NEW DEPUTY CHANCELLOR

A noted jurist has been elected as the University's new Deputy Chancellor.

The Honourable Mr Justice Michael Kirby, a Federal Judge, Chairman of the Australian Law Reform Commission and a specialist in matters of industrial law, was elected to the position by the Council on July 21.

The Deputy Chancellor is elected annually.

Aged 39, Mr Justice Kirby was educated at Fort Street Boys' High School and the University of Sydney, from which he graduated with the degrees of B.A., B.Ec. and LL.B. with First Class Honours. He was admitted to the N.S.W. Bar at 28. At 35 he was appointed to the bench of the Conciliation and Arbitration Commission.

Mr Justice Kirby, one of the members of the Council appointed by the Governor, succeeds Dr Frank Purdue.

Expressing the Council's gratitude to Dr Purdue for his contribution as Deputy Chancellor, the Chancellor stated that Dr. Purdue had served the Council and the city with great distinction. The Council supported the Chancellor with acclamation.

STUDENT MEMBER OF COUNCIL

Notices have been issued for two elections involving the student membership of the Council.

One is to fill the casual vacancy created by Mr W. Schultz ceasing to be a student at the University and as a result becoming no longer eligible to be a Council member. The person elected to fill this vacancy will hold office for the remainder of 1978 when Mr Schultz's term of office was due to expire.

The second election is that which would have been held in any event to find the successor to Mr Schultz as the student member of Council for the period 1st January, 1979, to 31st December, 1980.

Nominations for both elections are being sent out at the same time to all students in order to save the expense of postage ($200 x 20¢).

In the case of the casual vacancy nominations will close on 16th August, 1978, with the election taking place on 13th and 14th September, 1978.

As regards the other election, nominations will close on 23rd August, 1978, and the election will be held on 20th and 21st September, 1978.

NEW DIRECTOR FOR CHILD CARE CENTRE

The appointment has been announced of Miss Jan Duffie B.A. (Queensland), M.Ed. (Alberta) as Director of the Child Care Centre in succession to Mrs Cathie Bartholomew.

After training as a primary teacher at Kelvin Grove Teachers' College, Brisbane, Miss Duffie taught for some years in schools of the Queensland Department of Education, particularly at the infant level.

She undertook further studies at the University of Queensland, graduating Bachelor of Arts in 1975, and then proceeded to the University of Alberta in Canada, where she completed the course for the degree of Master of Education with a speciality in Early Childhood Education.

DEBATE ON THE AIR

One of the debates staged at the university on July 7, when teams from Newcastle, Cambridge and Glasgow Universities competed in a highly entertaining manner, will be broadcast on 2NUR-FM.

That Groucho Is Preferable to Karl was the topic debated in the session in which the opponents were the University of Glasgow and the University of Newcastle.

The tape of this verbal exchange will be played on the university's radio station (103.9MHz) on August 10 at 9 p.m.
SOLDIER COMMISSIONED

A soldier of the University of Newcastle Company of the University of New South Wales Regiment received his Queen's Commission in a ceremony at the Regiment's Headquarters in Kensington recently.

Second Lieutenant Peter Cousins is, in civil life, a professional accountant and an internal auditor with Elcom Collieries in Newcastle.

Lieutenant Cousins was presented with his Commission by the Commanding Officer of the Regiment, Lieutenant Colonel Alex MacGregor, Military Cross. Both Officers are Vietnam veterans.

Following Commissioning, Lieutenant Cousins was posted to the Second Battalion, The Royal New South Wales Regiment, at Hamilton.

ENQUIRY INTO TEACHER EDUCATION

Emeritus Professor James Auchmuty, the first Vice-Chancellor of this university (1965 to 1974), is to be Chairman of a national inquiry into teacher education including the oversupply of teachers.

Professor Auchmuty's appointment to this important position was announced by the Minister for Education, Senator the Hon. J.J. Carrick on July 13.

The Newcastle Morning Herald and Newcastle Sun reports quoted Senator Carrick as follows:

"The inquiry will cover whether teacher education courses are adequate, specialised teaching roles and whether the needs of the ethnic and Aboriginal communities are being met."

Senator Carrick said all State Governments had agreed to cooperate and would establish working parties. The full membership of the 14-member national committee would be announced shortly. A final report was expected in the second half of 1979, he said.

THE UNION

The Board of Management at its meeting on July 24 resolved that the Union would not seek any increase in students fees in 1979. This will be the second consecutive year in which no increase has been requested. Mr Max Stamford was elected to fill a vacancy on the Catering Committee.

On the recommendation of the Catering Committee the Board approved the resumption of Saturday trading by the Union, just during Third Term this year.

The hours of trading on Saturdays will be 11.30 a.m. to 2.30 p.m. The Board will make a decision concerning 1979 as a result of the trial.

Stan's Bar will be opened on Saturdays from noon to 2 p.m. during the period of University examinations (starting November 4).

Hours of trading during the August vacation:

Union buildings 9 a.m. to 6.30 p.m., Monday to Friday

Cafeteria - lunch noon to 1.30 p.m., lunch, coffee and sandwiches 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., light dinner - 4.30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Common Room Servery 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Stan's Bar noon to 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Stationery Shop 9 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.

Gift Shop 9 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.

Bank agency 9 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.

The AUS Pharmacy noon to 2 p.m. on Mondays and Fridays only.

The office formerly occupied by Student Counsellor, Mr P. Bamford, has been allocated to student members of the University Council and the Senate for the remainder of this year. Stephen Date, Barry Marsh and Kerry Ryan have accepted the Board's offer to make the office available.

They are available for consultation on the following days:

Mondays - Kerry Ryan
Tuesdays - Stephen Date
Fridays - Barry Marsh.

PHILOSOPHY CLUB

Professor Laughlan Chipman, Professor of Philosophy at Wollongong University, will present a paper entitled Art and the Mind on August 4.

Professor Chipman's paper will deal with the problems of aesthetic concepts and refer to, among others, Croce's views. It will not presuppose any background knowledge and will be of interest to students of philosophy, literature, art, etc. As usual, wine and snacks form a small admission charge.

Time: Friday, 4th August, 8 p.m. (open from 7.30)
Place: Union, Auchmuty Room.

SYMPOSIUM

Newcastle Section of the Royal Australian Chemical Institute is sponsoring a one-day symposium entitled Environmental Problems: Newcastle and Hunter Regions on August 30.

The topics to be considered and the speakers are:

Environmental Legislation in New South Wales - How it affects Newcastle and the Hunter Region, Mr Alan C. Campbell, Regional Coordinator, State Pollution Control Commission, Newcastle;

Aspects of Pollution Control and Rehabilitation on the Maitland and Coalfields, Mr David Greenhalgh, Manager Aberdare East Colliery, and Mr Nelson Leggett, Chief Chemist, Coal and Allied Industries Limited;

Occupational Health, Mr A. Trevor Jones, Officer in Charge, Industrial Hygiene Branch, Division of Occupational Health and Radiation Control Health Commission of New South Wales;

Agriculture and the Environment, Mr T. Harley Johns, Director of Pesticides and Environmental Studies, New South Wales, Department of Agriculture.

The symposium will be held in the Basin Theatre. The programme will begin at 2 p.m. and conclude at approximately 8 p.m. The registration fee of $20 ($10 for students) includes coffee, lunch and a bound version of the symposium papers.

For further information and registration forms, contact Dr Bruce Kennedy of the Department of Chemistry (Ext. 458), or the Section Secretary, Dr John Mathieson (512444).

SPECIAL MATHEMATICS DAY

Responses to invitations to attend the Faculty of Mathematics Special Mathematics Day for Year 11 students of regional secondary schools on August 22 are coming in at a fast rate.

The purpose of the special day is fourfold:

To present interested Year 11 Mathematics students with an opportunity to learn more about career opportunities in mathematics, to show a typical degree structure for Mathematics study in the University, to provide an insight into the directions in which higher mathematics develops (both real world applications and the development of ideas) and to acquaint them with the Faculty's existing computing facilities.

Arrangements have been made by Dr Roger Eggleton, of the Department of Mathematics, on behalf of the Mathematics Section, and the Hunter Region Secondary Mathematics Syllabus Committee, Mr Kel Ward, Regional Mathematics Adviser for the Department of Education, is coordinating the applications from the schools. He can be contacted at Morisset High School.
NEWS FROM THE COUNCIL

Ald. A. Morris, Professor M. Carter and Mr R. Harden were welcomed by the Chancellor when they attended their first meeting of the Council since the announcement of their election as members.

The Vice-Chancellor informed Council that under 1500 applications had been received for admission as students of the Faculty of Medicine in 1979.

Council was advised that the Board of the University of Newcastle Research Associates Ltd. (TUNRA) had approved a donation of $20,000 for embellishments to the Great Hall.

The Visitor, His Excellency the Governor of New South Wales, Sir Roden Cutler, will visit University on September 29. It will hold its next meeting on the same day.

Council was advised that the space problem in the Biological Sciences building had been alleviated somewhat by the transfer of one staff member and his associated research staff and students to a laboratory and offices in the Medical Sciences Building.

A schedule of University term dates for 1979 was approved. First term, lasting 10 weeks, will begin on March 5 and end on May 22. Second Term, also 10 weeks, will begin on June 4 and end on August 11. Third Term, which will be only nine weeks, will run from September 3 to November 3.

Five candidates were admitted to higher degrees. They are: Doctor of Philosophy: Ramamurthy Ramanathan (Department of Metallurgy), thesis title The Thermodynamic Properties of Interstitial Solid Solutions. Master of Science: Bruce Kevin Rowley (Department of Geology), thesis title, The Petrochemical Significance of Silver in Some Galenas from NSW.

Council was informed that work on the air conditioning of the Language Laboratories was now complete. Work on the construction of the temporary maintenance workshop adjacent to the Auchmuty Library was proceeding satisfactorily, although it has been intermittently delayed by rain. The walls had been completed and the roof structure was being erected. The adjusted contract completion date was now July 28.

The Briefing Committee for the University's central Animal House had been reactivated to enable the University to act quickly should any funds become available for this urgently required facility. It is proposed to develop the scheme to an advanced design stage using the Planner's Division staff as far as possible.

A small subcommittee of the Sports Union is giving consideration to the need for additional facilities to be erected at the Auchmuty Sports Centre. The subcommittee met with officers of the University and it was agreed that a fully documented financial appraisal was necessary before further consideration could be given to the possible extension of the building.

REVIVAL PLAN WORKS

Economics and Commerce students have been successful with their efforts to revivify NUSEC - Newcastle University Society of Economics and Commerce Students. Well-remembered as an energetic effort to revivify and effective student society, NUSEC was dissolved in 1975. The society has recently been refounded with Economics and Commerce III student Chris Rapp as President, John Blishen as Vice-President, Neale Blackwell as Secretary and Valdis Rubenis as Treasurer.

Mr Rapp says that wider representation has been attained in consequence of amendments to the society's constitution which admit honours and postgraduate students.


While submitting a report of the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Edwards Hall regarding the activities at the Hall during 1977 to the Council, the Finance and Personnel Committee noted with approval and satisfaction the time given by the Board to the affairs of Edwards Hall and expressed its appreciation of the special efforts of the Chairman, Mr Alec Forsythe.

Council made a number of changes to the membership of its Standing Committees. Mr M. Edmonds was elected as a member of the Finance and Personnel Committee. Professor Carter, Alderman Morris and Mr Harden were elected as members of the Buildings and Grounds Committee. Professor Carter was elected to the Honorary Degrees Committee. Professor Carter and Alderman J. Cummings were elected as members of the Appeals Committee.

Mr A. Roden was elected to the Academic Exclusion Appeals Committee. Professor Relf was elected as a member of the Board of Trustees of Edwards Hall. Alderman Morris was elected as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Community Child Care Centre, while Mr Date stepped down. Alderman Morris and Alderman Cummings were elected as members of the Board of Community Programmes while Mr Date stepped down. Mr Harden agreed to serve as a member of both the Board of the Institute of Industrial Economics and the Board of Directors of TUNRA.

NUSEC intends primarily to promote social and academic interaction amongst students and amongst students and staff and to provide a bridge between the Department of Economics and the Department of Commerce. The Executive is presently making plans for a social function to be held later this year.

Students interested in joining NUSEC should leave their names with the Faculty Secretary, Mr Frank Hawkins, Ext. 565.
MR EDMONDS TO RESIGN AS PSA SECRETARY

It is with considerable regret that I have to announce the resignation of Mr M.E. Edmonds as Secretary of the University Subdivision of the Public Service Association of NSW as a result of his election to the Finance and Personnel Committee of the University Council.

Mr Edmonds has been Secretary of this subdivision since December, 1969, and, as members are aware, has been a particularly capable and conscientious officer.

After full consideration of his appointment to the Finance and Personnel Committee he considers that he could best serve the non-academic staff of the University by serving on the Council and the Finance and Personnel Committee without holding his position as Secretary of the Management Committee of our Subdivision.

To enable the Subdivision to elect a replacement Secretary prior to the annual elections, he had tendered his resignation as Secretary of the Subdivision effective from August 23.

The Management Committee on July 24 decided to call nominations from members of the Subdivision for election as Secretary to replace Mr Edmonds. Nominations are open and close on August 10. A nomination should be seconded by another PSA member and indicate that the candidate agrees to be nominated. Nominations should be sent to Mr J.W. Armstrong, Assistant Secretary, C/- the Secretary's Division.

A general meeting of members of the Subdivision will be held in Lecture Theatre B01 on August 23 at 12.30 p.m. to hear a report on nominations and hopefully elect a new Secretary.

Dr D. Kay
Chairman
University of Newcastle
Subdivision of the PSA

“IDLE THOUGHTS OF AN IDLE FELLOW”

Tickets are still available for the 1978 History Club dinner to be held in the University Staff House on Friday, August 4, at 7 p.m. Tickets, which must be purchased before Wednesday, August 2, can be obtained from Carol Bacchi, Room ALS17A, Ext. 264. All inclusive cost is $7.50 for members and $9.00 for non-members.

UNIVERSITY GIVES CREDIT

Officers of the Staff Credit Union have said 'thank you' to the Vice-Chancellor for making available new office accommodation in Temporary Office U16. The opportunity has been taken to use a small surplus of Credit Union funds to provide furnishings for the new office. Helen Arends has been appointed office assistant, replacing Marilyn Knight, who is moving to Canberra to live. The office is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10.30 a.m. to 2.30 p.m.

Professor G.A. Cranfield, who relinquished the headship of the Department of History, will give an after-dinner talk entitled ‘Idle Thoughts of an Idle Fellow’, which will deal with the changes he has observed in Newcastle and the University over the past 20 years. All of Professor Cranfield's students, colleagues and friends are invited to attend.

The Credit Union is open to all employees of the University, Newcastle College of Advanced Education and the University Union.

Savings earn 6½ percent. Loans of up to $2000 are available to staff and the interest charge is 1.333 percent on the monthly balance - less than Bankcard and bank finance. Savings deposits and loan repayments may be made by means of salary deductions.

Loans made since the Staff Credit Union was formed early in the 1970s have passed the $650,000 mark and membership now exceeds 470.
ADDITIONAL PARKING FOR  BICYCLES TO BE PROVIDED

Following consideration of a report by the University Planner, the Traffic and Parking Committee recommended to the Vice-Chancellor that the University proceed with the construction of a number of additional bicycle racks in various locations adjacent to academic buildings. The Vice-Chancellor has agreed to this proposal and has made funds available to permit the construction of bicycle racks similar to that already provided near the corner of the Mathematics/Classroom Building.

Each location will initially provide for 10 bicycles and will enable students to chain the frame of their bicycle to the pipe supports for security.

The locations of the proposed bicycle racks as shown on the plan have been selected to provide reasonable convenience for the cycle users taking into account existing physical constraints, while endeavouring to minimise the possible conflict between cyclists and pedestrians using the same paths. As far as possible the bicycle racks will be located on the Ring Road side of buildings and cyclists are requested to avoid using the inner pedestrian pathway system.

To reach two of the new cycle racks it will be necessary for cyclists to use the major pedestrian pathways leading from the No. 1 and No. 2 Car Parks, as is the case with the existing cycle rack at the corner of the Mathematics/Classroom Building. Cyclists are requested in these instances to wheel their cycles along the pedestrian way to avoid possible accidents with pedestrians.

Smoother Traffic Flow

The Traffic and Parking Committee, which is made up of two representatives each from the student body, the academic staff and non-academic staff (under the chairmanship of the Vice-Principal, Professor A.D. Tweedie), advises the Vice-Chancellor on the implementation of the University traffic regulations and associated matters.

The Committee discusses a wide range of matters of concern to users of the University site, and has drawn attention to a variety of ways in which we can all assist the orderly movement of traffic and convenience of users of the University site. Some of these are:

- Except where rear to kerb parking is signposted (as in the section of ring road immediately below the Library), drivers should park with the front of the vehicle to the kerb. This avoids the risk to other users from towbars or exhaust pipes projecting from the rear of vehicles across pathways, which are provided immediately behind the kerb in many locations.
- Visitors and members of the University arriving at the University site by taxi, or being driven by friends, should use the set down bay near the main directory board on the entrance driveway, rather than at the head of the driveway, where the vehicle impedes the safe movement of other vehicles on the University site. A request has been made to the Newcastle Taxi Service to use this set down bay unless specifically directed to a particular building by the traveller.
- With the construction of the new left hand turn lane of Rankin Drive, two lines of traffic can now enter the University at the same time. While this minimises delays for vehicles waiting in Rankin Drive to turn right into the University, it is essential for safety reasons for both lines of vehicles to remain within the lane allotted to them. An unbroken centreline has been painted on the main entrance driveway up to the pedestrian gate immediately beyond the main entrance gates. Lane changing should be delayed until the driver is beyond the pedestrian crossing. Here it is safe for the driver to change lanes, so long as normal courtesy is extended by other road users.
- With the construction of additional parking in the area north of the Metallurgy Building, there is ample parking space on the campus for present users. However, some drivers still park on road verges causing damage to the ground surfaces and possible damage to underground services. All users of the University site are requested to park only in established parking areas.
FILM FESTIVAL RETURNS IN SEPTEMBER

Films to be screened by the Travelling Film Festival when it makes its annual visit to Newcastle in September include new films by Spanish masters Luis Bunuel and Carlos Saura. The selection of six features and several short films also includes a Cuban film, two from West Germany and an Italian film.

The dates of the Travelling Film Festival's screenings in Newcastle are September 8, 9 and 10 and, once again, the films will be shown in the Civic Theatre.

The films were first screened at the Sydney Film Festival last year and have made some considerable strides in the world film circuit. The films selected for this year's festival are:

- Father My Master (Director Wim Wenders - West Germany and France)
- The Last Supper (Director Bernardo Tarras - Spain)
- Obscure Object of Desire (Director Luis Bunuel - Spain)
- Welcome to L.A. (Director Brian De Palma - USA)
- The American Friend (Director Bernardo Tarras - Italy)
- Father Cible (Director Mehdi Charef - France)

The travelling film festival is popular with audiences in new places. The Travelling Film Festival in Newcastle last year.

The teams successful in the grand final matches:
- B2 grade - D. Evans, C. Boswell, L. Martin & G. Wood
- A5 grade - A. Williams, A. Nymeyer, K. Black, P. Sokolowski, J. Garoway & P. Johns

Congratulations to the above players and committees on reaching the final three matches. The performances of these three teams have been quite remarkable. They all started in the lower E grades having had no competition experience and, despite their rapid rise through the grades, they still managed to reach the final round in their respective grades.

The Spring squash competition begins next week, with a record number of teams being entered. University Squash Club - 35, which is six more than last month. The rapid increase is just a reflection of the rapid growth of squash, presently the fastest growing sport in Australia.

Inter-University squash this year is being held at Monash University during the first week of vacation and the Squash Club is sending a men's and women's team to the contest. Sunday squash coaching services will recommence on Sunday, July 30, until the end of third term. It will be 9 a.m. to 12 on two courts and the grades will be scheduled for Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday.

The programme: Friday night, September 8 - That Obscure Object of Desire and My Father My Master (Directors Paolo and Vittorio Taviani - Italy)
Saturday afternoon, September 9 - Eliza, My Love
Saturday night - The American Friend (Director Bernardo Tarras - West Germany and France)
Sunday afternoon, September 10 - The Last Supper (Director Bernardo Tarras - Cuba)
Sunday night - The Baker's Bread (Director Erwin Keuscher - West Germany)

The Travelling Film Festival has included Newcastle in its itinerary every year since 1975. It has been extremely popular, you are advised to book early to avoid disappointment.

Annual Travelling Film Festival tours, celebrated its 25th Anniversary. It has become recognized as one of the top non-competitive film festivals in the world.

As a result of the efforts of the Sydney Film Festival Board, the Travelling Film Festival is providing a chance for film buffs in centres outside Sydney to get together and see what is being produced in other countries. It had been hoped to include such interesting films from the Sydney Film Festival as Welcome to L.A., the American film starring Keith Carradine and Sally Kellerman, and Alain Resnais' Providence, which stars Dirk Bogarde, but they have been withdrawn because they are to be distributed commercially.

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The annual event at which you spend a most enjoyable evening consuming German food and beer (wine or soft drinks, if you prefer) and, if you wish, sing German songs and dance German folk dances under the expert guidance of Heinz Duewill will be held this year in Edwards Hall on Saturday, September 23, commencing at 7.30 p.m.

This year's Oktoberfest will be sponsored by the Staff Association and Professor Heinz Duewill will be Director. Tickets cost $12.50 per person.

The number is limited to 250, and tickets will be allocated as applications are received. As this function has always been extremely popular, you are advised to book early to avoid disappointment.

Tickets are available from Geoff Curthoys of the Chemistry Department, to whom subscriptions should be sent. Please cross the cheques and make them out to Oktoberfest. Seats may be reserved.
SCIENCE TEACHERS DRAWN FOR INSERVICE COURSE

Twenty six science masters and science mistresses, from high schools in the Hunter Valley region, met at the University of Newcastle on July 20 for an inservice course on statistical techniques used in analysing tests and as aids for the construction of test instruments. The course was conducted by Dr Max Maddock, Chairman of the Division of Curriculum Studies and Dr Allan Smith, Lecturer in the Division of Educational Psychology, in the Faculty of Education.

They were responding to a request made by Mr John McConnell, Science Adviser for the Hunter Region for the NSW Department of Education. The course was funded by the Adamstown Teachers' Centre Inservice Training Committee.

Recent shifts to school-based curriculum development and school-based assessment from the centrally prescribed syllabus and external examinations have given rise to new assessment difficulties. These problems have been discussed at length at meetings of both the Newcastle and District Science Teachers Association, of which Dr Maddock is a member, and the Hunter Region Science Curriculum Committee, on which Dr Maddock is the University's representative.

Dr Maddock and Dr Smith have both been actively engaged in research studies in the field of test instrumentation. Dr Maddock has recently completed a major study in Papua New Guinea, using seven language versions of an attitude instrument which looked at the impact science in schools has on cultural beliefs. Dr Smith's doctoral research looked at statistical models for item banking in science testing - a technique which may allow comparability of examination results under school-based testing. They are now working together in a research and development project in science testing with about 30 Hunter Valley high schools.

The project aims to monitor the quality of testing used in the internal assessment programmes of the school science departments, providing an analysis and consultative service aimed at improving the reliability and validity of school based testing, and ultimately to provide a bank of quality test items of known properties, which can be used by the schools to construct tests of a standard comparable across the region. The project has been processing about one test each week since May. Another important aspect of the project will be to develop and trial attitude scales, appropriate to the affective domain objectives stated in the science syllabus, and to investigate the relationship between results obtained by such scales and those obtained by the usual cognitive achievement tests.

Diploma in Education Science students are assisting in this aspect by helping to develop and trial pilot versions of such scales. The 1979 class has just completed revising a scale piloted by the 1978 class and will be retrialling it during the final three weeks period of practice teaching in Second Term.

The Hunter Region Science Teachers' Centre, who looked at some of the ways that science teachers could best use the facilities of the project, the scale by the project as a basis for interpreting and improving tests, the use of the computer as an aid, techniques used for both cognitive and attitude scale construction and at the results of the pilot study conducted by the 1978 Diploma class. The participants visited the University computer facilities and concluded the course with a workshop to criticise a sample test.

AUSTRALIAN COMPUTER SOCIETY'S CRITERIA

Members of the University can apply to be admitted as members of the Australian Computer Society subject to certain provisions.

Any person or organisation who is interested in furthering the objects of the Society is eligible for membership. They can be admitted as a Student, an Affiliate, an Associate or a Member, subject to satisfying different Society requirements. The Society's experience requires also to be satisfied and courses must satisfy certain conditions to provide accreditation.

Further information can be obtained by writing to the Australian Computer Society, PO Box 640, Crows Nest, 2065.

FACULTY WIVES' GROUP

All University wives are invited to participate in our Art and Craft Evening to be held in the Special Functions Room, Great Hall, on Thursday, August 17, at 8 p.m. If you paint, sculpt, embroider, weave, make jewellery, prints, macrame or invent your own thing, please bring your work along - or have it collected.

Contact Molly Maddox on 511124 or Shirley Morris on 488629. The husbands are invited to view the scene and join us at supper (for which a small charge will be made).

PROFESSOR FROM U.S.

Professor Oscar Gish, who will visit the University as a guest of the Faculty of Medicine on August 15, is known throughout many countries for his work in the field of health service and manpower planning.

As well as meeting senior University staff, Faculty of Medicine staff and representatives of the NSW Health Commission, Professor Gish will give a lecture in the Medical Sciences Building at 6 p.m. Professor Gish will tour Papua New Guinea and Australia from August 2 to 23 on behalf of Aid to Children of Asia and the Pacific.

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Norman Talbot
**STAFF**

**APPOINTMENTS**

Dr. Spears Raptopoulos has been appointed as a Lecturer in the Department of Legal Studies.

Mr. K.T. Quigley has been appointed as Audiovisual Officer to the Faculty of Medicine.

Miss Janice Duffie has taken up her appointment as Director of the Child Care Centre.

Mr. Paul Brent has commenced as a Technical Officer in the Faculty of Medicine.

Mr. Phan-Thien has been appointed as a Lecturer in the Department of Mechanical Engineering.

**RESIGNATIONS**

Mrs. Heather Johnston has resigned from her position as Office Assistant/Typist with the Secretary's Division and Mrs. Michele Roberts has resigned as Child Care Assistant with the Community Child Care Centre.

Mr. Paul Sherwood, a Senior Lecturer with the Department of Economics, has retired.

**ADVERTISEMENTS**

**ABC OF VITAMINS**

The AUS Friendly Society Pharmacy in the Union Building has a large range of vitamin and other dietary supplements available. Ask for your free booklet "Your ABC of Vitamins and Dietary Supplements".

**FOR RENT**

3 Bedroom house, open plan, carpet, pool - Merewether Heights. Available for 6 months from August 14, 1978. $75 per week partly furnished. Lease, bond, references etc. required. Ext. 361 for information.

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Home Unit, near new, brick & tile, 2 bedroom, lock up garage, spacious kitchen, carpets, blinds, built-in wardrobes, separate laundry - Waratah; 5 mins from Unit, $32,500 ono, phone 674464 (after 4 p.m.).

Block of land, 150' x 60', Lot 396, Pershing Place, Tanilla Bay. Phone Ext. 393.

House at Parkwood Estate, Thornton, just 15-20 minutes from University. Modern brick veneer home in quiet cul-de-sac; 3 bedrooms (all with built-ins); fully tiled bathroom with skylight; shag pile carpet throughout; large yard with barbeque and plenty of trees. $36,250. Phone 662702.

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**DIARY OF EVENTS**

**FRIDAY, JULY 28**

2.30 - The Department of Civil Engineering are holding a seminar on Soil Wastes Treatment in South Africa and the U.S.A. The speaker will be Dr. H.A. Connor of the Dept. of Chemical and Extractive Metallurgical Engineering, University of Stellenbosch, South Africa. (Room E0407)

8.00 p.m. The Folk Club is holding a Croydon Ball in the Union. Prize for the best colonial dress. Music provided by the Multilaud Bush Band. Members $1.50, others $2.

**SATURDAY, JULY 29**

8 p.m. Chekhov film series - B01 Uncle Vanya.

**MONDAY, JULY 31**

8.15 p.m. Screening of The War Game. BBC documentary about nuclear war. B01, presented by The Students' Representative Group. Following the film Mr. Don Tuckler, from the Uranium Moratorium, will speak on uranium mining and the proliferation of nuclear weapons. All welcome.

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 1**

5.30 p.m. Pasolini's film - The Canterbury Tales (R), The Union.

8 p.m. Music in Stan's Bar.

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2**

8 p.m. Concert by John Ebanks and his new band, Southern Cross Lounge.

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2 TO SATURDAY, AUGUST 12**

8 p.m. The Department of Drama presents Tom Mickleton's richly hilarious Jacobean comedy, A Mad World My Masters, in the Drama Theatre. Adults $3.50, Students & pensioners $1.50. Group bookings $12 or over $2.50. Tickets at University Union, the Civic Theatre and the Dept. of Community Programmes (for group bookings).

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 3**

8.30 p.m. At Home in the Southern Cross Lounge with Slunk.

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