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The Dean's Corner

Knowledge Unlatched: An Open Access Ebook Model



A pilot collection of 28 open access electronic book titles from Knowledge Unlatched (KU), a not-for-profit organization, has the potential to transform funding of and access to scholarly books. Thirteen respected university presses such as Duke, Rutgers, Temple, Edinburgh, and Cambridge contributed the 28 titles on the promise that 200 or more libraries would support the pilot program, thus defraying their production costs. The pilot collection was offered to the publishers by KU under a cost recovery open access (OA) model. The average title fee is \$12,000 and will be returned to the participating publishers by KU. The total KU cost of the 28 titles is \$336,000 and will be divided by the number of participating libraries and other organizations. For these publishers, it is an opportunity to learn what could happen if their titles are accessible on an OA license

To demonstrate that libraries around the world are willing to support the pilot, as well as future global pur-

chases of KU collections, Marx Library agreed to participate. Before KU closed the project, about 300 libraries joined; making the cost per institution possibly as low as \$1,100. At about \$40.00 per title, that's not bad. Of course, being OA, non-participating libraries would not have to pay anything. Participating libraries, however, wanted to guarantee that KU's effort succeeded by contributing to a project that has the potential to secure long-term cost savings to a wide number of new academic e-titles. The pilot project has the potential to place academic libraries at the center of the shift towards open access eBooks.

A fully downloadable, DRM (digital rights management) free, PDF version of the books in this pilot collection will be hosted and preserved by the HathiTrust. As a participating

library, USA will have a say in shaping the future of KU eBook collections. Some titles included are: *China's iGeneration*,; *Networks and Institutions in Europe's Emerging Markets* by Schoenman,; *The Myth of Piers Plowman* by Warner; *The Ethics of Armed Conflict* by Lango; *Understanding the Global Energy Crisis* by Coyle and Simmons; *Partisan Gerrymandering* by Engstrom; and *Constructing Muslims in France* by Fredette.

Of the 28 KU titles, 22 have been published; these items have been cataloged and made available through SOUTHcat. Should we continue to participate in KU's OA access e-collections as they become available? Let me hear from you.

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Database Login Changes

The University Libraries and the USA Computer Center have changed the login method for library databases. The new login uses LDAP (lightweight directory access protocol) and makes the library database login exactly like the one currently used for

USAonline/ SAKAI.

Username: J Number

Password: JagMail email password

Health Systems Employees

Health Systems employees with a current USAonline/

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Sakai password should be able to login to library databases.

However, if you do not have a USAonline or Jag-Mail account, you can create one at <https://jagmail.southalabama.edu/hslsdappw.aspx>

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News from The Doy Leale McCall Rare Book and Manuscript Library

The McCall Library has received the following collections:

The Evan H. Foreman Jr. collection of color slides (159 items) showing primarily costume parties attended by members of the State Street Strutters, a social group made up of local young professionals that existed between 1961 and 1963.

An additional 3.5 linear feet to the Julius E. Marx Collection, including two bound township and range map sets, a 1949 plat book, a 1964 land ownership map, a 1940 map of the St. Louis Tract, and large format copies of the 1926 Ehrenbourg map.

The Vine and Olive Colony Papers (3 linear feet) consisting of primarily genealogical material related to several prominent Mobile families and former members of the Vine and Olive Colony of Demopolis. The collection includes the Herpin, Hurtel, Sandoz, Gaillard, and Bosarge families, as well as a number of 19th-century periodicals.

One linear foot of photographs and negatives (circa 200 items) taken by various photographers hired by the Ernest Construction Company to document assorted pile driving jobs around the city. The images are dated from the 1920s to the 1970s.

An artificial collection of United Sons of Confederate Veterans' minutes, reports, proceedings, reunion materials, and a constitution. Most of the material concerns the Alabama division of the organization, although there are a few items related to Texas. The documents are dated 1900-1908 and 1948.

Mobile General Hospital (USA Medical Center) Papers (mostly from 1971 through 1973) made up of correspondence, minutes, newsclippings, photographs, reports, slides, blueprints,

contracts and plans dealing with the attempt to renovate the hospital.

Two linear feet of material related to USA, including information on Marx Library committees and various university committees (1967-1982); reports and legal documents pertaining to desegregation monitoring (1981-1982, 1986); university budgets (1963-1976); faculty research interests (1970-1978); and various publications.

Twelve black and white 8 x 10 inch photographs of oyster shell dredging and six black and white 8 x 10 inch images of beach fill operations conducted by the Radcliff Gravel Company.

The Most Pure Heart of Mary Oral History Collection, which contains sixteen CDs that have thirty-three interviews with former students and faculty of this Roman Catholic school for African Americans. The collection also has a book developed from the interviews, which is entitled *From the Back of the Pews to the Head of the Class*. Some of Mobile's most prominent citizens attended the school including Alexis Herman, President Bill Clinton's labor secretary, and Dora Finley, founder of Mobile's African American History Trail.

The papers of Congressman Jo Bonner, which consist of 152 linear feet of, among other things, constituent and legislative files, newsclippings, photographs, speeches, campaign material, and office files covering the ten-year career of Alabama's First District congressman. This collection remains closed.

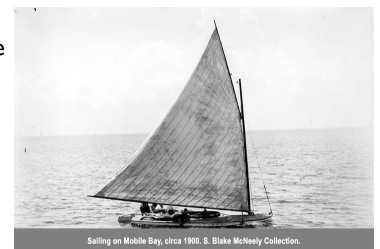
In addition to receiving the collections discussed above, the McCall Library has been busy since last August preparing for its eventual move to the main campus. We have surveyed all of our collections and determined which ones needed to be re-housed and/or weeded. Supplies

for the re-housing project were purchased and, to date, hundreds of our manuscript collections as well as 11,000 of our glass-plate negatives and 60,000 of our safety negatives have been put into brand new boxes. We are currently surveying unidentified negatives, making decisions on which ones to keep as we go.

We would also like to invite all students, faculty, staff, and administrators of the university to visit our brand new website, which more closely resembles other university sites. Each page of the site now contains a captioned photograph. We have also provided eight online exhibits as well as thirteen photograph galleries. We've already received very favorable reviews and are excited to be able to provide more examples of our magnificent photographs! The website can be found at <http://southalabama.edu/mccallarchives>.

Carol Ellis
Director

The Doy Leale McCall Rare Book and Manuscript Library



Sailing on Mobile Bay, circa 1900. S. Blake McNeely Collection.

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Database Login Changes

Clinical Adjunct Faculty

Clinical adjunct faculty with no J Numbers will receive them soon (they will start with a V). Contact the Biomedical Library Reference desk at (251) 460-7044 or medlib@southalabama.edu if you have not signed up for a library account, if you have not yet received your J Number, if you have not given the Biomedical Library your current email address, or if you are having any trouble logging into the system. If you have a number that starts with a V, but cannot remember your

password, you can reset it here (<https://jagmail.southalabama.edu/vldappw.aspx>)

Problems can still be reported to library staff members, but many login problems that used to be handled by the Libraries will now be addressed by the Computer Center instead. Call them at (251) 460-6161.

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Kathy Wheeler
Head of Reference & Instruction

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Login name : J Number (including the 100)
Password: JagMail email password

Marx Library Adds JSTOR Ebooks

During the 2013 Fall Semester, the Marx Library added over 900 JSTOR ebooks to our existing JSTOR journal archives. Most of the titles are from leading academic publishers and university presses.

Subject areas represented in the collection are: History, Language & Literature, Music, Philosophy, Political Science, Sociology, and Anthropology.

JSTOR ebooks are integrated into every JSTOR search. When building a search strategy you have the option of limiting to just articles, just books, or searching everything available to you if you are using the Advanced Search page. If you search everything, you will see tabs at the top of the search results which will allow you to look at articles or books separately after you have entered your search terms.

Like JSTOR journal articles,

JSTOR book chapters may be read online or downloaded as PDF files that never expire.

JSTOR is under the Databases link on the Marx Library homepage <http://library.southalabama.edu/>

Kathryn Jones
Head of Collection Development

**“JSTOR ebooks
are integrated
into every
JSTOR search”.**

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Carol Ruth Silver
Publisher: [University Press of Mississippi](#) (February 2014)
Most Relevant Chapters
[AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL NOTES](#)
...South, in an integrated group of Negroes and whites, on a Greyhound bus like the one which had been firebombed just days before in Anniston, Alabama. My story starts with their story, and cannot be understood without telling their story. My father had, he told us, been born in a...
 Hydrocarbon Hucksters: Lessons from Louisiana on Oil, Politics, and Environmental Justice Book
Ernest Zebrowski, Mariah Zebrowski Leach
Publisher: [University Press of Mississippi](#) (February 2014)

Jerry Wright to Retire



Jerry T. Wright, Reference Librarian for the Humanities in the Marx Library, is retiring on June 1, 2014. Jerry received his A.B. degree in English in 1964 from what was then Howard College (now Samford University), holds an M.A. in English from East Tennessee State University, and his M.S.L.S. from the University of Kentucky. He was a teacher before earning his library degree, including a year teaching at a junior college and several years in public and private high schools.

Jerry joined the (then) University Library at U.S.A. in 1973 as Serials Librarian, a position he held for eight years, before becoming part of the

Reference Department as the bibliographer and subject specialist for Humanities. He has enjoyed most his interactions with faculty and students at the Reference Desk, in instruction sessions, and in individual consultations. He also has enjoyed purchasing books for the Humanities subject departments, especially the opportunity to choose many books himself. He has taught courses for the Department of English as well, and especially enjoyed the occasions when he helped students learn to take pleasure in serious reading.

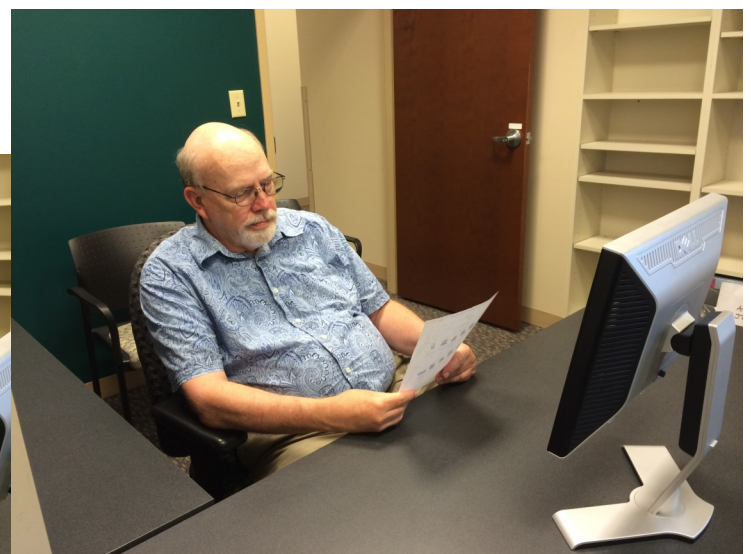
In retirement, Jerry “plans not to have plans” for at least six months while he enjoys his well-earned leisure in the Mobile community and spends time with friends. Eventually he plans to travel and visit friends around the country, and especially looks forward to making his first visit to the Northwest, including Washington State and British Columbia. He also

hopes to travel abroad to Scotland, Ireland, and to Paris, France. Jerry may also take the opportunity to devote more time to his hobbies of classic cars and reading travel narratives, mysteries, and English and Scandinavian literature. Jerry also enjoys listening to and singing Irish, Scottish, and American folk music and watching movies.

A retirement reception will be held for Jerry on Friday, May 30, 2014, at 3:00 p.m. in Room 181 of the Marx Library.

*Amy Prendergast
Science & Technology Librarian*

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Vera Finley and Bea Thompson Retire

The landscape in the Cataloging Department has changed after two retirements. After 38 years of service to the University of South Alabama, Beatrice "Bea" Thompson retired in December 2013. Following Bea's lead, Vera Finley, the Head of Cataloging, retired in January 2014, after 29 years of service to the University of South Alabama.

covery Service.

Although they both are enjoying the splendors of retirement, their contributions to the Marx Library will not be forgotten. Thank you both for your years of excellent service. You will always be members of the "basement" family .

Muriel D. Nero
Head of Cataloging



As key members of the Cataloging team, both ladies performed instrumental tasks in making the library's collection accessible to students and faculty. During their tenure, they witnessed many changes to enhance the services offered by Marx Library, including building renovations, the Voyager Integrated Library System, and the implementation of the EBSCO Dis-



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Kitty Brock Retires; Nancy Trant to Retire

After 35 years of service to the University, Kathleen "Kitty" Brock retired on September 30, 2013. Kitty's primary responsibility all those years was the processing of all monograph and media purchases for the Marx Library. In that role she had the opportunity to work directly with many of our university faculty liaisons as well as with all the subject librarians. She has been missed. We all wish her the best for

her active retirement.

Nancy Trant has announced that after almost 38 years of service to the Marx Library, she will be retiring on June 30, 2014. For years, Nancy has been responsible for helping maintain and process the Marx Library serials collection and has worked closely with the Graduate School to bind completed University theses and dissertations. Most recently, Nancy has taken on some of

the responsibilities of monograph and media purchase requests for the Marx Library. Nancy will be missed, but we know she will enjoy the leisure of retirement.

Kathryn Jones
Head of Collection Development



Movers & Shakers

Professional Activities of Marx Library Librarians

Muriel Nero was the invited speaker at two cataloging sessions on RDA for the Baldwin County Library's Staff Development Day on May 16.

Beth Rugan and Carley Knight (Jacksonville State University) presented at the Technical Services & Systems Roundtable Technoforum on Discovery Tools at the ALLA Annual Convention in Huntsville, AL, on Thursday, April 29. Their presentation was entitled *Technoforum: Discovery Tools: Research Wars*, and discussed the instruction side of using EBSCO Discovery Service.

Vicki Tate had the following articles published:

Tate, Vicki. Federal Documents Judge, GODORT Notable Documents Panel, "Notable Government Documents 2013" *Library Journal*, v. 139, no. 9 (May 15, 2014) in process.

Tate, Vicki. Federal Documents Judge, GODORT Notable Documents Panel, "Notable Government Documents 2012: Looking Back, Moving Ahead" *Library Journal*, v. 138, no. 10 (June 1, 2013), pg. 48-54.

Tate, Vicki, "Training Resources LibGuide" *FDLP Connection*, v. 3, iss. 2, (Mar/Apr 2013). Available: http://www.fdlp.gov/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1584:training-resources-libguide-at-university-of-south-alabama-library&catid=342:communityinsights&Itemid=388

Paula Webb presented a program entitled *The Online Alabama Government Documents LibGuide* for GODORT at the ALLA Annual Convention in Huntsville, AL, on Wednesday, April 28. She

also had the following articles and book reviews published:

Webb, Paula. "Discovering the Past in the Panama Canal Center of Excellence at the University of Florida." *Journal of Electronic Resources Librarianship* 25.3 (2013): 243-244.

Webb, Paula. Rev. of *Anatomy of a Kidnapping: A Doctor's Story* by Steven L. Berk. *Tennessee Libraries*. 63.1 (2013): n.pag. Web. 5 May 2014.

Webb, Paula. Rev. of *International Women Stage Directors* by Anne Fliotos. *Booklist* 15 December 2013:32.

Webb, Paula. Rev. of *Historical Dictionary of British Foreign Policy* by Peter Neville. *Booklist* 1 October 2013:48.

Kathy Wheeler and Jodi Poe (Jacksonville State University) presented at the Technical Services & Systems Roundtable (TSSRT) Technoforum on Discovery Tools at the ALLA Annual Convention in Huntsville, AL, on Thursday, April 29. Their presentation was entitled *Technoforum: Discovery Tools: EBSCO Discovery Service Implementation and Management*.

Kathy Wheeler and **Kelly Wilson** presented *Using the AVL to Mobile* Public Library staff members on two occasions in 2013 – October 10 and November 5.

Kathy Wheeler was and continues to be the Chair of the College, University and Special Libraries (CUS) Research committee. She and her committee were responsible for putting out the call for papers, ranking the submitted papers and determining the winner of the EBSCO Research award.

Kathy Wheeler was an invited speaker at a JSTOR workshop in Atlanta, GA, on May 20. Her talk

about JSTOR ebooks is entitled *The Final Shopping Destination: Acquiring, Cataloging & Using JSTOR Ebooks*.

Ellen Wilson served as president of Alabama ACRL from April 2013-April 2014 and now serves as past-president. She gave the following presentations:

Wilson, Ellen. "Professional Membership & Service: What Does It Mean to Really Serve, And How Does It Help Me?" SLIS Alumni Day. University of Alabama. October 2013.

Wilson, Ellen, Angela Rand, and Andrea Wright. "Embedded Librarianship." ILC. University of South Alabama. 2013.

Wilson, Ellen, Maurice Gandy, and Mary McCall. "Energizing Student Research Projects with Screencasts and Clogs" USA Conference on Teaching and Learning, University of South Alabama. May 12, 2014.



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