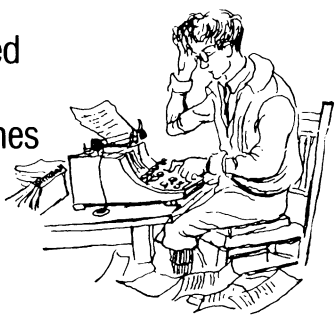


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A library of Americana

If you have US\$189,000 to spare, give a thought to purchasing a massive microfiche collection, mainly of Americana, which has been built up by the Lost Cause Press since 1954.

Some 26,000 volumes are now available on fiche, covering American fiction and history, Afro-American studies, American Indians, slavery and other topics. One section of the collection still in progress reproduces more than 7500 works listed in Sabin's *Bibliotheca Americana* – this part of the collection alone would cost over US\$100,000.

Groups of items from the collection, but not individual titles, are available separately, and each collection is accompanied by a full set of catalogue cards. The microfiche are silver halide, 105 mm x 148 mm, reduction ratio 24x.

Further information on this major micropublishing venture is available from the Lost Cause Press, 754 Starks Building, Louisville, Kentucky 40202, USA.

For car fanciers

The motoring enthusiast's 'little black book' isn't particularly little, and it is actually mainly green, but it is a very useful publication for tracing an elusive Frazer Nash big end or for putting you in touch with fellow Ferrari fanciers.

This 170-odd page guide covers suppliers of spare parts for vintage, veteran or just plain old cars, clubs for their owners (even the humble Mazda sports a club in Australia), car museums, motoring publishers, restoration services and numberplate collectors. Most of the entries are for Australian organisations or individuals. It's excellently indexed too.

The motoring enthusiast's 'little black book' is published by Gilltraps Auto Museum, PO Box 128, Palm Beach, Qld 4221. It costs \$9.50 plus \$1.50 postage. (ISBN 0 9593980 0 7)

Itchy feet

Librarians on the move around the world who would like to meet local librarians, or would consider exchanging residences with a librarian in another country may like to contact the Balmy Press in Minneapolis.

The Balmy Press, which is run by William J. Cutts a former librarian, publishes *The footloose librarian*, a new newsletter aimed at travelling librarians. The newsletter offers financial advice for travellers, ranging from simple tips to achieving financial independence, whatever that means. One section of the newsletter lists the names and addresses of librarians around the world 'who will provide up-to-date tourist information about the cities they live in to other librarians'.

The footloose librarian will be published every two months and costs US\$14.00 per year. If you would like to participate as a host, guide or correspondent (and receive

three free issues) you should contact William J. Cutts at Balmy Press, PO Box 972, Minneapolis, MN 55440, USA.

Road works ahead

During 1980 the Australian Road Research Board completed a major survey of road research in progress in Australia.

The survey, carried out for the International Road Federation and the International Road Research Documentation, disclosed an impressive number of projects, with road research being interpreted pretty widely. 493 of the projects are recorded in *Australian road research in progress*, a new annual from the Australian Road Research Board. *ARRIP*, which bears a close resemblance to *Australian road index*, its stable-mate, covers topics as diverse as accident statistics, concrete, vehicle nuisance and soil mechanics. Each entry includes an abstract, project data and relevant addresses. It is exhaustively indexed by subject, name, project number and IRF or IRRD number. *ARRIP* is produced to the high standards which we have come to expect from the ARRB. It will be a useful work to have in any institution with more than a casual interest in all aspects of road-based transport.

Australian road research in progress (vol 1, 1980) will be issued annually, and is available from the Australian Road Research Board, PO Box 156 (Bag 4), Nunawading, Vic 3131. Copies have already been distributed to subscribers to *Australian road index* and to survey respondents. (ISSN 0705-9213).

The voice of AACOBS

Australian newspaper indexes, copyright, research and development, the Razor Gang, Cable television, Book Bounty and inter-library lending – these were among topics

discussed by the Standing Committee of AACOBS (Australian Advisory Council on Bibliographical Services) at meetings earlier this year.

Recognising that 'the voice of AACOBS must be heard clearly outside its own membership', the Standing Committee resolved to issue a newsletter, which will be published four or five times a year.

AACOBS newsletter will be distributed free of charge to all institutions which have contributed to the AACOBS R and D fund.

Other interested librarians may wish to contact the Secretary, Marion Newman, c/o National Library of Australia, Canberra, ACT 2600, for further information about distribution, or on any of the topics discussed by AACOBS. (ISSN 0707 4640).

Serials for health

Over 380 serials in medicine, nursing, health economics, nutrition and pharmacology are listed in the first edition of *Current Australian health serials*, which was published earlier this year by the Australian Department of Health Library.

The 1981 list updates a preliminary edition which was issued in 1979, with many amendments and additions. It is based partly upon the Department's own holdings and partly upon *Current Australian serials* and the *Australian national bibliography*. Each entry includes the publisher's address in full and MESH headings (Medical Subject Headings).

In this edition the compilers also indicate which journals are indexed in *Index medicus*, *Excerpta medica* and BIOSIS. A limited number of this very useful publication are available free of charge from the Serials Librarian, Australian Department of Health, PO Box 100, Woden, ACT 2606. (No ISBN) □

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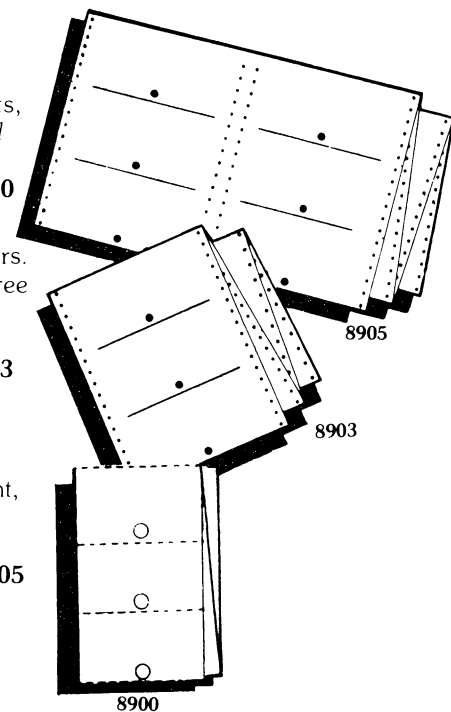
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