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To the Members:

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I was concerned that my rather grim column in the last issue might, because of the delay in getting the issue out, be a little stale, and was relieved that it remained relevant. As I thought about it, though, it's too bad that between November and March nothing very constructive has been done to solve the problems at GPO that are growing to crisis proportions.

Several members of Congress have responded to letters written on behalf of GODORT of Ohio that some of the cuts were in fact rescinded, which is true. But that we are still getting DOE and NASA fiche (those few of us who do) is no real answer to the growing gaps in our collections created by the ban on claims. It also does not speak to the evermore severe problem that continued attrition of staff positions at GPO is creating, whereby positions are not being filled, and employees with no experience or training are expected to fill in. Things are seriously amiss at GPO, we can only work to keep the members of Congress who are ultimately responsible for GPO's upkeep apprised of the reality of situations, and hope that help will come in time.

GPO's budget for FY94 is \$33.7 million. The legislative appropriations bill is expected to come up soon after the Easter recess. I have had no firm word about how the request will effect LPS, and what, is any, steps will be taken to reverse the disastrous cuts made by Mr. Kelley this spring. We do need, however, to let our legislators know that depository libraries serve as a link between Congress and the constituents in ever single Congressional district and that we are the key to free access to public information. Write, call, do what you can. Although this is a time of cutting and more cutting, we need to remind the Congress that the free flow of public information is not a luxury, it is a necessity and it isn't and will never be cheap.

I will be representing GODORT of Ohio during Library Legislative Day in Washington on April 20th, and will have a full report on that experience in the next issue.

It seems impossible to me that I am writing my final "front page" as Chair of GODORT of Ohio. This year has flown very quickly by. This is, I guess, the moment to say a couple of words of thanks. First to the Executive Board: Karen Kimber, Lynn Lenart, Melanie Putnam, and Clyde Hordusky for the wonderful collaborative way in which we've done our work this year, and equally for their good humor and friendship. The membership at large is due my thanks as well. In the church I grew up in, we measured membership by "prayers, presence, gifts, and service," and although we don't deal much in prayers here, the presence, gifts (of talent and support) and service of the people who are members of this organization have been a continuing marvel to me. A few very special people have been almost superhumanly helpful and supportive and I thank them. They know who they are.

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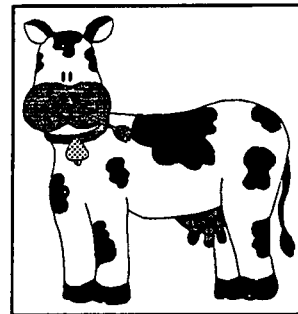
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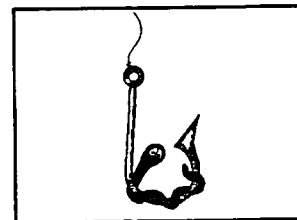
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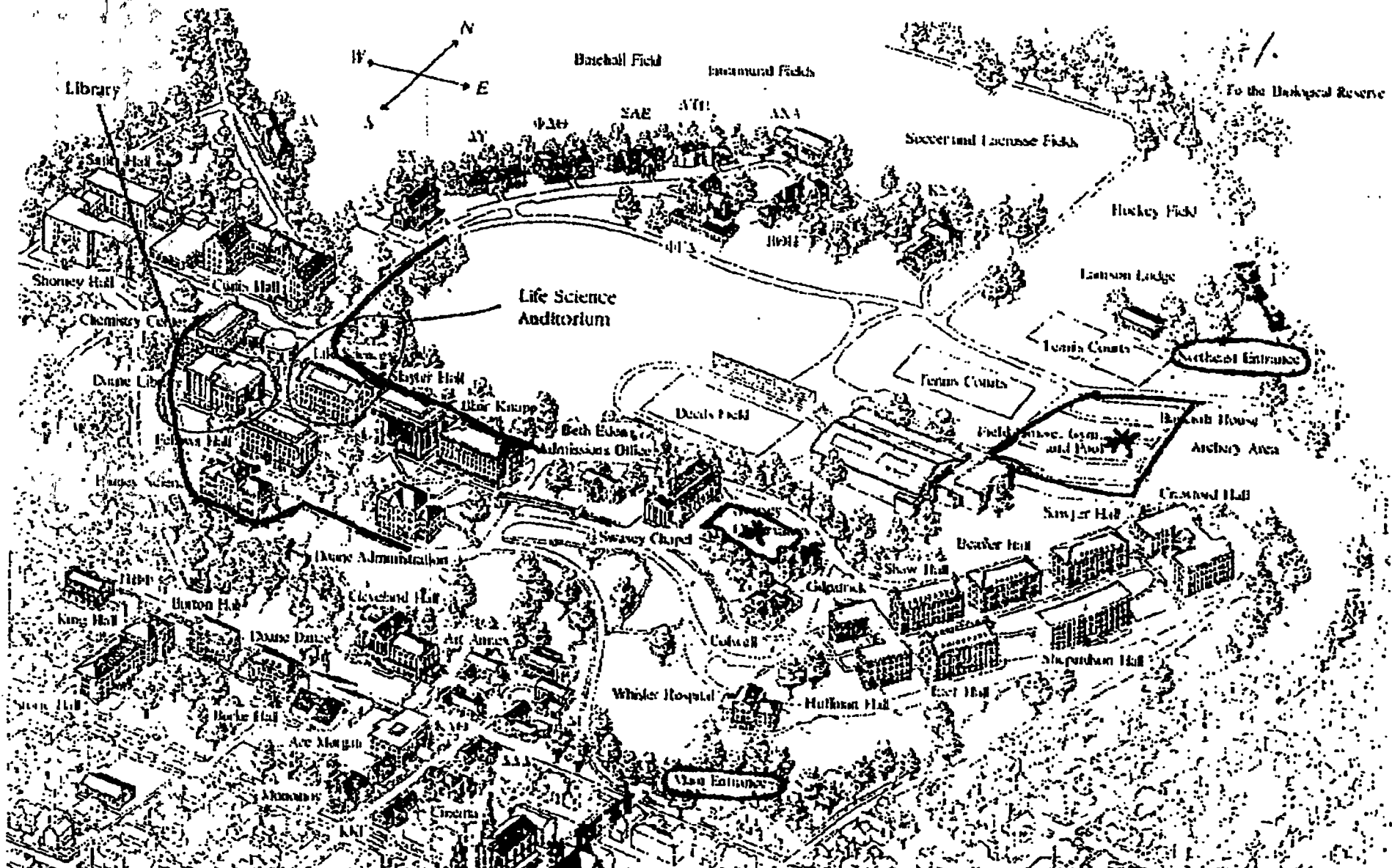
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