HONORARY DOCTORATE FOR VICE-CHANCELLOR

At a ceremony at Trinity College, Dublin, on 11th July, the Vice-Chancellor, Professor J.J. Auchmuty received the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws.

The citation prepared by Trinity College said:

"We are accustomed to confer honorary degrees on the heads of Irish Universities, but it very rarely happens that one of our own graduates, who is the Vice-Chancellor of an Australian University, should be present to receive our academic laurels. It is, then, with the greatest pleasure that I present to you an Irishman eminent in academic administration, James Johnston Auchmuty, Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire.

After taking his doctorate in philosophy at Dublin University, he remained ten years with us as a lecturer in education. Then, like that man from Pella, for whom, in the words of Juvenal, 'one world was not enough', he decided to widen the boundaries of his academic province. He travelled first to Egypt (where he was for some years head of the Department of Modern History at the University of Alexandria), and after that he betook himself to the antipodes. Now, assuredly, he is to be numbered among those successful Irishmen whom the Australians have highly honoured for their merits and services. My words are confirmed by those Australian Vice-Chancellors who recently elected him to preside over their Committee. They are confirmed by The University of Newcastle which has made such great progress under the active and benevolent leadership of this man. Although much involved in academic business and constantly immersed in the practicalities of higher education, he has yet found time to do research into the lives of educationalists of former days. In his books on Irish Education, on Thomas Wylde, and on that very distinguished historian Lecky, he has written elegantly about the theory and practice of education in the past.

We are honouring one who is both an Irishman and a Trinity man, who has devoted himself to historical studies, and who has achieved high distinction in University affairs. Let him have the additional distinction of your loudest acclamation."

NIGHT FOR OVERSEA CULTURES

The annual Cultural Night, presented by students who come from overseas, will be held in Stewarts and Lloyds Recreation Club, Industrial Highway, Mayfield, on Friday, 19th July, beginning at 7 p.m.

Guests will be entertained by approximately 40 students, treated to a Chinese supper, shown a film and invited to participate in dancing.

The entertainment will consist of comedy sketches, an Indian dance, Vietnamese folk songs, a Siamese dance, an exhibition of Tae Kwon Do, Scottish dancing, an Indonesian dance, a Malaysian dance and a Singaporean item.

The Producer is Mr. John Watson, the Coordinating Chairman Mr. Abu Baka (Engineering) and Sales Manager, Mr. Alan Yee (Commerce). Tickets costing non-members $3 and members $2.50 are available from the S.R.C. Office.

FIRST GRADUATES' BALL DRAWS NEAR

Swinging music (the Newcastle New Orleans Jazz Band), good food (Chef Meyer) and good wine (Tyrrell's) have been ordered, indicating that Convocation's first reunion ball for graduates will be a gay and lively evening.

The ball will be held in the Great Hall on Friday night, 26th July.

A special highlight will be the return to the University of Mr. Colin Anderson, who appeared in many student revues for the old University College
at Tighes Hill. Colin and Val Newton-John (piano) will present, as entertainment for guests at the ball, a programme of revue sketches using themes from old university days. A few tables are still available. Tickets which cost $5 each can be obtained from Miss C. Johanson, C/- Department of Classics (Ext. 460).

The Staff House will be open from 7.45 p.m. so that members who will be attending the ball can entertain their friends for pre-ball drinks.

SEMINARS IN ECONOMICS

The Department of Economics has invited members of the University to attend the following seminars in the Staff Conference Room (S.203):

TUESDAY, 23rd July, 2 to 3.30 p.m., Dr. William Merrilees - "Trade Unions, Technology and Income Distribution"

Dr. Merrilees graduated with first class honours in Commerce from this University in 1968. He went to the University of Toronto, Canada, where he gained a Master of Arts Degree in 1970, and a Ph.D. in 1973. He returned to Australia to take an appointment as Lecturer in Economics at the University of Sydney.

His major research interests are the effects of trade unions on the wage structure, and the measurement of quality change of capital goods.

TUESDAY, 30th July, 2 to 3.30 p.m., Miss Sudah Shenoy - "Economic Development of Hong Kong"

Miss Shenoy is a Temporary Lecturer in Economics at this University. She holds a B.A. (Hons.) Degree from Guimarut University, a B.Sc. Degree in the London School of Economics and an M.A. Degree from London University. Prior to coming to Newcastle Miss Shenoy was a research assistant at Oxford University.

Miss Shenoy, whose research interests are in Underdevelopment, is the author of a book India: Progress or Poverty, and has edited a collection of extracts of Professor Hayek's writings under the title "A Tiger by the Tail - The Keynesian Legacy of Inflation".

TUESDAY, 6th August, 2 to 3.30 p.m., Dr. Evan Douglas - "Markup Pricing as a Rational Business Response Under Uncertainty and Distant Time Horizons"

Dr. Douglas obtained his B.Com. (Hons.) and M.Com. from this University before he went to Canada in 1969 to spend two years at Simon Fraser University. From there he went to the University of Prince Edward Island, where he taught for two years before returning to Simon Fraser to complete his Ph.D. work on Edgeworth's Model of the Firm.

Dr. Douglas, whose research interests are theoretical models of the firm and studies in Australian industry, is a Lecturer in Economics at this University.

SEASON OF "ANTIGONE"

The Classics Society will present performances of the Greek tragedy, "Antigone", in the Drama Theatre on July 20, 22 and 23. The cast is Antigone, Anne Armstrong; Ismene, Dottie Lee; Creon, Ken Dray; Guard John Bryan; Haemon, Mike Carr; Teiresias, Antony Hoystead; Messenger, Paul Gibson; Eurydice, Michelle Bryan and Queen's Servant, Elisabeth Andrews. The chorus consists of Peter Loughton, Brad Russell, Peter Hill, Joy and Rosemary Cocker, Noura Karanges, Lyn Kelly, Debbie Naylor and Bronwen Watson.

Mr. J. O'Neill, Lecturer in Classics, is the Producer and tickets, costing adults $1 and students 75c, are available from Terry Ryan (Classics).

SOCIAL PLANNER TO SPEAK AT MEETING

The next meeting of Hunter Valley Branch of University Women Graduates will be held in the Staff House on Wednesday, 24th July. A buffet dinner will begin at 7 p.m.

The Guest Speaker will be Mrs. Sue Hellyer, the newly-appointed Social Planner for the Hunter Regional Committee for Social Development. Mrs. Hellyer will speak on the activities of the Newcastle Community Development Group and, in particular, the Wickham Community Project.
GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY'S MEETING

The July meeting of the Hunter Valley Branch of the Geological Society of Australia (Inc.) will be held in the Geology Building on Friday, July 26 at 7.30 p.m.

Films of geological interest will be shown and members are invited to exhibit rock, mineral or fossil specimens of special interest. Visitors are welcome.

STAFF ASSOCIATION'S OFFICE-BEARERS

At the annual general meeting of the Staff Association the following members were elected to office for 1974-75:

- President, Dr. J. Giles (Mathematics)
- Vice-President, Mr. P. Chopra (Education)
- Secretary, Dr. D. Finlay (Psychology)
- Assistant Secretary, Dr. R. Cooney (Chemistry)
- Treasurer, Mr. W. Warren (Education)
- Executive, Professor G. Curthoys (Chemistry)
- Mrs. M. Henry (History)
- Mr. R. Robinson (Philosophy)
- Mr. J. Collins (Community Programmes)

ROOMS IN THE MATHEMATICS BUILDING

The new Mathematics and Classroom Complex is expected to be open for use from the start of Third Term and has been designated Building V by the University Planner.

Six lecture theatres (each seating 121), six classrooms (each seating 48) and eight small classrooms (each seating 24) will be available for general use.

Mr. G.J. Martin, of the Secretary's Division, is in charge of room bookings.

The members of staff concerned should note that rooms AG 24, 25, 28, LG 34, 56 and 59 in the Arts/Administration block will no longer be available for use in Third Term, 1974. After the end of Second Term, lectures being held in these rooms will be transferred en bloc to the new Mathematics Building.

All lectures in AG 24 will go to V01, all in AG 25 to V02, all in AG 28, to V07, all in LG 34 to V102, all in LG 56 to V103 and all in LG 59 to V104.

Rooms V01, 02 and 07 are lecture theatres on the ground floor of the new building. Where the use of a lecture theatre would be unsuitable, other arrangements may be made, but it is hoped that these special arrangements can be kept to a minimum to avoid any misunderstanding.

P.D. ALEXANDER,
Secretary

MULGA BILL'S BICYCLE BAND

Newspapers have reported that audiences in several parts of Australia have responded warmly to Mulga Bill's Bicycle Band, now undertaking an extensive concert tour for the Arts Council.

The band with the incredible name plays traditional Australian songs, many of which bear traces of Irish, Scottish and English songs, and uses the kazoo flute, spoon, banjo, guitar, bass, lagerphone and "anything else that happens to be lying around".

The Department of Community Programmes is helping to arrange the band's concert in Newcastle City Hall on Thursday, 25th July, at 8 p.m. Tickets cost adults $2.60 and students $2.10. They can be obtained from David Jones and the Union.

GREAT OPERA FILMS

The Department of Community Programmes, in association with the Consulate General of the Federal Republic of Germany, will present in August colour films of the Hamburg State Opera Company's performances of great operas - "The Marriage of Figaro" (Mozart), "The Freeshooter" (Von Weber), "Wozzeck" (Berg), "Tsar and Carpenter" (Lortzing) and "The Magic Flute" (Mozart).

Leading European singers participating in the operas include Gottlob Frick, Lucia Popp, Tom Krause and Toni Blankenheim. Malcolm Mackerras and Leopold Ludwig are among the conductors.

The 35mm films will be shown in the Regal Cinema, Birmingham Gardens. Admission will be $1.50, and $1 for students, but a season ticket of $5 will also be available. Tickets will be available at David Jones and the University Shop from 22nd July. For party bookings telephone Ext. 307.
From 30th July to 3rd August, the National Institute of Dramatic Art will present Shakespeare's "The Merchant of Venice" in the Drama Theatre at 8 p.m. each night.

The play will be directed by John Clark, the director of the Institute whose productions of "Don't Party" and "Oh What a Lovely War" were outstanding successes in Newcastle last year.

Mr. Clark will be producing "The Merchant of Venice" in controversial fashion as N.I.D.A.'s graduation test for third-year production and acting students. The cast will be available to visit schools to discuss his interpretation of the play, which is set in Mussolini's Italy of the 1930's. However, Shakespeare's dialogue will not be altered in any way.

Bookings can be made at David Jones or the Union. Admission costs adults $3 and students $1.50.

"AMERICA" SCHEDULED FOR SCREENINGS

Alister Cook's now famous T.V. documentaries, "America" will be screened in the Drama Theatre on Mondays, at 1 p.m., beginning on 12th August and continuing during Third Term up to 28th October. Members of the university are invited to attend the screenings.

ENGAGEMENT

The engagement is announced of Jennifer Nichols, postgraduate student in Arts, to Michael Ewans, Lecturer in Classics. They plan to be married next Easter.

RHODES SCHOLARSHIPS

The Association of Rhodes Scholars in Australia has recently issued a brochure giving information about Rhodes Scholarships and about Oxford today. The Scholarships, which are tenable at the University of Oxford, are open to candidates from all fields of university study. The current value of the Scholarship is £1,600 sterling ($2,580 Aust.) per annum. Copies of the brochure are obtainable from Professor A.M. Gibbs of the Department of English.

CREDIT UNION NEWS

The Credit Union reminds members that they are required to save with the Credit Union for three months before they are eligible for a loan. This also applies if a member wants to increase an existing loan.

The Credit Union extends an invitation to members of staff of the University to attend a Wine, Cheese and Biscuits Party in the Staff House, upstairs, on Wednesday, 24th July from 12.30 to 1.30 p.m. The occasion will be an informal opportunity to meet and discuss any problems with Board members and office-bearers of the Staff Credit Union.

Mrs. Sue Smith has taken up her appointment as Assistant Secretary of the Credit Union. Miss K. Smith recently resigned from this position.

Consumer Affairs Bureau pamphlets are available from the Credit Union Office, dealing with Buying a Used Car, Carpets for the Home, Door-to-Door Salesmen and other subjects.

PROFESSOR ACCEPTS WATER BOARD POSITION

Professor A.J. Carmichael, Dean of the Faculty of Engineering and Head of the Department of Mechanical Engineering, has resigned from the University to take up his appointment as President of the Hunter District Water Board.

Professor Carmichael, who is presently a Member of the water supply, sewerage and stormwater drainage instrumentality, will succeed Mr. A.J. Rees as President on 21st October. His appointment was announced by the Acting Premier (Sir Charles Cutler) on 3rd July.

Professor Carmichael joined the university in 1967 after 15 years' association with the University of N.S.W. He is Immediate Past President of Newcastle Division of the Institution of Engineers and was Chairman of the annual conference held at the university last May.

The Minister for Works (the Hon. Leon Punch, M.L.A.) disclosed that when the Hunter District Water Board was reconstituted in 1972 it was the intention that men with special skills and experience be appointed.
"I believe that it is most important that a man of high calibre be appointed as President", he said. "Professor Carmichael is well known and respected in Newcastle. He has the knowledge, experience and capacity to lead the board and its staff. I am confident he will bring to the board energy and a fresh approach to the problems facing it".

AUTONOMY DAY PROGRAMME

Autonomy Day activities will be staged on 18th and 19th July. The full programme:

Thursday (18th July)

10 a.m., "Warm ups", the Shortland Hotel
noon to 2 p.m., The Union, concert, the Electric Jug and Uncle Willie's Dead Nephews
2.30 p.m., Monster Soccer Match, University Oval
3 p.m., Scavenger Hunt
3.30 p.m., Iron man race, University Oval
6.30 p.m., Pram race, The Mall
8 p.m., The Union, films "WR Mystery of the Organism", "Henry 9 - 5"

Friday (19th July)

9 a.m., End of scavenger hunt
10 a.m., Defence of the bridge
11 a.m., Secret mission
1 p.m., Boat race (outside the Library)
3 p.m., "Drink a pub dry"
7.30 p.m., Surfriders' Dance, Little Beach Hall
8 p.m., Screw Ball, Wallsend Soccer Club

OXFORD UNION DEBATERS

Mr. Simon Walker, President of the Oxford Union Society, and Mr. Jonathan Marks, a member of the Society, will visit the University on July 23rd. They will participate in a debate in the Common Room of the Union at 7.30 p.m. entitled "That Bisexuality is Twice the Fun".

JEANNIE LEWIS LEAVING AUSTRALIA

Just before leaving Australia to travel to South America, Jeannie Lewis, the jazz singer, will give a farewell concert in The Union. It will be held in the Common Room on 2nd August at 8 p.m. Admission will cost $1.50.

JAMES BOND FILM SCHEDULED

The History Club will show "Casino Royale", in the Science Lecture Theatre, on July 24 beginning at 1 p.m.

LABOUR CLUB MEETING

The University of Newcastle Labour Club will meet in the Basil Helmore Room of the Union on 25th July, at 1 p.m. Among things to be discussed will be the visit to the university of the Minister for Urban Development (Mr. Tom Uren, M.H.R.) on 9th August.

BUSY FINGERS FOR FILM SHOWS

Mr. Peter "Fingers" Mitchell is providing appropriate backings on piano for old silent movies in The Union on Thursday at 1.30 p.m. The next item (18th July) will be "Phantom of the Opera", starring Lon Chaney sen.
WUS workers raised $269 by means of collections conducted on 16th July. The money will be used to help Bangladesh victims of the Vietnamese War and Africans affected by drought.

FILMS IN THE UNION

The film programme arranged by The Union has the following items scheduled for screening at 1 p.m.:

19th July, "The Phallic Forest" and "Honeysuckle Hill"
26th July, "La Regle du Jeu"
2nd August, "Movie Struck"

WORKING VISITS TO THE U.K.

For several years the Australian and United Kingdom Governments have supported Working Visit Schemes for undergraduates which enable students (preferably in their penultimate year of study) to get a job for seven or eight weeks, and then to travel and see the rest of the other country.

This Programme enables the student to spend a long time in the United Kingdom; by working in a job related to his field of study the student should get to know the country and get some real appreciation of attitudes in it.

This Scheme is organized by The Careers Research and Advisory Centre in association with The Graduate Careers Council of Australia, The English Speaking Union, and Australian Union of Students Travel Service.

Application Forms are available at The Careers and Student Employment Office, Room T21. Closing date is 15th August, 1974.

GERMAN PLAYREADING

The Newcastle and District Language Teachers Association, together with the German Club, will put on a rehearsal play-reading of Dürrenmatt's: "Der Besuch Der Alten Dame" (The Visit) at the Staff House on September 26.

Dr. Hilary Purves and Mr. John Stowell will play the main roles.

Producer is Dr. F. Walla. Mr. Mick Fauchon is the set designer.

As the play needs a large cast anybody wishing to participate will be welcome. No more than basic German and little acting skill is required for some of the smaller parts.

The producer would be particularly grateful to anybody willing to help with the sound effects. Dr. Walla can be contacted in AG32 (Ext. 311).

TERtiARY ALLOWANCES - ANY QUESTIONS?

An officer from the Tertiary Education Assistance Scheme will be visiting the University on 30th July to answer any questions concerning the operation of the Scheme for 1975.

The officer will be available between 10 a.m. and noon, and between 2 and 4 p.m. in room T27 of the Temporary Buildings (near Student Amenities).

As the demand for interviews could be excessive it may be advisable to contact the Student Administration Office (phone Ext. 302 or 303) to arrange a definite interview time beforehand.

ADVERTISEMENTS

FOR SALE: Adamstown Heights, $45,000, master-built 11 year old residence in elevated position with extensive city and ocean views. Features over 20 squares of living area, ring 26 1180.

HOUSE FOR RENT: Furnished, weatherboard, 5 bedrooms, L-shaped lounge dining room, two-car garage, good view of parts of the lower Hunter Valley, within walking distance of schools and station, 'phone connected, 20 minutes drive from University on four-lane highway, $40 a week, 4 Mawson Avenue, East Maitland, ring Mrs. Grant, Gosford (043) 60 1313.

FOR SALE: Monarch 9" carriage elite type style typewriter, two years old, $78, ring Rod Gibbs, 57 0229.

FOR SALE: Whitebridge, ultra-modern, 3 bedroom brick veneer home, level grounds. Transport, shops, schools, good neighbourhood, $25,000; contact Max M. Moore, Pacific Highway, Charlestown, 43 3088 or Fran Bentley, 43 0587.
TO LET: August, 2 bedroom large house, New Lambton; $28 per week. Ring 52 3346.

FOR SALE: Single, bookend bed, $10; settee, $4; double bed base, $5. Contact 52 3346.

WANTED TO BUY: Second-hand Lady's bicycle. Please Contact 49 7272 or Ext. 708.

FOR SALE: Red Torana 2600 S, 1970 model, G.T. dashboard, rally wheels, carpet, 4 speed change, radio. Owner awaiting delivery of new vehicle, $2,100, o.n.o., ring D. Kay (Biological Sciences, Ext. 570).

THESIS TYPING: Miss Jill Daly, of 27 Wilkinson Street, Mayfield (phone 27 9265) is prepared to type theses and other manuscripts.

ACCOMMODATION: Flat - suit married couple or two to share 1 bedroom, 1 kitchen, living room and verandah. Please ring Ext. 526 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. or 57 4065 after 5.30.

FOR SALE: Two sets (for him and her), skis and bindings, stocks, boots, over pants - new, top Austrian brands, contact Mick Rose, Ext. 227.

LAND FOR SALE: Woodward Street, Merewether. Elevated, good views to north east; 60' frontage; 'phone 26 1869 or 68 5492.

PO SITIONS AVAILABLE

Attendant (Male) Library Position No. N82/74
Applicants should have the intermediate certificate. A drivers licence would be an advantage. Duties include shelving of books, checking shelving order, book numbering, and other duties as directed. Hours are rostered between 8 a.m. and 10 p.m., Monday to Friday. Commencing salary for an adult $83.81 per week. Junior rates are according to age.

Laboratory Assistant (Male) Department of Biological Sciences Position No. N83/74
Duties include general servicing and other routine work associated with laboratory activities. Formal qualifications are not essential, but previous working experience in a laboratory would be advantageous.
Salary range for adults is $89.12 to $96.66 per week and commencing salary will depend upon age, qualifications and experience. Juniors are paid according to age.
Applications close on 29th July, 1974.

Secretary Department of Education Position No. N85/74
Applications are invited for the above position from experienced, competent adult stenographers. The successful applicant would be directly responsible to the Head of the Department. The work of the Department is varied and interesting encompassing a range of duties including considerable contact with staff and students.
Commencing salary will be up to $115.16 per week depending upon qualifications, experience and ability. Annual incremental progression to a maximum salary of $125.56 per week may be available.
Applications close on 5th August, 1974.

Application forms may be obtained from the Personnel Section, Ext. 251

SPORTING NEWS

Basketball
A men's and women's team representing the Republic Of China will be in Newcastle to play a combined Newcastle team on Monday evening, 22nd July. The teams will visit the University on Monday afternoon and will have afternoon tea in the Union. University basketball player, Brent Couper, has again been selected in the Newcastle team.
Golf

A meeting will be held in the James Auchmuty Room of the Union at 8 p.m. on Thursday, 25th July, with the aim of reforming the University Golf Club. All interested staff members and students are invited.

Hockey

A New Zealand Combined Universities team will be in Newcastle to play a New England/Newcastle Universities team on Thursday, 15th August, at University Oval at 1 p.m.

Rugby Union

The Rugby Union Ball will be held on Saturday evening, 3rd August. Further information may be obtained from the Amenities Office.

Soccer

A New Zealand Combined Universities Team will play the University of Newcastle at the University Oval on Tuesday, 13th August, at 3 p.m. The match will be followed by an official dinner at South Newcastle Leagues Club.

Squash

Sunday, 28th July, will see the commencement of the University Open Championships. For further information contact Ray Armstrong (Ext. 491) or Stan Barwick (Ext. 520).

Tennis

The University Open Championships will commence this Sunday, 21st July, at 9 a.m. and continue the following Sunday, 28th on the University Courts.

Inter-Varsity News

At a meeting of the A.U.S.A. Management Committee, at Newcastle University on 12th July, it was resolved that from 1975 the present system of Inter-Varsity Contests would be replaced by an Australian Universities Championships, to be conducted by A.U.S.A. and hosted by Universities on a rotation basis. The major difference would be that only "A Grade" sportsmen would be eligible to compete in each sport.

The University of Newcastle will be attending the following Inter-Varsity contests in August:

- Basketball (Men and Women), Adelaide, 26-30 August;
- Hockey (Women), Adelaide, 26-30 August;
- Orienteering (Men and Women), N.S.W., 31 August - 1 September;
- Squash (Men and Women), Melbourne, 26-30 August;
- Volleyball (Men), Melbourne, 19-23 August and Table Tennis (Men), Adelaide, 26-30 August.

Leatherwork

Between 1 and 2 p.m. on Tuesday, 23rd July, a Leatherwork Class will be conducted in the Wisteria Courtyard. All welcome to participate, observe or inspect leather articles on display. This is in addition to the class normally held in the Union Dining Room from 7.30 to 9.30 p.m. every Wednesday.