The University has announced the appointment of Professor M.P. Carter to its Foundation Chair of Sociology.

Professor Carter is presently Professor of Sociology at King's College of the University of Aberdeen and Head of the Department of Sociology of the University. His previous appointments include those of Research Assistant in the University of Nottingham (1952-54), Education Officer, R.A.F. (1954-57), Research Associate, University of Birmingham (1957-58), Senior Research Worker, University of Sheffield (1958-59) and Lecturer in Social Anthropology, University of Edinburgh (1963-70). From 1968-70 he was Professor and Head of the Department of Sociology at the University of Sierra Leone, having been seconded there to institute the Department of Sociology at the Fourah Bay College. He became Professor of Sociology at Aberdeen in 1970 and Head of Department in 1971. Professor Carter originally graduated BA in 1952 from the University of Nottingham with combined Honours in Economics and Sociology and obtained his PhD from the University of Edinburgh in 1969.

Professor Carter's research interests are in the fields of Social Stratification, the Sociology of Education, the Sociology of Work and the Sociology of Leisure - and in the interplay between these areas of study. He has received large research grants for specific studies in these fields and most recently for a preliminary study of the social impact of North Sea Oil on the North of Scotland. He has been a Consultant to the Social Science Research Council and to the Geriatric Research Unit, University of Edinburgh. Amongst his books are "The Social Background of Delinquency" (1954), "Home, School and Work" (1962), "Education, Employment and Leisure" (1963) and "Into Work" (1966).

Professor Carter, who is 46 years of age, is married with three children and will be taking up his appointment in March, 1976.

The Students' Representative Council has virtually concluded its annual elections. The officers who were elected will take office next March as members of the 24th S.R.C. The executive of the 23rd Council will continue in office during the long vacation.

Officers of the 24th S.R.C.: President, Paul Drinkwater (Arts); Secretary, Leo Walsh (Arts); Treasurer, Kim Wheeler (Arts); Media Officer, Tony Nolan (Arts); A.U.S. Secretary, Peter Law (Economics & Commerce); Services Officer, Jennifer Lyon; Education Officer, Frances Maguire; Economics & Commerce Rep., George Palmer; Mathematics Rep., Jim Garner; Science Rep., Jenny Bastian; Arts Reps., Ken Dray, Peter Tullgren, David O'Connor, Tony De Lyall; Women's Officer, Barbara Rigby; Environment Officer, John Alexander; and Overseas Students Rep., Geoffrey Yee.

There will be a fresh call in March for nominations for election as Race Relations Officer and Social Action Officer and further Representatives of Science, Architecture, Economics & Commerce, Engineering and Mathematics.

Five students were elected to form Newcastle's delegation to the A.U.S. Annual Council at Monash University in January. They are: Greg Wicks, Peter Ormond, Paul Drinkwater, Frances Maguire and Sharon Newman. Tony Nolan and Peter Law will attend as observers.

The S.R.C. has expressed willingness to cooperate with the university to establish an FM radio station and is writing a report on its ideas for the operation of the station.
Support has been given to people endeavouring to organise the formation of a Hunter Valley symphony orchestra and students have been asked to help by signing a petition in the S.R.C. Office.

Paul Drinkwater has succeeded Adrian Woo as Director of Student Publications. Paul stated that he would be pleased to receive from students and staff members written articles for inclusion in the 1976 Orientation Handbook and the 1976 Alternative Handbook.

The S.R.C. considered a report on the workings of the Non-Competitive Pastimes and Diversions Committee and set in motion representations seeking the following:

* Agreement by the University Administration for the 25 cents per student levy, which is at present deducted from the S.R.C.'s grant and given direct to the N.C.P. & D. Committee, to be distributed by the S.R.C. at its own discretion.
* Presentation in April of each year of audited financial statements of the N.C.P. & D. for the prior 12-month period.

The S.R.C. asked its representatives on the N.C.P. & D. Committee to remind the Committee that one of the original intentions of the Committee was to provide tuition free of charge to the participating students, with only materials being paid for by the students, and to make suitable provision for this in the constitution.

S.R.C. representatives were asked to point out that N.C.P. & D. was a students' service, paid for with student money, and as such should advertise its existence and activities through N.U.S.A. publications, "University News" and any other publicity that was appropriate.

The representatives were also asked to ensure that a budget was prepared after the first meeting of the N.C.P. & D. Committee in April of each year and presented to both the Sports Union and the S.R.C. for their approval.

Asked to comment on the S.R.C.'s decisions, the Amenities Officer (Mr H. Bradford) said he had been advised by the Vice-Principal, Professor A.D. Tweedie, that the Non-Competitive Pastimes and Diversions organisation was funded by direct distribution from the General Services charge and not by a reduction of the fees requested by the S.R.C. and the Sports Union in their more recent submission to Council.

"The fund is operated by a committee established in 1972 and composed of three representatives from the S.R.C. and three representatives from the Sports Union, with the Amenities Officer ex-officio".

Mr Bradford said the present confusion should be resolved by a formal constitution drawn up by the N.C.P. & D. Committee and presented to the University Council for approval. The constitution would, amongst other things, outline the aims of the organisation, define the membership and operating practices of the Committee and establish the practice of Annual Audits and Reports to Council.

Mr Bradford said that while the N.C.P. & D. Committee is accountable neither to the S.R.C. nor to the Sports Union it should work in close cooperation with these two bodies. In stating that all recreational classes are conducted free of charge, Mr Bradford urged greater participation in the classes.

The Board of Management of the Union has been urged to lay down a specific policy in connection with homosexuals, deploring assaults, insults and other discriminatory acts allegedly perpetrated recently against homosexuals in the Union. It has been proposed that the full weight of Union discipline be levelled at the people who were responsible.

The Council resolved to remove from its regulations any reference to Autonomy Day and to call a meeting of the Students' Association in March next year to determine whether or not the special celebration should be continued. It decided to urge future S.R.C.'s to refrain from devoting their energies in "this dubious direction".

The S.R.C. disclaimed any responsibility for the actions of vandals in destroying university property during the Autonomy Day festivities and noted that the actions were completely contrary to the directives and wishes of the S.R.C. Further, it directed its officers to report to the S.R.C. any information received regarding vandalism.
In the last "Opus" the editorial describes the recent Autonomy Day as a 'farce' and complains that five active Representatives on the S.R.C. were fully occupied for four weeks 'arranging these juvenile games ...' and at the same time attempting to maintain the true elements of Autonomy Day (raising money and support for a charity). It is claimed that two weeks were spent 'tidying up all the loose ends the children left lying around after the booze and dope had gone, e.g., a slight problem of $2,000 worth of damage'.

The clothing appeal, designed to assist aborigines at Wilcannia and other centres on the Darling, has been a success and is still open. Old clothes are being sorted at the S.R.C. Office. More than 200 kilos of clothes have already been sent.

The S.R.C. has announced its policy on the use of the small car park that is closed by a chain and located at the northern side of the Union. The Council is opposed to the reservation of any section of this area for cars owned by student members of the Council and the Board of Management of the Union, on the grounds that special reservation of parking lots for students would be an elitist action which would widen the gap between the two bodies and the general student population.

It is the S.R.C.'s view that the area should only be used for servicing the Union and if reserved parking lots must be provided then they should be located in the Union Car Park.

VIEWS ON UNIVERSITY'S GROWTH

The speech notes for the seminar which dealt with the University of Newcastle's future population, growth and environment has been published by Convocation with TUNRA's assistance.

The Vice-Principal (Professor A.D. Tweedie) spoke on "Population", Mr G.G. Fuller, of the consultant planners, Laurie and Heath Pty Ltd, spoke on "Planning" and Mr D.D. Morris, University Planner, spoke on "Environment".

Mr J.W. Armstrong, of the Secretary's Division (Ext. 341), has a limited stock of copies of the seminar's proceedings and will supply copies to interested people.

EXPANSION OF COURSE

The Open Foundation Course offered through the Department of Community Programmes of the University will be expanded in 1976. Dr Smith, the Director of Community Programmes said that this year the course was limited to 80 students and a considerable number of people were unable to be accepted. The arrangements for 1976 will make it possible to take more students by offering a wider range of optional subjects including English, Philosophy, Economics, Social Enquiry, Geology and Mathematics. This is the course that mature people can take to qualify for admission to degree courses at this University. The experience over the past two years has been most encouraging; many of those who took the 1974 Open Foundation Course are now completing their first University year and a large group from the 1975 course have applied for admission to degree courses in 1976.

Dr Smith stated that only about half of the people who commence the Open Foundation Course do in fact go on to further tertiary studies. He does not see this as 'wastage' or failure in any way. People simply cannot know their own capacities and inclinations until they put them to the test; it is much better for people to learn that university education is not for them than to go through life wondering if they should have attempted it. For those who do go on the Foundation Course can open up a whole new range of possibilities.

Enrolments can now be accepted for the 1976 Open Foundation Course. Full details are available from the Department of Community Programmes.

XMAS FOR OVERSEAS STUDENTS

It is anticipated that there will be a number of overseas students remaining in Newcastle over the Christmas period. The Co-ordinating Committee for Overseas Students is hoping to arrange Christmas hospitality for these students and would greatly appreciate offers to invite an overseas student to a meal on Christmas Day or to share in other Christmas festivities.
If you are able to help would you please contact Mrs George (52 4175), Mrs Robyn Loftus (Ext. 442) or Professor Ian Stewart (Ext. 489).

UNIVERSITY FINANCES, 1976

In a statement to Senate on November 5, the Vice-Chancellor, Professor George, outlined the financial position facing the University in 1976. At the same time the Allocations Committee of Senate presented its recommendations for academic and general staffing of Departments for 1976 and for recurrent grants to Departments.

As is well known, the Australian Government did not accept the recommendations in the Universities Commission's Sixth Report but instead called upon the Commission to make alternative proposals for the calendar year 1976 only. These were tabled in the House on October 14, 1975 and were accepted by the Government. They can be read in full in a Universities Commission Report entitled "Recommendations for 1976", a copy of which is in the Library.

When introducing the Report, the Minister for Education, Mr Beazley, said it was based on the following guidelines set down by the Government:

(a) Recurrent expenditure in 1976 is to be at a level which maintains existing standards;
(b) The present proportion of the relevant age group going on to tertiary education is to be maintained;
(c) New initiatives are to be deferred;
(d) Expenditure on capital projects already commenced is to be continued;
(e) New capital projects are to be limited to those demonstrably essential.

For these purposes a total sum of $509.2 million was to be made available, of which $470.4 million would be for recurrent programs and $38.8 million would be for the support of capital programs. The number of undergraduate students attending Universities in 1976 would increase by about 2%, and represent the same proportion of the 17 to 22 years age group in the population as for 1975.

STUDENT NUMBERS:

For Newcastle, the projected number of students enrolled in 1976 remains the same as in the 6th Report. In equivalent full-time students (EFTS), the comparison with 1975 is as follows:

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<td>Undergraduates</td>
<td>3,231</td>
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<td>Higher degree (research)</td>
<td>342</td>
<td>360</td>
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<td>Higher degree (course work)</td>
<td>96</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>3,669</td>
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This represents an increase of 191 effective full-time students or 5.2% above the 1975 figure, but maintains the same ratio of higher degree student load to total student load (11.9%).

RECURRENT FUNDS:

The recurrent funds to support the University's academic programs show a smaller increase over 1975 than originally recommended in the 6th Report when inflation is taken into account. In comparing the two figures below it should be noted that the 6th Report recommendations were expressed in December quarter, 1974 cost levels whereas the 1976 grants are expressed in June quarter, 1975 cost levels.

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<td>Earmarked medical</td>
<td>$155,000</td>
<td>$160,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total</td>
<td>$12,190,000</td>
<td>$12,470,000</td>
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SPECIAL RESEARCH GRANTS:

Special research grants for 1976 are based on the same distribution between
universities as that recommended for Category A special research grants in the 6th Report. For Newcastle this represents a slightly higher percentage increase than for recurrent funds, but still not equivalent to inflation.

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CAPITAL WORKS:

Two of the eight building projects recommended in the 6th Report have received funding for the second half of 1976, but the fate of the others is unknown, including the extensions to Architecture which had been approved for the 1973-75 Triennium (but which had not commenced at the time of the Budget decision). An adequate allowance for inflation appears to have been included in the newly-recommended sums for those capital works which can go ahead.

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EQUIPMENT:

In common with other universities, the most severe cuts have occurred in the area of equipment funds. In addition no equipment funds will be made available in the first half of 1976.

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<td>1/3 (1,320,000)</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>$640,000</td>
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STUDENT RESIDENTIAL ACCOMMODATION:

The Commission has recommended the same increased level of recurrent grants for affiliated residential colleges and halls of residence as it recommended in the 6th Report.

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<td>Edwards Hall</td>
<td>1/3 (83,000)</td>
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<td>$32,000</td>
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It is clear from the above figures that the University will be facing more severe financial problems in 1976 than have previously been experienced and that great care will need to be taken to ensure that resources are directed only into essential activities. Various new developments will have to be deferred such as the introduction of the MBA degree and the extension of the current two years of Surveying training into a full degree offering. However, the University of New South Wales has agreed to continue the present arrangement whereby students in Surveying transfer to that University in their third year.

In forming the University's budget for 1976, the Global Budget Advisory Committee (comprising the Vice-Chancellor, the Vice-Principal, the Deputy Chairman of Senate and the Bursar) has reviewed all continuing commitments to see where any economies can be effected, so that the maximum possible funding can be directed into Academic Teaching and Research areas. The Allocations Committee (comprising the Vice-Chancellor and the Deputy Chairman of Senate), after discussing with Heads of Departments or their representatives the priorities of their needs as set out in their annual Resources Questionnaires, has recommended to Senate such additions to staffing as can be funded for 1976. Recurrent grants to Departments have been increased generally by 10% over 1975 levels, with special grants to Departments moving into new buildings in 1976.

A further aspect of concern regarding next year's finances relates to ARGC research grants. Although no details of specific grants to the University for 1976 had been received at the time of writing, the general position can best be gauged by reproducing in full the text of a letter received from the Minister for Science, Mr Cameron, during October:
"I am writing directly to you to confirm the arrangements which I believe will ensure that the research projects in your University which are supported by the Australian Research Grants Committee will proceed in a reasonable way during the calendar year 1976.

I have made representations to the Prime Minister and the Treasurer and as a result it has been agreed that a sum of $7.2 million will be provided for ARGC purposes during 1976. The members of the ARGC have met to consider the allocation of this sum and their recommendations will be forwarded in the near future for my consideration and approval.

In the 1975/76 Budget a sum of $1.5 million was provided for ARGC expenditure in the period January-June, 1975. Assuming that the disbursement of ARGC funds proceeds uniformly throughout the year, an additional sum of $5.1 million (i.e., one half of $7.2 million less $1.5 million) will be required, on a short term basis, during the first six months of 1976.

I understand that University Vice-Chancellors at their meeting on September 16, 1975 agreed in principle to recommend to their Governing Bodies the acceptance of a proposal that the necessary short term finance should be provided from funds available to or to be acquired by the Universities. In return, the Prime Minister has given an undertaking that the short term finance, the interest and any other borrowing costs incurred by each University on their short term funding of ARGC work will be re-imbursed from within the ARGC's 1976-77 allocation. The details of the mechanism of reimbursement are still under discussion in my Department and elsewhere. I will keep you informed of our suggestions. I hope all the details will be finalised at the time the ARGC grants are announced so that you may make arrangements most suited to your particular situation.

I am glad to tell you that the Prime Minister has no objection in principle to treating 1976 as a holding year as far as ARGC is concerned. I also have an opportunity to bring the matters of the ARGC's triennial allocation and of a new triennium for the ARGC to the further attention of my colleagues in the Cabinet. It would be my firm intention to seek the independent advice of the Australian Science and Technology Council on my submission."

In summary, 1976 is clearly a year in which few, if any, new initiatives can be taken by the University because of financial stringencies. At the same time, the University's important contributions to teaching and research can and must continue and with careful husbanding of our resources it should be possible to minimize the adverse effects of the Budget. The severe reduction in equipment funds will be particularly felt by Departments offering laboratory-based courses and the loss of the Architecture extensions means no immediate relief for the space problems in this area. On the other hand we have not lost the new Medical School, although the delay in the availability of funds until July, 1976 reduces the building time by six months and could create difficulties in our being ready for the first intake of students in 1978.

D.W.G.
5.11.75

RADIO STATION FOR THE UNIVERSITY

Preliminary planning for the University of Newcastle Radio Station has been taking place since the announcement by the Minister for the Media in August that a broadcasting licence was being offered to the University. In his letter to the University the Minister, Dr Moss Cass, stated that the offer of the licence was made subject to three conditions:

1. No financial assistance is available from the Department of Media, the Postmaster-General's Department or the Australian Tele-communications Commission.

2. The licences will be issued by the Postmaster-General, under the Wireless Telegraphy Act. The maximum period for which these licences may be issued is 12 months, but it may be assumed that requests for extension will be treated sympathetically, as it will almost certainly take longer than this to adequately assess the new services, and to draw conclusions from their experience. Eventually experimental licencees will be expected to apply for broadcasting licences under whatever permanent
arrangements are devised for public broadcasting. (The present Act does not allow for an experimental phase, nor indeed for anything other than national or commercial broadcasting).

3. The licence will be issued subject to satisfactory provision for participation by all interests associated with the educational licensee, as well as by any outside community interests known to be interested in joining in. My Department is aware that various co-operative arrangements are envisaged at each institution.

A meeting of a wide range of representatives from educational and community interests was held at the University on October 20, 1975 with a view to assessing the extent of outside support for the project. The meeting had before it an extract from a letter written by the Vice-Chancellor to Mr Miles Wright in January of this year, seeking a broadcast licence for the University and indicating the type of broadcasting service envisaged. This stated that:

"The programme would be educational in the broadest sense of that term, providing such services as:

Special support material for postgraduate extension courses in all Faculties; (Arts, Architecture, Economics & Commerce, Engineering, Mathematics, Medicine, Science).

General adult education courses for people unable to attend classes;

An information service about educational and cultural activities in the district;

Discussion of local issues of major public importance;

Broadcasting taped material of high quality and specialised interest - mainly from British and U.S. Services;

Providing programmes for minority groups - e.g., various groups of European migrants;

Providing access to minority groups to state cases of general social importance.

Although most of the broadcast material would be of a spoken word nature, it would be expected that there would be some music transmitted as well."

Despite the difficulties of financing such a new development at this particular time, considerable support was expressed for the University's plan to take up the experimental licence if at all possible, with a view to commencing broadcasting in 1976. It is expected that Council will consider the matter at its next meeting on November 21, 1975 and may take the planning a stage further with the creation of a provisional Board of Management to act on its behalf.

D.W.G.
5.11.75

Professor W.A.G. Scott has been appointed Acting Vice-Chancellor of Monash University, to hold office for 12 months from February 1, 1976. Professor Scott is at present in Canada on study leave.

The University Council of Monash University decided on October 13 to invite Professor Scott to take up the acting appointment, following the withdrawal of Professor John Vaizey, of Brunel University, England, who had been appointed Vice-Chancellor in August.

Professor Scott, 59, has been a Pro-Vice-Chancellor of Monash since July 17, 1972. He will take over from the University's Founding vice-chancellor, Dr J.A.L. Matheson, who will retire on January 31, 1976, after 16 years' service to the University. The question of a long-term appointment to the vice-chancellorship will now await the recommendations of a committee to be appointed at the next meeting of the University Council in November.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS AT PHARMACY

It has been suggested that members of the university should visit the Pharmacy in The Union and examine the Christmas gifts available. The Pharmacy closes on November 28 and reopens on March 1, 1976.
In view of the general reduction of interest rates on investments payable by investment institutions, your Board of Directors has decided to reduce the interest rates on ordinary savings by 3/4% (0.5%) to 6¾% from November 1, 1975. The interest rate on budget savings will remain at 6% and on fixed deposits of $1,000 or more at 7¾%.

The Directors assure members that this is an essential move to allow the Credit Union to maintain a satisfactory margin between interest received and interest paid.

Now, the good news ...

The Directors have decided that the qualifying period of three months membership before being eligible for a loan will be removed as from November 1, 1975.

New members can now apply for a loan immediately upon joining the Credit Union.

Members are reminded that the Credit Union has finance available at comparable interest rates and would welcome enquiries from prospective borrowers.

Don't forget the Credit Union Office (T17) is now open 12 noon to 2.30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Mrs Stevens will be in the office on these days to answer any enquiries.

ENGINEERS' ANNUAL MEETING

The Mechanical Engineering Branch of the Institution of Engineers, Australia, Newcastle Division, will hold its annual general meeting in Lecture Theatre EFO2, Engineering, on November 19 at 6 p.m. Mr E. Pritchard will speak on "The Pritchard Steam Car".

NEWS FROM THE BOOKSHOP

The Seventeenth Annual General Meeting of the University Cooperative Bookshop Ltd will be held in the Company's Offices, First Floor, 76-84 Bay Street, Broadway, Sydney, on Wednesday, November 19 at 5.30 p.m.

A bonus of ten per cent of the value of rebate cheques provided by the Bookshop will be allowed to shareholders to purchase books up to December 31, 1975.

SLOPE GLIDER CLUB

The Newcastle University Slope Glider Club was formed at a meeting on October 21 attended by about 30 people.

The following people were appointed to the Interim Committee:

- President, Colin Keay;
- Vice-President, Mick Rose;
- Secretary, Greg Martin;
- Treasurer, Dave Pratt;
- Chief Flying Instructor, Henry Clarke;
- Chief Engineer, Peter McNabb;
- Committee Members, Geoff Davis, Stephen Johnson, John Ratcliffe, Shelley Hart.

The club plans to construct several slope soaring gliders. It was decided that the initial shareholding of each member would be $50, of which $25 would be called immediately for the construction of the first aircraft, a VJ/24 "Fun" glider. Materials would be ordered immediately and the construction of this glider would commence in the near future. It was hoped that a range of other machines would be constructed as the membership increased.

The constitution would be drafted by the Interim Committee and presented to a General Meeting to be held on Tuesday, November 18, at 7.30 p.m. in room D608 of the Physics Department. The Club is open to all members of the University and intending members from outside the University will also be welcome to join as associate members.

Those interested should contact Geoff Davis on Ext. 475, or Peter McNabb or John Ratcliffe on Ext. 409.
DANCE AND BALLET SCHOOLS AT ARMIDALE

The University of New England at Armidale, N.S.W., will hold another of its residential programmes on dance and ballet in January, 1976.

Activities planned:
A Choreographic Workshop, from January 3 to 21, which will have as Co-Directors, Martha Hill, Director of the Dance Division, the Juillard School, Lincoln Center, New York, and Norman Morrice, Director of Ballet Rambert, London. Twelve Choreographers will be participating in the Workshop. They will be supported by 20 dancers and three musicians.
A seminar, from January 4 to 17, on the History of Ballet and Dance, to be directed by Peter Brinson, an international authority on ballet and dance from London.
A school on dance, from January 18 to 23, for those who are involved in Dance in many ways: dancers, teachers, theatre-goers, etc. Martha Hill, Norman Morrice and Peter Brinson will teach at this School. Other participants include Dame Peggy van Praagh, Keith Bain, Shirley McKechnie and other leading members of the Australian dance profession.

Further information about the School on Dance can be obtained from the Department of Continuing Education, University of New England, Armidale, N.S.W. 2351

REPORT ON STAFF ASSOCIATION BUSINESS

At its meeting on November 3, the Executive put into effect a decision of the third term general meeting in relation to the proposal to establish a religious centre on the campus. The general meeting had defeated a motion not favouring the proposal and, instead, resolved that a plebiscite be conducted within the association. The Executive will distribute copies of a questionnaire which asks for views to be given before November 11 on the proposal.

The Secretary stated that he had received information about contributions and benefits in relation to various medical benefits funds. The information will be placed on the association's notice board in the Staff House.

The executive resolved that $1,000 be invested in the Staff Credit Union to assist members of staff to obtain loans.

Other matters discussed included investment in the Staff Credit Union and other motions from the third term meeting (Selection Committees, capitation fees).

SUMMER SCHOOLS

Residential summer schools will be conducted by the W.E.A. and the Department of Community Programmes at Morpeth from January 2 to 5 and Smiths Lake from January 10 to 16.

The Summer School at Morpeth will offer a choice between attendance at a Human Relations Workshop, to be supervised by Mr Ralph Robinson, and a course of Parapsychology, Science and the Supernatural, conducted by Dr Morris Marsh, of the University of New England.

The Smiths Lake School will be concerned with the botany, ecology and zoology of the Myall and Smith Lakes region.

The closing date for enrolments is December 15. Enrolments can be arranged through the W.E.A., Box 4170B, Post Office, Newcastle West. 2302

FAMILY SMORGASBORD

A family smorgasbord for members of the Staff House and their children will be held in the Staff House on Friday, November 21 from 6 to 9 p.m.

The evening's entertainment, which will include a magician's show and modern music, has been specially oriented towards children. The cost will be $2.25 each, adults, $1.50 each, children and $8.50 for families. Mrs Mary Rabbit, of the Auchmuty Library, and Mr John Armstrong, of the Secretary's Division, can supply further details.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT

Mr Evan P. Arthur, who holds a BA degree with honours in this university, has taken up duties as Tutor in Classics.
****UNIVERSITY WOMEN HAVE ELECTIONS****

Hunter Valley Branch of the Australian Federation of University Women officers for the next year:

President, Mrs Gwen Hamilton;
Vice Presidents, Mrs Elaine Sheehan, Mrs Judith Sphiris;
Honorary Secretary, Miss Kathy Heiner;
Honorary Treasurer, Miss Norah Doyle;
Assistant Secretary, Mrs Leita McNeil;
Committee, Mrs Lorna George, Mrs Elizabeth Horwitz and Mrs Betty Wallace.

The Branch's Christmas Dinner this year will be held at Edwards Hall on November 26 at 7.30 p.m.
The Vice-Chancellor, Professor D.W. George, will be guest speaker.

SIR HERMAN BLACK AS SPEAKER

Newcastle Committee of the Economic Society of Australia and New Zealand will hold its December meeting in the Staff House on Tuesday, December 2.

Sir Herman Black, Chancellor of the University of Sydney, will be the after dinner Speaker. Among the many positions formerly occupied by Sir Herman are those of Economic Advisor to the N.S.W. Treasury and President of the Economic Society of Australia and New Zealand. At the present time he is President of the Australian Institution of International Affairs.

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**Griffith**

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19 - 7 to 22 - 8; 30 - 8 to 31 - 10

**Macquarie**

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**Murdoch**

Not yet available
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**New England**

19 - 7 to 20 - 8; 13 - 9 to 5 - 11
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**N.S.W.***

19 - 7 to 22 - 8; 30 - 8 to 31 - 10

**Queensland**

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* Medical Faculty - Fourth Year (old course) 
Term 1: 9-2 to 2-4; Term 2: 12-4 to 18-6; Term 3: 5-7 to 27-8; Term 4: 20-9 to 26-11.

Third Year (new course) 
Term 1: 27-1 to 2-4.

Fifth and Sixth Years (old course) 
Term 2: 12-4 to 18-6; Term 3: 5-7 to 10-9; Term 4: 20-9 to 26-11.

EFFICIENT READING COURSES FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

The University Counselling Service, working with TUNRA, is providing reading courses for Fourth Form high school students who intend to proceed to the Higher School Certificate level. The courses are aimed to help students increase their reading efficiency and so cope more effectively with academic work.

Two types of courses are being offered this year - an advanced course for students who read frequently for pleasure and consider themselves to be reasonably fast readers, and a standard course for those who consider themselves to be average. The courses are not remedial. Students with severe reading problems are advised not to enrol.

Any member of the University who would like to enrol a student can obtain an application form, which gives more detail, from the University Counselling Service.

The first series of advanced and standard courses starts on Monday, November 17; the second series starts on Tuesday, December 2. Each course consists of six two-hour sessions, spaced over two weeks.

GRADUATES' NIGHT

Members of Convocation have been invited to attend a Graduates' Night at Newcastle Rugby Club on November 27 at 7 p.m. The arrangements have been made by Standing Committee of Convocation.

The object is to hold an informal reunion and get-together for graduates. The Vice-Chancellor will give an address on the development of the University. A bar service will be available.

TEAS SERVICE ON CAMPUS

Mr Stephen Raymond and Mr Chris Ward, officers of the Australian Department of Education, are stationed on the campus and giving on-the-spot assistance to students wishing to apply for benefits under the Tertiary Education Assistance Scheme (TEAS). They are also answering enquiries about the Scheme from students, parents and other members of the public.

Australian Government's Tertiary Education Assistance Scheme, which is now in its second year of operation, has given assistance to 30,000 students in New South Wales in 1975. An even larger number is expected to receive benefits next year.

Until now the administration of the Scheme has been conducted from Sydney, but this has created difficulties for students in the non-Metropolitan universities and colleges and for country people wishing to make enquiries about the Scheme. The on-campus arrangement is a move towards providing a better Departmental service for people living outside the Sydney Metropolitan area.

Although the Departmental officers are located on university campuses, they are also in close touch with colleges of advanced education and technical colleges in their areas. The decentralised service is intended to be available to students in those colleges as well as to the university students.

FELLOWSHIPS, SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Post-graduates in Science and Humanities on post-doctoral level who have been engaged in research or teaching at University level and have contributed to scientific publications are eligible to apply for Alexander Von Humboldt Foundation Research Fellowships in Germany.

Further information is available from the Student Administration Office.
Applications are invited from undergraduates in Metallurgy, Mining or Chemical Engineering who have completed at least the first year of their University studies for Western Mining Corporation Limited - Undergraduate Scholarships. The value of the scholarships vary in the range $600 - $1,000 per annum.

Further information and application forms are available from the Student Administration Office and applications should be received by The Secretary not later than December 31, 1975.

G.M.H. Postgraduate Fellowships are open to graduates from an Australian University with at least upper division second class honours. Preference may be given to applicants desirous of pursuing post-graduate studies in Engineering, Science, Commerce or Economics, and who intend to follow careers in industry on completion of their studies. The stipend for fellowship holders varies from $3,400 in First year to $3,800 in Third year and further allowances are payable.

Application forms may be obtained from the Student Administration Office and must be lodged with The Secretary by November 30, 1975.

Under the terms of the Commonwealth Scholarship & Fellowship Plan, New Zealand Awards, 1977, scholarships are being offered to men and women normally resident in Australia to pursue advanced courses or undertake research in New Zealand.

Candidates must be: Commonwealth citizens normally resident in Australia, graduates of a University or College and not over 35 years of age.

The Awards provide for travel to and from New Zealand, approved tuition, laboratory and examination fees, maintenance allowance of NZ$210 per month, up to NZ$150 for books, medical and hospital expenses and marriage and child allowances for married male scholars.

Further information and application forms are available from the Student Administration Office and applications close on April 30, 1975 with The Secretary.

DIAMOND SHAMROCK GRANT

Assoc. Professor L.A. Summers, of the Department of Chemistry has received a research grant of $18,750 US ($14,700 Aust.) from the Diamond Shamrock Corporation of the U.S.A. for his work on systemic fungicides and plant growth regulators. The grant will be used to finance the salary of a post-doctoral research fellow.

AUSTRALIAN WOOL CORPORATION RESEARCH GRANTS

The Australian Wool Corporation is inviting applications for support from the Wool Research Trust Fund for projects associated with Production, Wool Harvesting, Textile, Economic and Objective Measurement and Wool Preparation Research, Development and Extension 1976/77.

Anyone who wishes to lodge an application should submit it to Mr J.M. Falconer, Assistant Bursar, no later than Monday, February 2, 1976, in order that applications from the University may be sent on to the Corporation by the closing date.

Further information about the grants and method of application may be obtained from Mrs G. Durham (Ext. 240).

A FRANCO-AUSTRIAN CULTURAL EFFORT

Signs de Vie (which, in French, means "A Sign of Life", also something like "Saying Hello", as a reminder that one is not dead) is a new literary publication, in French. It has been initiated by Dr Jean-Paul Delamotte, from the Department of French, under the aegis of TUNRA, the University's research company.

Dr Delamotte explained that the basic aim of the publication was to convey something of Australia and to introduce some Australian writers and artists to a selected group of French-speaking people, mostly in Paris but, for that matter anywhere: Brussels, Geneva, Quebec, Africa or the Pacific. It reached mostly other writers and artists, as well as critics, academics, newspaper editors, libraries, a few high civil servants and at least one Prime Minister ... also students. The limits were set by financial considerations only and not at all by any "elitist" attitude. The idea was to try overcoming the handicap of distance as well as the language barrier.

A simple consideration had prompted this venture, Dr Delamotte stated.
Even outside the Anglo-Saxon world, interest in recent Australian cultural achievements was growing. The Nobel Prize granted to Patrick White had certainly marked a turning point there. Unfortunately, the Media, including publishers who always moved slowly, did very little to satisfy this curiosity. Balmain was still a far-cry from becoming the twin ghetto of Saint-Germain des Prés.

"However, a Department of French is ideally located to present, not only Australians with French culture, but also French people with some elements of Australian culture, thus evolving to a certain extent from the traditionally unilateral relationship to a bilateral, a reciprocal one. This is seen, of course, not as a formulation of departmental policy, but as a field open to independent academic research.

A first Signe de Vie was published, as an experiment, last January. Le Monde, the most influential newspaper in France, soon reprinted a large excerpt of it. The best French literary journal, Magazine Littéraire, has greeted the attempt, indeed it has extended warm congratulations to the University of Newcastle. Personal letters of appreciation by some of the greatest names in French literature were received at the time.

The second Signe de Vie is currently available from the Secretary of the Department of French (price $2 a copy). It includes Fines de Claire (a brand of oysters, in France, this implying the comparison between short stories and oysters, which have to be opened somewhat carefully, to be tasted and enjoyed) and miscellaneous views of the local scene by Jean-Paul Delamotte. Poems by Raymond Queneau (the great French writer, translated here by K.R. Dutton) and A.D. Hope (Australia and The Wandering Islands, with a new translation by Didier Coste, who also contributes a poem of his own) are included, in bilingual versions.

Frank Moorhouse has kindly agreed to have, in 1976, some of his work translated into French for the first time. It will be the third Signe de Vie.

It is the hope of those who have made this Franco-Australian cultural effort possible that it will serve as a tiny bridge, a catwalk as Film people say, between the two cultures.

Here, it has a special appeal to students of French. Over there, it is well received by friends and potential friends of Australia.

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

STENOGRAPHER  Secretary's Division, Administration  Position No. N115/75

A competent and experienced stenographer is required. Commencing salary will be up to $127.34 per week, depending upon age, qualifications and experience. In addition efficiency allowances up to $9.97 per week can be gained by passing speed tests at examinations.

Applicants are asked to show on their application form the shorthand and typing speeds which they are confident of achieving under tests.

Applications close on November 18, 1975. Application forms may be obtained by telephoning the Personnel Department, Ext. 518.

GARDEN LABOURER  Planner's Division  Position No. N116/75

Duties will include participation in, and carrying out, a wide range of gardening and grounds activities on the University site, including sporting fields. Experience in tractor driving would be helpful, but is not essential. Commencing salary will be $114.61 per week.

Further enquiries may be obtained by telephoning Mr J. Gainer, Ext. 251.

ADVERTISEMENTS

Are you a creative person who is looking for a cheap car? A 1962 Triumph Herald, which was once described (uncharitably) as a 'tin can suitable for Sims Metal', is looking for an owner who is good with his hands (girls, don't misunderstand). This car is far too young to die. A minor repair job (to revive one cylinder) will allow it to run smoothly again. If the challenge interests you, ring Ext. 341.

WANTED: Cast iron frame from old Singer sewing machine. Ring Mrs Hill, Ext. 642.

TICKETS FOR PLAY: Two surplus seats for the Old Tote's production of "Abelard and Eloise", Sydney Opera House Theatre, Saturday, November 15, 2 p.m. Ring Ext. 538 (63 2774, home) or Ext. 312 (63 2063, home).
FLAT AVAILABLE: Waterfront furnished flat, Toronto, available on sub-lease, with owner's approval, January 1 - June 10, 1976, $30 a week, staff only, not suitable children; 'phone Ext. 265 or 262.

FOR SALE: Higher Education Research and Services Unit wishes to sell one TV antenna - practically new - suitable for colour, black and white and FM. Unsuitable for use in University area. Can be inspected at H.E.R.S.U. Address all tenders to Peter Myors, Purchasing Department.

FOR SALE: 1973 Honda Civic, registered to August, 1976, radial tyres, radio, etc., $2,990 o.n.o. Enquiries Ext. 347 or call at 22 Albert Street, Tingara Heights.

PRIVATE SALE: $28,500. Attractive newly renovated weatherboard and tiled family home, 3 large bedrooms with built-ins, separate lounge, dining room, family room and kitchen. Quality floor coverings, soft furnishings and wallpaper throughout. Views, close to pool, bus and shops. Immaculate condition. Apply 19 Turner Street, Lambton after 3.30 p.m. weekdays or all day Saturday and Sunday.

WANTED TO RENT: Fully furnished house or flat with 2 bedrooms and study or 3 bedrooms, laundry, garage and 'phone connected. Contact Nurith Weiss on Ext. 599, or the Secretary to the Department of Education on Ext. 219.

FOR SALE: For private sale, charming terrace house with garage in Hill inner-city area, near beach, fully restored and decorated 2-storey brick building nearly 100 years old, has 3 bedrooms with study or play area plus separate dining and sitting room, kitchen, bathroom, etc., newly painted, suit persons of individual taste and character. Enquire 2 3334, in the vicinity of $45,000.

FLATETTE FOR RENT: Fully furnished with various facilities, practically half a house, 115 Janet Street, Merewether, 'phone 63 1653 after hours.

TYPING DONE: Competent shorthand/typiste available to type for you. Very reasonable rates. Work will be done in my home at short notice. Arrangements will be made for pick-up. If interested please write to Mrs Diana Simpson, Box 12, Post Office, Belmont. 2280

Pat Jones, Unit 8, 101 Station Street, Waratah (Technical or otherwise), ring University Ext. 583 or contact above address in non-working hours.

WANTED TO RENT: Three bedroom furnished house for 10-12 months from January, 1976. Contact: Mr S.G. Abbott, Principal Tutor, School of Engineering and Applied Science, Gippsland Institute of Advanced Education, Box 42, Post Office, Churchill, Vic. 3842 Tel: (051) 27 1844 or home (051) 22 1733.

SPORTING NEWS

Squash

Judged by the performance of University teams in the 1975 Spring Competition conducted by Newcastle Squash Association, squash is on the ascendancy on the campus.

The association's semi-finals are presently being played and the university is well-represented. The following teams made the semis: Women's, BI, BII and BIV (out of five teams entered); Men's, BII, BIV, BV, DII, EII and EIII (out of 14 teams entered).

Social Golf Day

The emphasis will be on recreation, not competition, when, at Muree Links on December 8, beginning at 8.30, the first Newcastle inter-tertiary staff golf competition is conducted. Eligible are the members of staff of the University, Newcastle C.A.E. and the Tech. College and a Shield is being made for presentation to the winning team. The competition will be a team event, stroke play, with four best net scores being counted. Mr N. Keats (Chemistry) has further information.
Tae Kwon-Do

A Tae Kwon-Do exhibition by Kevin Fitzgerald has been organised to allow an evaluation of the sport's effectiveness as a form of self-protection. The Faculty Wives Sports Group will hold the exhibition in place of its normal jazz ballet class in the Sports Centre on November 25. The Tae Kwon-Do study will start at noon and last for about 30 minutes. Shirley Lidgey ('phone 51 3132) and Dianne Anderson (63 2919) can give further details.

Deepsea Fishing

On November 1, a group of University staff brought back approximately 50 lbs of fish from waters in the vicinity of Broughton Island. The fishermen, Keith Turner, John Marsh (Department of Metallurgy), David Kay, Doug Frost, Russell Jones, Pat Quinn, Jim Stanger, Phillip James (Department of Biological Sciences), John Armstrong (Administration) and Dick Bartlett (Department of Commerce), chartered the 38-foot game vessel, the "Marlan". From a smaller-than-average catch (Schnapper, Teraglin, Mawong, Sharks, Pigfish, Rock Cod and Kingfish), the biggest was a 17-lb Kingfish caught by Dick Bartlett. Phillip James hooked - and landed - a 10½-lb Schnapper as the skipper gave orders to wind-up lines.

Tennis Championships

Although entries for the inaugural Australian Universities Tennis Championships have officially closed, late entries from members of staff and students of this University will be accepted by the Amenities Office.

The Championships will be played at District Park course from December 1 to 5 and already about 40 tennis players, attached to Newcastle, James Cook, N.S.W., New England, Sydney, Wollongong and Western Australia Universities, have entered.

The programme:

Sunday, 7 p.m.: Welcome by the Vice-Chancellor at District Park;
Monday:  Round Robin competition.
Tuesday and Friday: Tennis Championships.
Wednesday night:  Barbecue and pool party, Lake Lodge Motel, arranged by Mr Lloyd Moffat.
Friday: Exhibition tennis match between Ken Rosewall and another famous professional player.
Friday night: Presentations by companies and individuals who have kindly donated trophies.

The Commonwealth Bank has presented a perpetual trophy for the championships. Of interest to members of staff will be the performances of Professor Kevin Lindgren and Mr H. McCredie, of the University of Sydney, who have entered as a combination in the doubles.

Cricket

Mr H. Bradford, the Amenities Officer, has been appointed Manager of the Australian Universities Cricket Team which will tour New Zealand next January. Thirty-one nominations were received from Universities throughout Australia and a team of 14 touring cricketers will be chosen on November 6.

Newcastle University's First 11 has begun the season impressively by winning its first three matches - against Stockton, Merewether and Lambton-New Lambton - and Geoff Andrew, one of the team's fast bowlers, was selected in the Newcastle representatives team to play against St George in the Rothmans knock-out competition at Townsend Oval next weekend.

Following the success of the inter-city matches between Newcastle and New South Wales Universities, arrangements are being made for a return match between the Administration staffs of the two universities. The match will be played at the University of New South Wales, Kensington, on Sunday, March 14. A golf match between the administration staffs will also probably be played.

The annual cricket match between Combined Newcastle High Schools and the University will be played at University Oval on December 1 at 10 a.m. Headmasters of schools, and other educational representatives, will be the University's guests.

The annual Inter-Faculty Staff Cricket Competition is currently being
organised. Faculties or Departments wishing to participate can enter teams by getting in touch with the Amenities Office. Newcastle C.A.E. has been invited to enter a staff team.

Golf

Following the University v. R.A.A.F. golf match at Maitland on November 12, the Vice-Chancellor will be the host at a dinner for players from both teams in the Staff House.

Professor E.C. Parker will lead the University's Staff team in the annual match between the University of Newcastle and the University of New England at Armidale on November 22 and 23.

Sport for Sailors

Following a request from the Royal Navy, Lt Commander Peter Lilly visited the University and made arrangements with the Amenities Officer, as follows, for crew members from the light cruiser HMS Glamorgan to use sporting facilities at the University:

Monday, November 10, Squash
Tuesday, 2 to 4 p.m., Squash, v. University Staff (A. Oates, A. Page, B. Heaton and J. Lidgey)
1 p.m., Cricket, v. The Venerable Gentlemen, No. 1 Oval.

The University has also agreed to the Sports Centre being used by the British sailors for indoor soccer and other activities.

Free Skiing Lessons

Members of the University (staff and students) have an opportunity to learn how to water-ski free. Following negotiations by the Sports Union, arrangements have been made for instruction to be given at the university's boat shed at Raymond Terrace on December 6 and 7 between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. A boat and skis will be available and an instructor will be present. There will be no cost for instruction and lunches. Persons interested should ring Stan Barwick (Ext. 469).

Appointment of Japanese Lecturer

As a result of a special grant made by the Australian Government, the Asian content of some courses within the University will be increased. The grant made possible the appointment of lecturers in Japanese, Economic History and Geography and the addition to the list of subjects with Asian content of Japanese I, Geography IIC and Economic History IIIA. Other subjects with Asian content are:

Sanskrit I, Economic History IA, Economic History IIA, Economics IIIA, Geography IIIA or IIIIB, History IIIA, History IIC and Psychology IIIB.

The first of the new lecturers to accept appointment is Mr Kiyoharu Ono, who is expected to take up his appointment early in 1976. He will be a member of what will then be the newly created Department of Modern Languages.

Mr Ono, born in Japan in 1936, holds a BEd degree with honours in Aichi University and MEd and MA with honours degrees in the University of Sydney. Presently Lecturer in Japanese at Sydney Teachers' College, he is married and has a daughter.

So that the Asian content of courses can be further increased it is planned to make another two appointments shortly.
Construction has begun on the Community Child Care Centre at the University of Newcastle, located between Rankin Drive and Car Park No. 2. It is expected that the Centre will be opened during the Second Term of 1976. For at least the first year of operation, provision will be made for children between One year of age and the age for children to attend school. Children under One year of age may be enrolled in special circumstances only.

The following information is now sought from those who desire their children to attend or who wish to be considered for possible enrolment.

1. Do you intend to enrol your child/children at the Child Care Centre during 1976?

2. How many of your children will probably be enrolled?

3. As at the commencement of May 1976, what will be the age of the child/children?
   (a) under 12 months (state age)  
   (b) 1 year and under 2 years  
   (c) 2 years and under 3 years  
   (d) 3 - 5+ years

4. How often would each child attend the Centre?
   (a) Each day 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. (5 days per week)  
   (b) One or more days full-time (8 a.m. - 5 p.m.) (Please specify)  
   (c) Each day part-time (Please specify)  
   (d) Irregular (Please specify)

Completed forms may be left at the Department of Education Office (Room 109 Administration Building) or may be mailed to Dr E.J. Braggett, Department of Education, University of Newcastle, 2308.

COMPLETION OF THIS FORM IS NOT TO BE REGARDED AS A FORMAL ENROLMENT.

E.J. Braggett,  
Chairman,  
Community Child Care Centre.  

7 November, 1975.