

News from the Divisions

INFORMATION SCIENCE SECTION (WA GROUP)

'Technological change & the managerial challenge' was the topic of an address to the ISS (WA Group) by Dr Lynton Hayes, recently appointed Executive Director of the Western Australian Division of the Australian Institute of Management, on 24 February.

Dr Hayes is returning to Western Australia after several years in the United States researching, working in, writing about and advising on managerial aspects of science and technology.

Interestingly, managers in the United States are now closely watching the managerial styles in Japan where long-term planning, often with government assistance, is proving to be more successful than the western style of quick profits in the short term.

Although, by his own admission, Dr Hayes needs to familiarise himself with the Australian scene, this initial contact with the AIM is likely to be beneficial for the library and information community in the future.

Louise Jones

MEDICAL LIBRARIANS' SECTION

Nearly forty people met for dinner on 4 December 1981 to meet old friends and make new ones, and to celebrate the pending formation of the Victorian Group of the Medical Librarians' Section.

Five visiting Chinese Medical Librarians on a WHO Study Tour were also entertained at the dinner which, by all accounts, was a resounding success.

The Group's first general meeting will be held in February. Office bearers are: President, Joan Martin; Secretary, Sue Hill; Treasurer, Judith Quilter; members of executive, Anne McLean and Sandra Russell.

NORTH QUEENSLAND REGIONAL GROUP

The group has introduced a new service to their members in listing in their newsletter details of all important correspondence received. Members are invited to contact a member of the executive if they wish to express their point of view about it, or to bring the matter up at the regular open meetings planned for 1982.

The Committee is investigating the possibility of holding continuing education workshops and seminars, with such topics as Indexing, Library Automation and Library Management being considered.

VICTORIAN BRANCH

Library Technicians Please Note!

With the beginning of a new year the Victorian Library Technicians' Section is about to swing into action! — with, we hope, much needed support from our technician members. We are looking for your help and ideas in planning future events. Please contact one of the people whose phone numbers are given here and let us have your thoughts on what you want the Section to do for you! Ring Rob Fleming on 698-3415 or Faye Patinson on 573-2044 and have a chat.

ON THE INDUSTRIAL FRONT

Salaries

A number of salary movements affecting library staff have taken place recently. Some have been already mentioned in *InCite* but others are as follows:

- NSW universities library assistants and librarians received 7 percent backdated to July 1981.
- All library staff (except those with academic parity) in New South Wales universities, colleges and the State Library will receive 4.3 percent as a result of the NSW Commission's decision on state awards.
- Librarians in the Northern Territory Public Service received the same percentage increase as Commonwealth librarians dating from 17 December 1981.
- Brisbane City Council library staff got 10 percent from 30 October 1981.

• Queensland State Library staff benefited from the 9.5 percent increase awarded Queensland public servants. This was in addition to the \$6.30 of the State Wage Case.

• Public library staff in Victoria received approximately 11 percent increase, reflecting the community wage movement since the abandonment of wage indexation in July last year.

Decision reversed

An appeal by the employers against a decision of Commissioner Gough concerning the salaries of Chief Librarians employed under the Municipal Officers South Australian Award was upheld on 4 March. This means that these librarians are now classified to one of eight groups within the salary range \$13791-\$20098 as opposed to \$13791-\$23598 under Commissioner Gough's decision.

Judith Hill
Industrial Officer

New LAA Group?

FOR THE PAST year, Bruce Turner, Regional Librarian at the Mildura Regional Library Service, has been trying to set up an LAA Regional Group, for people in north-west Victoria, south-west New South Wales and the South Australian riverland.

So far the results have not been overwhelming, but, undaunted, Bruce planned an informal meeting to discuss ideas at the Mildura Carnegie Library. Although this will have taken place by the time this issue of *InCite* reaches you, it's not too late to find out more about the project.

Contact Bruce Turner or Leanne McEwen on (050) 23 5011. If they can get a group of librarians and library workers interested in regular meetings, they are 'utterly flexible' as to how often meetings should be held and the subjects for discussion.

Your suggestions would be welcomed.

TASMANIAN BRANCH

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As Branch Councillors, we will be happy to hear any ideas and assist with any enquiries you may have. Our meetings are held monthly.

HONORARY AWARDS

H.C.L. Anderson Award

'The General Council may confer the H.C.L. Anderson Award on any person who is a professional member of the Association or who holds an overseas qualification in librarianship or archives which is recognised as a professional qualification by a library association or archives association in the country concerned, and who has rendered outstanding service to librarianship or to the library profession in Australia, or to the Library Association of Australia, or to the theory or practice of librarianship'.

Redmond Barry Award

'The General Council may confer the Redmond Barry Award on any person who is not eligible to be a professional member of the Association who, in the opinion of General Council, has rendered outstanding service to the promotion of a library or of libraries, to the Association, to the theory or practice of librarianship, or to an associated field such as bibliography'.

Members or Divisions of the Association may make a recommendation that an honorary award be conferred, by writing confidentially (not later than Friday 16 July 1982) to Mr J.G. Dwyer, Convener, LAA Honorary Awards Committee, 9 Muller Road, Manningham SA 5086.

Nominations should be accompanied by a brief supporting statement.

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