Australian Newspapers Digitisation Program



The Australian Newspapers Digitisation Program in Pictures

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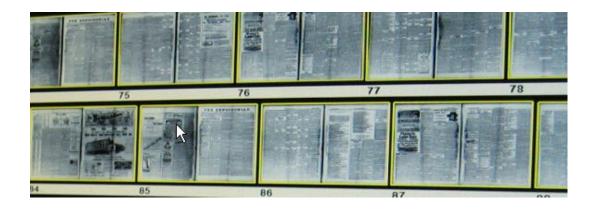
1. Master newspaper microfilm reels awaiting scanning at W & F Pascoe's, Sydney.



2. Microfilm being scanned using NextScan microfilm scanners.



3. Quality assurance on images and splitting frames in scanning software.



4. The greyscale and bi-tonal digital images are sent to the NLA on LTO2 data tapes.



5. The robotic tape library loads tapes to storage.



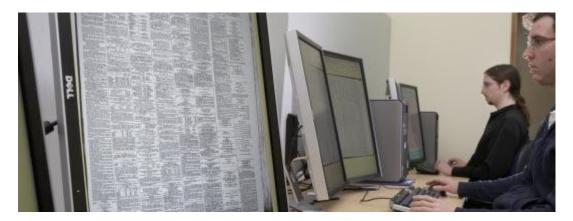
6. The high speed fibre optical storage array where newspaper digital images are stored (capacity of $62\ TB$).



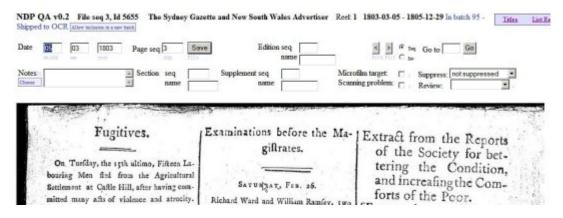
7. The high speed fibre optical storage array.



8. Quality assurance work (sequencing pages, removing duplicate pages and identifying missing pages) and addition of metadata to the digital images by NLA Newspaper QA team.



9. Adding metadata to images in NLA QA Tool.



10. Sequencing pages.

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11. Completed data batches copied to tape and shipped to Apex CoVantage in India for OCR processing and zoning and categorization.



12. Data operators working at Apex CoVantage in India, zoning, categorising and OCR'ing text.



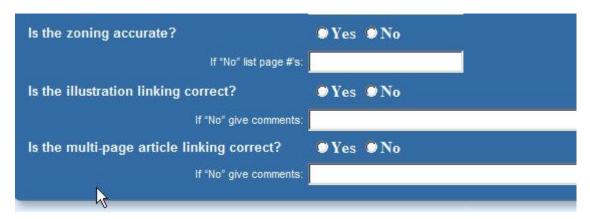
13. Zoning of the page into sections (articles, masthead, adverts).



14. Data operators at Apex CoVantage, India.



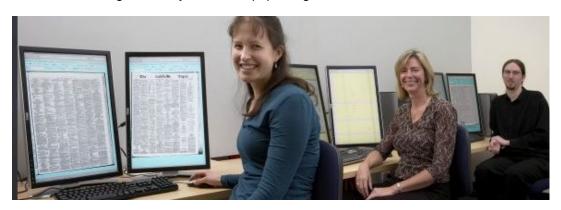
15. Quality assurance on zoned and categorised articles by NLA staff.



16. New data returned on tape and loaded to storage array. Then ingested to newspaper system for search and delivery service.



17. Final checking of data by NLA Newspaper Digitisation Team.



18. The first page of the first newspaper ever published in Australia - March 5 1803 The Sydney Gazette.



19. Rose Holley – Australian Newspapers Digitisation Program Manager.

