Working on the sorting and pricing of books donated for the book fair are Gwen Hamilton, Pat Flowers, Joy Keats, Janet Winn, Sue Deamer, Shirley Morris, Jess Davis and Ann Van Niekerk.

60,000 — VOLUME BOOK BONANZA

THE UNIVERSITY'S THIRD BOOK FAIR — a bonanza for book lovers in search of a bargain — will be held in the Great Hall from July 25 to August 3, 10 am to 4 pm.

The fair, organised by The Friends of The University every two years, will be a giant supermarket of second-hand books, some 60,000 volumes in all.

The vast majority of the books will sell for between 50 cents and $1.50.

However, the glamour stock — the rare and antique editions to be sold at auction — will probably bring several hundred dollars each.

The fair, The Friends’ main fund-raising activity, provided a total of $53,000 in 1983 and 1985 towards the cost of Friends House at Edwards Hall.

The proceeds of this year’s book fair will be directed towards a special Bicentenary project, a new tapestry for the Great Hall. This will measure 16m x 2m and will be executed by Mary and Larry Beeston. It will be known as the Hunter Tapestry.

Books and more books, thousands of magazines, more than 1,000 recordings and a large stock of sheet music will be offered during the biennial sale.

Rare and antique books will be on view on the stage. A catalogue and a register will be provided.

The base price for rare books is $20 per item and bids above this will be entered in the register.

On August 1 the items will be sold by means of a slow auction beginning at 3 pm.

This connoisseur’s corner always produces treasures and curiosities. In 1985, a copy of Ludwig Leichhardt’s Journal of his expedition from Moreton Bay to Port Essington in 1844 and 1845 turned up.

On the expensive list are: a wonderful set of Cities and Peoples of the World, a 19th century publication, On Our Selection, by Steel Rudd, Les Belles Heures du Duc de Berry, with brilliant copies of the original illuminations, The Story of Australia Past and Present in Pen and Pictures, six volumes published in 1925, An Artist in Egypt, with illustrations, by Walter Tyndale, put out in 1915, and Air-force Poetry, poems by men who served in the RAF.

As well as drawing book lovers and bargain hunters, the fair is always a magnet to book dealers from Sydney and elsewhere. There are tales of utility trucks being used to carry away the purchases made by dealers in 1985.

The echoing floor of the auditorium of the Great Hall will present orderly rows of tables stacked with books, magazines and recordings. Signs will pinpoint the thirty-eight various categories.

The volunteers from The Friends of The University have acquired knowledge of the public’s taste in reading material. They say that the most popular lines are art, music, biography, cookery, gardening, pets and animals and the royal family.

INSIDE: Tax Incentive for R & D
2. Not surprisingly, second-hand paperbacks, including Penguins and Pelicans, which sell very cheaply, are regularly the best sellers at the book fairs.

Textbooks also disappear rapidly because of their favourable prices and the large number of University students who attend the fairs. This year a large collection of foreign language texts are included in the offerings.

Rally behind the flag

Once again, you are asked to help The Friends of The University to fund University causes by giving assistance during the book fair.

Tasks which have to be done include collecting payment at the cash registers and restocking the tables.

The number to ring if you can help is 48 8629.

The number of old books collected and sold at book fair has increased steadily over the last six years. In 1985 15,000 were amassed and 20,000 were available in 1985.

However, the number of volunteers from The Friends who collect, sort and price the books in between the fairs has not risen appreciably. The fifteen to twenty workers process the books at a local school and store them at the University.

Without the helpers there would be no book fairs and various projects within the University would not benefit.

UNIVERSITY HOSTS UNIVERSES ADVISORY COUNCIL

THE UNIVERSITIES ADVISORY COUNCIL visited the university on June 4 for discussions on the state of the university and its needs for the 1988-1990 Triennium.

The visiting party comprised Professor Don McNicol, Commissioner Universities; Professor Gareth Roberts, Part-time Member, Universities Advisory Council (he is the Deputy Vice-Chancellor of Macquarie University); Mr Chris Burgess, Secretary, Universities Advisory Council; Ms Mary Braithwaite, Executive Branch, CTEC; and Ms Helen Preston, Capital Branch, CTEC.

Professor McNicol and his colleagues completed a busy programme of interviews and inspections, beginning at 8.30 am and lasting all day.

The University has requested the Federal Government to support a number of specific initiatives and major new buildings in the 1988-1990 triennium.

As the Universities Advis. Council makes recommendations to the Government on new developments at Australian universities, the visit enabled the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Keith Morgan, and senior officers to explain the University's proposals in detail.

The visit commenced with an inspection of growth at the new teaching hospital at Rankin Park. The proposed aviation course was considered and discussions were held on new buildings and extensions to solve space problems in a number of areas, including student services and student residential accommodation.

Included in the agenda were some developments aimed at achieving rationalisation of the University's and Newcastle CAE's activities. These included an Outreach Programme for deprived people, a chair in Social Work and road and footpath access to the CAE.

At a press conference, Professor McNicol said his advisory group liked to move around to see 'what's on' at universities.

He disclosed that Volume I of the CTEC's Report on funding for higher education in the next triennium would be released shortly. After that the Federal Government would respond and announce its guidelines.

'The question is how long will it be after this before we see Volume II of the CTEC's Report, in which full details of funding for universities are given.'
Coup added insights for book on the S. Pacific

Visiting Professor in English, Professor Xavier Pons, made a trip to Fiji soon after the military coup. He had planned it as a holiday but combined the holiday with research for a book.

Frenchman Professor Pons' interests include writing about Australian influence in the South Pacific. He calls it 'negative imperialism', saying that Australia's main object is to prevent the island countries from falling under the influence of a potentially hostile power.

He has come to this University from the University of Toulouse — Le Mirail, Toulouse. When he leaves on July 3 to return to his University, he will have completed five months' research and teaching English and Australian Literature at this University. His visit was made possible by he and Dr Wayne McKenna agreeing to an exchange.

A book, The Little Giant of the Pacific: Australian Presence in the South Pacific, authored by Professor Pons, is about to be published by Editions Economica — Paris in French.

'The book concentrates on the obvious change in Australian attitudes to the South Pacific in the last fifteen twenty years,' he says.

'To keep intruders out, Australia has had to rely on great and powerful friends — originally Great Britain, but now the United States.

'Australia is seen by island countries as playing America's game and representing American interests. They think Australia has become paranoid about countries like Libya. They think Australia should change its outlook and show greater awareness of their internal problems.'

While in the English Department, Professor Pons has made some revisions to his book incorporating observations on the Fijian crisis. He has also looked at another of his interests — the history of protectionism in Australia.

He says he is impressed by this University. 'It is a very pleasant campus and a friendly place.' He noted the 'marvellous sporting facilities' (he likes to work out in the Sports Centre) and complimented the University for providing easy access to computers.

Attention Overseas Students

Visit of ADAB Social Worker

Miss Norah Taylor, Social Worker from the Sydney Office of ADAB (the aid unit of the Department of Foreign Affairs), will be visiting Newcastle on June 17 and 18.

The purpose of Miss Taylor's visit is to see overseas students and their families and, where possible, help them with any personal, or health problems, which may be affecting their studies.

Norah is a qualified social worker, with understanding of other cultures. Any conversation with her is strictly confidential and there is no charge.

The sorts of problems overseas students often discuss with her include: Homesickness, health/illness, making friends/loneliness, adapting to a new country/culture, bad news from home (political, personal or natural disaster), financial difficulties, legal, relationships, rights entitlements, study stress and anxiety/worry/depression.

Interview Room: T37, next to the Accommodation Office.

Appointments: Please put your name down at a vacant time-slot on her appointment list attached to the door of Room T37.

Further contact: Norah will visit the University every two to three months. You may contact her between visits at this address — Miss Norah Taylor, ADAB, GPO Box 5293, Sydney, 2001, or telephone her (reverse charges) in Sydney at (02) 212 4000.
Tax incentive for R&D discussed

THIS UNIVERSITY HAS THE TALENT, ideas and facilities and wants local industry and commerce to co-operate with it in research and development (R&D) activities.

The Federal Government allows companies a 150 per cent tax deduction for expenditure on certain R&D activities.

These were the main points made in discussions held between senior University officers and about thirty accountants and company executives in the Staff House on June 4.

The meeting was a very successful interaction with local business and commerce in that the tax concession available for R&D was fully explained and the research capabilities of the University and TUNRA were outlined.

Summing up, the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Keith Morgan, said: 'We have the expertise and it ought to be used to make industry and commerce more innovative and competitive.'

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- Mathematical modelling and analysis;
- Psychological research;
- Computer software development; and
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Dr John Ramsland is the first Senior Lecturer at this University to be elected Dean of a faculty.

Dr Ramsland has been elected Dean of the Faculty of Education until December 31. He has taken over from Professor John Biggs, who relinquished the Deanship after he resigned to become Professor of Education at the University of Hong Kong. Professor Biggs leaves the campus in September.

The Council last year approved an amendment to the By-laws entitling Senior Lecturers to be candidates in elections for Deans.

Dr Sid Bourke has been elected Sub-Dean of the Faculty of Education.

Superannuation Seminar

Advisory Officers from the State Superannuation Board will conduct a seminar in Lecture Theatre K202 (Medical Sciences Building) on Tuesday, June 16, at 1.15 pm.

Full-time members of staff who are eligible to contribute to the State Public Service Superannuation Fund but who are not yet contributing to the Fund and who wish to learn about the advantages of Fund membership are invited to attend the seminar.

Reminder to Staff Association Members

You are reminded to please fill in the recently distributed questionnaire on research money allocated within departments as soon as possible. The information from this questionnaire is urgently needed.
MAY SENATE

Senate was told that the University would hold an Open Day on September 3 and 4, 1988, and that Professor Colin Keay, Associate Professor in Physics, had agreed to serve as organiser.

The Vice-Chancellor said it was likely the University would hold a conferring of degrees ceremony in Singapore in January/February, 1988, for Singaporean students who graduated this year.

The Vice-Chancellor told Senate that he would arrange for the Doctoral Degree Committee of the Faculty of Arts to meet to take appropriate action on the judgement made by the Governor, Sir James Rowland.

The Governor, in his judgement, declared that the Doctoral Degree Committee failed to discharge its responsibility under the University’s regulations by not considering a 1984 annual report on a PhD student’s progress produced by her supervisor.

Further the Governor ordered that the University and the Doctoral Degree Committee take no steps to have the student's thesis examined until or unless the supervisor's report is considered by the Committee in accordance with a provision of the Doctoral Degree regulations.

Associate Professor D.N. Parkes, of the Department of Geography, positioned the Visitor in March, 1986, alleging that the University had failed to act on matters raised by him in respect of the conduct and candidature of a research student.

Professor Parkes attended Senate as an observer and made a verbal submission on the matter.

Senate considered a report of the Senate Research Committee on the ASTEC Report.

The SRC commented that the two major recommendations in the ASTEC Report were that many of the existing research funding agencies, including the ARCS, be combined into an Australian Research Council and that there be a variety of internal policy changes in Australian universities to develop research management policies to improve the execution of research.

The Committee outlined the separate themes running through the report and made specific comments on the recommendations.

After the Chairman of the SRC, Professor C. Kellerman, and members of the Committee were thanked for their report, five recommendations were adopted:

- Senate take note of the report and refer it to faculties and departments for discussion.
- Senate support in the strongest terms the recommendation in the ASTEC Report to increase significantly the overall research funding available to an Australian Research Council, or equivalent body, and that it protest in the strongest terms at the move to reduce funds available to the ARCS.
- Senate affirm its support for the principle that basic research, in as broad a variety of areas and disciplines as possible, is a major priority of universities, without detracting from the importance of applied research and collaborative work with industrial groups.
- The University maintain communications with any appropriate policy making bodies in government, and
- Senate Research Committee assist in the development of any necessary research management plan, in consultation with University staff, in response to any changes in legislation.

Meet Dr Edgar from Melbourne

The Director of the University’s Institute of Behavioural Sciences, Assoc. Professor Don Parkes, has issued an invitation to staff to meet Dr Don Edgar, Director of the Australian Institute of Family Studies, Melbourne.

Dr Edgar will talk on the work of the Institute and particularly its role in encouraging and co-ordinating research in a wide range of areas. It will be Dr. Edgar’s first visit to Newcastle. He is looking forward to meeting academic staff from Newcastle’s tertiary institutions.

The meeting will be held in the City Hall’s No.3 Function Room on June 24 from 3 to 5 pm.

Follow-up visit to this University

A University of Newcastle graduate in Economics has returned to the campus from Papua New Guinea for a research project with Professor Clem Tisdell.

Dr Hemasiri De Silva, a Sri Lankan, was a PhD student from 1981 to 1984. He completed his doctorate on investment in the coconut industry in Sri Lanka and stayed at the University as a tutor in Economics.

Now working for the Papua New Guinean Department of Primary Industry in Rabaul he is collaborating with Professor Tisdell on an economic analysis of policies affecting agricultural industries, particularly in times of serious droughts, disease, price declines and other threats.

Literary Lunches

The English Society mixes lunch and illumination on Tuesdays at 1 pm in Room 132A, McMillin Building. That's when the Society holds its LITERARY LUNCHES featuring staff, students and visiting speakers.
EXTENSION OF WHEELCHAIR WAY SYSTEM

During the recent vacation a by-pass ramp was constructed near Chemistry, on the western side of the central piazza to extend the system of pathways accessible to wheelchairs in this area. This recent addition substantially shortens some travel distances and increases the number of routes that can be taken.

Deficiencies in the wheelchair pathway system are being eliminated progressively as funds permit. Wheelchair users who experience difficulties with the present system should contact the University Planner, Mr Don Morris at 68 5202.

Later in 1987, ramps will be constructed in the McMullin Building courtyard to give access to the Computing Centre terminal areas and other facilities on Level 2, including Student Enquiries.

The enlarged system of wheelchair ways in the central piazza area is shown on the map.

New Convocation Memento released

The Standing Committee of Convocation has just had produced a new range of mementos. Professor D.W. George, the former Vice-Chancellor, offered the Standing Committee the opportunity to reproduce sketches of the University by the artist Allan Gamble.

The Committee has taken advantage of the offer by reproducing the sketchbook and six of the sketches as greeting cards. The sketchbook, Campus at Shortland can be purchased at $7 ($7.50 if posted or charged to a credit card) and the greeting cards are sold as a set of six (including envelopes) at $3 ($3.50 if posted or charged to a credit card).

Available from the Convocation Officer (Extension 370) at Student Administration.

German Feature Films

German feature films A132 McMullin Building.

June 24, Rabenvater
July 22, Bockshorn
August 5, Karambolage

German Community Prize

Miss Elizabeth McMahon (above) an Arts II student from Farley, was the recipient of the German Community Prize for 1986.

The prize, awarded to the best German IS student, was presented to Miss McMahon by the Consul for the Federal Republic of Germany, Conrad Krüger, and the President of the Germania Club, Mr Langeboch, at a function at the Germania Club.
University loses a "gem"

Many University staff would probably agree with Mr Garney Dickman's mother.

Her words when Garney was born at Grafton were reportedly: 'What a little gem. I'll call him Garnet.' (It was in January and she used that month's birthstone.)

A friendly face, well-known right across the University, Garney will be missed after his retirement on July 1.

Mr Dickman's daily routine was changed to delivering, collecting and sorting mail and (one week in two) making the town run as a university "purier." At first, the Mail Room received two bags of mail on Mondays, so it was a far cry to the present input, around twenty-five.

His mail deliveries have taken him to all departments on a daily basis. 'I've counted a total of 684 steps on the circuit at Shortland.'

Remembered by some women staff because he did a nice fox trot at PSA social nights in the Union, he is an affable and obliging mailman and a very good listener.

'I've heard a lot of interesting stories over the last eighteen years. I'm a bit of a Father Confessor. However, I like the women on the campus and never tell any tales,' he said.

While it is very satisfying for a man like Garney to see many people every day, retirement will not cause any regrets.

'I will do the same as I do now, but will have time to enjoy it. I'm not going far away. I live near the University and like to relax every afternoon at Steel Works Golf Club,' he said.

Mr Dickman plans to return each Christmas for the party held in Maintenance. He has rights to attend, having been made an honorary life member by Mr W. Mahoney. He says he is 'still hoping' to receive honorary membership for the Physics party.

To honour Garney Dickman a farewell luncheon will be held. For details; Peter Myors, Purchasing Officer.

Trainee Computer Systems Officers

The Public Service Board has decided to introduce a new graduate recruitment campaign to be known as the Trainee Computer Systems Officer (TCSO) Campaign.

The campaign will be open to graduates from any discipline and will provide successful applicants the chance to train as CSO's.

Training will be for twelve months and will comprise both theory and in-house practical experience. At the end of the training period successful trainees will be promoted as CSO's.

The publicity material will be on campus as soon as possible and a closing date of July 31 has been set for applications. Selections will be made on the basis of academic results, an aptitude test (not the GAA test) and interviews.

The Careers and Appointments Office expects to have more details shortly.

 Longer hours plan for Sports Centre

Extension of the period in which the Auchmuty Sports Centre is open is being considered.

The proposal is for the centre to open at either 7 am or 7.30 am every week day.

If sufficient interest is expressed in an early opening time, it is proposed to have a trial to assess whether interest does, in fact, exist.

If you are interested in using the Auchmuty Sports Centre facilities on weekday mornings before 9 am, please fill out the sheet held by the attendant at the Sports Centre (or at the Sport & Recreation Office), indicating the number of mornings per week you would expect to use facilities and the opening time most convenient to you.
Grievance Advisers Selected

Following recommendations from the Advisory Committee on Equal Opportunity, grievance advisers have been appointed by Council to deal with alleged discrimination grievances.

Under the New South Wales anti-discrimination legislation, discrimination on the following grounds may form the basis of a grievance: sex, marital status, race, colour, nationality, ethnic or national origin, physical or intellectual impairment and homosexuality.

In addition, in accordance with university policy, the procedures cover discrimination on the grounds of religion, politics and age.

The University, whose grievance procedures are available to students and staff for the resolution of grievances on the specified grounds, takes a conciliatory approach, based on the use of internal equal opportunity grievance advisers as sources of information and referral.

Members of the University pictured on this page have been appointed. The EEO Unit is keen to have students appointed as advisers and any students interested should contact the unit.

If any member of the University staff, or students, feel that they need advice on any of the matters detailed, they are invited to contact an adviser.

Copies of the University's Anti-Discrimination Grievance Procedure have been circulated throughout the University. If you haven't received a copy, or would like further information, please contact the EEO Unit at 68 5317, 68 7380 or 68 7521.

A brochure on the procedures is currently being prepared and will be circulated widely when available.

- Susan James, Faculty of Medicine. Telephone: 685 327.
- Barry Hill, Mechanical Engineering. Telephone: 685 635.
The English Society has been revived this year, and an exciting programme of events has been organised.

One such event held recently Presenting Australia in Poetry to our Sister City, featured Dr Jean Talbot and Associate Professor Norman Talbot. They read a selection of the poetry which they will be presenting, over a series of evenings, to the people of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, as part of that city's Australia Week celebrations in July.

The poems were selected for their ability to sound like Australia to the rest of the world.

'Australian poetry is rarely heard overseas.' Professor Talbot said 'One good aspect of the sister city idea is that some (in the audience) may be caught, trapped, exhilarated by Australia and in particular, by Australian poetry.'

The first poem read, 'Thee Patriots All', reputedly written by a convict, proclaimed the virtues of a land which helped England rid itself of its miscreants. In fact, the poem was actually written by George Carter from Leicester, who had never been to Australia. Not unnaturally, this England/Australia theme recurred throughout the reading, from the early ballads of Botany Bay (most ably sung by Dr Talbot, with the audience joining in the chorus), to the telling John Shaw Nielsen poem, The Ballad of Remembrance, wherein the harshness and injustice of the English legal system is exposed.

Aboriginal poems were also featured. Of particular was The Two Sisters by the Northern Territory story-teller Manoowa, where the men stole the sisters' ritual sticks and songs, and the women were forever denied access to ritual and relegated to the tasks of food gathering and child bearing and rearing.

Yet another poem, Percy Mumbulla's Captain Cook, gave an Aboriginal perspective on the arrival of Captain Cook.

Several Hunter Valley poets and poems were featured as well, notably Wallaby Stew, which features the life of the family of an inmate of Maitland Gaol; and, of course, several of the works of Roland Robinson.
Other poets featured included Mary Gilmore (whose poem The Waradgery Tribe is a must for all those interested in the conflict between Aboriginal and white Australians), Henry Lawson, Adam Lindsay Gordon, Dorothea MacKellar, A.B. Paterson and Judith Wright.

Much laughter occurred during the reading of the Romeo and Juliet section of C.J. Dennis' The Sentimental Bloke, while other debunker of Australian myths (Nielsen's The Sundowner, Slessors' The Bushranger) equally met with the approval of the audience.

The penultimate poet featured was Gwen Harwood, one of the finest living poets of the English language. Her Oyster Core, which looks at the effect of the primarily English settlement of Tasmania on the Aboriginal population, was followed by Nightfall, featuring the loneliness of the non-Anglo-Celtic immigrant Professor Kröte.

To end this enjoyable and interesting evening, Professor Talbot read the prayer, recently presented to the Pope by the Aboriginal people of Alice Springs, wherein they ask for peace and understanding between the peoples of the earth.

amnesty international

The light that barbed wire can't stop

AN AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL group has been set up at this University.

Amnesty International is concerned with human rights and seeks to obtain the release of men and women detained anywhere for their beliefs, colour, sex, origin, language or religion. It opposes the death penalty and torture.

Mr David Begg, from Amnesty International, came to address the new on-campus group on June 1.

Anyone interested in joining the group, or just finding out about its activities, is welcome to attend the next meeting on June 15 in the Auchmuty Room.

Review

by: Dorrit Nesmith

Many works in the Absurdist tradition are a lot easier to enjoy than to understand.

Understanding often comes only after long and detailed study of the text and subtext of the written play. Enjoyment can be immediate, depending on the degree of skill with which the play is performed and the credibility of the actors portraying incredible characters in impossible situations.

The Drama Department's most recent lunch-hour offering was a thoroughly enjoyable student production of The Chairs by Eugene Ionesco, in the Green Room of the Great Hall. Patrick Perlstone was the eager idealist, anxious to present his world-saving 'great plan'; Rebecca Brandon was his wife, disciple, critic, supporter and partner. They reminisce, squabble and scheme as they prepare the unveiling of their work to an invited audience.

The audience members are the 'leftover stock from which good soup can be made', the vessels who will receive the great message through an Orator, and carry it outward into the world. As the audience arrives (are they invisible only to us, or mere shared fantasies of the frenetic couple?) we 'see' them and the reactions they engender in their hosts.

Realising that 'the further we go the deeper the rut', with their work finished and entrusted to the Orator, and carry it outward into the world. As the audience arrives (are they invisible only to us, or mere shared fantasies of the frenetic couple?) we 'see' them and the reactions they engender in their hosts.

Reaching the 'incomprehensible wordless garble'. Then he writes it: more meaningless sounds until, finally, he writes the word 'adieu'.

The play was acted in the (almost) round, with the actors frequently moving with their invisible guests among us, the visible audience, so that viewers were alternatively distanced from and involved in the action. It was a difficult balance for director Julie Hare to accomplish, but she succeeded, just as she succeeded in balancing energy and restraint in her actors.

Mr Perlstone and Ms Brandon were excellent. They each maintained a core of concentration upon which the various facets of their characterisations were displayed, and they each worked, clearly, from a well thought out understanding of the realities that must underlie absurdity.
Here for a year from Japan

New arrivals in the Japanese Section are Professor Hirohisa Ishida, from Nanzan University, and Professor Setsuki Ishida, from Nagoya University.

Here for a year, as visiting researchers, they are working on the development of reasoning ability as observed in the use of conditional sentences and relationships between motivation and the level of student performance in learning Japanese. They are seen with their daughter, Yuko.

Australian Institute of Welfare Officers meeting in Newcastle City Hall (No.3 Function Room) on Wednesday, June 24 at 7.30 pm

Guest Speaker: Dr Don Edgar, The Director of the Australian Institute of Family Studies, Melbourne.

Focus for the work of the Institute of Family Studies: Social Structure; Family Process; Family Law; Children in Families; Family Policies and Research Development.

There will be supper and opportunity to ask questions.

1987 — THE YEAR OF SHELTER FOR THE HOMELESS

Lecture on Greek Literature

The literature of the Greeks in Australia will be the subject of a public lecture on July 3.

Dr. George Kanarakis, Senior Lecturer in Communication and Liberal Studies at Mitchell College of Advanced Education, will deliver the lecture. One of the emphases will be writers who have lived in Newcastle.

The lecture will be held at the Library of Merewether High School, Chatham Road, Broadmeadow, at 7pm. Light refreshments will be served.

For further enquiries ring 57 1466.

Industrial Measurement

A one-day seminar in Room G01 in the Engineering Complex on June 26 will present an overview of methods for the measurement of objects at close-range.

The methods will include optical tooling techniques using surveying equipment, such as theodolites and lasers.

The seminar has been organised by the Department of Civil Engineering and Surveying with assistance from Wild Leitz (Australia) Pty. Ltd. and in co-operation with The Hunter Manning Group, The Institution of Surveyors, NSW, Inc.

For details please get in touch with Dr H.L. Mitchell, Extension 627.

Wool Corporation Awards

The Australian Wool Corporation is seeking applications from candidates for postgraduate scholarships and postgraduate awards.

Applications need to be submitted by July 11 for topics in the areas of distribution, economic, measurement and wool harvesting research; by July 31 for production research; and by September 30 for textile research.

Arrivals & Departures

Appointments

Mr Kenneth A. Bramble, General Library Assistant, Auchmuty Library.

Miss Ellen L. Fetterplace, Library Technician, Auchmuty Library.

Professor John F. Forbes, Professor of Surgical Oncology, Faculty of Medicine.

Mrs Danula Winterborn, Stenographer, Faculty of Medicine.

Resignations

Mrs Sandra L. Storck, Library Technician, Auchmuty Library.
Kendo Club is active

After a brief life of less than a year, University Kendo Club, is meeting twice a week in the Auchmuty Sports Centre and holding training sessions followed by bouts.

Club President, Mr Don Millar, an Arts IV student, said the twenty full members of the club had reached various levels of competency in Kendo.

Mr Millar himself is now rated above Shodan level and is a qualified trainer.

The National Kendo championships were held recently in Cowra to mark the 25th anniversary of the establishment of the Gardens on the site of the Japanese prisoner-of-war camp.

Nakakura, highest ranking Kendo exponent in Japan, attended the championships.

A team from University Club (Mr Millar, Messrs Chris Roberts and Terry Gamlin) participated.

In the individual contests, each of them won one and lost one.

Mr Millar reached a higher proficiency grading (second Dan) and was selected in the Australian B team which competed successfully against the New Zealand B team (Australia ten, New Zealand two).

He said he was struck by Nakakura's absolutely awesome ability at Kendo. Although seventy-six years old, he made other participants seem incompetent.

The Sports Union has approved a Kendo Club recommendation that the University act as host to the first Kendo Inter-varsity Contest in August.

Cheaper to publish in CDROM

There is hope on the horizon for all those library users fatigued by the use of microform readers or concerned at the cost of computerised literature searches.

A new technology — CDROM (Compact Disk-Read Only Memory) — seems likely to revolutionise the economics of the mass storage of information.

CDROM is a new type of information format. It is based on the use of pre-recorded optical disks which are 'played' by drives attached to a PC. The PC uses thin laser beams to read the data.

A five-and-three quarter inch optical disk can store 550 megabytes — the equivalent of more than 200,000 pages of typed information. For fifty or more copies, it is now cheaper to publish in CDROM format than microfiche. Libraries can also purchase their high use bibliographic databases on CDROM and provide unlimited access to staff and students at a fixed cost.

The library will be the venue for a demonstration of CDROM technology on Tuesday, June 16.

The Australian Laser Disks Information Services Pty. Ltd. will display the full text of the twenty-volume Grolier Encyclopaedia on a single CDROM disk.

Bibliographic databases of interest include ERIC, Psyclit (Psychological Abstracts 1974-1987) and OSH-ROM (Occupational Health and Safety Information). The presentation has been organised by the Hunter Regional Group of the Library Association.

Staff and students wishing to attend should meet in the library foyer at 2 pm.

Edwards Hall Post

Former New Zealand Army Stores Warrant Officer, Mr John Sayers, has taken up an appointment as Manager of Edwards Hall.

Mr Sayers is no stranger to Newcastle higher education institutions, having been Stores Officer at Newcastle CAE for more than a year before beginning duties at the University's hall of residence.

At Edwards Hall, he assists the Warden with administration and budgeting and has control of conference accommodation.

Those who need rooms for visitors to the campus can telephone him at 67 2644.

Mr Sayers spent twenty years in the New Zealand Army. This included a two-year appointment in Singapore.

• Our photograph from Cowra shows (from left) Chris Roberts, Don Millar, Nakakura, Nakakura’s assistant, Nagashima, and Terry Gamlin.

• Mr Sayers
Metropolitans I-V play in golf final

The Drummond Cup, the trophy for the Australian Inter-Varsity Golf contest, was won in Newcastle by the University of New South Wales.

University of New South Wales defeated the University of Sydney, the previous Drummond Cup holders, by four matches to three.

The University of Newcastle Golf Club was host to a very successful golf competition, teams from seven universities participating.

While once again reaching the semi-finals, Newcastle University was beaten four to three by New South Wales. In the other semi-final, Sydney defeated the University of New England by the same margin (congratulations to the New South Wales team who were worthy winners of a very close competition).

The thirty-six hole individual championship was won by Andrew Kirby, of Melbourne University, with 159. Craig Ninness, of Newcastle, was runner-up with 160.

The following Combined Universities team was selected from all the students who competed: R. Bush (Sydney), P. Bowden (Newcastle), A. Pike (New South Wales), M. Archinal (Sydney), R. Matters (Macquarie), A. Kirby and J. Hannebury (Melbourne). Reserve, R. Wallace (Macquarie).

As the players from Melbourne and Macquarie Universities were not available A. Southward (Contest Convenor), K. Driver (Official Starter), I. Pike (Sydney) and R. Cleal (Newcastle) made up the rest of the side for a match against the Newcastle District team. Newcastle District defeated the universities team four-and-a half to two-and-a-half but it was a very creditable performance against some of the best golfers in the district.

The Executive of the Golf Club would like to thank the following for all their help in organising and running the competition:

- The Sports Union Executive and members of the Sport & Recreation Department, the Newcastle District Golf Association, Nelson Bay, Newcastle, Muree, Toukley, Belmont Steelworks Golf Clubs, the Onya Clothing Company, Golf City Discounts and all members of the University Golf Club who assisted during the week.

Paul Rippon, University Golf Club.

AMALGAMATION MOVE AFTER THE ELECTION

MR LES WALLIS claimed at the Staff Association meeting on June 10 that it was the view of the CTEC Chairman, Mr Hudson, that if the Labor Government was re-elected amalgamations in Newcastle and Armidale would be "on with a vengeance".

The Secretary of the Federation of Australian University Staff Associations, speaking on the chief issues FAUSA is dealing with, said cuts in funding had impinged on all aspects of higher education and the crisis was not about to go away.

'It is surprising to have to admit that we should be grateful for the Fraser years when cuts were far less severe than those carried out by the present government,' he said.

'The Report of the Committee to Review Efficiency and Effectiveness in Higher Education had set out all the cuts and pointed to a twenty-five per cent increase in students, a sixteen per cent increase in staff but only an eight per cent increase in real funding for universities.

'It seems the better the system runs the more it gets battered over the head,' Mr Wallis said.

Some of the other points made by the FAUSA Secretary to academic staff:

- The line between universities and colleges was becoming blurred on account of people in institutes and colleges seeking access to research funds and university entitlements, and people in Canberra wanting to level things down and get more out of the system.

- The report of the committee to review law schools in Australia would favour a concentration of university research and identify the so-called strong universities.

- In the future the training of PhD scholars might be more concentrated than it was now, with training being stopped at some universities and some academics doing just research.

- Registration of the Association of Australian University Staff (AAUS) had preceded the serving of a log of claims on all Australian universities, and academics were now close to having a federal award.

Mr Wallis' last words on amalgamation:

'We might not be able to stop it. FAUSA must provide protection for members on the campus, and their conditions.'
A man recognised as one of the United States' most distinguished medical educators will deliver the Inaugural David Maddison Lecture.

Professor Edmund Pellegrino, Director of the Kennedy Institute of Ethics and the John Carroll Professor of Medicine and Medical Humanities at Georgetown University, Washington DC, will give the lecture on October 12 in the Newcastle City Hall.

The David Maddison Lecture, in honour of the late Foundation Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, will be centrepiece of a two-day conference Ethics and the Allocation of Health Resources.

Professor David Maddison, formerly Dean of the Medical School and Professor of Psychiatry at the University of Sydney, was internationally recognised as a leader in the fields of medical education and the place of medicine in society.

Professor Pellegrino's curriculum vitae reflects a long and outstanding career in medicine and philosophy, beginning with his graduation as a doctor in New York in 1944.

From 1978 to 1982 he was President and Professor of Philosophy and Biology at the Catholic University of America. He is author of Humanism and the Physician and co-author of A Philosophical Basis of Medical Practice. He is the founding editor of Journal of Medicine and Philosophy and has authored approximately 350 publications in scientific research, medical education and philosophy. He is the recipient of thirty-two honorary doctoral degrees and numerous other awards.

The lecture and the bioethics conference will address the question often asked by people concerned about public health: given that resources for improving health are not unlimited, how do we make decisions about priorities?

The first objective is to provide a clear understanding of how and why health resources are allocated.

The second objective is to provide an occasion on which people can gather together to form networks for action, and to provide a springboard from which community initiatives for health can be launched.

The conference will be held at the David Maddison Clinical Sciences Building.

For more information please telephone Extension 612.

Auchmuty Library Display

Louis XIV and his France is the subject of a display currently featured in the foyer of the Library.

The display includes books, graphic material and posters relating to Moliere and a fascinating set of some two hundred or so slides covering all aspects of the Sun King's life and times, which is on loan from the French Embassy, Canberra. The Embassy also generously lent the Library a large number of photographs pertaining to Moliere and his plays for use in the display.

The display will be mounted until July 17.

June 12
Deadline
CONFIRMATION OF ENROLMENT

Forms have now been mailed to all students (including non-degree and postgraduate students).

These forms are to:
* Check and confirm your name and address
* Verify the accuracy of your program of study
* Ensure that exam seats will be provided for you for all your exams

Please check the information carefully

Confirmation of Enrolment forms must be returned to Student Administration by

June 12
REVIEW
by: Dorrit Nesmith

THE UNIVERSITY has both an involvement and an interest in the Hunter Valley Theatre Company's new production Master Class: Drama Professor Victor Emeljanow is the HVTC's guest director, and Drama tutor David Berthold one of his actors. Master Class dramatises an actual confrontation in 1948 between Josef Stalin, his Comissar of Culture, Zhdanov, and the USSR's two greatest living composers, Shostakovich and Prokofiev.

Although the play is absorbing, it is somehow less than satisfying dramatically, possibly because there is no protagonist with whom the audience can wish to identify. Although violent passions are portrayed, they never cross the stage space is well used, and a simple and the bleakness of a Kremlin setting. (In a Moscow February, though, don't people wear more than just business suits?) Director Emeljanow has, interestingly, used a variety of accents to indicate the ethnic diversity of his characters: Stalin's thickened consonants suggest his Georgian peasant origins; Shostakovich's bourgeois background produces a bland, indeterminate style of speech; the sophisticated world-travellers, Prokofiev uses distinctly plummy salon-style mannerisms; and Zhdanov's delivery and idiom are broadly Ocker — a nice translation for everyday workingman Russian.

Master Class will be at The Civic Playhouse until June 27.

National Committee for Psychology

The Academy of Sciences in Canberra has recently established a National Committee for Psychology as part of its function of representing Australia on international scientific bodies.

It is the twentieth committee established by the Academy for scientific disciplines recognised by the International Council of Scientific Unions.

Each committee has two major responsibilities.

Firstly, it is to maintain liaison with scientific bodies in other countries through the relevant international scientific union. In the case of psychology, the International Union of Psychological Science is the appropriate body.

Secondly, the National Committee must facilitate the further development of the science in Australia. A further responsibility relates to the maintenance of the highest standards of methodology in the discipline.

The establishment of the Committee for Psychology at this time is particularly appropriate in that the International Union of Psychological Science will be holding its twenty-fourth Congress in Sydney in 1988. These congresses are normally held every four years. The new committee will assist in ensuring the success of this congress.

The Chairman will be elected at the first meeting on June 23 of this year.

NEW COURSE IN MATERIALS ENGINEERING FOR 1988

THE MATERIALS SECTION of the Department of Chemical and Materials Engineering has just issued a press release to introduce the new engineering degree in Materials Engineering. Enrolments will be taken for the first time in 1988 and, subject to the degree requirements, may be made into first or second year of the degree programme.

Speaking for the section, Dr David Browne stated that the technology of materials, that is metals, ceramics, plastics and their combinations in the form of composites, is recognised as one of the key areas for improving Australian competitiveness in international markets. The degree in Materials Engineering was being introduced in response to this and is expected to produce engineers with expertise in the science and technology of materials and who are able to use this expertise to solve engineering problems.

Roughly half the course is composed of subjects from the present Mechanical and Chemical Engineering courses at Newcastle University. The other half is made up of new subjects concerned with the science and technology of materials. The course puts some emphasis on high technology materials and recent Australian progress in such areas. As a result, graduates will have up-to-date knowledge of recent developments in materials technology.

There is an unusually wide spectrum in the choice of career paths available to the professional Materials Engineer. Examples are research and development into advanced materials, supervising the fabrication and processing of materials, working as the materials specialist on a product design team or self-employed as a consultant in Materials Selection.
Advertisements

For Sale

1971 VW Beetle in excellent condition (registered until May, 1988), $3,200 or near offer. Telephone 611 6240 after hours.

1985 Ford Telstar in immaculate condition with long registration, NFX988 (deceased estate), $10,000. Telephone 377771.

1975 Toyota Corona Mark II six cylinder sedan with power steering in very good condition (nine months registration, HRH313), $2,800 or near offer. Telephone 26 1102.

VW 1600 cream with red upholstery sedan in top condition with six months registration, $2,000. Telephone 21 708.

1976 Ford Telstar in excellent condition (registered until September, 1988), $3,200 or near offer. Telephone 611 6240 after hours.

The Sport & Recreation Department wishes to sell the following items of equipment: Supine bench press (wide supports - adjusts into seated incline bench); adjustable seated incline bench (narrow supports, chromed); standing incline bench; hack squat machine; two flat benches; weight and dumbell rack; vibro belt massager (without belt); two pulley rowing machines (homegym); pipe squat rack; universal real runner; two Toller Bay (two person sailing) canoes and a pottery oven. (Some of the items may already be sold.) Offers for the equipment, describing the desired item should be forwarded to The Sport & Recreation Officer, Sport & Recreation Department.

Persons interested should contact the Attendant at the Auchmuty Sports Centre and request to inspect the item. All equipment will be sold in 'as is' condition.

Position Wanted — Typing

Professional typist with electronic typewriter (right and left justification) would like to type theses, reports or occasional papers at very reasonable rates. Telephone 82 8905.

Diary of Events

Tuesday, June 16, 12.50 pm
Lunchtime concert in the Union Courtyard featuring The Rats.

7 to 10 pm
Entertainment in the Bar featuring Grand Slam. Admission free.

Wednesday, June 17, Noon
Department of Geology seminar. Guest speaker: Professor Antonio Arribas, Department of Geology and Mineralogy, University of Salamanca, Spain. Venue: Room CG04, Geology Building.

Thursday, June 18, Noon
Movie: Falling in Love in the Common Room. Donation 50 cents.

12.30 pm

2 pm
Department of Sociology seminar entitled Habermas and the Rationality Problematic: A Critical Review. Guest speaker: Dr Raoul Pertierra, Sociology Department, University of New South Wales.

Friday, June 19, 1 pm
Film Buff's Club: The Dangling Participle (satire — fragments from sex education films re-edited and re-recorded). The Curse of the Cat People.

Monday, June 22, Noon
Department of Geology seminar entitled The Lithosphere beneath the trans antarctic Mountains as deduced from xenoliths in McMurdo volcanics from the Ross Sea embayment. Guest speaker: Dr John Gamble, Department of Geology, University of Wellington, New Zealand. Venue: CG04, Geology Building.

Tuesday, June 23, 12.50 pm
Lunchtime concert in the Union Courtyard featuring The Layabouts.

7 to 10 pm
Entertainment in the Bar featuring The Layabouts (if you missed them at lunchtime be sure to catch them now).

Wednesday, June 24, Noon
German feature film — Rabenvater in A132 Audio-visual room, McMullin Building.

Thursday, June 25, Noon
Movie: Harold and Maude (magnificent black comedy of the 60s — now considered a cult film) in the Common Room. Donation: 50 cents.

Friday, June 26, Noon
Film Buff's Club Werner Herzog Eats His Shoe, plus The Emperor Jones, in the Common Room. Admission free.

VICE-CHANCELLOR'S

INAUGURAL LECTURE

Topic:

A VIEW OF THE UNIVERSITY

JULY 1, 5.30 PM

Venue:

DRAMA THEATRE

Refreshments will be served after the Lecture.

For further information contact the Convocation Officer at Extension 370.