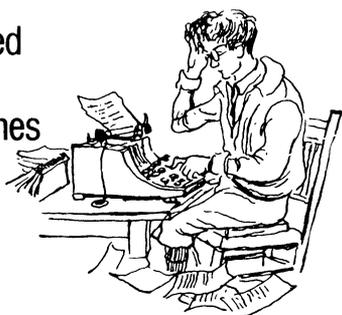


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Back to basics

APPROPRIATE technology – a hot topic in the community today – is the subject of a selective bibliography published in 1980 by the Department of Librarianship at Melbourne State College.

Pauline Cahir's *Appropriate technology in Australia: a selective annotated bibliography* is quite candidly a 'limited sampling of resources and projects' in this field, and is very much 'Melbourne-centred'. The compiler sees this publication as a beginning, with similar works being necessary in other Australian and New Zealand cities.

That may well happen, but meanwhile there is this 110-page work, covering 481 monographs, periodical articles and groups and organisations with an interest in solar, hydrogen, wind, water, biological energy, recycling, organic gardening and a host of other related topics. There are author, name, periodical title and subject indexes. It's a very useful basic guide, and excellent value at \$4.00 including postage.

Pauline Cahir's *Appropriate technology in Australia* is available from the Department of Librarianship, Melbourne State College, 757 Swanston Street, Carlton, Vic 3053. (ISBN 0 908176 05 8).

Bach's breves and Schubert's semiquavers

THE British Library Reference Division is currently publishing a series of facsimiles of music manuscripts in its possession. The aim of the series is to 'provide faithful reproductions of key source materials' at a reasonable price.

The first three in the series are J.S. Bach's *Das Wohltemperierte Clavier II* (ISBN 0 904654 37 0; £30.00), Schubert's *Piano Sonata in G minor*, op78 (ISBN 0 904654 38 9; £25.00) and Beethoven's *Violin sonata in G major*, op30 no3 (ISBN 0 904654 39 7; £25.00), all in the hands of the masters.

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Enquiries should be addressed to the British Library Reference Division Publications, Great Russell Street, London WC1B 3DG.

Sticks and stones

AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL has been variously described as 'this espionage agency', 'this imperialist body' and as an 'instrument of communist terrorism'. Such contrasts emerge from *AI in quotes* (London, Amnesty International, 1976; ISBN 0 900058 27 7; 50 cents), a compendium of brickbats and benedictions.

Among the many publications of this organisation, which is devoted to human rights around the world, are *Prisoners of conscience in the USSR*, 2nd ed. (Sydney: Amnesty International, 1980; ISBN 0 909382 33 6; \$5.95), *Indonesia* (London: Amnesty International, 1977; ISBN 0 900058 63 3; \$4.50) and *Political imprisonment in the Peoples Republic of China* (London: Amnesty International, 1978; ISBN 0 900058 80 3; \$3.50).

Another, regular, publication is *A chronicle of current events*, subtitled *Journal of the Human Rights Movement in the USSR*, a cover-to-cover translation of a clandestine journal produced in typescript and circulated like a chain letter in the Soviet Union. Amnesty International has issued the English-language version since 1971.

Further information about AI and its publications is available from their local branch office: GPO Box 2598, Sydney, NSW 2001.

Many cultures, many viewpoints

THE increased interest in multicultural education has prompted the Education Information Service of the National Library of Australia to produce a special bibliography.

Published in microfich form, *Current trends in multicultural education: select documents from the ERIC* (Educational Resources Information Center) *data base* contains references to material on curricula, language and teaching in multicultural education, together with a review of more general issues.

Current trends is fifth in the ANSOL (Australian National Social Sciences Library) Bibliography Series, is on 2 negative 24:1 reduction ratio microfiche and costs \$3.00. Copies are available from the Sales and Subscriptions Unit, National Library of Australia, Canberra, ACT 2600.

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AUSINTEL also publishes a large number of Current Awareness Bulletins which list current acquisitions from different countries. The Bulletins are compiled as the material arrives in the library, and before they are fully catalogued; most Bulletins are arranged under broad subject headings. Ishmaelia seems to be about the only foreign country which these Bulletins don't cover.

The Pacific region is covered by a special current awareness bulletin, *Pacific affairs current awareness bulletin*. The first issue of this monthly appeared in April this year. AUSINTEL has also produced a number of bibliographies of material in the NLA in response to specific requests from users, among them a select list of books on Islam and a list of research works on Eastern Europe.

Copies of the bibliographies and further information about the Current Awareness Bulletins, or about AUSINTEL generally, can be had from the Principal Librarian, AUSINTEL, National Library of Australia, Canberra, ACT 2600, phone (062) 62 1615.

Parliamentary snippets

REGULAR news of developments at the Parliamentary Library in Canberra is provided in its *Information bulletin* (vol 1, no 1, 11 August 1980).

The first issue has snippets of news from the Australian Parliamentary Librarians Conference, news of SCALE (Statutes and Cases – Automated Legal Enquiry) and other computerised developments in the Library.

Further information about the *Information bulletin* is available from its Editor, Department of the Parliamentary Library, Parliament House, Canberra, ACT 2600, phone (062) 72 7451. (ISSN 0159-7426). □

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