ABSTRACTS

GEREBEN Ferenc: Changes in public library use. — The author reviews the most significant literature, both Hungarian and foreign, on library-sociological research and, on these grounds, provides recommendations for a library policy more adaptive to the contemporary Hungarian society and to the changed reading habits, as well as offering practical steps to be done. He argues, under the slogan "the user's library instead of the librarian's library", that more attention should be paid to user demands. Democratization of library practice, strengthening of information and recreation/amusement functions and, within the educational function, a replacement of direct means by indirect effects are advocated. [pp. 13–30.]

ORBÁN Éva: Problems of staffing policy in libraries. — A guide on certifications required was compiled for libraries and information institutions in 1984. In elaborating this document the disproportions between demand and supply in labour market as well as gaps in the educational system had to be coped with. In addition to outlining the problems, the article also enumerates what sorts of data and methods could contribute to a planned labour force economy, to mapping the demand and supply, to improving library education and labour turnover. Particular stress is laid upon monitoring alternative paths. As regards personnel work in a narrow sense, the theoretical and practical questions of jobs are examined most closely, and the absence of comprehensive works is pointed out, which is an obstacle in the way of the analysis of working processes, which would be important in several aspects. [pp. 31–37.]

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CRAVERO Róbertné: Moving the library of the Karl Marx University of Economics. The article describes how the Library of the Karl Marx University of Economics moved into its new premises, how the action was prepared, planned and realized. Selecting open-shelf books available for home reading, deciding their scheme of arrangement on the shelves, finally classifying and labelling them were the most time-consuming processes. The stock to be moved was not less than 7000 running metres of shelving, the bids covered the ways, means and the schedule of the moving, which was performed quickly, utilizing the most possible living and technical power. The schedule of the move, the transportation facilities as well as stock protection measures are described in detail. [pp. 53-60.]

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INHALTSANGABEN

GEREBEN Ferenc: Geänderte Gewohnheiten auf dem Gebiete der Bibliotheksbenützung in den öffentlichen Bibliotheken. — Dieser Artikel fasst die wichtigsten Erfahrungen zusammen, die sich auf dem Gebiete der ungarischen und ausländischen bibiliothekssoziologischen Forschungen zeigten. Aufgrund dieser Erfahrungen werden Vorschläge