

THE WEST BANK BUFFER

West Bank Computer Center  
University of Minnesota

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WINTER QUARTER HOURS

3200 Operating Schedule

Monday	8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Tuesday	8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
*Wednesday	9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
*Thursday	9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
*Friday	9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Saturday	9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

\*I/O Room will open at 8:00 a.m.

West Bank Time Sharing Lab

Monday through Friday:  
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (attended)  
4:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. (unattended)

Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
(attended)

Use during times other than those scheduled can be arranged by seeing Jerry Lutgen in 93c Blegen Hall.

Statistical Package Consultant

Office hours held in 167 Social Science Tower (West Bank Time-Sharing Lab).

Monday	9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Wednesday	2:30 p.m. - 5:20 p.m.
Thursday	9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

1004, OTHER EQUIPMENT MOVED

The Univac 1004 Remote Terminal and Lister, the IBM 519 Reproducer, an IBM 026 Card-Punch, an IBM 026 Card-Punch -Interpreter, and a 3M Micro-film Reader have been moved into the West Bank Time-Sharing Lab, 167 Social Science Tower. The Counter-Sorter formerly in 54 B.A. Tower has been moved into the SSRFC, 25 Blegen

Hall. The equipment will be available during the time that the Time Sharing Lab is open. Also, the I/O bins formerly in Room 54 B.A. Tower have been moved into the I/O Room, 90 Blegen Hall.

OMNITAB HINT

Some confusion seems to exist on how to have an Omnitab program use data that is not on cards. An example is given below for data that is on a user disk (same principles apply for magnetic tape).

- 1) Job card
- 2) Bin card
- 3) P,A,XXX,UCC103,UN=YYYYYYYY.  
(XXX=name of sub-directory created on UCC Disk 103; YYYYYYYY=user number under which sub-directory was created.)
- 4) CCF (ZZZ,TAPEA)  
(ZZZ=name of data file to be input.)
- 5) R (TAPEA)
- 6) OMNITAB.
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The data can then be entered as discussed in the Omnitab II reference manual with A the name given to the "tape" from which the data are read. If input is according to Fortran format, do not use A as the name of the format statement. (NOTE: It is advisable to reset to the desired row length before entering the data on the worksheet).

3200 CRT TIME

During Winter Quarter the 3200's CRT's may be in high demand. If you intend to use them you should see Jerry Lutgen in 93c Blegen Hall to arrange for use as far in

advance as possible.

#### SPSS SHORT COURSE

Jeff Loesch of SSRFC is offering a short course on SPSS. The course does not assume any data processing experience on the part of attendees and will be offered without registration, fees, or credit. The schedule for the will be as follows:

Feb. 11, 13, 15  
3:00 - 4:00 p.m.  
Blegen Hall 120

Feb. 12, 14  
3:00 - 4:00 p.m.  
Rarig Center 616

Although it is not necessary, purchase of the SPSS manual and its supplement would be helpful. Both are available in the West Bank Bookstore.

#### BIN CARD CHANGE

In case you haven't noticed the format of the 6600 bin card has been changed. If you are submitting a 6600 job at the West Bank your bin card should have the following format:

BIN,WB,OXXX.

Where XXX is the user's bin number.

#### A THOUGHT

Back in mid-1969, what was then Scientific Data Systems (now Xerox Data Systems) mailed a release to Sigma 2 users which contained this introduction:

"We have not succeeded in answering all our problems. Indeed, we sometimes feel we have not completely answered any of them. The answers we have found only serve to raise a whole set of new questions. In some ways we feel that we are as confused as ever, but we believe we are confused on a much higher level and about more important things."

Copied from MODERN DATA Magazine,  
November 1972, p. 13.