of indexing British archaeology,7 I have tried at several conferences to alert archaeologists to the dangers of bad indexing, especially in computer databases.8 Well, they do say converts are more fanatical than those born to it . . .

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Of libraries great and small

The British Library (Library Association Library) has been renamed The British Library Information Sciences Service (BLISS). The library is to remain in its present location in Ridgmount Street for the next five years, after which period it is likely to be removed to join other British Library collections in St. Pancras. That is of interest to members of the Society of Indexers, as at present we have the privilege of using the library for reference and for borrowing, as well as for access to our own very small collection which BLISS continues most generously to house.

The British Library Research and Development Department, forced through lack of staff to discontinue its Newsletter, has now happily been able to resume dissemination of information about its activities by means of a bulletin that is to appear twice yearly, in winter and summer. The first issue of the new Research Bulletin (Winter 1987) gives news of current research supported by the Department, grants made for conference attendance and study visits, and grants made to other libraries for particular purposes, together with an annotated list of publications in 1987 that give the results of previously sponsored research.

The British Library Research and Development Department, together with the Library and Information Technology Centre, has launched a new information service called LIBs (Library and Information Briefings), which collects material on various technical and socio-economic changes affecting information workers, much of which has hitherto been scattered or unpublished and consequently difficult to obtain. LIBs aims to present the material in a convenient form, easy to read but authoritative. It covers the legal and political environ-