

# RHODES NEWSLETTER

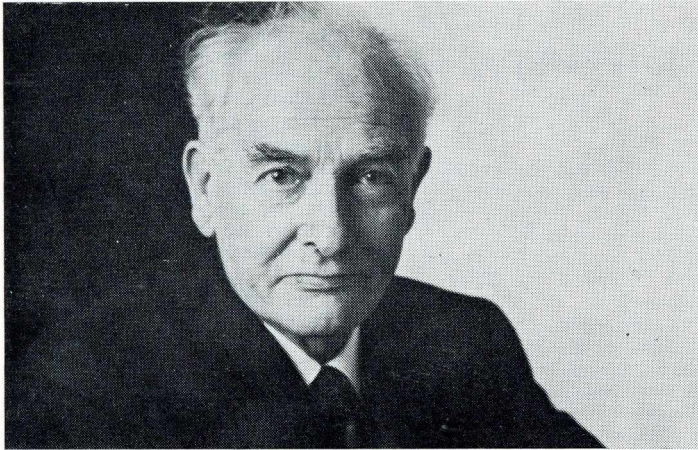
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## Appointment

### *PROF. TWYMAN NEW VICE-PRINCIPAL*



Professor Edgar S. Twyman has been appointed Vice-Principal and Pro-Vice-Chancellor of Rhodes University.

For the past 22 years, 59 year old Professor Twyman has been Professor of Botany at Rhodes. On four separate occasions he has acted as Dean of the Science Faculty.

Professor Twyman was educated at Birmingham University, where he obtained a Ph.D., in 1945. He also taught Botany for a time at the same University. During the war he spent a period as Supervisor of analytical work for the University of Agriculture on the Warwickshire War Agricultural Committee.

He is an elected Fellow of the Royal Society of South Africa, the Institute of Biology and, in 1972, a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts.

In recent years Professor Twyman was responsible for the planning of the new R200 000 block which now houses the Department of Botany and Microbiology.

Professor Twyman has researched widely into argicultural questions, particularly problems in the Eastern Cape. He has also published widely on this research.

On the death of Professor R. Antonissen, Professor Twyman became acting Vice-Principal. The new appointment is a full-time post though Professor Twyman will retain close links with his subject.

## Entomology

### **BENEFICIAL NEW PENS**

Rhodes Departments will benefit from the new breeding station the University will open near the Campus. The new complex, will be sited on a large piece of ground above the University off the Port Elizabeth National Road.

The University Council has made a grant to the Tick Research Unit for the building of isolation pens. Other Departments which breed animals for research purposes will also be able to house them in this complex.

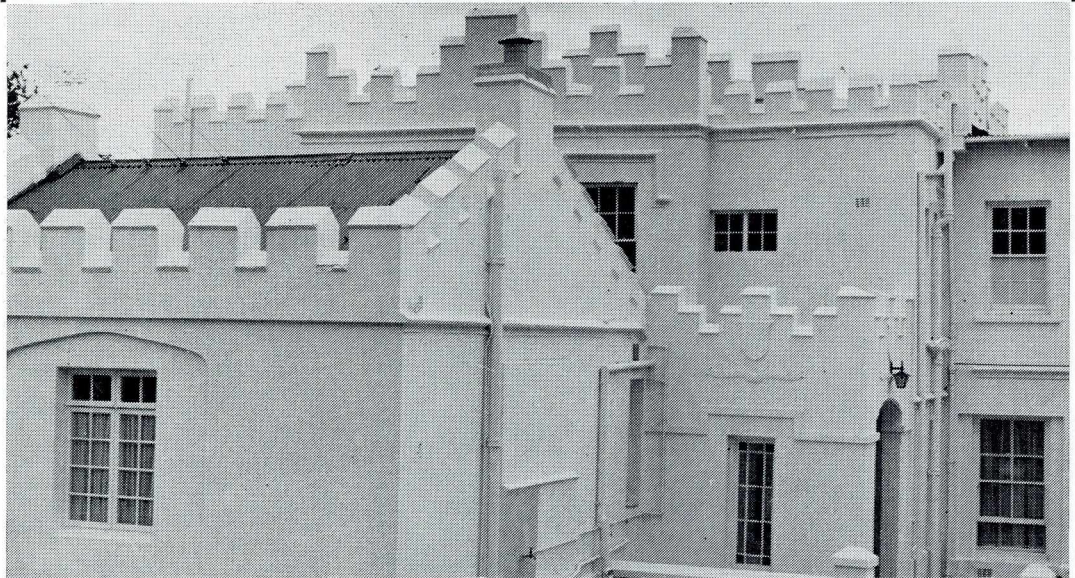
The fact that the Tick Research Unit will now have a permanent breeding point is most welcome. They need four or five young cattle, sheep and goats for research. They also have between 20 and 30 rabbits. In recent years they have moved twice, first from a commercial research station on the Cradock road and then to Beaconsfield, beyond Sugar Loaf Hill.

The foundations have already been laid and within a couple of months the facilities would be complete.

Other Departments which will use the facilities are the Pharmacy and Microbiology Departments which use rabbits, the Zoology Department which breeds rats and the Psychology Department which uses baboons for its experiments.

## Selwyn Castle

### **AN OLD FRIEND GIVES NEW SERVICE**



Very few buildings on, or around, the Rhodes Campus are remembered with quite as much affection as Selwyn Castle.

For years it was Kaif and as such served as the focal point of Rhodes student life.

A year ago this old Kaif, with its annexe, built in the early sixties, was replaced by the new Students Union Building.

After the move, Selwyn Castle was renovated and turned into comfortably pleasant office and teaching areas. It now houses the Departments of French, German,

Social Work and Sociology.

Today, carpets have replaced the battered linoleum, shiny new doors stand where old battered ones stood, but Rhodians will be thrilled to hear that the old staircases still creak. A sure sign that this old friend still gives service.





# Events through the Drosty Arch . . . . .

## Divinity

### TEXTS PRESENTED



Twelve students studying Hellenistic Greek were given copies of the Bible in Greek by the Bible Society of South Africa. The presentation took place in the Chapel of Livingstone House. Here Professor Leslie Hewson, Dean of Divinity is seen with Ds J. R. Minnaar, Organising Secretary of the Bible Society, Dr. B. X. de Wet, Senior Lecturer in Hellenistic Greek and Mr. W. J. Olckers, Branch Secretary of the Bible Society in Grahamstown.

## Staff

### NEW COMMITTEE

The University Council has set up a liaison committee to deal with the grievances of the Black campus Staff.

The new committee is comprised of Prof. W. A. Maxwell, Mr. H. W. Page and Mr. A. P. Cole.

Black Staff with grievances may take their complaints directly to the new committee or through the Non-White Workers' Association.

## Fine Art

### FLEMISH EXHIBITION



Mr. F. W. de Wilde, Belgium Consul General in Cape Town journeyed to Rhodes in June to open an exhibition of Flemish

art. Here Mr. de Wilde is seen in conversation with Professor Brian Bradshaw, Head of the Fine Arts Department.

## Economics

### ALUMNI PUBLISH TWO NEW IMPORTANT WORKS

The final Volume, Volume 3, of Professor Hobart Houghton and Mrs. Jennifer Dagut's mammoth "Source of Material on the South African Economy" has recently been published by Oxford University Press.

Professor Houghton is a former Professor in Economics at Rhodes and until recently was the Director of the institute for Social and Economic Research. Mrs. Dagut is a former Lecturer in Economics at Rhodes.

Houghton says that both he and Mrs. Dagut undertook the seven year task when they realised the lack of adequate primary source material in Economic History. He feels that not only Economic Historians and Economists will be able to use the Volumes. "They will, we hope, be of use to all those interested in the Social Sciences".

The authors have, according to one noted reviewer, "quarried the colonial blue books, annual registers and unearthed forgotten newspaper files". The reviewer goes on to say that "contemporary politicians, civil servants, traveller merchants and a miscellany of colourful characters play a role illustrating South Africa's trend to Capital Centralisation".

The Volumes, in both Paperback and Hardback are divided into six parts and span the entire period 1860-1970.

Another major economic book recently published is Trevor Bell's "Industrial Decentralization in South Africa". Also Oxford University Press.)

Trevor has, of course, recently moved to Pietermaritzburg as Professor of Economics.

The book, "an analytical and descriptive" account of the decentralization policy from 1960 to 1970, is based on Trevor's Ph.D., thesis which was accepted at Rhodes in 1968. The work he has done in this field makes him a leading authority in this field.

## Rhodes Lecture

### LORD BLAKE TO SPEAK

The fourth Cecil Rhodes Commemoration lecture entitled "Cecil Rhodes and the Historians", will be delivered by Lord Blake, Provost of The Queens College, Oxford, on 6th September, at 4.00p.m., in the Rhodes Great Hall.

Robert Norman William Blake was educated at King Edward VI School, Norwich and Magdalen College, Oxford, where he read Modern Greats.

During the Second World War, he served with the Royal Artillery in North Africa. He was captured and spent two years, before successful escape, in a P.O.W. camp in Italy. He was also mentioned in Despatches.

Since 1944, Lord Blake has been associated in various capacities with Oxford University. He served on the Oxford City Council for a number of years and is a Rhodes Trustee.

Lord Blake's publications include The Private Papers of Douglas Haig, 1952, The Unknown Prime Minister (life of Andrew Bonar Law), 1955, Disraeli, 1966, and The Conservative Party from Peel to Churchill, 1970. He is at present working on a History of Rhodesia.

## Publications

### "SO YOU'RE GOING TO UNIVERSITY"

Professor C. H. Price, Head of the Department of Pharmacy, has recently had two books published.

Both the books, which have been well received, are on subjects outside the Professor's discipline.

"George Rex, King or Esquire" is an historical account of the legendary Knysna figure.

The second book entitled "So you're going to University" gives advice on the problems confronting prospective students. The 79 page manual deals with the choice of courses, selection of subjects, note taking and covers the whole gambit of problems facing students. In addition the book reviews the structure of the University. It is generally thought, with the absence of other literature in this field, that Prof. Price's book will fill an important void.

The Professor is meanwhile working on two more books specifically related to his field.



## New Course

# AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS: FILLING A VOID

The Economics Department has announced the introduction of two new courses in the Economics of Agriculture with effect from the 1974 academic year.

Economics of Agriculture 1 (First Course) will be offered as an alternative course in the second year of the B.Comm. degree. This course will comprise an outline of the place of agriculture in the South African economy and give an introduction to agricultural economic analysis. Tuition will also be given on the Principles of Farm Business Management and on the marketing of agricultural products. Included in the course will be the consideration of tax management and the assessment of uncertainty in production decisions.

The second year course (Economics of Agriculture II) will be offered at the B.Comm. III level and will be a theoretical and practical course in advanced agricultural economics. The economics of agricultural production will be studied in detail. This will include resource use under uncertainty conditions, price variability and mathematical programming elements in management. Agricultural Price Analysis and Policy will also be considered. Interestingly, this course will include a study of the problems involved in Agricultural Economic Development. It is hoped that problems of rural poverty and depopulation will be studied as well as the economic viability of the Homelands.

The courses, which have been two years in planning, will be taught by an Agricultural economist, Mr. G. G. Antrobus, who holds a Masters degree in Agricultural Economics from the University of Natal. Mr. Antrobus' special field of interest is the study of farm labour in South Africa.

These courses are seen as a natural extension of the current interest of Rhodes and Mr. Antrobus in agriculture and its economics in the Eastern Cape. The University has offered courses in the Economics of Agriculture before and at the present time some 15 students are taking a course in Agricultural Economics.

For the past six years Rhodes has offered short courses to interested farmers on the economics of agriculture. Last year over 60 farmers from the Eastern Cape attended the course. A similar course is being planned for September of this year.

Mr. Antrobus, who was formerly an Economist with the Department of Economics and Agricultural Marketing, has also provided an interpretation service to local Study Groups of farmers.

The new course will fall under the wing of the Department of Economics and Economic History and a paper in the Economics of Agriculture for interested Honours students in Economics has been introduced this year.

## Appointments

# PSYCHOLOGY'S NEW PROFESSOR

Professor Thomas M. D. Kruger, 49, will take up duties as Professor of Psychology and Head of the Department on January 1, 1974.

Professor Kruger, who is presently Professor of Psychology at the University of Fort Hare, was educated at Elliot High School and read the B.A. degree at Stellenbosch, graduating in 1944. He subsequently obtained the M.A., from the University of Pretoria and a Doctorate from the University of South Africa.

For fifteen years in the period 1949-1964, Professor Kruger worked in the Department of Labour in Pretoria. In his two last years there, he was Assistant Chief of the Division.

Thereafter, until his appointment to the Chair at Fort Hare, Professor Kruger, who is registered Clinical Psychologist, practised privately. His chief specialisation was the selection of executives for business and industry.

## Departments

# LAW & SOCIAL WORK AID LOCAL PROJECT

Students of the Law Department are assisting the Grahamstown branch of the South African Institute of Race Relations in running an advice bureau for Africans.

The office, which will be manned by Rhodes Social Science students and the Albany Black Sash, will offer advice on legal and personal matters.

It is thought that these legal problems will involve housing, rents, property ownership expropriations and leases. Administrative problems concerning the municipality will also be dealt with.

The office will direct people to the right sources of information, be it for legal advice or to the Department of Social Welfare or the Child Welfare Society.

## Visitors



Early in June, the British Ambassador to South Africa, Sir James Bottomley and Lady Bottomley, visited the University.

Here the Ambassador is seen with his wife and the Vice-Chancellor and Mrs. Hyslop.



A most interested visitor to Rhodes in June was Mr. Gerhard Roux Group Secretary to the Rembrandt Group of Companies. Here Mr. Roux is seen in discussion with Professor E. Higgins of the Sociology Department.



Mr. Raymond Ackerman, Managing Director of Pick 'n Pay, visited Rhodes in June.

On the evening of his visit he addressed a gathering of interested staff and students on the topic "Marketing in the Seventies".

Here Mr. Ackerman is seen with the Vice-Chancellor, Dr. J.M. Hyslop.



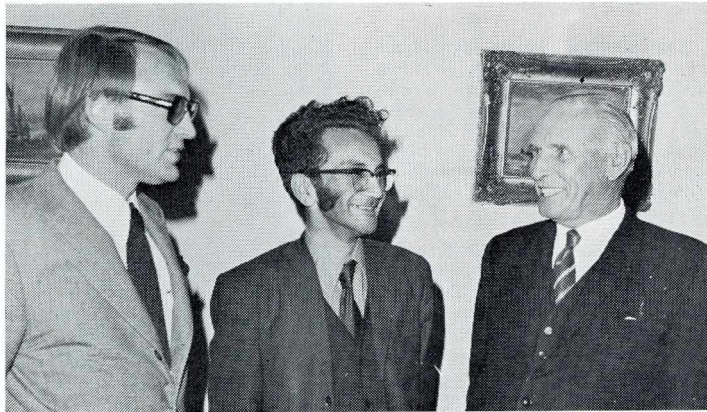
## Arts and Science

# LIVELY AND INTERESTING WEEK OPENED BY ADAM SMALL

Rhodes students this year organised a lively and extremely interesting Arts and Science Week.

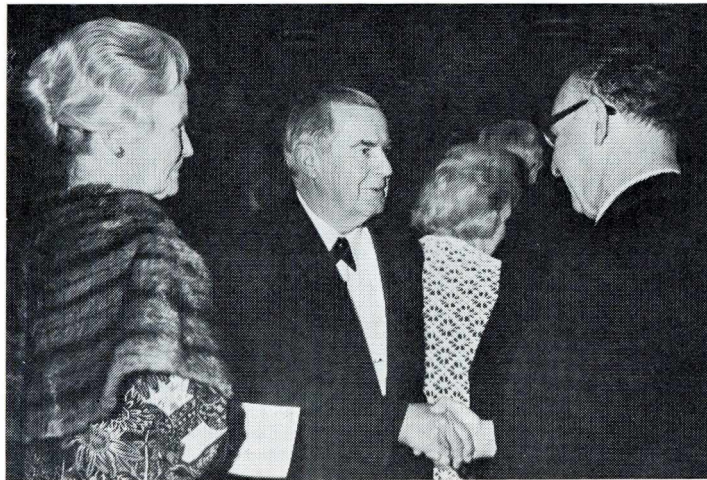
Items in the programme varied from talks on "The Dilemma of Mankind" (given by Dr. Nico Stutterheim), South Africa and the World: Problems and Prospects" (Prof. Denis Worrall), "The New Left" (Mr. D. T. Kunert, to a forum on 'Homosexuality' and a Symposium on the highly contentious subject "The World Needs the Arts more than the Sciences at Present".

In addition, the week was studded with a local African theatrical performance, folk music and no fewer than eight film shows.



The Annual Arts and Science Week was opened by Mr. Adam Small, the Coloured Poet and Philosopher. Mr. Small spoke on "Literature and Social Change". At a function prior to his speaking, Mr. Small is seen in conversation with the Vice-Chancellor and Professor Denis Worrall, the Director of the Institute for Social and Economic Research.

## FAREWELL DINNER



Louis Dubb, a member of the University's Council, bids farewell to Professor Desmond Hobart Houghton and Mrs. Hobart Houghton at a banquet marking his retirement as director of the Institute of Social and Economic Research. The Hobart Houghtons retired to their Hogsback home at the end of the month.

## Afrikaans

# ANDRÉ BRINK PUBLISHES NEW WORK

The work of André Brink, Senior Lecturer in the Afrikaans Department at Rhodes, has been very much in the news lately. In early June his "Bagasie" a "Triptych for the Theatre", was produced in the Rhodes Theatre Workshop. The three plays each complete in themselves, are tenuously linked by the symbolic use of luggage.

Each one (two Afrikaans, one English) confront the audience with embattled people trying, vainly, to make sense out of experience, before time runs out.

In mid-June his latest work "Kruis van die Aand" was published. the 500-page novel, which

deals with the life of a Coloured man and his love for a White woman, is an attempt to tackle the South African racial and political situation.

In Brink's own words, he feels that "There has been much criticism that Afrikaans fiction seemed to evade its responsibility to the South African racial set-up. This is part of my contribution to that challenge and responsibility". Like his previous novel, "Die Ambassadeur", Mr. Brink hopes to translate his latest into English.

In the next five months, five more of Mr. Brink's publications will appear.

## Speech and Drama

# STAFF CHANGES BRING A NEW IMPETUS

Theatre at Rhodes, though the Speech and Drama Department, has recently enjoyed a new and lively impetus.

The staff has been increased by the addition of Roy Sergeant, now Departmental Head, and Mr. Henry Goodman who joined the Department from London.

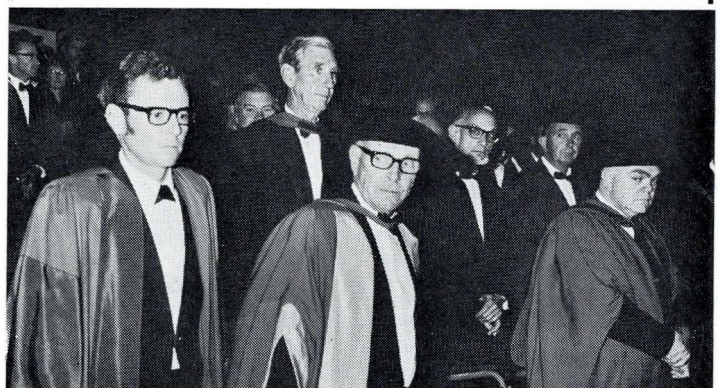
Mr. Sergeant has recently completed a feature film called "Oh, Brother...". This romantic comedy is due for release in October. He has experience in film making (including co-direction of "The Winners") and will begin an introductory course in film-making at Rhodes.

Mr. Goodman, a RADA graduate, has had wide acting experience in Britain. This experience has included both conventional forms of theatre and less conventional forms like street theatre and guerilla theatre.

In addition to these newcomers, Mr. Frank Shelley, a professional Theatre Director and former Artistic Director of the Oxford Playhouse is producing Shaw's "Arms and the Man". This will be presented in the Great Hall on Settlers Day and run for 3 days.

At the beginning of next year, the Department will move into its new building. This impressive building stands next to the Rhodes Little Theatre.

## INAUGURAL LECTURE



Professor DAVID WOODS, Professor of Microbiology, accompanied by the Vice-Chancellor enters the Hall to deliver his Inaugural Lecture.

Thirty-two year old Professor Woods, spoke on "Genes, Microbes and Man".

He, his wife and their two children leave shortly on sabbatical leave.



# NEW VENTURES IN TRAINING STUDENTS FOR THE MINISTRY

This article, written by the Dean of Divinity, is the second in a series of in-depth features on Rhodes Departments.

We began in 1947 as a department for the training the ministry. Four churches are partners in this scheme: Anglican, Congregational, Methodist and Presbyterian.

The minimum period for an adequate ministerial training is three years of consistent study.

The original meaning of "ministry" is service: so our work is to train men to serve — to be servants of God and of the community.

This idea of service can easily be lost because part of a minister's work is to be a leader — in worship and in the community.

With the development of Psychology and Sociology and organised social work sponsored by industry and local and national governments, much of the work once done in the community by Church workers is now done by professionally trained Social Workers.

But even professionally trained social workers still need the help of Christian workers, both clerical and lay.

The partner churches in the Rhodes scheme are well aware of this — and therefore new ventures are being made to prepare men and women for ministry in the commu-

nity as well as within the church and congregation.

The Anglican Church, through St. Paul's College in Grahamstown, has a planned programme to give practical experience in pastoral work to Anglican ordinands.

The Presbyterian Church has been at work for two years on a scheme of post-graduate training of ministers in the Johannesburg area. Men are placed in a congregation and their training for ministry is coordinated by Rev. Martin Lund. Training for the Presbyterian Ministry thus extends over a minimum period of five years.

The Methodist Church has embarked on another plan of training for ministry. This is based on the conviction that a traditional training in theological studies should be very closely related to practical experience in applying what is learnt in the lecture room.

To meet this need Rhodes University has decided to enlarge the scope of an existing four-year degree so as to include three years of Pastoral Work as a recognised course for the degree of Th.B. Two years of Pastoral Work

will be taken in residence and the final year in service.

This degree will be open to any student who has the academic qualification of matriculation exemption.

Dr. Donald Cragg has been appointed by the Methodist Church to work out this scheme with the University authorities.

Ever since the Divinity Department at Rhodes began in 1947, it has been closely identified with clergy training. Now that the Churches are considering opening the door to women for the Christian Ministry, we expect to find women enrolling for our divinity studies as well.

In most other South African Universities there are Divinity Departments which offer courses in Religious Studies to prepare students for a career in education or social work, and to cater for the general interest in world religions.

The Divinity Department at Rhodes is planning to develop courses in Religious Studies to meet the needs of such students and of other students who have an interest in religion as such.

## English Institute

**André de Villiers  
becomes the  
Director**



Dr. A. R. W. (André) de Villiers has been appointed the first full-time Director of the Institute for the Study of English in Africa.

Born in Johannesburg in 1936, Dr. de Villiers has a B.A. (Hons.), M.A., and a Ph.D., from Rhodes University.

In 1959, on a Scholarship, Dr. de Villiers spent some time at the University of Kansas. He later worked as a Personnel Manager in Britain for 18 months. In 1962 he returned to Rhodes and in 1965 was appointed Senior Lecturer in the English Department. This year, in the absence of Professor Guy Butler, Dr. de Villiers is Acting Head of the Department of English.

Much of Dr. de Villiers' current research well equips him for the task as Director of I.S.E.A. He is editing a modern edition of the verse of Thomas Pringle and is also analysing the printing of some of Pringle's verse. He is presently editing a new edition of Cowper Rose's "Four Years in South Africa", originally published in 1829, and he is a member of the Editorial Committee of the Dictionary of South African English.

In addition to publishing widely on the English experience in Africa, Dr. de Villiers has published learned articles on other aspects of English Literature.

Dr. de Villiers is an active member of numerous Societies including the Malone Society, the Printing Historical Society (London) and the Bibliographical Society (London). He is at present Secretary to the Board of the Grahamstown Documentation Centre.

He has also been an examiner for both the Cape Senior Certificate in English and an English examiner on the Joint Matriculation Board.

The post carries professorial status and thus the Director has a seat on Senate.

## Rag

# INCOME TOPS THE R30 000 MARK

This year's Rag Committee is well within their target figure. With money still coming in the final figure will be somewhere in excess of R30 000.

One of the most lucrative fund-raising efforts was the nation-wide car competition.

Here Mr. Trevor Fietze of Idutywa, Transkei, takes delivery of the first prize in this contest from Mr. Mike Arnold of the Rhodes Rag Committee.

The car was donated with the compliments of Datsun-Nissan, South Africa.

Staff and Students of the Department of Social Work are at present studying applications for funds from Eastern Cape charities. These recommendations will be passed to a Disposal Committee which will deal with the distribution of money.





# CABARET



Final-year Speech and Drama students presented a Cabaret evening recently at the Rhodes Club.

Response to the 20 or more items of miscellany was most encouraging. Critics said the standard of the performance and presentation was "on the whole remarkably high".

Here rehearsing a Cabaret chorus are students from the Speech and Drama Department.

The facilities at the Rhodes Club are being increasingly used for entertainment in Grahamstown.

The Club's "Orange Room" - a restaurant - is developing an excellent name for its cuisine.

## Physical Education

### SPORTS COMPLEX

Mr. Doug Coghlan, of the Department of Physical Education and Mr. Dave Albert, the University's Sports Officer, are members of a group of Grahamstown Sports administrators who are planning a multi-purpose sports complex in the city. It is hoped that the complex would house facilities which could be shared by all schools and sports clubs.

Mr. Coughlan returned from overseas at the beginning of the year after studying the organization and sharing of recreational facilities on a community basis.

The purpose of the new project would be to prevent the spending of relatively small sums of money on poor facilities at the individual club or school level. This could be done by pooling of the money to build sports facilities which could be shared by the school and adult community. Pooled resources would naturally mean the provision of facilities of a far higher standard.

Mr. Albert has prepared a draft constitution for a sports advisory council which would act in co-operation with the municipality in the creation of a multipurpose sports complex.

## Education

### PRIVATE SCHOOLS

Two members of the Rhodes staff addressed the annual meeting of Heads of South African Private Schools held in Grahamstown late in August.

At an all day preparatory schools conference at St. Andrews, Professor Arthur Noble, of the Education Department, spoke on different aspects of motivation.

Professor Noble also spoke to the delegates on the Wednesday discussion on Staffing.

On the following day at the Diocesan School for Girls, Professor Calvin Cook, of the Divinity Department addressed the delegates.

Conference delegates were also exposed to the Grahamstown project - the combined Rhodes and Training College remedial reading Clinic. Miss Marion McDowell, of the Training College, spoke on the work being done in the project.

## Monument

### RHODES TO ACCOMMODATE

Work is proceeding apace with the R4,5-million 1820 Settler National Monument close to the Rhodes Campus.

On August 31, the roof-wetting ceremony was held and it is now confidently expected that the monument will be completed by February of the new year. Plans are already underway for the official opening by the State President in July, 1974.

The Monument has conference accommodation for close on 1000 people. The most modern conference facilities have been provided.

A brochure recently issued by the Monument Foundation, indicates that Rhodes Residence facilities will be extensively used to accommodate conference delegates.

## L.I.R.I.

### S.A. LEADS THE WORLD IN OUTLAY

Dr. Stanley Shuttleworth, Director of the Leather Industries Research Institute, recently said that South Africa was spending up to 10 times more on footwear leather research than the U.S., and three times as much as the United Kingdom.

Dr. Shuttleworth, who recently returned from a two-month trip overseas, said that South Africa, with a leather output of R10-million and a footwear output of R80-million, spend 0,24 per cent on research.

The comparative figure in the United States was 0,021 per cent and in Britain 0,08 per cent.

Apart from the need for research, Dr. Shuttleworth felt that survival problems were common in tanning all over the world.

Markets were continually being eroded by external competition. Concern for the environment had demanded that the industry reduce the amount of effluent in the production process.

It was also vital, said Dr. Shuttleworth, that leather maintained its public image as prestige footwear and clothing material against the competition from synthetics.

The low price leather field faced stern competition from flow mouldings and urethane-coated fabrics which were a remarkable close imitation of leather.

## SERIOUS PUBLICATION FOR RHODES CONVOCATION

A marked feature of the South African academic community is that, apart from certain specialist journals, few avenues exist for academics (in the broadest definition), to express themselves on matters of national or community interest.

In order to provide such an outlet for the Rhodes Convocation, the Executive Committee has decided to sponsor an annual publication. To be known as Convocation Corner, the publication will provide a forum in which Rhodes Alumni can present Papers of a serious and semi-academic nature.

Depending on the response, it is hoped that the first of these publications will appear with the December issue of the Newsletter.

Interested members of Convocation are asked to submit their contributions to:

The Public Relations Office,  
Rhodes University,  
GRAHAMSTOWN.

Contributions should be in the region of 1500 words (excluding footnotes), on any matter of topical or specialist interest, and should reach Rhodes before November 20, 1973.

## 1905 FIRST XV



Another sports photo from yesteryear which has come to our notice is this one of the 1905 Rhodes University College, Football Fifteen.

There are, of course some well known men in the photograph of this team. It will also be noticed that Professor A. Matthews was the coach.

We wonder how many O.R.'s can recognise the members of this famous team?



## REUNION FUNCTIONS — THE DATES

Once again this September will see the gathering of Old Rhodians in South Africa, Rhodesia and in Britain for the O.R. Reunion Functions.

The following dates for Reunions have been decided. Invitations to these, and other parties, will follow closer to the time.

**Johannesburg:** Friday, 21st September, 1973.

**Cape Town:** Friday, 14th September, 1973.

**Bulawayo:** Wednesday, 26th September, 1973.

**Salisbury:** Friday, 28th September, 1973.

**Umtali:** Saturday, 29th September, 1973.

**Kimberley:** Wednesday, 12th September, 1973.

**Durban:** Friday, 7th September, 1973.

## O.R.U. TRIPS TO CONTINUE

Despite the introduction of the new Apex flights to Europe, Old Rhodians can still benefit substantially from the Old Rhodian flights to Europe in December.

The Apex flight in December costs R330.00 as against the O.R.U. flight which is slightly less. In addition, costs can be saved by Old Rhodians not on the Rand on flights to Johannesburg, if going on an O.R.U. flight.

The proposed O.R.U. flight this December is going ahead as scheduled. News also has it that the Apex flights are already fully booked for this period and O.R.'s wishing to spend December in Europe are well advised to contact:

Tom Tits Travel,  
P.O. Box 124,  
GRAHAMSTOWN.

Telephone: Grahamstown  
(0461) 2235.

## *Old Rhodian Xmas Cards*

As announced in the April edition of the Newsletter, the Grahamstown Committee of the O.R.U., have now produced Xmas Cards for use by Old Rhodians, Students and Staff.

This project is aimed at collecting funds for the O.R. Bursary Fund.

The attractive colour cards are on sale at 60c for 10 (plus 10c for postage).

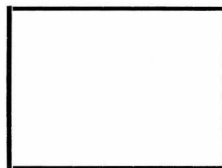
Interested Old Rhodians are asked to fill in this coupon and post it to:

The Development Office,  
Rhodes University,  
P.O. Box 94,  
GRAHAMSTOWN

NAME: .....

ADDRESS: .....

Please send me



Xmas Cards

at 60c per 10 (plus 10c for postage). I enclose a Cheque/Postal Order to the value of R , cents.

Thank You,

Signed .....



## JOE KING'S CLOCK: UNVEILING

A plaque in memory of the late Joe King, near the clocktower which bears his name, will be unveiled at 11.00 a.m., on Founders' Day, 12th September, by Joe's widow, Mrs. Molly King.

The clock-tower is atop the Students Union Building which overlooks the Great Field. It was collected by money collected by Old Rhodians.

After the unveiling, Prof. K. W. Jones, a longtime friend and colleague of Joe King, will speak.

Prof. Doug Rivett, Hon. Secretary to the O.R.U., has asked that as many O.R.'s as possible should attend.

## Psychology

### READING CLINIC COURSES

The Remedial Reading Clinic at Rhodes has recently held a most successful course for 30 East London teachers. Further courses are being planned for teachers from Graaff-Reinet, Tarkastad and Cradock.

The Clinic is now devising a system of first aid for children with reading problems.

The Clinic is attempting to instil in the ordinary teacher an awareness of simple remedial reading techniques which would enable them to do first aid work in the classroom and so, possibly, avoid recurrence of problems.

These, often simple techniques, could assist the children overcome psychological problems thus enabling better adjustment. Confidence from this readjustment could help them solve their difficulties.

The course for trained teachers includes a discussion of "Symptoms" and a "checklist" for teachers. Lectures on Group and Individual lessons are given and training on apparatus demonstrated.

Response to the courses has been encouraging and the Clinic hopes to expand its services in this field.

**The Annual Dinner of the Old Rhodian Union will be held in the Rhodes Club, Students Union Building, on Founders Day (September 12th), at 7.30 for 8.00 p.m.**

**The cost of the Dinner is R3.50 per head and bookings can be made by phoning Grahamstown 4840.**

## Education

### 200 TEACHERS AT ENGLISH UPDATING

One hundred and eighty teachers from Cape Schools and 20 inspectors are expected to attend the in-service training course for teachers of English at Rhodes in September.

Over 400 teachers applied to attend the four day course which has been organised by the Cape Education Department in conjunction with Mr. Ken Durham, a Senior Lecturer in the Education Faculty.

The course aims to refresh teachers ideas and to inform them, both theoretically and practically, on new methods, approaches and techniques in teaching.

The potential role of television will enjoy special emphasis. In this respect, five day and two night sessions will be devoted to TV in education.

Video tapes involving project and theme works and aspects of group communication will be screened. Over R20 000 worth of TV equipment will be in use including a mobile TV unit.

In the course of daily workshop sessions practical demonstrations of audio-visual aids will be given. Participants will produce films and make tapes.

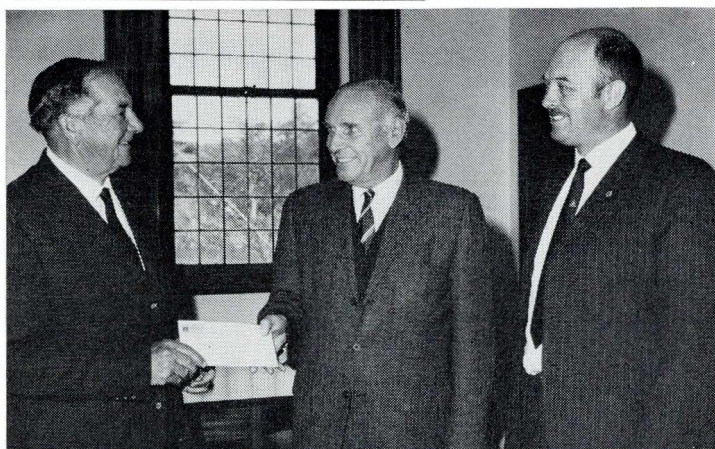
Lectures will be given by Professor Guy Butler, Head of the English Department, on King Lear, next years matriculation setwork; Professor André de Villiers on short stories and Mr. M. van Wyk Smith on aspects of modern poetry.

For demonstration purposes, live classes will be used for the teaching of poetry, grammar, remedial reading and drama.

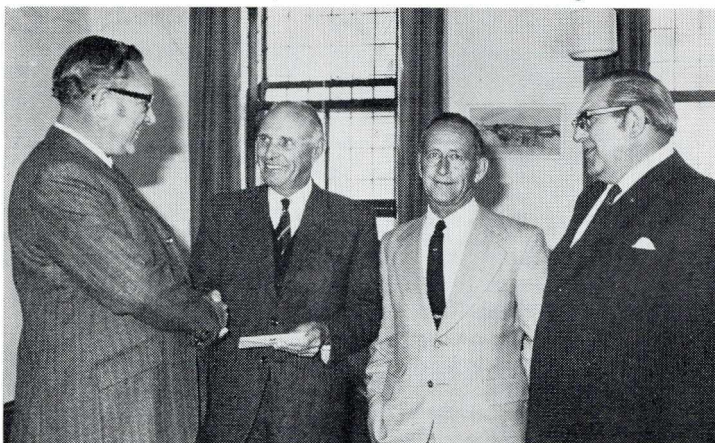
A full day, the last, will be devoted to drama which will include the production of one-act plays. Producers from Cape Town and Port Elizabeth will demonstrate.

A similar course was held in 1970, though this one will be the first to include a total view of English teaching from the primary school level to matriculation.

## Development Programme



The Development Fund has benefitted from a R1 500 donation from the S.A. Permanent. Here the Vice-Chancellor, Dr. J. M. Hyslop, receives a cheque from Mr. Cyril Dicks, a member of the local board. Looking on is Mr. O. C. Forrester, Grahamstown Branch Manager.



The Standard Bank recently gave the Rhodes Development Fund a cheque. Here the Acting Regional Manager, Mr. D. V. van den Heever, presents the cheque to the Vice-Chancellor. Also in the group are Mr. J.B. Marais, Border Zone Manager and Mr. B.E. Dring, Manager of the Grahamstown branch.

## HORTICULTURE

Dr. Frank Coleman, of the Economics Department, is conducting a survey of the horticultural industry in South Africa.

The survey, designed to help the nurserymen and seedsmen of South Africa, is under the auspices of the Institute for Social and Economic Research and has been sponsored by the Human Sciences Research Council.

A questionnaire has been widely circulated in the horticultural industry and the information will be used for statistical purposes.

## PRESIDENT

The Vice-Chancellor, Dr. J. M. Hyslop, has been elected President of the South African Association for the Advancement of Science (S<sub>2</sub>A<sub>3</sub>).

As mentioned in the last Newsletter the Annual Congress of S<sub>2</sub>A<sub>3</sub> will be held at Rhodes in July next year.

## Economics

### THIRD FARMERS COURSE IN SEPTEMBER

The third Rhodes short course for farmers will be held at the University on September 19th and 20th.

The course entitled "Labour and Machinery Management", is held annually under the auspices of the Rhodes Economics Department. Professor M. Truu, newly appointed Head of the Department, will open the course. He will talk on "The Human Resources of the Cape Midlands and the Karoo".

Other speakers will include Professor W. Backer of Fort Hare and Mr. Jock Hodgkinson of the Department of Agriculture.

Last year's course was attended by over 50 farmers from the Eastern Cape and Border Areas.



## Obituary

Miss **M. J. Welsh** (1926, 1938), passed away on February 1st, 1973.

Joyce Welsh matriculated at Umtata and graduated with a B.A., and U.E.D., at Rhodes. After teaching for a number of years she returned to Rhodes and completed an M.A. Education, the organ of the South African Teacher's Association, notes that she taught from 1931 — 1940 on the staff of the East London Girls' High School (Clarendon). During the war years she taught at Selbourne College and from 1946 until her retirement a decade later, served the Cambridge High School as Chief Secondary Assistant.

Education notes that "Joyce was a scholar and a teacher who must rank among the 'Greats'. Small in stature but great in heart and character, she possessed the rare gift of discipline through quietness. She disciplined herself severely and could thus discipline the most ebullient spirits among the girls and the toughest boys, by sheer power of her will and the respect she commanded in them. Even dull minds were quickened by the inspiration she instilled for the spoken and written word".

"Her sudden passing robbed us of a great ex-teacher and a trusted friend".

**Sidney Alan Sansom** (1931), passed away suddenly on June 12th, in King William's Town.

Sid graduated with a B.Sc. in Maths and Physics in 1929. This he followed by a Masters and a U.E.D.

After teaching in Cape Town he taught at Sydenham Primary School in Port Elizabeth before he moved back to his old school, Dale, where he was Senior Science Master.

He continued teaching until his daughters, Cheryl and Maureen, graduated from U.C.T., and was due to retire at the end of this year.

He is survived by his daughters and wife, Ethel.

**H. T. Gamble** (1932, 1949) passed away in Uitenhage in July.

Boetie Gamble was first associated with Rhodes when he came here to read a B.A. in 1911. After completing a year, he left and returned almost 20 years later to complete the requirements for the degree.

Later, in 1949, he returned to do a B.Com. In that year he was a house warden at Rhodes.

He taught Latin and English at Grey High School before he took over as pastor of Rose Lane Congregational Church in Uitenhage where his father had been minister.

Boetie was a keen sportsman who represented E.P. at Rugby and was, while at Rhodes, Victor Ludorum.

He had served as an officer in both World Wars.

**Professor H. F. Sampson**, Emeritus Professor of Law, died in Grahamstown in May.

Harold Fehrsen Sampson was born in the city in October, 1890. He matriculated at St. Andrew's and graduated with an LL.B., from Rhodes. In 1910 he was selected and read the Honours degree in jurisprudence at Oxford. While there he was awarded his rugby blue.

Lt. Sampson served in France and at Gallipoli during the First World War. He was wounded three times and recommended for the V.C.

He served at the Bar in London and in South Africa and joined the Rhodes Law Department in 1939. Shortly afterwards he was made Professor. On his retirement in 1952, he became Registrar to Mr. Justice van der Riet. During this time he wrote "The Principles of Apartheid" and "The White-faced Huts". Both these books were in defence of Apartheid. Poetry was his passion and he published volumes of his poetry.

In a tribute to Professor Sampson, Mr. Justice Munnik said: "He used the language he loved as a rapier of debate with which to parry and thrust and not as a bludgeon of abuse and vilification".

**Professor Allan Kenneth Fryer** (1948, 1959), Professor of Political Science at the University of Cape Town was tragically killed with his wife, Audrey, on June 30, 1973, near Riversdale, Cape.

Allan Kenneth Fryer was born in the Colesburg district on 20th October, 1923, and was educated in Colesburg, George and in Bristol, England. He joined the Meteorological Section of the

S.A.A.F. and served in North Africa and Italy during World War II. After completing his army career he enrolled at Rhodes and obtained the degrees of B.A. (with distinctions in History and Politics), B.A. (Honours) (with distinction in History) and, finally, a Ph.D. in History.

After leaving Rhodes in 1959 he took up the post of Senior Lecturer in Political Studies at Wits. In 1962 he joined the staff of the University of Tasmania as Senior Lecturer in Political Science and was a visiting Fellow at the University of Sussex in 1968.

In 1972 he became the first Professor of Political Science at U.C.T. During the 11 months he was there, he made a deep impression both in the field of University administration and in his discipline. In the former, he brought valuable experience from Tasmania. In the latter field, he impressed with his depth of knowledge and the wide extent of his reading. He did not have more than thirty students in his first year, though seventy applied to join him.

On 30th June, 1950, Ken Fryer married **Audrey Norma Hartley**. Audrey also came to Rhodes for a time with the intention of doing a B.A. However domestic obligations precluded this.

The Fryers are survived by their children, Robert, 20, who will continue as an engineering student at Cape Town, and Elspeth, 16, will stay with friends until she finishes her schooling.

**Professor Richard William Varder**, Professor Emeritus of Physics, passed away peacefully on May 20, 1973, after a long illness.

A full citation on the life and work of Professor Varder appeared in the Graduation Supplement which accompanied the April copy of the Newsletter. In early April, Professor Varder received the degree Doctor of Science Honoris Causa, in absentia from this University.

He began to teach Physics here, under the late Professor Ogg, as early as 1909. Professor Varder was a substantial pioneer in Physics. It was he who made the first reliable measurements of the range of Beta rays and he also pioneered the technique of magnetic separation.

After acting as Head of the Department for two years, he was appointed to the Physics Chair in 1919. He held this position until his retirement in 1952.

Extramurally, he served as President of the South African Association for the Advancement of Science in 1932-1933. He also acted as Dean of Science in the University of South Africa, when Rhodes was a College, and as Chairman of the Council of the University College of Fort Hare.

Professor Varder is survived by his wife, Marie-Louise, and his two children.

## Music

### RESIDENT PIANIST RETURNS TO TOUR



Alain Balageas, Rhodes University's pianist-in-residence, has recently returned from a highly successful tour through his native France and North America.

The tour, during which eight recitals were given, was undertaken from September to March.

Twenty-nine year old Mr. Balageas, was born in Neuilly-sur-Seine in Paris.

His first concerts were given in 1966, the same year that he took part in the International Festival in Luxembourg. In 1967 he played in a series of concert tours in Belgium, France, England and Spain. From February to September each year, Alain Balageas is Lecturer in the Department of Music and Musicology at Rhodes.

The remainder of the year is spent recording in France and making concert tours. For the season 1973/74 he will be touring in Canada.

While at Rhodes, Mr. Balageas is available for Master classes for pianists. It is possible for members of the public to enrol as individual students on a part-time basis, through the Department of Music.

Under the University's external studies programme, Mr. Balageas will visit several towns and cities during this year, beginning with a tour in September through the Eastern Cape.



## Ichthyology

### INSTITUTE HELPS PORTUGUESE PLANNERS

In June, Mrs. Margaret Smith, Director of the J. L. B. Smith Institute for Ichthyology, advised the Portuguese Government on the protection of the coral formations along the Mozambique coast.

Mrs. Smith explained that coral in the ocean was not unlike an oasis in the desert. In these areas shelter was given to an enormous amount of marine life. In this capacity, it was an important link which played a vital role in the ecological balance.

However, in recent years people had destroyed coral and collected welk shells which were the natural enemy to starfish.

As a result, the starfish population, which killed coral, had grown both in numbers and in individual size. Some had grown over 19 inches in size.

Mrs. Smith also spoke to the Portuguese authorities on the possible establishment of Marine Parks, based on similar lines to Game Parks, where the whole coast and all the sea life would be protected.

In this respect, the Quirimbe group of islands off northern Mozambique, was of particular importance. They formed a chain of sheltered waters close to the mainland. The area was fast developing as a tourist attraction and there was a great deal of coral life.

She was accompanied by Mr. Peter Jackson, a member of the Institute staff and a world authority of freshwater fish. Mr. Jackson discussed planning on the Cabora Bassa project.

## Politics

### LECTURER TALKS IN U.S.A.

A rare honour has been bestowed on Mr. John Seiler, Lecturer in Political Studies at Rhodes. He has been invited for the second time to deliver a paper at the American Political Science Association's Annual Conference to be held in New Orleans in September. Mr. Seiler's paper will be on "South African perspectives of the World". He addressed the same Conference on "United States Policy towards South Africa" some years ago.

During his visit to the United States, Mr. Seiler, an American, will lecture at Universities in New Jersey, New York, Massachusetts and Halifax in Canada. He has also accepted an invitation to take part in a working conference of specialists on foreign policy research at the University of Kentucky.

## OLD RHODIAN NEWS



A letter from South West Africa brought us news of at least four Old Rhodians in that territory.

**Norman Wegerhoff** (1966), wrote to tell us he quit teaching in 1969 and worked as a field geologist for Rand Mines. In that year Norman married Jean Taulin.

In August, 1971, he moved to Rio Tinto as an exploration geologist and is at present working at Kossing near Swakopmund. Another Rhodian **Billy Woxholt** (1963), is also employed there as a technician.

Two Old Rhodian Pharmacists, **Mike McDonald** (1966), and **Lionel Legg** (1966) served the area at Swakopmund and Walvis Bay respectively.

Following this news from South West Africa came the equally promising news that the first ever meeting of O.R.'s was held in the territory in June.

Present at this meeting were **W. H. Dicks** (1961, 1963), **W. A. Prentice** (1932), **J. W. F. van Rooyen**, **Mr. and Mrs. Potgieter**, **Miss G. Roberts** (1952), **Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Bailey** (1962), **Mrs. C. C. van Wyngaarden** (1943), **Mrs. M. E. Korte** and **Mr. D. A. Glenister** (1970). A Committee was elected to establish an official branch of the Union.

It seems that the gathering was held in true Rhodian fashion and many stories recounted. This news ends with a special vote of thanks to Mr. Prentice for his most interesting tales.

**Ronald Steele** (1971) has been awarded a scholarship by the National Council of Churches of Christ to study at the San Francisco Theological Seminary in California.

Ron graduated at U.C.T. with a B.A., and thereafter read a B.D. at Rhodes. He was previously minister of the Florida and Turfontein Congregational Churches in the Transvaal.

Ron's wife, Elsie, will accompany him to the United States.

Pictured in the Rhodes quad during a brief visit to the University are **Sir Peter and Lady Fletcher**.

**Sir Peter** (1936), has recently retired as Air Vice-Marshal after a most distinguished career in the R.A.F.

His wife, formerly **Isobel Kotze** (1937,) was the daughter of the late Mr. G.P. Kotze of Grahamstown.

The Fletchers will be on leave for 6 months before returning to the United Kingdom, where Sir Peter will take up a new business appointment.

**John Stonier** (1953) has taken a year study leave and is reading a M.A. in Education at the University of Lancaster. John's wife, Ann, will join him at the end of the year with their five children.

News from Britain is that **J. L. Robinson** (1964-1967), is one of 20 candidates chosen for the M.A. (Manpower Studies) course (part-time) at London University. There were 400 applicants for the course.

He is in the Royal Air Force and is a Flight Lieutenant. At present he is in the Ministry of Defence, working on an officer assessment research project with a senior civilian psychologist. The job has involved a lot of interviewing - all over Britain. Later they are to go further afield to Germany and Cyprus.

**Marguerite Poland** (1970), a fourth generation Rhodian, was recently married to Martin Oosthuizen in Port Elizabeth.

After graduating from Rhodes, Marguerite went to Stellenbosch where she did Honours in African Languages and Social Anthropology. Her husband has a Stellenbosch LL.B.

They are now living in Durban where Marguerite has a post in the Research Department of Ethnology at the University of Natal.

The speculation on the 1918 Hockey Team produced a lively and enthusiastic feedback.

**Dorothy Laverty** (nee Murray) wrote from Liverpool, to tell us that the Newsletter had brought back memories of Sunday afternoon tea parties at the home of Sir Basil Schonland's parents, Dr. and Mrs. Schonland. She remembers well his unfailing interest in all students. Mrs. Laverty also remembers the "many hours of his precious time" the late Professor Vader spent coaching members of the Tennis Team and his "terse comments on poor backhand strokes".

**L. N. Basson** (nee Miles 1923) wrote to us from Knysna disapproving, quite correctly, of our spelling of Memoriam. She identified certain members of the team and advised that we contact others for the remainder of the names.

**N. Wild** (1922) of Salisbury, wrote to us congratulating the University on its growth generally and it on the development of new departments. This letter also congratulates East London on "at last" getting an O.R.U., function organised.

A later O.R., **Mrs. M. J. Donkin** (nee Phillips 1931), of Bulawayo, wrote to recognise one of the team, Miss F. Murray, who had taught her maths at Eveline School, Bulawayo in 1922.

The following year she returned to Rhodes and wrote her former pupils about how "she and others dispersed a cut-fight on the lawn by throwing cakes of soap as ammunition".

We are most grateful for these and other responses we had to our request. For the record the team is:

*Back Row (l to r):*

E. Marriott, E. v. d. Merwe, N. White, M. A. Sawtell.

*Second Row (l to r):*

D. Murray, N. Murray, A. Crabtree, H. Scott, N. Wilhelm, M. Murray.

*Front Row (l to r):*

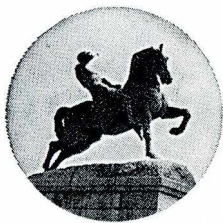
J. Robb, M. Ashington.

Another O.R. who is closely associated with Wits these days is **Michael Austin** (1966). At the end of last year, after a spell in London, Michael was appointed R.C. Chaplain to Wits and the Johannesburg College of Education.

He tells us that two of his Free Church colleagues are O.R.s, **Alan Maker** (1967) who looks after the Presbyterian students and **Peter Storey** (1960) who takes care of the University's Meth. Soc.

**Hayden Albertyn** (1957), has recently moved Parishes from Roodepoort to Belgravia, Johannesburg. Hayden says the main reason for the swap was to establish a Pastoral Foundation. This will provide a Counselling Service and train interested people. Before starting the operation he will read for a Diploma in Pastoral Studies at Birmingham University.





# OLD RHODIAN NEWS

**Mrs. A. J. Pringle** (nee **Wadner** 1971), wrote to us from London to say that she married **Robert J. Pringle**, in April this year. They are now living in London where she has been studying music at the Guildhall School of Music and Drama.

**Gerrit Fourie** (1971, 1972), was recently married to **Ann Hoare** (1966). Gerrit is presently attached to the Afrikaans/Nederlands Department at the University of Fort Hare.

**Rory Riordan** (1970), has been made a Director of Shamrock Paints. He will be responsible for development and manufacturing in the group.

An O.R. with a B.Sc., **Pamela Howell** (nee **Manning** 1940), was one of the winners in a recent animal short story for children contest organised by the English Association.

Pam's story "Help, Fire!", a story of animals fleeing from a veld fire was placed second in the section for children under six.

After leaving Rhodes, Pam taught at St. Andrew's. She began to write fifteen years after graduating.

**Edgar Bayes** (1940), wrote us an enthusiastic letter in June about his flight in the Concorde, while that aircraft was in South Africa on trials.

Edgar is in charge of quality control for a large Petrol Company. Seems the supersonic jet used 50 000 gallons a day. They started off with a full load, on four engines and down the runway the pilot shut off one engine. They accelerated from 120 knots to 180 and climbed to 10 000 feet on the three engines. With an experience like that no wonder Edgar was enthusiastic.

**Lesley Pilley** (nee **Smith** 1966), wife of **Errol** (1965), wrote to inform us of their change of address. They were married in 1970 and have a six month old daughter.

Lesley says she and Errol often look back on "our good old Rhodes Days". They have also promised to visit Rhodes in the future.

**Malcolm Spence** (1959), the former Springbok athlete, has recently joined the Board of Mitchell Cotts as an Executive Director. Malcolm was previously the Managing Director of Carruthers, Spence.

**A. N. (Tony) Siopis** (1971, 1973), has recently been admitted as an advocate of the Supreme Court in Grahamstown.

**Mike Silk** (1943), now Deputy Dean in the Medical Faculty at Wits has a challenging job on his hands. He is planning that Medical Faculty's move to the new 2 000-bed Otto Biet Hospital scheduled for 1978. He is also assisting in the redesigning of the medical curriculum to accommodate new trends.

A book entitled "*Showing Horses in South Africa*" has been written by **Cecily Bouchier Norden** (nee **Bowker**, 1940). The book, the only one of its kind in South Africa, is a comprehensive Rule Book for Judges and Exhibitors. Cecily has also been instrumental in arranging and organizing short courses on horses at various centres in South Africa. She is an examiner of Judges of Horses.

A fairly new Old Rhodian **Ian Ross** (1972), wrote to tell us that he and his wife **Janine** (nee **Sola**, 1971), are both employed as Medical Biochemists in the Hospital Services in Cape Town. Ian is already working towards his Ph.D., and Janine hopes to start researching for the same degree in the very near future.

An O.R., who has promised to visit us is **C. E. D. Waugh** (1965). After leaving Rhodes he worked in the Rhodesian Civil Service for four years before joining Foschini. He has now been appointed Area Manager for the Eastern Cape and as Grahamstown falls in his area, he has promised to come and look us up.

News from the teaching world is that **Les McEwan** (1949), now Headmaster of S.A. College, Junior School, was inducted as President of the S.A. Teacher's Association for 1973/74. **John Clarkson** (1948) is, of course, the full-time General Secretary while **Tom Higgs** (1951), of Queens College, the former President.

# AN OLD RHODIAN INN . . .

**Wilfred Omer-Cooper** (1960), recently spent a change-of-climate leave at Grahamstown and at Kleinmond.

Wilfred, and his wife, Desda, and three children now live on the Indonesian island of Belitung almost midway between Sumatra and Borneo.

After graduating, Wilfred, son of the late J. Omer-Cooper, Professor Emeritus of Rhodes, started globe-trotting. He initially worked in the Selubwe area of Rhodesia. In 1967 he transferred to an Australian company and has spent the time since then exploring the Pacific seaboard, looking for manganese, uranium and, now, tin.

**Gerrit L. Verschuur** (1961) now an associate Scientist at the National Radio Astronomy Observatory in the United States, has been appointed Director of the new Fiske Planetarium of the University of Colorado at Boulder, Colorado, U.S.A.

Gerrit has authored two books on radio astronomy, a major article on interstellar medium for the Encyclopedia Britannica, and more than 40 scientific papers including the first measurement ever of the interstellar magnetic field.

An O.R. who is moving from Grahamstown at the end of the year is **W. D. (Bill) Chalmers** (1952, 1957, 1967). Bill has taught at St. Andrew's for the past 14 years, and takes up the appointment of organiser of Religious Broadcasting at the S.A.B.C., in Johannesburg.

**Pauline Fairall** (nee **Bond** 1937), has recently retired from a job in Western Australia and has returned to the National Botanic Gardens at Kirstenbosch, Cape Town.

Both **Robyn Hart** and her husband **Richard Wilde** (1967) are teaching in Rhodesia. Richard at the Salisbury Polytech and Robyn at Oriel Boys' School.

**A. A. (Tony) Koenderman** (1962), has recently been appointed Industrial Editor of the S.A. Financial Gazette, a Johannesburg financial weekly.

It was kind of **Victor Brereton** to inform us of the oldest Inn in the Republic which is now owned and run by an Old Rhodian.

The Houwhock Inn, which is situated 50 miles from Cape Town on the Port Elizabeth Road, dates back to 1834 and is known as Licence No. 1.

It is owned by **R. C. McIntyre** (1928, 1931) who, after graduating, taught Geology at the then College. He was later Chief Geologist for the Western Holdings — Anglo-American Group.

Still later he decided to go Inn-keeping and, after two years at the Marine in Hermanus, formed the Houwhock Development Company which put the old Inn back on its feet. Victor says that he is now the owner of a very popular Inn. We hope that O.R.'s will visit Mr. McIntyre in those congenial old surroundings.

**T. N. W. Bush** (1947), wrote to inform us that after completing a two-year contract as a senior teacher at a Quaker International School in the Lebanon he is moving to a similar appointment in Cyprus.

In the Lebanon he was House-master and says he enjoyed getting to know the students from over thirty countries and of all colours and religions. Incidentally, he says that the student relationships there are probably the happiest anywhere.

**H. L. Watts** (1949, 1958). Professor of Sociology at Natal University, was widely consulted on his Poverty Datum Line studies during the recent labour unrest in Natal.

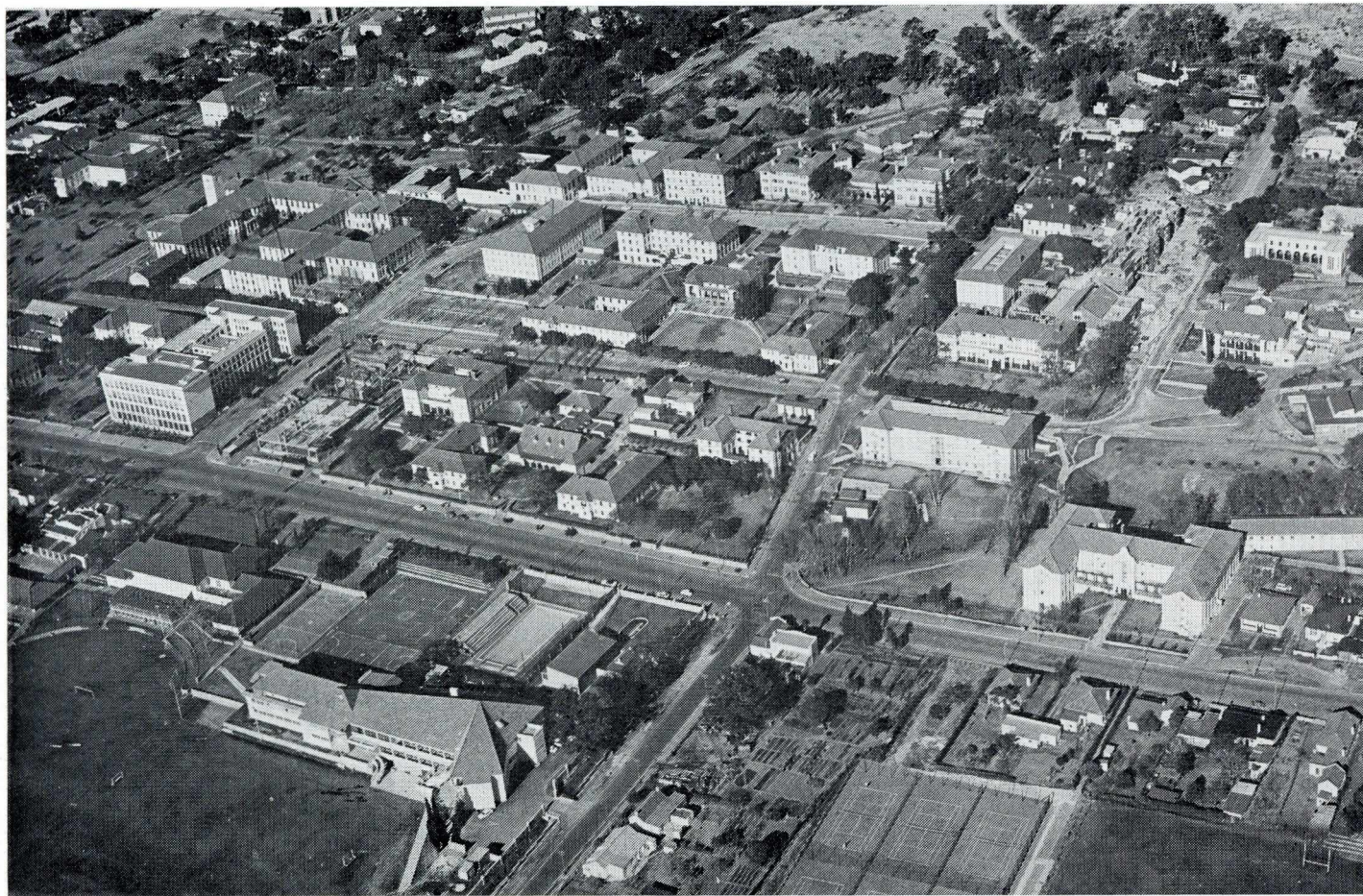
Professor Watts is recognised as one of the country's leading experts on the P.D.L., and has provided the means test for the assessment on a standard pattern of a P.D.L., in three cities.

Other news from the teaching world is that **Neil McGill** (1961), has an overseas study scholarship by the S.A. Council for English Education.

Neil, now at Pearson High in Port Elizabeth, will leave for Britain at the end of December and spend a term studying the teaching of Maths in British Schools.



# WITH BUILDING PROGRESS GOES THE TIMELESS RHODES TRANQUILITY . . .



## NEWS BRIEFS

### PROMOTIONS

Following a Council meeting in May, the following Senior Staff Members, some of whom are acting as Departmental Heads, were promoted to the status of Associate Professor.

Dr. G. B. Whitehead, *Department of Entomology*

Mr. G. H. Roberts, *Department of Pharmacy*

Mr. R. W. Jones, *Department of Law*

Dr. C. A. J. Giffard, *Department of Journalism*

Mr. F. E. Drennan, *Department of Commerce*

Mr. T. V. R. Beard, *Department of Political Studies*

The promotions are with effect from the beginning of 1974.

### HISTORY FELLOW

Professor T. R. H. Davenport, Associate Professor of History at Rhodes, left at the end of June to research South African history as a Smuts Visiting Fellow at Magdalene College, Cambridge.

Apart from his research, Professor Davenport will give a number of lectures and conduct seminars on his subject.

The Davenports will be in the United Kingdom for a year.

### TRANSKEI JUDICIARY

There was a distinct Rhodes touch when the Transkei High Court began its work this month.

Mr. Justice George Munnik, a prominent member of the Rhodes Council, was sworn in as the First Chief Justice.

Old Rhodian, Guy Titterton (1936), is the Homeland's first Attorney-General. Advocate Tit-

terton, who took silk in 1967, has been leader of the Bar Council of the Eastern Cape since September, 1970.

Guy has had extensive experience of the application of law in the Transkei having been active for four months of each year, during the past decade on the Transkei circuit court. He will settle in Umtata.

### BOTANY STUDY

Botanists at Rhodes are undertaking a major study of the rare Fish River scrub vegetation found in the new kudu reserve near Fort Brown near Grahamstown.

The study will enable the scientists to determine the carrying capacity of the veld and to advise on effective grazing.

Dr. John Jessop, a lecturer in the Rhodes Botany Department, said that once it was established how the vegetation changed under grazing, it might be necessary to introduce a form of rotation grazing in the park.

This recent aerial photograph gives a good, though not complete picture of the recent building projects on the campus.

The photograph was taken from a north-easterly direction (approximately over the Alec Mullins Sports Complex).

In the left-hand foreground the new Union Building can be seen between the Great Field, the Great Hall and the Prince Alfred/South Street intersection.

On the next intersection (Prince Alfred Street and University Road) opposite the Chemistry Building the new Earth Sciences block takes shape. The site's crane, the first to be used on the Rhodes Campus, is clearly seen in the photograph.

On Gilbert Street, opposite Livingstone House and behind Hobson, the new additions to Hobson can be seen. When this is completed the facilities at Hobson will be substantially expanded.

Building projects not included in this photograph are the alterations to the Pharmacy Block and the work being done on the new Drostdy Hall Complex.