CUARL DIGITAL INITIATIVE COMMITTEE PROGRESS REPORT
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UAF
Tom Dillard, Head of Special Collections, reported that several projects are in progress. Some of these are being done by Special Collections and some by the Pryor Center.

The Pryor Center is creating selected films which will be made into streaming video format. 150 are posted and another 200 are in process. Other projects include the Arkansas Democrat, Arkansas Gazette, William Jefferson Clinton History Project, Arkansas Memories, Bumpers Centennial, and Arkansas Governors.

The Special Collections Department is working on the final phase of a large digital project on civil rights in Arkansas titled “Land of Unequal Opportunity: Documenting the Civil Rights Struggle in Arkansas.”

The next major project will be on J. William Fulbright. It will include his speeches, selected pictures, and selected correspondence.

Mr. Dillard commented that the Systems staff solved some problems with the updated version of ContentDM, and it seems to be working well at this time. Further evaluation is in process as the software is being used.

UAMS
Amanda Saar reports that Medical History information has been digitized and is on their site. They are now continuing to add photos, documents, and other items for Arkansas and UAMS history.

UALR
Donna Rose reported that a part of their archives will be moved downtown to a new building for the Arkansas Studies Institute. After this move is completed in October 2008, they may consider new initiatives. They have hired a new cataloging and metadata librarian who will be involved in any future digitization projects. Some staff went to a ContentDM update online session recently, but they do not have ContentDM now.

UAM
The library does not have ContentDM now. They have scanned a few photos using HTML and style sheets. They will continue with this for a while.
UAFS
The library is currently digitizing the *Journal of the Fort Smith Historical Society*. Staff has digitized two books entitled *Early Banking in Arkansas* and *Fort Smith Arkansas: A Souvenir of the Queen City of the Southwest*. We are now working on getting copyright permission to digitize two additional books on the history of Baldor Electric located in Fort Smith. We are evaluating several other resources in the Pebley Historical Center for possible digitization and may begin some of these this summer.

Currently, UAFS has a ContentDM trial set up for two months and then will begin a subscription in fall and pay them to host items on their server for now. Later, we will discuss moving to a server on our campus.

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