Report from the ALIA Audiovisual Services Committee

The trial edition of the new National Union Catalogue, NUC:N is now available. This National Union catalogue of non-book materials includes cartographic materials, motion picture and video recordings, audio recordings, music scores, slides, pictorial materials, transparencies, kits, manuscripts and computer software. The convenor of the Audiovisual Services Committee of the Library Association of Australia, Paul McNally, commended the National Library of Australia on publication of the trial edition of the new union catalogue. 'NUC:N will be a vital part of the bibliographic apparatus of materials in Australia. non-book Librarians will find it an invaluable tool for selection and for locating items for inter-library lending purposes.

Since the demise of NUCAV (National Union Catalogue of Audiovisual

Materials), the Audiovisual Services Committee of the Library Association of Australia has sought to have a national union catalogue of non-book materials produced. Although the 150,000 items recorded in NUC:N are available on ABN and in the ABN Catalogue (Published in microfiche) they were 'lost' in the 2,500,000 records for books. Librarians specialising in any of the forms of non-book materials represented in the new union catalogue will now be able to refer to the 28 fiche set of NUC:N which will make their task of obtaining information on non-book materials so much easier. The current edition is available from the sales subscriptions section of the National Library of Australia at a cost of \$25.

P.T. McNally

In the News

Large print cookbook

The Shepparton Auxiliary of the Association for the Blind has produced a large print cookbook for the visually impaired. The book covers a very broad range of culinary skills and is available from the Association for the Blind centres and Angus and Robertson outlets. Retail price is \$19.95 and further information can be obtained from the Public Relations Officer, Carol O'Reilly on (03) 598 8555.

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NATIONAL LIBRARY OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA

An experienced and adaptable librarian, with a first degree and an internationally recognised library qualification, is required for the following senior position. Relevant experience in a developing country is desirable but not essential.

TECHNICAL SERVICES LIBRARIAN

(LS14)

The post-holder, branch head for the Technical Services branch and a member of the senior management team, is responsible for the direction and supervision of all technical service functions of the National Library Service. Experience as a cataloguer, an up-to-date knowledge of microcomputer applications in technical services, and familiarity with LCSH, DDC and AACR2 are required. The successful applicant must be prepared to train and lead Papua New Guineans. Proven experience in the field and a solid professional background are required for this challenging position.

Conditions of service:

- Three year accompanied contract
- Rent free accommodation
- 6 weeks annual leave accruals
- Mid-contract leave fares
- Education subsidies
- Recruitment and repatriation fares
- Gratuities

(K1 = £0.6642; US\$1.2082; AU\$1.4076; NZ\$1.8777; as at 29 December 1988)

Average annual approximate cash value of the contract (after tax, and including base salary, international market allowance and gratuities) is K23529.

For application forms and further details please write to: The National Librarian, National Library of Papua New Guinea, PO Box 5770, BOROKO, Papua New Guinea, Tel: 256737; Telex; NE22234; Fax; 213743.

Closing date: five weeks after publication date of advertisement.

BRISBANE COLLEGE OF ADVANCED EDUCATION

SYSTEMS LIBRARIAN (PERMANENT)

Reference No 89/B/18

Duties:

- Oversee library automated system (URICA) and implementation of system functions;
- co-ordinate the implementation of computer applications (including microcomputers) within the Resource Centre:
- liaise with College Computing Services Section on automated system matters.

Qualifications:

- Tertiary and professional qualifications in librarianship;
- extensive experience and knowledge of automated library systems;
- good communication skills.

Location: Kelvin Grove Campus. Regular travel to other campuses will be required.

Salary: Librarian — \$1,227.30 to \$1,362.90 per fortnight. Assistant Librarian Div I — \$1,111.00 to \$1,235.30 per fortnight.

Starting date: As soon as possible.

Written applications, stating personal particulars, qualifications and experience, together with the names, addresses and telephone numbers of two referees, should be forwarded to the Personnel Manager, Brisbane College of Advanced Education, 130 Victoria Park Rd, Kelvin Grove, Qld, 4059.

Closing date: 10 March 1989.

Enquiries may be directed to Gaynor Austen, telephone (07) 352 8554. Envelopes should be marked 'CONFIDENTIAL'.

Equality of Opportunity is College Policy.