

PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT -
FACILITIES

(Editor's note: The Planning Committee Report is being discussed by the Faculty in four stages corresponding to the four parts of the report. The second part of the report--Facilities--is presented below. Future reports will be given on Collection Development, Public Services, and Staff Development as they are discussed.

The Editor extends the profound apologies of the Faculty Secretary who neglected to mention the Faculty's lengthy discussion in his minutes.)

In the Library Faculty meeting of January 16, the "Facilities" section of the Planning Committee Report, was discussed. Two major issues emerged. The first was the problem of the arrangement of departments in King South. The Planning Report advocates the general goal of locating all public service units on the first floor. The problems in this proposal that were raised included the location of the public catalog away from Technical Services, and the fact that the core stacks are not removable.

The second issue raised was the Planning Committee's proposal for a book depository to relieve the most crowded of the branch libraries. These libraries would be carefully weeded, and then little-used items would be removed to the book depository (a renovated classroom building nearby). The point was raised that a recent book by Ralph Ellsworth* showed libraries moving away from the book depository concept. Omer Hamlin suggested that Ellsworth was promoting new construction, which is unlikely at UK in the near future. Mr. Hamlin believes that the Medical Center Library could be weeded from 150,000 to 100,000 and the collection stabilized at 100,000.

Compact shelving, which costs twice as much as standard shelving but which doubles shelving space, was proposed as an alternative. The problem with this, however, is that some buildings cannot support the weight. Temperature and humidity control to preserve the stored materials was also raised as a problem; at this time Funkhouser is unsatisfactory in these respects. Pence Hall was proposed as a possible alternative.

John Bryant questioned whether more storage space was needed at this time. Adelle Dailey referred back to the questionnaire which showed that at least six of the branch libraries have critical space problems. Ruth Brown and Becky Heath updated the Committee's information by reporting that the space problem in the Agriculture Library has been alleviated due to expansion into the basement. Paul Willis noted also that a Law Library expansion has been proposed.

Finally, Ed O'Hara stressed the importance of adequate staffing and good service in a storage facility.

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*Ellsworth, Ralph E. Academic library buildings; a guide to architectural issues and solutions, 1973.

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FACULTY BOOK MEMORIAL

UK President Singletary has recently established the Faculty Book Memorial Fund. The fund will be used to purchase books to commemorate deceased full-time faculty members, retroactively to 1 July 75. The fund will be managed by Mr. Willis, Director of Libraries, and Dr. Charles Wethington of the Community College System. Librarians are asked to let Mr. Willis know of any faculty member who should be so honored. King Press is preparing a special bookplate.

HOSPITAL THANKS STAFF

Dear Staff:

On behalf of the patients and staff of the Hospital, I want to thank you for the generosity of your group in providing money to buy gifts for the patients at Christmastime.

Through the years you have been most generous and we appreciate this more than I can begin to tell you.

We came into the Hospital Christmas eve and wrapped presents which we bought at cost with your check from the Hospital Gift Shop. The number of patients was higher than we had anticipated so the last minute work made possible by your check really "wrapped up" Christmas for the patients.

With every good wish for the New Year for each member of your group, I am

Sincerely,

Mary J. Ireland,
Volunteer Coordinator

FACULTY & STAFF NEWS & NOTES

Meetings: Public Services Area Meeting. 28 Jan.

Bluegrass Librarians Association. 27 Jan., 7:30 PM. Gallery
Program: "Libraries and the Senior Citizen"

Special Libraries Association, Kentucky Chapter. 31 Jan.
6:30 PM. Ramada Imperial, Waller Ave. (See note below)

Special Libraries Association:

Mr. Giles Frappier, the Associate Parliamentary Librarian, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada will be a guest of the Kentucky Chapter of Special Libraries Association, for a dinner meeting at the Ramada Imperial on Waller Avenue at 6:30 p.m., Saturday, January 31st, 1976.

Mr. Frappier served as president of the International Organization of Special Libraries in 1973-74. He is now serving as Chairman of the Awards Committee and is a member of the Finance Committee of the association.

Officers of the Kentucky Chapter of Special Libraries are: Ellen Baxter, Chemistry-Physics Librarian, University of Kentucky, President; Martha Rush, Librarian, University of Louisville Law Library, Vice President and President-Elect; and Dean Trivette, Librarian, Government Document Department, University of Kentucky Libraries, Secretary and Treasurer.

The Kentucky Chapter has 55 active members throughout the commonwealth and 21 members in the Kentucky Student Chapter under the sponsorship of Dr. Catherine Cveljo, of the University of Kentucky College of Library Science.

Data Services Orientation Session:

Monday 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.	Gallery
Tuesday 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Room 504
Thursday 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.	Gallery

PERSONNEL

New staff member: Kay Saillard has joined the Medical Library as Media Librarian. Ms. Saillard was previously Media Librarian at the University of Cincinnati Medical Library. She has a B.A. from the University of Wisconsin and an MLS from UK.

Travellers: Susan Csaky attended the 1st North American United Nations Training Session on UN Documents held in New York, Jan. 14-16. The session was co-sponsored by UNITAR (United Nations Institute for Training and Research) and the Dag Hammarskjold Library and is the first of a series of training sessions to be given world-wide.

Ellen Baxter will be attending the Special Librarians Council Meeting at Cincinnati 28-31 January. Ellen is president of the Kentucky Chapter of the Special Libraries Association.

Employee Development: University Personnel is offering the following courses at no cost (except for purchase of textbooks) to all employees: shorthand, first aid, bookkeeping and Business English. All courses will be held in the Employee Development Center, Memorial Hall. For further information, please see Faith Harders.

Gerry Webb is missing an electric heater; anyone knowing its whereabouts please call Gerry at Ext. 73831.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Associate Director, Medical Center Library. University of Kentucky. March 1976. Contact Omer Hamlin, Jr., Medical Center Annex #2, Rm.225. Telephone 233-6241.

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Programs

and will number 7. The program has been the subject of many
studies and is being published by the American Library Association
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