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COMING EVENTS:

Thursday, 8 August University Hall	1.10 p.m.	Students' Concert.
Saturday, 10 August University Hall	8 p.m.	John Ritchie String Orchestra. (For programme see over.)
Tuesday, 13 August Room G1	8 p.m.	Dr Anthony Low. (For details see over.)
Thursday, 15 August University Hall	1.10 p.m.	Members of the Alard Quartet of the University of Canterbury and Overda Page. (For programme see over.)

Saturday, 18 August 7.15 for 8 p.m. University of Canterbury and Lincoln Lincoln College College, Joint Staff Club Dinner.

CLOSING DATES:

l September	UNESCO - Assistant Director-General in field of Science.	Details in Registry Office.
10 September	Robert Burns Fellowship for	Details in Registry

imaginative literature.

BUSINESS FROM COUNCIL:

<u>New members</u>. The Rev. W.A. Hendrie and Dr G. Jobberns were welcomed to the Council as new members.

<u>Pro-Chancellor</u>. The Rt Rev. A.K. Warren was re-elected Pro-Chancellor for a period of 1 year from 29 July, 1963.

<u>Acceptances</u>. Offers of appointment since last Council meeting have been accepted as under:

Lecturer in Civil Engineering	Mr D.G. Elms
Assistant Lecturer in Psychology	Mr R. N. Hughes
Part-time Lecturer in Law	Mr E.J.Somers
Temporary Assistant Lecturer in French	Miss A. Davin

<u>Mr C.J. Burrows</u> has been awarded the Hamilton Memorial Prize by the Royal Society of New Zealand, for his published work : "The History of Native Forests and the Nature of Alpine Zones in the South Island."

<u>Professor A.N.Prior</u> has been elected a Fellow of the British Academy for the promotion of Historical, Philosophical and Philological Studies, in recognition of his work in Modern Logic.

<u>Professor D. A. Kidd</u> has been invited to visit the University of London as a British Council Visitor, January-March, 1964.

<u>Professor J. M. Shorter</u> has been invited by the University of Toronto to be Visiting Professor during the Easter term of their 1964 session.

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Dr J. B. Gregory has been granted leave to attend the Conferences of the International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics and the International Geophysical Year in California in August, at which he will be presenting papers.

<u>A. N. Z. A. A. S. Conference</u>. The following members of staff have been granted leave to attend the A. N. Z. A. A. S. Conference in Canberra in January, 1964:

Political Science	Professor J. Pocock
Chemistry	Professor J. Packer Dr R. D. Topsom Dr A. Fischer Dr J. E. Fergusson Dr M. P. Hartshorn Dr L. F. Phillips Dr W. S. Metcalf
Zoology	Dr R.S. Bigelow
Geography	Mr W. B. Johnston
Civil Engineering	Mr F. Lu Mr K. M. Yao
Physics	Mr S. H. Neff Dr C. D. Ellyett

<u>R.A.C.I. Symposium.</u> Professor J. Packer, Dr R.D. Topsom, Dr A. Fischer and Dr M. P. Hartshorn were also granted leave to attend the R.A.C.I. Symposium which precedes the A.N.Z.A.A.S. Conference in Canberra in January.

Stained Glass Window in Hall - Possible Removal to Ilam. A report from the Government Architect was received stating that in his opinion the removal of the window would be difficult and expensive and that the fact that the University Hall was an historic building should be considered before a decision was made to remove the stained glass window. The Council decided to take no action in the meantime.

Observatory. Council resolved that the agreement with the University of Pennsylvania regarding an astronomical observatory to be named "The Mount John Observatory of the Universities of Pennsylvania and Canterbury" with the short title "Mount John University Observatory" to be built at Mount John at Lake Tekapo, be approved. This agreement resulted from negotiations by the Vice-Chancellor and the Executive of Council with the University of Pennsylvania, following an approach by Mr Frank M. Bateson and later a visit by Dr Wood, Professor of Astronomy and Chairman of the University of Pennsylvania Astronomical Observatory. More recently Dr Pownall has visited the University of Pennsylvania and discussed there conditions of the agreement and the name of the Observatory.

Mr Bateson, who has been appointed by the University of Pennsylvania as Astronomer-in-Charge, is a New Zealand astronomer whose work was known in the United States, and he was requested by the University of Pennsylvania to make a site survey for a large observatory in New Zealand and granted \$60,000 for the purpose by the National Science Observatory in America.

The University of Canterbury will provide initially some technical or caretaking assistance on the site, legal and accounting services, and some use of the Computer. Later it is hoped that an appointment of a member of staff at Lecturer status to work at the observatory will be made and appropriate courses will be developed for University of Canterbury students who will use the observatory as required.

In the first 5-year period the University of Pennsylvania will spend in New Zealand at least \$100,000 in salaries, buildings, and maintenance.

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Four telescopes will be installed: a $10\frac{1}{2}$ -inch astrographic telescope from the University of Pennsylvania's astronomy department, and an 18-inch refractor telescope, at present being overhauled and adapted to the Southern Hemisphere with the aid of a grant of \$35,000 from General Electric of America, and two telescopes, loaned by Mr Bateson - an 8" refractor and a 16" reflector.

The observatory will be open to the public on a specified night each week during the season.

Gifts to the University.

From the Estate of the late Mr B. E. H. Whitcombe - 650 shares in Whitcombe & Tombs Ltd. to be held in trust for the University, to be used towards the erection of main entrance gates on the Ilam site.

From the Canterbury Medical Research Foundation, to the Department of Psychology - £200, to be used in the construction of a mobile audiometric test laboratory.

From Dr W.C.Clark - an electric clock for installation in the Edward Percival Marine Laboratory at Kaikoura.

From the Canterbury Branch of the Royal Society of New Zealand - £25, in recognition of their use of the University's buildings for their Congress last August.

From the Commissioner of Crown Lands - a piece of land, 1 rood 36.3 perches, at Kaikoura, to be added to the land held by the University for the purposes of the Edward Percival Marine Laboratory.

VISIT OF DR ANTHONY LOW:

Dr Anthony Low, Fellow in History at the Institute of Advanced Studies, Australian National University, is to visit this University from 9 August to 15 August. Dr Low is an authority on African and Indian history and he is shortly to take up the position of director of the new School of Afro-Asian Studies at the University of Sussex, Brighton, England. He is the author of Political Parties in Uganda, 1949-62, and co-author (with R.C. Pratt) of Buganda and British Overrule, 1900-1945. Dr Low will be giving a public lecture on 'Colonial Authority' on Tuesday, 13 August, in Room G.1.

CONCERT PROGRAMMES:

University Hall

Thursday, 8 Aug. 1.10 p.m. Members of the Alard Quartet of the University of Canterbury.

> RAYMOND PAGE (Viola) in BRAHMS' VIOLA SONATA and OVERDA PAGE, RAYMOND PAGE and LEONARD FELDMAN in TRIO FOR FLUTE, VIOLA AND CELLO (ROUSSEL) ----------

Saturday, 10 Aug., 8 p.m. University Hall.

JOHN RITCHIE STRING ORCHESTRA

Music by HINDEMITH, BRAHMS, SIBELIUS, **RITCHIE and TCHAIKOVSKY.**