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LAW LIBRARY COLLECTION GROWS TO 57,000 VOLUMES AT UM

A gift of more than 9,000 volumes last week brings the University of Montana Law Library to a count of 57,000 volumes, making it the largest and best law research facility between St. Paul, Denver, Seattle and the Canadian border.

Dean Robert E. Sullivan of the UM Law School said the gift resulted from a Montana Supreme Court decision directing the volumes would remain in Montana rather than be sold or traded for other legal research items.

Miss Katherine Orchard of Helena, State Law Librarian, cooperated in making the transfer. The 9,000 volumes follow an earlier gift of 5,000 volumes from the State Law Library in the Capitol.

The gift includes official state reports from nearly every state in the Union with California, Alaska and Hawaii, and some courts of limited jurisdiction in Pennsylvania and New York missing.

On the basis of the number of volumes, the UM Law School now ranks in the upper half of all accredited law schools in the United States, Dean Sullivan reported.