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EDITORIAL

We, the editors, are committed that the "SOUTHEASTERN LAW LIBRARIAN" will be published more frequently. It will continue to be the communication medium between the more than 215 law librarians in our eleven state chapter region. To make it a still greater success, "SOUTHEASTERN LAW LIBRARIAN" needs your help, your comments, criticisms, suggestions and letters. Write us.

I believe that we, law librarians, are not active enough. We are not militant enough. Yes, we attend the regional and national conventions and attend in good numbers the discussions and workshops. In New Orleans, for example, I counted the "house." About 80 percent of the total registration was present at one meeting. But we do not do enough for ourselves. We should be producing more reference tools, such as a biographical directory of judges (Federal, State and Municipal) for this region, updating some of the excellent listings in HICKS. We could call these volumes "Presidential Biennial Projects." The President of the Chapter would select the area to be worked in and oversee its production during her-his term of office. Other chapters would pick up the project. In time, these reference tools would be of a national scope.

We should be doing more praising of law book publishers and condemning when necessary. For example, the West Publishing Co. should be praised for numbering the regional advance sheets. The West Publishing Co. should be severely chided for never producing a master table of cases, from 1658 to date. Presently there is no one source to go to if you want the citation of a case, when you have only the name. It should be a simple task for them to produce such a master list. Just interfile the Table of Cases from the eight decennial digests. As West's best customers, we have a right to urge them to publish such tools for us.

What reference tools would you like to see produced?
To be continued.

Gene Teitelbaum

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THE PRESIDENT'S PAGE

The winners of the two \$ 250.00 Lucile Elliott scholarships this year will be announced at our Chapter Breakfast on June 22nd, Tuesday 7:30 am to 9:00 am at the Jefferson Room, Boston Sheraton Hotel. Please note the change of day and date.

Ballots for election of officers to serve from August 1976 thru August 1978 were sent out in May to only paid up members of the Southeastern Chapter. They should be returned to J. Lamar Woodard, Stetson University, College of Law, St. Petersburg Florida, 33707, by June 5, 1976.

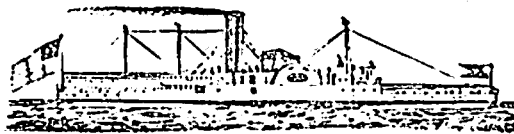
As you know, the Nominating Committee proposed Anne Butler for Vice President/President-elect and J. Lamar Woodard for Secretary-Treasurer. Caroline Heriot automatically moves up to President. There were no further nominations from the membership, as is provided for under our Constitution and by-laws. The new officers will take office at the end of the August Meeting.

By now, you should have received our invoice for 1976/77 chapter dues. Please respond as soon as possible. The chapter needs money to carry on its activities, such as this newsletter, chapter mailings, etc. .

Lest we forget. The annual meeting of the A.A.L.L. will be held in Boston from June 20th (Sunday) thru June 23rd (Wednesday). The program looks like a great one. The Headquarters Hotel is the Sheraton- Boston. As this is the bicentennial year, hotel rooms in Boston will be difficult to obtain at the last minute. Make your reservations now, if you have not done so already.

See you in Boston!

William C. Younger
President.



A WORD TO THE WISE...

"The head librarian at the Virginia Military Institute and his wife have been arrested for stealing books from the Institute's library.

"Virginia police said they found a large number of volumes, which are still being catalogued, at the home of Lt. Col. George B. Davis. Col. Davis has been suspended from his duties at the library, according to a spokesman for V.M.I.

"Mr. Davis has earlier announced plans to retire at the end of the academic year to open a rare book store in Millbrook, N.Y."

The Chronicle of Higher Education.
April 26, 1976 issue. Page 2.



GREAT G P O RACE

There have been many great races against the clock in the history of man such as Roger Bannister's epic breaking of the four minute mile, Phillias Fogg's race to circle the Earth in eighty days. We, at University of Louisville Law Library, recently tested the U.S. Government Printing Office for its speed and efficiency.

There are five major ways of getting a U.S. Government document: 1) Being a depository library and automatically receiving it when published: 2) Buying it thru your deposit account with the G.P.O. 3) Ordering it thru your order department: 4) Sending a personal check to the G.P.O. and 5) Writing directly to the issuing body.

As a selective depository, one day we received a copy of "Protecting your right to privacy -- digest of systems of records agency rules research aids" published by the Office of the Federal Register. (737pages, \$5.00 G54.107/A:P939 Stock number 022 -000- 00120-5.) It sets out the law, federal regulations and lists addresses of federal agencies to write to for information. As Privacy or the lack of it is a popular topic, we thought the Dean's Office would want one copy and we thought we should have an extra copy, in case the original one disappeared. Thus we initiated the GREAT G.P.O. RACE to test which was the fastest way of getting another copy from Uncle Sam.

The Office of the Federal Register could not send us another copy, even though we were more than willing to pay for it. However, they sent us the SuDoc order form. Scratch source #5.

On March 19th, I sent my personal check and a request that the G.P.O. send said document to my home. On the same day, we ordered another copy thru our deposit account. And, lastly, on the same day, we ordered a copy on a University purchase requisition, just as we would order any other book, enclosing a University check. The race officially began. We sat back and guessed which method would succeed. Staff members picked their favorites.

To make a long story short -- The copy ordered with my personal check won. Twenty one days later, on April 9th, it was awaiting me, when I arrived home after a "hard day at the office."

So far, there has been no second place winner. Entry #3, our checkcoupled with our purchase order, was received by the G.P.O. on April 5th. Several days later, they informed us that the "Publication was being printed and will be mailed as soon as we receive stock." As of May 27th, we still have not received it. So much for entry #3.

Somewhere still on the "race course" is our order issued against our deposit account (Method #2.). We have heard nothing from this source.

In further issues, I will inform you which source actually comes in second, if we do receive another copy.

G.T.



"If you have a secret and you want to keep it from the world, the surest way is to write it in a law review article."

Prof. Leon A. Wein, Brooklyn Law School
quoted in the Wall St. Journal. May 4, 1976, p.20.

ACQUISITIONS

Two quite useful acquisition statements have been recently published. The Society of Public Teachers of Law's Committee on Libraries just published in its Journal (Volume 13 n.s. The Journal of the Society of Public Teachers of Law July 1975, pages 332- 341) a detailed statement of minimum holdings for law libraries in England and Wales. The list has sections for statutes, codes, general law reporters, specialized reporters, periodicals, etc. for England, Scotland, Ireland et. al., in other words for just about every English speaking country. There is also a section on International Law and on Bibliographic works. Besides giving titles of the basic sets you should have in your law library, the listing gives the set's cost in English pounds. While these figures are somewhat helpful, BEWARE, prices in pounds have soared beyond belief into the stratosphere. I have found that prices of English used book dealers are good for only a few months, then the prices go up,up. So, BEWARE.

The Committee also published in volume 13, July 1974 issue, pages 113- 141, a statement of minimum holdings for the law of the European Communities (Common Market) and of their member countries. This list is of great benefit to you if you have several thousand dollars and do not know how to spend it.

The other useful statement was published by the Association of the Bar of the City of New York in its periodical, "The Record", volume 31, March 1976, pages 202-209. The Library Committee issued these acquisition guidelines so that the members of the Association would be informed of the Committee's efforts to maintain the Law Library "as one of the great law libraries in the country" in the face of increasingly burdensome costs.

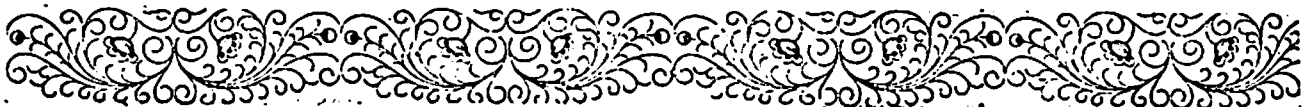
Unlike the above lists, the Association's guidelines do not give specific titles. Instead, broad outlines of its acquisition policy are stated. The guidelines are well thoughtout and should be of benefit to all law librarians in this age of shrinking budgets and soaring costs.



BREAKFAST IN BOSTON

The Southeastern Chapter breakfast-meeting will be held at the Boston Sheraton Hotel, Jefferson Room, Tuesday, June 22, 1976 from 7:30 am to 9:00 am. PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE IN DAY AND DATE.

Please inform J. Lamar Woodard, Law Librarian, Stetson University, College of Law, 1401 61st Street South, St. Petersburg, Florida 33707 of how many persons from your library will attend. We do not want to fry too many eggs. Please inform him as soon as possible. ATTEND. ATTEND.



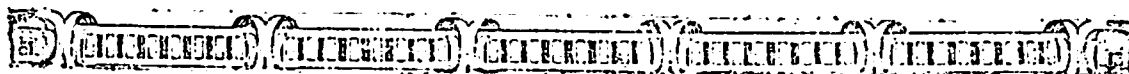
JOBS, JOBS

Besides the placement committee of the national A.A.L.L., chaired by our Betty Taylor, University of Florida Law Library, there is a Southeastern Chapter placement committee chaired by Edwin Schroeder, Florida State University Law Library. The committee currently distributes to all members of the Southeastern placement committee copies of the A.A.L.L. monthly placement update.

The committee maintains listings for both employces and employers. There are lists of current openings in Law Libraries, as well as rosters of resumes of people who are actively looking for that "better job."

As of May 27th, the following positions are still vacant. For complete details see the June 1976 A.A.L.L. Newsletter, volume 7, number 4, just issued.

Alabama.	Univ. of Alabama.	Head law librarian.	p. 19.
Florida.	Dade County	Assistant law librarian.	p. 19.
Florida.	Univ. of Miami.	Chief of Technical Services.	p. 19.
Louisiana.	Loyola University.	Assistant law librarian.	p. 20.
Louisiana.	Loyola University.	Head law librarian.	--
	(as Caroline Heriot is soon leaving, to go to William and Mary.)		
Louisiana.	Louisiana State Univ.	Reference Librarian.	p. 20.
Tennessee	Univ. of Tennessee.	Head law librarian.	p. 22.
Tennessee	Vanderbilt Univ.	Assistant librarian.	p. 22.
West Virginia.	State Library.	State law librarian.	p. 23.



NITTY GRITTY DEPT.

One of the problems we face as librarians is knowing what is happening at the Loan Desk, when we are not there. To ensure we learn of user unhappiness because he-she can not locate an item, we have drawn up this form. Our student aides actually fill them out most of the time. If and when the item is located, the user can be easily located. Thus, the form performs a vital service in good library operation. It works. Try it.

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE LAW LIBRARY NEGATIVE REPLY FORM

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 From: _____
 Item is wanted by _____ (Student, Faculty, other.)

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2. Not on shelf; and not signed out.
3. Not owned by the Law Library.
4. Has been missing for some time; and has been reported missing before.
5. Signature on charge card is illegible; or false.
6. Book is outside the Law Library. It must be recalled.
7. Other _____

NEW ORLEANS

Many people did not attend the Joint Southeastern/Southwestern chapter meeting in New Orleans in April. Thus, they did not hear the many interesting speeches, workshops presented,

So in this and in future issues of the "SOUTHEASTERN LAW LIBRARIAN" we will print shortened versions of the talks. We have been told that the Southwestern chapter is planning to publish and sell copies of the full discussions.

Automated Serials Saga - 1980

By

Betty Taylor

University of Florida Law Library.

"The threshold of a totally automated serials system is at hand and within the next few years serials management as well as information storage and retrieval will be a reality in many libraries.

"CONSER is primarily responsible for initiating into existence the library technical processing system. All legal periodicals currently indexed in the ILP and the majority of other basic law serials are now on-line with OCLC as a result of inputting by designated cooperating CONSER libraries. The input of more than 100,000 serial titles with a projected goal in excess of 200,000 titles by the end of 1977 inspired the next step in OCLC of a serials check-in system. ...

"Enhancing check-in procedures is the bar coding system now appearing on popular magazines printed at the source which is similar to bar coded grocery products. LC now uses this system to track materials through its technical processes departments. Light pens attached to computer terminals scan the bar code, read in the number, and call up the record on a CRT terminal. Check in records also include a claim capability and binding records that could easily be converted to on-line contacts with dealers or publishers as well as binderies. ...

"Searching for a serial in the library collection will be accomplished via a terminal that answers the inquiry of serial ownership and upon request directs an automated shelving system device to locate the serial volume in the stacks and deliver it to the desk. The Hastings College of Law Library has this proposal under consideration for its new building. ...

"At the present time, no one data base proposes to combine these systems: however, OCLC, the Library of Congress, and others are actively initiating research and development of the next phases of library technology. Achievement of a totally automated library now a goal will be a reality in the very near future."



AUGUST MEETING

Several people have expressed an interest in the session on LAW SCHOOL FINANCING which is scheduled for Friday morning at the same time that the SE Chapter of AALL is scheduled to have its session on OUR DEVELOPING LAW LIBRARIES - WHAT WILL BE THE STANDARDS?. Therefore, we have moved this session from Friday morning to Saturday morning. SEE program below.

SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE AALS, AND SOUTHEASTERN CHAPTER AALL

PROGRAM

THURSDAY, August 19, 1976

1:00 - 6:30 P.M.

Registration

7:00

"Seafood 'Blast'"
Sponsored jointly by Little,
Brown, and Company and PAD
International Legal Fraternity

FRIDAY, AUGUST 20, 1976

9:00 - 12:00

Registration

9:00

LAW SCHOOL FINANCING

Frederick M. Hart, Dean and Professor, New Mexico
School of Law - Moderator

Panelists: Joshua M. Morse, III, Dean and Professor,
Florida State University, College of Law
Peter Swords, Assistant Dean, Columbia
University, School of Law
Richard A. Thigpen, Executive Vice-President
and Chief Executive Officer, The University
of Alabama
Frank K. Walwer Associate Dean, Columbia
University, School of Law

AFTERNOON FREE

7:00

Reception - Sponsored by West
Publishing Company and
Foundation Press

8:00

Banquet Speaker - Francis A. Allen, President-Elect
Association of American Law Schools

SATURDAY, August 21, 1976

8:30

OUR DEVELOPING LAW LIBRARIES - WHAT WILL BE THE
STANDARDS?

William J. Powers, Jr., Librarian, Cook County Law
Library, Chicago, Illinois - Moderator

Panelists: Mary W. Oliver, Librarian, University of
North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina

SATURDAY, August 21, 1976 (cont'd.)

10:30 Business Session

Presiding: William C. Younger, Librarian and Marshal,
Supreme Court of Alabama

12:30 Luncheon Millard Ruud, Executive Director, AALs
James P. White, Consultant on Legal
Education to the ABA

Those who have not received a registration form may use the one below.

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