

Harold White Fellowship

Burmese librarian visits the National Library of Australia

The distinguished Burmese librarian U Thaw Kaung undertook a three month Harold White Fellowship at the National Library of Australia from March to June 1999. He compiled a guide to the manuscripts and papers of Gordon Hannington Luce (1889–1979), the eminent scholar of Burmese language, literature, art and antiquities. The Luce Collection of books and papers was acquired by the National Library in 1980.

U Thaw Kaung was originally on the staff of the University of Rangoon Library and from 1969 to 1997 was chief librarian of the University's Central Library.

During his fellowship he gave talks about the Luce Collection and Burmese libraries at the Australian National University and the National Library. He was also awarded an honorary Doctor of Letters by the University of Western Sydney for his contribution to South-east Asian librarianship. ■



U Thaw Kaung

Boyd Rayward retires

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Emeritus Professor Warden Boyd Rayward, BA (Syd), MS (Illinois), PhD (Chicago), DipLib (UNSW), AALIA, member of the Association since 1961 and Associate since 1971, has retired from the University of New South Wales. He was professor of librarianship there from 1986, head of the School of Information, Library and Archive Studies from 1986 until 1992, and dean of the Faculty of Professional Studies from 1993 until 1997.

Boyd's career began at the Public (now State) Library of New South Wales in 1961. From 1964 until 1986 his time was divided between Australia, a brief period in Canada, and the United States of America. He returned to Australia to the University of New South Wales until the end of July this year.

In a peripatetic life as librarian, student, educator and committee member there has been sustained research activity, some entailing periods in Europe for work with sources.

The role of educator included, in addi-

tion to contributions in Australia, being Dean of the Graduate Library School, University of Chicago. His membership of committees included responsibilities connected with *World Book Encyclopedia*, Charles Sturt University, the Australian Libraries Summit and AACOBS.

Research has been, and is, accompanied by a wide range of publications. There is an extensive bibliography of articles in scholarly periodicals. His books include *The university of information: the work of Paul Otlet*; and he has edited three others: *International organisation and dissemination of knowledge: selected essays of Paul Otlet*; *The variety of librarianship: essays in honour of John Wallace Metcalfe*; and *The development of a profession of librarianship in Australia: the travel diaries and other papers of John Wallace Metcalfe* (jointly published by ALIA and Scarecrow press).

To Boyd Rayward, appreciation of the achievements and good wishes for the future. ■

\$20. For more information or to register contact: Stephen Coppins by 1/10, ph 02 9715 8316, spcoppins@bigpond.com

• **13/10 NSW Library Technicians section.** *General meeting.* Paramatta Heritage Centre, Church Street (near Lennox Bridge), Parramatta, 5:30pm, refreshments provided. For further details, please contact: Stephen Coppins, ph 02 9715 8316, spcoppins@bigpond.com

• **19/10–14/12 NSW Branch Council meeting.** State Library of NSW, Macquarie Street, Sydney, observers welcome. 1999 meeting dates: 19/10 (6pm, McDonalds Room, Ground Floor); 16/11, 14/12 (6pm, Sumitomo Room, Level 11). *RSVP to:* Jo-anne Fuller or Heather Black, ph 02 9906 6000, jojo1@ozemail.com.au

• **20/10–11/11 NSW Children's & Youth Services section.** *Committee meeting* — everybody welcome, 5:30pm. 22/10 (Management seminar); 11/11 (Burwood Library). For further information, please contact: Mylee Joseph, ph 02 9777 7900, fx 02 9413 2038.

• **22/10 NSW Acquisitions section.** One day seminar on basics of acquisitions. State Library of NSW, Metcalfe Auditorium, 8:30–4pm. \$85 ALIA members, \$60 ALIA student members, \$110 non-members. Contact: Linda Bishop, ph 02 9809 5884, linrose@one.net.au. See the back of this month's coversheet for details.

• **22/10 NSW TAFE section.** *Set yourself up to succeed: a job application forum.* OTEN-DE, Building A, 51 Wentworth Road, Strathfield, 9:30–4:30pm. ALIA members and students \$40; non-members \$50. *RSVP by 15/10 to:* Margaret Roberts, ph 02 9715 8329, margaret.roberts@tafensw.edu.au

22/10 Monash University staff reunion for ex-staff and guests, all campuses. Monash University Club, Main dining room, Wellington Road, Clayton, 6pm. Cost: \$16.50pp, payable on the night. Contact: Jan Gill, ph 03 9905 9104, fx 03 9905 2617, jangill@lib.monash.edu.au or Elaine Allan, ph 03 9905 2647, fx 03 9905 2611, Elaine.Allan@lib.monash.edu.au *RSVP by 12/10.*

• **26/10–24/11 NSW School Libraries section meeting.** Leichhardt Public School, Joint Council Rooms, Norton Street, Leichhardt (near Shearer's on Norton), 5:30–7:30pm, all members welcome. 1999 meeting dates: 26/10, 24/11. Contact the president, Ian McLean, Ian.McLean@det.nsw.edu.au or the secretary Mary Gibbs, mgibbs@shore.nsw.edu.au for more details.

• **27/10 NSW Library Technicians section.** *Mid North Coast Library Technicians Group meeting.* Bishop Druiett College Library, North Boambee Road, Coffs Harbour, 5:15pm, refreshments provided. For more information, please contact Jill Baker, ph 02 6659 3232, jlbaker2@chec.scu.edu.au

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