

## LIBERRY FUNNIES

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You are not going to find a plethora of cartoons in library publications. That being a given, I am, however, surprised there are not herds of anti-library cartoons in the publications of certain business and agricultural powers. Political Action Committees dislike libraries, you know. Libraries are supported by property taxes!!

Evil and timid weasels that we are, we are not even allowed to mention our adversaries in disrespectful tones.

Oh, well... Life goes on. Library themed cartoons do surface in newspaper strips and the few publications that still publish gag cartoons, but I doubt that many of them are drawn by librarians, though...

A search of Amazon.com for library cartoon collections turns up a slim set of pickings, but if you are desperate my Liberry Funnies can be purchased from the Amazon Marketplace. (I just thought I would mention that. They make swell gifts. Buy lots of them).

Why do I call them "Liberry" instead of "Library"? When I assumed my first professional position, I was surprised by the number of folks who dropped the first "r" in "library." Thinking it humorous, I titled my cartoons "Liberry Funnies." Alas, none of my patrons get it.

So, why don't librarians include cartoons in their publications? Maybe ink is too expensive. Maybe they are too stuffy. Maybe they take too much pride in their professionalism to laugh at themselves and their bailiwick. Beats me.

Librarians come out of graduate schools trained in the ins and outs of arcane databases that no civilian would ever care about, but they have forgotten how to laugh. Or at least they do not laugh as much as they should.

Maybe a couple of my cartoons will help. I hope you enjoy them. Better yet, buy the collection from Amazon Marketplace.

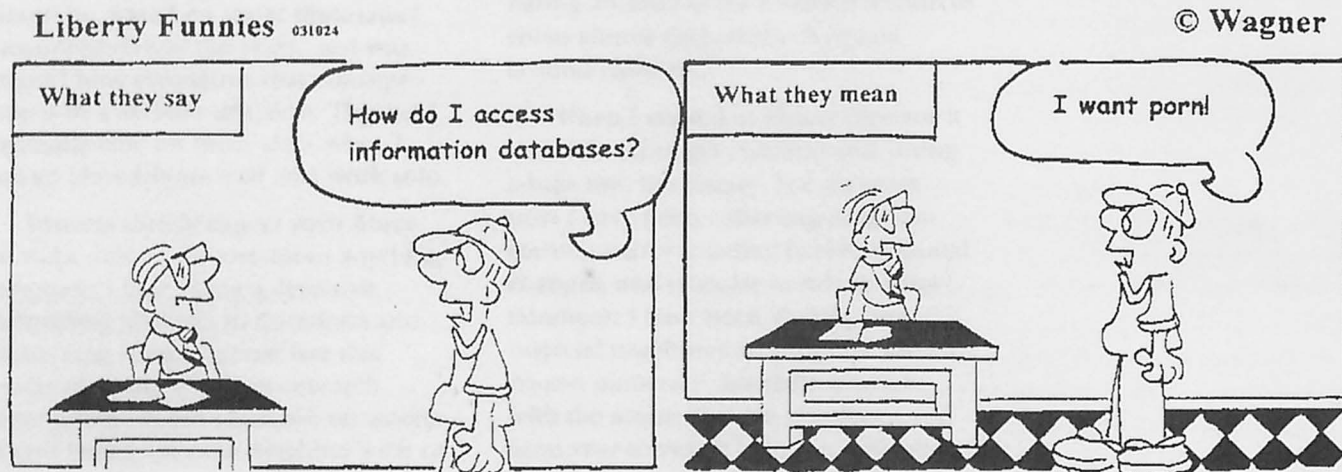


FIGURE 1.

# Liberry Funnies

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The librarian who believes in totally uncensored access to the internet, videos, etc. has a complaint



You can't talk to *her* like that!

FIGURE 2.

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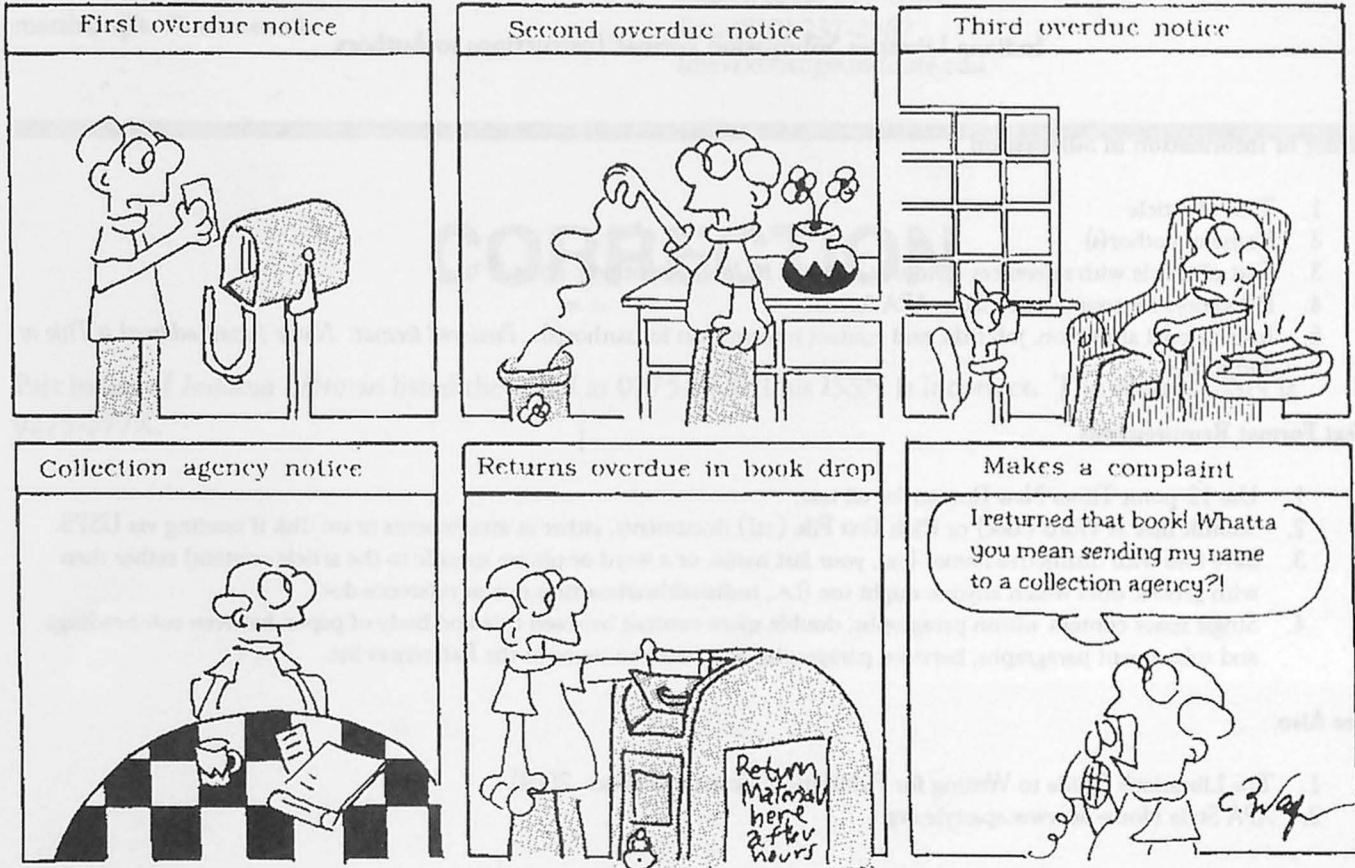


FIGURE 3.