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ADVICE SOUGHT ON STUDENT HOUSING

The university has engaged an outside architect-planner to advise it on the development of a new staff-student housing project.

Council recently accepted a recommendation from the Housing and Transport Committee that Mr. Evan Walker, of the firm of Daryl Jackson and Evan Walker, be invited to serve as consultant.

Mr. Walker, who has had wide experience in the field of student housing, has been asked to investigate the development of a low-rental type of accommodation complex on university-owned land in Blackburn Road. One of his first tasks will be to "test the economic and social feasibility of such a development in the context of the immediate community and of the needs of the university community."

Next week, Mr. Walker and a colleague, Mr. Noel McKernan, will spend several days at Monash on a preliminary study of student needs. They wish to hear student views "as informally as possible" and will be available for discussion in the Union foyer between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. on August 7, 8 and 9.

All interested students are invited to meet them.

... AND ON STUDENT SERVICES

Students — and staff — are invited to submit their ideas on the adequacy or otherwise of the present network of student services operating in the University.

Earlier this year, the University Council approved the formation of a Committee on Student Services, with the following terms of reference:

"To advise Council, after consulting the Professorial Board on matters of concern to the Board, on the policies to be followed by the University Health Service, the Counselling Service, the Careers and Appointments Office; to advise on the accommodation and on the level of expenditure and staffing of the services; to comment on any relevant matter including the establishment of new services."

The Committee now seeks comments on the adequacies of the existing services, the need for new services, and any other comments which might be helpful.

Members of the Monash Association of Students, the two staff associations, or the Monash Research Students Association should write to Miss L. Rubenstein (c/- M.A.S.), Dr. M.W. Fuller (Department of Chemistry) or Mr. G. D. Hubbert (c/- M.A.S.) respectively.

GOOD START TO CONCERT SEASON

Robert Blackwood Hall's new free Sunday concert series got away to an encouraging start this week. Four hundred music lovers scorned the spring-like sunshine and the looming petrol shortage to hear violinists Jo Beaumont and Silvano Minella and harpist Huw Jones launch the series.

The next free concert is on Sunday, August 6, when the Soirees Musicales Chamber Music Society will present a program of Brahms, Prokofiev and Schubert.

On Friday, August 4, at 8 p.m. and Saturday, August 5, at 2 p.m., the All-Philadelphia Boys' Choir will perform in Robert Blackwood Hall. Admission is \$1 for adults, and 50 cents for students and children. Tickets are available from the Hall manager, Mr. Don Vincent (3091) or Miss Adrienne Holzer (2002).

MEANWHILE, AT THE ALEXANDER

The Alexander Theatre is enjoying its busiest and most successful year yet, according to manager Philip A'Vard.

The recent "Indonesian Adventure" was a spectacular success: the theatre was booked out for every performance, and there were enough on the waiting list to have justified another five performances. People came from as far afield as Bendigo, Geelong and Ballarat — even Sydney and Canberra.

Today, at 1 p.m., the Australian film "The Naked Bunyip" will be screened. Admission prices are: staff \$1, students 80 cents.

And tomorrow and on Friday, the Players Caravan returns to the Alexander with a presentation of "The Dylan Thomas Show", beginning at 1.05 p.m. each day. Admission 50 cents.

WILD LIFE ON ABV2

Dr. Douglas Dorward, senior lecturer in zoology, is adviser and narrator for a series of six documentaries on "Wild Australia" on ABV2, Sundays, 7.30 — 8 p.m.

The first two programs — on the pelican and the Cape Barren goose — have already been shown. Others in the series deal with: "The Brolga", "The Wedgetailed Eagle", "Macquarie Island" (the light-mantled Sooty Albatross), and "Arnhem Land" (which includes the first filming of the Banded Pigeon).

NATIONAL WAGE CASE RISE FOR ACADEMICS

The Australian Universities Commission has advised the university that legislation is being prepared to apply the \$2 a week National Wage Case increase to academic salaries. The increase was paid to non-academic staff in May (see SOUND No. 77).

A commencement date for payment of the increase to academic staff will be announced later.

The Victorian government has already announced its intention of allocating sufficient money to attract the Commonwealth's matching grant to meet the cost of the increase.

CAN WE SURVIVE?

Herman Kahn, director of the Hudson Institute, New York, will speak in Robert Blackwood Hall at 1.15 today.

His topic is "Does Mankind have a Future: the year 2000 and beyond".

Well-known as a nuclear strategist in the '60s, Mr. Kahn's principal concern now is man's economic and social future and his ability to cope with — or survive — technological change.

His lecture is open to all; admission is free.

KNOCK OFF , , , LOCK-UP!

Members of the University are reminded that it is their responsibility, when leaving their room or offices after work, to ensure that adequate security precautions are taken. These include locking windows, desks, cabinets and doors and switching off lights.

MORE BOOKS NEEDED

Organisers of the coming Monash Book Fair have accumulated about 5000 books and a few thousand journals. However, they would still like another 5000 books.

The fair will be held in Robert Blackwood Hall from August 23 to 26. Proceeds will aid the research work on children's learning by Monash educationist, Professor Marie Neale.

Any person with books to donate should contact Miss Adrienne Holzer, ground floor, University Offices, ext. 2002.

TYPING COURSES AVAILABLE

Staff and students can enrol now for typing courses to be held in the second semester. Classes for the seven-week course will be held on Monday evenings and Wednesday afternoons.

The fee is \$15 and people should enrol at the Clubs and Societies Office, first floor, Union, open from 9 a.m. to 2.30 p.m. daily.

PLACES AT HALLS OF RESIDENCE

Some places for both men and women — undergraduates, postgraduates, full-timers, part-timers, or staff — are available in the Halls of Residence for immediate occupancy.

A convenient room, with meals and cleaning provided, may suit many students wishing to concentrate on their studies in the remainder of the semester.

Richardson Hall will probably be ready to accept a limited number of undergraduates and postgraduates after the mid-semester break.

Please enquire at the Halls Admission Office in Roberts Hall. (Extensions 3280/1/2/3).

NATIVE ART EXHIBITION IN RBH

An exhibition of **Art of the Western Pacific** will be held in Robert Blackwood Hall from Wednesday, August 9, to Saturday, August 12.

The items in the display have been lent by the National Museum of Victoria, and many have not been seen in public before.

They include aboriginal bark paintings and artifacts from New Guinea, Solomon Islands, Admiralty Islands, New Britain, Caroline Islands, New Zealand, Savage Island, Cook Island, Gilbert Islands, Trobriand Island and Australia.

NATIONALISM, REVOLUTION, INDEPENDENCE IN INDONESIA

Dr. Roeslan Abdulgani, former Indonesian Minister of Foreign Affairs under Sukarno, is at present giving a series of lectures on Indonesia for the Department of History.

The lectures, in R1, are designed primarily for students of Southeast Asian History, but are open to other interested persons.

Two lectures have already been delivered. Two more — on "Guided Democracy" — will be given on Tuesday, August 8, and Tuesday, August 29, at 4.15 p.m.

FORUM ON BRECHT

The German department is organising a forum on Brecht's "Mother Courage" to coincide with the production of the play by the student group, Monash Players.

The forum will be held in the Alexander Theatre at 1.30 p.m. on Friday, August 11. Speakers will include Max Teichmann, senior lecturer in politics, Dr. David Roberts and Dr. Parvell Petr from the German Department and John Wregg, the producer of the Monash Players' performance.

"Mother Courage", a play about the effects of war, will be staged in the Alexander Theatre at 8 p.m. from August 8 to 12.