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EDITORIAL

In time, water wears down the stone. If you don't believe the veracity of the above statement, visit the Grand Canyon. Law book publishers should issue catalog cards with their sets. For example, suddenly, without notice, the West Publishing Company began sending us volumes of the Federal Practice Digest, second series. (Which we are grateful for.) Why should 200 to 300 catalogers each individually catalog this set? Why couldn't West send us a set of catalog cards when they sent us the book? The printing cost to them is minimum. The next time your West salesman or woman visits you, bug him/her about it. Better still, write Roger Noreen, Vice President, Law School Division, West Publishing Company, 50 West Kellogg Blvd, St. Paul, Minnesota, 55102. He is a good guy and can take our "heat." I use West as my example because they for the most part have a monopoly position in the American law book publishing field. Also, the West invoices take a huge bit out of our annual book budget. They should be responsive to our needs.

This idea for law book publishers to supply us with catalog cards came to me last year when we bought the multi-volume "Dictionary of American Biography" from Charles Scribner and Sons. Voluntarily, they sent us one L.C. catalog card, which described the set. If they can do it, free of charge, then certainly, the law book publishers who rely on us for their livelihood can do it.

The individual law book publishers and dealers (CCH, Gaunt, Hein, Oceana, PH, and Rothman) are no better. They don't furnish us with catalog cards or even print cataloging-in-publication information in their sets, when they reprint them. I have suggested this idea to them many, many times. They all say that it is a good idea, but, alas, never follow thru. There is no earthly reason why they can not supply us with a set of catalog cards, when we buy a set from their in-stock, regular catalog. To their credit, Shepards, when they publish a new volume, does include Cataloging-in-publication information in the volume.

Once we, librarians, get one publisher to furnish us with catalog cards, the rest of them will follow suit. If we keep up the pressure, in time we will succeed. "In time, water wears down the stone."

West's federal practice digest 2d. Volume 1-
St. Paul, Minn., West Pub. Co., (c1976-)

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This set complements, does not supersede,
Modern Federal Practice Digest. It covers
federal case law from 1961 to date.

1. Digests. I. Title: Federal practice digest
- 2d. II. West Publishing Co., St. Paul, Minn.

THE PRESIDENT'S PAGE

Those of you who were unable to attend the annual Southeastern Chapter meeting in Gulf Shores missed a most enjoyable event. The Law Librarians met as a group on Saturday morning for a panel discussion devoted to the topic, "Our Developing Law Libraries -- What Will Be the Standards?" Participants were: William J. Powers, Librarian, Cook County Law Library, Chicago. Mary Oliver, Professor of Law and Law Librarian, Univ of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. Margaret B. Coe, Librarian, Bradley, Arant, Rose and White, Birmingham, Alabama.

During recent years, interest has focused on developing standards for law school libraries, but the discussion at this meeting emphasized the interest and effort now underway to develop standards for other law libraries. The program, in fact, presented clear evidence of similarities rather than differences among types of law libraries -- a refreshing note. The Program Committee, as well as all others who had a part in planning this meeting are to be commended for its success.

Al Coco, AALL Vice-President/President-Elect, was our special guest. He spoke briefly at the business meeting, which followed the panel discussion. An item of interest to all members is the unanimous decision not to accept the invitation of the Ohio Chapter to hold a joint Institute in the Spring of 1977. Primary factors in the decision were the distances most of us would have to travel and the late date set for the Institute.

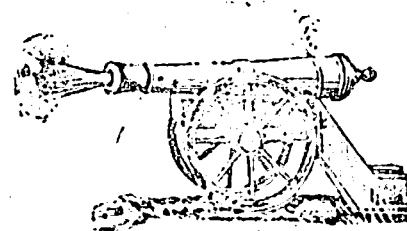
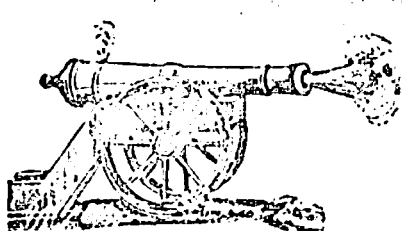
Anne Butler, Institute Program Chairman and Margarett Dye, Local Arrangements Chairman, are making plans for a Southeastern Institute to be held in Atlanta. Anne reports that the Fairmont Hotel can offer the dates of March 17 - 19, 1977. It has tentatively set aside a block of one hundred rooms at rates of \$30. for a single and \$38 for a twin. Although Anne has several topics under consideration, she would appreciate your suggestions and ideas on the Program.

The newly elected officers for 1976 -1978 assumed office at the close of the meeting. They are:

Caroline Heriot, President
Anne Butler, Vice President/President-Elect
Lamar Woodard, Secretary-Treasurer.

We look forward to working with and for the Chapter and welcome your suggestions for improvement of on-going programs and for new ones. As most of you know, I have moved "north" to Virginia. I can be reached at the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg. Let me hear from you.

Caroline C. Heriot
President, SE/AALL



GREAT GPO RACE 2

When we last left the Great Government Printing Office Race, it was only one third completed. Two of our orders for the C.F.R.'s "Protecting your right to privacy" were still in the works.

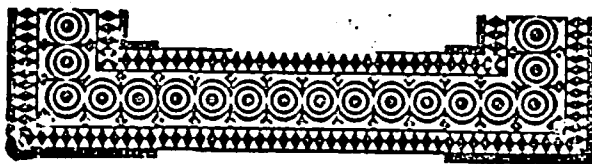
Two other methods of obtaining a government document were not listed in the previous column. Both are froth with danger. With one, the disadvantages definitely outweigh the advantages. This method is to have a friend in Washington, D.C. and convince him/her to actually go to the G.P.O. and purchase directly the item you want. BEWARE !!!! You better want that document very desperately. Because in 999 out of 1,000 instances, you will lose the friend, while getting the document. I know from personal experience. I tried this approach several years ago. I got the item, but permanently lost a friend. Even today, occasionally, I feel a pain in my right arm, as if a person is sticking needles in my doll. (I assume it is my Washington, D.C. ex-friend.)

Steve Margeton, of Steptoe and Johnson, Esqs., told me at our Chapter Breakfast of another route to take. The G.P.O. used to offer a three hour service. Telephone in your order, and three hours later, it would be available for pick up at the pick-up Window. What could be easier? Order, go there and pays your money. This service obviously requires a Washington, D.C. contact. Alas, the service has gotten slower and slower. It was cut back to 24 hour service, then 72 hours. At last report, Steve informs me, that since this summer, it is now a five working days service, because the G.P.O. left Washington, D.C. and moved to Virginia.

Perhaps we, non ^{we} D.C. law librarians, should cultivate Washington, D.C. law librarians, in case ^{we} want to partake of this feature. Of course, they will still have to mail the item to you, a further delay, time-wise.

There are several commercial firms in Washington, D.C. who will buy for your account the needed document. But they want all your G.P.O. business and will not just get one item for you. Hopefully, a Washington, D.C. based law librarian will write for a future issue of "THE SOUTHEASTERN LAW LIBRARIAN." a column on these commercial firms.

But back to the race. Eight weeks after we ordered the item via our depository account, it arrived on June 11th. Better late than never. And three days later, on June 14th, the one ordered on a University of Louisville purchase order crossed the finish line. The Great G.P.O. Race was over. The winner, a personal check, was received weeks ahead of the two runners up.



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WE had a reference question which we could not definitely answer. It is: Why is the lady holding the scales of justice blindfolded? We believe the answer is to show that Justice is blind. However, we can not find any support for this proposition. Can someone locate documentation on this subject? Thanks.

Boston Breakfast Meeting

The Southeastern Chapter of A. A. L. L. held its annual breakfast and business meeting in Boston in June. The meeting was convened by President William Younger at 7:35 A. M. After a splendid breakfast, hosted by Bill Gaunt of Wm. Gaunt & Sons, Holmes Beach, Florida, the business meeting began at 8:15 A. M.

The highlights were:

The reading of the minutes of our last meeting was dispensed with. Lamar Woodard gave the Treasurer's report. We have a balance of \$ 698.00 in the Treasury, with additional funds from the New Orleans Institute still to come. However, our expenses are large. The financial picture is not as rosy as it might seem. Lamar thought that we may have to increase dues to pay our mailing expenses and scholarship commitments. This thought shocked us out of our feeling of euphoria.

The two \$250.00 scholarship winners were announced. They are Margaret Coe (Co-Editor of the SOUTHEASTERN LAW LIBRARIAN) and Donna Joity of Tulane University Law Library.

Reports were given by various committee chairmen. Ed Schroeder, Chairman of the Placement Committee: Steve Margeton, Private Law Library Workshop at New Orleans: Peyton Neal on the New Orleans meeting. He announced that to represent our appreciation for a job well done at the New Orleans meeting, a pen and pencil set was given, in absentia, to Max Dodson, Law Librarian of the Fifth Circuit, U. S. Court of Appeals Law Library: Anne Butler spoke on the possibility of holding the Southeastern Institute meeting in Atlanta in April 1977: Betty Taylor talked on the delay in publishing our union lists. Peyton Neal reported on our efforts to obtain the national A. A. L. L. convention for Atlanta in 1980. He reported failure. It will be held in St. Louis. However, we are trying to obtain it for 1981 for either Atlanta or at Disney World.

This Committee is also working on the possibility of having the Puerto Rican law schools affiliate with the Southeastern Chapter of A. A. L. S. Thus we could meet in Puerto Rico. Once again, no success has been obtained, so far. But the committee is still working on it.

Lamar proposed a wonderful idea. That the Southeastern Chapter nominate Bill Younger to run for a position on the A. A. L. L. Executive Board in 1977. A super thought. (Editor's Note: Let's all get behind this thought and push Bill Younger for the Executive Board.)

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was uttered, seconded and approved. A detailed report of the meeting will be given in the minutes, formally submitted, at our next business meeting.



Kentucky Legislative Info

This article written by Martha Rush of University of Louisville Law Library is the first in what the editors hope will be a continuing feature of the SOUTHEASTERN LAW LIBRARIAN on state legislative information.

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KENTUCKY LEGISLATIVE INFORMATION -- HOW TO OBTAIN IT

by

Martha W. Rush

Associate Law Librarian, U.L.

In Kentucky, the General Assembly meets biennially in the even years for sixty consecutive days excluding legal holidays and Sundays. Both legislative houses convene on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in January, and adjourn late in March. Should the necessity arise during the interim for a special session, it must be called by the Governor and will have no specific time restrictions.

The printing of the major portion of legislative documents is performed by the Kentucky Legislative Research Commission (LRC), the permanent service and research staff of the General Assembly.* In order to alleviate the overload of printing and distributing the bills introduced during the first few days of a regular session, a law was enacted in 1970 allowing members-elect and senators having completed one-half of their term to pre-file bills from November 15 until the next succeeding regular legislative session. Such pre-filed bills are not released to the public until they have been introduced on the floor, unless the person filing the measure authorizes its release in writing. All bills introduced during either a regular or special session may be purchased during and following the session from the General Assembly Bill Room for 1¢ per page with a minimum of \$1.00 for mailings, or as a set for \$150.00.**

On each legislative day during a regular or special session a cumulative status table and summary of all bills introduced is published under the title: Legislative Record. This publication can be purchased during the regular session from the Commission for the price of \$1.00 per copy, if picked up in person, or \$2.00 per copy, if mailed. The price for copies printed during the special session is set by the Commission at the time of the special session. During the interim, the Commission publishes a free monthly periodical called the Interim Legislative Record. This newspaper summarizes the interim legislative activities and contains the minutes of interim legislative committee meetings.

There are no slip laws published during or following a legislative session. Thus making it necessary to await the publication of the bound volumes entitled Kentucky Acts. By statute, the Commission has ninety days in which to publish the Acts (Session Laws). The Acts cost \$20.00 per volume and are available from the L.R.C.

* All requests for information or publications, unless otherwise noted should be sent to the Kentucky Legislative Research Commission, Public Information. All addresses are included at the end of this article.

** All prices were in effect as of the 1976 regular session of the Kentucky General Assembly and are subject to change.

Since 1970 the Kentucky LRC has contracted with the Bobbs-Merrill Company, Inc. for publication of the official edition of the Kentucky Revised Statutes. The official edition is a twenty-volume hard cover set supplemented by pocket parts. The cost of the set is \$387.50 with the price of the supplements and any revised volume varying. An unofficial edition called Baldwin's Kentucky Revised Statutes Annotated is published by the Banks-Baldwin Law Publishing Company in a seven-volume loose-leaf set for the price of \$275.00, with its supplements also varying in price.

The other major sources of Kentucky legislative information are the House of Representatives Journal and the Senate Journal. These are also published by the Commission and are not available for public purchase. These journals are sent to the major universities and colleges in the Commonwealth, as well as to the Offices of the Circuit Court clerks in each of the 120 counties, where they may be used by the general public.

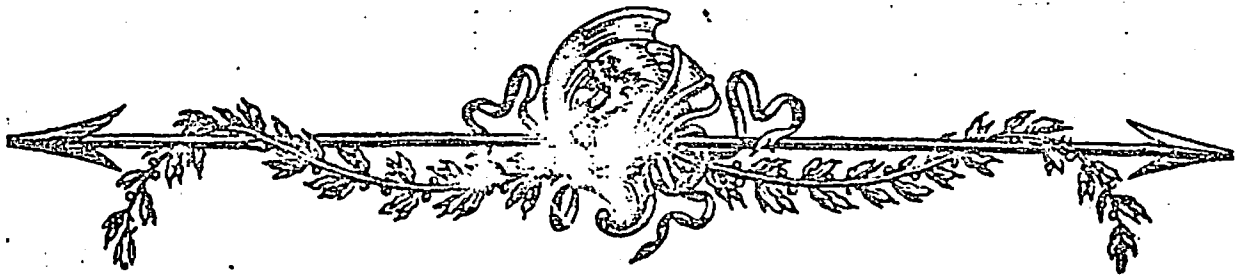
This information should, at least, give those interested in tracking down the major sources of Kentucky legislative information a place to start from. The Kentucky Legislative Research Commission is most helpful in aiding the public in its search for information concerning Kentucky state legislation. It is certainly an excellent place to write to, for any specific information on a subject of Kentucky legislation not included in the materials mentioned above.

Legislative Research Commission
Public Information
State Capitol
Frankfort, Kentucky, 40601

Legislative Research Commission
General Assembly Bill Room
State Capitol
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NEWLY ISSUED PERIODICALS

From October 1, 1975 thru September 30, 1976, the University of Louisville Law Library began subscriptions to the following 37 legal periodicals. Do you know of other newly issued legal periodicals that we missed? If so, write in. If necessary, we will print a further listing in our next issue, to be published in January 1977.

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PERIODICAL

BEGINNING WITH

ALI-ABA Course Materials Journal	V. 1 #1	
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Asian Law Forum	V. 1 #1	
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First Principles (Project on National Security and Civil Liberties)	V. 1 #1	
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International Trade Law & Practice	V. 1 #1	
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Lending Law Forum	V. 1 #1	
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Man & Medicine	V. 1 #1	
Maritime Lawyer (Tulane Law School)	V. 1 #1	
Mental Disability Law Reporter (ABA)	V. 1 #1	
Monash University Law Review	V. 1 #1	
Fire Arms and Laws Review	1975	
National Rifle Association of America		
North Carolina Journal of International Law and Commercial Regulations	V. 1 #1	
Oklahoma City University Law Review	V. 1 #1	
Seton Hall Legislative Journal	V. 1 #1	
South African Yearbook of International Law	V. 1 1975	
Supreme Court Historical Society Yearbook (Bound Volume)	1976	
Tel Aviv Studies in Law (Bound Volume)	V. 1 #1	
University of Dayton Law Review	V. 1 #1	
University of New South Wales Law Journal	---	
Vermont Law Review	V. 1 #1	
William Mitchell Law Review	V. 1 #1	
Yearbook: Commercial Arbitration	V. 1 1976 (Bound Volume)	

JOBS, JOBS!

Ed Schroeder of Florida State University reports that the job market is rather slow this time around. In the South Eastern region, there are only two openings that are listed with Betty Taylor, Chairman of the Placement Committee, AALL. They are:

Virginia. Univ. of. Head Cataloger. see .27 of AALL Newsletter, 8/1
South Carolina. Univ of. Assistant Law Librarian. see p.27 of AALL Newsletter 8/1

Does your Law Library have a Placement Representative? If so, then Betty Taylor sends monthly^{you} an up-date of the Placement List. If not, assign someone to be your Placement Representative, and get on the mailing list.



WEST PUB. CO. REPLIES

The West Publishing Company replies to our recent editorial:
June 3, 1976

"Dear Gene:

We are dropping you this brief note in response to your editorial in volume 2, number 1 of the SOUTH EASTERN LAW LIBRARIAN in which you suggest that the West Publishing Company should produce a master table of cases covering all appellate decisions from 1658 to date.

This answer is very simple. Although the material is available, the number of potential buyers is so radically limited that the cost per table would be absolutely prohibitive.

With best personal regards.

Sincerely

Roger F. Noreen
Vice President "



ORALL

The Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries (ORALL) In August published a "Model Bibliography for County Law Librarians." It is sixty (60) pages long. You may obtain a copy of it, free of charge, by writing to:

Ms Carol Bratton
Cincinnati Law Library Assn
601 Court House
Cincinnati, OHIO 45202.



NEW ORLEANS-2

The SOUTHEASTERN LAW LIBRARIAN is publishing here another talk given at the New Orleans meeting in April.

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Serial Acquisition Problems from the Law Librarian's Perspective.

By
Jackie Goodwin
Washington and Lee University.

"My previous experience in the Periodicals Department of a large university library offered little preparation for the unique characteristics of a law library serial collection. A monograph which is annually supplemented with a pocket part, often not written by the original author, or which appears in a looseleaf format, receiving occasional replacement pages, was very disorienting to my traditional conception of a "Book." A legal periodical with a regular frequency is the exception rather than the rule for law libraries. In the law library, it seems almost everything is of a continuing nature, and therefore, requires considerable bibliographic control. Fundamental decisions must be reached for maintaining an accurate and complete kardex record and for shelf arrangement, either by classification or alphabetically.

The verification and order procedures for the law serials also requires considerable effort. Although I recommend the use of a subscription agent whenever possible, many law titles must remain direct subscriptions, or come to us through gifts, exchange, memberships, A.B.A. package plan or G.P.O. deposit. The standard periodical tools such as Ulrich's or New Serials Titles are not always helpful in listing law titles, especially law school or bar association publications. Eugene Wypyski's new Legal Periodicals in English when completed, will be a welcome addition to the acquisitions department.

For the present time, however, the acquisitions librarian must contend with incomplete tools and inconsistent union lists when trying to locate and compile such information as volume one, date, frequency, place of publication, date or issue number with which a title changed its name."

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Major Bibliographic Tools in Law Serials Acquisitions.

1. ABA Bar Key Executive Handbook. June 1973. (Update is due in June, 1976.)
2. Canadian Serials Directory. University of Toronto Press, 1972.
3. Irregular Serials and Annuals. An International Bibliography. Third Edition, 1974-1975. R.R. Bowker.
4. C. Allen. "A Preliminary listing of current publications of A.B.A. - Approved law schools and their libraries." 67 Law Library Journal, 79-109, (1974)
5. New Serial Titles. 4 volumes, 1950-1970; and 1971-1974. ^{plus} monthly and quarterly issues. U.S. G.P.O. and R.R. Bowker.

6. Ulrich's International Periodicals Directory. 16th Edition, 1975-1976, R.R. Bowker.
7. Union List of Serials, Imprints prior to 1950. R.R. Bowker.
8. Wypyski, Eugene. Legal Periodicals in English. Volume 1 in print. To be 5 volumes. Loose leaf. Glanville, 1976.

MAJOR SUBSCRIPTION AGENTS.

1. Carswell and Company. Agincourt, Ontario, Canada.
2. Ebsco Subscription Services. Birmingham, Alabama.
3. F.W. Faxon Subscription Agency, Inc. Westwood, Massachusetts.
4. William W. Gaunt and Company. Holmes Beach, Florida.
5. William S. Hein and Company. Buffalo, New York.
6. Oceana Publications. Dobbs Ferry, New York.
7. Fred B. Rothman, South Hackensack, New Jersey.



LETTERS, WE GET LETTERS

The letter reproduced below was sent to us anonymously. It shows clearly why acquisition librarians get grey hair, lose their cool, and/or occasionally take a drink.

Orange County Bar Journal
17291 Irvine Blvd
Tustin, California 92680

Dear Friends:

Please issue volume 3, number 1 of your periodical. I believe if volume 2, number 7 comes out, my binding clerk will up and quit. Because you state that your journal comes out quarterly, we in good faith bound the first four issues of volume 2. Thus, we were forced to rebind it when 2/5 appeared. Last week, 2/6 arrived in the Law Library. We will hold it, until volume 2 is finally completed. Please keep my staff intact by issuing volume 3, number 1. Thank you.

Truly yours,

A.N. ONYMOUS
Law Librarian.

THEIR REPLY:

YOU ARE IN LUCK !!!! NEXT ISSUE THAT COMES OUT --- this month --- WILL BE Volume 3, Number 1. We had a change in editors and the new man forgot to change the volume number last year. This really has caused a lot of trouble -- hope all is straightened out now. GOOD LUCK IN KEEPING YOUR STAFF INTACT.

SHIRLEY.