NEW STUDENTS WELCOMED TO CAMPUS

THE VICE-CHANCELLOR and the Dean of Students were among those on hand in the Great Hall on February 22 to welcome officially new students to the University.

With about 1,700 students packing the main auditorium, the welcome, tried by the University for the first time, was highly successful.

Professor Morgan told the undergraduates that the University had a fine campus — one of the finest in Australia. 'The privilege of membership of the University also carries responsibilities — responsibilities to yourself, your family and your community,' he said.

'You can put to good use the opportunities which are open to you. Whether or not you do is your business. To take advantage of what the University offers, you will need to work hard.

He told the students that it was not true that first year was easy. This was a popular myth. 'You will need to be individually responsible for doing your work and being in the right place at the right time,' he said.

'But hard work generates satisfaction and you should find university interesting and exciting.'

The Vice-Chancellor assured the students that staff would enjoy teaching them and be willing to help them solve any problems.

'The next few years are the most important in your lives. Get out of them all you can,' he said.

Professor Ken Dutton, Dean of Students, outlined the many services and facilities available to the students which would make their lives full and enjoyable.

Reminding them, as the Vice-Chancellor had, of the availability of academics to discuss aspects of courses, Professor Dutton advised the students to make appointments to see staff and get to know departmental secretaries.

'Closely related to academic problems are the personal problems that beset all of us from-time-to-time and may show up in an inability to concentrate,' he said. 'This is where the University Counselling Service comes in. Go and see them anytime and talk over how you feel you’re developing as a person.'

Professor Dutton listed Accommodation, Careers and Employment, the Chaplains, Kintaiba Child Care Centre, Health, Student Loans and Sport and Recreation as other areas in which help could be found.

'For overseas students whose native language is not English the Language Laboratory offers a number of courses in English as a second language.'

'Should you have a physical disability which in some way restricts your capacity to meet the normal academic requirements of your course, you should note that the University’s policy is to do what it can to provide those who have physical impairments with the services and facilities they require,' he said.

INSIDE: Judge Evatt University’s new Chancellor
Annual budget of $940,000 for Industrial Control Sciences Centre

The Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering has virtually scooped the pool with the allocation of funds under the Federal Government’s Special Research Centres Program.

The highest of the seven new grants awarded to universities in Australia to establish special research centres went to the Department.

A group from the Department was successful with its application for support to form a Centre for Industrial Control Sciences. The Federal Government will award a direct government grant of $670,000 each year until 1990.

On February 17, the Minister for Employment, Education and Training, Mr Dawkins, announced that the Federal Government would fund seven new Commonwealth Special Research Centres from 1988, making a total of 15 Special Research Centres funded by the Government in higher education institutions.

The Special Research Centres Program is designed to support very high standard research in fields that will contribute substantially to Australia’s development,” he said.

Congratulating the seven new centres, Mr Dawkins said they represented some of the best of the excellent research being done in Australia. Each had developed a national and international reputation which would be enhanced by selection as a Special Research Centre. “The researchers involved are recognised both locally and internationally as leaders in their fields,” Mr Dawkins said.

The other six new Centres, the principal researchers, the host institutions and the funds for 1988 are:

- Centre for Lasers and Applications — Professor James Piper, Macquarie University, $600,000.
- Centre for Membrane and Separation Technology — Professor Christopher Fell, Professor Hans Coster and Associate Professor Anthony Fane, University of New South Wales, $400,000.
- Centre for Protein and Enzyme Technology — Dr Richard Wettenhall and Dr Robert Scopes, La Trobe University, $400,000.
- Electronic Structure of Materials Centre — Professor Erich Weigold and Professor Ian McCarthy, Flinders University, $430,000.
- Human Communication Research Centre — Professor Graeme Clark, University of Melbourne, $500,000.
- Vision, Touch and Hearing Research Centre — Professor John Pettigrew, University of Queensland, $600,000.

Mr Dawkins said the funding nominated for the Centres was for 1988: they would ultimately be supported for up to six years in the first instance. “The funds will be administered by my Department on the advice of the Australian Research Council,” Mr Dawkins said.

Funding is for salaries, equipment, support services, and, where approved, for limited capital works.

The Research Centre at this University will operate with a total annual budget of $940,000 to support advanced research and development on techniques for design, analysis and computer control of complex industrial processes.

The centre will carry out research into fundamentals of industrial control with emphasis on adaptive and learning control strategies. It will also develop new computer engineering techniques so that the results of research can be realised for the benefit of Australian industry.

The principal researchers, Professor Graham Goodwin and Professor Rob Evans, are internationally recognised for their research work in the field of industrial control. Their work (including 10 text books currently published or in preparation) has been published throughout the world.

Professor Goodwin, who is a Fellow of the Australian Academy of Technology, Science and Engineering, has received several international prizes for his research contributions, including the International Federation of Automatic Control’s prize for the best textbook over the last three years.

Professor Evans is currently Head of the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering and is a leading authority in the areas of control, signal processing and radar systems imaging.
Worked on new Parliament House

MR DAVID STAFFORD has returned to his University as a Lecturer in Architecture.

He had spent the last seven years as a member of the team working on the design and construction of the new Parliament House in Canberra.

‘Our company is the design consultant to the Parliament House Construction Authority,’ he says, ‘and we had 135 people working in our office during the peak period.’

Although not located where he intended the new Parliament House conceptually completes Walter Burley Griffin’s 1912 plan for the national capital. It has become as internationally significant as the Sydney Opera House.

‘I believe the project will do the same for Australia as the focus of political life as the Palace of Westminster and the Capitol do for Great Britain and the USA respectively.’

Mr Stafford was born in Sydney and has recollections of being a pupil at Avondale College primary and high schools at Lake Macquarie.

Whilst studying Architecture at this University as a part-time student he worked for various local architects, including the group that carried out the contract administration for the City Council Administration building.

Wanting further experience after graduating, he went overseas and became an architect with Robert Matthew, Johnson-Marshall and Partners, working on the design and construction of the new Civic Centre for the London Borough of Hillingdon.

After about two years he resigned and made a tour of Europe, concentrating on major architectural works and the natural landscape.

He returned to Australia in 1976 and took a job in Canberra. Later, while teaching in the Architecture Certificate Course at Canberra TAFE college he took a BA in Education at Canberra CAE.

When the results of the competition for the design of the new Parliament House were announced, Mr Stafford was one of the first Australian architects to be employed by the winners, Mitchell/Giurgola and Thorp Architects.

He was responsible for the schematic design, design development, contract documentation and supervision of the Senate and the House of Representatives chambers and ancillary spaces. The chambers lie across from each other on the main east-west axis of the new Parliament House. Of interest is the fact that the House of Representatives and the Senate chambers will be capable of accommodating projected increases in the number of members and senators over the next two hundred years as well as providing for joint sittings in the House of Representatives and ceremonial occasions in the Senate.

Mr Stafford says the new Parliament House has made such an impression on the international scene that American architectural critics believe the project alone warrants a visit to Australia.

The Department of Architecture he will be mainly concerned with the teaching of architectural design, theory and process to students in all five Years.

Mr Stafford and his wife, Ann, have two sons, Justin, six, and Martin, four.

22nd NEWCASTLE SYMPOSIUM

The Geology Department is extending an invitation to those interested in the geology of the Sydney Basin and its surrounds to join it for the 22nd Newcastle Symposium from April 15 to 17.

An excursion, led by Assoc. Professor Claus Diesel, will be held on April 15 prior to the weekend’s technical sessions. The excursion will highlight aspects of the Permian coalfields sequences in the Newcastle area.

It will be followed on Friday evening by the Geology Graduates’ Society Sheep Roast in the Staff House.

The Symposium Dinner will be held at Newcastle Tattersalls Club on the evening of April 16.

The Geology Department is inviting offers of papers for technical sessions on April 16 and 17.

Further questions concerning the symposium should be directed to the Convenor, Dr P.K. Seccombe at Extension 230.
Dear Sir,

I wish to draw attention to the current extremely unsatisfactory situation existing in the University Counselling Service.

In May, 1987 Pat Loftus, the Director of UCS, went on leave prior to retirement after 15 years of service in this institution. We had thought that the University would replace the retiring Director with effect from the beginning of 1988. Our submission to the Global Budget Committee in this institution, would replace the retiring Director should not be so insensitive to the needs of students and staff as to 'freeze' the position. To our consternation and enormous dismay the Committee determined that the retiring Director should not be replaced.

We find this decision appalling. The University's 1988-90 Triennium Submission (Ch.4, 4.3) noted that: 'The University considers that the Counselling Services (sic) contribute significantly to the efficiency and effectiveness in higher education.' It went on to request CTEC for an additional female counsellor (currently all counsellors are male) as a matter of urgency. With its most recent decisions regarding staffing for the UCS, the University is not only reneging on its recognition in its own submission of the need for an additional counsellor, but actually reducing professional staff in a service for which the demand is increasing, as the following table indicates:

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As will be seen from the above, total demand for counselling has increased almost 20 per cent in the last year and there has been a similar increase in demand over the last five years; yet the University proceeds to cut professional counselling staff in full knowledge of this! While we recognise that in harsh economic times, tough decisions have to be made, it seems a disproportionate sacrifice to make to lose one-third of our professional staff at a single blow. I am caused to wonder if other areas in the University have suffered in equal measure — or is it functions such as counselling which have no powerful lobby groups that are to be singled out and picked off?

Nor is this all. With the completion of Library Extensions we moved into our new accommodation, which was specifically designed by the Planner's Department, from our extensive brief, for our particular needs, in January of this year.

Unfortunately, our initial delight in our new accommodation was short-lived. With the restructuring of the upper echelon of the Administration, it became necessary to find an office for the incumbent of the newly-created position of Dean of Students/Pro Vice-Chancellor. The outcome of this situation was that the Vice-Chancellor made the decision that the Dean of Students should occupy our small-group room and, in the event, take over a vacant counsellor's office for his part-time secretary. In our verbal and written protests to the Vice-Chancellor, it was pointed out that siting a senior administrative function in the area of a professional function such as counselling would have severely damaging effects upon a service which by its very nature needs special conditions for its efficient and effective operation. It was emphasised that confidentiality, which is fundamental to our task in this institution, would be seriously compromised or seen to be compromised with the Administration; that taking over the small-group room represents the loss of a counselling/teaching room we expected to prove extremely valuable to ourselves and others; and, finally, that there would be an inevitable increase in the workload of our secretarial fielding enquiries from people wishing to see the Dean of Students.

We have made it clear to the Administration that we consider these two major decisions in 1987, i.e. not replacing the retiring director, thereby cutting our professional staff by one-third, and siting a senior administrator's office in the middle of a Counselling Service, are extraordinarily ill-advised and extremely prejudicial to our efficiency and effectiveness. We wish to place on record that the combined effect of these two decisions is to devalue the counselling function in this University; and, further, to reduce and impair the service we offer to the students and staff of this institution.

The staff of the UCS take pride in attempting to be a 'centre of excellence' in terms of their given task within this University.

But maintaining our standards is now next to impossible. We feel extremely angry.

Peter Bamford, for UCS staff.

Dear Sir,

Many changes of policy and procedure being made by the hierarchy of this University will no doubt have more important, far-reaching effects than the matters in this address, which may, on the surface, appear trivial. However, I feel it is worthwhile drawing the attention of the members of the University to an innovation which has, in my opinion, the potential to create confusion and make the decision-makers of this institution look foolish.

Late in 1987, the Vice-Chancellor sent a memorandum to all departments informing them of the adoption of a basic format for University letterhead, etc., and attaching sample forms.

I have no quarrel with the notion of having a consistent format for official University stationery, but I note that the address of the University is given as: Newcastle University, Rankin Drive, Newcastle, NSW 2308. I would point out that the
University is not situated on Rankin Drive, Newcastle, nor is 2308 the postcode for Newcastle. This address is misleading and incorrect. People using a map will not find the University situated on Rankin Drive, Newcastle, they will not find Rankin Drive, Newcastle. Mail sorters will have to make the decision of whether Newcastle is incorrect and the mail should be forwarded to the University Post Office which is postcoded 2308, or whether the postcode is incorrect and the mail should be forwarded to Newcastle Post Office, postcoded 2300. Only Novocastrians will be able to sort out this mess.

In his covering letter, when distributing these sample forms, the Vice-Chancellor says: 'It is recognised that the address of the University given at the foot of the page is neither the formal postal address nor the strict geographical address but it is believed that this will not cause embarrassment to the post office and will enable visitors to locate us with greater ease.' I ask you!

Joy Hoesli,
University Counselling Service.

Agreement settles copyright issue

One small item at the Council meeting on February 19 which passed without comment will be of major interest to members of academic staff. It was reported that the University Seal had been affixed to an Agreement between the University and the Copyright Agency Ltd.

Negotiations have taken place between AVCC and CAL since the Copyright Test Case judgment in March 1985, centreing around arrangements designed to arrive at mutually convenient procedures for payment for multiple copying under s.53B of the Copyright Act.

These negotiations have finally led to the arrangement under which each university is to enter into an Agreement with CAL to pay an annual levy per student. In return the threat of legal action for failure to comply with any of the detailed and complicated procedures relating to multiple copying is lifted.

For members of staff this means that there is no longer any need for them to record their multiple copying or to follow the procedures which have been required of them in recent years, a situation they will welcome.

Anyone requiring further information is invited to contact Lionel Farrell, Legal Services, at Extension 473.

Fresh is best say new caterers

The arrival of new caterers in the Staff House, in the form of Mr Robert and Mrs Anne MacKinnon, seems to have coincided with an interesting change in Australia's eating habits. Since January they have obtained evidence of the fondness of University staff for nutritional foods.

Mr and Mrs MacKinnon have settled in since taking on the catering service formerly provided by Mrs L. Tredgold.

The Staff House is open for morning tea from 11 am and lunch is served between noon and 2.30 pm, Monday to Friday. On Thursdays there are lunchtime smorgasbords. For a trial period, evening meals are being served between 4.30 and 6.30 pm.

Mr MacKinnon, who was a chef in the Union for seven years, says he has found University staff to be very nutrition-conscious and not nearly as pre-occupied with take-aways as students are. Since they arrived on campus, only two pies had been sold. The emphasis was definitely on fresh foods with almost no salt.

Mr MacKinnon's board menu is available five days a week. Two of the most popular food categories are the fresh salads and fresh vegetables, available for 50 cents per serve. Customers seem to like to mix these dishes, taking, say, four, which cost $2.

Another innovation is the open Danish sandwich, with salad on black bread. (This one is popular with the staff of the News).

Other items on the board menu include a hot dish, a roast, fruit salad and homemade cake.

With autumn fast approaching, Robert says he is thinking about substituting soups and extra hot dishes for some of the salads.

It has been an exciting time for Mr and Mrs MacKinnon, heightened by Anne becoming pregnant.

Also in the Staff House are two popular personalities from Mrs Tredgold's time, Mrs Jan Garaty and Mrs Wendy Pankhurst, who work now for the MacKinnons.

Bookings for meals and week-end functions can be made by telephoning Extension 430.
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'WITH A SMILE ON YOUR FACE'

Mr H. Willems

'You always walk into a class with a smile on your face to show that you are happy to see them.'

Mr Hank Willems, Senior Lecturer in Mechanical Engineering, made this comment on February 17 prior to retiring after 'trying for about 20 years to make engineers out of people.'

'I'm not the one to answer the question whether I have succeeded. All I can say is I have tried.'

'However, it is very exciting to work with young intelligent people and co-operate with them in preparing them for their careers.'

Hank Willems was born in The Hague, in The Netherlands, and after completing a course in Naval Architecture was drafted into the Dutch Army.

When he was demobilised in Indonesia he looked for career opportunities in shipbuilding.

'At the Australian Embassy in Djakarta, I looked in the Sydney phone book and thought, there's a nice place to go to.'

The outcome of emigrating to Sydney was first a job a Port Kembla Steel Works, followed by a job at Newcastle State Dockyard.

In 1956 he completed a Mech Eng diploma course at the old Newcastle University College and for a time worked at the College for Dr Kerr Johnston as a Technical Officer. He was appointed a Lecturer in Mechanical Engineering in 1970.

On the completion of further studies in Newcastle he was awarded the Degree of Bachelor of Engineering at Master of Engineering.

Since then he has returned to the Netherlands to see his parents and gain further professional experience. At the works of I.H.C. Holland Pty. Ltd., in Schiedam, he worked on the design of off-shore oil drilling equipment. 'Working on design, my main strength, was just lovely,' he said.

Around 1972 a naval architecture course was introduced at Newcastle University and Hank was asked to teach it. He said he enjoyed giving the course although at the time the staff in engineering had to teach 'everything' and it meant that he had a lot of work.

Hank Willems has an avid interest in transportation, especially fuel economy vehicles, and was a member of the team from the Department of Mechanical Engineering which designed and built several vehicles which consumed a minimum quantity of petrol. The Department entered cars in a number of competitions such as the Shell Mileage Marathon for petrol cars and the Canon Electrocar for electric cars.

Mr Willems still feels angry because his invention, the TUNRA-Willems propulsion vehicular system, was not supported by the Fraser Federal Government. This system which he patented in 1975 can, he says, achieve a 25 per cent saving in fuel. He feels the Government should have given more encouragement than it did.

While he has received pleasure from communicating with undergraduates, he says he has misgivings about the University having in recent years admitted some students who cannot understand everything lecturers say to them. 'We seem to be unable to help people who can't fully understand English to obtain better communication skills.'

Mr Willems lives in Turnbull Street, Merewether, with his wife Barbara who is an Architecture graduate of this University. His daughter Blanch holds a BSc degree from Newcastle and his son-in-law, Mr Russell Smith, a BE.

AIDAB'S OFFER TO OVERSEAS STUDENTS

My name is Norah Taylor. I am a Social Worker with AIDAB (the overseas aid unit of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade).

My job is to help overseas students if they have any personal problems during their stay in Australia.

I have worked for AIDAB for four-and-a-half years and have talked with many overseas students from a variety of countries about such problems as adjustment to Australia, homesickness, study stress, rights and entitlements, health problems and family worries here or at home. Any discussions with me are confidential.

My next visit to Newcastle University campus will be on March 10 and 11. I will be located in the TEAS Office, which is at the end of the same temporary building as the Accommodation Office. Please put your name down in advance on my appointment list (attached to the TEAS office door).

In between visits you can write or telephone me at this address: Norah Taylor, AIDAB, GPO Box 5293, Sydney, 2001. Telephone — 02 212 4000 (you may reverse the charges).

German Films in 1988

German feature films, newsreels (Deutschlandspiegel) and documentaries will be screened every second Wednesday from noon to 2 pm in the Audio-visual Room, A132, McMullin Building.

Anybody interested in German films is most welcome to attend.

Admission is free. If there is enough interest, the films will also be screened in the evening at a mutually convenient time.

FIRST TERM PROGRAMME:

March 9 — Die Verbreitung aus dem Paradies* plus Deutschlandspiegel.
March 23 — Eine blaßfarbene Frauenschrift I.
April 6 — Trauer um einen verlorenen Sohn* plus Deutschlandspiegel.
April 20 — Eine blaßfarbene Frauenschrift II.

* English subtitles.
To WA on secondment

MR PAUL FAIRALL, Senior Lecturer in Law, leaves the University shortly to take up an 18-month attachment with the Law Reform Commission of Western Australia.

Mr Fairall was invited by the Attorney-General for Western Australia, Mr Berenson, to participate in the Law Reform Commission’s research programme under the direction of Dr Peter Handford.

He said the Commission had a number of references in the area of mental health law, criminology and civil regulations, which were among his fields of interest.

He has been granted leave of absence without pay by the Council and believes he would benefit greatly from accepting Mr Berenson’s invitation.

The Head of the Department of Law, Professor Frank Bates, who supported Mr Fairall’s application for leave, said a number of distinguished visiting academics would be attached to the Department as substitutes for Mr Fairall.

One is Dr Desmond O’Connor, a Special Magistrate and formerly Reader in Law at the ANU, Canberra. Dr O’Connor has accepted a fractional appointment this year.

He will teach the Personal Liability Law section of Legal Studies I. He and Mr Fairall are co-authors of Criminal Defences, which has been released by Butterworths in a second edition.

Professor Bates said the other Visiting Fellows are Americans who have appeared before the US Supreme Court — Professor W.J. Knudsen and Professor Arthur B. LaFrance, both from the North-western School of Law at the Lewis and Clark College, Portland, Oregon.

Council on February 19 gave its approval to two new law courses being introduced in the Faculty of Economics and Commerce next year.

The courses are a Bachelor of Law and Administration degree course and a postgraduate Diploma in Welfare Law.

APPOINTMENT OF CHANCELLOR CONFIRMED

THE HON. JUSTICE ELIZABETH EVATT, President of the Law Reform Commission, Australia, and formerly Chief Justice of the Family Court of Australia, has accepted an invitation to become Chancellor of the University of Newcastle.

Judge Evatt is the daughter of the Hon. Clive Evatt, a Minister in the New South Wales Labour Government between 1941 and 1954. She grew up in Wahroonga with an older brother and younger sister and completed her schooling at the Presbyterian Ladies College, Pymble.

Judge Evatt graduated from the University of Sydney as an LL.B with the University Medal, in 1955. She was awarded a scholarship to Harvard University, where she took a Master of Laws degree in 1956.

Elizabeth Evatt was admitted to the London Bar, practising as a barrister there for some years, and was later an editor of the International and Comparative Law Quarterly.

in 1968 she went to work at the English Law Commission, where she specialised in the reform of family law, particularly family property law.

She was appointed by the Australian Government a Deputy President of the Australian Conciliation and Arbitration Commission in 1973 and, in 1974, to head the Royal Commission on Human Relationships.

Judge Evatt became the first Chief Judge of the Family Court of Australia in 1976.

While Chief Justice of the Family Court, she served on a number of boards and committees, including the Sydney Opera House Trust (177-1983), the Council of Macquarie University (1979-1985), the United Nations Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women (1984- ), the Herbert Vere Evatt Memorial Foundation (since 1982) the Pearl Watson Foundation (since 1985), the Arts Law Centre (since 1985), the Freelace May Foundation for Italian Studies and the Advisory Committee, Peace Research Centre at the ANU, Canberra.

In 1985 she was awarded an Honorary Degree of Doctor of Laws by the University of Sydney.

Judge Evatt resigned as Chief Judge of the Family Court of Australia last January to take up her appointment as President of the Law Reform Commission, Australia.

She is married to Robert S.T. Southan and they have a daughter aged 20.
FIRST DAY AT UNI

For almost 1,900 new students February 22 provided them with their first experience of university life. The University News' photographer, Peter Muller, caught some of the action and the colour (see page 1 for official welcome).
FEBRUARY COUNCIL

Deputy Chancellor

Dr Alec Forsythe, who has served on the Council of the University since 1966, was re-elected Deputy Chancellor for a period of one year.

Council, after hearing that work on the new residential building at Edwards Hall had been completed, decided with acclamation to call the building Forsythe House.

Retirement of Mrs Bowman

Mrs Margaret Bowman, a member of the Council since June, 1982 and President of the Council of the Hunter Institute of Higher Education, has resigned from Council because of the pressures of her other responsibilities.

Council recorded its gratitude to Mrs Bowman for her outstanding services to the University, especially in improving relationships with the Institute.

Vice-Chancellor's Report

The Vice-Chancellor reported to Council that, following a process of national competition and selection for Commonwealth funding for new special research centres (Centres of Excellence), the Commonwealth Government had decided to support a special research centre in Industrial Control Sciences at the University of Newcastle. This was a great achievement for the University, the Faculty and the researchers involved.

He noted that the Newcastle centre would be funded at a higher level than other selected centres.

The Vice-Chancellor also reported that the University had submitted two proposals for key centres to the Commonwealth authorities. Both of them were joint proposals between the University and the Hunter Institute of Higher Education. One was for a key centre in design, the other was in the field of educational administration. (A summary of the proposal on design appears elsewhere in this edition of University News.)

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the preliminary assessment on enrolment of students for 1988 was very favourable. The University was likely to have a considerable increase in student numbers, which would put pressure on facilities and require a number of adjustments to accommodation and staffing.

Visitor's Report

Council appointed a working party comprising the Vice-Chancellor, Mr P. Chopra, Professor A.W. Roberts and Dr T. Callcott to draw up objectives and terms of reference for an enquiry into matters pertaining to the Visitor's Report and report to Council at its next meeting.

Purdue Room

Council approved a proposal for alterations to be made to the Purdue Room in the Great Hall to provide a room for Council and Senate meetings, at an estimated cost of $170,000 in 1988 and $50,000 next year. The plan for conversion of the Purdue Room was an alternative to an earlier proposal for a new Council Chamber and was prepared after the Vice-Chancellor informed the Council that the University would not be in a position to make the capital investment required to build the new Council Chamber.

Centre in Engineering design

THE UNIVERSITY and the Hunter Institute of Higher Education have submitted a joint proposal for Commonwealth funds to establish a centre for the study of industrial and engineering design over the next six years.

The proposal, prepared after Hunter industry gave its warm support, envisages the expansion and development of work already undertaken in industrial and engineering design in the University's Faculty of Engineering and the HIHE.

The proposal has been sent to the Department of Employment, Education and Training, which since the abolition of the Commonwealth Tertiary Education Commission has assumed responsibility for the Commonwealth Key Centre of Teaching and Research Program.

The new centre, if the proposal is successful, will be dedicated to promoting teaching, research and development in industrial and engineering design by encouraging interaction between the various areas of the University, the HIHE and industry.

The Federal Government has been asked to provide a maximum of $250,000 each year for three years and, following a review, a further $250,000 each year for three years to establish the Centre for Industrial and Engineering Design.

The joint submission from the University and the HIHE argues that it is particularly important for university engineering departments throughout Australia to maintain a strong commitment to the teaching and development of engineering design. Yet, a major problem facing engineering departments is the increasing difficulty of being able to recruit academic staff with a strong industrial, professional experience in design.

Hence for the University and the Hunter Institute of Higher Education, the proposed Centre for Industrial and Engineering Design is seen as a major development aimed at ensuring that design maintains the high profile required.

The Faculty of Engineering has always placed great emphasis on design and plans to strengthen its involvement in design teaching, research and professional development through the establishment of the proposed centre.

The commitment of the Engineering Faculty to professional development in design is supported by a similar commitment in other areas of the University, notably in the Faculty of Architecture.

The HIHE has, for a number of years, had an active interest in industrial design. In the past, this involvement has been mainly associated with the industrial arts programmes and informal liaison has taken place between staff of the Institute and the University's Faculty of Engineering.

Greater emphasis is being given to industrial design at the Institute through the establishment of a degree course in this discipline. The Institute has also a strength in design in the broader sense through its activities in such areas as graphic design and art, the proposal says.
Bookshop almost Sydney's age

Newcastle Co-op Bookshop, in the Union, is a retail co-operative operating in the interests of its customers, who are also its owners. The branch began trading in 1960.

It is 30 years since the Co-op Bookshop's humble beginnings at the University of Sydney, where the enterprise was formed by staff and students who were having difficulties obtaining textbooks.

Today, the Co-op has 37 branches and approximately 380,000 shareholders.

The Co-op isn't a business devoted to making profits. It aims at ensuring that all students have access to all necessary textbooks and selling the books to members at the lowest possible prices.

Anyone may join the Co-op at anytime. For only $12 you receive a lifetime membership which you never have to renew.

Once you become a shareholder you are entitled to receive 12.5 per cent discount for cash or cheque purchases, and 10 per cent discount for credit cards or mail order off the publishers' recommended retail price. (Discount does not apply to any books marked nett, non-book items or sale priced books).

Newcastle University branch stocks not only 'textbooks' but also general interest books, paperbacks, computer titles, additional scholarly and academic titles, blank cassettes, diaries and calendars (UNICEF cards at Christmas).

With access to the Co-op's computer, if the book you require is not on our shelves it could be in one of our other branches and can be transferred between branches. We can obtain any book in print in the world (that Australia has rights to) with our special order service.

An extra service is the purchase (bought at 50 per cent of original price) and resale of used textbooks.

Activities include a 'sale' twice a year (April-May and September-October), members specials, bargain tables, some special displays and hopefully this year book launchings and autographing sessions.

The Bookshop is located in the Union Building and trading hours during term are: Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9 am to 5 pm; Tuesday and Thursday, 9 am to 6 pm.

Roslyn Jones, Manager.

NEW PROFESSOR OF COMPUTER ENGINEERING

DR ROB EVANS has been appointed to the Chair of Computer Engineering at the University.

Professor Evans, who is 40, graduated with first class honours in Electrical Engineering from the University of Melbourne in 1969. While serving in the RAAF he was awarded the degree of Master of Engineering and his PhD from the University of Newcastle in 1975. After spending a year in Cambridge, Massachusetts, at MIT and a year in Cambridge University, England, he returned to take one-year appointments at the Universities of Newcastle and Melbourne.

In 1979 he was appointed Lectureship at the University of Newcastle, was promoted to Senior Lecturer in 1983 and to Associate Professor in 1986. He became Head of the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering in 1986.

Professor Evans' research work spans a wide range of computer engineering and related areas. His main interests lie in adaptive control mechanisms and fault-tolerant computer systems and are marked by capacity to integrate theoretical developments with practical applications. The recent completion of the design, building and installation of the computer system hardware and software for the Australia Telescope controller represents an impressive demonstration of this work.

Together with Professor Graham Goodwin, Professor Evans is the principal researcher associated with the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineer's Special Research Centre for Industrial Control Sciences, which, it has recently been announced, will receive $2.1 million from the Federal Government.

Professor Evans has written two books and some 30 papers have been published. His publications are held in high esteem and have reinforced his reputation as a scholar of international standing.

Professor Evans is married and has a son aged 18 and a daughter aged 13.
French games evening — March 11

Newcastle Branch of the Alliance Française began its 1988 activities on February 19 with a talk by Mr Mike Connon on his nostalgic reminiscences of some eccentric individuals and customs encountered in the backwoods of provincial France. Afterwards members enjoyed a country-style French supper.

The next event, on Friday, March 11, will be the French games evening held at 7.30 pm onwards on the second Tuesday of each month at the Adamstown Teachers' Centre at the Corner of Glebe and Brunker Roads, Adamstown.

The evenings provide the opportunity for English speakers to improve their French (and vice-versa for French speakers) over wine or coffee and light-hearted games of Trivial Pursuit, Scrabble and cards, all in Franglais or whichever language one wishes to use.

Even those with very little knowledge seem to communicate quite happily in the relaxed atmosphere.

Non-members are very welcome to come along.

Further information about the Alliance is available in business hours from Mrs Gay Reeves (685 463) or Mrs Anne Gaillot (526 368).

News from Japanese Section

The Australia/Japan Society next film evening will be held on Saturday, March 19 in Lecture Theatre B01 at 7.30 pm. Titles: Sorekara — And Then.

Japanese Tea Ceremony classes in the new Tea Ceremony Room (G49) will be held on Thursdays at 1 pm until 3 pm each week for a cost of 50 cents. (Come for one or two hours, casual attendance also welcomed). For further information please contact the Japanese Section Secretary, Room G43.

New programme for Film Society announced

The Newcastle Film Society has announced a 27-film programme for this year.

In the Lyrique Theatre members will see films by Bertrand Blier and Federico Fellini, by Martin Scorsese and Carlos Saura, films from France, Spain and West Germany, from England, the United States of America and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, to mention just a few of the directors and countries represented in the 1988 season.

Membership for the year costs $30. Admission will be available only to subscribers. Tickets will not be available at the door and membership is limited.

Brochures are available at the Kensington and Lyrique Theatres, the Region Art Gallery, the WEA, Newcastle City and Lake Macquarie Library branches, the University Library and the Hunter Institute of Higher Education Library, or from The Secretary, Newcastle Film Society, PO Box 128, Newcastle.

For further information please contact Robert Mackie (685 271) or Dennis Biggins (292 117). Screenings begin on March 6. Films are screened on Sundays at 7.30 pm.

Graduation dates

The schedule of Graduation ceremonies for 1988 is as follows:

Friday, April 29, 10 am
Faculties of Arts and Education.

Friday, April 29, 2.30 pm
Faculties of Architecture and Engineering.

Saturday, April 30, 10 am
Faculties of Economics & Commerce and Mathematics.

Saturday, April 30, 2.30 pm
Faculties of Medicine and Science.

Philosophy Departmental Seminars

The Departmental Seminar normally meets on advertised Thursdays in term, usually in the Philosophy Seminar Room, A110, from 2 to 4 pm. Meetings are advertised well in advance, and as far as possible at the beginning of the term in which they are held.

The seminar serves partly as a 'work-in-progress' seminar for staff and senior students, partly as a forum for visitors to the Department and partly as a means of presenting short series of seminars with a common theme.

The Department expects that staff and full-time postgraduate and honours students would regularly attend sessions of the seminar.

Part-time postgraduate and honours students, and third-year students, are encouraged to attend, and all other students are very welcome.

Papers on philosophical topics are also welcomed from staff and senior students who are members of other departments.

The first meeting of the seminar for this year will be held on Thursday, March 10 (third Thursday of Term).

Offers of papers are invited and will be most gratefully received.
ARC RESEARCH GRANTS

The newly formed Australian Research Council (formerly the ARGS) has forwarded application forms for 1989 research grants. This is later than usual due to the many structural changes which have occurred at the Commonwealth level.

The due date for the submission of applications is April 1. The ARC is expecting a significant increase in the number of applications and has advised that late submissions will not be considered.

In effect, to enable applications to be forwarded in time, they will have to be in the hands of the Assistant Bursar in the University's Accounting Department by March 31. Separate advice has already been forwarded on this point.

The Dean of Research, Professor G. Kellerman, says it is unfortunate that such a time constraint exists in the first year of the new era, as the grants will be highly competitive and applications will need to be well presented. Consultation with members of the Senate Research Committee, or other experienced researchers, may be of value in the preparation of the applications, he says.

The ARC will be responsible for advising on funds that were previously allocated by the Australian Research Grants Scheme, the Maritime Sciences and Technologies Grants Scheme, the National Research Fellowships Scheme and the Queen Elizabeth II Fellowships Scheme.

Criteria which the ARC will use to assess research grants are:

- The quality of the research or research group.
- The quality of the research proposed in terms of the likelihood of its providing a real conceptual advance in the subject and/or heading to an important discovery or innovation or to the solution of an important practical problem.
- The significance of the research in terms of the likelihood of its contributing to economic or social benefits for Australia.
- The relevance of the proposal to priority areas of national interest. For 1989 the only area declared to be in the national interest is research in the marine sciences and technologies.

Professor Kellerman says it should be noted that the ARC quotes the Minister for Employment, Education and Training as stating that fundamental research and research in the Social Sciences and Humanities will be supported to the same extent as in the past.

The Government's current thinking on research funding can be gleaned from the Green Paper on Higher Education (issued December, 1987), he says.

An abbreviated account of a meeting at Sydney University addressed by Professor D. Aitkin, Interim Chair of the ARC, will be circulated to Senate members with the Report of the Standing Committee of Senate for the February meeting.

Any enquiries concerning administrative details of ARC research may be made to Mr L.J. Caldwell, Assistant Bursar, Extension 352.

The blank application forms are available from Mrs S. Hanchard, Extension 240.

RESEARCH FOSTERED BY SPECTROMETER

Photoelectron spectrometry has become a new field of research at this University with the acquisition of a Perkin-Elmer ultraviolet spectrometer by the Department of Chemistry.

The Chemical Physics Division of the CSIRO acquired the instrument in 1974 to unravel the binding energies of electrons in a number of gas-phase molecules.

Perhaps the most important use made of this instrument was determining the binding energies of the valence electrons of nucleic acids. However, with the change in direction of the CSIRO the instrument became under-utilised.

In 1987 Dr C. Adams, Chief of the Division of Material Science and Technology, and Dr L. Chatterton, Chief of its predecessor — Division of Chemical Physics, gave the instrument to Dr E. von Nagy-Felsobuki, of the Department of Chemistry, on an indefinite loan.

The purpose was to allow Dr von Nagy-Felsobuki to continue his work on determining the valence electron binding energies of gas-phase molecules.

Acquisition of the instrument, which has a replacement cost estimated at $40,000, complements the vacuum surface analysis instruments of Professor R. MacDonald's group.

Dr von Nagy-Felsobuki intends to collaborate with Associate Professor L.A. Summers to unravel the electronic distribution of seleno and telluro bipyridines (molecules which may have important herbicidal properties).

- Dr E. von Nagy Felsobuki with the UV spectrometer
American English contains a phrase which doesn't appear in the Macquarie Dictionary: 'sophomoric humour' - the kind of post-adolescent merriment that offers parody instead of satire, flouts current taboos (sex, religion, death) and uses lots and lots of naughty language (even though the famous Seven Words You Can't Say on Television can now all be said, especially on the ABC). It is usually energetic, derivative and sometimes even funny.

All of this applies to Annie Goes to Adelaide, the UN-spawned revue showing its wares to local audiences before departing to the Fringe Festival. Over three dozen skits and songs make for a long and uneven evening's entertainment.

Some are fresh and funny (a game of 'Rock, Scissors, Paper', a photographer, a Russian newscast). Others start with good ideas that never quite come to fruition: a conversation among chess pieces, a female card party, Excalibur, The Job Show and a take-off of Name That Tune. Too often a promising sketch ends with the annihilation of one of the participants, simply because no other climax was invented. We all know how hilarious murder, heart attack and rape are, don't we?

Many of the bits are blatantly derivative: 'Under the Uniform' ('The D-Generation'), 'Smacka and Clacker' ('The Dodgey Brothers') and 'Previous Conviction' (one can virtually hear the director saying, 'Now you play your part like John Cleese, and you play yours like Michael Palin'). Several are embarrassingly bad: slow, pointless and unfunny; their excision would tighten and improve the programme immeasurably.

Punctuating the evening and providing most of its high points are a number of songs sung by Bill Keir. We would have enjoyed a few more verses to 'Lange' and 'The Bicentenary Ballad', and wished we could have heard more of his folk songs for Australia's third century. The rest of the large cast work hard and enthusiastically with material that is weaker than their talents: Vanessa Bates is full of bounce and charm, Natalie Downing sings well, Christopher Fletcher's knack with rapid-fire monologue wears thin and frequently is so fast that words (and therefore the joke) are unintelligible.

Deliberate bad taste is a hallmark of sophomoric humour, but it would take very skilled comic judgement to wring laughs out of funerals, child molestation or African starvation ... and we saw no evidence of such skill.

On what scale do you judge comedy? If your criterion is Noel Coward, you'll hate Annie Goes. If it is Bill Cosby, you'll enjoy about a third. If you adore Dame Edna, perhaps half. But if Sir Les Patterson is your paragon, you'll find the entire evening top rate.

The revue plays at The Last Resort, February 26 and 27, before appearing at the University Drama Theatre from March 2 to 5.

**Staff Moves**

**APPOINTMENTS**

- Mr David J. Berthold, Tutor, Drama Department.
- Mrs Maureen L. Conroy, Fractional Tutor, Biological Sciences Department.
- Mr John T. Fitter, Fractional Tutor, Biological Sciences Department.
- Mr Lance F. Hennessy, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Administration).
- Dr Howard N. Higginbotham, Fellow, Faculty of Medicine.
- Dr Ellen E. Jordan, Lecturer, Sociology Department.
- Mrs Reah J. Kay, Stenographer, Secretary's Division.
- Mrs Pamela M. Lake, Fractional Tutor, Biological Sciences Department.
- Ms Julie E. Lee, Fractional Senior Tutor, Economics Department.
- Dr Bo Wahlberg, Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Electrical & Computer Engineering Department.
- Mr Ian Webster, Lecturer, Electrical & Computer Engineering Department.

**RETIRED**

- Mr David L. Farmer, Senior Administrative Officer, Secretary's Division.

**RESIGNATION**

- Mrs Helen M. Putnis, Word Processor Operator, Property Division.

**Board Head to Give Talk on Campus**

MS CARMEL NILAND, President of the New South Wales Anti-Discrimination Board, will visit the University on March 2 to participate in a forum.

The forum is entitled Australia, Land of Equal Opportunity: How Equal for Women in 1988?

The other speakers are a Newcastle psychiatrist, who will speak on Why Are Newcastle Women Tired and Depressed? and Ms Deidre Wicks, a sociologist, whose topic is Overworked and Underpaid or Unemployed and Out of Luck.

The forum will be held in the Medical Lecture Theatre beginning at 8 pm.
AVCC News

The Australian Vice-Chancellors' Committee is to establish a new category of membership following changes to the structure of higher education. The move to introduce associate membership could open the way for private universities, such as the Bond University, now being set up on the Gold Coast, to become part of the national body.

At its meeting in Perth on February 10, the AVCC agreed to seek legal advice on changes to its memorandum and articles of association to allow for associate membership. The committee indicated that the new category of membership was expected to provide full rights but that associate members would not be to vote.

The secretary of the AVCC, Mr Frank Hambly, said after the meeting that the associate membership was likely to apply in two situations. The first was when a university was still in the process of being set up. In this way, for example, it had been established under an Act of Parliament but had not admitted students, it would be eligible to apply for associate membership pending further development. Associate membership might also be given to institutions which applied for full membership but which did not meet AVCC criteria.

The move to introduce associate membership follows a decision late last year to admit the Curtin University of Technology to full membership of the AVCC. The AVCC established a visiting committee to assess whether Curtin, previously the Western Australian Institute of Technology, should join the AVCC.

Mr Hambly said the AVCC's decision to introduce a new category of membership recognised that the structure of the sector was changing. 'The AVCC is responding positively to the changes,' he said.

The AVCC, meeting for the first time this year, also agreed to changes in the organisation of the Canberra secretariat and the direction of its work to meet the challenges of the Government's proposed overhaul of higher education. The secretariat is expected to increase in size from 10 to 14, and has been given the role of developing more detailed policy responses and operating as an additional source of advice to government.

The AVCC is drawing up a response to the Government's Green Paper on Higher Education. This is expected to be finalised at the next meeting of the AVCC on March 15, and released shortly afterwards.

As part of his promised consultation on the proposed changes, the Minister for Employment, Education and Training, Mr John Dawkins, met the AVCC executive in Perth on February 12. The executive indicated a positive reaction to the general thrust of the paper but raised a number of concerns. These included the need for universities to retain their autonomy; fears that educational profiles could be used to control the institutions; funding and research problems; and concerns that the new National Board of Employment, Education and Training would lack real power.

The AVCC also held a joint meeting in Perth with the New Zealand Vice-Chancellors' Committee. The meeting, chaired by the chairperson of the NZVCC, Dr W.G. Malcolm, discussed structural change in the light of the Federal Government's Green Paper on Higher Education and the NZ report, New Zealand Universities: Partners in National Development. The meeting also discussed the development of private universities.

More money for students' children

Changes to AUSTUDY mean that student parents can now apply for new — and higher — Government child payments.

Previously, eligible students received $17 a week for each child from the Department of Employment, Education and Training as part of AUSTUDY.

Now a Department of Social Security payment, the Family Allowance Supplement, has been introduced and will replace the previous payment.

The Family Allowance Supplement, which is available to working families on low incomes as well as to students, is part of the Government's $500 million a year families package announced in this year's Budget.

Maximum Family Allowance Supplement rates are:

- $22 a week for each child up to 12 years;
- $28 a week for each child aged 13, 14 and 15 years; and
- $15 a week if renting privately.

Different rates apply for eligible children over 16 years.

The maximum is payable if gross combined income of parents (including their AUSTUDY payments) is less than $300 a week for a family with one child. The income limit increases by $12 a week for each additional child. Maximum amounts are reduced by $1 for each $2 of income received above these limits.

Students should apply for Family Allowance Supplement immediately to ensure that they don't miss out on any of their payments.

Claim forms for Family Allowance Supplement are available from any office of the Department of Social Security or Education offices of the Department of Employment, Education and Training.

Further information can also be obtained from the Family Allowance Supplement hotline: (008) 221 033 for the cost of a local call.

PRITIKIN GROUP'S NEXT MEETING

Associate Professor Peter Dunkley, from the Medical Faculty, will speak at the next meeting of the Pritikin Health Association on Saturday, March 12, at 3.30 pm in the Lecture Theatre in the David Maddison Building at RNH. The topic: All About Blood Fats. Visitors are welcome. Admission: $2 each. Enquiries: 59 2808.
AVCC Warning on Over-Specialisation

The Federal Government's plans to produce more specialist graduates carried significant risks for the future of higher education in this country, said the Chairman of the Australian Vice-Chancellors' Committee, Professor John Scott.

Professor Scott, who is Vice-Chancellor of La Trobe University, was speaking in Perth after the first meeting for 1988 of the AVCC — the national body representing 20 Australian universities.

Professor Scott warned that the Government's Green Paper on higher education placed too much emphasis on the need for specialisation in university courses. He said that business had already indicated that it needed generalists as much as graduates in technological areas.

'What Australia really needs to solve its management and economic problems are people who are lateral thinkers,' he said.

The Government's plans to produce more specialists also faces problems of unpredictability in the labour market.

'We have seen time and again in Australia that attempts at empower planning are often a complete failure,' Professor Scott said. 'In teacher education, engineering, geology, the bureaucrats who have tried to predict the output needed we discovered just how imprecise empower planning can be.'

Professor Scott said the issue of the type of graduates to be produced by Australian universities would be an important one for the AVCC as it developed its response to the Green Paper.

The AVCC was concerned that the government was adopting a short-term solution to the nation's economic and structural problems by attempting to increase the output of graduates in technological fields. In many ways it is a "quick-fix" solution to Australia's problems but the Government should not lose sight of the need for a longer-term view of the role of the universities.

The meeting of the AVCC agreed to changes in the committee's emphasis and organisation to help meet the challenges posed by the Green Paper.

Professor Scott said that with the removal of the Commonwealth Tertiary Education Commission and its independent advice, it was essential for the AVCC to adopt a stronger advisory role in higher education. 'I believe that the AVCC has a role to play in giving responsible advice to the Government about the needs of the university sector,' Professor Scott said. 'We want to work with the Government and to offer it constructive advice from the considerable pool of expertise available in the Vice-Chancellors and their staffs.'

He said that the Government's decision to abolish CTEC meant there was now a vacuum in the decision-making and advisory process in Canberra. 'It is not clear who will be making the decisions about what the universities teach, how they teach and who they teach,' he said. 'There is a lack of detail on this issue in the Green Paper and we fear that it will be the bureaucrats, not the Government or the universities, who will determine these crucial issues.'

Professor Scott said that in the past it had been CTEC which had been central in determining, with the universities, how the institutions should operate. 'With the demise of CTEC we believe that the universities, particularly through the national body, the AVCC, have the responsibility to develop an additional source of advice.'

THE WORLD'S LARGEST TENT

The world's largest tent is the setting for one of Reinhard Bonnke's meetings.

Bonnke, a preacher in Southern Africa, speaks to crowds in excess of 120,000.

Documentation of one of these meetings, Bloodswept Africa, is the introductory video for this year for the Christian Video Club, which meets on Thursdays, 12.40 pm in the Geography Lecture Theatre, R02, commencing on March 3.

Students and staff are most welcome to attend.

Quit-smoking programme

The Department of Psychology is gearing up to run a quit-smoking programme, designed for people who would prefer the freedom of stopping smoking at their own pace and in their own home but would like some help to do it.

The programme was run last year, with good results. Twenty-three per cent of the people who went through the programme stopped smoking entirely, and another 68 per cent cut down by about a half.

Dr Christina Lee, who developed the programme, said: 'It is ideal for people who are unable or unwilling to attend meetings, but don't want to slog it out on their own.

Smokers can do it in their own time, while still having backup from us and from other services.

The Australian Bureau of Statistics shows that 38 per cent of men in Newcastle and the Hunter are smokers, with women not far behind. Nearly all smokers want to give up, but many find it hard. This new approach could help.'

The programme will be run entirely from the Psychology Department of the University.
DIARY OF EVENTS

Tuesday, March 1, 12.30 pm
Entertainment in the Courtyard featuring the band When in Rome. Admission: free.

8 to 11 pm
Entertainment in the Bar featuring the band The Questions. Admission: free.

Wednesday, March 2, Noon
Entertainment in the Southern Cross Lounge featuring classical guitarist, David Harvey. Admission: free.

Thursday, March 3, Noon
Movie: Lethal Weapon in the Common Room. Admission: free.

Friday, March 4, 1 pm
Film Buff's Club will be screening cartoons from Zagreb and a feature in the Common Room. Donation: 50cents.

Monday, March 7, 11 am

Tuesday, March 8, 12.30 pm
Entertainment in the Courtyard featuring the band Attic Fanatix. Admission: free.

8 to 11 pm
Entertainment in the Southern Cross Lounge featuring The Jazz Club. Admission: free.

Wednesday, March 9, Noon

Thursday, March 10, Noon
Movie: Personal Services in the Common Room. Donation: 50cents.

Friday, March 11, 1 pm
Film Buff's Club will be screening cartoons and feature in the Common Room. Admission: free.

Tuesday, March 15, 12.30 pm
Entertainment in the Courtyard featuring the band Haywire. Admission: free.

ADVERTISEMENTS

FOR SALE

Three seater lounge plus chair (beige and brown fabric), $20 and fridge (1.4 metres high) in good condition, $100. Please telephone Extension 588 or 67 5651.

MacLaren stroller with sunshade, rain cover and leg warmers, $90. Please telephone Extension 489 or 52 7676 after 6 pm.

Smith-Corona portable electric typewriter in good condition, $80 or near offer. Please telephone Extension 600 or 46 9168.

Handy folding single bed, $25; room divider/cocktail cabinet, $100. Please telephone 28 1327.

Brand new ladies English leather jacket (burgundy), size 8 to 10 (unwanted gift), $90 or near offer. Please telephone 46 7743.

EXCHANGE

Local Newcastle family have son attending Sydney University and are looking for Sydney family whose son/daughter is attending Newcastle University with a view to exchanging accommodation. Newcastle family located in Whitebridge. Student would require transport. Please contact the University's Accommodation Officer, Kathleen Dacey, Extension 520.

SEARCH FOR STUDENT

A gentleman telephoned the News and stated that he would like help to be directed to a woman student he met at the B and S Ball at Yallaroi on February 13. The student has reddish hair, is 5'11" tall and aged 20 and drives a red Camira. She can arrange to receive back some of her possessions if she telephones Terry Barry at (067) 658 303.

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Thank you from the Staff of the Accommodation Office for your kind and thoughtful gesture.

At a time of intense pressure your appreciation revived our flag spirits.

POSITION VACANT

Experienced medical typist needed after hours work from dictaphone. Accuracy, complex spelling and speed essential on IBM or Appleworks format. Please telephone Professor J. Boulton at 67 9593 for particulars.

WANTED TO BUY

Library requires two wing/returns with filing shelves for teak veneered, black, metal framed typists' desks. Please telephone Extension 743.

New Orleans Jazz & Food Night

Y'all come to the Staff House, University of Newcastle on Friday, March 25, from 6 pm onwards.

Entertainment provided by New Castle Preservation New Orleans Band (7 piece band), Creole Cajun cookin' Cost: $12.50

Please telephone Sandy (Extension 430) to confirm bookings (first come, first served). Raffles, fun and frivolity (limit: 100).