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More than a stack of books

The UNACAT screen in Collier Library glows with a list of books on an assigned topic. Pen goes to paper and the title and location number are scratched down. The race to find the item begins.

Looking . . . Where could it be? The book is gone. The computer said "not charged out." But which library was specified?

Although Collier is the largest library building on campus, it is not the only library. Collier has three smaller branches: the Learning Resource Center,

Kilby Library, and the Music Library.

The Learning Resource Center, located in Stevens Hall, is primarily used by education majors. Books on education, a selection of children's stories, and textbooks are housed there. Students involved in student teaching can find materials for lesson plans. Media Services is operated from the same location. Projectors, televisions, and VCRs are available for use.

Students and faculty of the School of Education find it useful to have a center of information physically close to them. The specialized library can meet their needs better by concentrating on their area of study.

"All the materials we need for our education classes are here," said junior Julie Haggard. "It's

all much easier to find."

Kilby Library is for the elementary students at that school. UNA students can obtain a large selection of children's materials and work on art projects while Kilby students have access to the same information network as UNA.

"Kilby Library offers Kilby students the experience of using UNACAT," said Dean of Information Technology Garry Warren. "The children have access to their own collection, and the student teachers and education students doing clinical work at Kilby have access to all campus collections."

"Kilby is a great asset to education majors," said junior Tammie Box, a Kilby library aide. "Not only can they get books, they can be around the children. It is a real child-

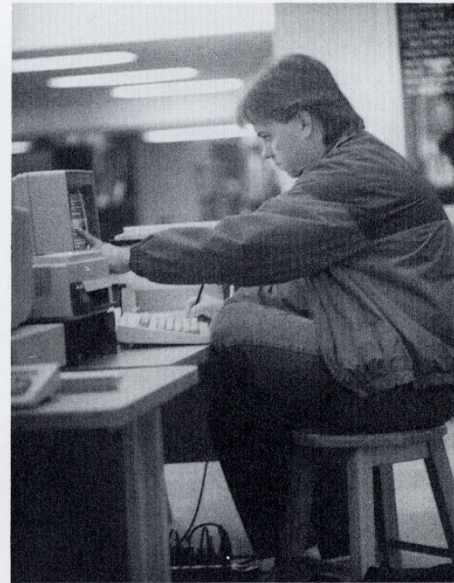
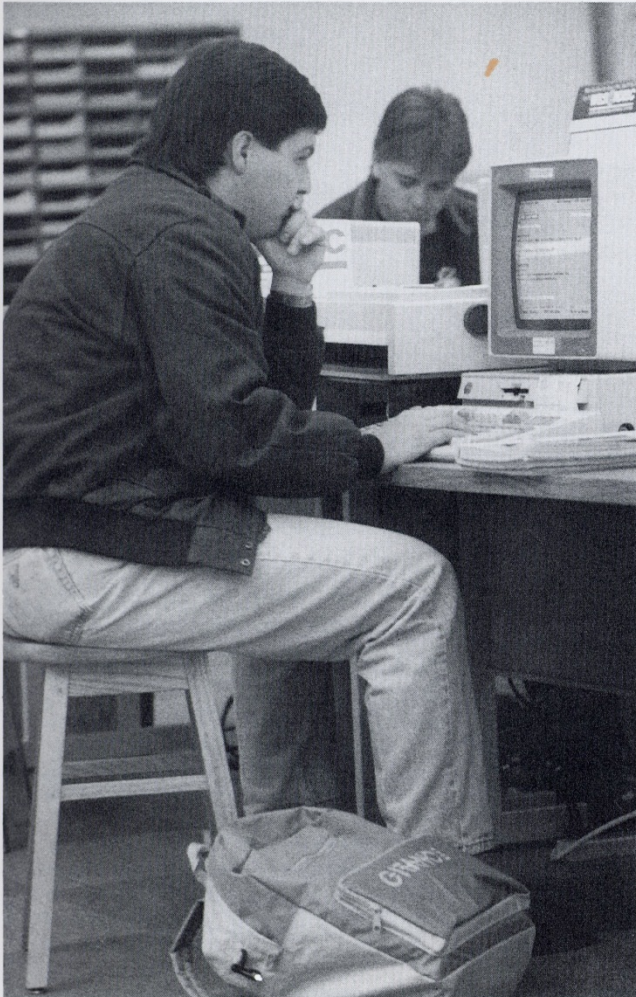
ren's library, not just a place for kid's books."

Another library, the Music Library, is secluded in the Fine Arts Complex. Scores, records and compact discs are located in this facility. The types of music is more diverse. Classical pieces are still abundant, but commercial, gospel, and jazz selections are becoming greater.

"We're trying to cater to everyone campuswide," said Janice Anderson, music library director.

All students are welcome to use the Music Library, but most do not know it exists. "We're not just for music students," said Anderson. "It's for everyone on campus or anyone in the community."

"Library usage on this campus is above average," said Warren. "We're only limited by physical resources."



Making use of the large periodical filing system in Collier Library is senior Mike Barnes. (Photo by Janet Wassner)

Kris Stidham searches through Collier Library's periodical files. The computer system in the main library also links the three smaller branches. (Photo by Janet Wassner)