

HAPPENINGS continued

ACT

JUNE 4-6 Insearch/DIALOG. DIALOG Introductory, Refresher and strategy **Seminars. Canberra.** Contact: (02) 264 63444 or (02) 218 9790.

JUNE 17 ACT Branch of LAA executive **Monthly Meeting** held first Thursday of each month in **Seminar Room, Menzies Library, ANU.**

JULY 22 Systematics **Workshop** 'Principles of Information Management' **University House, ANU.** Contact: Anthony Meggitt (02) 411 3455.

JULY 22-6 Insearch/DIALOG. DIALOG Introductory, Bio-sci, Sci-tech and Patents **Seminars. Canberra.** Contact: (02) 264 63444 or (02) 218 9790.

HEMLOC, HEALTHNET and ABN

THIS REPORT outlines the current situation with HEMLOC and the planned Health Libraries Network (HEALTHNET) previously mentioned also under the acronym HEMLINE.

Because of limitations of the existing data input management system for shared cataloguing in HEMLOC, only the libraries of the SA and WA State Health Authorities can be accommodated in HEMLOC at this stage. No further applications for shared medical health cataloguing services will be considered by the Department of Health until HEALTHNET is operational.

The Department of Health intends to acquire an integrated library management system, to support health and medical libraries which come under the portfolio of the Federal Minister of Health. This system will have capacity for other libraries as well. It is anticipated that a tender for the new system will be let in 1984 and the package installed during the financial year 1984/85.

Subject to the acquisition of an integrated library management system (ILMS) HEMLOC will cease to exist in its present format. All data on HEMLOC will be transferred automatically to HEALTHNET once the ILMS is installed.

The ILMS will be required to handle online the following Library operations:

- Cataloguing and authority control
- Public access to the bibliographic files
- Acquisition of books and periodicals
- Periodicals processing or check-in
- Periodicals for circulation

A mandatory requirement for the ILMS is that it must be able to support an interface with the ABN (Australian Bibliographic Network) system for the transfer of information in both directions. Following the acquisition of the ILMS the National Library and the Department of Health will jointly determine the details of the mechanism of this interface.

Some of the other main features sought will be:

- multiuser simultaneous access for online data entry, edit and public access
- facility for online global changes to records
- automatic handling of CATLINE marc and other Marc tapes
- management statistics on a range of relevant transactions
- COM and other hardcopy output as required

NT

JUNE 7 LAA NT Branch **Meeting** to discuss the LAA, **Darwin Community College, new building theatre.** Speaker: Warren Horton. Contact: Julii Tyson (089) 22 0250.

JUNE 18-21 Insearch/DIALOG. DIALOG Introductory, Chemical, Biosciences and Sci/tech **Seminars. Darwin.** Contact: (02) 264 6344 or (02) 218 9790.

Overseas

AUGUST 19-25 50th IFLA **General Conference in Kenya.** Theme: The basis of library and information services for national development. Contact: Joseph Nyamulu, 4/437 Flemington Road, North Melbourne, Vic. 3051. (03) 329 1136.

Libraries of the State/Territory Health Departments and Commissions will be welcome to join the Health Libraries Network which will offer commonality of interest and savings in staff computer time. These libraries will be permitted to use all the modules of the proposed ILMS. Full cost recovery will apply. Hospitals administered by the Health Commissions may also join HEALTHNET. All requests from hospital libraries to join HEALTHNET should come through the appropriate State/Territory Health Authority to ABN and HEALTHNET and will be considered jointly by the Department of Health and the National Library.

The Department of Health will not provide shared cataloguing services to libraries other than those administered by State/Territory Health Authorities without the prior agreement of the National Library.

ABN will continue to provide an online shared cataloguing service to libraries of all types. This is supplemented by training, online inquiry and location services and by the provision of cataloguing products. The shared cataloguing service is based on the national bibliographic database which includes records derived from national agency sources such as the Library of Congress, Australian National Bibliography, U.S. Government Printing Office and ABN participants. The CATLINE file produced by the U.S. National Library of Medicine will be included later in 1984.

The National Library will also explore the possibility of maintaining on the ABN system the Mesh thesaurus.

Judith A.D. Baskin
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LAA Education for Librarianship Section

The Information Professional. National Conference, 1984. Melbourne, November 26, 27, 28. Glasshouse Theatre, RMIT.

Contact: Janette Wright, Department of Librarianship RMIT (03) 660 2963.

SHIRE OF BELLARINE

BOOKMOBILE TRAILER SALE

For sale by tender; Freighters-Ansair Bookmobile Trailer overall length 11 metres, quick release turntable, fully air-conditioned, S.E.C. (Vic) 240V electrical system, carpeted, steel bookshelves capacity 4½ thousand, self contained office with sink, pump etc, body/mechanicals — excellent.

For further details and inspection by appointment — telephone **Mr N. McPherson, Deputy Shire Engineer, Geelong (052) 51 2204.**

Tenders close by 6 July, 1984.

Rare books missing

In response to an item in *InCite* late last year, the Australian Institute of Aboriginal Studies has advised us that the following items are missing from their rare book collection:

Archer, William Henry, ed. Facts and figures: or, notes of progress, statistical and general; (facsimile reprint). Melbourne, William Fairfax, 1858. (Carlton, Vic., Queensberry Hill Press, 1977). (xvi), 60, 24p. frontis. tpls. Edition limited to 500 copies. Copy 468.

Bligh, William. Narrative of the mutiny on board H.M. Ship *Bounty* and the subsequent voyage to Timor. Melb., Georgian House for the Australiana Society (1952). Various pagings. fold. maps.

Blair, David. The History of Australasia: from the first dawn of discovery in the southern ocean to the establishment of self-government in the various colonies . . . Glasgow, McGready, Thomson & Niven, 1878. xxxvi, 711p. illus. maps.

Fernyhough, William H. Aboriginal lithographs. Syd. (Austin), 1834. A series of 12 profile portraits of Aborigines of NSW. Lithographs 26 x 18cm., mounted 33 x 25cm. (in box).

Fox, Lady Mary, *pseud.* Account of an expedition to the interior of New Holland. Lond., Bentley, 1837. viii, 243p.

Morris, Edward Ellis. Austral English: a dictionary of Australasian words, phrases and usages with those aboriginal-Australian and Maori words which have become incorporated in the language and the commoner scientific words that have had their origin in Australasia. Lond., Macmillan, 1898. xxiv, 525p.

Newland, Simpson. Old-time memories: a band of pioneers. Adel., W.K. Thomas, 1895. 13p.

New South Wales. Parliament. Rescue of two female children, from Frazer's Island. Sydney, Government Printer, 1860. 10p. (Pp.341A/1859-60.)

Pyke, William T. Thirty years among the blacks of Australia: the life and adventures of William Buckley, the runaway convict. Lond., Routledge, 1904. 123p. illus.

Swire, Herbert. The Voyage of the Challenger: a personal narrative of the historic circumnavigation of the globe in the years 1872-1876 . . . (Lond.), golden Cockerel Press, 1938. 2v. col. pls. illus. maps.

Willoughby, Howard. Australian pictures drawn with pen and pencil. Lond., Religious Tract Society, 1886. 224p. illus. fold. map.

Willshire, William Henry. The Land of the dawning: being facts gleaned from cannibals in the Australian stone age. Adel., Thomas, 1896. 101p. pls. diags.

Withnell, John G. The Customs and traditions of the Aboriginal native of North Western Australia. Roebourne (Geyer), 1901. i, 37p.

Electronic information service for ALA

THE AMERICAN Library Association has launched a new electronic mail and information service known as ALANET.

ALANET subscribers will be able to communicate electronically with ALA headquarters in Chicago, the ALA Washington office and participating libraries, associations and suppliers. Subscribers will also be able to tap valuable new ALA databases for current information on legislation, conferences and publications.

The system chosen to provide ALANET's computer-based services is ITT-Dialcom, which allows dial-up access via all the major telecommunications networks.

All ALA organisation members may subscribe to ALANET and the facility is being used as a membership incentive.