

WHO'S WHERE

Ian McBain, BA, Dip Lib, ALAA, has been appointed Senior Librarian (Cataloguing) at Flinders University Library. Ian has been at Flinders since 1982 when he was appointed as cataloguer. Since then he has held a number of other positions in the Library including Executive Assistant to the University Librarian, Inter-Library Loans Librarian and Reference Librarian.



Kathie Collins, BA, Dip Lib, ALAA, has been appointed Senior Librarian (Reference) at Flinders University Library. Before joining Flinders as a cataloguer in 1984, Kathie was Head Cataloguer at the Australian National Gallery Library. Kathie has also worked as a Reference Librarian at Flinders.



Chris Taylor, BComm, GradDipLib, has been appointed as Chief Cataloguer at the University of Queensland Library. Chris has had extensive experience at a senior level in various facets of Technical Services and Systems in the New South Wales Department of Technical and Further Education and was a member of the CLANN Technical Committee.

Following the appointment of **Dr Christine Henderson** as University

Librarian in 1988, there have been several other appointments to senior positions at the University of New South Wales Library.

Marian Bate was appointed to the new position of Associate Librarian (Information Services) in September 1988, with responsibility for the coordination of reader and technical services in the Library. Marian was previously the Physical Sciences Librarian at the University of New South Wales for 11 years and, prior to that, worked at the National Library of Australia.

In October 1988, **Dean Leith** was appointed as Senior Librarian (Projects), a new position created to provide support for the University Librarian and other senior Library staff. Dean was previously a reference librarian in the Physical Sciences Library and, prior to that, tutored in the Department of Information Studies at Kuring-gai College of Advanced Education.

In March this year **Rhonda Langford** was appointed as Physical Sciences Librarian, the position formerly held by Marian Bate. Rhonda has worked in the Physical Sciences Library since 1976, during which time she has held a number of senior positions.

Fred Piper was appointed as Manager of the Systems Section of the Library in March. Fred has had broad experience in systems, both at the University of New South Wales Library and at the Institute of Technology, Sydney.

With such major appointments finalised, Library staff look forward to a period of consolidation and growth in 1989.



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CONFERENCE**

**6-10 AUGUST 1989, ADELAIDE
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MEETING ROOMS

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These rooms need to be booked. The meeting times will be added to the Conference Program if notification is received before 12 June 1989.

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Obituary

EDITH ALICE SIMS

Edith died suddenly on 1 November 1988, a few weeks before her 85th birthday.

Educated at Fort Street Girls High School, she matriculated and passed the Public Service entrance examination in 1921. She joined the staff of the Public Library of New South Wales in 1922 and, after various qualifying examinations, was appointed Librarian of the New South Wales Department of Public Health in 1938. She held this office until 1942, very successfully organising this important specialist library.

From 1942 until 1950 Edith was Librarian of the Sydney Technical College. She was then transferred to the New South Wales Department of Technical and Further Education, and during this period (1951-63) was also Acting Librarian of the New South Wales University of Technology. After her retirement from the public service, she was Librarian of the United Services Institute, Sydney, for some years.

Edith was a foundation member of the Australian Institute of Librarians, present at the Inaugural Meeting in Canberra in 1937 and attending the 50th Anniversary Meeting there last September. She was a very active member of her profession, serving on many committees. In 1948 she received the British Council and Carnegie travel grants, which enabled her to study in libraries in the United Kingdom and the United States.

In her later years her great interest was in the preservation of the historic Gore Hill Cemetery. She was honorary archivist for the 'Friends of Gore Hill Cemetery', publishing a book *Gore Hill Cemetery, 1868-1974* in 1985.

Edith Sims was a fine librarian, highly respected, loved by her staff, and a good friend.

Jean Arnot

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