

FROM THE EDITOR

Twenty three librarians assembled at St John's College, Auckland for the recent ANZTLA Conference which has been voted "the best yet"! We recognise the difficulties so many of our ANZTLA members face in managing to attend such occasions - not least the financial constraints. For this reason we have made this issue a "Conference Proceedings", because we feel that all readers should have the opportunity to benefit from the wisdom and expertise of the Conference speakers.

Both Harold Pidwell and Coral Ridling were very conversational and entertaining in their presentation. Their addresses have been published just as presented - we hope you find them as entertaining, as well as informatvie, as we did. You may like to purchase cassette tapes of the key sessions. See the advertisement and order form on page 28?.

Australasian Religion Index is no longer simply in embryo. In spite of a few hiccups, ARI is alive and well! Those smart members who subscribed pre-publication should already have received their copies. To secure your copy, why not subscribe today? Use the brochure inserted with this issue. Pass it on if you already have yours. Many thanks to the team of indexers, and especially to the 'inner circle' of the Editorial Committee in Melbourne who worked many long hours checking the datasheets ready for the keyboarders and others in Wagga Wagga.

By next issue, we hope to have a definitive word on the revised edition of AULOTS, which Hans Arns presently reports "is progressing well".

We popped in the final article on backlogs for a bit of fun reading.