



IN THE NEWS

Twenty years as Parliamentary Librarian

A buffet dinner was held on 9 September 1982, in the Strangers' Dining Room at Parliament House, Sydney, to celebrate the twentieth anniversary of the appointment of Dr R.L. Cope, as the New South Wales Parliamentary Librarian.

A representative gathering of Members of Parliament, present and former Library staff, and other librarians and guests joined Dr Cope for the dinner, which was preceded by drinks.

Dr Cope is the seventh Librarian to hold the office since 1856 and succeeded the late Athol Johnson on 5 September, 1962.

Official opening of the Campbell Turnbull Library

The Campbell Turnbull Library, which was officially opened on 27 June 1982, is the only public library in Victoria to be jointly owned and operated by two municipalities. It serves as a branch of both the Brunswick Public Library and the Coburg City Library.

Discussions on the feasibility of operating a joint library began in 1977 and a committee was set up to explore the possibilities, resulting in the purchase of suitable premises

Pictured at the official opening of the Campbell Turnbull Library: Cr F. Cox (Mayor of Coburg), left, and Cr G. Incantalupo (Mayor of Brunswick).



for conversion into a branch library.

The equipment, furniture and property are jointly owned by the two councils who are advised by the Campbell Turnbull Library Management Committee. The staff is employed by the City of Brunswick on behalf of both cities and the library collection is provided by and remains the property of each city. Ms Alexandra Kozak, formerly Children's Librarian of the Preston City Library, is the Campbell Turnbull Librarian, supervising a staff of four.

The emphasis placed by the councils on providing a library and information service to their multilingual communities is shown by the fact that the library staff can speak seven languages.

Librarian to work in Malang

Judith Green, Academic Acquisitions Librarian at the University of New England, is being seconded to Brawijaya University, Malang, to work in the library for three months under the Australian Universities International Development Program (A.U.I.D.P.), commencing in November.

Brawijaya is one of the three Indonesian Universities receiving Australian aid under the program and there are several Australians working there in agricultural and animal science departments.

Judith will be assisting in the upgrading of the University Library, advising on building up the book stock and establishing acquisitions procedures, as well as assisting in the cataloguing and reader services departments.

Back issues of the Australian Library Journal

Mrs E. Manton of Cottesloe, WA has a large collection, though incomplete, of Australian Library Journals, starting from 1960.

She no longer has room for storage and would be pleased to give the journals to any library or person who would like them, provided they paid the postage.

Available are: v.9: 3-4; v.10: 1-4; v.11: 1,2,4; v.12: 1-4; v.13: 3,4; v.14: 2-4; v.15: 2-6; v.16: 1-6; v.17: 1-11; v.18: 1-11; v.19: 1-11; v.20: 1-8, 10, 11; v.21: 1-11; v.22: 1,2,4-11; v.23: 1-11; v.24: 1-9, 10 (A & B), 11; v.25: 1-4, 6-15, 17; v.26: 1-20; v.27: 1-5, 7, 8, 10-20; v.28: 12-19; v.29: 1-3; v.30: 2,3,4; v.31: 1.

Anyone interested should write to Mrs Manton at 6/20 Overton Gdns., Cottesloe, WA 6011.

LETTERS

Records corrected

In the article in *InCite* 21 August, entitled 'Public Library Growth' by E. M. Miller, we were surprised to see that Mr Miller omitted to refer to the long-running Country Lending Service from the State Library of South Australia. This service was instituted in 1938 and has provided people throughout the State, who were not served by local council libraries, with library materials sent out free by rail, post or by bus.

For up to ten years a bulk loans service of books sent to country hospitals, nursing homes, prisons, Aboriginal missions and other institutions has also been available to these areas and isolated communities.

While agreeing it is preferable to have a local library service – and the growth of these libraries throughout the State is most welcome – nevertheless we feel the above services deserve recognition in fulfilling and stimulating the need and use of libraries in South Australia.

Diana Honey, Community Services Group.

Jeanine Keiff, Country Mail Officer.

Mary Ryan, Country Hospitals Bulk Loans.

Supplies exhausted

SUPPLIES of the *Guide to Northern Territory Research Resources in Northern Territory Collections*, compiled by Margaret Clinch, are now exhausted.

Although this book was published by the Australian National University North Australia Research Unit, distribution was eventually placed in the hands of the Department of the Chief Minister.

It would be appreciated therefore if requests were no longer directed to either of these institutions. We also regret we are unable to fulfil the many requests we have received for this publication.

Fourth Biennial Conference

THE Australian Society of Archivists is to hold its Fourth Biennial Conference in Adelaide in May 1983. From Friday 20 May to Monday 23 May, archivists, record managers, librarians, historians, genealogists and others interested in the creation, care, use and preservation of records are invited to take part in the program. The venue is the Grosvenor Hotel, Adelaide.

The theme of the Conference is 'Future Trends'. A feature of the program, which is intended to appeal to professional archivists as well as a wider audience, is a formal debate. This will be supplemented by papers relating to future trends in historical research, aspects of management and terminology.

Subjects also to be dealt with include creation of records by electronic data processing, electronic devices as tools of the archivist, co-operation in the field of storage, preservation and the use of obsolete equipment, priorities and allocation of resources. The archivists will be delighted to welcome other delegates who are interested in exchanging views on the problems facing both archivists and users.

Further enquiries should be addressed to The Convenor, 1983 Conference Committee, PO Box 119, Walkerville, SA 5081.