Grants have been approved from the Research Endowment Fund to Isabel Ollivier to complete editorial work on the text of the fifth and final volume of Early Eyewitness Accounts of Maori Life; to Professor Barbara Kirshenblatt-Gimblett to travel from Auckland to deliver a lecture on the preservation of Jewish historical records in New Zealand; to Anna Davin for a series of seminars on women's history and the history workshop movement in Britain; and to Victoria University for some of the costs of a weekend conference on the preservation of theatre records.

Dr David R. Jones has been selected for the 1985 Fulbright research award at the Library. Dr Jones has been a member of the Higher Education Research Group at Yale, Visiting Fellow at the Centre for the Study of Higher Education at the University of Melbourne, and is a member of the editorial board of the *History of Higher Education Annual*. His doctoral thesis (Yale 1982) was on the origins of the civic universities in Manchester, Leeds and Liverpool. Dr Jones will be studying the development of higher education in New Zealand.

During a brief visit to New Zealand in October 1984 by a group of senior library staff from the University of Hawaii the Turnbull organised a one-day professional colloquium. Six papers were presented to an invited audience of librarians, academic staff from Victoria University, and others with an interest in Pacific research collections. The papers were 'Bibliographic Resources for New Zealand Studies' (J.E. Traue); 'The Turnbull Pictorial Collections' (Marian Minson); 'The National Register of Archives and Manuscripts' (Philip Rainer); 'Acquisition Problems in University of Hawaii Pacific Collections' (Renée Heyum); 'A Response to Ethnic Awareness: the Hawaiian Renaissance in Education' (Agnes Quigg); and 'The Librarian as Oral Historian: Researching and Accessing Ethnic Materials' (Michaelyn Chou).

The Chief Librarian has been elected as the corresponding member for New Zealand on the Standing Committee of the Section on Rare and Precious Books and Documents of the International Federation of Library Associations (IFLA).