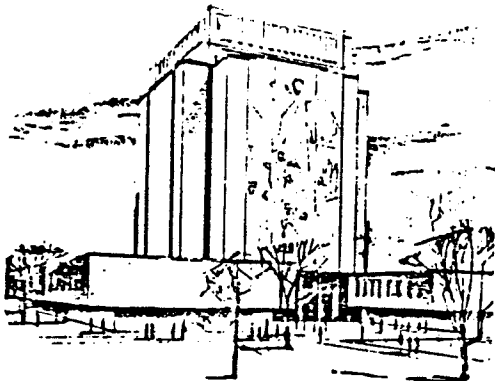




AUTOMATION UPDATE

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We have a winner and you
are the first to know!

Dorothy Paul-Hoffman, a
secretary in the Reference
Department of Memorial Library
at Notre Dame, has been
awarded the first prize in the
"Name the Automated Catalog"
contest. Dorothy will receive
the \$50 first prize for her
winning entry, "UNLOC," repre-
senting University of Notre
Dame Libraries Online Catalog.

The three runners-up are:

Ramzi Bualuan	"CANDL"	<u>Computerized Access to Notre Dame</u> <u>Library</u>
Daniel Dooley	"ERIN"	<u>Educational Resource Information</u> <u>Network</u>
Charles Hohenstein	"SORIN"	<u>System for On-line Retrieval of</u> <u>Information</u>

Each runner-up will receive a gift certificate from Domino's
Pizza.

Congratulations to the winners and our thanks to all who
entered. The 562 entries have demonstrated that originality is
not dead at Notre Dame!

Thanks also to the contest judges, Robert Grahek,
Engineering Student; Linda Gregory of Interlibrary Loan; and
Professor John Lucey of the University Committee on Libraries,
for their careful and long (and sometimes laughter filled?)
deliberations.

Having selected "UNLOC" as the personalized name for the
automated catalog at Notre Dame brings us another step forward in
our ongoing automation process. Please also see on the verso a
copy of a recent press release on the University Libraries'
automation plans issued from the University Department of Public
Relations. My thanks to all the library faculty and staff for
all your efforts in turning this dream into a reality.

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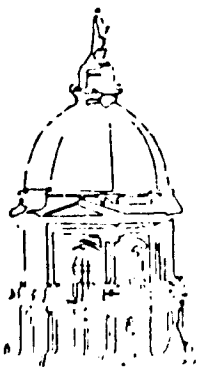
Automated library services are expected to be available next spring at the University of Notre Dame with the recent acquisition of NOTIS, the Northwestern Online Total Integrated System, a computer-based integrated library system developed at Northwestern University.

Notre Dame Trustee Emeritus John T. Ryan Jr., board chairman of Mine Safety Appliances Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., enabled the acquisition with funds from the Irene O'Brien Ryan endowment fund he established at the University in honor of his wife. Automation of the libraries also includes the purchase of an IBM 4381 main frame computer, to be located in the University Computing Center, and a network of 128 terminals distributed among the Memorial Library, law library and the various campus branch libraries.

NOTIS capabilities, combined with hardware and software on the Notre Dame campus, will allow users at any library terminal or compatible personal computer to retrieve the same information now stored in the Memorial Library's main card catalogue. Users will be able to search the computerized catalogue by author, subject, title or partial title. Circulation information will be provided, as will printers for paper copies of all information retrieved.

New books will be processed much more quickly, and the information will be available to library users as soon as the book is catalogued on NOTIS rather than after the production and filing of cards. Bar codes for books and user identification will also speed services.

NOTIS is also studying future expansions of its services intended to provide access to computerized information from facilities beyond the Notre Dame libraries. Notre Dame is among some 50 university libraries committed to the NOTIS system.



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UNLOC is Here

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What: Over 700,000 records covering more than 90% of the titles in the Notre Dame Libraries will be found in UNLOC, the University Libraries' online catalog. Included are records for all books and journals cataloged since 1976, most older books, and many older journals in the Hesburgh Library, all branch libraries, and the Kresge Law Library. The database, however, is not complete for older materials and does not include holdings for journals. Thus you may well need to continue to use the card catalog for some time. Database clean-up work is proceeding. Until the clean-up is completed, keep in mind that you may find some duplicate records, and that multiple copies and added volumes of sets will not be indicated.

How: Easy to use author, title and subject searching (a=, t=, s=), with online help screens available at many points. Keyword/Boolean searching available shortly.

Where: Terminals at all branch libraries and first and second floors of the Theodore M. Hesburgh Library.

Help:

- Printed guides at each terminal
- Online help screens
- Introductory training sessions--ask at any public service desk
- Advanced training on Keyword/Boolean searching offered soon
- Assistance from library staff

What next:

- Keyword/Boolean searching
- Enhanced database
- Access from any terminal with full-screen access to the IBM 3033 mainframe
- Dial-in access from personal computers with modems

Finally: UNLOC is an evolving system; enhancements may require modest changes. We invite your comments and suggestions directed to: UNLOC Communications Coordinator

Campus Address: Room 221 Theodore M. Hesburgh Library
E-MAIL Address: LDQGAS (on ND's IBM 4381) or
LDQGAS@UNDMAIL2 (on ND's IBM 3033)

*****NOTICE TO LIBRARY PATRONS*****

The University Libraries' former online catalog, UNLOC, will cease to be available to the public on Saturday, May 29, 1999. UNLOC had been available while the staff of the library verified the correctness of the conversion of the data to its new client/server based system, ALEPH. The data conversion has now been verified. No data conversion problems have been found within the OPAC and the libraries are confident that the new system is inclusive of all the data which was targeted for transfer.

Information on UNLOC has not been updated since December, 1998, and no new records have been added since then; so use of that system does not represent the current state of the collection. Books which appear to be available in UNLOC could in reality be checked out, leading to confusion about the materials. In addition searches for recent information sources will be incomplete and will get more incomplete as time passes. Finally, the UNLOC product which is running is not Y2K compliant.

UNLOC has remained till near the very end of the life of the server on which it has been housed, but this server is targeted to cease operation in the very near future.