OVERSEAS' TRIP CONCLUDED

Professor David Maddison, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine at the University, recently returned to the campus following an overseas trip of ten weeks duration. He told UNIVERSITY NEWS that the major purposes of the trip were to:

* Meet some of the leading progressive medical educators in Europe and North America and to see something of their successes and their problems at first hand.
* Examine the most recent developments in medical school architecture (for this purpose he was accompanied for a substantial proportion of his trip by the Consultant Architect appointed to develop the new buildings for the Medical School) paying particular attention to teaching and research laboratories, facilities for the production of educational materials, and animal house areas.
* Interview applicants for the first six senior posts which had already been advertised, and which it was hoped to fill early in the second half of 1975.

Professor Maddison acrid some highlights of the trip were visits to:

* Israel, in particular to Hadassah Medical Centre, Jerusalem, and the brand new Ben Gurion University of the Meguev. "In both these Universities undergraduate medical education will include a first-hand experience of general practice, but in a community health centre type of situation rather than in one-man general practices. At the Ben Gurion University, the Dean of Medicine is also the Director of Wealth Services for the region, for he believes that the medical school will fail to reach its objectives if it does not have control of the health services of the entire region. He sees this as vitally important, because, in his view, the behaviour of graduates will be moulded by the local system of health care, whatever form the medical education programme might take”.
* The University of Copenhagen, where senior members of faculty believe that medical students are getting far too much detailed teaching in the basic sciences. "This is an increasingly accepted view throughout the world" Professor Maddison said.
* The University of Maastricht (in the south eastern tip of Holland), the newest functioning medical school in Europe. "The curriculum here is quite revolutionary, involving a total absence of formal lectures, the only programmed time consisting of three two-hour tutorial sessions each week. Students are made responsible for their own learning, which is, very substantially, built around the solving of problem, i.e., they are shown a clinical problem first and then required to seek out (with abundant assistance) the scientific principles and knowledge necessary to understand the problem, rather than the other way around. At Maastricht, the Faculty of Medicine is the first Faculty in the new University.“
All the new medical schools in Britain, notably at Southampton, Nottingham and Leicester.

"Southampton was of particular interest because it has many things in common with Newcastle: a region of somewhat similar size, a physical separation between the preclinical facilities and the major hospitals, and a very close involvement with the local Health Region. This seems to be the most successful of the new medical schools in Britain, although it is handicapped by the existence of extremely powerful and well-entrenched professors in the basic medical sciences, who have put something of a stranglehold on the curriculum."

Professor Maddison said that the organisation of postgraduate medicine in Britain was particularly interesting. "All over the world it is felt that universities must play a more responsible role in the so-called preregistration period (the year immediately after graduation from university) where, in the past, the new graduate has been all too often left to sink-or-swim. The British Government has developed a major programme for the continuing education of general practitioners, funded through the universities, and supervised by a network of Postgraduate Deans, who are university appointees."

McMaster University, in Hamilton, Ontario, which remains in Professor Maddison's view the most exciting experiment in medical education. "As at Maastricht, formal lectures and other forms of teaching, which put the student into a passive, listening role, have been almost entirely abolished. There is a constant pressure to improve the level of teaching. Research however has not been neglected, and the Medical Faculty attracts a higher than average proportion of the research grants available in Canada."

Professor Maddison said that he spoke to a large number of Australian medical graduates at McMaster who said that they would be reluctant to return to Australia unless they could find an educational opportunity which was equally challenging.

He could draw the following major conclusions from his travels:

1. There was worldwide interest in the developments of the medical school at Newcastle, and the quality of the applicants for the first appointments was extremely high.

2. There was widespread dissatisfaction with the traditional forms of medical education, and a recognition that new educational techniques were necessary. The plans to appoint an Associate Professor of Medical Education at Newcastle met with particular approval.

3. The teaching of the basic biological sciences was regarded virtually everywhere as overdone. Conversely, there was recognition of the need to provide a much greater input from the sciences concerned with human behaviour, but there was no generally agreed mechanism as to how this should be done, and the Newcastle development would be watched with interest.

4. All medical schools were attempting to conduct a greater proportion of their teaching in the community, even though recognizing that there were many problems in this which had not yet been solved. The appointment at Newcastle of a Professor of Community Medicine in the first batch of six appointments was regarded as an exciting innovation.

ELECTION OF MEMBER OF COUNCIL BEING A STUDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY
ELECTED BY THE STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY

In the ballot conducted to elect a member of the Council, being a student elected by the students, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. G.L. Hurrell the voting was as follows:

ALLAN, Trevor Ross 71
OEI, Tian Po Sumantri 26

I therefore declare Mr. Trevor Ross Allan elected to the Council as a member
being a student elected by the students for the remainder of Mr. Hurrell’s term of office, namely until 30th June, 1976.

P. D. ALEXANDER,
Returning Officer


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The cost is $3.75 per person. Arrange to go by ringing Greg Martin (303), Linda Aurelius (302), Barry Robinson (347) or Lola Steel (290).

STAFF ROOM WITH A DIFFERENCE

The English Department used to be at a disadvantage when it had no staff room and its members of staff drank their tea in the corridor. The department, however, now possesses a staff room, and it plays second fiddle to nobody as regards ornamental art.

John Montefiore, the well-known Newcastle painter, has loaned one of his works, "The Dance of the Elements", to the Department. The painting embodies four brightly coloured panels, illustrating the seasons and the elements. It is hanging on the wall of the Department’s Staff/Seminar Room, where it is enjoyed by people relaxing over tea or coffee or attending seminars.

Montefiore earned his Diploma of Painting at the National Art School, East Sydney. He has had numerous one-man exhibitions and his paintings are held in most of the significant galleries. In 1964 he was awarded the NSW Travelling Art Scholarship, and studied extensively overseas. He teaches at the Newcastle Art School and has collaborated with Assoc. Professor Norman Talbot, a poet, on the book "Fishing Boy", a ballad with plates.

OPENING PLAY IN C.A.E. THEATRE

"No Man’s Land", the new play by Jennifer Compton, will be presented by the Nimrod Theatre Company in the Griffith Duncan Theatre, Newcastle College of Advanced Education, from May 26 to 31.

The season will be the inaugural dramatic presentation in the new theatre, undoubtedly one of the best theatres in New South Wales, and the Nimrod’s first appearance in Newcastle.

"No Man’s Land", which was awarded equal first prize in the Australia-wide play competition sponsored by the Students’ Representative Council of Newcastle C.A.E., examines attitudes to women and the conflicts in marriage from the point of view of women in 1910 and 1975.

Nimrod’s new cast (directed by Ken Horler) is Helen Boggis, Elizabeth Chance, Stuart Campbell, Elizabeth Crosby, Cornelia Francis and Barry Hill. Design is by Larry Eastwood.

John Robson (67 1388) will answer queries about the Newcastle production.
Group bookings can be made at the office of the C.A.E. Cashier (67 1388).

Other bookings: David Jones, College Cashier, University Union.

The Nimrod visit is being sponsored by the Australian Council for the Arts, the Newcastle and District Cooperative Limited and the University of Newcastle’s Department of Community Programmes.

On the opening night, Tuesday, May 27, in addition to the play, there will be an exhibition of the best entries in the $700 open art competition sponsored by the College and the S.R.C., an exhibition of the best posters in the poster competition sponsored by Chroma Acrylics Pty. Limited and a supper including wines supplied by The Rothbury Estate.

Prices for the Opening Night are $7.50 each, group concession (20 or more) $5.50, students and pensioners $5; prices for Wednesday to Saturday nights: $3.50, group concession $2.75, students and pensioners $1.50.

NEWS FROM THE STUDENTS’ ASSOCIATION

At the inaugural meeting of the 23rd Students’ Representative Council Mr. Paul Drinkwater was elected Vice-President.

The election conducted for Media Officer resulted in Mr. Peter Omonde, previously Treasurer, being successful. A full-time position following the introduction of the new Constitution of Newcastle University Students’ Association, the Media Officer will act as Editor of “Opus”, “Nimrod”, the “Orientation Handbook”, and any proposed S.R.C. publications, deal with representatives of newspapers, radio stations and T.V. stations, and explore possible new methods of communications such as video tape and F.M. campus radio.

A petition in the S.R.C. office, for students to sign, is asking the ABC to relay to Newcastle programmes broadcast in Sydney on 2JJ.

The 23rd Students’ Representative Council:

President, Adrian Woo; Vice-President, Paul Drinkwater; Secretary and Director of Student Publications, Greg Wicks; Media Officer, Peter Omonde; A.U.S. Secretary, Leo Walsh; Women’s Officer, Frances Maguire; Environment Officer, Tony Nolan; International Officer, R. Ramsey; Services and Transport Officer, Tony de Lyall; Education Officer, Gerard Dominich; Race Relations Officer, Lynley Bone; Social Action Officer, Deborah Nixon; Overseas Students’ Representative, Berg Soon Ang; Faculty Representatives - Arts, B. Rigby, I. Hamilton, D. Stevens, P. Drinkwater; Science, G. Ferret, R. Ramsey; Applied Science, M. Quirk; Architecture, J. Ashton; Economics and Commerce, P. Law; Engineering, I. McCaig; Mathematics, K. Rigby, P. Hughes.

REPORT FROM THE UNION

The following members of the Board of Management of the Union were elected by students of the university recently: Mr. R.J. Asser, Miss J.C. Bastian, Mr. D.H. Daveport, Mr. P.S. Drinkwater, Miss D.M. Lloyd, Mr. I. McCaig, Mr. I.F. Rouse and Mr. A.J. Urbanski.

Mr. D.C. Bowden was elected to the Board by graduates of the University.

Mr. J. Bonnatto, the other member elected by graduates, is half way through his two-year term on the Board.

Mrs. W.J. Maddison was elected a member by her fellow employees of the Union.

The appointment of members to represent the University Council, the S.R.C. and the Sports Union will complete the changes required by the Union’s election rules.

The new Board will meet in the Union on 8th May at 6 p.m. Office-holders for 1975-76 are expected to be elected at the meeting.

The 14th annual general meeting of the Union will be held in the Courtyard on Thursday, 3rd, at 7 p.m. The Union has allotted accommodation to the organisers of the following activities:

The Food Cooperative (in the Basement, behind the Chaplains’ Room), and The Babysitting Service (the premises formerly occupied by the Bank of New South Wales).

The Board has made a plea to students for delivery points at the Union to be free of vehicles at all times. Some students have suggested that they will not deliver food and goods to the Union if delivery points are occupied by vehicles.
The pharmacy is definitely coming. The Secretary-Manager of the Union (Mr. V. Bridgwater) stated that there should be no further delays with the project following the granting of permission by State authorities.

The pharmacy will be established in the Union in the Bookshop's former premises. It will be ready in time for business to commence at the start of Second Term. Initially it will be open for half-day periods. Fifteen per cent discounts will be given to students and members of staff.

The Union's entertainment programme includes: 7th May, Courtyard, 1 p.m., Paul Falati (singer-songwriter).

SEMINAR ON NUTRITION

"Nutrition and Health - Getting the Message to the People" will be the subject of a one-day seminar organised by the Department of Community Programmes and Newcastle College of Advanced Education, to be held at the University on 12th June.

The principal speakers are Mrs. Renate Harding, Senior Nutritionist with the Health Commission of N.S.W., Sydney, and Miss Margaret Corden, Nutritionist with the Australian Department of Health, Canberra. The Chairman for the seminar will be Mrs. Elaine Goggin, Immediate Past Chairman of the Newcastle Branch of the Dietetic Association of New South Wales.

The aim of the seminar is to bring together people professionally concerned with nutrition, diet and catering, with teaching nutrition and with the preparation, distribution and marketing of food, to discuss not nutrition as such but the dissemination of sound, reliable, and practical nutritional information and advice as widely as possible throughout the community.

JOB FOR STUDENT/STUDENTS

Part-time employment: The University Union is calling applications for a part-time position on the administrative staff of the Union to assist at peak periods. Applicants (male or female) should preferably be experienced in the following areas: - Meeting procedures, minute recording at meetings, subsequent preparation and typing of minutes, preparation of documentation required for meetings, and associated office procedures.

As most Board and Committee meetings are held in the evening and very often are quite lengthy, applicants should be prepared to be in attendance at these times. The successful applicant would normally be engaged on a part-time basis from February-November each year, with hours of duty to suit office requirements. Salary and other conditions will be discussed at a subsequent interview.

Written applications should be made as soon as possible to: Mr. W.V. Bridgwater, Secretary-Manager, Newcastle University Union, phone 68 3717.

FANTASTIC MEETINGS

Science Fiction/Fantasy Club now meets in ALG34, near English, every Monday at 1 p.m. On 5th May, George MacDonald's literary work, and especially "Lilith", will be discussed. Everybody welcome.

PHILOSOPHY CLUB

This year the executive of the Philosophy Club is: President, Terry Taylor; Vice-President, Tony Harrison; Secretary, Christine Davis; Treasurer, Stephen Sweetman; Fourth Year Rep. Tony Pollock; Third Year Rep. Ngai On-Kwok; Second Year Rep. Tony de Lyall; First Year Reps. Jenny Mason and Robert Faltone.

MIDDLE EAST DEBATE SCHEDULED

The Australian Union of Students has asked constituent students' associations to debate, and vote upon, motions concerning the political situation in the Middle East.

Newcastle University Students' Association will hold a forum to debate the motions in the Southern Cross Lounge on Monday, May 5, at 8 p.m.

Mr. Solomon Salby, an Israeli anti-Zionist who supports the cause of the Palestinian Arabs, will speak at a meeting in the Courtyard on Tuesday, May 6, at 1 p.m.
Newcastle branch of the University Bookshop was opened at Newcastle Technical College in 1960. Assoc. Professor Adrian Colman stated at a luncheon in the Union on May 2.

The branch was subsequently relocated in the Union of Newcastle University College at Tighes Hill, and in 1965 in what is now the Computing Centre at Shortland, Professor Colman, a Director of the University Cooperative Bookshop Ltd. said:

The luncheon at which he spoke was to mark the opening of the Bookshop's new premises in the Union. Two fellow directors, Mr. Colin Fong (University of NSW) and Mr. John Birch (Faculty of Medicine, University of Newcastle) and the company's Secretary (Mr. E. Hume) attended.

Professor Colman said the Bookshop operated 22 branch shops in New South Wales, the A. C. T., Queensland and Victoria and possessed a total of 170,000 shareholders. He thanked the University for having supported the branch. His organisation made only a small profit, which was paid back to shareholders. Times had been hard for bookshops in recent years.

The Vice-Chancellor said that when he took up his position he had been pleased to see that a branch of the Bookshop functioned here. He thanked the Directors and Mr. Hume for travelling to Newcastle for the luncheon.

POST FOR FORMER GRADUATE

Mr. Alan Lawson, a 1970 graduate who holds a Bachelor of Arts degree, with Honours in English, and the University Medal, has taken up duties as a Lecturer in English at the University of Queensland.

Mr. Lawson is the author of "Patrick White", the first in a new series of Australian bibliographies being published by Oxford University Press. The bibliography provides quick and easy reference to all the major and many similar works of Patrick White, including translations, together with critical writings on these works. Before taking up his appointment at the University of Queensland Mr. Lawson was engaged in post-graduate and tutoring work at the Australian National University.

STUDY LEAVE REPORTS

Some members of the academic staff who recently completed overseas study leave reported to the University Council.

Dr. Alan Barson, of the Department of Education, spent his leave wholly in England, where, as a Lecturer with the Department of Education, University of Sheffield. He considered he was fortunate that the library at Sheffield possessed a good collection relating to the history of education in Australia. He gave lectures, attended conferences and meetings, visited secondary schools and teacher training institutions as well as the University of Hull and Nottingham and carried out research work. He was grateful for the opportunity to become acquainted with many of England's current educational developments. His study leave also enabled him to compose the substance of a book on the history of Australian education and to meet a number of academics.

Study leave of Associate Professor Kevin Collins, of the Department of Education, was separated into phases which enabled him to direct a research project entitled "The Development of Formal Reasoning", visit institutions in Britain, Europe and North America and write up results of his research. The research project, funded by a grant from the Social Science Research Council, was based in the School of Education, University of Nottingham. At the educational institutions which he visited, he was invited to conduct seminars and to consult with staff and senior post-graduate students working in areas associated with his research work. A great deal of interest was shown in Professor Collins' research into children's reasoning, especially with regard to its implications in both cognitive psychology and mathematics education. The writing done included books, papers, articles and reports.

Dr. E.M. Andrew of the History Department spent his study leave carrying out research for a book which assesses the impact of the British Commonwealth on British foreign policy during the Manchurian crisis of 1931-34, considering especially the policies and opinions of Australia, Canada and New Zealand. He based himself in London, working in the Public Record Office and the British Library and interviewing Malcolm MacDonald, once Secretary of State
for Dominion Affairs, Lord Garner, who also held that post and the present
New Zealand High Commissioner, Mr. T.H. McCombs, who was connected with
the New Zealand Government in the 1930's. As the British Dominions Office,
on amalgamation with the Foreign Office, had burnt many of its archives.
Dr. Andrews found it necessary to go to Ottawa to work in the public archives
in Canada.

Mr. R.F. Bingham, of the Department of Mathematics, spent most of his study
leave in Zürich working with Professor R.L. van der Waarden in the field of
the history of modern algebra. He narrowed his field of research down to a
history of hypercomplex number systems from about 1800 to 1908. He also
studied Arabic and Latin Medieval Mathematics and spent some time in Venlo,
holland, discussing Medieval Mathematics with Dr. R.L.L. Busard.

Professor E.C. Tanner, Department "Arts", completed his book "Before
Greek Revolution", whilst on study leave during which he visited Cambridge,
Oxford and London briefly. He researched, presented lectures and attended the
Annual Meeting of the English Classical Association. For a further three
months to the end of 1937, he was attached to the British School of Archaeology.
Professor Tanner addressed himself to the problems of ancient theatres,
carrying around looking at ruins and museums. For a further three months
he resided at St. John's College, Cambridge. He also attended Congresses in
Edinburgh and Madrid, and paid a number of visits to Rome, Tel-Aviv and
Dublin.

Mr. L.H. Lee, of the Department of Philosophy, spent a year's study leave at
the University of Oxford, carrying out research into Greek philosophy, the
philosophy of religion and 17th-century metaphysics. The Senior Common
Room of Wadham College and the Philosophical Society of the University gave
him temporary membership and the Philosophy Sub-Faculty and the Theology
faculty permitted him to use the facilities of their specialised libraries.
He also attended meetings of the University Philosophical Society.

Professor A. Savige of the University of Leeds, who was on study leave at
Wye, went to the Professor of the University of London, of the Department of
Agriculture, Kent, where he was on the board of the University of Wye.
The Systemic Fungicide and Plant Protection Unit of the Agricultural Research
Council, was most of his time was devoted to carrying out research on the
chemistry of systemic fungicides and plant growth regulators. The environment and facilities at
Wye were very conducive to progress in this kind of research, the close
contact of biologists with the scientists of the department being particularly valuable.
On his way back to Australia he visited the Universities of Guelph and
Western Ontario, in Canada, a research centre in Ohio and the University of
California at Riverside. He spoke on his field of interest at lectures and
seminars, and spent a few days at Ciba-Geigy headquarters in Basle,
Switzerland to discuss progress on the research programme covered by the
agreement between the Company and the University of Newcastle.

Mr. C.H. Parnell, of the Department of Geography, used the University of
Newcastle upon Tyne as his base for his study leave. He was grateful for
the title of Visiting Fellow, since he had been an undergraduate of the
University. During a field excursion in Denmark and Sweden, he visited
Universities of Aarhus and Lund. Some of his time was spent carrying out
research into the human time use and patterns and making arrangements for the
publication of "Essays on Space-Time, Space-Time and Geography and Planning",
involved in 2 persons. He also attended conferences and visited the Universities of
Bristol, Birmingham and Sheffield.

Mr. R.J. McChesney, of the Department of Economics, spent half of his study
leave at the Visiting Professor at the University of Alberta and the
remained carrying out research at the Universities of Edinburgh, Durham,
Oslo. Activities in which he was involved in Canada included lecturing,
supervising undergraduate students, assistance in the design of new Master
degree courses and attending seminars dealing with Alberta's energy supplies.
He also had discussions with members of Saskatchewan wheat pool and spent
some time at the University of British Columbia examining possible methods
of estimating the demand function for meats. Towards the end of his leave he
acted as a consultant to a multinational Geneva-based research organisation
while studying potential meat markets throughout the world.
COUNCIL MEMBER RE-ELECTED NATIONAL PRESIDENT

Mr. E. J. Buckman, a member of the University Council, has been re-elected National President of the Australian Society for Operations Research Inc.

The Society was formed in 1971 and has chapters in nearly all Australian capitals and large provincial cities including the Hunter Valley.

A National Conference is held every two years. The next scheduled for the University of Sydney in August.

VACATION CLASSES FOR KIDS

The Young People's Theatre and Arts Centre will hold classes for school children, covering a range of activities in the arts, in the May vacation. Classes will be held for all age groups at Warners Bay, Hamilton, Newcastle, Charlestown, Toronto, Morisset, Rathmines, Wondai, and Jannali Bay. Bookings can be made with Mrs. A. Jefferson, 47 Thorn Street, Toronto (phone 59 1810), or Mrs. Anita Cummings (phone 43 4837 or 40 9771).

SCIENCE STUDENTS' CONFERENCE

The National Science Students' Association will hold its 17th Annual Conference at the University of Adelaide from 26th to 30th May.

The purpose of N.S.S.A. is to represent science students as a separate body from A.U.S. increase communication and cooperation between science student organizations and stimulate social consciousness and responsibility.

Accommodation for the Conference will be supplied at St. Ann's Residential College. Total cost, including accommodation and the winery tour, will be $39.20, plus $6.50 for those people attending the pre-Conference camp.

Mr. R. Archer, Room G68, has further information.

UNIVERSITY LECTURE

Sir Garfield Barwick, Chief Justice of the High Court of Australia and a former member of the Federal Cabinet, has accepted an invitation to deliver the first University of Newcastle Lecture.

Convocation in conjunction with the University and the Department of Community Programmes has decided to invite eminent people to visit the University annually to present University lectures.

Sir Garfield's lecture will be given on the night of 26th September.

The Warden of Convocation (Professor K. O'Sullivan) has suggested that means of Departments might note this date so that an effort can be made to avoid conflicting functions.

THE CHOCOLATE FROG INCLUDED IN DRAMA FESTIVAL

The 1975 Arts Council Drama Festival, scheduled for the Drama Theatre of the University from 16th to 24th May, will include a performance by Newcastle Comedy Players of "The Chocolate Frog", by Jim McHail.

Working on the production are Marjorie Higgins (Producer), Bruce Humphreys (Stage Manager) and actors Warren Johnson (Kevin), Keith Ingle (Dancer) and Dennis Higgins (Sniker). The company will present the one-act play on 10th May.

The programme for the festival:


MAY 17TH: 2 p.m., Puck Productions "A Cry from the Cleft Aquarium", Dancers Theatre Company "Excerpts from Thesius", Yass Repertory Society "Plaza Suite".

7.45 p.m., Novocastrian Musical Society "Billy Liar", Chester Street Theatre Group "The Empire Builders", Maitland Repertory Club "The Private Ear".

MAY 21ST: 7.45 p.m., Macquarie Productions "The Oracle Oak", Newcastle College of Advanced Education Drama Club "The Old Familiar Juice".

Newcastle Repertory Club "The Effect of Gamma Rays on Man-in-the-Moon Marigolds".

MAY 22ND: 7.45 p.m., Newcastle Repertory Club "Friday Night at the Schranner".
Phoenix Theatre Company (Newcastle) "The Glass Menagerie". University of Newcastle Student Players "Interview".

MAY 23RD: 7.45 p.m., NEGS Drama Group "Incident", Phoenix Theatre Company (Sydney) "All for the Nation", Pymble Players "As Good as New".

MAY 24TH: 2 p.m., The Harlequin Players "Four Queens Wait for Henry", Phoenix Theatre Company (Sydney) "Little Fears", Sandgate Little Theatre (Queensland) "Chinamen", Harbour Players "The Chocolate Frog", Westleigh Players "Mixed Doubles".

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES IN MATHEMATICS

The following students have been elected to the Department of Mathematics:-
Second Year: Full-time, J. West-Sooby, Part-time, Ann Lovett; Third Year: Full-time, K. Rigby; Fourth Year: Kathy Heinrich and Post Graduate: Elizabeth Cousins.
Student representatives will be entitled to attend and vote at Department of Mathematics meetings.

CALLING ALL PRESBYTERIANS

A 'get together' in the McLarty Room, Union Building, has been arranged for Friday, 13th June, between 1 and 2 p.m. to plan activities for the remainder of 1975.
Bring your lunch and plenty of ideas including ways you consider the Presbyterian Chaplain could best help you in your University life. If you are unable to attend you may contact me at the Chaplains' Office, where I am in attendance Friday afternoons during term. I am looking forward to meeting you.
REV. HAROLD DURBIN, Presbyterian Chaplain.

FILMS IN GERMAN

The German Department is screening feature films, documentaries and very recent news-reels in German every second Wednesday at 1 p.m. in the new Language Laboratory (G20b). Total viewing time is approximately two hours. Anybody interested is invited to attend.
Detailed information can be obtained from the Secretary of the German Department or from the departmental notice board.
On May 7, the film "Der Verteidiger Haldaswort" will be screened.

BIOLOGICAL SOCIETY FORMED

The Newcastle University Biological Society was formed, and a constitution approved, on April 8. Membership fee is $1 and anyone interested should contact The President, Robyn Dyball, or The Treasurer, Perry Rendall, care of the Biology Department.

VISITING SPEAKER, DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

Speaker: Professor Alan Woodland, Department of Economics, University of British Columbia, Canada, currently Visiting Professor at Monash University, and formerly at the University of New England, NSW.
Topic: "The Estimation of the Allocation of time between Work, Housework, and Leisure".
Time: 2 - 4 p.m.
Date: 6 May, 1975
Venue: Room 203 (Staff Conference Room) Social Sciences Building

T.E.A.S. ANY QUESTIONS

An officer from the T.E.A.S. will be visiting the University to answer any problems with students on Tuesday, 6th May, 1975.
The Officer is Mr. L. Rosenberg, who will be available in T13 (behind Mathematics) between 10 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. on this date. An appointment is not necessary, but a firm time can be reserved by telephoning Mrs. L. Aurelius on Ext. 302.

P. D. Alexander,
SECRETARY

PROMOTIONS COMMITTEE PROPOSED

The Vice-Chancellor is considering a suggestion made by the University Sub-division of the N.S.W. Public Service Association that a Promotions Committee be established for non-academic staff.

It has been proposed that the committee examine promotions and regradings for members of the non-academic staff.

The Chairman of the University’s Sub-division of the New South Wales Public Service Association (Mr. R. G. Keats) reported this at the meeting of the Sub-division’s Management Committee and the Vice-Chancellor held discussions on 18 April.

Mr. Keats said Professor George had informed the Management Committee by letter that he had formed a new committee to consider traffic problems on the site and proposed parking regulations. The committee will consist of two representatives of each of the Public Service Association, the University Staff Association and Newcastle University Students’ Association, and the Vice-Principal (Professor A. D. Tweddle), who will be chairman.

It was stated that an Industrial Commissioner was still taking evidence in relation to the application by University Laboratory Staff for a new award.

It was hoped that a decision would be handed down before the end of June.

The Management Committee had acceded to a request that it sponsor the Annual Administration Dinner on 20th May and elected Mr. G. Martin, Mrs. L. Steel, Mr. W. L. Aurelius and Mr. B. Robinson to organise the dinner.

New members of the non-academic staff are able to join the Public Service Association by calling upon the Secretary (Mr. M. E. Comonds), Staff Engineer, Ext. 201.

M. R. WRAN TO VISIT UNIVERSITY

Mr. Neville Wran, O.C., M.L.A., Leader of the Opposition in the N.S.W. Parliament, will pay his first visit to the University on Wednesday, May 7. After partaking of morning tea with the Vice-Chancellor he will go to the Courtyard of the Union at 11 a.m. to deliver a brief address and meet members of the staff and students. He is expected to leave the University about 12.30 p.m. Mr. Wran has stated that he would like to meet as many members of the University as possible in the brief period of his visit.

UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE CATHOLIC ASSOCIATION

* Mass times: Tuesday 1 p.m. in Chaplains’ Office; Wednesday 1 p.m. in Chaplains’ Office; Thursday 12.10 p.m. at College of Advanced Education; Friday 1 p.m. in Chaplains’ Office.

* If you are interested in working with others to help the underprivileged in the community you are welcome to join our “Caritas” committee which meets every alternate Thursday at 1 p.m. to plan activities - not limited to Catholics.

* A Bible study group will be held each Wednesday in the Chaplains’ Office at 1.30 p.m. The major subject for discussion is John’s Gospel.

* If you haven’t been down lately, the Chaplains’ Office in the Union Basement has a new look and we have updated the Liturgy somewhat. Feel free to drop in.

* We have openings for anyone who is interested in teaching scripture in state schools.

* Articles are invited for “Verbum” newsletter and “Spectrum” Magazine.

ECONOMICS SOCIETY

The Newcastle Area Committee of the Economics Society had adopted a policy of endeavour to provide quality speakers from a wide range of interests, the President (Mr. R. C. Hawkins) reported to the annual meeting on April 22.
Mr. Hawkins said the policy was made difficult to implement by the great demand on speakers and the increase in travelling costs, reducing the area from which speakers could be drawn.

Again the Committee had expressed concern about declining attendances. The average attendance fell progressively from 36 in 1970, to 25 in 1973 to 22 in 1974. However, Mr. Hawkins was somewhat heartened that the decline had levelled out and the average attendance in 1974-75 was 36. There was a very good attendance for the lecture given by Professor J. Neville on "Inflation Today" on 10th June, 1974.

The President said he would like to see an increase in the interest shown by academic staff in 1975, together with closer liaison with the Students' Society. Student representation had mostly been in the form of postgraduate students who had no close contact with undergraduates.

The Secretary (Mr. V.G. Taylor) said six general meetings were held during the year, addressed by five individual speakers and a panel of Department of Economics staff which discussed the Budget.

The election of office bearers had resulted:
President, Mr. Hawkins; Senior Vice-President, Dr. C.J. Aislabie; Vice-President, Mr. C. Catt; Secretary, Mr. D.K. MacDonald; Treasurer, Mr. W.C. Dunlop; Student Member, Miss Anne Harcombe; Ordinary Members, Mrs. J.A. Reeves and Mr. J. Twohill; Auditor, Mr. R.B. Taylor.

**GALA PREVIEW**

Jesmond-Walls Lions Club has arranged a Gala Preview of "Jesus Christ Superstar" at the Civic Theatre on June 13, at 8.30 p.m. A champagne supper will be served in the City Hall Supper Room after the performance. The price of admission, including supper, is $6.50 per person. Party bookings can now be arranged by contacting Mr. J.W. Kreckler, 21 Norman Street, Waratah, telephone 67 2153.

**VISIT BY MINISTER**

The Minister for Education, Mr. Kim Beazley briefly visited the University on 30 April and held discussions with the Chancellor, the Vice-Chancellor and the Vice-Principal. Mrs. Beazley accompanied the Minister and was shown around the grounds by the Acting Planner and Mrs. George.

**EFFICIENT READING COURSE**

The University Counseling Service will be running a short six-session Efficient Reading Course during the May vacation aimed at increasing speed and flexibility, while holding comprehension at a reasonable level.

**TIME:** Mondays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to noon
**PLACE:** Room L229 (Lower Ground Floor, Administration Building)
**COMMENCING:** Monday 12th May, 1975
**FINISHING:** Thursday, 29th May, 1975

**MORE PROM CONCERTS**

The A.B.C. and the Department of Community Programmes will collaborate again to stage two Prom concerts in the Great Hall on May 17. The concerts will be given by the A.B.C. National Training Orchestra, under the baton of Robert Miller, its Director.

The programme for the 2 p.m. Concert will include works by Berlioz, Tchaikovsky, Humperdinck and Ibert.

The 7 p.m. Concert will consist of works by Mozart, Beethoven, Saint-Saëns, Delius and Tchaikovsky.

Admission will be by programmes which are available from the A.B.C., 47 Newcomen Street, or from the University Cashier during the hours of 9 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.

**PHILOSOPHY CLUB'S CAMP**

The Philosophy Club's annual camp will be held at Morpeth Conference Centre (three miles from East Maitland) over the May 9th to 11th weekend.

The speakers will include Jim Baker, of Macquarie University, John Carr, Professor Godfrey Tanner, Christine Davis, David Kibble and Professor Keith Campbell, of the University of Sydney.

Reservations can be made with the Secretary of the Philosophy Department, or a Club Executive member.
RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

Mr. P. Farley, Assistant Secretary to the University, has information about research scholarships awarded for full-time research at the University of Melbourne.

Applicants must have Ph.D. or at least equivalent post-graduate research experience. Tenure is for one year in the first instance. Initially the salary is the salary of a University lecturership.

The closing date is 31st July, 1975.

Grants are also available from the University of Melbourne to enable academics on sabbatical leave to conduct full-time research at the University of Melbourne, preferably for a period of not less than six months.

Applications will also be considered for short-term visits that will demonstrably enhance the standard of postgraduate teaching within some area of the University.

UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND REUNION

On Friday, May 16, the Alumni Association of the University of Queensland is sponsoring a reunion "of all those former students of the University of Queen and whose final year was 1930.

This is to celebrate their first 25 years of professional life. The reunion dinner at Union College will be the curtain-raiser to the general Alumni Weekend May 16-17.

Chairman of the Reunion Committee is Dr. Graham Alexander and he is assisted by Dr. June Halliday (von Alpen), Dr. David Mahoney, Cr. Kevin Vandeleur, Mrs. Barbara Johnson (Delpriat), Miss Ann Lee, Mr. Owen Sturgess, Mr. Doug Woodhead, Mr. Peter Ryan and Mr. Noel Hayson.

It is hoped that all those whose final year was 1930, whether they graduated or not will come back to University to celebrate. All graduates are welcome on Saturday.

WORKSHOP ON LECTURING

A workshop on lecturing will be held in the Education Research and Services Unit from 27 to 29 May. There will be lectures and discussions in the mornings, practical work in the afternoons. Staff from a number of departments have agreed to give papers and to lead discussions. Teaching staff who wish to take part are asked to enrol by 9th May.

Telephone Ext. 519.

DONATIONS NEEDED

The Drama Section of the Department of Creative Arts is currently setting up a small collection of costumes, costume accessories and stage properties, etc., for use in class exercises and in occasional performances. We would be very grateful for any donations of unwanted items that could be of use in these areas. Articles we are particularly anxious to obtain are:

Morning coats, evening suits (tails), top hats, bowler hats and other exotic headgear, costume jewellery (rings, brooches, necklaces, medals), weapons (daggers, swords, etc.), a samovar, a chaise lounge, fans.

If anybody has any of these items and would like to help us out, could they please ring the departmental secretary, Elvira Sprogis, Ext. 705.

SCIENCE BROADCASTING

The Academy of Science and the Australian Broadcasting Commission are sponsoring a two-day seminar-workshop, 22nd - 23rd August, 1975, at the A.B.C.'s television studios, Gore Hill, Sydney, to discuss the aims of science broadcasting, the scientists' contribution, the problems of popularizing, production procedures, interviewing and editing techniques and other related matters.

Interested scientists are invited to attend this seminar-workshop. Successful applicants will be offered assistance with travelling and accommodation expenses if their institute is not able to sponsor them.

Applications setting out age, qualifications, current position and interest in science broadcasting should be addressed to: The Secretary, Australian Academy of Science, Box 216, Post Office, Civic Square, Canberra. ACT. 2608.

Applications close on May 23.
YOUR CORRECT ADDRESS?

This year the University is recording on address for each student for all official purposes. This is the Address for Correspondence. It is each student's responsibility to ensure that he advises the Student Administration Office of any change of address. A Change of Address form should be used and is available from the Student Administration Office.

Please note that your failure to notify changes could lead to important correspondence or course information not reaching you. The University cannot accept responsibility if official communications fail to reach you in such circumstances.

If your change of address is a temporary one, and you intend to return to the address on your University record (as may occur in the case of a student returning home for the vacation between term times) it is possible to arrange for this through any Post Office. You should complete a re-direction order, requesting your mail to be either re-directed on to you or held at the Post Office for collection. The charge for this service is $1 for each month the order is in effect.

P. D. ALEXANDER, Secretary

ACTION BY AUSTRALIAN PSYCHOLOGICAL SOCIETY

The Vice-Chancellor has received a copy of the following letter which was sent by the Acting President of the Australian Psychological Society to the Chancellor of Flinders University of South Australia.

"The members of the Council of the Australian Psychological Society, at a meeting held on 15th and 16th February, 1975, discussed an agenda item concerning the nature of the attacks that have been made on two of our members, Professor R.W. Russell and Dr. D.N. Gibbs, who are on the staff at the Flinders University of South Australia.

Council asked me to inform you about the following resolution which was carried unanimously.

"That the Council of the Australian Psychological Society strongly condemns the way terrorist tactics have been used in attempts to intimidate two members of the Society, Professor R.W. Russell and Dr. D.N. Gibbs, at the Flinders University of South Australia.

As psychologists, we deplore the use of threats and physical violence, distortion of evidence, sensational presentation of material and implication of guilt by association. We believe in freedom of speech, access and assembly and the use of rational argument in discussion."

The Council of The Australian Psychological Society also decided to form a Working Party to formulate policy on the position of the social and behavioural scientist whose research findings may be used for non-humanitarian purposes.

The members of the Council of the Australian Psychological Society are gravely concerned about the methods of intimidation used against these two members of the Society. The concern of the Council, of course, goes beyond that of a professional Society for its members to include the consideration of the broader question of general principle contained in the above resolution.

As psychologists we are concerned about the rights of all members of the community and repudiate methods of communication of views which include physical intimidation.

On behalf of the Society, I respectfully request that the text of the resolution be tabled at the next meeting of the University Council and that it be given publicity within the University."

NATIONAL CANCER RESEARCH PROGRAMMES

The Australian Cancer Society invites applications for grant support for co-operative investigational programmes in cancer involving centres in more than one State.

Such studies would be likely to be prospective clinical trials, would preferably be inter-disciplinary, and could be joint laboratory-clinical projects.
The Deadline for applications is the first day of August in the year of application.

Application forms and the Conditions of Award may be obtained from: The Executive Director, Australian Cancer Society, Box 25, Post Office, Kogarah, 2217

CANCER RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

The Australian Cancer Society invites applications for the Postdoctoral Research Fellowship.

The Fellowship is tenable in any approved institution in Australia normally for a period of one year.

A salary of $10,500 p.a. is payable, together with $1,000 equipment grant and up to $500 for travel and removal expenses.

Closing date for applications is the first day of August in the year of application.

Application forms and the Conditions of Award may be obtained from: The Executive Director, Australian Cancer Society, Box 25, Post Office, Kogarah, 2217

ADVERTISEMENTS

HDB FOR SALE: Black Labradors, pedigreed, six weeks old, $30 each, 37 Heshbon Street, Gateshead, ring 43 6372 or Ext. 500.

HOME FOR SALE: Mayfield, near all facilities, two bedroom weatherboard and tile. Spacious interior, completely renovated. Private sale for $17,000; phone 67 2224 or Ext. 308.

LAND FOR SALE: Large "brick-veneer" block, with extensive views, underground power, reserve at rear. Lot 310 Meldon Place (off Grandview Road), $39,000; phone Ext. 574 or 2 3964.

WANTED: Reliable second hand car, willing to pay up to $700-$800. Please ring 67 1471 any time.

FOR SALE: Two bedroom, plus sleep-out, weatherboard home, tile roof, blinds, curtains carpets, 66 ft frontage, 146 ft deep, block almost level, double garage, good garden, 31 May Street, North Lambton, ring 57 2986, $26,000.

FOR SALE: Honda 50 motor bike in good condition, $59, 4 Birrell Street, Shortland (off Baird Road).

CALCULATOR FOR SALE: Don't wait on orders, HP35 Calculator, leather case, hard vinyl field case, etc., insured for one year, $100, phone Sue, 33 7263.

SHIP SPECIALS: * Slide rules, quarter of normal price
* A-4 punched and unpunched ruled pads, 50¢ each
* Carton lots of cigarettes, 34 per packet discount
* Lottery agency now open

HOUSE WANTED: Preferably close to the university, by four reliable postgraduate students, ring Jorat, 67 2615 (Edwards Hall).

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

STENOGRAPHER Department of Economics Position No. N61/75

A competent and experienced stenographer is required. Commencing salary will be up to $109.95 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 30th April, 1975.

TECHNICAL OFFICER Department of Metallurgy Position No. N59/75

Duties will include servicing laboratories, the operation and care of a range of laboratory equipment, and assistance with the preparation of undergraduate experiments. Applicants must have completed a Technical College course in Metallurgy or have completed some other formal course
of relevant study deemed by the University to be appropriate. Commenching salary will be within the range $6,119 - $7,921 per annum depending upon qualifications and experience.

SECRETARY Department of Commerce Position No. N60/75

A competent adult stenographer with sound secretarial experience is required. 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.

Commenching salary will be up to $151.16 per week depending upon qualifications, experience and ability. Annual incremental progression to a maximum salary of $125.56 per week may be available.

OFFICE ASSISTANT/TYPIST Secretary's Division, Administration Position No. N62/75

A competent touch typist is required, experienced in office routine. Commenching salary will be up to $107.34 per week depending upon age, qualifications and experience. Efficiency allowances up to $4.99 per week can be gained by passing typing speed tests at examinations conducted by the University.

Applications close on 5th May, 1975.

JUNIOR CLERK Accounting Department Position No. N63/75

This position would suit a keen, energetic youth aged 17-19 who is educated to at least School Certificate standard and who is interested in completing an appropriate course at the Technical College. Duties would include general accounts work, preparing mail for despatch, filing and other duties usually entrusted to juniors. Commenching salary will be up to $89.175 per week within the range $60.14 to $146.37 per week according to age, qualifications and experience.

Applications close on 11th May, 1975.

CLERK OF WORKS (Temporary) Position No. N64/75

An experienced Clerk of Works is required for detailed supervision of a large University building project. Employment will be limited to the period of construction which is expected to commence in May. Completion of a Technical College Clerk of Works Certificate course is essential.

Salary will be within the range $165.41 to $185.16 per week.

Applications close on 12th May, 1975.

TECHNICAL OFFICER, Grade 1, Department of Psychology Position No. N66/75

Applicants are required to possess a Technical College Certificate in Biology and/or Chemistry or other recognised qualifications deemed by the University to be appropriate, and have relevant experience. Duties will include preparation of laboratory materials, biochemical assays and electrophysiology. The successful applicant, if not familiar with all of the above duties, will be given some training.

Salary range for the above position is $6,119 - $7,921 per annum. Commenching salary will depend on the qualifications and experience of the successful applicant.

Applications close on 19th May, 1975.

Application forms may be obtained from the Personnel Department, Ext. 518.

SPORTING NEWS

Hockey

The University will be host for the intervarsity Women's Hockey tournament from 12th to 16th May. These universities will compete: New England, Australian National University, Melbourne, Tasmania, Western Australia, New South Wales, Sydney, Macquarie, Monash, Queensland, Flinders, La Trobe, James Cook, Wollongong and Newcastle.
The acceptances (15 universities of 18 in Australia) indicate that it will be the biggest intervarsity contest ever. Teams will come from as far away as Townsville and Perth.

Approximately 250 girls will take part on the University grounds. At the conclusion of the contest, a Combined Australian Universities Team will be chosen to tour New Zealand in August. The Combined Australian Universities Team will play a Newcastle Representative Team at University Oval on 17th May at 9.30 am.

Social outings arranged for the visitors include a bus trip to the Vineyards on 13th May.

Inter-Varsity

The following teams will represent the University in Inter-Varsity Contests during the May vacation:

Australian Rules, Flinders, May 12 - 16;
Basketball (Men and Women), La Trobe, May 12 - 19;
Canoeing, A.N. U., May 16 - 18;
Hockey (Men), Adelaide, May 25 - 31;
Rugby League, NSW, May 12 - 16;
Rugby Union, Macquarie, May 12 - 17;
Soccer, Monash, May 11 - 18;
Surfing, Sydney, May 12 - 16;
Underwater, Queensland, May 12 - 16.

Athletics

Glyn Cox, outstanding University distance runner, was placed third in the Newcastle Marathon (26 miles) at Williamtown on 12th April. Glyn's time of 2 hrs. 35 min. qualified him for the Australian Championships to be held in Melbourne later in the year.

The field included the best Marathon runners in the State. Presently covering more than 100 miles a week in training, Glyn's immediate aim is to improve his time in the coming State Championships.

Men's Hockey

University players, Wayne Taggart and Geoff Andrew, have been selected in the Newcastle team to play Sydney in two weeks' time. Another student, Ian Manner, who plays for Kahibah, has also been selected in the team.

Rugby League

Up to 2nd May, the University Club is at present outright leader in the Second Division Club Championship. Both teams, A and AR, are undefeated.

In the University Qop competition, after a resounding first game win against Railway College of Apprentices (46 - 5), the side was narrowly defeated (10 - 9) by the competition leaders, Westmead Teachers' College. Lack of a reliable goal kicker cost University a win.

FURTHER ADVERTISEMENT

HOUSE WANTED: Newly appointed Lecturer in History wants 2-bedroom, furnished house or flat. Ring Exts. 264 or 262.