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# Full Text Government Periodicals Project

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# **Full Text Government Periodicals Project**

#### Why Create It At All?

- Need quick access to periodical issues when cataloging and binding serial titles
- No ONE place to find all of the government periodicals
- Create a product similar to the CIS Government Periodicals Index
- Provide access to full text online journals rather than just bibliographic information

# **Mission of the Project**

- Provide serial issue access to depositories for binding and claiming purposes
- Provide full text search capability

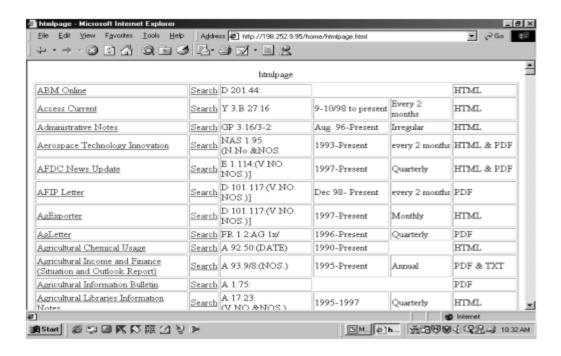
#### **Located the Periodicals**

- University of Auburn
- University of Louisville
- Military Periodical Site

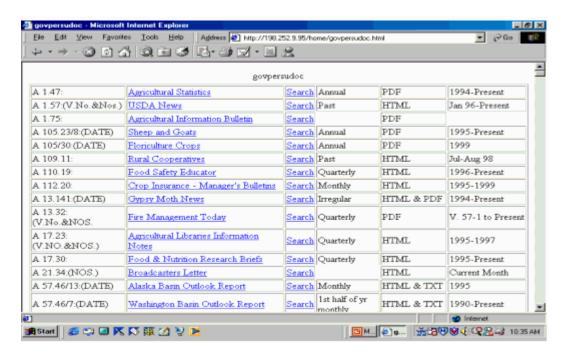
#### All Links Were Loaded into an Access Database

- Access assists us with the maintenance of the collection
- Only need to make changes to each record once
- Assists us in updating the periodicals on a weekly and monthly basis by keeping track of their frequency
- Use of a Web-agent

# Static Database Query Arranged Alphabetically by Title



# Static Database Query Arranged by SuDocs Number



#### What About the Search Engine?

- Received an internal grant from Washburn University of \$40,000
- Participated in a partnership with the Topeka Area Bankruptcy Council
- Provide access to their decisions
- Purchased ISYSWeb
- A full text search engine warehouse

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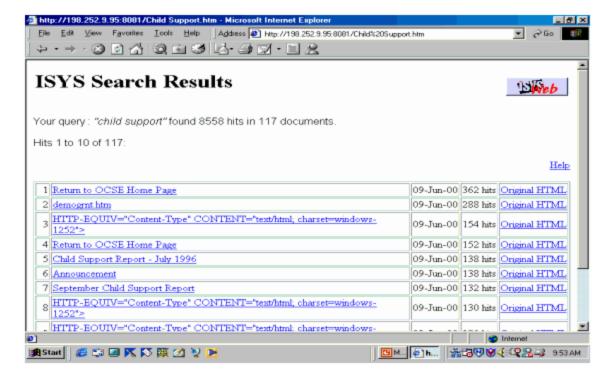
# ISYSWeb's Capabilities

- Index up to 30 different types of file formats
- Link up to 35 indexes
- Web Spider component

# **Web Spider Results**

- Not satisfied with the ISYS Spider brief results
- · Brief results were not consistent
- Some results displayed HTML tags and others text





# **Deciding to Mirror**

- Downloading all of the periodical issues gave us more control over them
- Provides permanent public access to them
- Mirrored with Black Widow software
- Required at least 18+ gigs of hard disk space
- Very time consuming
- Ask Dee my documents assistant
- Restructured our Department

# **Mirroring Problems**

- Some sites do not allow mirroring
- Use anti-robot files
- Several Military sites used these
- Some formats cannot be indexed automatically
- Zip files
- Not accessible some days
- Difficult to download images in HTML documents

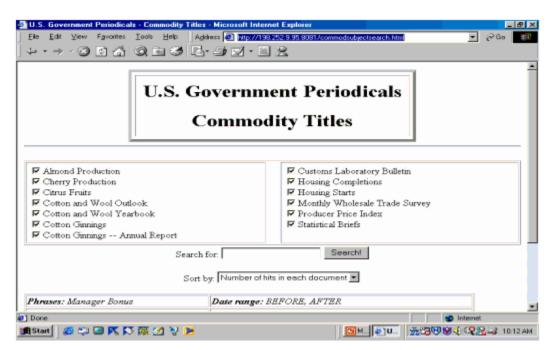
**Individual Title Search** 



# **Searching the Periodicals**

- Each periodical title can be searched
- The subject search was created by grouping the periodicals by broad topics and allowing the user to search more than one title at a time.

# **Multiple Periodical Subject Search**



# What About Backups?

- Backed up all of the data onto 6 CD-ROMS
- Search engine indexes are being backed up daily on tape

# **Future Plans**

- Create a search engine that will search all of the periodicals at once
- Provide an FTP site where people can download the periodical issue they need
- Have a partner site at the University of Louisville, who will mirror our site
- Goal of adding five new titles a week
- Convert HTML to PDF

# **Lessons Learned**

- Be INNOVATIVE & CREATIVE
- Identify an electronic niche
- Be Realistic
- Plan ahead
- Start small & beta test your product
- In house project
- Be patient
- Be willing to reorganize your department or get outside funding through grants

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