The rates are \$52 single and \$57 for a double. Reservations need to be in by September 29th. The rooms have been held under the name OHIO GODORT-UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI. Most of the national chains have motels in the area. I would suggest those near I-75 and Chester Road. There is also the historic Golden Lamb in Lebanon or one of the downtown hotels.

Several of our members are off to ALA in New Orleans this month. Julia Baldwin will be reporting on the meetings she attends in the next issue. If anyone else would like to share information in the next issue of the newsletter, please call me or send a short report by September 1st.

#### EXCHANGES

We are exchanging newsletters with the following groups:

DOC SOUP--Minnesota GODORT--Editor: Roz Jacobs

DOCUMENTS NEWSLETTER--Northern Kentucky University Library--

Editor: Phillip Yannarella

LET'S TALK DOCUMENTS--University of Kentucky Libraries--

Editor: Sandra McAninch

RED TAPE--Michigan GODORT--Editor: Barbara R. Hulyk

SHIPPING LIST--Public Documents Forum, Virginia Library

Association--Editor: Susan Tulis

WHAT'S UP, DOCS.--Georgia Southern College Library--

Editor: Lynn Walshak

The April 1988 issue of WHAT'S UP, DOCS, is a very informative bibliographic essay on "Agriculture: Situation, Trends, Outlook."

From RED TAPE, May, 1988

Keep your old SIC MANUAL (Pr Ex 2.6/2:In 27/972 & 977 supp.) handy to compare data in the 1982 and 1987 Economic Censuses.

There are significant changes in industry classifications in the new STANDARD INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION MANUAL

(Pr Ex 2.6/2:In 2/987) according to Kurt Metzger of the Census Bureau. Businesses providing data for the 1987 Economic Censuses will be using the new edition. For a review of the differences, see FEDERAL REGISTER, v. 51, no. 190, Oct 1, 1986, pp. 35173-35186.

And from DOC SOUP a variation on the 12 Days of Christmas written by a document student assistant at Carolton College, Deborah Hall. I especially identify with "the 8 new corrections to the 7 sheets of corrections...and a note saying throw out that lost tax levee." The variation was obviously written by someone who has experienced documents.

### OHIO DOCUMENTS

The 1988 edition of OHIO COUNTY PROFILES is available from the Ohio Data Users Center. The cost is \$50. Their address is ODOC, P.O.Box 1001, Columbus, OH 43266-0101. This will not be an Ohio depository item.

Hannah Information Services can be reached at 1-614-228-3113. Their address is 16 E. Broad Street, Suite 403, Columbus, Ohio 43215. I have just received a copy of the new price list and the cost of 9 hours of connect time, through December 1989 is \$1,050. Additional time is \$1.94 and there is a \$100 per site hook up fee. New subscribers have unlimited connect time for the first month to allow for training and practice. In addition to the bill status and full text of bills and laws, Hannah contains commission and committee schedules, agendas, directories and calendars. Carol Meyer, at the Cincinnati Law Library is another very enthusiastic subscriber, if you would like more information about Hannah. The company does seem to be open about the possibility of shared use of the connect time.

A title list of the Ohio documents mentioned in George Kline's presentation at the Spring meeting is given below. George suggested these as a core collection of Ohio documents. Contact George or the Editor for a copy of the complete list with annotations.

BALDWIN'S OHIO REVISED CODE and BALDWIN'S ADMINISTRATIVE CODE  
THE BIENNIAL BUDGET  
DIRECTORY OF OHIO LIBRARIES  
DIRECTORY OF NURSING HOMES, REST HOMES AND HOMES FOR THE AGED AND  
OTHER CERTIFIED FACILITIES IN OHIO  
OFFICIAL ROSTER: FEDERAL, STATE, COUNTY OFFICERS AND DEPARTMENTS  
OHIO DOCUMENTS  
OHIO EDUCATIONAL DIRECTORY  
OHIO LABOR MARKET REVIEW  
OHIO SMALL BUSINESS REGISTER  
OHIO ROSTER OF MUNICIPAL AND TOWNSHIP OFFICERS AND MEMBERS  
OF BOARDS OF EDUCATION  
STATISTICS OF OHIO LIBRARIES

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The agenda began with Sherry Mosley, Government Documents Librarian at Youngstown State University, speaking about "Depository Systems Basics." The report included many items of useful information--some of which will be reiterated. Ohio Depository items must be kept for at least five years. Disposal should be conducted in consultation with Clyde at the State Library. A useful ERIC microfiche was highlighted, titled DOCUMENTS ON DOCUMENTS COLLECTIONS, (ED247 940).

OHIO CRIME REPORTS apparently is no longer available and the ANNUAL REPORT DEPARTMENT OF VITAL STATISTICS requires a five dollar fee. Each state agency is responsible for their own publications, with no designated coordinating agency. Furthermore, there is no provision for penalty for non-compliance with the existing state depository law. When copies are made available, they go first to the State Library, then to the Ohio Historical Society Library, and lastly to the Library of Congress. If only small numbers of additional copies are forthcoming, then these libraries are the beneficiaries: (1) Cleveland Public; (2) Cincinnati Public; (3) Toledo Public; and (4) Ohio University, Athens.

The Hannah (online) System used in Michigan and Ohio was discussed. This system allows for key word searching on the full text of bills. It is not inexpensive!

OHIO DOCUMENTS lists all publications produced per year and is organized by agency. A newsletter provides more specific changes and updates.

The second presentation of the day, which began the afternoon session, was given by George Kline, Documents Specialist at the Toledo-Lucas County Public Library. George spoke on "A Core Collection of Ohio Documents." Having produced and distributed a bibliography of a dozen entries, George reviewed each item. Just over two pages, the briefly annotated bibliography served as a framework for additional comments by George about the status and use of the entries.

The third and final report for the day was by Enid Zafran, Vice President, Product Development at Banks-Baldwin Legislative Service. Ms. Zafran is also Adjunct Professor at Cleveland Marshall Law School. The discussion focused on two Baldwin products: the OHIO REVISED CODE and the OHIO ADMINISTRATIVE CODE. Ms. Zafran justified the copyrighting of the OHIO REVISED CODE by citing the embellishments made by the publisher, including the annotations--which appear in small type relative to the larger type used for the actual statutory language. Further points were enumerated concerning the actual use of the volumes through the use of overhead transparencies. A briefer examination of the OHIO ADMINISTRATIVE CODE followed, with a number of questions taken from the audience.

The presentations were a success judging by the degree to which the group followed up with specific questions. For the Fall Meeting, Friday, October 21, 1988, the Program Committee is working toward a number of presentations by various representatives from the rapidly growing CD or compact disc market.

DOCS DETECTIVE:

HANSARD---WHAT IS IT? WHO NEEDS IT ?

Carol A. Singer

HANSARD'S PARLIAMENTARY DEBATES is the generic term for the debates of the British Parliament.

In 1803, William Cobbett began publishing the debates as a Supplement to his ANNUAL REGISTER. The original intention was to forward specific political views. This phase was extremely short-lived and the work was turned over to Cobbett's partner, John Wright. The work was a compilation from various sources. Little actual reporting was done. Although Cobbett sold his interest in the publication to Thomas Curson Hansard in 1811, John Wright remained as editor until 1830.

T.C. Hansard was the editor from 1833 to 1888. He began producing the work by collating reports from the newspapers. He then sent proofs to each speaker for correction. This corrected copy was then used. A journalist in 1853 described it as, "a composition which is no more the speech uttered by them in the House of Commons than it is a Welsh ballad... We are duping the unborn generations. With open eyes we are sowing the seeds of dissension between historians of another age..." In Hansard's defense it must be said that he was independent of political ties and he said that he refused to make additions that he thought had not been spoken. In 1878, the House of Commons awarded a grant to Hansard so that a reporter would be used to record debates and ensure greater coverage and accuracy.

In 1888, after much debate about the increasing cost, the contract was awarded to a succession of contractors. This proved unsatisfactory and, in 1909, the House took over complete control and began publishing the official record.

The debates are useful not only to those who wish to study British history, but to those wishing to study European, American or colonial history. They are useful in courses on women's history or economic history or social history or military history.

With such a multitude of uses, it should come as no surprise to learn that HANSARD is still available both in microformats and in paper copy.



The term index means a different thing to a person dealing with maps than to a person using a book. A map index is usually a diagram of a geographical area divided into parts, each part is the size of the maps that are being indexed. This size varies with the scale of the maps.

Most maps which are issued as a series include an index of some sort. These are either included with the series or can be obtained by writing to the issuing agency. Many of you will be familiar with the USGS 7.5" Topographic series new format indexes (I 19.41/6-3: ). If you do not get the maps for all states, you can order other indexes by requesting them from the USGS as they become available. The new indexes are listed in NEW PUBLICATIONS OF THE USGS as they are issued. Map librarians were very unhappy when the new booklet format was presented to them, as they preferred the older version which was a sheet map. They were partially successful in getting the format changed, since a new one sheet map will soon be included with the booklets. It is not intended to replace the booklet but will make the booklet easier to use.

Most map series will have a sheet type index available. If you do not have one, you can sometimes find them in catalogs from the agency. These can then be reproduced and used as an index to the series. Indexes for older DMA maps and various charts can be found in this way. If you can't find a sheet index, you can frequently find listings of available maps. Of course, these are only useful if you know the correct map title. However, they can be used as a record of holdings as discussed below.

Besides telling you the correct title of a particular map, sheet indexes have been used by map librarians for years to indicate which maps are in their collections. At BGSU we do this by drawing a diagonal line in the square for the map as a part of the check-in process. We use different colors for different scales of topo maps but use only one color on the other indexes. We can also indicate other things on the sheet index. We index the Forestry Service topos on our sheet indexes as well as making a record in the shelf list. Therefore, when we are looking for a topo we can use the Forestry one if we do not have a regular USGS map. We do this by drawing a small x in the upper corner. This allows us to cross off the square if we receive a regular topo for that area. You can also indicate various scales on the same sheet index although the booklet format has separate charts for different scales.

Using indexes to indicate holdings is very simple and much less confusing than trying to put information in the shelf list. There have been some holdings records done on computers. One such system was discussed in ADMIN NOTES, vol. 9, no. 5, March 1988, pp 4-5. If you use indexes as your holding record, you need to guard them closely; maybe even keep a duplicate copy. If it disappears, you have no record of what you have received except your shipping lists. We keep all of the Ohio USGS maps, not just the most recent edition. Of course when you go to the file of maps they are all there so it is a very simple, if time consuming, job to re-index.



The Organization of American States (OAS) is a regional organization comprising the United States and most of the Caribbean and Latin American nations. It was established in 1890 at a Conference of American States as the International Union of American Republics; in 1910 the IVth International Conference changed the name to the Pan American Union. At the IXth International Conference in 1948 the members adopted the Charter of the Organization of American States, and the Pan American Union became the General Secretariat of the OAS. The Charter establishes as the Organization's purposes the strengthening of peace, prevention of difficulties, settlement of disputes, common defense against aggression, solution of political, juridical, and economic problems, and promotion of cooperation in economic, social and cultural development.

The principal organ, the General Assembly meets in annual sessions to decide general action and policy. The General Secretariat serves as the permanent central organ, essentially to carry out executive functions. The Secretary-General and Assistant Secretary-General are elected to five-year terms. Other bodies carry out the purposes set out in the Charter. In addition to the member delegations, several countries of Western Europe, the Middle East and East Asia attend as Permanent Observers. Cuba, officially a member, was suspended from activities in 1962. The permanent headquarters, the Pan American Union Building or House of the Americas, is located in Washington, D.C., on Constitution Avenue overlooking the Mall. Funding for its activities comes from prorated quotas and contributions from the member states, and additional contributions from other organizations. English, Spanish, Portuguese and French are the official languages.

Publications consist of Official Records of the principal organs and Inter-American Treaties published in lettered series, periodicals, and a variety of monographs on economics, law, statistics, education, social sciences, arts and cultural affairs. The official records, periodicals and several of the monographs are published in all four official languages. Some monographs are published in Spanish or Portuguese only. Standing orders are available for (1) Official Records, and (2) Informational and Technical Publications, the designation for periodicals and monographs. Orders can include one language, or a special rate for all four. Miami University currently subscribes to both publication categories in English.

The OAS CATALOG OF PUBLICATIONS is the principal ordering tool for individual titles or subscriptions. It is published annually, but we receive it irregularly, so its use is problematic. Bibliographic control is difficult, too. There had been a MONTHLY CHECKLIST that came with shipments, analogous to GPO's Library Program shipping list or the OHIO DOCUMENTS list from the State Library. I have not seen a current issue of this checklist since I began working with OAS documents last year, and only learned of its existence in preparing this article. For the Official Records there are annual indexes, which come as part of Series Z.

In Miami's Documents Dept. we keep the Official Records as a set, in the manner of the United Nations Official Records. A shelflist is maintained on 3x5 catalog cards by series. The periodicals are treated in either of two ways: some major titles, such as AMERICAS, are sent to the Library's periodicals collection; the remainder, titles of minor interest including newsletters, are labelled "OAS

Monographs" with consecutive numbers as they are received. Most current titles are sent to be cataloged and classified with the book collection. Occasionally we receive a Spanish or Portuguese title, which is treated in the earlier manner and kept in the department. The monographs thus treated get a simplified record for the department's in-house catalog of small collections.

Important titles that may be of interest include:

AMERICAS, bi-monthly, an informative magazine of OAS activity with articles on cultural topics, or a single country feature.

STATISTICAL BULLETIN OF THE OAS, quarterly, a journal of selected social and economic indicators of member states.

DIRECTORY OF DELEGATIONS AND CHIEFS OF STATE AND CABINET MINISTERS OF THE AMERICAN REPUBLICS, supposed to be a quarterly, but appears to be much less frequent.

OAS-CECON TRADE NEWS, monthly, a newsletter covering developments affecting Latin American exports and trade.

These titles come as part of the basic standing order for Informational and Technical Publications, or may be purchased by separate subscription.

Information for this article came from the EUROPA YEARBOOK, 1987, Volume I, the OAS CATALOG OF PUBLICATIONS, 1986-87 and 1984, and several OAS brochures.

URBAN MORGAN INSTITUTE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

Taylor Fitchett

The Urban Morgan Institute for Human Rights is located in the College of Law of the University of Cincinnati. The mission of the Institute is to provide an international forum for research, teaching and publication on the moral, political and economic foundations for human rights; to provide for its students the most rigorous training in human rights law and practice available anywhere; and to provide to society a cadre of graduates trained and experienced in the difficulties and ambiguities of human rights law and committed to working for public and private institutions in the field. Professor Bert Lockwood is the Director of the Institute which supports Arthur Russell Morgan Fellows with full scholarships each year. The HUMAN RIGHTS QUARTERLY, under the Institute's editorial direction, is the leading publication in the field of human rights.

The Human Rights collection which was developed to support the research of the Institute is one of the best in the nation. The library at the College of Law houses works from groups such as Lawyers Committee on Human Rights, Amnesty International, Minority Rights group, America Watch, Helsinki Watch, and Asia Watch. The Institute and the International Human Rights Law Group are working to establish a brief bank within the Morgan collection. All cases raising important international human rights legal issues will have briefs deposited within the library. Visiting scholars and others interested in this unique collection are welcome to visit the Urban Morgan Room of the College of Law Library.

A group of primary source documents that is often overlooked by researchers is the League of Nations publications. The League of Nations was proposed and established by the Treaty of Versailles. It existed from January 10, 1920 until April 18, 1946.

Originally, the League included all major powers with the exception of Germany, the Soviet Union, and the United States. Germany and the Soviet Union later joined, but the United States never became a member.

The main organs of the League were similar to the United Nations. There was an Assembly, which included all members, a Council which had permanent and nonpermanent members, and a Secretariat, which was the civil service of the League. Each of these bodies published various types of publications.

The OFFICIAL JOURNAL was one of the major publications. It was issued monthly for the most part. Sometimes two months would be issued as a single item. The Journal was published in three parts. The first part included the Records of the Assembly and the Minutes of the Council. The second part consisted of special supplements. Resolutions, reports, and documents were included in this section. The third part was an index.

The League published many serials. These publications usually dealt with the League's work. Two examples of serials are ESSENTIAL FACTS ABOUT THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS and THE MONTHLY SUMMARY OF THE LEAGUE. The Secretary-General published an annual report, and the League's library published a description of its work, miscellaneous bibliographies, and a BRIEF GUIDE TO LEAGUE OF NATIONS PUBLICATIONS.

There were many individual pamphlets and books, which dealt with specific international issues such as the fate of the Saar Basin and the free city of Danzig. Reports were made by commissions such as the Mandate Commission which reported on territories which had not gained independence. The League of Nations Treaty Series is one of the more important series, and is the predecessor of the U.N. Treaty Series.

The League published material on most subjects. There were documents on social and humanitarian problems, economic and financial questions, and reports from the Health Organization. The latter published studies on cancer, studies on cholera in India and Japan, and reports of many health conferences.

One of the best volumes that supplies access to the League documents is Hans Aufrecht's A GUIDE TO LEAGUE OF NATIONS PUBLICATIONS (New York, Columbia University Press, 1951) also reprinted by AMS Press in 1966. This volume describes the entire scheme of League of Nations publishing. It includes descriptions of the numbering and classification of League publications, as well as a complete listing of all items published. The League itself published eight subject checklists between 1922 and 1931. The years covered are 1921-1928. From 1932 to 1946 only mimeographed lists were published, and these were for delegates.

HELLO, MY NAME IS ...  
AND MORE EXCITING MATTERS

Alice Worley Jones

My name is Alice Worley Jones and I am the new Government Documents/Microforms Librarian at the University of Cincinnati Law Library. I was asked to introduce myself and to give a short narrative of our international collection at UC Law Library. For introduction purposes, nine months ago I came to UC Law from Tulane Law Library in New Orleans, Louisiana. I have been in documents for 6 years and am one of those "strange" people who love documents. But on to more exciting matters. . . .

You will read elsewhere in this newsletter about what UC Law Library is known for, which is the Urban Morgan Human Rights Collection. Since Human Rights is an international issue, our collection has a very strong international basis.

Most recently, we have purchased the entire United Nations Human Rights Collection on microfiche from Readex. This collection includes documents from 1946 to the present from the main commissions such as the Commission on Human Rights, the Commission for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, the Commission of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, and the Commission for the Elimination Against Women. Special Publications are also included. CALL FOR A CONCERTED INTERNATIONAL ACTION AGAINST APARTHEID, SEMINAR ON EXPLOITATION OF CHILD LABOUR, and the UN SEMINAR ON QUESTION OF PALESTINE are a select few. The set is a good source to consult, especially on hot topics concerning South Africa and the Middle East.

We also receive the UN Law Library Core Collection on microfiche from Readex. We own this collection from 1982 to present and in the future hope to fill in the past years. This group includes documents from the General Assembly and other commissions such as the Economic and Social Council, International Court of Justice, and the Security Council.

Indexing to the collection is a problem. We own the UNDOCS INDEX which is a subject, personal/corporate name and title index. When a student has a UN classification number, then the fiche is pulled. No problem. If the patron knows the subject, title, or author one can look up the information, find the UN number and pull the fiche. No problem. The problem is in purchasing the UNDOCS INDEX. We have been trying to acquire past years of the index and have been trying ever since I stepped foot in UC Law. I even have it in writing that they are ordered from the company, yet still no index. This is making a long, long story very short, so feel blessed.

I would be interested in sponsoring, attending, working on...a workshop for UN documents. They are a difficult classification system (people complain about SUDOCs) and the filing can be messy. Let Karen Kottsy know if you are interested. She is my motivation in documentsland. She also has a good sense of UN documents when one is impossible to find.

Seventy five documents librarians from across the U. S. gathered in Washington, D.C. April 18-22, for the first Interagency Depository Library Seminar, sponsored by the Government Printing Office. Under the theme "Serving Our Communities' Government Information Needs," representatives of seven agencies made in-depth presentations on their agencies' publishing activities and services to those using their information. The seminar was conceived and planned by Chief Depository Inspector Joseph McClane and the inspection team, and proved to be an excellent opportunity for a large and diverse group of documents specialists to meet, exchange ideas and get a glimpse of the originating end of government information dissemination.

The week began with a full day workshop on intellectual property, including presentations from the Patent and Trademark Office and Copyright Office. Representatives gave not only concise summaries of the activities of their agencies, but practical and detailed suggestions for dealing with patrons seeking information on intellectual property issues.

A day-long overview of the Census Bureau's current programs, including the 1987 Economic Censuses and the 1990 Census; participation in the National Technical Information Service User's Conference; half day presentations from the Federal Register Office and Library of Congress, and a candid, "nuts and bolts" discussion day at GPO were other features of the week.

In nearly every case, presentations were of a consistently high quality and were carefully geared to the special situations encountered by documents librarians. Several librarians commented that some of the presentations, particularly the Federal Register session, were superior to other similar programs they had attended previously.

Some special opportunities were afforded the group as well, such as a tour of the inner offices of the Congressional Research Service, the inclusion in the NTIS User's Conference, and the very informative and casual contact with the staff at GPO, who were on hand throughout the week, and in particular on the final day, with a wealth of answers to practical questions and concerns. Many of the questions, of course, centered on the current microfiche crisis and participants received candid, if reserved, answers, specifically to the concern that we might never see the missing fiche. There were assurances that all the embargoed fiche will be shipped eventually, and that steps are being taken to avoid similar situations in the future.

In each case presenters from the agencies offered not only their expertise and their product, but resources "back at the office" for further help and information. A good deal of time was allowed for comments and questions (to the planner's credit) and as a result a remarkable amount of information was exchanged. In fact, if there was a complaint when evaluation forms were filled in, it was a half-jesting one of "information overload."

Part of the pleasure of having been to a seminar like this one is being able to share all the information. If you want to know more about the seminar, please contact me at Freiburger Library, 11161 East Boulevard, Cleveland, Ohio 44106.

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Ohio GODORT Meeting, Columbus  
May 17, 1988

Coleen Parmer

Mary Prophet called the meeting to order. The advisability of establishing an archives for Ohio GODORT's records was discussed and Kent State might be willing to house such a collection. Graham Walden and June Coughlin will look into whether there is enough material to merit such treatment.

Carol Singer announced that ACRL is accepting proposals between June 1-30, 1988, for papers and presentations to be given at the April 1989 ACRL annual convention to be held in Cincinnati. She asked if anyone would be interested in working up a proposal for a program which focuses on government documents, and if Ohio GODORT would be willing to sponsor such a program. After some discussion, it was decided that GODORT will examine program proposals at the fall meeting and decide whether to sponsor any. Anyone with a program idea or proposal should contact one of the GODORT officers. Formal proposals are due at ACRL by June 30.

Carol Singer reported that members would like the following topics covered in future GODORT meetings or in the newsletter: (1) reference in the public library and documents, (2) microfiche management and access points, (3) various on-line vendors and CD-ROM and their access points, (4) library instruction, (5) GPO library inspection program, (6) book reviews, (7) legislative update relating to the depository program, (8) employment situation and salary survey for depository librarians in Ohio, (9) cooperation among depositories.

Elections for two offices were held. Graham Walden was elected to the office of President-Elect and Nani Ball became the new Secretary Treasurer. Congratulations and good luck to our newest officers.

The fall meeting will be held October 21, 1988 at Cincinnati. Tentatively, the program will include a review of CD-ROM technology and a workshop conducted by representatives from CIS which covers their products. Karen Kottsy suggested that those planning to attend this meeting make their reservations for overnight accommodations early as there is a large convention taking place the same week and it might be difficult to find "room at the inn" Thursday evening.

The minutes to the fall meeting were corrected to read that the meeting took place at Wooster College, not Akron University. Apologies to our kind hosts at Wooster.

Clyde Hordusky reported that the user survey conducted by GPO will be extended to late September or early October. He also indicated that the status of the microfiche contracts is still unknown.

Karen Kottsy reported that Cincinnati received the first GPO distributed CD-ROM disk which apparently contains population, retail, agriculture, and County Business Pattern data. Additional software is needed to run the disk--Microsoft Extension and MS DOS Bridge.

The Awards Committee composed of Karen Kottsy, Evron Collins and George Kosman selected Clyde Hordusky as the first recipient of the "Clyde" Award. This award, formally named the Ohio Government Document Roundtable Award for Service and Achievement will be awarded when so desired by Ohio GODORT, rather than on an annual basis. The guidelines for this award, affectionately known as the "Clyde" award were developed by the Awards Committee. Thanks to George, Karen and Evron for their efforts and congratulations to Clyde Hordusky who was awarded for his, "outstanding service to the depository libraries of Ohio, for his monumental struggles to obtain, classify, and distribute the Ohio documents, for his support and assistance to the federal depository libraries of Ohio, and for his service to the Depository Council of the Public Printer".

Coleen Parmer reported that the only requirement for affiliation with ALA Government Documents Roundtable is a \$15.00 subscription to DttP and request for affiliation status. As our organization has fulfilled both requirements, we are affiliated. ALA GODORT asked that we send someone to the Affiliates business meeting at ALA spring meeting in New Orleans. Graham Walden agreed to attend the meeting as our representative.

George moved and Carol seconded that the meeting be adjourned.



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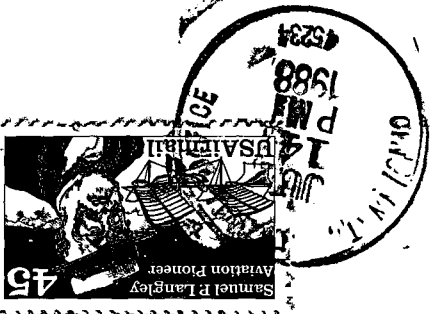
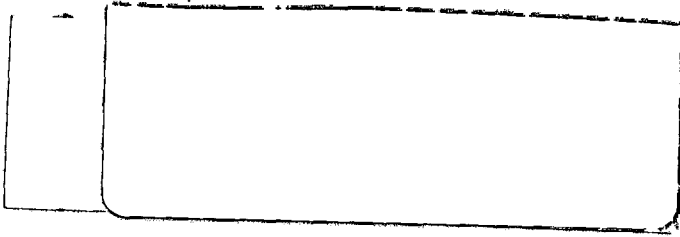
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