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TWO NEW PROFESSORS ARRIVE: TWO DEPART

Two newly-appointed professors have arrived to take up their duties at Monash. They are Professor Bruce Hobbs, foundation professor of geology, and Professor R.H.T. Smith, professor of geography.

Professor Hobbs, formerly a fellow in the department of geophysics and geochemistry at the Australian National University, has just completed a year as professor of structural geology in the department of earth sciences, State University of New York. His arrival here marks the first major step towards the establishment of Monash's planned department of earth sciences.

Professor Hobbs is currently located in the department of physics; his telephone extension is 3791.

Professor Smith has been professor of geography and head of the department at Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, since August, 1970. A graduate of the University of New England, he became a lecturer at the University of Melbourne in 1961. The following year he went to the University of Wisconsin, first as assistant professor and, in July, 1967, as professor of geography.

Professor Smith's Monash telephone extension is 2911.

The resignation of two professors were received with regret at the September meeting of Council.

Professor H.A.F. Dudley, professor of surgery, Alfred Hospital, since March, 1963, has resigned to take up a chair at St. Mary's Hospital, London. He expects to leave at the end of the year. Professor J. McK. Watts has been appointed acting chairman of the department of surgery until the end of 1972.

Professor Z. F. Oliverius has completed his period of tenure of the chair of Russian at Monash and has left to return to Czechoslovakia. Prof. Oliverius was appointed to Monash in December, 1968. The Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Matheson, told Council that Prof. Oliverius had made a great contribution to the study of Russian and the Slavic languages in Australia.

NEW SCIENCE ADVISORY BODY

Monash has strong links with the newly-established Advisory Committee on Science and Technology, announced last week by the Minister for Education and Science, Mr. Fraser.

Among the 11 foundation members of the committee are Professor R. Street, chairman of the Monash department of physics, and Mr. J. G. Wilson, managing director of APM Ltd., who is a member of the University Council.

The Committee will have the responsibility of assessing, on a continuing basis, Australia's civil science and technology requirements, resources and potential.

Its terms of reference provide for it to report and make recommendations to the Government on the development and application of science and technology to present and future national needs, new areas of science and technology, ways of improving efficiency in the use of resources, the effective development and utilisation of scientific and technological manpower and the compilation of statistics and other information.

The committee will not be concerned with fields of medical research nor with fields of defence science.

GROWING INTEREST IN GROWING PLANTS

Monash native plant enthusiasts are invited to a meeting in lecture theatre R7 next Wednesday, September 27, to discuss the formation of an association dedicated to the propagation and care of Australian plants.

Interest in the subject has gained momentum with the acceleration of the campus "beautification" program, the cataloguing of the native plants already existing in the University and the recent publication of a leaflet dealing with the Monash planting scheme.

Mr. Brian Fox (Faculty of Arts) is convening next week's meeting and he reports a most encouraging response so far. Mr. L. A. Fell, a local expert on native plants, will be at the meeting to answer questions and offer advice.

University members interested in attending the meeting, or joining the proposed association, are asked to contact Mr. Fox (extn. 2109) or Mr. David Boulton (extn. 3905). Copies of the leaflet, "The Monash Planting Scheme" are available at the Union Desk, or the Information Office, University Offices.

LAW FACULTY SEEKS STUDENT MEMBERS

The Law Faculty Board has called for nominations for four student members to be elected to the Board for a term of 12 months from January 1, 1973. The positions are open to students of more than one year's academic standing, to be elected by students of more than one year's academic standing.

Nominations should be lodged before 5 p.m. on Monday, September 25, with the secretary of the Faculty of Law, from whom nomination forms are now available.

(Our attention has been drawn to an error in the report of Faculty election results in SOUND No. 88. The reference to one graduate having been *selected* by the Monash Research Students' Association in the Faculty of Science should be amended to read *elected* by MRSA.)

U.S. STUDENTS "CONCERNED FOR THE ENVIRONMENT"

Dr. D. M. de Kretser, of the Monash department of anatomy, spent a year's study leave in the United States and was struck by the concern for environmental issues shown by university students there.

In his report to Council this month, Dr. de Kretser said that in the atmosphere of turbulence caused by the Vietnam war, the Kent State killings and the continuing racial unrest, he sensed a feeling of despair in the student generation.

However, there were many among the medical students who had volunteered their services to work at neighbourhood "Free Clinics" which provided medical services to underprivileged groups who could not afford the immense expense of health care in America.

Dr. de Kretser's report went on:

"Paramount amongst the issues were those of pollution and the environment. The extent of the nation's arousal regarding this issue was the voting out of the SST appropriation bill. However many amongst the younger generation were lending support to more mundane things as recycling schemes for bottles, cans etc. This was reflected in the lack of litter seen in parks, around the cities and in the more remote camping grounds. The lack of this attitude to litter in Australia really confronted us on our return. The extent of concern regarding the use of raw materials was reflected by the refusal of some members of the younger generation to buy new clothes and their use of such vehicles as the push-bike for transport — even in mid-winter. It was evident that sooner or later some degree of confrontation would occur between the growing concern for the environment and use of natural resources and those business interests bent on continuing the growth of the industrial economy."

ROCK AND RHAPSODY

The Monash Modern Dance Group, which now boasts some 160 members, will present four lunch hour performances of a program entitled "Rock and Rhapsody" early next month.

The program will include "Superstructure of Society", a social comment on the mechanistic nature of society, choreographed by 4th year science student, David Schulberg. Other items are "Rhapsody", a classical-versus-modern pas-de-deux, and "Rock Requiem", which is in the form of a prayer for the Vietnamese people.

Performances will be given in the Alexander Theatre at 1 p.m. on October 3, 4, 5 and 6.

TWO PROFESSORS TO PERFORM

The University of Melbourne has been promised a "unique musical experience" next month when two professors will combine their talents to present an evening of music in Melba Hall.

Singer Professor David Galliver (University of Adelaide) will join pianist Professor George Loughlin (Melbourne) and Mr. Christopher Martin (Melbourne), viola, to present a recital of music by Beethoven, Schumann, Vaughn Williams and Benjamin Britten.

The concert will be given at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, October 3.

RENAISSANCE MUSIC AT MONASH

The seven-member Renaissance Consort from the Tasmanian Conservatorium of Music will give a concert in Robert Blackwood Hall at 8.15 p.m. on Friday, September 22.

The Consort, which was formed in 1968, consists of six instrumentalists and one singer, a tenor. Their repertoire includes 15th and 16th century music from England, Flanders, Burgundy, Germany, Spain, France and Italy. The Consort has a wide variety of plucked, bowed, brass, wind and percussion instruments, including lute, pandora, cittern, viola da gamba, rebec and krummhorn.

Tickets are \$2 for adults and \$1 for students and children.

PIANO TUITION

Mr. Trevor Barnard, who has been appointed Union piano teacher to succeed Miss Kathleen Brady, will begin lessons soon. Prospective students are invited to meet him in the Union today (Tuesday) and tomorrow.

Mr. Barnard, who was born in London in 1938, has been a teacher in piano at the New England Conservatory of Boston, USA, since 1968. He has had extensive experience in the fields of concerts, broadcast recitals and recording.

BUILDINGS COMMITTEE

The agenda for the next meeting of the Buildings Committee, to be held at 9.30 a.m. on Thursday, September 21, has been forwarded to the Main Library.