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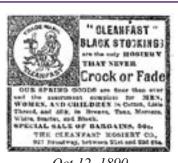
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The New York Times and **Other Newpapers Online**

We are excited to announce the Library now offers fulltext access to the New York Times. Since its inception in 1851, the New York Times has chronicled the news and history of the United States and the world. The paper is heavily used by researchers and students from a variety of disciplines, including history, English, and political science. Until recently, accessing the older issues of the New York Times required researchers to sift through reels of microfilm. In December 2003, CSU acquired a subscription to the historical issues of the New York Times from Proquest Historical Newspapers. This ambitious project digitized over 3,400,000 pages of the New York Times cover to cover, and now users can access

the New York Times from 1851-2001 on their desktops. Since each issue was scanned in its entirety, this database



Oct 12, 1890



FORT COLLINS, Col., May 21.—Estimates of the damage caused by the flood in the Cashe La Foodre Valley run from \$1,000,-(00 upward. One bundred and fifty houses in the Russian settlement at the sugar fac-tory north of this town were destroyed.

So far as ascertained, only one life was jest here. Six bridges, were washed out between Livermore and Fort Collins, and traffic is suspended.

New York Times (1857-Current file); May 22, 1904; ProQuest Historical Newspapers The New York Times pg. 3. Reproduced with permission of the copyright owner. Further reproduction prohibited without permission.

includes news, editori-

als, letters to the editor,

obituaries, and birth

and marriage announce-

ments, as well as histori-

cal photos, stock photos,

and advertisements. The

user can search the text

and headlines of the

newspaper, and articles

can be viewed individu-

ally or as a part of the

page on which they were originally published. The New York Times (1851-2001) can be accessed via the library databases page.

LexisNexis's database Academic Universe is another widely-used source for full-text newspaper articles. It covers more than 350 newspapers from the United States and a number of foreign countries, including the most recent issues of the New York Times, the Washington Post, and the Christian Science Monitor. Colorado's Rocky Mountain News, Denver Post, and Westword are available full-text from the mid-1990s. Recent additions, indexed very selectively, include Boulder's Daily Camera, the Estes Park Trail, the Fort Morgan Times,

the Lamar Daily News, and Sterling's Journal Advocate. Clicking on the "Sources"

heading at the top of the search screen links to the complete list of newspapers the database offers. The "News" search interface is easy to use, and articles in HTML format can be printed, downloaded, or emailed for later review.

For more information on these resources, contact Allison Cowgill, 491-1876 or Allison. Cowgill@colostate.edu.



ILLiad: Your Gateway to Interlibrary Loan and CSU Document Delivery Services

ILLiad is our new automated interlibrary loan (ILL) and local document system for CSU faculty, staff, and students. It allows you to request delivery of materials owned by CSU as well as other libraries worldwide.

ILLiad replaces the WebZAP ILL request system, adding a number of new features which let you request delivery of items held at CSU, including desktop delivery of journal articles.

- Choose your own login and password. No social security number required.
- Track the progress of your request any time. Updates occur in real time.
- Modify or cancel a request anytime before it has been sent to a supplier.
- Reorder a previously obtained book. Simply click the "resubmit" button.
- Set up a separate account for a student or staff member to use to order materials for you without sharing your university ID number.

And, we are continuing all the features you have appreciated for some time:

- Desktop delivery of articles.
- Email notification of receipt of articles with a clickable link to the item.
- Overdue notifications via email, now supplemented with early courtesy reminders.

It's easy to place an interlibrary loan or local document delivery request through ILLiad. Just click Interlibrary Loan on the Libraries webpage (lib.colostate.edu) or click on the Libraries ILL channel from the RamPoint portal. Click on "First Time Users" to set up your account in ILLiad.

For local document delivery, just fill out the same form you use for interlibrary loan, add our call number, and ILL staff will take it from there. Articles are delivered to your desktop. Local document delivery items are free of charge and they will be handled within 48 hours (M-F).

For more information, contact Cristi MacWaters at 491-1866 or cmacwaters.colostate.edu.

Electronic Reserve System Enhanced http://lib.colostate.edu/access/ereserve/

The electronic reserve (ER) system now allows instructors to select from a list of their previously-scanned material to be placed on ER for the current term. New items still need to be scanned, but are then subsequently available in future semesters. In the very near future, ER will be modified to handle faculty-supplied documents, including Microsoft Word documents, Microsoft Excel spreadsheets, PDF files and more.

These improvements should speed ER processing and also allow an increasing percentage of reserve items to be available to students 24/7. Two new policies have been designed to expand the value of ER:

- Instructors are asked to submit ER items electronically via the web.
- Faculty are encouraged to put relevant sections of books on ER, and should avoid putting library books on traditional shelf reserve (exceptions for color plates, technical drawings and materials of similar nature will be made. E-mail reservehelp@manta.colostate.edu or phone 970-491-4688 to inquire).

For Fall 2004, approximately 85% of reserve items for classes are now available through electronic reserve. This is an amazing leap from the days when we only had paper-based items on traditional reserve—available only when the library was open.

For more information contact Jim Farmer at 491-1864 or jfarmer@manta.colostate.edu.

New Self-Check Machines

Two new Self-Check machines have been installed at the Loan/Reserve Desk. These machines enable speedy book checkout. Users must have an ID with a barcode (available at the ID office in the Lory Student Center). A view-screen steps you through the process. At the end of your transaction, the Self-Check machine gives you a receipt.



Employee News



New Biological Sciences Librarian

Joanna Blair joined the University Libraries Reference Services Department on September 1, 2004. Joanna is a member of the Libraries' Instruction Group and will assume the biological sciences librarian responsibilities. Joanna's recent work experience was at St. Mary's University library where she divided her time between general reference services and cataloging. Her Master of Library and Information Studies degree was granted from Dalhousie University in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Joanna also has a B.S. with combined honors in Biology and Anthropology. Before returning to school to do her MLIS she worked in the field of life sciences as a researcher, focusing on larval amphibian ecology. Joanna is extremely excited to have an opportunity in her new position to combine her experience in the life sciences and her training in librarianship. Joanna is originally from Toronto, Ontario and she is looking forward to living in the American west and exploring the mountains. Joanna can be reached by email at jblair@manta.colostate.edu or by phone at 491-3977.

New Electronic Resources Librarian

The Library welcomes Alea Henle who began as the new Electronic Resources Librarian on September 7. She was most recently a Senior Researcher and Organization Learning Coordinator at the corporate law firm of Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP in Washington, DC. Alea has a background in providing reference and research services and evaluating and promoting a wide-range of electronic resources. She also has strong computer skills and extensive experience designing and leading training sessions. Such expertise will help address the many challenges of this newly designed position that focuses on the Libraries' steadily growing electronic resources. Alea is active in the American Association of Law Librarians and has published in "Law Library Lights." She received her MLS from Simmons Graduate School of Library and Information Science where she also worked as a graduate student. Alea is eager to return to academia and welcomes the opportunity to relocate to Colorado where she has family and friends. She may be reached at 491-3292 or ahenle@manta.colostate.edu.





New Metadata Librarian

Shu Liu has joined the Libraries as Metadata Librarian/Database Management Unit Head. Shu is a recent graduate of the School of Library, Archival, and Information Studies at the University of British Columbia, where she gained experience in metadata applications, bibliographic control, and reference services in the Asian Library. As a Graduate Academic Assistant for Information Literacy, she worked closely with the library's head in developing a Learning Object Repository for a Chinese Canadian history course. As a Graduate Academic Assistant for Instruction, she organized, assessed, and updated Web resources on Chinese studies and drafted an online instructional guide for the Chinese Academic Journals database. Shu also worked on the library's catalog conversion project from Wade-Giles to Pinyin.

Shu is originally from the city of Harbin, in Heilongjiang Province in China. She also holds a BA in Library Science and Economics from Peking University.

Shu greatly looks forward to becoming involved in developing the Libraries' digital collections. Her special interests include institutional repositories and research on metadata applications. She is enjoying the sunny weather and scenery of Fort Collins and getting to know the friendly people in the community. Shu can be contacted via email at shu.liu@colostate.edu or phone at 491-1824.



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New Websites Provide Access to Wildlife and Rangeland Information

In Spring 2004, the Colorado State University Libraries launched two collaborative websites providing rangeland and wildlife damage management information. The Agriculture Network Information Center (AgNIC) Alliance began in 1995 with land-grant institutions and the National Agricultural Library partnering to provide access to quality information and resources over the Internet.

The AgNIC Wildlife Damage Management site is a collaborative effort between the National Wildlife Research Center (NWRC), located in Fort Collins, and the CSU Libraries. NWRC librarians Diana Dwyer and Laurie Paulik collaborated with Allison Level, Assistant Professor and Agriculture Reference Librarian, on this project.

http://lib.colostate.edu/research/agnic/index.html

The Colorado Rangelands Website is the Colorado contribution to the Western Rangelands Partnership. This partnership is another AgNIC project committed to delivering quality information, resources, and tools to improve management of western rangelands. The Colorado Rangelands site was created by Allison Level and Maria E. Fernandez-Gimenez, Assistant Professor in the Forest, Rangeland, and Watershed Stewardship Department.

http://rangelandswest.org/index.html For more information, contact Allison Level at alevel@manta.colostate.edu or 491-3918.

Journal Update

The University has made funding inflation on library journals a priority in recent years. Although no base money was added to the Libraries Materials Budget this year, the Provost worked with the Libraries administration over the summer to identify one-time funding which will be spent to minimize the number of journals we need to cancel. We will be maintaining, at least for this year, approximately half the titles originally identified for cancellation.



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Knowledge to Go Places

Library Connection is published each semester during the academic year to acquaint users with the resources of Colorado State University Libraries. Requests to be placed on the mailing list or comments about the newsletter should be referred to the Newsletter Editorial Board: Julie Wessling, Chair (491-1838 or jwessling@manta. colostate .edu), Allison Cowgill, Pat Vandeventer, and Michelle Wilde.