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BUSINESS FROM COUNCIL :

Acceptances. Offers of appointment since last Council meeting have been accepted as under :

Lecturer in Botany	Mr D.G. Lloyd
Lecturer in Geography	Mr W.A.V. Clark.

Resignations. The following resignations have been accepted :

Lecturer in French	Miss Nola Leov
Lecturer in Psychology	Mr M. Rodda
Asst. Lecturer in Civil Engineering	Mr R. Fenwick
Foreman of Works	Mr P.A. Lummis

Retirement. After 34 years of service, from the position of Foreman of Works - Mr P.A. Lummis. Note : Mr Lummis has been re-appointed in a temporary capacity.

Dr B.R. Penfold submitted a report on his period of travel overseas as first Erskine Fellow, during which he had profitable discussions in a number of University centres. His impression was that research standards in our own Chemistry Department did not suffer by comparison with most overseas laboratories, that we are a little behind with our facilities, but that we are at a serious disadvantage in our lack of research appointments at the post-doctoral level. During his attempts to interest suitable persons in staff positions in Inorganic and Structural Chemistry, there was, from all sides, high praise for the University Brochure.

Mr R. Shepherd and Mr C.A. Satterthwaite submitted reports on the Mechanical Engineering Design Symposium they attended at Ardmore, 22-23 October.

Mr K.K. Ruthven has been granted special leave to complete a Degree of Doctor of Philosophy at the University of Manchester, August 1964 to August 1965.

Miss M.K. Steven has been granted leave during the long vacation, 1963/64 in order to visit London and Greece.

The Vice-Chancellor will be attending a Conference on the problems of development in the South Asia Pacific Region, and the changing relationships between this and other regions of the world, to be held in Kuala Lumpur, February 23-29, 1964.

Professor D.A. Kidd will be the representative of this University on the L. B. Wood Travelling Scholarship Board.

Mr D.W. Eain was re-appointed representative of Council on the Lincoln College Council for a further period of 3 years from 1 January, 1964.

Miss R. Robins and Mr G.A. Worthington have been promoted to the grade of Senior Tutor of Adult Education.

An Electrical Engineering Prize has been donated by Mr R.D. Baker, Civil Engineer, of Auckland, to commemorate the late Mr R.D. Neale.

University of Kent. Council approved a suggestion that a presentation be made to the new University of Kent at Canterbury.

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Travelling Expenses. The following recommendations with regard to staff travel to conferences in New Zealand were adopted by Council.

1. That air fares be paid for all members of staff attending conferences north of Wellington.
2. That air fares be paid for all Professors attending conferences in the North Island and in the South Island in Dunedin and south of Dunedin.
3. That the daily allowance for Professors when travel to attend conferences is granted be £3-10-0; for other members of staff £3 regardless of the type of grade of accommodation used.
4. In cases where daily allowance is not paid that the allowance for meals is actual up to 10/-d per meal or actual up to 30/- per day.
5. That the above recommendations be operative from 1 December, 1963.

Refresher Leave. The following members of staff have been granted refresher leave in terms of their requests: C. D. Ellyett; W. J. Gardner; C. S. L. Keay; G. M. Miller; Vida M. Stout; M. H. Toovey; F. W. Fahy; F. M. Henderson.

Rochester Hall. Council resolved that the Marist Fathers' Hall of Residence at Ilam be treated on the same basis of area per student as Rutherford Hall, namely, one acre for 150 students, and that a further area of land would be reserved, at the pleasure of Council, for a limited period of time, subject to Council not having another use for that land; and that the area be defined with the northern boundary drawn at right angles to the Ilam Road frontage.

Regional Council of Adult Education. The Vice-Chancellor reported that the Regional Council was to be replaced at the end of this year by a new Adult Education system in New Zealand. Council passed a motion of appreciation of the long service rendered to the University Council by Professors Crowther and Field and the more recent service of Mr C. A. Noble in representing Council on the Regional Council of Adult Education, and the valued services of all the voluntary organisations whose representatives served on the Regional Council.

Azaleas at Ilam. In 1962 the University had the services of a very important Committee comprising Dr J. S. Yeates, Professor W. R. Philipson, Mr W. R. Sykes and Mr S. Challenger. They reported about the need for reducing the over-crowding, thinning, cutting back, irrigating and fertilising of the rhododendrons. This was carried out successfully in accordance with their instructions on the rhododendrons this year. It is now necessary to do this with the azaleas, and this will be carried out over a term of five years.

Computer. The report of the Mobil Computer Laboratory for the month of October was tabled. The total productive hours were 402.26 or an average daily rate, calculated on a 7-day week, of 13 hours.

On 18 October the new 870 Data Conversion Unit was installed in the Laboratory, and is operating satisfactorily. A three-day course in the principles and use of this machine has been held for staff and students, being attended by 3 dozen people from 11 Departments.

STAFF VACANCIES :

John L. Snell, Dean, Graduate School, Tulane University, New Orleans, Following receipt of the University Brochure, writes :

" If at any time you have specific positions on your faculty for which you would like to consider the qualifications of Tulane graduate students or recent Ph. D's, please let me know and I shall be glad to forward your information to the department responsible in the field of specialization you desire."

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ACTING FOREMAN OF WORKS :

Mr C. L. Hales has been appointed Acting Foreman of Works as from 1 February, 1964, and Mr P. A. Lummis has been appointed as an assistant to Mr Hales from 1964 on a year to year basis.

VISITORS, 1964/65 :

Mr R. G. Coleman, M. A., has accepted the University's invitation to be Visiting Lecturer for 1965. Mr Coleman is a Lecturer in Classics and Fellow of Emmanuel College, Cambridge.

Professor C. A. Coulson, F. R. S., Rouse Ball Professor of Mathematics at Oxford University, has been invited under the auspices of the Methodist Church of New Zealand to visit N. Z. Universities in April 1964. He was formerly Wheatstone Professor of Theoretical Physics at King's College, University of London. He has a world-wide reputation for his contributions on the application of the Quantum Theory to Chemistry.

Mr J. B. Cragg, Commonwealth Prestige Scholar, will be visiting the University, January 28 to February 12, during which period it is intended to hold a Seminar on "Nature Conservation in New Zealand" at which Mr Cragg will be invited to participate.

Professor H. J. Habakkuk, M. A. (Camb. & Oxon.) FRHist. S., Chichele Professor of Economic History at the University of Oxford and a Fellow of All Souls' College since 1950, will be visiting the University as a British Council Visitor during the period March - November 1964.

Professor Leslie S. Hearnshaw, M. A. (Oxon.), Professor of Psychology at the University of Liverpool, will be visiting the University as a British Council Visitor from 1 September to 17 October 1964. Until his appointment to the Chair at Liverpool, he was a lecturer on the staff at Victoria University of Wellington. Professor Hearnshaw has broad psychological interests.

Professor W. Barton Leach, Story Professor of Law at the Harvard Law School, will be visiting the University in March 1964.

Professor S. G. Raybould, Professor of Adult Education and Director of Extra-Mural Studies in the University of Leeds, has been invited to visit New Zealand as a Commonwealth Prestige Fellow, and will visit the University March 15-22, 1964.

Professor W. J. Vatter, Professor of Accounting at the University of California, has been invited to visit the University about the end of January, 1964. The Professor is an authority on education and research in Business Administration and Accounting, and has made some notable "path-breaking" contributions to the literature.

Professor Peter Wapnewski, Professor of German Language and Literature at the University of Heidelberg since 1959, has accepted a German National Fellowship to visit the University from 1st August till early October, 1964. He formerly taught at the University of Tübingen, and is the author of various works and articles on Medieval German literature. He was guest Professor at Harvard in 1959.