

## NOTES FROM THE LIBRARY

### ADMINISTRATION

Following the passing of the National Library Act in 1965 last; the undermentioned were appointed Trustees of the National Library in April: Chairman, Sir John Illott, F.R.E.S., J.P. Other members: The right Reverend A. K. Wairen, M.C., Professor J. C. Garrett, Messrs H. W. Freer, M.P., R. E. Jack, M.P., A. D. McIntosh, C.M.G., LL.D., D. J. Riddiford, M.C., M.P. Dr K. J. Sheen, Director-General of Education, Mr J. V. Meech, C.V.O., Secretary for Internal Affairs and Mr H. N. Dollimore, Clerk of the House of Representatives. Sir Ronald M. Algie, former Speaker of the House of Representatives was appointed a Trustee in December last.

Section 14(1)(b) of the National Library Act empowered the appointment of a Special committee of four members '... of whom one shall be the Secretary for Internal Affairs and one shall be a trustee appointed or holding office under section 9 of this Act and having special interest in and knowledge of the Alexander Turnbull Library, to advise the Trustees on all matters relating to the Alexander Turnbull Library, and to exercise such powers as are delegated to them ...'

In terms of this provision the Trustees at their first meeting appointed Sir John Illott, Mr D. J. Riddiford and Mr Ormond Wilson, the Chairman of the New Zealand Historic Places Trust, to act with the Secretary of Internal Affairs as the Special Committee.

The Committee has since met on three occasions and has among other business approved revised rules for the Library, which with draft regulations have since received the endorsement of the Trustees. The Regulations define the conditions under which the Library material may be used and the circumstances under which it may or may not leave the Library. The Regulations after the approval of the Attorney-General and Cabinet will be formally approved by the Governor-General in Council.

Following the retirement of Mr J. R. Cole as from 31 December, 1965, Mrs I. M. Winchester was Acting Chief Librarian until the newly appointed Chief Librarian, Mr A. G. Bagnall, took up duties on 27 April 1966.

### PUBLICATIONS

A reception was held by the Honourable D. C. Seath, Minister of Internal Affairs, on 30 March 1966 to mark the publication of the *Journal of Ensign Best* edited by Mrs Nancy Taylor and also to mark the end of responsibility for the Library by the Department of Internal Affairs. In terms of the National Library Act the Library as part of the National Library of New Zealand began its association with the Department of Education on 1 April.