

Commissions:

1. Cataloguing: The new President of the Cataloguing Commission, Harriet Harrison, said there had been no meeting since she was appointed and therefore she had not prepared a formal report, but the commission will meet in Stockholm in early June, just before the congress in Karlovy Vary.

- 2..Preservation: On behalf of the Preservation Commission, Wolfgang Klaue brought a report from Herbert Volkmann that the typing of the final version of the chapter on preservation of video tapes and sound records in films should be completed before Karlovy Vary. The commission will meet next in October 1980 in Paris, at the invitation of Bois d'Arcy, to discuss the combined publication of all the chapters on preservation, in a scientific version and in a popular version.

3. Documentation: Eileen Bowser reported no meeting of the commission since the one in Sofia in June 1979, following the congress. The commission does not expect to hold a full meeting until the spring of 1981, while the work continues in the smaller subcommissions. The subcommission for the P.I.P. will meet at Bruges May 8 - 9. The 1978 volume of the International Index to Film Periodicals, published by FIAF for the first time, is at the New York printers and is now promised for April 1980. FIAF members have received invoices for the cost price of the volume. Our Australian member has undertaken to distribute the book on behalf of FIAF, and the 1979 volume is to be distributed in the U.S. by the American Film Institute. These distribution agreements should be a very great help for the selling of the volume. The preparations for the 1979 volume are already underway and it is scheduled to appear in autumn 1980. The publication of the television index has been postponed until we can see how well the film index sells,