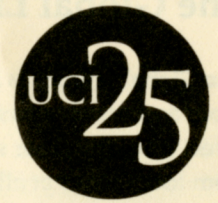


UCI Library Update

A Newsletter for Faculty



Growth of the East Asian Collection

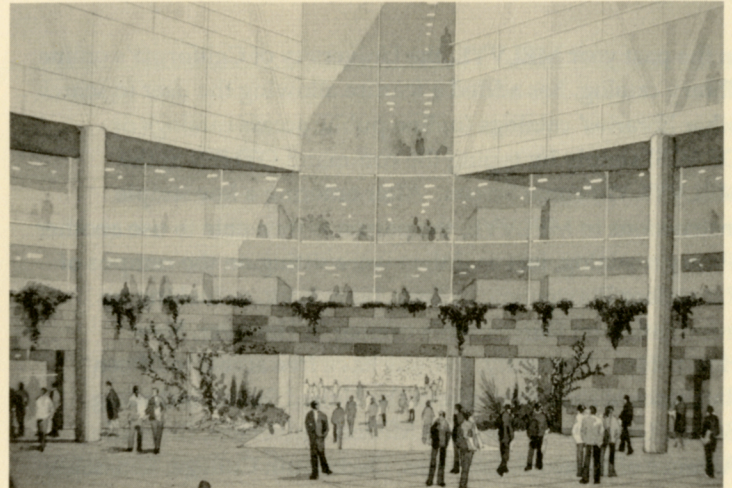
The Library's East Asian Collection, located on the fourth floor of the Main Library, was begun on a very modest scale in the mid-eighties. It received a major boost three years ago with the acquisition of the Chung-lu Wang Collection of more than 11,000 items. Since that time, gifts as well as other acquisitions made possible by generous funding provided by the campus are adding to the rapid growth of the collection.

Prof. Ping-ti Ho, who was instrumental in the acquisition of the Wang Collection, has arranged for the UCI Library to be designated as a depository library of the Academia Sinica in Taipei. These materials will include major publications of the following six Research Institutes: Chinese Literature and Philosophy, Economics, Ethnology, History and Philology, Modern History, and Social Sciences. The Academia Sinica has a reputation for producing first-rate scholarly works.

Thanks to the efforts of another faculty member, Prof. Pauline Yu, the Library in December received a copy of the 500-volume *Chih Tsao Tang Ssu K'u Ch'uan Shu Hui Yao (Digest of the Great Encyclopedia of Four Treasures)* as a donation from the National Palace Museum in Taipei. This is an abbreviated version of a 1,500-volume "ts'ung shu" (collectanea) which includes all important Chinese works of the classics, history, philosophy, and belle lettres through the late 18th century. A presentation ceremony attended by many friends, including Chancellor Peltason, Mr. Mou-shih Ding, and other government officials from Taiwan, was held on January 4.

Working with Prof. Stephen Carter and others, the Library is trying to increase its collection of Japanese materials, particularly major works by literary authors. A grant proposal has been submitted to the Japan Foundation's Library Support Program, and results will be announced in early April.

In addition, Dr. William Wong, our East Asian Librarian, is making efforts to secure better coverage of materials published in Beijing, Taiwan, and Hong Kong. These efforts include contacting potential donors who may be willing to offer support for current publications, allowing the Library to use more of its funds to acquire retrospective materials.



Science Library Update

The reproduction shown above is an artist's rendering of the exterior courtyard of the Science Library. The building will be built astride a spoke mall leading from the School of Biological Sciences to the College of Medicine. There will be two public entrances from the external courtyard, one for the Library and one for the Learning Resources Center containing the micro-computer lab, media viewing area, group viewing rooms, and classrooms for bibliographic instruction. The view above is looking west toward the College of Medicine.

The Library has been planning a Science Library Celebration in conjunction with the 25th anniversary of the campus and to herald the actual groundbreaking date which is expected to be in June 1991. The Science Library Celebration is currently scheduled for April 9, 1991, 11:00 a.m. in the Cheng Hall of the Barclay Theatre. Dr. Philip H. Abelson of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences will present the keynote address, "Academic Libraries and the Sciences: Assuring Successful Scholarship". The program will include a follow-up with responses by UCI faculty from the various schools served by the Science Library. Invitations to the faculty will be mailed in March 1991.