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- that site to generate more revenue after the Canberra building is completed is also possible.
- The site of the proposed Canberra building, West Deakin, near the Mint, is just five minutes from the Parliamentary Triangle. Access to the politicians and bureaucrats influencing our funding and our future will be greatly enhanced.
- This is our last chance to secure a site in West Deakin, and on such favourable terms. Future sites for national associations will be in the Tuggeranong Valley some twenty kilometres to the south, and probably on inferior terms.
- Proximity to other national professional associations, ACLIS and the National Library will facilitate co-operative activities.
- The taxation position on rental income is being examined by Coopers and Lybrand (Association's auditors), but they are optimistic. The Association's bank will lend us what we need, at favourable rates. Our collateral, the Ultimo building, is excellent and the whole program comfortably exceeds commercial criteria for financial viability. West Deakin is a very attractive location for commercial tenants and it is anticipated tenants for our building will be identified before the building is completed. Naming rights for the building will be ours. An architect will be selected soon using procedures advised by the Royal Australian Institute of Architects.

If any members require further information or wish to discuss anything please leave a message for me at the Sydney office toll free (008) 22 1481 and I will return your call as soon as possible.

Alternatively please do not hesitate to contact Sue Kosse, Executive Director, your General Councillor or your Branch President. Contact numbers are listed below with General Councillors numbers appearing first:

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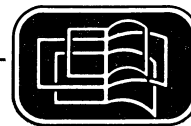
The possibility of returning to the national capital, to where the Association was established, has been mooted for a long time.

In 1980, when it was last reviewed, there were valid practical objections to the LAA in Canberra. These objections are now less valid, and will diminish even further as Canberra continues its growth.

Circumstances have changed: we now have precedents for local offices; with their development in WA and Victoria; we have a major collateral asset in the building in Ultimo; other national associations are developing in Canberra; we have an option on cheap land provided by the Commonwealth Government for organisations such as ours; we are now a stronger Association; we have a better sense of national purpose.

Excepting the membership as a whole, the Canberra building will be the Association's most significant asset, providing the base for long-term financial leverage for the devolution to responsible and accountable local operations.

The Canberra building will serve us for the whole of the second half of our first century. It will also assert that we have confidence in our exciting future; confidence in our capacity to serve our nation's future. *Alan Bundy*  
President



## James Bennett's Bicentennial Endeavours

The Australian publishing industry is marking the Bicentennial year with a prodigious output of titles covering all aspects of life in Australia.

James Bennett Library Services has a commitment to informing Australian and overseas libraries of all Australian books published that may be relevant to their collection. In Australia's Bicentennial year they are concentrating on providing superior Australian services to all their customers. This is reflected in many regular services as well as particular Bicentennial undertakings such as the James Bennett Library Services Bicentennial List.

The belief that Australian writers are producing world-class fiction and non-fiction has encouraged James Bennett Library Services to sell Australian books to Asia, the Pacific, North America, Middle East and Europe. Promotion of Australian books has incorporated a number of projects including involvement in and sponsorship of the 'Aussie Books for Kids' travelling exhibition in North America.

It has also meant attendance at all major library conferences, such as the ALA, LA, IFLA, CLA and NZLA conferences by Network representatives from James Bennett, John Menzies, John Coutts and Readmore.

In 1988 James Bennett are stepping up promotion and support of the Australian publishing industry; making available vital information on Australian books to the international library scene and to the public at large.

## INDUSTRIAL NEWS

### INOS Report

In January and February, members of the INOS (Learning and Information Needs of Schools) project team visited Queensland, South Australia, Western Australia and the Northern Territory speaking to representatives of the Association of Independent Schools, the Catholic Education Office, Departments of Education as well as parents, teachers, teacher-librarians and state librarians. In each state, visits were made to several country centres in addition to the capital cities. The team has also been analysing a range of literature related to the project and preparing follow-up correspondence regarding the state visits.

*Louise Lansley*  
Manager, Educational and Industrial Services.

### EXCHANGE POSITIONS WANTED

**Stephen Walker**, a cataloguer with a university library in Warrensbury in the USA, is interested in exchanging positions with an Australian cataloguer. Stephen's library serves a student population of 8,000. Cataloguing is performed using Anglo-American cataloguing rules, Library of Congress subject headings and the Library of Congress classification system.

Members interested in arranging an exchange should write to Stephen Walker at 415B King Street., Warrensbury Mo 64093, USA.

**Brenda Keyte**, a Librarian-in-Charge at the Dick Sheppard School in London, wishes to exchange positions with a school, college or public librarian at a similar level in NSW for approximately one year. The Dick Sheppard School has 500 pupils aged 11-18 years and a library of 13,000 books. She supervises one clerical assistant, teaches library, information and study skills to all pupils, controls the budget, selects stock, and catalogues material.

Brenda would like to make an exchange of accommodation a part of the arrangement. For more information contact Brenda Keyte, 263 Kirkstall Road, London SW2 4HF, phone (01) 671 8231.

### Volunteers for IFLA/LAA

Can you spare some time in August? The IFLA/LAA Conference Committee is seeking volunteers to assist with its information desk at the conference. The desk will be located in the registration and exhibition area in the Roundhouse at the University of NSW, and will answer the following types of queries:

- directional and geographic — what and where
- medical and comfort
- conference program, venues
- historical
- library-related
- transportation other than those relating to conference tours.

We will need at least two people to staff the desk — from 8.00 am to 6.00 pm approximately each day from Saturday, 27 August to Saturday, 3 September, and three people during rush periods. One person at all times needs to be experienced in handling reference queries.

If you have experience in reference, and are interested in helping the conference committee, please contact Barrie Mitcheson (02) 805 7520 or Sue Phillips (02) 692 9233 or (008) 22 1481.

Organising an insert for *InCite*? Need to place an event in the Happenings column? Contact: Tanya Vojsk at LAA HQ on (02) 692 9233 (008) 221481 or Fax (02) 692 0589.