Finding Aid for Library Learning Center Records, 1903-2011
Stout Series 9

Overview of Collection

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Creators: UW-Stout Library Learning Center

Title: Library Learning Center Records

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Location of Collection: Contact UW-Stout Archives and Area Research Center for more information.

Languages: English

Summary: This collection includes records of the Head Librarian, and later the Library Director, concerning the operation of the library. Included are materials relating to the accreditation of the library, bibliographies for various subjects in the Stout Curriculum, library collection and circulation statistics, correspondence with Stout President Verne C. Fryklund, equipment and furniture inventories, the Textbook service, library personnel, the new Pierce Library building, and minutes of the Library Committee.

Historical Note

The mission of the library is to facilitate the learning process and instructional communications by providing an integrated approach to development, organization,
storage, and retrieval of the library collection and to encourage learning through individual self-development. The Stout Library appears to have been established in 1908 with Grace R. Darling as the first Librarian. Prior to 1908, Mabel Tainter Memorial Library and various small book and pamphlet collections in the Stout Training Schools served as library facilities. The library was originally housed with the Stout Administrative Offices in a wooden structure known as the "Yellow Lodge." This building was torn down in 1914 and the library was temporarily moved to the Gymnasium-Natrium building. When Harvey Hall was completed in 1916, the library was moved to the first floor, northwestern section of that building. Through much of its early history, the library faced the dual problems of space shortages and accrediting problems. Accreditation appear to have entailed both actual weaknesses in the library collection as well as difficulties in evaluating the collection due to Stout's specialized subject mission. With the completion of the Robert L. Pierce Library in 1954 and subsequent building addition in 1970, space problems are addressed. Administratively, the Head Librarian reported to the Stout President until 1970 when Learning Resources was established as an agency headed by its own Dean and which combined library and audio-visual production services. This also resulted in a name change for the library to Media Retrieval Services-Pierce Library. In 1983 the name was again changed to the Library Learning Center.

Scope and Content Note
A complete file of library annual reports exists from 1910-1955. After 1955, the annual reports are working files and do not often include the final reports. In Box 82: Atari 2600 E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial Game Cartridge, 1982. Video game instruction booklets for games made by Nintendo, Atari, Activision, and Sears Tele-games such as Super Marios Bros. 2, Donkey Kong, and Space Invaders.

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information:
Transferred from the Library Learning Center to the UW-Stout Archives and Area Research Center.

Processing Note:
Currently this collection is being physically processed and rearranged. If you would like to view materials from this collection, please contact the UW-Stout Archives and Area Research Center at archives@uwstout.edu.

Access Restrictions:
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Use Restrictions:
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