PLANNERS EXPLAINS PARKING PROBLEMS

In August last year all Australian universities were advised by the Universities Commission that the Government had decided that 1976 was to be treated as a year outside the normal triennial system and that only a limited number of essential works would be funded in the second half of that year.

The effect of this and other associated decisions has meant that no funds will be available in 1976 for the construction of additional parking facilities on the University campus. Whether money will be made available in subsequent years is by no means certain, particularly in the light of the Government's current economic policies.

1975, there was a nett increase of 135 car parking spaces provided on the main campus bringing the total number available for staff and students' use to 1,600. Apart from occasional periods this was sufficient to meet the demands for parking on the site at that time.

In the first week of term this year the demand for parking space exceeded the space available on some days by up to 100 cars causing considerable confusion and annoyance to users of the site, increased driving hazards due to cars being left parked on roads in contravention of the University Parking Regulations and damage to road verges and grassed medians.

Since there appears to be little change in the number of staff and students on site this year, the increased demand may be due to an increase in the number of full-time students in 1976, bad weather conditions during the week and the concentration of lectures on particular days due to timetabling arrangements.

With the limitations placed on University finance it is unlikely that this situation can be relieved by the creation of additional car parking spaces this year and ad hoc temporary solutions avoid the real issues involved.

Staff and students should consider whether they could reduce the demand for additional spaces by grouping together to share vehicles coming to the site.

Every effort has been made by the University to avoid charging car users for the convenience of parking on the site; however, if additional parking facilities are to be provided in the future the limits imposed by the Federal Government may necessitate reconsideration of this position.

The Fifth Report of the Universities Commission included the following statement on car parking:

"The Commission believes that members of universities, whether staff or students, should be expected to pay for car parking as do other members of the community. ... The Commission urged all universities to consider imposing charges for parking. It recognises that suburban universities which are poorly served by public transport cannot be expected to levy charges at the same rates as the universities whose campuses are in or near the city area. However, the levying of charges would enable funds to be accumulated to support debt charges which may have to be met as a result of raising loans to construct parking facilities."

This is a matter of concern to all members of the University community and I am sure that the Parking & Traffic Committee, under the Chairmanship of the Vice-Principal, Professor A.D. Tweedie, would welcome comments on these matters.

D.D. Morris,
UNIVERSITY PLANNER

A.R.G.C. GRANTS MANSHIP

A short talk will be given outlining the factors which make an A.R.G.C. application strong, together with some of the more important A.R.G.C. procedures. A question and answer period will follow.

Drama Theatre, tomorrow, 1 p.m.
LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

No. 1, Vol. 2 of University News invites in its introduction letters - be it brief - to the Editor. In the same introduction, the Vice-Chancellor expresses the view that "effective communication is a primary need of any organization, particularly when that organization is growing in size and complexity". Concurring with this view, I hope that indeed students, staff, administration and council will find University News equally effective when it comes to communicating facts pertinent to their points of view even though these points of view may at times be divided. To achieve this, I believe that you, the Editor, need to be both representative and pluralistic. The question thus arises that the Editor of University News identify himself.

[My identity was disclosed at the foot of the second column of page 8 of Vol. 2, No. 1. Ed.]

THE STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Scheduled for printing before the end of this month is the first issue of "Opus", the newspaper of the Students' Association. The Editor (Tony Nolan), who is the Association's Media Officer, has requested students to write articles for the first issue. The "Opus" office has been transferred to the former David Jones shop on Level II of the Union.

Tuesday, March 16, will see the Students' Representative Council (the 23rd) hand over the reigns to the 1976 Council (the 24th). Paul Drinkwater (President Elect) and Leo Walsh (Secretary Elect) will succeed Greg Wicks and Deborah Lloyd respectively, and other members of the 24th Council will take up their duties. At the annual general meeting of the Students' Association in the Court-yard of the Union at 1 p.m. the accounts and reports will be presented.

Two representatives of the Democratic Republic of East Timor will speak in the Court-yard of the Union on Monday, March 15, at 1 p.m. They are Mr Abilio Araujo, a graduate of Lisbon University who is Minister of State and Economic Affairs in the Government of East Timor, and Mr Estanislau Silva, a student and Fretilin activist in Lisbon.

CASUAL VACANCY FILLED

Mr Robin Laidlaw, Senior Lecturer in English, has been elected to fill the casual vacancy caused by the resignation from Council of Dr R.Mcl. Robinson. Mr Laidlaw thus becomes the member of the Council elected by the academic staff other than the Professors. He will serve on the Council for the remainder of Dr Robinson's term of office, namely until June 30, 1976.

SENATE NOTES

The Vice-Chancellor reported to Senate on his attendance at the Association of Commonwealth Universities Conference which was held in New Zealand in February and was attended by 117 Vice-Chancellors. He informed Senate that he would be happy to make available to members the business papers for the Conference.

The Deputy Chairman of Senate reported that although the figures for this year had not as yet been finalised, the number of acceptances would not be far below the quota. For the first time the University had made available to those offered a place the opportunity to defer entry for one year. One hundred and fifty-seven persons had taken advantage of this scheme.

Last August Mr L. Walsh, Member elected by students, proposed to Senate that if a student was facing genuine final examinations, that is examinations counting towards his/her final assessment in a subject, then the student should not be forced to hand in assignments, essays, laboratory reports, etc for other subjects on that same week. Senate recognised that there may be a significant problem in the area raised by Mr Walsh and asked Faculty Boards to report to Senate on it. At its meeting on March 3, after considering reports from Faculty Boards, Senate adopted the following policy:

"That Heads of Departments shall ensure that students are informed no later than the fourth Friday of First Term of the timing and significance for overall assessment of assignments, essays and examinations in each subject offered by that Department.

"Any examination which could count for 20% or more in the final assessment of a subject shall be conducted by the University Examination Branch."

Senate appointed Assoc. Professor K.F. Collis a member of the Academic Committee to replace Professor B. Boettcher who is on overseas study leave.

Mr Ken Scott, BA, LittB, was appointed to the BSc of Asian Studies. Mr Scott had been nominated by the Principal of Newcastle College of Advanced Education.

CHARITY BEGINS AT HOME

Many of our students will desperately need casual work during the year. Can you provide any work? Do you know of any possible sources of work? Our students babysit, do housework, garden, house repairs, coach, bar work, store work, act as laboratory attendants or research assistants. If you can provide work or a lead, please phone the Careers & Student Employment Office - Ext. 466.

STUDENTS NEEDING PART-TIME OR CASUAL WORK 1976

You are reminded to call in at the Careers & Student Employment Office, Room T25, temporary buildings, and register for the 1976 academic year. Students, who have been registered in a previous year and wish to be considered again this year, are required to update their registration cards.
AUTHORESS WILL BE WRITER-IN-RESIDENCE

Christina Stead, the celebrated Australian-born novelist, has accepted an invitation to become Writer-in-Residence in the university. Christina Stead proposes to take up her appointment early in June and to fulfill a period of residency lasting 10 weeks, during which she will be free to talk to students, members of staff and local writers.

She will be provided with a room on the campus to serve as an office, like was done by the Australian National University, where she was previously a Visiting Fellow in the School of English.

Christina Stead, 74, is called "the most gifted of Living Australian novelists" by Colin Roderick in An Introduction to Australian Fiction (Angus and Robertson in June), daughter of the distinguished naturalist David Stead, a Fabian socialist and a conservationist before the word became fashionable. She has said that it was always understood she would be a writer, but her mother died when she was a child and she went to the University of Sydney, graduating from the Teachers' College and working as a Demonstrator in Psychology.

She wanted to travel and, when the opportunity came in 1928, she left Sydney for London and became private secretary to a Belgian diplomat and then the owner of the firm, William Blake, were married and lived variously in London, New York, Brussels and Paris for 5 years before William died. He had great variety and wide interests, having been a financial journalist, banker, novelist, socialist and economist.

In 1935 they left Europe for the United States of America and the following year saw them in Spain. After the outbreak of the Spanish Civil War, they went to Belgium and thence to England, returning in 1937 to the United States. For a while she worked for MGM in Hollywood as a resident writer and during the war instructed in the art and craft of the novelist at the University of New York.

Christina Stead has lived more than 40 years away from Australia and published all her books outside Australia, but her first novel Seven Poor Men of Sydney (1934) and For Love Alone (1944) are clearly associated with the Australian scene. In Seven Poor Men of Sydney actual incidents connected with social ferment in Sydney about 1926 are portrayed, and the scene of For Love Alone shifts to the coast of the south from Australia to England. Christina Stead's literary output also includes The Salzburg Tales, The Beauties and Furies, House of 1,000 Nations, The Man Who Loved Children, The Beauties and Furies, House of 1,000 Nations, The Man Who Loved Children an extraordinary body of work and wrote of "The Man Who Loved Children", "it is a classic, a big black diamond of a book."

EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS SOUGHT

The Department of Education of the University is proceeding to establish a collection of materials dealing with the history of education in Australia, with particular reference to the Hunter region. Such a collection will become of increasing importance for students of education and will form a valuable resource for teaching and research.

Approaches are being made to the State Archives and that of the University. The Department of Education in the hope that the official records of schools in the area may be transferred to the University Library. However, it is believed that many residents, including teachers and ex-teachers may have records and mementoes of school-days in Newcastle and the Hunter Valley which they would be prepared to place in the collection, and the University is anxious to hear from them.

Any who holds personal or institutional records of schooling in the area is invited to contact Professor L.N. Short (Department of Education, University of Newcastle; Tel. 68 0401). Of particular interest are older materials such as school reports, class lists, photographs, Diocese early catalogues, canteens, maps and workbooks, magazines published by schools, programmes of school functions, in fact anything which helps to provide a complete record of the operation of schools.

Where appropriate, the materials will be housed in the Auchmuty Library in an air-conditioned, fire-proof building, in the care of qualified archivists, and made available only to approved researchers. The preservation of the records is thus ensured, and it is also possible to meet special conditions of confidentiality where required.

Further enquiries: Professor L.N. Short, Department of Education, University of Newcastle. Tel. 68 0401

ARCHIVES OF THE DIOCESE OF NEWCASTLE

On Wednesday, March 3, 1976, the archives of the Diocese of Newcastle were transferred from the Diocesan Registry in Tyrrell House, Newcastle, to the University of Newcastle Archives in the Auchmuty Library. The Diocese of Newcastle, covering the period 1828-1972, are on long-term loan to the University for preservation and research. They are believed to be the most valuable and extensive archives in northern New South Wales and possibly in Australia outside of the capital cities. They originally occupied five rooms and are estimated to weigh about eight tons. The transfer list of the records runs to about 5,000 words. It could take almost a year to completely arrange and describe the records for research use.

The Archive includes a large number of early maps and charts, pictures, rare books and pamphlets, early minute books, artifacts, many beautiful illuminated addresses, bishops' correspondence, old legal documents, architectural drawings and plans of Christ Church Cathedral, parish registers of baptisms, marriages and burials dating from 1828, early school and orphanage records, and old account books. Individual items of particular interest are:

- Bishop Tyrrell's personal account book dating from 1829 when he was still in England, and his Newcastle letters and diaries dating from the 1850's
- Early church correspondence from the 1840's
- Manuscript catalogue of the Tyrrell Library, 1880
- Synod reports from the 1860's
- A seal press with metal seals of the Newcastle bishop
- Old 'terriers' (inventories) of the church
- House of 1,000 Nations
- The Man Who Loved Children
- The Beauties and Furies
- House of 1,000 Nations
- The Man Who Loved Children
- "It is a classic, a big black diamond of a book."
DIALECTIC OFF THE PRESS

A new issue of Dialectic (vol. 12), the journal of the Newcastle University Philosophy Club, has just been printed and is on sale at Philosophy Department Office for 50c per copy. The new issue contains the following articles:

- Nietzsche, Marxism and First Philosophy by Professor David Armstrong of Sydney University;
- Wilhelm Reich and Women's Liberation by Jim Baker of Macquarie University;
- Can Universals be Based on Particulars? by Assoc. Professor Keith Campbell of Sydney University;
- Self and Alienation in Zen by Christine Davis, a local post-graduate student in Philosophy;
- On the Conditions of Social Freedom by Dr W. Doniela of Newcastle University;
- Psycho-Analysis and the Artist by Terry Taylor, a local Honours student in Philosophy.

CONFERENCE ON CAMPUS

The Australian Science Education Research Association is holding its 7th Annual Conference at the University of Newcastle from May 17-19. The Association fosters research into all aspects of science teaching at primary, secondary and tertiary levels of education. Two kinds of papers will be given at the conference - reports on on-going and completed research, and 'kite-flying' papers which will discuss fundamental issues in science education. The formal research papers are published in the Association Journal 'Research in Science Education'.

Response to the preliminary notice sent out at the end of last year has been encouraging, and present indications are that the conference will be a much bigger conference than the 1975 at the Flinders University or the 1974 conference at Monash. More papers have been offered, and this could provide time-tabling difficulties for the organisers. The preliminary replies indicate very strong interest from Colleges of Advanced Education. Registration brochures are now available from Dr M. Maddock, Senior Lecturer in Education, or from Mr Terry Sheedy, Honorary Secretary of the College of Advanced Education, who form the Association's Executive for 1976 and are organisers for the conference. The deadline for registration and offer of papers is April 11. Social functions arranged for the conference include a dinner in the Southern Cross Lounge of the University on Tuesday, May 18.

NEW RESEARCH GRANT

Mr P. Chopra, Professor J.B. Biggs and Mr T.P.S. Oei, of the Department of Education, have been awarded a grant of $3,000 to investigate teaching performance and pupil feedback. The grant is one of 13 research grants and nine renewed grants announced by the Australian Department of Education.

BANKING FACILITIES

The Commonwealth Banking Corporation has a branch in the University Grounds. Situated between the Administration Building and the Union, it provides full banking facilities, including cheque and savings accounts, personal and overseas business, a travel service (holiday accommodation and touring, etc.).

The hours of business are:

- Savings Bank, Term: Monday - Thursday, 9.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m., Friday, 9.30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Non-Term: Monday - Thursday, 9.30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Friday, 9.30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Trading Bank: Monday - Thursday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ATTENTION! AUDITIONS

The Classics Society will hold auditions for Aristophanes' masterpiece of comedy, "Frogs", in the Union Lounge on Tuesday, March 16, from 1.30 to 3.30 p.m. in Newcastle on any aspect of this production - acting, sets, costumes, lighting, publicity, etc. If further information is required please contact Kay Campbell, Tel. 52 2695 or Terry Ryan of the Classics Department.

GEOLOGISTS' MEETING

Hunter Valley Branch of the Geological Society will hold its first meeting for 1976 in the Geology Building on Friday, March 19 at 7.30 p.m. Mr R. Sanders, of the Australian Coal Industries Research Laboratories (ACIRL), will give an address entitled "How an industrial research laboratory can assist the coal geologist". Visitors are welcome.

GRADUATION BALL

Fifty-five loges will be available in the Great Hall and 39 in the Union for this year's Graduation ball on April 23. Loges are of varying sizes, containing from 10 to 16 places each.

Tickets for the Ball cost $7, which includes the cost of refreshments and wine during the ball but does not include the cost of liquor. Guests in the Great Hall should take their own liquor while guests in the Union must purchase their liquor in the building.

Dancing will commence at 8.30 p.m. and terminate at 1.30 a.m. The bands Outside Six will provide music for dancing in the Great Hall, while The Harlequins will be the band in the Union.

The Graduation Waltz will be danced in the Great Hall only at 9.45 p.m. and supper will be served (on the tables in the Great Hall and buffet-style in the Union) at 10.30 p.m.

Tickets will be sold from Monday, March 22 to Thursday, April 22. They will be available at Room T21 in the Administration Building and the Union Office from 10 to 16 places each. They can only be bought for cash.

EXHIBITION WITH DINNER

The Faculty Wives Group will hold a dinner in the Special Functions Room of the Great Hall on March 26 at 7.30 p.m. The group will combine the dinner with an exhibition of handcrafts (weaving, spinning, embroidery, painting, etc.). Tickets are available from the Treasurer, Mrs J. Ivinskis, C/- the Department of Psychology, or the Secretary, Mrs A. Antonia, C/- the Department of Mechanical Engineering.

MASTER OF LAWS

Mr W.J. Neill, Senior Tutor in the Department of Legal Studies, has received advice of his success in completing the Master of Laws degree of the University of London. He successfully completed courses in international law, Contract Law, European Economic Communities, Company Law and International Economic Law.

POST-DOMINCTORAL FELLOW

Dr H. Grant has taken up his appointment as post-doctoral research fellow in the Department of Chemistry. He is collaborating with Associate Professor L.A. Summers on research work on the effects of systemic fungicides and plant growth regulators. Dr Grant is a recent PhD graduate of the University of Queensland and has returned to Australia from a research position in the University of London (Birkbeck College) to take up the appointment at Newcastle.
CHAIR OF SOCIOLOGY FILLED

Professor M.P. Carter, aged 46, has begun duties as Foundation Professor of Sociology at the University of Newcastle. He has come from King's College of the University of Aberdeen, Scotland, where he was Head of the Department of Sociology of the University. He spoke in the following terms about the future development of Sociology and its relation to other disciplines within the University:

"The sociologist has the functions of appraising social change and monitoring the processes which are real and imminent - in some sense, the sociological research worker is engaged in a dialogue with the societies which he is studying, feeding back his findings and reacting to them. My approach to Sociology is within the humanistic tradition. "Sociology provides no simple recipe for resolving social problems, but it is an essential ingredient in their resolution. A continuation of intellectual detachment and human involvement is the aim. In this context, the concern should be to pursue knowledge for its own sake, but as if it were for its own sake.

"A degree in Sociology should be intellectually exciting and intellectually rigorous. In drawing up a curriculum it should be recognised that the majority of students in the subject will not become academic sociologists; many of them will nonetheless, enter occupations in which their sociological expertise will be of direct relevance - in the fields of social administration and social planning for example; but many of the graduates in Sociology will enter the wide-range of employment. In a way analogous to graduates in any subject, which does not call for the application of sociological knowledge as such. The degree in Sociology should, therefore, be conceived as a university education in the first place and as a socialism in the second place. In principle, I propose a common course at the first year level for most of the year, with some possibility of choice towards the end of the year - to enable those who are more disposed towards theoretical considerations those who might be prospective Honours students - to delve somewhat more deeply in that direction; and alternatively to permit of those students who are more vocationally or social-policy orientated to specialise in some measure in that direction. This could open up the possibility of alternative courses at the second and third year levels.

"In the Newcastle environment, I envisage research in the field of the Sociology of Work and Industry; I propose to develop my own interest in the study of the transition from school to work, the place of adolescents in society, and the nature and incidence of juvenile delinquency. I also expect to continue and extend my interests in the study of social mobility. A particular dimension of social mobility which might well be tackled from Newcastle is that which relates occupational mobility to geographical mobility, with the special case of migration to Australia. Much of the research in the area of social mobility will, of course, be dependent upon the interests of staff recruited to the Department. It is expected that these will include Social Anthropologists as well as Sociologists with a wide range of interests and experience. It is clear there is considerable opportunity in the Newcastle setting, both locally, more widely in Australia and in relation to the Pacific generally."

Professor Carter stated that he welcomed the possibilities for cooperation with other Departments within the University and hoped that the new courses in Sociology would prove of interest and relevance to students of the already well-established disciplines in Arts and Social Sciences.

He was envisaging the possibility of presenting courses pertinent to the interests of scientists and engineers who would assume managerial and administrative posts in industry in due course. Cooperation with the new Medical School was also an exciting prospect.

His intention, further, is to build up postgraduate studies in parallel with the development of the undergraduate courses.

CREDIT UNION NEWS

In the 4½ years since the University Staff Credit Union Limited was incorporated, membership has increased from 225. Membership is available to employees of the University, the Union and the Newcastle College of Advanced Education. Twenty-seven members recently joined from the College.

An interesting facet of the Credit Union's services is the Budget Savings Scheme. Under this scheme a member has deducted from his salary a fixed amount every pay to meet recurring commitments, i.e., car registration, insurance, rent, telephone charges and house repayments. The Credit Union currently welcomes applications for loans, as it possesses ample resources.

The Credit Union office is located in the Temporary Buildings behind the Faculty of Mathematics near No. 2 Car Park. It is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays between noon and 2.30 p.m. Mrs S. Stevens, who is in charge of the office, will supply application forms for membership and give members information about their loans and savings balances.

WORKING ON CHILDREN'S THEATRE

Tutors to be attached to the Department of Creative Arts this year include Errol Bray, who is currently setting up a Children's Theatre in Sydney with $18,000 granted by the Australia Council. Bray, who is Tutoring in Drama I, is a Drama graduate of the University of New South Wales. Also Tutoring in Drama I are:

- Mark Gould, a graduate of the N.I.D.A. director's course currently in Sydney with a special project in Sydney in Yiddish.
- Robert Love, a Drama graduate of the University of New South Wales, a Youth Panel member of the Australia Council, and President of the N.S.W. branch of the Australia Youth Performing Arts Association.
- Edward Millar, a dance instructor, in the Royal Ballet Company.

Tutors in Drama II are:

- Ray Omodei, Artistic Director, Old Tote Theatre and neighbour of Hiller, Artistic Director, Nimrod Theatre.
SPORTING NEWS

Students can now book on Coach Tours which will provide opposite extremes of temperature. The Amenities Office has organised a coach tour of the Queensland Sunshine Coast, including Caloundra, Mackay, the Barrier Reef and Townsville for 13 days beginning on May 8. The cost per student is $180. The Office will also conduct a weekend tour of the Snowy from June 18 costing from about $55. Seats in the coaches will be allocated in accordance with the receipt of deposits. Further information can be obtained by telephoning Exts 469 or 344.

The Sauna in the Sports Centre is now available for use by students and members of the University. Bookings can be made by ringing 67 3252. Forty cents is charged for 30 minutes use of the sauna. For safety reasons two or more people must use the sauna, which can be used by a maximum of six people. The first person to book the sauna, whether male or female, has the right to indicate whether it will be an all-male, all-female or mixed session. The sauna is available from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. on weekdays. Hours for Saturdays and Sundays will be announced soon.

Keep-Fit Classes being conducted in the Auchmuty Sports Centre for members of staff are not designed for the younger person requiring maximum fitness, but rather for the person aiming to overcome a too-sedentary existence. They are suitable for both male and female participants. The classes, held up to three times a week from 12 - 1 p.m., usually comprise some jogging, a few simple exercises and volleyball. For further information phone Ext. 235.

The first meeting of learner-archers from the university will be held at the Sports Centre on Saturday, March 12 at 5 p.m. Mr Peter Smith, a well-known Newcastle archer, will talk about archery and emphasise the need for safety. If sufficient prospective archers attend, classes will be conducted in lunch hours and on Sunday mornings.

The new programme of events is as follows:

Mondays, 6 to 8 p.m., Ladies' Basketball;
8 to 10 p.m., Men's Basketball (coach, Terry Charlton);
Tuesdays, 7 to 10 p.m., Badminton (two courts), and
tabletennis (half hall, three tables);
Wednesdays, 6.30 to 8 p.m., Volleyball;
Thursdays, 5 to 6 p.m., Indoor Soccer,
6 to 8 p.m., Kung Fu,
8 to 10 p.m., Taekwun Do;
Fridays, 3 to 5 p.m., Women's Self-defence classes,
8 to 10 p.m., Women's Self-defence classes;
Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Badminton;
Sundays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Volleyball.

In addition Grahame Sutcliffe will be in charge of classes in trampolining, weight training and circuit training on Wednesday nights from 6 to 10 p.m. If sufficient interest is shown he will also take classes in weight-lifting. Mr Webb, the Attendant (67 3252) is recording the names of people interested.

Training times on No. 1 Oval have been allocated as follows:
Mondays, 5.30 to 8 p.m., Australian Rules, Football Oval;
Tuesdays, 5.30 to 8 p.m., Rugby Union, Football Oval,
8 to 10.30 p.m., Rugby League, Football Oval;
Wednesdays, 5.30 to 8 p.m., Australian Rules, Football Oval,
6 to 8 p.m., Soccer, Hockey Field;
8 to 10 p.m., Men's Hockey, Hockey Field;
8 to 10 p.m., Men's Hockey, Hockey Field;
Thursdays, 5.30 to 8 p.m., Rugby League, Football Oval,
8 to 10.30 p.m., Soccer, Football Oval;

Work on the history of the University Rugby Club is nearing completion. If any old member of the Club has further information for use in the book then he should forward it to the Amenities Office. The Rugby Club has entered four teams in the forthcoming winter rugby competition.

STAFF APPOINTMENTS

ACADEMIC

Mr Allan George Smith, BA, BED, DipEd (New England), formerly a Lecturer at the University of New England, has begun duties as Lecturer in Education. He has submitted his thesis for a PhD degree.

Dr Philip Kenneth Seccombe, BSc, MSc (Melbourne), PhD (Manitoba), formerly a Post-doctoral Research Fellow at the University of Adelaide, has taken up his appointment as Lecturer in Geology.

Mr David John Hill, BE, BSc (Queensland), formerly a post-graduate student at the University of Queensland, has begun duties as Lecturer in Electrical Engineering. He has submitted his thesis for a PhD degree.

Mr Phillip Vincent Smith, BSc, PhD (Monash), formerly a Research Fellow at the University of New England, has taken up his appointment as Lecturer in Physics.

Mr Russell James Craig, BCom with honours, has begun duties as a Tutor in Commerce.

Mr Dhushman Lal Karihaloo, BSc (Ranchi), M Tech (Bombay), PhD (Moscow Civil Engineering Institute), formerly Senior Research Fellow at The Technical University of Denmark, has taken up his appointment as Lecturer in Civil Engineering.

Mr Howard William Dick, BSc (Monash), MEC (A.N.U.), formerly a post-graduate student and part-time lecturer at the Australian National University, has taken up his appointment as Lecturer in Economics.

Dr Rosemary Edith Barnard, BA with honours (Sydney), PhD (A.N.U.), formerly a post-graduate student and part-time lecturer at the Australian National University, has taken up his appointment as Lecturer in Geography.

Mr Brian John Williams, BE (Adelaide), MEng Sc (N.S.W.), a PhD student at Monash University, has taken up his appointment as Lecturer in Civil Engineering.

Dr Susan Michelle Macey, BA with honours (Queensland), formerly a post-graduate student and part-time lecturer at the University of New South Wales, has begun duties as Lecturer in Geography.

Mr Robert Page, BA (Liverpool), MA (Leeds), formerly attached to the British Theatre Institute, London, has taken up his appointment as Lecturer in Drama with the Department of Creative Arts.

Ms Carol Bacchi, BA with honours (Loyola), MA (McGill), formerly a post-graduate student at McGill University, has taken up her appointment as Tutor in History.

Mr James Ah-Teck Wong, BSc with honours (N.S.W.), formerly a post-graduate student and a Professional Officer at the University of New South Wales, has begun duties as Tutor in Biological Sciences.

Mr F. Frank Walker Guilhaus, BA, DipEd (Sydney), MBA (McGill), formerly attached to BP Oil (Canada), has taken up his appointment as Lecturer in Commerce.
Lorna Rosemary Parris, Bsc (Nottingham), Dip. in Animal Genetics (Edinburgh), DipEd, has begun duties as a Tutor in Biological Sciences. She was previously a teacher at Edgeworth Infants' School.

Mr Warren James Stuart, BSc (Vic. N.Z.), MSc (Canterbury), previously Tutor at La Trobe University, has joined the Department of Psychology as a Lecturer.

Lois Noreen Morris, BSc, DipEd (Sydney), has returned as a Tutor in Geology.

Donald James Colgan, BSc (A.N.U.), previously a student, has taken up his appointment as Tutor in Biological Sciences.

Helem Margaret Van Der Poorten, BA (N.S.W.), previously Stage Director for the Dance Company of New South Wales and a part-time Lecturer at this university, has begun duties as Tutor in English.

Lesley Ann Scanlon, BA; DipEd (Balmain), MA (London), has joined the University as a Tutor in History.

HEAD OF MATHEMATICS

The Council has approved the appointment of Professor R.W. Robinson as Head of the Department of Mathematics, vice, Professor R.G. Keats who has occupied this position since 1959. Professor Robinson took up duties at the University in October, 1974; his previous academic appointments were at the University of Michigan and the University of California at Berkeley in the United States of America.

UNIVERSITY-PERSONAL

Mr Ronald George Secrett has joined the Department of Education as a Laboratory Assistant.

Miss Carol Cooper has begun duties with the Department of Biological Sciences as a Laboratory Assistant.

Miss Diedre Maria Denny has also joined Biological Sciences as a Laboratory Assistant.

Miss Yvette Muriel Jacqueline Allport has taken up her appointment as stenographer with the Department of Education.

Mr John Lewis has begun duties with the Department of Mechanical Engineering as Technical Officer.

Mrs Marcia Shilcock has taken up her appointment as stenographer with the Vice-Chancellor's Unit.

Mrs Lesley Woodhead has begun duties with the Amenities Office as stenographer. She was formerly part-time Accommodation Officer.

John Henderson Smith, previously attached to the Newcastle Public Library, has joined the University Library as a Library Assistant.

Wendy Mary Wilks, previously employed by Newcastle Psychiatric Centre, has begun duties with the Health Service as Nursing Sister.

Judith Ann Halliday, BSc, DipEd, previously a school teacher, is working with the Department of Mathematics as a Clerk.

Mr Frank Murray, BSc (London), has commenced duties in the Department of Biological Sciences as a Professional Officer.

VISITING PROFESSOR

Visiting the Department of Metallurgy for six months is Professor John Harper Woodhead, DMet (Sheffield), who is a Senior Lecturer at the University of Sheffield.

RESIGNATIONS

Eve Buscombe, formerly a Tutor in History, resigned this month to take up an appointment as a Research Assistant at the University of Sydney in the Power Institute of Contemporary Art to edit a dictionary of Australian artists, architects, sculptors and craftsmen which is to be produced in association with the Australian Dictionary of Biography.

Thomas Albert Matyas, formerly a Tutor in Psychology, resigned to take up an appointment as Lecturer at the Lincoln Institute in Melbourne.

DIARY OF EVENTS

THURSDAY, MARCH 11
1 p.m. General meeting of Students' Association - Courtyard, The Union.

FRIDAY, MARCH 12
8 p.m. Films of Protest series, "Boy's in the Band" (U.S. 1970, Director: William Friedkin) - Theatre H01.

MONDAY, MARCH 15
noon Staff/Student Seminar, Department of Geology, "Some Examples of Cyclic Sedimentation in Coal Measures", Messrs B. Preston and D.L. Marchoni - Room G04.
1 p.m. Meeting on East Timor - Courtyard, The Union.
3.30 to 5 p.m. Mathematical Psychology Conference, "The Perception of Distance", J.A. Keats and B.C. Finlay - Room V129.

TUESDAY, MARCH 16
11.30 to 1 p.m. Mathematical Psychology Conference, "Procedural Approaches to Large Range Psychophysics", A.A.J. Marley - Room V129.
1 p.m. Annual general meeting, Students' Association - Courtyard, The Union.
2.30 to 4 p.m. Mathematical Psychology Conference, "Constant Curvature Riemannian Scaling", H. Lindman and T.M. Caelli - Room V129.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17
3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Joint meeting of the Civil Engineering Branch of the Institution of Engineers and the National Committee on Concrete Research and Engineering - The University of Newcastle.

THURSDAY, MARCH 18
11.30 to 1 p.m. Mathematical Psychology Conference, "On Graphs and Activity Sequences", W.D. Willis and D.N. Parkes - Room V129.

FRIDAY, MARCH 19
4 p.m. Welcome to first year Civil Engineering students - Civil Engineering Laboratory, followed by a barbecue.
8 p.m. Annual Dinner of the University Blues Association and presentation of Blues - Edwards Hall, cocktails at 7.15 p.m., dinner at 8 p.m. Professor D.W. George, Vice-Chancellor of the University, will present the Blues, and Mr Judy Patching, Secretary General of the Australian Olympic Federation, will present the Sportsman of the Year award and Club Colours on this occasion.
8 p.m. Films of Protest series, "Day in The Death of Joe Egg" (G.B. 1972, Director: Peter Medak) - Theatre HD1.

MONDAY, MARCH 22
noon Staff/Student Seminar, Department of Geology, "The Ontogeny of Trilobites", Messrs C. Laurie and B. Preston - Room G04.
4 to 6 p.m. Welcome to new members of staff - Staff House.
8 p.m. Films of Protest series, "Dr Strangelove" (G.B./U.S. 1964, Director: Stanley Kubrick) - Theatre H01.
**Monday, March 29**

8 p.m. Morpeth Lecture, "Who Am I, What Is Man?", Dr H.F. Woodhouse - Lecture Theatre B01.

**Monday, April 5**

8 p.m. Morpeth Lecture, "Our World What Is It All About?", Dr H.F. Wood" - Lecture Theatre B01.

**Monday, April 12**

8 p.m. Morpeth Lecture, "Human History; For What Are We Here?", Dr H.F. Woodhouse - Lecture Theatre B01.

**Tuesday, April 13**

6 p.m. Geomechanics Society, address by Mr J. Reid, Managing Director of Vidal Reinforced Earth Pty Ltd on "Reinforced Earth" - Room E02, Refreshments - Staff House, 5.15 p.m.

**Wednesday, April 14**

Smorgasbord Luncheon - Staff House.

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY PROGRAMMES**

**Daytime Courses, The University, 10 a.m. to noon**

Commenced March 8, eight sessions on

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5.30 to 7.30 p.m. UNIVERSITY NEWS

Commenced March 11, eight sessions on Successful Communications, Mr

Commenced March 9, eight sessions on An Introduction to Computing,

Professor B.T. Colditz, Wednesdays, 6 to 8 p.m.

Commenced March 2, Spinning and Weaving, Rae Fox, Tuesdays, 7 to 9 p.m.

Commenced March 2, Creative Cookery, Pauline Clark, Tuesdays, 10 to 12 p.m.

Commenced March 3, Batik and Yee Yee, June Gollan, Wednesdays, 7 to 9 p.m.

Commenced March 4, Ceramics, Jim Birkett, Thursdays, 7 to 9 p.m.

Commencing April 3, German Film Festival.

April 3, Chemistry Lecture Theatre, 7.30 p.m., "Schtemen, the Red Indian Boy" and "Alice in the Cities".

April 4, Chemistry Lecture Theatre, 7.30 p.m., "The Morals of Ruth Halbfass" and "The Bitter Tears of Petra Von Kant".

April 5, 6, 7 and 8, Regal Cinema, Birmingham Gardens, 7.30 p.m., "All Those Called Ali", "Beware of Holy Whore", "Effi Briest".

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