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#### CALENDAR

- May 4 American Academy of Arts and Sciences chartered 1780
- May 6 Serials management program (see story inside)
- May 7 Blood pressure test (see story inside)
- May 10 Commencement exercises
- May 11 Byzantium (Constantinople) became capital of the Roman Empire in 330

#### EXHIBIT

King Library North

Edward S. Curtis' North American Indian photographic exhibit, through May 30.

University Archives

Mergaret I. King Library - North

University of Kentucky

Lexington, Kentucky 40506

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## ABOUT THE LIBRARIES

#### PRINTING PROBLEMS

The Green Bean is in the process of changing printers, hence the delay in the last two issues. We wish the two new printers all the very best from the bottom of our editorial heart!

# L. S. O. TASTING PARTY

The L. S. O. is having a tasting party to promote the sale of its cookbook and supplement, on May 14, from 11:30-1:30 in King North Staff Lounge. If you have submitted a favorite recipe in the cookbook or the supplement and would like to prepare it for the tasting party there will be a sign-up sheet circulating in each department. More detailed information will appear **ne**xt week.

Barbara Randolph

#### SERIALS MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

University Microfilms will present a serials management program on Tuesday, May 6, at 9:00 AM in the Gallery, King North. The program will emphasize microforms and will last about one hour. Interested staff members are invited to attend.

#### BLOOD PRESSURE TEST OFFERED

The Staff Development Committee is sponsoring a free blood pressure test for all interested staff. Qualified personnel from the Associated Health Department of LTI will be in the staff lounge of King North from 1:00-3:30 on Wednesday, May 7. You are invited to drop by and get a free blood pressure test and have your questions answered.

If the response is good, this service will be offered to the library staff on a quarterly basis.

Lynn Shrewsbury

### UK EMPLOYEE DEVELOPMENT TRAINING SERIES

Recognizing a variety of training needs by individual employees, the Employee Development Center has arranged the following opportunities to acquire or sharpen skills and reshape your career. The typical participant may be a university official, a secretary, a technician, or any interested employee. You are encouraged to attend any course you wish. All that is required is a call to enroll after you have arranged with your department for the time away from your work. There will be a limited enrollment in these, so call early. All courses will be held in the Employee Development Center, 15 Memorial Hall. Phone 257-1851 for further information.

# TIME MANAGEMENT FOR GETTING WORK DONE

The benefits of time management will be presented, with guidelines for developing an effective time management program, a helpful system of organizing a day's work, as well as techniques for overcoming procrastination, handling interruptions, etc. June 2, 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

HUMAN RELATIONS IN THE WORKPLACE

Understanding human personalities, why people act the way they do, the games people play, negative and positive reinforcement of behavior, how communication gets confused, negative and positive outlooks on life, as clarified through the concepts of Transactional Analysis. June 10, 1:30 - 4:00 p.m.

SELF-DEFENSE FOR WOMEN

This course will provide vital information on self-defense for women, instructions on what to do if assaulted, and information about UK campus. An excellent film: "How to say NO to a Rape and Survive," will be shown with a discussion period following. June 18, 10:00 - 12 noon.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR

Before you can discuss your skills with someone else, you need to recognize them yourself. We will discuss the importance of identifying your skills as the way to sell yourself through a resume and an interview. June 26, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

The Library of Congress has acquired a Kurzweil Reading Machine for the use of blind persons, opening the Library's English-language collections to researchers heretofore dependent on material in braille and recorded formats or on the assistance of private readers.

The machine, invented by Raymond Kurzweil and developed by Kurzweil Computer Products, Inc., of Cambridge, Mass., represents a significant advance in the development of technology for blind and handicapped individuals.

The Kurzweil Reading Machine electronically scans print material placed face down on a glass plate and feeds the images into a minicomputer that recognizes each letter, groups the letters into words, computes pronunciation and stress, and produces synthetic speech. Controls on the machine enable the trained user to speed up or slow down the reading rate, have previous lines repeated, spell out obscure words, or mark certain words or phrases for later reference.

Under a contract with the Library's National Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Kurzweil Computer Products, Inc., has developed an adaptation of the machine that will produce braille. This machine is now being tested by the Library.

Most English-language materials in the Library, with the exception of rare books and some special collections, will be made available to visually handicapped readers through the use of the KRM. Materials in columnar format, however, such as newspapers and some periodicals, are difficult for the machine to read. Persons planning to use the machine should have as much bibliographic searching done ahead of time as possible and should plan to arrive before their appointments so that materials can be retrieved from the stacks and be ready for use at the scheduled time. Reference librarians in the Thomas Jefferson Reading Room can assist with bibliographic searching and arrange for up to three books to be reserved in advance.

#### OPPORTUNITIES FOR PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Assistant University Librarian--Technical Services, University of Arizona. Salary \$24,000-\$28,000. Application deadline: July 31, 1980.

Marine Science Librarian, College of Charleston (S.Ca.). Salary \$16,000 minimum. Application deadline: May 30, 1980.

Reference Librarian, two positions in Main Library and one in Science Library, University of Georgia. Salary \$12,000 minimum. Application deadline: June 6, 1980.

Head of Reference Unit, University of Maryland. Salary dependent upon qualifications. Application deadline: June 1, 1980.

Assistant Director, Access Services, State University of New York at Albany. Salary from \$20,000. Application deadline: July 5, 1980.

Librarian, School of Forest Resources Library, North Carolina State University. Salary \$13,000-\$14,000. Application deadline: May 15, 1980.

Head of Biological Sciences Division, Oklahoma State University. Salary \$17,400-\$20,000. Application deadline: July 15, 1980.

Head Acquisitions Division, Texas A & M University. Salary \$17,000 minimum.

Serial Record Librarian, Washington State University. Salary dependent on qualifications. Application deadline: June 15, 1980.



A Tribute to Elizabeth Bewlay Geddes (1893-1980)

Elizabeth Geddes was my tireless assistant for fifteen years in the Acquisitions Department of the King Library from 1949 until July, 1964, the year of her retirement. Those of us who knew her and worked with her had the greatest respect for her abilities. As a very young woman, she had held a secretarial position with the Lexington Leader (1912-1920) but only after the death of her husband did she return to office work in 1949. Though without professional training, she learned the routines of serial work (gifts as well as purchases) and performed imaginatively and amazingly well. If one were to check her daily accomplishments during these early years as serials assistant in the Acquisitions Department they would, statistically, be quite impressive indeed. I was indebted to her then and, in remembrance, my indebtedness remains.

On her retirement in 1964, she gave the same energy and ability to her work with several social projects which had always had her interest. I personally give now my highest tribute to her capabilities and to her loyalty. Elizabeth Geddes in many helpful ways lived to the fullest her eighty-six years.

-Carolyn R. Hammer (former head of Acquisitions and Curator of Rare Books)

