ABSTRACTS

FÖLDI Tamás: Theses on information strategy and information policy. — The information strategy is a complex of information determining the information behaviour of individuals, groups an organizations. The author defines information policy as an application of information strategy to the changing societal conditions. Access to information is fair if the data available to the user (the individual) contribute to optimal and collective decisions. Information strategy should improve the information status of underprivileged individuals and groups. (pp. 345—347)

NAGY Zsoltné: *MICRO-ISIS* in the National Széchényi Library: the ISSN data base. — The editors of "Magyar Nemzeti Bibliográfia Időszaki Kiadványok" (a national periodicals index) within the National Széchényi Library have been using since January 1, 1989, the ISSN data base, an adaptation of MICRO ISIS, version 2.3. The data base contains the major bibliographic data of periodicals launched in 1989, but does not provide bibliographic descriptions according to the standards. The standard bibliographic descriptions of new periodical titles are included in the annual volumes of "MNB Időszaki kiadványok bibliográfiája" (periodicals bibliography). The author describes the records of the data base, as well as the product of the project, "Új periodikumok" (New Periodical Titles), a quarterly publication. The latter can also be used in libraries for cataloguing. (pp. 348—360)

SEBESTYÉN György: New developments in the activities of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences Work-Group on Bibliology. — The Group was set up in 1985, in 1986 AIB (Association Internationale de Bibliologie) was organized, and it was in the same year when a co-ordinated research programme for international bibliology research was elaborated. Hungarian bibliologists took an active part on both meetings, which resulted in a revival of the activities of the Work-Group. The National Library Centre for Library Science and Methodology participates in the compilation of an international bibliography, and the library of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences and the library department of the University of Budapest contribute to a biblencyclopedia. The result of this work was further developed in a conference held in Paris in September, 1989. Owing to Hungarian mediation, the efforts of AIB is now also supported by ECSSID (European Cooperation in Social Science and Documentation). (pp. 361—368)

GÁSPÁRNÉ DEMETER Judit: Architectural modernization of the Central Library of the Technical University of Budapest. — The central library building was erected 90 years ago. The building, then built according to up to-date principles, is still able to serve the same purposes, but fails to provide appropriate conditions for new functions (computer-based library work, subject-oriented information services, bibliography studies, etc.). Utilization of areas not used before, as well as a new department set up in the central university building are seeen as major steps forward in the development of the library. (pp. 369—376)

KEREKES Pálné: Library services to children in Budapest and the associated tasks. — The changing social and economic circumstances force the library services to children to improve. So that the quality of the library services to children can be maintained, the policy of autarchy should be abandoned, children's library services should also be integrated into the Metropolitan library system. The author provides an overview of the development of children's libraries within the Ervin Szabó Metropolitan Library network, Budapest, describes the present structure and writes about the development potential. The most important requirements of the integration of children's libraries are that the level of services must not decline, and the availability of library materials should improve. (pp. 377—382)

KUN SZABÓ Tiborné: Information value and utilization of university documents. — The Veszprém University of Chemistry publishes a lot of grey literature, such as conference proceedings, research reports, doctoral theses and dissertations. These university publications are of various qualities, but a common feature is that none of them reaches all readers potentially interested. Improving their accessability is primarily the task of the university library. (pp. 383—386)

FERENCZI Zsuzsa: Measure and proportion: contribution to Attila Arató's and József Zsidai's articles (in "Könyvtári Figyelő", no. 5/6, 1988). — The author continues and complements the assertions in the two articles on three key questions of public libraries: holdings, computerization and staffing. She considers staffing the number one factor. In addition to professional knowledge, it is important that professionals believe in their role. In our age, struggling with the crisis of civilization, our faith, self-asurance and creative thinking can help maintain and develop the level obtained so far. (pp. 387—391)

SEREGI István: Activity of the Council of Directors of Central Trade Union Libraries (1987-1989). — In recent years the finances, staffing and equippedness of trade union libraries have declined; employers have also considerably cut their support. Although the new leaders of the National Council of Trade Unions took up the cause of trade unions, the unchanged budgets made the functioning of these libraries more difficult. The issue of combining trade union libraries and special libraries in factories has arisen, but the conditions of such an integration are not there everywhere. Centralized management should be stopped, libraries should be more open, library work should be renewed, and library services to the workplaces should not be abandoned. (pp. 392—396)

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