

# **Libraries on the Move**



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# Moving Experiences



- # KEMH - King Edward Memorial Hospital for Women.
  - Moved the library for renovations
- # Department of Resources Development
  - Redesigned the floor plan
  - Packed up the collection, shifted the shelves and re-shelved the collection
  - Finished the cataloguing of the collection from UDC to DDC

# On the Move

## State Development

- Amalgamation of Regional Development Library
- Organisation of internal reports

# On the Move Again

## Parliamentary Library of Western Australia

### # Challenges (Physical layout)

- Design a physical library environment that offers easy access to information and promotes self use.
- Change to a fully automated system
- Improve layout to reduce occupational hazards to staff and clients
- Improve efficiencies and productivity




# Other Changes



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## Change of the Library Culture

- Change the library culture from a reactive service to a proactive service
  - Develop a culture that is pro-service and client focused
  - Communicate to management, staff and clients
  - Established a team environment
  - Provide support to all library team members
  - Team building
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# What have I learnt along the way

## Planning for change

- # Have a plan
- # Have a timeframe
- # Know who the main players are and get them onside.
- # Know your budget and stick to it, if at all possible.
- # Know who your supporters are and get their endorsements
- # Get support from stakeholders

# More Tips



## Moving a library

- # Communicate your plans to the staff and get their support and encourage their input
- # Don't take anything you don't need
- # Do the main weeding before moving
- # Don't put anything back on the shelf that you don't want
- # Ensure that you talk to all of the players everyday to know where you're at
- # Get all of the library team involved

## Even More Tips

- # Don't take anything for granted
- # Compromise may be necessary
- # Go with your gut feeling
- # Be open minded
- # Maintain a sense of humour



# Parliamentary Library

## The Way We Were

### Parliament



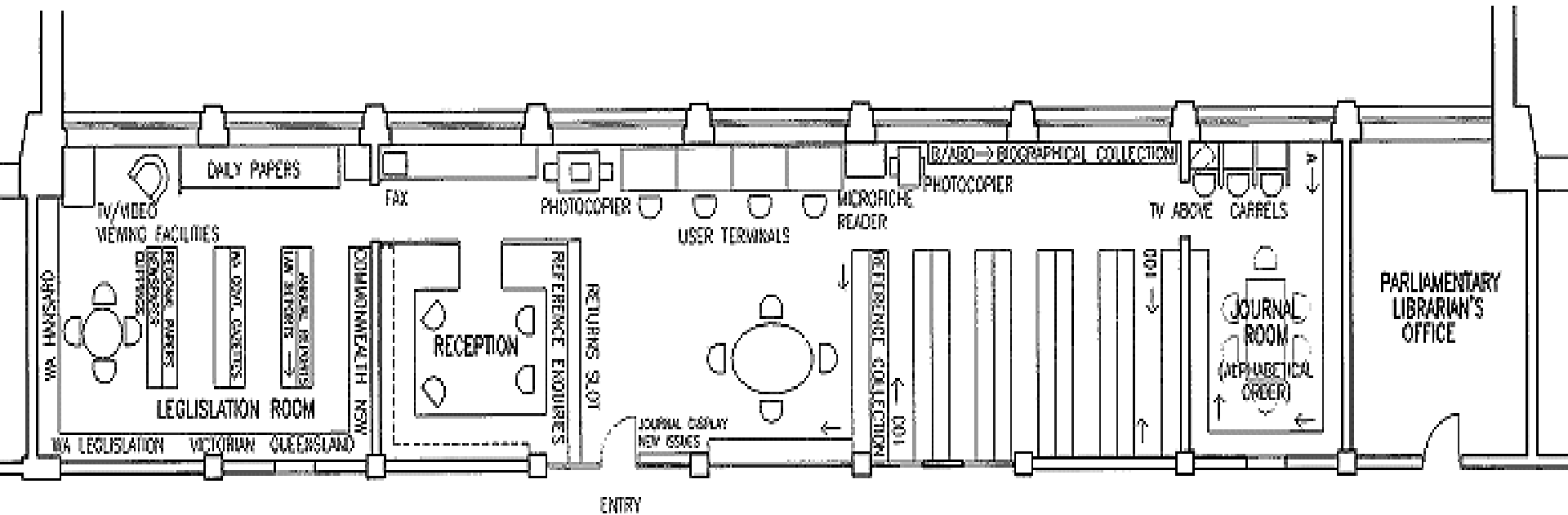
Opening of Parliament 1911

### Library 1954



Library 1954

# Layout of 1997 Library



WESTERN AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENTARY LIBRARY

# Moving back





# Serious Building



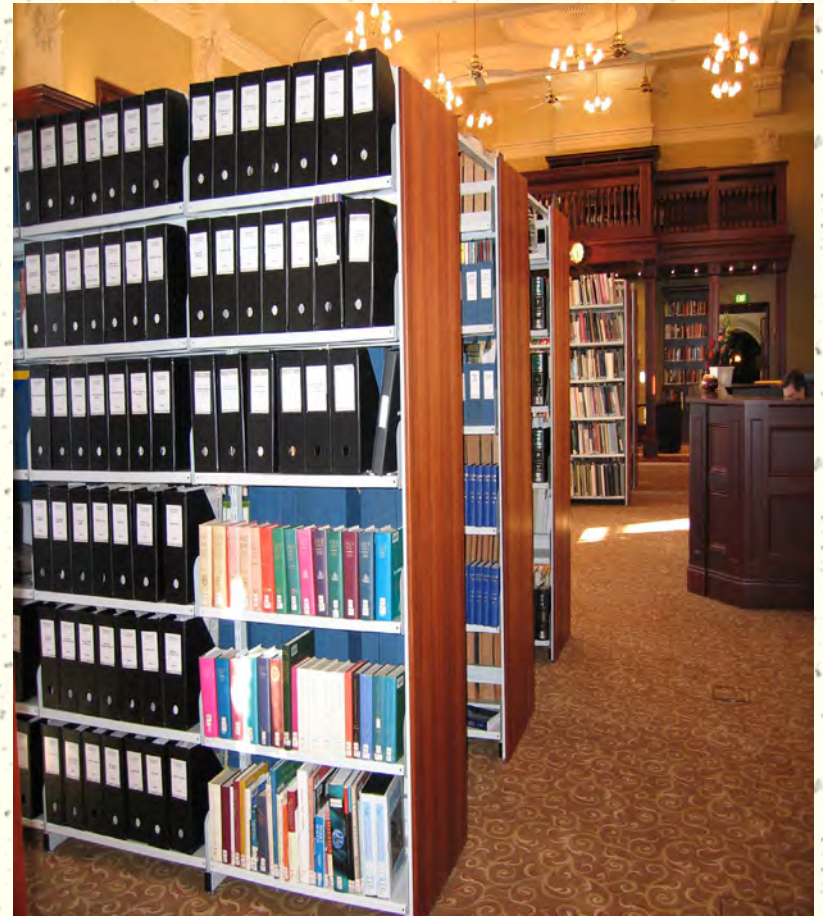


# Moving Day





# New Premises



Thank you for your attention



Any questions?