

INDUSTRIAL NEWS

National Wage Case, March 1987

The first National Wage Case decision for 1987 was handed down by the Arbitration Commission on 10 March.

The decision creates a two-tier wage system and provides for a first tier increase of \$10.00 per week across the board, effective immediately subject to a no extra claims commitment by unions.

The Commission will convene a conference of the parties to the National Wage Case proceedings in October 1987 to consider whether a further increase in the first tier should be awarded. Any such additional increase shall not exceed the equivalent of a 1.5 percent increase in wages and salaries.

The second tier of the system allows further increases of up to 4 percent to be negotiated between parties in accordance with certain principles laid down by the Commission.

The package of principles established by the Commission will operate until the next review is completed. A commencement date of May 1988 has been set for the review.

1987 Salary Scales

The LAA's 1987 *Salary Scales* will be available soon. An order coupon is included in this edition of *InCite*. *Salary Scales* is free for LAA members and available to non-members for \$2.00 per copy (including postage).

Tasmanian Library Dispute

PSA members have reimposed work bans at the Northern Regional Library in Launceston following rejection of a proposal to provide additional staffing.

Negotiations continuing

Negotiations are continuing between the Municipal Officers Association and the Local Government Association of South Australia over a claim for improved salary rates for librarians and chief librarians.

New Workers Compensation Acts

Reforms to the workers compensation systems in South Australia and the Northern Territory will be brought about by the Workers Rehabilitation and Compensation Act (SA) and the Work Health Act (NT). The new South Australian Act emphasises cost effectiveness and rehabilitation. Benefits will be determined by the needs of a worker rather than the cause of disability.

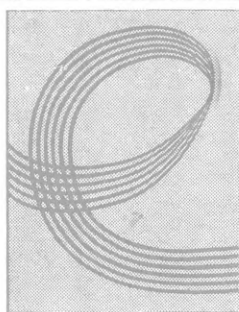
The new legislation for the Northern Territory is designed to provide adequate compensation and promote occupational health and safety and rehabilitation.

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Who's where.

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The Second *INFORMATION ONLINE* Conference conducted in January this year attracted 620 delegates - maximum capacity - and a further 150 persons were turned away. More than 2000 persons comprising the legal, business, medical, scientific and library communities visited the 52-stand exhibition. Participants from the U.K., U.S.A., West Germany, and New Zealand have praised highly the calibre of this prestigious event, which has become a respected milestone for the online information industry in Australia.

The Conference and Exhibition provides a forum for Australian information professionals to exchange information and explore new developments and major issues concerning the online information industry in Australia and overseas.

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Can you help?

Last year, the LAA held discussions with a representative of the NSW Society for Crippled Children, regarding the Disabled Youth Employment Project, which is funded by the Department of Community Services.

The Project aims to place physically disabled people into open employment and/or training, after assessment of clients' ambitions and abilities. The employment team advises and counsels clients on various career options, they also research and organise suitable job-related training, liaise with employers regarding vacancies, and make them aware of the skills and abilities that clients possess.

In the short time that the scheme has been operating, the team has been successful in motivating and placing a number of the clients of the Society, in employment. It is felt that in some instances library assistant and/or book mender/repairer positions would be particularly appropriate for such people. As an example, one of the clients of the pro-



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Training in library work may be provided for these clients, if vacancies exist in these libraries. A wage subsidy will be available to employers from the clients' local CES office.

If you feel that your library may have a suitable vacancy, please contact Reshmi Saynor, Employment Officer, Youth Employment Project, 2/14-20 Station Street, Harris Park NSW 2150. (02) 633 1311