Nevertheless, excellent surveys of literature about the Pacific exist. H. E. Maude's essays 'Pacific Documentation: An Introductory Survey' and 'Bibliographic Control of Pacific Manuscripts' are classics, published as a result of the 1971 Australian Unesco Seminar in Source Materials Related to Research in the Pacific Area (Canberra, 1973). The work of bibliographers Petherick, Taylor and O'Reilly is augmented by popular overviews such as A. Grove Day's Pacific Islands Literature: One Hundred Basic Books (Honolulu, 1971). Ian Willison's 'Publishing in Oceania: A British Librarian's Perspective', in Publishing in the Pacific Islands: A Symposium, edited by Jim Richstad and Miles M. Jackson (Manoa, Hawaii, 1984), discussed the passing of control of the way in which Pacific islands are represented to the world through literature from Europe to the islands themselves. The challenges of being a Pacific publisher today have been outlined by Kevin Walcot in 'Perspectives on Publishing, Literacy and Development', in Publishing in the Pacific Islands The continuing difficulties librarians face in collecting contemporary material from the region were discussed in a post-IFLA 1988 seminar.

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