New sportsfield underway

THE SPORTS UNION is following the motto of the University by 'looking ahead'.

It is building an additional sportsfield, measuring 150m by 160m, which will be large enough to house a rugby field and a hockey field.

If the planned completion date is achieved, University sportmen and sportswomen will be playing on the new oval early in 1989.

A contractor recently completed work on bulk excavations for Sportsfield 3 on land north of Sportsfield 2, adjacent to the railway line.

Mr Adrian Iakin, Sport and Recreation Officer, says further earthworks are needed to get the correct levels and gradients for Sportsfield 3. "When these are completed drainage work will be carried out so that the main portion of the field is protected," he says.

The later stages will comprise the installation of a water supply, the spreading of soil, the planting of grass and laying of turf and, finally, the construction of fences.

'By the end of winter the project should have reached the stage where the soil can be spread and the turf can be established.'

Mr Iakin says the new sportsfield proposal has been developed by the Sports Union because the University faces the problem of finding areas for 'out of season' training. Rugby league, rugby union, hockey, baseball, touch football and other sports want to train when the cricket competition is in its final stages.

'The concept for the sportsfield is aimed at looking after these sports while also providing an area where summer sports can be played in winter,' he says.

'With the increase in the University's student numbers, the Sports Union has been gathering information from the sporting clubs about their perceptions of their future requirements.

'We are trying to come up with a master plan for the future to provide the greatest possible range of facilities for sport consistent with trends and growth.

'We have to determine the best use that can be made of the land available at the University. The site for Sportsfield 3 is part of the last undeveloped portion of land on the campus,' Mr Iakin adds.
Increase in new students at universities

Enrolments at Australian universities have increased, with some institutions reporting a rise in student numbers of more than 10 per cent, according to the Australian Vice-Chancellors' Committee.

A preliminary survey by the AVCC shows at some institutions a trend away from part-time to full-time enrolments and a healthy demand for science, engineering and commerce courses.

The AVCC says the increase in numbers partly reflects the Federal Government's decision to fund extra places and the decision by the Victorian Government to continue to fund additional places in that State.

The Chairman of the AVCC, Professor John Scott, said the growth was encouraging, given the Federal Government's commitment to expanding the higher education system.

'The preliminary figures show that demand is buoyant across the institutions,' he said.

But he said it was not yet possible to state how many qualified students had still missed out on places. The AVCC's annual survey of unmet demand was being completed and would be released next month.

Professor Scott said the shift to full-time enrolments could reflect the Government's imposition of a Higher Education Administration Charge. The charge of $263 is paid by all students, whether they are studying full-time or part-time.

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Other institutions which recorded significant increases in their overall EFTSUs are Griffith (12 per cent), The Curtin University of Technology (10 per cent), La Trobe (9 per cent), Newcastle (9 per cent) and James Cook (7 per cent).

'The Vice-Chancellor, Professor K. Morgan, said although he must wait until April 30 before he has final figures he expected this University's student numbers this year to be approximately 6,200. This was the best guess he could make at this stage.'

LM launches HV book

The Lord Mayor of Newcastle, Alderman John McNaughton, launched the 1988 edition of This Is Newcastle and the Hunter Region at the City Hall.

The handbook, published jointly by the Hunter Valley Research Foundation and Newcastle City Council, comments that the Hunter Region has a major role to play in projecting a quality image for leisure, lifestyle and tourism in New South Wales and Australia. Tourist spending in the Hunter in 1985-86 (the latest year available) amounted to $313.75 million.

Alderman McNaughton said there was no organisation that knew more about the Hunter, or that performed its task of advising and guiding with more diligence and authority, than the HVRF.

The handbook contains factual information on the regional environment, resources, industry, tourism, health, planning, labour force and population, among many other matters. It is the 28th annual edition to be published.

For further information contact: Ms Penny Warner-Smith, Hunter Valley Research Foundation, PO Box 23, Tighes Hill, 2297, or telephone 69 4566.

Graduates can go to Singapore

Singapore apparently offers opportunities for graduates seeking employment at the end of the current academic year.

On Thursday, April 28, between noon and 2 pm, in the Godfrey Tanner Room in the Union, two representatives of PIPS (Professionals Information and Placement Service) will give a group talk, or talks, to assist seekers of employment in Singapore.

PIPS is a resource centre for graduates and professionals (Singaporeans and non-Singaporeans) who are interested in a career in Singapore. It provides a one-stop service that ranges from job placement to assistance with accommodation and immigration matters.

All disciplines are relevant. Copies of the official Singapore Booklet, Stepping into a Career in Singapore, are available free of charge from the Careers and Student Employment Office, Room T25 in the Temporary Buildings.

UNIVERSITY MEMENTO

Mr Allan Hughes, who is an engraver, is producing a memento of the University made of black anodised plate which features the University's Arms.

He says the memento is suitable for a number of uses, including mounting on walls as a plaque, and can be provided in sizes from small to large. Stuck onto a piece of Tasmanian oak and inscribed, the memento costs $20.

Mr Hughes' telephone number is 57 3812.

BAVE SCHEME

'The most adventurous and exciting thing I've ever done'.

The comment was made by a participant in the Britain Australia Vocational Exchange (BAVE) Scheme after returning from Great Britain.

Could this be your comment after such an experience, during the 1988-89 summer vacation?

Currently posters are being displayed around the University inviting University of Newcastle students to participate.

Further details and application forms are available from the Careers and Student Employment Office, T25 in the Temporary Buildings.
Dr Don Parkes demonstrates his invention. He presses points on a map of Melbourne and listens to a speech synthesiser giving information.

Photo © courtesy of the Newcastle Herald.

SOUND ADDED TO TACTILE GRAPHICS

A Newcastle University researcher, Dr Don Parkes, is carrying out tests on a new device which provides blind people with information about graphics in an auditory way.

When a blind person touches points on a tactile map or any other tactile graphic, the device provides information using a synthetic voice system and other audible signals. Hence, the name of the invention, Tactile Audio Graphics and Information Systems.

Dr Parkes, of the Institute of Behavioural Sciences, has developed a prototype in collaboration with the Royal Guide Dogs' Association of Australia, of Melbourne. The objective is to manufacture a portable and inexpensive tactile audio information system.

Dr Parkes' invention has the potential to help an enormous number of visually impaired people in that it brings their ears into the communication exercise.

Until now the process has been restricted to communicating information in Braille. Such aids for blind people as The Tactual Atlas of Australia, published by the Division of National Mapping in Canberra, operate this way. However, the atlas costs $120 and, compared with the tactile audio method, supplies relatively little information on every map, requiring extensive Braille commentaries.

Dr Parkes will attend the Second International Symposium on Map and Graphics for Visually Handicapped People in London from April 20 to 22 to review his experimental work on audio-assisted graphics. The symposium is being organised by the International Cartographic Association and the Royal National Institute for the Blind. Among those presenting papers at the conferences will be Professor Qingpu, of Beijing, who will be discussing developments in tactual mapping in China.

Dr Parkes has been collaborating with Professor Reg Golledge, of the University of California, who recently became blind and who was a Visiting Professor at Newcastle University in 1986.

Because of the inadequacies of the fingertips, a blind person finds it extremely hard to obtain information,' Parkes said. "If we can introduce another of the senses, hearing, blind people will be greatly assisted in obtaining information.

"However there are some very challenging questions to be answered about possible cross-model interference, i.e. will the sound actually inhibit information acquisition?"

Dr Parkes believes that the tactile audio system is unique and says he has received strong support from the Royal Guide Dogs' Association of Australia and from blind people.

Last year, while visiting the Blind Mobility Research Unit of the Department of Psychology, at the University of Nottingham, he had discussions with Dr Alan Dodds, and, at the Department of Education at Loughborough University, with Dr Hinton. One outcome has been an invitation to present his work at the symposium.

Dr Parkes says that apart from speakers from the USA, Canada, and Europe, he is particularly looking forward to hearing Professor Qingpu of Beijing discussing tactual maps for China's enormous population.

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At the moment Professor Parkes is using a mock-up version of a system which is linked to a computer with a speech synthesiser. He has a tactile map of Melbourne and by pressing any point on the map, which overlays a digital pad, he can obtain information from the synthesiser. For example, when he touched a spot the synthesiser said: 'The distance between the City and the end of the Yarra River is 25 kilometres.'

'Being able to associate sound signals with shapes such as a plan of a house will help blind people, in particular congenitally blind youngsters, to learn about and develop their understanding of shape,' Dr Parkes says.

A number of companies specialising in rehabilitation engineering have expressed interest in the idea.

Dr Tony Heyes, of the Royal Guide Dogs' Association of Australia, is working with Professor Parkes to develop the prototype further and try to find research and development funding.

The Vice-Chancellor gave Professor Parkes a grant of $5,000 from the Discretionary Fund in connection with his research. The Computing Centre has given Dr Parkes considerable assistance.

TOUGH YEAR AHEAD FOR STAFF AND UNIVERSITY

The new approach to higher education being taken by the Government and the restructuring of the academic organisation of the University have dented the morale of staff, according to the new President of the Staff Association, Mr Bob Mackie. And, Mr Mackie says, there has been increased strain on staff because of the increase in student numbers.

'A serious accommodation problem has been created because the sizes of classes, such as mathematics, commerce and economics, have increased abnormally. The University must generate more income so that additional lecture theatres can be built.'

Mr Mackie, a Lecturer in Education, says it is very difficult for the staff to make an effective contribution to the University while they face these problems. 'Despite many serious issues facing academic staff, the Association is determined to fight back,' he says.

The Government's Green Paper, the academic reorganisation, amalgamation of the University and the HIHE, and wage justice are the biggest issues confronting the Staff Association.

'The University's draft response to the Green Paper is rather weak and defensive,' Mr Mackie says, 'and does not go in to bat strongly enough for the main strengths of the University.

'As for the Green Paper generally, I think the Vice-Chancellors in Australia have not been assertive enough in defending the contribution made to universities by the Humanities.'

Referring to the academic reorganisation, he says that with the proposed grouping of faculties into four schools and the appointment of directors the gulf between the senior administration and the staff will widen and this is worrying.

'I know the Vice-Chancellor is aware of this problem. But I hope he can do more to ensure that the University is restructured democratically.'

Amalgamation has become an issue again, he says, because the Green Paper proposes that institutions need a minimum of 8,000 EFTSUs to be funded for both teaching and research. 'Because of this emphasis on size, the implication is that the University and the HIHE must amalgamate if they are to be properly funded,' he says.

'There is no justification for the 8,000 EFTSU benchmark. Moreover, the Green Paper does not give sufficient recognition to the distinctiveness of the roles of the University and the HIHE within the Hunter Region.'

'If members of the Staff Association Executive were asked for their opinions on amalgamation, they would be in two minds — just over half would be opposed, although some would be sympathetic.

'The best solution is the one which preserves the integrity of the University and the high quality of its degrees. Any suggestion that graduates are coming to a second-class institution cannot be allowed.'

Mr Mackie says that about 40 Staff Association members visited the Council meeting last December to hear the debate on the academic reorganisation. 'There is a strong feeling that the Council is not being as vigilant as it should about maintaining policies and is giving too much latitude to members of the senior administration.

'We were impressed by Mr Pran Chopra's courage when he addressed Council about the staff's misgivings, but we were depressed to see that some members of Council lacked awareness and knowledge. In other words, Council seems to be not well informed. The Staff Association will be looking to improving our representation and communications.'
Mr Mackie says FAUSA is facing a problem in obtaining the four per cent second tier wage rise for its members. The rise will only be granted in their budgets.

'We will request the Vice-Chancellor to continue to meet us regularly to discuss issues such as the four per cent and we will argue that at least half of the rise be achieved by introducing economies in administrative, rather than academic, operations.'

Mr Mackie says that Judge Elizabeth Evatt's acceptance of the position of Chancellor of the University was very good news as she was a very distinguished Australian. The Staff Association and other bodies in the campus had nominated her for the position.

Membership of the Staff Association has risen to approximately 80 per cent of the academic staff, with a good number of new arrivals taking out membership.

'Growth will not be without problems'

THE UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE is going places — and the right places.' This is the verdict of the new Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Administration), Mr Lance Hennessy, after his first month at the University.

Mr Hennessy was appointed to the new position late last year and commenced his appointment early in February.

The position of Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Administration) is part of the new top management structure, following the restructuring of the administration and, in particular, is responsible for the University's three administrative divisions (Secretary's Division, Bursar's Division and Buildings and Grounds Division).

Mr Hennessy spoke freely about his view of the University, the challenges ahead, his style of management, his interests and other matters when he was interviewed by University News.

A review of administrative data-processing was under way, he said, to ensure greater co-ordination among the administrative divisions and aim for greater cost effectiveness.

The bulk of the Staff Office, which under the earlier plan was to have been integrated with the Bursar's Division, will remain independent for the time being, reporting directly to Mr Hennessy.

Among its other activities (such as the negotiations of the 4 per cent second tier productivity agreement with the general staff unions), the Staff Office will be asked to review recruitment arrangements, with a view to introducing improved services in 1989. He said that in particular he was concerned at the 'scramble' that incoming staff face in obtaining rental accommodation in Newcastle and he would be looking at various measures to alleviate the problem. Staff who had experienced difficulties in this respect, either recently or in the past, were invited to let him know of them and to give him their suggestions for overcoming them.

Mr Hennessy said that he did not have a personal prescription for the future of the University. He saw himself as a member of a senior . (more over the page)
management team which would be taking decisions on the basis of detailed assessments and reviews and after consultation with those who would be directly affected. In this respect, he hoped to extend existing arrangements for consultation with the general staff unions and with staff generally.

He believed that his style was generally consultative, but, on the other hand, 'there simply were not enough hours in the day' for him to see everyone who had some administrative worry. He hoped that he would be seen as 'the last resort' when all the normal avenues of approach had been exhausted.

I am very impressed with the quality of our administrative staff, and their dedication, and they are very capable of fixing most matters of administration without bringing in higher authorities.'

Mr Hennessy said that he was a strong believer in delegating responsibility: if people had to live with their decisions, they would be more careful about the decisions they took.

Among his many responsibilities, Mr Hennessy is Director of Affirmative Action and is responsible for equal opportunity programmes.

He considered Newcastle 'had some distance to go' in both areas and hopes to push hard for formal staff development schemes for both academic and general staff, as a means of giving better opportunities to those who had been disadvantaged.

Mr Hennessy commented briefly on the Government's Green Paper on the future directions for higher education, from the perspective of a former senior adviser to the Commonwealth Government (Chief Executive Officer of the Commonwealth Tertiary Education Commission).

He said he believed that the Green Paper represented overall more of an opportunity than a threat. The University produced professional graduates in fields such as Engineering, Economics and Commerce and (soon) Computing Science and this put it in the forefront in being able to respond to Commonwealth Government initiatives.

On the other hand, this emphasis did not lead to a neglect of the social sciences or generalist art graduates, who were needed more than ever in a complex competitive society. Universities should continue to respond to student demands as well as Government initiatives in selected fields.

Mr Hennessy concluded this section of the interview with a 'plug' for arts graduates — 'they end up in all sorts of places and all sorts of jobs, even as Deputy Vice-Chancellors'. (He is a BA from the University of Sydney).

Finally, Mr Hennessy was reluctant to be drawn on his personal interests.

He has a strong interest in the vocational and fine arts — as one of his last pieces of work for CTEC, he was responsible for preparing a national review of tertiary art education and training. He has diverse interests in this area and has practised and exhibited as a potter over the last decade. However, he wonders how much time he will have to pursue these interests in his new job.

He expressed great admiration for those who had pursued the cause of conservation in Newcastle and established the Shortland Wetlands Centre. He hoped that the University might be able to do something about its own wetlands in the not-too-distant-future but, like everything, it was a matter of time and money.

Expert on the History of the Theatre

The Department of Drama was host on March 18 to an American Emeritus Professor who is an authority on the history of the theatre.

Professor of Drama and Oratory at Tufts University in Massachusetts, Professor Kalman Burnim, delivered a public lecture on Hogarth and the Stage.

Professor Burnim holds several appointments, including the Presidency of the American Society for Theatre Research, and has written many publications including portion of the monumental projected 16-volume Biographical Dictionary of Actors, Actresses, Dancers, Managers and other Stage Personnel in London, 1660-1800.

Our photograph shows (left to right) Professor Burnim and Professor Victor Emeljanow, Head of the Department of Drama at this University.
Dear Sir,

The Student Parents' Association of this University is extremely concerned at the present lack of progress toward the establishment of a campus-based occasional childcare centre, as proposed in the Report of the Investigating Committee of the Kintaiba Board of Trustees during 1987.

We understand that this matter has been referred for consideration to the University/HHIE Joint Committee for Co-operation and Rationalisation on the mistaken belief that there may be some duplication of childcare services between the two institutions. It seems a pity that this error could not have been averted by a simple telephone call, which would have established immediately that no such duplication exists, or would exist, under the proposal of the Investigating Committee.

Our information from the HIHE is that there has never been any intention to establish an occasional childcare service at that institution. Moreover, the proposal of the Investigating Committee to establish such a service on this campus gives equal access to students and staff of the HIHE, which must surely meet any criteria for 'co-operation and rationalisation'. Now it appears that the entire matter has become needlessly enmeshed in the amalgamation debate, and any real progress has been delayed by at least six months. It is difficult not to interpret this as a deliberate obfuscation of the real issue so as to avoid having to confront the financial responsibility of meeting the desperate needs of students and staff for this service.

Student parents are tired of empty rhetoric about the provision of campus-based childcare services. We demand that the University immediately take action to implement the recommendations of the Investigating Committee.

Carrie Jacobi, President,
The Student Parents Association of the University of Newcastle.

Dear Sir or Madam,

As a newly appointed member of staff, I write to draw your attention to a matter of great concern to all working parents at the University, namely, the absence of work-related childcare on this campus. There appears to be a common misapprehension, even at the highest levels of University Administration, that 'Kintaiba' performs this function, when in fact it is a federally-funded community based childcare centre. Children selected for admission must therefore satisfy welfare criteria imposed by government, which understandably tend to discriminate against those working at the University.

When applying for a position at the University of Newcastle, I was sent material relating to Conditions of Employment, which implied that Kintaiba was the University Child Care Centre and that places were available to members of staff, only to discover on arrival that there was already a waiting list of 300 children and that my son had little chance of a place. I have since met many other members of staff who have experienced similar disappointments.

I believe that this is a matter which requires clarification and public debate. Otherwise, the achievement of Equal Opportunity Legislation may come in the future to appear a rather hollow victory.

Margaret Sampson,
Lecturer in History.

Dear Sir,

This year we were delighted to see that the University Counselling Service had at last been provided with satisfactory accommodation; accommodation that has been so desperately needed over the years. Therefore we are writing in support of Dr Peter Bamford and the University Counselling Service concerning the problems associated with the placement of the Dean of Students in the new Counselling suite.

Not only does it cause problems associated with the client's perception of privacy and confidentiality, as so ably pointed out in Dr Bamford's letter, but it also prevents the proper use of the new facilities.

The group discussion rooms linked by an observational mirror have been provided to allow small group therapy sessions and the teaching and training of students enrolled in the professional Masters programmes in our Department. The allocation of one of these group discussion rooms as the Dean's office prevents the use of both rooms for the purposes for which they were designed. In addition a counselling interview room is being used as a secretarial office thus further reducing the available facilities. Therefore we would hope that steps will be taken to rectify this intolerable situation in the very near future.

Dr N.F. Kafer, Dr M. Hunter, Dr S.A. McFadden, Dr H.P. Pfister, Dr C.E. Lee, Assoc. Prof. D.M. Keats, Dr D. Munro, Dr R.A. Heath, Dr M.M. Cotton, Dr A.C. Keene, Professor M.G. King, Dr John Shea,
Department of Psychology.

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Dear Sir,

In the last few months I have often heard comments on the remarkable similarity between the proposals of the Executive of this University for its restructuring and some of the plans unfolded in Mr Dawkins' Green Paper. Hypotheses on the matter have ranged from the ascription, to the Executive, of uncanny powers of divination to the belief that, somehow, it must be in the Minister's inner circle.

However, the explanation for this similarity is, I think, quite simple. Apart from the general fact that the logic of bureaucratese is much the same anywhere, I believe it to be highly probable that there is a common source for both the ideas of our Executive and those of the advisers of the Minister, namely the report of the British Jarratt committee on efficiency in British universities. This report recommends, inter alia, the placing of 'the Vice-Chancellor as chief executive at the top of a line-management structure composed of the heads of budgetary units responsible direct to him.'

This last sentence is quoted from the article in the most recent issue of Minerva, in which Philip Reynolds, a former Vice-Chancellor of the University of Lancaster, deals with decision-making in that University in a time of contraction. Mr Reynolds comes up with some interesting reflections. I was particularly intrigued by his remarks on 'the critical importance of maintaining internal coherence, goodwill, and morale of the staff and his information that the 'possibility decisive' factor in getting Senate to accept a difficult decision was the seeing up, by the Boards, of a group of their own, 'wholly independent of the development committee.'

My readers will recall that our Staff Association, supported in this by a great many staff, asked for just such a committee to review the Executive's plans here. If I say that Council refused this request this statement would, though factually true, give an inaccurate description of what actually happened. To refuse something means to take some decisive action, albeit a negative one. But at this particular meeting, which was chaired in a manner of which I haven't seen the like in any academic gathering, either here or overseas, Council did nothing at all, except waiting for the appropriate signs of the Executive and, probably, for an end to being bored. Since our Senate is nowadays almost equally pliant it is no wonder that the Executive doesn't find it in the least necessary to constitute broadly based committees to get its plans accepted. Apparently things are a bit different in Lancaster. Mr Reynolds describes the position of the Vice-Chancellor there as the opposite of that of the harlot, he has 'responsibility without power' and needs 'to act with circumspection' in relation to Senate, which there, apparently, still seems to act in the tradition of universities as self-governing communities of scholars and is, says Mr Reynolds, 'perhaps unusual in the extent to which (it) has guarded these powers.' Senate here must appear to be an absolute pushover by comparison.

What then does Mr Reynolds say about the plans of the Jarratt committee? One would expect him, as a former chief executive, to jump at the chance for greater managerial power, but Mr Reynolds is more civilised than that. He asks himself whether these measures will lead to better universities and answers that this 'depends on what ends universities are thought to serve.' Mr Reynolds continues: 'They would be likely to become more efficient instruments in helping to solve immediate problems and in producing highly trained persons to deal with them. They might be less effective in reflection a longue haleine, in criticising and assessing and reshaping the structure of knowledge and the fabric of society, in freely ranging thought and the imagination and creativity needed to handle conjunctures not yet foreseen or conceived.'

From the point of view of 'instrumental reason', the type of reason of which we find such a plentiful supply in Mr Dawkins' Green Paper, such reflections must appear to be vacuous. Indeed, a prime aspect of the fate now befalling the universities might well be that positivism, and its concomitants, now virtually dead within scholarship, is still reigning supreme in the heads of bureaucrats.

Arie Brand

Dear Sir,

The Co-op Bookshop Replies

Hopefully now the piles upon piles of textbooks, which menacingly threatened to fall over on would-be book buyers, will have disappeared into the hands of students anxious to begin their studies. However this does not solve the basic problem—that the bookshop premises are too small as was pointed out by several academics in a recent Letter to the Editor.

The bookshop took occupancy of its present location in the Union Building in 1975. A review of correspondence indicates that the space was considered small even then. The student population at Newcastle University at that time was approximately 4,500.

Since then the student population has grown so that in 1986 it is estimated that approximately 6,250 students will be attending Newcastle University, an increase of almost 40 per cent. Further student increases will undoubtedly flow from the proposals put forth in the Green Paper on Higher Education as well as from the Government's intention to encourage study in Newcastle and Wollongong over the more crowded Sydney universities.

We have several times approached the Union concerning the problem, and they were able to give us some extra storage space behind our shop. We have also offered to buy their stationery shop hoping to knock down the connecting wall thereby relieving the cramped conditions. We made what, to our minds, was a generous offer, but were knocked back.

We are concerned with the space being offered in the planned new commercial building as the Union's plans seem to indicate that it will not be a high traffic area e.g. they do not want to move their own stationery shop to the new area because of the lack of traffic. We are also concerned that a new building will mean a substantially increased rent, which could adversely affect the level of student discounts able to be given by the Co-op.

I sympathise with the Union—they are short of space. However the points made in the recent letter of concern by several of the academics at Newcastle University are valid. The bookshop is too small for the tasks that are required of it and the problem of space will grow even more worrying in the future.

J.F. McLoone,
General Manager,
University Co-operative Bookshop Limited, Sydney.
Dear Sir,

I refer to the letter by Peter Bamford in the News of February-March.

Students are told that they will receive from a university significant benefits beyond those provided under its charter, and they do, whether 'passes' or 'fails' distinguish their records. These covert benefits derive from many sources — amongst them the personal qualities of lecturers, association with peers, the stresses of independent study, the clash of domestic expectations with their own changing visions. To further the effect of these experiences the modern university provides, or aids and encourages, the supply of an elaborate (and expensive) range of 'amenities' — chiefly the Union and Sports Union, and a medical service.

But a minority of at least 10 per cent fail to use much of such opportunities because of faulty habit patterns, inefficient learning skills and confusing behavioural characteristics. (My own experience, and the conclusions of numerous serious studies support such a figure).

These internal handicaps deny them access to the benefits of the generously provided 'amenities', to the general benefit of scholarly community, and to the efficient use of the academic material of lecture, tutorial and laboratory. Some succeed in their studies, all are capable, but all go through university with handicaps which they only partly recognise, and which are at least as serious as most of their bodily 'ailnesses.'

Mr Loftus and his colleagues have, at comparatively small cost to the University, collaborated with these students in a highly skilled service, to help them use more fully and efficiently the benefits of both sides of university life. Maybe I take a big risk in exhuming Rudyard Kipling's pliant — 'not understood' — but it can be used without any flavour of censure. For only the specialist is competent in this area. To reduce the scope of the Counselling Service, as do the two decisions which Dr Bamford protests, is to deny a large number of students the service which has become part of the function of a university.

Selby Alley

The Open Days Committee has produced an attractive poster which the committee hopes will be seen widely throughout the Hunter Region from now until Open Days, September 3 and 4.

As Open Day usually occurs only every four-five years, the poster has been designed not only as a means of publicising the activities but also as a souvenir.

An effort will be made to circulate copies of the poster widely so people will see it repeatedly. A distribution list is being drafted which includes schools, public libraries and shopping centres.

The Organiser of Open Days, Associate Professor C. Keay, said he hoped the poster would also be featured prominently at the University. Copies would be made available for display in Departments and for purchase by people as gifts and souvenirs.

The poster was designed by Ms Marie-Therese Wisniowski, an artist in the Medical Communication Unit.
Here from the old Tartar Republic

DR OLEG BELKOVICH knows a great deal about astronomy. He is Director of the Engelhardt Astronomical Observatory at the University of Kazan in Russia. He took the place of his late father, Professor Igor Belkovich, who was an internationally renowned astronomer.

Dr Belkovich says his university is in the city of Kazan, the capital of the old Tartar Republic, 800kms east of Moscow.

A Past President of the Meteors and Interplanetary Dust Commission of the International Astronomical Union, he is spending three months as a Visiting Fellow working on the radar meteor system in the Department of Physics in collaboration with Associate Professor Colin Keay, who is a Vice-President of the Commission.

Book on the Conservatorium to be launched

A graduate of the UN has finished writing a history of the Newcastle Conservatorium of Music, From Park to Palace.

Mr Kenneth Wiseman took the original and present homes of the Con — Civic Park and the former People's Palace — to provide his book with a title.

Plan to cope with accommodation shortages

The University has submitted a proposal for Commonwealth funds to build a new student residential complex to serve both the University and the Hunter Institute of Higher Education.

In a submission to the Department of Employment, Education and Training, the University proposes that the first stage of the new accommodation provide 200 bedrooms in self-catering units together with shared meeting, recreational and administrative accommodation.

It is envisaged that the building would be constructed on vacant land adjoining the University's existing residential college, Edwards Hall.

The University points out to the Department that with more than 6,000 students and a residential college with a student capacity of 285 the University has the smallest proportion of on-campus residential accommodation of any Australian university.

When combined with more than 4,000 Hunter Institute of Higher Education students, the needs of both institutions for a substantial increase in available student residential accommodation is all the more pressing.

At present both University and Hunter Institute students compete for the very limited pool of off campus rental accommodation in Newcastle, which is probably worse off than most other cities in this regard.

Every effort has been made by both institutions, the University submits, to find alternative solutions to the housing shortage but they believe that additional on campus accommodation is vital to sustaining the level of enrolment being encouraged by the Government in the region.
STUDENTS PROTEST IN NEWCASTLE

A large turnout of students from the University and the HIHE, estimated at 700 to 1,000, demonstrated against the Commonwealth Government's policies on higher education in Newcastle on March 23.

The students marched from Pacific Park, Newcastle, along Hunter Street, to Civic Park, where they conducted a rally, burnt effigies of leading Labor politicians and heard speakers.

The gathering of students, joined in the park by academics from the University and the HIHE, was unanimous in its concern over plans to reintroduce tertiary fees, amalgamation, continued funding cuts to higher education and the overall implications of the Government's Green Paper on higher education.

Our photograph shows part of the march in Newcastle staged by students to precede the rally in Civic Park.

Religious centre examined at meeting

About 50 people attended a meeting in the Council Room on March 24 to support a religious centre being established at the University as a Bicentennial project.

The meeting was called by the Vice-Chancellor, Professor K. Morgan, after the idea came from the Religious Sub-committee of the Newcastle Bicentennial Community Committee.

A strategy, mainly aimed at obtaining more input and discussion of the proposal, was passed.

The meeting formed an executive committee to consider the views expressed and bring a proposal to a future meeting with the aid of advice from the chaplains representing the Christian churches and persons representing Muslims, Jews and other religious and cultural groups.

The chapel at Monash University was referred to by several speakers and it was suggested that the committee obtain information on its establishment and organisation.

Concern was expressed at the needs of non-Newcastle-born students attending the University and the HIHE. The case for 'some kind of centre' for religious and social activities was stronger than 10 years ago.

Some speakers argued that the project should be non-sectarian with a range of groups — not only Christians — being served.

Chaplains said their work was complicated by the absence of a regular place and their being forced to 'run around' to find rooms for meetings. Many people wanted to have a place where they could socialise, obtain spiritual guidance, listen to music or simply be quiet.

A mature age HIHE student said Sister Mary Goldsworthy's room at the Institute was too small for the group of people that she was helping.

One speaker described the objective as 'a special place where students can find a caring environment'.

Professor Ken Dutton, Dean of Students, accepted nomination as Convenor of the executive committee, the other members being Mr Terry Lovett, Professor John Hamilton, Ms Mary Hall, Ms Veronica Allan, Mr Michael Anway, the Very Rev. Graeme Lawrence and a chaplain to be elected by the chaplains.

Professor Morgan, who chaired the meeting, said he was impressed by the discussions and happy to assist the committee.

UNION BOARD

The annual elections for the Union Board of Management will take place from April 11 to 15.

Polling will take place in the following areas:

- **Union Foyer**, Noon to 2 pm and 4 to 6.15 pm;
- **Secondhand Bookshop**, 10 am to Noon and 2 to 4 pm.

Nominations opened on March 10 at 9 am and will close on March 29 at 5 pm.

Registered nomination forms are available from the Union Office.

The annual general meeting of the Union will be held on April 20 in the main Courtyard at 1 pm.
ANZAS Congress Centenary Year

Leading international scientists specialising in fields of current community interest and concern will attend the Centenary ANZAS congress to be held at the University of Sydney from May 16 to 20.

This year's theme poses the question, What Use Science and Technology? Among the noted international scientists who have been invited to speak are:

- Dr Paul Bottomley, an Australian research scientist with General Electric in the United States. He will be speaking on Magnetic Resonance Imaging; Dr James Beniger, from the Anenberg School of Communications at the University of California. He will be taking part in the symposium entitled The Information Society; Dr E. Penhoet of the Chiron Corporation in California. He is a participant in the Biotechnology symposium; Dr Jane Osborn, of the University of Michigan, adviser to President Kennedy. She is a speaker in the AIDS symposium; Dr Eric Jones of the Los Alamos National Laboratory in New Mexico. He is the convenor of a symposium organised by the Powerhouse Museum dealing with settlement in outer space; Dr Jean-Pierre Chamoux, a Chief of Mission of the French Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications. He is taking part in the symposium entitled The Information Society; and Dr David Suzukl, Professor of Zoology, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, will deliver the inaugural Peter Mason Lecture as part of the Youth ANZAS programme. Members of the public are invited.

Other distinguished speakers include:

Frederick I. Ordway III from the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics speaking on The International Space Year: Preliminary Planning and Prospects; Professor R. Bonnet, Director of the European Space Agency Scientific Programme speaking on The Long-Term Programme in Space Science; Dr K. Tsipis of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology speaking on Controlling and Verifying Cruise Missiles; Dr L. Leggett, Verification Technology Information Centre, London, speaking on Verification of Prospective Arms Control Treaties: Are We Doing Enough?; Professor David Williams, Director of the Institute of Medical and Dental Bioengineering at the University of Liverpool, speaking on Australian Advances in Biomaterials Technologies; and Ms H. Hughes, Commissioner for the Environment, Wellington, speaking on Environmental Policy.

The official opening of the Congress in the University's Great Hall, will be the first ever joint degree-conferring ceremony by the three metropolitan universities. The degrees will be presented, and the Presidential Address will be given by Professor David Penington, AC, former Chairperson of the National AIDS Task Force and Vice-Chancellor of the University of Melbourne.

College accommodation will be available at the University of Sydney at a cost of $30 per night. A smaller number of places will be available at the University of New South Wales at Kensington. Bookings will be allocated in order of receipt of registrations. Arrangements for off-campus accommodation may be made at any Westpac Travel Office.

Mattara Bicentennial Prize

This year's Mattara Poetry Prize will be known as the Mattara Bicentennial Poetry Prize. The prize's sponsor, the Hunter District Water Board, has increased total prize-money to $10,000. Last year the prize-money was $4,000.

This year's prize, the eighth to be offered, includes a prize for a poet 25 years or under.

The prize is also supported by the University and the Literary Arts Board of the Australia Council, which subsidises contributors to the annual Mattara anthology.

Review comments on the Mattara anthologies have included:

"Simply the best yearly anthology of new poetry in Australia" (Judith Rodriguez, Sydney Morning Herald). "This annual harvest is the most important in Australia" (Geoffrey Dutton, The Bulletin) and "Every poem in the selection demonstrates the quality and vigour of Australian poetry" (Jeff Doyle, Canberra Times).

Previous judges of the prize have included: A.D. Hope, Professor Dame Leonie Kramer, Professor G.A. Wilkes, Bruce Dawe, Les Murray, Rosemary Dobson, Vincent Buckley and Peter Porter.

The Prize has been won by Les Murray, Kevin Hart, Peter Kocan, Craig Powell, John A. Scott, Diane Fahey, Lily Brett, Dane Thwaites and Tracey Ryan.

The judges for this year's prize are Andrew Taylor, FAY ZWICKY, Paul Kavanagh and Christopher Pullnitz.

Entries and enquiries should be directed to The Mattara Poetry Prize, C/- Department of English.

Holidays studying in British unis

Study holidays are available at nine universities in Britain in July, August and September.

Each course costs £179 pounds and provides full board, teaching, excursions and social events for a period of seven days. In the subject categories heritage, countryside and arts and literature, a total of 60 courses are offered.

For details contact Kath Dacey, Accommodation Office, Room T35, Temporary Buildings, Extension 520.
Kelver Hayward Hartley

Emeritus Professor Kelver Hartley, Professor of French from 1965 to 1969, died in Sydney at the end of February, aged 79.

Professor K.R. Dutton, who took the place of Professor Hartley, writes as follows:

Kelver Hartley was a singular man. An eccentric, perhaps; certainly an original. No-one who knew him as a colleague or who passed through his hands as a student is without their special 'Kelver story', to be added to the already voluminous canon.

Hartley was educated at Sydney Boys' High, to which — after taking out his MA at Sydney University and his doctorate at the Sorbonne — he was later to return as a teacher. His possession of a doctorate being unique amongst the staff members, he was soon baptised 'the Doc' and later (by extension) 'the Quack'. But he was a popular teacher. He particularly enjoyed relating to pupils how, as a student in Paris, he had participated in the Stavisky Riots of 1934, on the side of the right-wing Action Française, exchanging shots with the Garde Mobile. Whether or not the story was true was naturally the subject of some speculation.

Appointed in 1955 as Senior Lecturer in French at the Newcastle University College, he was promoted Associate Professor in 1962 and further promoted to a full Chair when the University became autonomous in 1965.

By specialism and by taste a comparatist whose doctoral thesis dealt with the French influence on Oscar Wilde, he was to develop a particular affection for Italy and to publish an impressive monograph on Bandello, though in his later years his interest turned more to Spanish and he at one stage thought of retiring to Spain. Many of his former colleagues remember him sitting at Senate meetings, never once speaking but assiduously reading a Spanish Bible throughout the proceedings.

A fine Scholar

Not a prolific publisher, Hartley was nonetheless a fine scholar, a 'learned man' in the best Humanities tradition. His bequest to the University, a few years ago, of his valuable personal library revealed the discipline and good taste he applied to his reading, and he expressed the hope that future students who came across one of his vellum-covered 18th-century editions in the Library might appreciate it as he had done. He once wrote to me: 'A student who reads the article on paper-making in the Encyclopédie will not understand it unless he is able to handle a sheet of XVIIIth Century paper, to roll it between finger and thumb, observe its ribbed texture and so forth.'

For Hartley, no French literature of any value had been produced since 1870, and members of his staff were obliged to go behind his back and risk his annoyance if any 20th-century authors were to be ordered for the Library. This opinion may well have been a matter of deep personal conviction on his part, though most people saw it as yet another example of the pervasive influence of his own former Professor at Sydney — G.G. Nicholson — whose severe, ghostly presence continued to haunt Hartley's consciousness and to whom he always referred as 'the late Professor Nicholson' even some 30 years after the latter's death. Anything of which Nicholson would have disapproved — and Nicholson was a celebrated disapprover — was anathema to Hartley, a more ardent disciple of the master even than Nicholson's own successor Henning.

Enigmatic yet kind

To those who did not know him, it is difficult to convey the personality of Kelver Hartley — that mixture of extreme formality, elaborate yet sincere courtesy and almost painful reserve that led one of his former colleagues to comment that he 'should have lived in the 18th-century.' Something of the flavour of his enigmatic yet kindly personality can be gleaned from Marion Halligan's short-story Salut, Dr Appleton (first published in Southerly) — a not-too-heavily veiled tribute to Hartley which well captures the affection felt for him by his students and colleagues and also chronicles some of his more egregious quirks and oddities.

From my own version of the Hartley 'canon', I select for the record: the antiquated (and immensely successful) teaching method which consisted of his spending one hour filling a double-blackboard with French writing — in his own 'fine Italian hand' — and the next hour, that of the lecture itself, dictating the passage in toto for longhand copying by students; his unwillingness to reveal his address (the story goes that, as soon as he was aware that his place of abode was known to colleagues, he would move); his insistence on collecting his entire superannuation lump sum is cash on his last day of duty, a large pile of notes which he packed into his little suitcase and with which he walked calmly away; his 'secret career' as a writer of detective stories under an assumed name known to on-one (except that James AUCHMUTY — naturally — claimed to know).

'Kelver's way'

On his retirement, he was anxious to cut himself off from personal contact with his old Department: though he and I corresponded from time-to-time, he would never take up my invitations to come back and visit. So far as I know, his sole remaining human contact from his University days was with one of his most brilliant former students, Grahame Jones (Professor of French at University of New England) — the first Newcastle graduate ever to be appointed to a Chair; Grahame, who knew Hartley's quirks as well as anyone, and who was a prolific source of Kelver stories) knew that if he visited Sydney he could arrange to meet Kelver under the clock at Central Station — provided several weeks' forewarning was given, otherwise regrets would be sent on the grounds that the notice given was insufficient (even though in retirement Hartley appeared to have very little if anything to do). It was just 'Kelver's way'. Like many other of us who were friends, colleagues and admirers of... (more over the page)
Grahame Jones, Kelver Hartley was no doubt deeply distressed by the news of Grahame's tragically premature death, of cancer, just before Christmas 1987. That he outlived by so little time the one remaining person with whom he would permit himself real human contact is perhaps not coincidental: those who knew him may be inclined to see it as yet another 'Kelver story', in its own way typical and again in its own way, not at all sad but indicative of what the reserve hid and the courtesy only partly expressed.

Just how much he thought of this institution is yet to be publicly revealed, but I hope that the Vice-Chancellor will shortly be able to announce details of a very considerable bequest made by Professor Hartley to the University in his will.

Poetry Contribution

Sanctus

Not finding you in your brown-neat, snug, once crown-land squat shack, hoping as I was for cups of tea between estuarine pursuits and home, I asked and heard you were away till spring.

So I'll miss the talk and you and the idiom of things rising from stones alert as stones,

stones, fire-capped; waders with down-turned beaks who've forgotten they should be in Siberia;

black spots of consciousness curving water near my feet, flesh transparent, sand-grey;

and the Kodak masses of colour hair-triggered to go (Dotterel, curlew, channel-edging mullet, Lorikeet); and familiarities, with that brilliant russet tilting the island,

with rod-sprung men heading to work swathes, rip-gullies or spits,

with birds that, Dickensian, hunch and stab. We walked the north beach,

the sand sheer but for a two-line text by a four wheel drive infinitely repeating economics,

the swamps behind, blue glacial lakes, water run by ducks, luminosities of lillies,

and high above the sandhills, geese, lifting, falling, scimping calories on the long haul south.

The weather clouded into a circularity of wind shower, and dear calm we could have spent round your stove—but the last days, air brittle clear, has the low water unseaing marines (white shoulder-flashed)

wheeling to repel borders, then hustling from attack, screwing blue corks in buried bottles.

The tracks you know, Egyptian three-point splays (active, neutral, earth)

gods of the long nib on the sand stretches, and the cries,

loose nails in roof iron, curlew, curlew, curlew, beak dribbed down in the air;

whistle and remark, nod and mismatched query, metrics feeding a native language—
even they, the double singers, have dialects. Or in the evening—the estuary the only light,

sea high, flowing full in the mouth where today I swam the long brown (smooth, fast) escalator—
casuarina, mangrove, flooded gum, back pasture brown, till I reached the last dimple-smooth rush into breakers.

Now water is cold and stars leave signatures, Orion, Crux—in the east, the red giant in Scorpio—

but be here in spring for the talk and feeds of pippis—salt, Chardonnay—wet with a sanctus of southerly weather.

Dr P. Kavanagh

(Sanctus was written by Dr Paul Kavanagh Senior Lecturer in English. He entered the poem in the ABC Bicentennial Literary Awards and received $1,000 after being judged the runner-up in Category Five.)
**For Sale**

Tandy TRS-80 Model III 48K memory — two floppy drives in excellent condition. Complete with all manuals and TRS DoS operating system, TRS Basic in ROM (ideal starter for junior), $400 or near offer. Please telephone Philip Greentree at Extension 692.

1970 Volvo 142 sedan in excellent condition. Features include: no rust, reconditioned motor, manual, log books and new exhaust system, $2,500 or near offer. Please telephone 45 3925.

Wavemaster Tri-fin competition surf ski 1 x 2.1 metre in good condition (a real flyer), $300 or near offer plus Dart Hydra Tri-fin surf ski 1 x 2.3 metre (proven performer on Nobby's Back Reef), $250 or near offer. Please telephone Philip Greentree at Extension 692.

Boys' 51cm BMX team bike (almost brand new, five months old), $90. Please telephone Sobhan at Extension 386 or 51 7045.

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Yamaha YB100 motor cycle in excellent condition, (owner must sell) $385. Please telephone Extension 744 or 46 8950.

Silver Reed EX300 FD electronic typewriter/printer with 13 disks, disk case, 3 daisy wheels and spare ribbons (hardly used), $1,200 or best offer. Please telephone 48 7037.


Urgent sale, $550 (new price normally $750 — on special). Please telephone Philip Greentree, Extension 692.

Adler 1030 electronic typewriter (four years old) in perfect condition (only very light private use). Features include small memory, justifies, etc., two print wheels, spare tapes, corrector ribbons etc., $450 or near offer. Please telephone Andrews at Extension 365 or 48 9673.

Tandy Dot Matrix printer — line printer-V — 15” carriage width, 136 CPS normal, 160 CPS condensed, enlarged-standard-condensed.

Standard character set capable of standard graphics, (excellent condition, only four years old) complete with manual. Urgent sale, $300 or near offer. Please telephone Philip Greentree at Extension 692.

**Wanted to Buy**

Set of weights and bench. Please telephone 43 9217 after hours or leave a message on the answering machine throughout the day.

Pine or cedar unrestored old furniture, plus bric-a-brac. Cash buyer will call. Please telephone 59 2319.

**Position Wanted**

Joy Peate of 26 6161 or 54 8159 (after hours) would like to type theses, reports, occasional papers etc.

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**WALK AGAINST WANT**

Anybody interested in taking part in the annual Walk Against Want in Newcastle will be able to do so on Sunday, April 17.

Community Aid Abroad is arranging the 10km walk commencing at 2 pm from Civic Park and including Wharf Road, Shortland Esplanade, Memorial Drive and Union Street.

Walkers can obtain sponsor cards and more details from Mr John Burgess of the Department of Economics (Extension 547).

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**STAFF MOVES**

**APPOINTMENTS**

- Dr Geoffrey Dangar, Fellow, Faculty of Medicine.
- Professor Robin J. Evans, Professor, Computer Engineering.
- Miss Leena A. Fox, Junior Laboratory Assistant, Department of Chemistry.
- Dr Daryl J. Hewson, Fellow, Faculty of Medicine.
- Ms Julie A. Kiem, Administrative Assistant, Secretary's Division.
- Mrs Lorna R. Laing, Fractional Tutor, Department of Biological Sciences.
- Ms Susan G. McNeil, General Library Assistant, Auchmuty Library.
- Dr Marcel Maeder, Lecturer, Department of Chemistry.
- Dr Bethia M. Pengra, Lecturer, Department of Community Programmes.
- Mr Swen E.R. Smith, Fractional Senior Tutor, Department of Economics.
- Mr Robert T. Wearing, Visiting Lecturer, Department of Commerce.
- Mrs Sheila Winsley, Stenographer, Department of Community Programmes.

**RESIGNATIONS**

- Mr Roger A. Baxter, Director, Kintaiba Child Care Centre.
- Mr Paul V. Bernhardt, Teaching Assistant, Department of Chemistry.
- Mrs Donna M. Farrell, Stenographer, Staff Office.
- Ms Susan M. Liddell, Word Processor Operator, Staff Office.

**RETIEMENT**

- Mr Hendrik A. Willems, Senior Lecturer, Department of Mechanical Engineering.

**PSA PRESELECTION**

The PSA has called nominations for a preselection to choose the Union's nominees for the election of non-academic members of Council.

Nomination forms are available from the Returning Officer, C/- the Information Office (Room 171 or 172) in the McMullin Building. Nominations close on March 31.
DIARY of EVENTS

Tuesday, March 29, 12.30 pm
Luncheon concert in the Union Courtyard featuring the Witchdoctors. Admission: free.

8 to 11 pm

Thursday, March 31, Noon
Movie Radio Days in the Union Common Room. Donation: 50 cents.

Wednesday, April 6, Noon
German feature film entitled Trauer um einen verlorenen Sohn + Newsreel (Deutschlandspiegel) in Audio-visual Room 132, McMullin Building.

2.30 pm

Thursday, April 7, Noon
Movie: Witches of Eastwick in the Union Common Room. Donation: 50 cents.

Friday, April 8, 1 pm
Film Buffs’ Club film screening in the Union Common Room. Admission: free.

Sunday, April 10, 7.30 pm
Newcastle Film Society presents Round Midnight (based on the real-life relationship between the jazz pianist Bud Powell and Francis Pandras, a French commercial artist). Venue: Lyrique Theatre.

Monday, April 11, 11 am

Noon

Tuesday, April 12, 12.30 pm
Luncheon concert in the Union Courtyard featuring The Skirts. Admission: free.

8 to Midnight
Jazz Club in the Bar. Admission: free.

Wednesday, April 13, 2.30 pm

Thursday, April 14, Noon
Movie: For Your Eyes Only in the Common Room. Donation: 50 cents.

Friday, April 15, 1 pm
Film Buffs’ Club film screening in the Common Room. Admission: free.

Monday, April 18, 11 am

Noon
Department of Geology seminar entitled Gold in Low Grade Metamorphic Environments. Speaker: Barry Lay. Venue: CG04, Geology Building.

Tuesday, April 19, 1 pm
Union AGM in the Union Courtyard.

8 to 11 pm

Wednesday, April 20, 11 am

4.30 pm

Thursday, April 21, Noon
Movie: La Bamba in the Common Room. Donation: 50 cents.

Friday, April 22, 1 pm
Film Buffs’ Club film screening in the Common Room. Admission: free.

FILM SCREENING FOR AWEUN

The Association of Women Employees of the University of Newcastle (AWEUN) will hold its first film screening for 1988 on Thursday, April 21, at the University Counselling Service Group Room in the Library.

The film, For Love or Money, tells the story of women's working lives throughout Australia's history. It juxtaposes clips from feature films, home movies, newsreels and documentaries with radio shows, diaries, popular songs, letters and interviews.

The screening will begin at 12.30 pm and all are welcome. Bring along your lunch.

STAFF TRAINING COURSES

Macintosh Microsoft Word — basic
Tuesday, April 12 and Wednesday, April 13.

Word 11 — basic
Tuesday, April 19 and Wednesday, April 20.

Touch Typing
Tuesday, April 26 and Wednesday, April 27.

All courses held in Room AG24, Computing Centre, McMullin Building.
All times: 2 to 4 pm.
Enrolments: Margaret Davie, Extension 505 or the Staff Office, Extension 518.

Seminars for those seeking employment

At three meetings in April all aspects of employment-seeking will be discussed and various background videos will be shown.

The location is the Audio-visual Theatre (V07).

The time will be 1 to 2 pm and the days are Wednesdays, April 13, 20 and 27.