

## Research Notes

Sally Edridge's *Solomon Islands Bibliography to 1980*, published in 1985 by the Turnbull in association with the Solomon Islands National Library and the Institute of Pacific Studies, has won the John Harris Award of the New Zealand Library Association for excellence in bibliography.

Professor Robert Ellwood of the Department of Religion, University of Southern California, has been awarded a Fulbright research fellowship for study at the Turnbull during 1987. Professor Ellwood proposes to compile a working inventory and historical account of the new religious movements among Europeans in New Zealand since 1840 and to present comparative perspectives on such movements in New Zealand and the United States. The movements to be studied include Theosophists, Rosicrucians, Spiritualists, initiatory organisations (including Scientology), and Eastern groups from Vedanta, Transcendental Meditation, Western Zen and the Unification Church. Professor Ellwood's books include *Religious and Spiritual Groups in Modern America*; *Alternative Altars: Unconventional and Eastern Spirituality in America*; *One Way: the Jesus Movement and its Meaning*; and *The Eagle and the Rising Sun: Americans and the New Religions of Japan*.

The official opening of the new National Library building has been set for Wednesday 5 August. A five-day programme of special events is being planned to mark the occasion. The Turnbull's Manuscripts Section will be opening on 6 April to researchers who have advised the Library of their special needs, and the rest of the Turnbull's collections will be available from late May.

Professor A W Crosby, the Turnbull's first Fulbright research fellow, has produced a book, *Ecological Imperialism: the Biological Expansion of Europe 900-1900* (Cambridge University Press, 1986) which draws substantially on the research done at the Turnbull in 1979. Professor Crosby used the New Zealand experience as a case study of the kind of ecological takeover discussed in general terms in the early part of his book. He is Professor of American Studies at the University of Texas at Austin.

The Turnbull has placed a subscription to the specialist collection 'Publishing, the Booktrade and the Diffusion of Knowledge' from 'The Nineteenth Century', a microfiche edition of printed books in English. 'The Nineteenth Century' is a large-scale programme to republish in microfiche over a 30-year term the English language books and pamphlets of research value within clearly defined subject areas published in the nineteenth century. The project will begin with the collections of the British Library and then move to the Bodleian and other research collections. The