Minutes of the 26th Meeting of the Interim Council
held at the University Offices, Barton, on Friday, 11th February,
1949, at 10 a.m.

Present:

Professor R.C. Mills (Chairman),
Sir John Medley (Deputy Chairman),
The Vice-Chancellor,
Professor K.H. Bailey,
Mr. A.S. Brown,
Dr. H.C. Coombs,
Mr. C.S. Daley,
Sir Frederic Eggleston,
Sir Robert Garran,
Mr. H.J. Goodes,
Professor L.H. Martin,
Professor H.K. Ward,
Professor R. Douglas Wright.

1. APOLOGIES. -

Apologies were received from Sir David Rivett and
Professor Wood.

2. MINUTES. -

The Minutes of the 25th meeting, having been
previously circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

3. MEMBERSHIP OF THE INTERIM COUNCIL. -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the Governor-
General in Council had appointed Dr. H.C. Coombs to be a member
of the Interim Council and Mr. A.S. Brown to be Director-General
of Post-War Reconstruction, and that Mr. Brown is a member of
the Interim Council by virtue of the office he holds.

The Chairman welcomed both Dr. Coombs and Mr. Brown
to the Council in their new appointments.

4. RESIGNATION OF PROFESSOR FIRTH. -

The Council received with regret a letter from
Professor Firth dated 17th January, in which he declined the
Council's invitation (Minutes, 19th Meeting, para. 6) that he
should accept the position of Director of the Research School of
Pacific Studies and tendered his resignation from the Academic
Advisory Committee.

Members were appreciative of Professor Firth's
expressed willingness to continue the oversight of scholars in
Pacific Studies in whom he is at present interested and to
continue to perform any functions which Council might desire
until an appointment is made to the office of Director for the
Research School of Pacific Studies.

It was resolved that Professor Firth be invited
to continue to act as a member of the Academic Advisory Committee
for the time being and until the appointment of a successor.
5. REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE. -
(a) The report of the Finance Committee (see Minutes of meeting held on 10th February, 1949) was received and adopted.
(b) In accordance with the Committee's recommendation it was resolved that -
(i) There shall be a Commonwealth Superannuation Fund and Provident Account Reserve into which shall be paid twice the contributions of employees of the University to the Commonwealth Superannuation Fund and the Provident Account during the year 1948 and succeeding years and from which will be met, as far as possible, payments by the University in accordance with its liability to the Commonwealth under Section 80-B of the Superannuation Act 1922-1948;
(ii) The funds of the reserve shall be managed by the Vice-Chancellor and the Registrar and as far as practicable invested:
(A) in securities of the Commonwealth;
(B) in securities of the States;
(C) in any manner which may be approved by the Finance Committee of the Council from time to time;
(iii) Income derived from the investment of the reserve shall form part thereof.

6. BUILDING PROGRAMME. -
(a) Report of Buildings and Grounds Committee.
The report of the meeting of the Buildings and Grounds Committee held on 10th February, 1949, was received.

It was noted with satisfaction that a contract for the erection of University House will now be let to Howie Moffat Pty. Ltd.
(b) Professor Oliphant's Residence.

Consideration was given to a request by Professor Oliphant contained in a letter to the Vice-Chancellor dated 2nd December, 1948, that the University should finance the erection of his house at Weetangerra on the understanding that Professor Oliphant will reimburse the University when he takes up his duties in Canberra.

It was resolved to inform Professor Oliphant that the Council is prepared to assist in arranging finance for the erection of his house, and to ask the Vice-Chancellor and Registrar to work out the details in consultation with Professor Oliphant and prepare a report for the consideration of the Council.
7. RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS IN THE SOCIAL SCIENCES. —

(a) It was resolved that the Committee appointed to consider applications and to advise on the award of Research Fellowships in the Social Sciences in 1949 (Minutes, 24th Meeting, para. 6(a)) should also consider and take the appropriate action in regard to reports and applications for permission to vary research projects by Research Fellows which may be referred to it by the Vice-Chancellor.

(b) Mr. R.S. Parker : It was reported that Mr. Parker's Research Fellowship in the Social Sciences would terminate on 28th February, 1949, and that a report on the research work done under the Fellowship would be made later.

(c) Mr. W.D. Borrie : It was reported that Mr. Borrie's Research Fellowship in the Social Sciences terminated on 31st December, 1948, upon his appointment to a Junior Fellowship.

A report by Mr. Borrie dated 20th December, 1948, on his work under the Research Fellowship was received with interest.

(d) Dr. I. Hogbin : It was resolved that Dr. Hogbin be permitted to defer his departure from England for two months and that the funds already voted for his visit to New Guinea be made available to him so that he might make an expedition late in 1949 or early in 1950.

(e) Mr. G. Rudduck : The Council received a report by Mr. Rudduck dated 4th February, 1949, and noted the fact of Mr. Rudduck's return to Australia.

The Vice-Chancellor was asked to discuss with Mr. Rudduck the next stage of his work under the Fellowship.

(f) Mr. T.G.H. Strehlow : It was reported that Mr. Strehlow has accepted the Council's offer of a Research Fellowship for two years from 1st July, 1949.

(g) Mr. J.G. Crawford : A letter from Mr. Crawford declining the Council's offer of a Research Fellowship was received.

(h) Mr. G.T.J. Wilson : It was reported that Mr. Wilson has been awarded a Research Fellowship in the place of Mr. Crawford in accordance with the Council's resolution at the 25th meeting (Minutes, para. 9(a)).

8. SCHOLARSHIPS. —

(a) Mr. P. Lawrence : It was reported that Mr. Lawrence is at present in Australia en route to New Guinea, where he will carry out anthropological research in the Madang area.

(b) Mr. G.R. Storry : A letter dated 6th December, 1948, from Professor Hancock concerning the provision of dollars to enable Mr. Storry to continue his research work under his scholarship in Washington was received and discussed, together with a report on the circum-
stances in which a scholarship was awarded to Mr. Storry and the action taken to procure dollars.

The Council concurred in the Vice-Chancellor's view that there were exceptional circumstances in Mr. Storry's case and resolved that his action in applying to the Commonwealth Treasury for an allocation of $1,500 for this purpose be confirmed.

(c) **Advisory Committee on Scholarships in Medical Research**

It was reported that Dr. E.V. Keogh had informed the Registrar that he regretted that he was unable to accept the Council's invitation to serve on the Committee.

9. **RECOMMENDATIONS OF ACADEMIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE.**

The Council considered the recommendations and observations of the Academic Advisory Committee at its 9th and 10th Meetings on 5th December, 1948, and 16th January, 1949, respectively.

(a) **Movements of Scholars** (Academic Advisory Committee, 9th meeting, Minutes, para. 5(b)).

It was noted that the list of scholars tabled at the 25th meeting of the Council had been received in England (Academic Advisory Committee Minutes, 10th meeting, para. 11(ii)).

(b) **Scholars and Fellows - Travelling and Subsistence Expenses** (Academic Advisory Committee, 9th Meeting, Minutes, para. 6).

It was resolved that, in accordance with the recommendation of the Academic Advisory Committee, the scale for the reimbursement of claims for travelling expenses and subsistence within the United Kingdom of Scholars and Fellows should be:

(i) Rail fare (third class);

(ii) 7/6d. meal allowance for a journey not involving an overnight stay;

(iii) Travelling allowance at the following rate for an absence of twelve nights or less:

- **Fellows**: 24/- per night for first 7 nights, 18/- for succeeding nights.
- **Scholars**: 24/- per night for first 7 nights, 12/- per night for succeeding nights,

and that the Committee be reminded that Scholars do not normally receive an allowance for travel (other than £75 stg. each way for the fare to the United Kingdom).

(c) **Provision of Dollars for Research** (Academic Advisory Committee, 9th Meeting, para. 7, and 10th Meeting, para. 8).
It was reported that no application by the University to the Commonwealth Treasury for dollars has been refused and the Council felt that so long as applications were restricted to essential requirements dollars would be available.

(d) "Pamphlet" on University (Academic Advisory Committee, 9th Meeting, Minutes, para. 8).

The Vice-Chancellor reported on correspondence from Professor Hancock and Mr. Foster and advised that he had gone through the "pamphlet" carefully again and had suggested some alterations and had written an introduction, indicating the purpose for which the "pamphlet" had been prepared.

(e) Superannuation (Academic Advisory Committee, 9th Meeting, Minutes, para. 10).

The Committee's recommendation that the Council should be prepared to make adjustments supplementing superannuation benefits of members of staff who may retire at a time in the future when the value of money has still further depreciated was noted.

(f) Vice-Chancellor's Visit to United Kingdom (Academic Advisory Committee, 9th Meeting, para. 13).

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he hoped to go to England for conferences with the Academic Advisory Committee towards the end of April, 1949, and would return to Australia through the United States of America.

(g) Building Programme (Academic Advisory Committee, 9th Meeting, para. 14).

The Vice-Chancellor reported that copies of the plans of University House had been forwarded to Mr. Foster in accordance with the Committee's request.

The request of the Academic Advisory Committee that a copy of the architect's final plans and drawings for all buildings should be forwarded for the information of the Committee, was noted.

(h) Library (Academic Advisory Committee, 9th Meeting, para. 15, and 10th Meeting, para. 18).

It was resolved to advise the Committee that it is not considered practicable for the Librarian to accompany the Vice-Chancellor to England in April, 1949, but that the Vice-Chancellor would advise the Committee on Library policy.

The Council noted the advice of the Committee that the compilation of a subject catalogue is desirable but might be postponed for the present.

(i) Research Fellowships in the Social Sciences (Academic Advisory Committee, 10th Meeting, para. 4).

The recommendations of the Academic Advisory Committee concerning the title and award of these Fellowships were considered. The Vice-Chancellor was asked to take up the matter with the Academic Advisory Committee personally in the terms of the discussion.

(/j) Naming of
(j) **Naming of Divisions** (Academic Advisory Committee, 10th Meeting, Minutes, para. 6).

It was resolved to adopt the Committee's recommendations that the sections of the University be known as "Departments" rather than "Divisions" and that the Division of Chemistry be now known as the Department of Medical Chemistry.

(k) **Special Allowances to Scholars** (Academic Advisory Committee, 10th Meeting, para. 11).

(i) After consideration of the Committee's recommendation that scholars in transit to field work be allowed hotel expenses necessarily incurred, it was resolved to inform the Committee that the Vice-Chancellor is authorised to make an allowance towards expenses in individual cases on the recommendation of the appropriate member of the Committee but that this provision should be applied only in very exceptional cases.

(ii) The Committee's recommendation that the expenditure of £15 be approved for the purchase of a piece of apparatus needed by Dr. McCrea in his research, the apparatus to remain the property of the University, was adopted.

It was further resolved to advise the Committee that the Council is prepared, on the recommendation of the appropriate member of the Academic Advisory Committee,

(a) to give consideration to meeting the cost of special apparatus needed for a scholar's work and not otherwise available;

(b) to pay a reasonable laboratory contribution for a scholar not required to pay regular fees.

(l) **Announcement of Scholarship Awards for 1949 in the United Kingdom** (Academic Advisory Committee, 10th Meeting, para. 11(v)).

It was noted that, after consultation with Professor Oliphant, Mr. Foster had deleted the reference to Physical Sciences from the advertisement to be published in the United Kingdom.

(m) **Statutes** (Academic Advisory Committee, 10th Meeting, para. 14).

The Committee's suggestion that further thought be now given to the preparation of Statutes was noted.

(n) **Advertisement of Staff Vacancies** (Academic Advisory Committee, 10th Meeting, para. 15).

It was resolved to defer consideration of this recommendation pending the receipt of an explanatory letter expected from Mr. Foster.
10. CLASSIFICATION OF ACADEMIC STAFF. -

(a) The recommendations of the Academic Advisory Committee at its 8th Meeting that the classification of the Academic Staff of the University should be amended in certain respects were further discussed.

It was felt that as the new proposals with reference to Fellowships departed substantially, especially as to tenure, from the existing classification which was approved at the Easter conference, 1948, it would be valuable to defer the discussion on this question until the Vice-Chancellor could represent the Council's views when he meets members of the Academic Advisory Committee in May.

It was resolved to inform the Academic Advisory Committee that, pending discussion of the question by the Vice-Chancellor, the Council will agree to an amendment to the conditions of appointment of Senior Fellows to the effect that if a Senior Fellow's Fellowship is renewed after a period of 5 years his salary will be £1,200. Further, that in exceptional circumstances and on the recommendation of the Academic Advisory Committee an initial appointment to the grade of Senior Fellow may be made at £1,200 per annum.

(b) The Council considered the recommendation of the Academic Advisory Committee (9th Meeting, Minutes, para. 12) that a grade of "Personal Graduate Assistant" be created without fixed salary range. It was resolved to inform the Committee that the Council is prepared to consider the appointment of a Research Assistant in any case where a Professor considers he has need of special assistance and is supported by the Director or appropriate member of the Academic Advisory Committee and will fix the conditions of appointment in each case.

11. JOHN CURTIN SCHOOL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH. -

(a) Department of Medical Chemistry.

(i) Appointment of Professor Albert.

Sir Howard Florey's letter to the Vice-Chancellor dated 8th December and the Minutes of the 9th Meeting of the Academic Advisory Committee (para. 3) together with the notes on the discussion at that meeting were considered.

The Vice-Chancellor reported that, in view of Sir Howard's further recommendation and the recommendation of the Academic Advisory Committee, and in accordance with the resolution of the Council at its 24th Meeting (para. 8(a)(i)) he had confirmed the establishment of the Department of Medical Chemistry in the United Kingdom until the framework of the building containing Dr. Albert's laboratory is constructed in Canberra.
(ii) **Staff of Department.**

It was resolved to approve of the establishment of the Department of Medical Chemistry for 1949 in accordance with Sir Howard Florey's recommendation:

**Graduate Staff**

- Professor £2,000 p.a.
- Junior Fellow 750-950
- Research Assistant 550
- Temporary Assistant, Physical Chemistry 550

**Non-graduate**

- Secretary 400 p.a.
- Technical assistant 300-600
- Laboratory boys - 1 st 140 (max.)
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The following appointments were approved, to date from 1st January, 1949:

- Richard Royer to be Research Assistant at a salary of £550 per annum for a period of three years and to be eligible to contribute for superannuation.

- Miss E. Thomas to be Secretary to the Department of Medical Chemistry at a salary of £400 and to be eligible to contribute for superannuation.

- Keith Williams to be Laboratory Boy at a wage not exceeding £3 per week to be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor.

The following appointment was approved, the commencing date to be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor:

- D. J. Brown to be Junior Fellow in accordance with the approved conditions of appointment of Fellows with a commencing salary of £750 per annum.

(iii) **Accommodation for Department.**

The Council received a letter from the Director of the Wellcome Foundation Ltd. together with Sir Howard Florey's recommendations contained in letters to the Vice-Chancellor dated 8th December, 1948, and 19th January, 1949.

/The Vice-Chancellor
The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had asked Sir Howard Florey to inform Dr. Kellaway that the Council would accept the proposals of the Wellcome Foundation Ltd., to be effective from 1st January, 1949.

It was resolved to confirm the Vice-Chancellor's action and to ask the Vice-Chancellor to convey to Dr. Kellaway the Council's appreciation of the generous assistance afforded by the Wellcome Foundation.

(iv) Equipment etc. for Department.

It was resolved to approve of the following maximum initial expenditure:

- Furnishing and equipping laboratories and offices £2,500 stg.
- Chemicals 200 "
- Apparatus 1,500 "

and to ask the Vice-Chancellor to take up with Sir Howard Florey the question of running costs of the laboratory for 1949 with a view to the submission of revised estimates to the Council.

(b) Department of Biochemistry.

(i) International Congress of Biochemistry.

It was reported that the first International Congress of Biochemistry is to be held in Cambridge, 19th-25th August, 1949, and that Professor Ennor has been invited to join the Congress.

The Council, having in mind that Professor Fenner is expected to be in England at this time, felt that Sir Howard Florey might find it valuable if Professor Ennor were to visit the United Kingdom to confer with him and with Professor Albert and Professor Fenner on the organisation and research programme of the Research School, and that such a visit would make it convenient for Professor Ennor to attend the Congress.

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor be asked to write to Sir Howard Florey in terms of the discussion.

(ii) Dr. L.A. Stocken.

The Council noted that the Academic Advisory Committee has thought it advisable (Minutes, 10th Meeting, para. 5(iii)) that Sir Howard Florey should approach Dr. Stocken as soon as possible on the conditions recommended by the Committee for Senior Fellowships.

It was resolved that the position of Senior Fellow be advertised.
(c) **Appointment of Professor of Microbiology.**

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Dr. F.J. Fenner had written to Sir Howard Florey and stated that he was prepared to accept the Chair of Microbiology (Minutes, 25th Meeting, para. 11(c)).

It was resolved to appoint Dr. Fenner to the Chair of Microbiology on the approved conditions of appointment for Professors and that his appointment should commence, on the completion of his present work in the United States, on a date to be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor.

It was further resolved to approve of Dr. Fenner's proposal that he visit the United Kingdom on his way to Australia from the United States.

(d) **Animal Breeding Establishment.**

Discussion was deferred until the next meeting of the Council to permit consideration of a letter from Sir Howard Florey dated 2nd February, 1949.

12. **RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES.** -

(a) **Appointment of Professors and Readers.**

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Oliphant, in his letters of 2nd December, 1948, and 4th January, 1949, had advised that no action be taken for the present on Council's resolutions relating to the notification and advertisement of the positions of Professor and Reader within the Research School (Minutes, 22nd Meeting, paras. 12(c) and 12(d)) except that the Readership in Physical Techniques be advertised.

It was resolved that action be deferred in accordance with Professor Oliphant's advice.

(b) **Appointment of Reader in Physical Techniques.**

It was reported that an advertisement has been approved by Professor Oliphant and that applications will close on 14th March, 1949.

(c) **Fellowships.**

L.U. Hibbard: It was resolved that Mr. L.U. Hibbard be appointed to a Junior Fellowship in accordance with the standard conditions of Fellows at a commencing salary of £850 per annum to date 1st January, 1949.

Dr. J.S. Gooden: It was resolved that Dr. Gooden's salary be at the rate of £850 per annum as from 1st December, 1948.

Mr. J.L. Symonds: It was resolved that Mr. Symonds' salary be at the rate of £750 per annum from 1st December, 1948.

/(d) **Appointment of**
(d) **Appointment of Draughtsman-Technician.**

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had authorised Professor Oliphant to employ Mr. David Walker in the capacity of Draughtsman-Technician, temporarily, at a weekly wage of £7 as from 19th January, 1949.

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor's action be confirmed.

(e) **Professor Oliphant's Visit to Australia.**

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had received a letter from Professor Oliphant indicating that he was contemplating visiting Australia in May after taking part in the Royal Canadian Centenary Celebrations, and that a cable had been despatched reminding Professor Oliphant of the Vice-Chancellor's proposed visit to the United Kingdom towards the end of April.

(f) **Purchase of Equipment.**

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Oliphant had expressed his approval of the arrangements made for the purchase of equipment (see Minutes, 23rd Meeting, para. 11(a)).

(g) **Laboratory Manager.**

The Registrar reported that he had discussed the applications for the position of laboratory manager with Professor Martin and that Professor Wood had interviewed an applicant in New Zealand. A full report had been furnished to Professor Oliphant.

13. **RESEARCH SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES.**

(a) **Appointment of Staff.**

A letter dated 27th November was received from Professor Hancock expressing satisfaction at the arrangements made by the Council for the appointment of staff to the Research School.

The Vice-Chancellor reported to the Council the present position with regard to the appointment of Professors as set out by Professor Hancock in a letter dated 2nd February, 1949.

(b) **W.D. Borrie.**

The Vice-Chancellor reported that in accordance with the resolution of the Council at its 24th Meeting (see Minutes, para. 10(d)), Mr. Borrie had been appointed, after advertisement, to a Junior Fellowship, on the approved conditions of appointment of Fellows at a salary of £950 as from 1st January, 1949.
14. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PACIFIC STUDIES.

(a) Seventh Pacific Science Congress - representation of the University.

The Vice-Chancellor reported that pressure of business at Canberra, especially in view of his forthcoming visit to the United Kingdom and the forthcoming meeting of the Australian Vice-Chancellors' Committee, had prevented him from being present at the Congress but that Professor J.G. Wood had acted as the University's representative in accordance with the Council's decision at the 25th Meeting (see Minutes, para. 14(a)).

(b) Appointment of Director.

The Council gave further consideration to a letter from Professor Firth dated 17th January, 1949.

It was resolved that a committee be appointed consisting of:

The Chairman,
The Vice-Chancellor,
Professor Bailey,
Dr. H.C. Coombs,
Sir Frederic Eggleston,
Professor J.G. Wood,

to consider and report to the Council upon the establishment of the Research School of Pacific Studies, particularly in relation to the appointment of a Director.

15. CONDITIONS OF APPOINTMENT OF ACADEMIC STAFF - SALARY INCREMENTS.

It was resolved that the conditions of appointment of Readers and Fellows be amended to provide for the payment (within the approved ranges) of annual salary increments of the value of £50.

16. VISITING SCHOLARS.

(a) Professor Kamen. - The Vice-Chancellor reported that no further information had been received.

(b) Dr. Hu Shih. - The Vice-Chancellor reported that advice had been received from the Australian Embassy in Nanking to the effect that Dr. Hu Shih regrets that the situation in China prevents him visiting Australia this year.

(c) Sir Geoffrey Taylor. - The Vice-Chancellor reported that Sir Geoffrey had accepted the Council's invitation to spend about three months in Australia and that a detailed programme for the visit was being prepared on the advice of Professor Cherry.

(d) Sir Norman Haworth. - The Vice-Chancellor reported that, in accordance with the Council's resolution at the 25th Meeting (see Minutes, para. 15(d)), an invitation had been issued to

/Sir Norman
Sir Norman (through Professor Oliphant) to visit Australia, but that as Sir Norman was unable to spend a period as long as three months in Australia and in view of the Council's policy as expressed at the 25th Meeting, the invitation had not been proceeded with.

The Council had before it the recommendation of the Academic Advisory Committee (Academic Advisory Committee Minutes, 9th Meeting, para. 4) that it would be desirable to take advantage of the opportunity of securing a visit by Sir Norman and the subsequent recommendation at the 10th meeting that a visit of four or five weeks would be well worth while from the point of view of the stimulation of the visit to Australian scientists.

It was resolved to repeat the Council's invitation to Sir Norman Haworth to visit Australia, on the understanding that he would not be able to stay for longer than four or five weeks, and to provide for a fee of £A250, his own fares from New Zealand and in Australia and an allowance of £A2 per diem until his departure for the United Kingdom.

(e) Sir Reginald Coupland. - The Vice-Chancellor reported that Sir Reginald Coupland would visit Canberra from 15th February, 1949, to 21st February, 1949.

(f) Professor H.S.W. Massey. - The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had informed Professor Oliphant that the Council would welcome a visit to Australia by Professor Massey.

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor's action be confirmed and that Professor Massey be invited to visit Australia in 1949 as a visiting Professor.

(g) Dr. Carleton Washburne; Mr. James Hemming. -

A letter was received from the Federal Secretary of the New Education Fellowship enquiring whether the Council would care to have Dr. Washburne and Mr. Hemming (who were to visit Australia shortly) conduct seminar sessions as was done in the case of Professor Schonell.

It was resolved to advise the New Education Fellowship that the Council regrets it cannot at present take part in sponsoring a visit to Australia by Dr. Washburne and Mr. Hemming.

17. LONDON OFFICE - OFFICE ACCOMMODATION -

The Vice-Chancellor reported the terms of letters dated 5th January, 1949, and 27th January, 1949, from Mr. Foster to the effect that negotiations were proceeding with the University of London for office accommodation in a building owned by the University at 26 Russell Square and that he had authorised Mr. /Foster
Foster to make any reasonable arrangements for rooms including period of tenancy up to say three years.

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor's action be confirmed and that the Council's appreciation of Mr. Foster's very great assistance in this matter be conveyed to him.

18. MORRISON ORATION.

Consideration of the Morrison Oration was deferred until the next meeting of the Council and the Vice-Chancellor was asked to report.

19. REGISTRAR.

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had received a letter from the Postmaster-General for the Commonwealth, informing him that the Governor-General in Council had appointed Mr. R.G. Osborne to be a member of the Australian Broadcasting Control Board to be effective from 15th March, 1949, and that it was the wish of the Government that Mr. Osborne should take up his new duties as soon as possible.

The Vice-Chancellor reported also that, in tendering his resignation, Mr. Osborne had expressed his willingness to continue to assist the University in any manner that might be in his power.

Members of the Council spoke appreciatively of the Registrar's service to the University and it was resolved that Mr. Osborne be invited to act on the Statutes Committee of the Interim Council.

It was further resolved that the Council accepts with regret the resignation of Mr. R.G. Osborne as Registrar as from 14th March, 1949, congratulates him on his appointment as a member of the Australian Broadcasting Control Board, records its high appreciation of his services to the University and expresses its gratification that he has agreed to act as a member of the committee for drafting the statutes of the University.

The Council resolved that the Chairman, the Vice-Chancellor and Mr. Goodes constitute a Committee to take the preliminary action for the filling of the vacancy caused by Mr. Osborne's resignation.

The meeting closed at 4.50 p.m.

(R.C. MILLS)

Chairman,

Minutes of the 27th Meeting of the Interim Council held at the University Offices, Barton, on Friday, 11th March, 1949, at 11 a.m.

Present: Professor R.C. Mills (Chairman),
Sir John Medley (Deputy Chairman),
The Vice-Chancellor,
Mr. A.S. Brown,
Dr. H.C. Coombs,
Mr. C.S. Daley,
Sir Frederic Eggleston,
Mr. H.F.E. Whitlam,
Professor J.G. Wood,
Professor R. Douglas Wright.

The Registrar and the Assistant to the Registrar were in attendance.

1. APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received from Sir Robert Garran,
Sir David Rivett, Professor Martin, Professor Ward and Mr. Goodes.

2. MINUTES:

The minutes of the 26th Meeting, having been previously circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

3. MEMBERSHIP OF THE INTERIM COUNCIL:

The Registrar reported that Mr. H.F.E. Whitlam had been appointed Acting Solicitor-General during the absence from Australia of Professor Bailey.

The Chairman welcomed Mr. Whitlam to the Council.

4. MEMBERSHIP OF ACADEMIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

PROFESSOR RAYMOND FIRTH:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Firth had agreed to continue to act as a member of the Academic Advisory Committee for the time being.

5. REGISTRAR:

(a) Resignation of Mr. R.G. Osborne -

It was resolved that so much of paragraph 19 of the Minutes of the 26th Meeting of the Interim Council as relates to the date on which the resignation of Mr. R.G. Osborne becomes effective be rescinded and that the Interim Council accept Mr. Osborne's resignation as on and from 16th March, 1949.

It was resolved further that Mr. R.G. Osborne be granted leave of absence without pay in respect of 15th March, 1949.

(b) Appointment
(b) **Appointment of Registrar**

A report by the Committee appointed to take preliminary action for the filling of the vacancy of Registrar was received.

In accordance with the Committee's recommendation it was resolved that:

(i) Applications be invited by advertisement for the position of Registrar on the existing terms and conditions of appointment;

(ii) Mr. R.A. Höhnen be appointed Acting Registrar on and from 14th March, 1949, and that he be paid a higher duties allowance to raise his salary to £1,350 per annum whilst holding this appointment, and an entertainment allowance of a sum of £50.

6. **REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE**

(a) The report of the Finance Committee (see Minutes of Meeting held on 10th March, 1949) was received and adopted.

(b) In accordance with the Committee's recommendation it was resolved that:

(i) The Interim Council take on lease when completed, furnished and available for occupation the dwelling in course of erection for Mr. K.C.C. Shan on Block 11, Section 4 (Gray Street) Deakin, for a period of one year with the option of renewal for two successive periods of six months and reserving to the lessor the right to re-enter possession at any time after the expiration of twelve months from the commencement of the lease and after giving three months' notice should he require the dwelling for his own occupation.

(ii) The Manager of the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, Canberra Branch, be informed that authority is given to:

(A) Any one member of the Interim Council, together with any one of the Registrar, Acting Registrar and the Assistant Accountant -

(I) to operate on the banking account or accounts of the University with the Commonwealth Bank of Australia and the Commonwealth Savings Bank of Australia and for that purpose to sign cheques on behalf of the University;
(II) to receive any securities, boxes, deeds, documents and other property belonging to the University held by the Commonwealth Bank of Australia or the Commonwealth Savings Bank of Australia; to give discharges therefor; and to give effective instructions for the disposal thereof;

(III) to place moneys on Fixed Deposit in the name of the University and to receive repayment and interest.

(B) The Registrar or Acting Registrar, together with the Assistant Accountant, to operate on the banking account or accounts of the University with the Commonwealth Bank of Australia and the Commonwealth Savings Bank of Australia to the extent that they may sign cheques on behalf of the University, any one of which shall not exceed one hundred pounds, or such other cheques as are payable to "salary" or contain the word "salary" along with the name of a specified person as payee.

(C) Any one of the Registrar, Acting Registrar and the Assistant Accountant to solely endorse cheques, bills and promissory notes payable to the order of the University and lodged for collection or for discount or negotiation and credit of proceeds to its account or accounts with the Commonwealth Bank of Australia and the Commonwealth Savings Bank of Australia.

7. BUILDING PROGRAMME:

(a) Report of Buildings and Grounds Committee -

(i) The report of the meeting of the Buildings and Grounds Committee held on 10th March, 1949, together with the report of the Committee appointed at the 25th Meeting of the Interim Council (Minutes, para. 11(d)) were received and adopted.

(ii) In accordance with the recommendation of the Buildings and Grounds Committee it was resolved that the architect's outline drawings of the buildings for the John Curtin School of Medical Research, together with the report of the special committee, be forwarded to Sir Howard Florey.
8. RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS IN THE SOCIAL SCIENCES:
(a) Mr. R. S. Parker -
A report by Mr. Parker was received and referred for consideration to the Committee appointed at the 26th Meeting of the Interim Council (Minutes, para. 7(a)) to deal with such reports.

9. JOHN CURTIN SCHOOL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH:
(a) Department of Biochemistry -
(i) Proposed visit to United Kingdom by Professor Ennor -
It was resolved that Professor A.H. Ennor be asked to visit the United Kingdom in August, 1949, for the purpose of discussing with Sir Howard Florey, Professor Albert and Professor Fenner matters relating to the preliminary organisation and planning of the John Curtin School of Medical Research.

It was further resolved that, as Professor Ennor would be travelling at the request of the Interim Council and on University business, he be allowed travelling expenses comprising air and rail fares, hotel account for room and meals and 50/- stg. per diem.

(ii) Appointment of Dr. L.A. Stocken -
The Vice-Chancellor reported that a draft advertisement had been forwarded to Sir Howard Florey for his approval but that advice had been received from Sir Howard that Dr. Stocken would not accept a Senior Fellowship on the terms approved by the Interim Council at its 26th Meeting (Minutes, para. 10(a)).

(iii) Reprints of publications -
It was resolved that Sir Howard Florey be advised that the Interim Council concurs in the view of the Academic Advisory Committee that the cost of a reasonable number of reprints of papers published by members of the University be a charge against departmental expenditure and that for the time being the Vice-Chancellor is authorised to reimburse members of staff accordingly.

(iv) Appointment of Research Assistant -
It was resolved that the action of the Vice-Chancellor in advertising a position of Research Assistant in the Department of Biochemistry with a salary range of £450-550 per annum and tenure of two years be confirmed.
(b) Department of Microbiology -

(i) Appointment of Dr. Fenner -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Dr. Fenner will take up his appointment as Professor of Microbiology on 1st August, 1949.

(c) Animal Breeding Establishment -

The Interim Council considered a letter dated 2nd February, 1949, from Sir Howard Florey commenting on a memorandum by the Registrar which had been referred for his advice (Minutes of 25th Meeting, para. 11(f)).

It was resolved that -

(i) An officer be appointed to take charge of an Animal Breeding Establishment for the Research School, who would be responsible for the care and breeding of laboratory experimental animals;

(ii) The title of the office be "Veterinary Officer";

(iii) The qualifications of the officer should be a degree in Veterinary Science with one or two years' field or research experience;

(iv) The salary scale be £550-950 per annum, the appointment to be made at a salary appropriate to the qualifications of the officer and increments to be paid until the maximum salary is reached;

(v) It shall be stated in the advertisement that the successful applicant will be required to spend a period, to be determined later, in obtaining training and experience in the breeding of experimental animals under the direction of Sir Howard Florey; it shall also be stated that the officer appointed will be expected to undertake original research in some aspect of veterinary science;

(vi) The position shall be advertised overseas and in New Zealand;

(vii) Consideration of the facilities required be deferred until an appointment is made.

10. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES :

(a) Professor Oliphant's visit to Australia -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had invited Professor Oliphant to visit Australia in July.

The report was received with pleasure and it was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor's action be confirmed.

/(b) Appointment
(b) **Appointment of Reader in Physical Techniques**

It was reported that Professor Oliphant had requested that Professor Martin consider the applicants for the position and that he expected the Reader would take up residence in Canberra as soon as possible, probably in July, 1949.

(c) **Appointment of Laboratory Manager**

The Interim Council considered a letter from Professor Oliphant dated 24th February, 1949.

It was resolved that Mr. Ronald Purchase be appointed Laboratory Manager in the Research School of Physical Sciences to date from 1st July, 1949, at a salary of £1,200 p.a., to be paid in sterling whilst he is resident in the United Kingdom, and that travelling allowances be paid at the rate of 10/- sterling per diem on board ship and 30/- (sterling and Australian currency respectively) per diem whilst travelling away from headquarters on University business in the United Kingdom and in Australia.

(d) **Proposal that Mr. S.R. Cornick and Mr. J.W. Blamey should visit Australia**

The Vice-Chancellor reported that in accordance with a recommendation contained in a letter from Professor Oliphant dated 7th February, he had authorised Professor Oliphant to proceed with arrangements for Mr. S.R. Cornick and Mr. J.W. Blamey to travel to Australia by sea.

It was resolved that:

(A) The Vice-Chancellor's action be confirmed.

(B) Mr. J.W. Blamey be appointed Research Assistant, temporarily, to Professor Oliphant at a salary of £600 per annum, and that the Vice-Chancellor be asked to fix the dates on which the appointment will commence and terminate.

(C) Travelling allowances be paid to Mr. Cornick and Mr. Blamey at the rate of 10/- sterling per diem on board ship and at the rates of 25/- and 20/- Australian per diem respectively whilst travelling away from headquarters on duty in Australia.

11. **RESEARCH SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES**

(a) **Appointment of Staff**

The Vice-Chancellor reported to the Council the present position with regard to the appointment of Professors.

/(b) Establishment
(b) Establishment of the Research School -

The Interim Council received a letter from Professor Hancock dated 1st March, 1949, concerning the establishment of the Research Schools of Social Sciences and Pacific Studies.

Consideration was deferred for discussion under agenda item 12 "Research School of Pacific Studies".

12. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PACIFIC STUDIES:

The Interim Council received a report from the Committee appointed at the 26th Meeting (Minutes, para. 14(b)) to consider and report upon the establishment of the Research School of Pacific Studies, particularly in relation to the appointment of a Director.

It was noted that the Committee had given consideration to the original memorandum by Professor Firth dated 30th January, 1948, a memorandum by Sir Frederic Eggleston dated 22nd February, 1949, and a letter from Professor Hancock dated 1st March, 1949 (previously mentioned under agenda item 11(b)).

It was resolved that -

(a) it is not considered desirable temporarily to amalgamate the Research School of Pacific Studies with the Research School of Social Sciences;

(b) the report be adopted and another memorandum on the scope and organisation of the School be prepared in terms of the Committee's report and the discussion, by the Vice-Chancellor in consultation with Sir Frederic Eggleston, for consultation with the Academic Advisory Committee and any prospective Director.

13. UNIVERSITY HOUSE:

A report was received from the Committee appointed at the 24th Meeting (Minutes, para. 15) to report on certain questions relating to the administration of University House.

The Council noted the advice of the Committee that it does not consider that the issues involved should be decided at present, although the Interim Council may have to consider an appointment of the nature of Warden of University House in due course.

It was resolved that the Committee be asked to continue to exercise its present function and that it be authorised to make preliminary plans for the functioning of University House prior to the setting up of an appropriate administrative procedure.

14. VISITING SCHOLARS:

(a) Professor Kamen -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that no further advice had been received.

(b) Sir Geoffrey Taylor -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Sir Geoffrey and Lady Taylor had arrived in Australia and were at present visiting Melbourne.

/(c) Sir Norman
(c) Sir Norman Haworth -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Sir Norman Haworth had accepted with pleasure the invitation extended by the Interim Council at its 26th Meeting (Minutes, para. 16(d)) and was at present in Sydney.

(d) Dr. Carleton Washburne and Mr. James Hemming -

The Interim Council considered a letter from the Australian Federal Council of the New Education Fellowship, dated 21st February, 1949.

It was resolved that the Australian Federal Council of the New Education Fellowship be advised that, after reviewing the request in the light of its present responsibilities and commitments and of the need to concentrate upon the immediate problems of establishing the Research Schools, the Interim Council is not able to vary the decision conveyed by the Registrar in his letter of 15th February.

(e) Sir Edward Salisbury -

The Interim Council noted with pleasure a report by the Vice-Chancellor that Sir Edward Salisbury would be visiting Canberra, probably in July, during a visit to Australia.

(f) Visiting Scholars, 1949-50 -

The Vice-Chancellor was asked to consider the programme of visiting scholars, especially in the field of social sciences, for the ensuing financial year, with a view to discussions during his visit to the United Kingdom.

(g) Professor J.B. Condliffe -

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor be authorised to invite Professor Condliffe to lecture should he visit Australia in 1950.

15. LONDON OFFICE - OFFICE ACCOMMODATION:

The Interim Council noted with pleasure that the Chairman of the British Commonwealth Scientific Offices (Dr. Marsden) has placed a room at the disposal of Mr. Clark for a short period and that Mr. Clark has opened his office and is handling the University's business in the United Kingdom.

16. MORRISON ORATION 1949:

It was resolved that Sir Frederic Eggleston be invited to deliver the Morrison Oration in 1949.

17. APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEES:

It was resolved that the expressions "Chairman", "Vice-Chancellor" and "Registrar" used in the resolution passed at the 22nd Meeting of the Interim Council (Minutes, para. 16) include the persons for the time being acting in those capacities respectively.
18. VICE-CHANCELLOR'S VISIT TO THE UNITED KINGDOM:

It was resolved that the Chairman of the Interim Council be authorised and asked to act for the Vice-Chancellor in urgent matters, at his discretion, during the forthcoming absence of the Vice-Chancellor overseas.

The meeting closed at 3.45 p.m.

(R.C. MILLS)
Chairman

8th April, 1949.
THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

INTERIM COUNCIL

Minutes of the 28th Meeting of the Interim Council held at the University Offices, Barton, on Friday, 8th April, 1949, at 11 a.m.

Present: Professor R.C. Mills (Chairman), The Vice-Chancellor, Mr. A.S. Brown, Dr. H.C. Coombs, Mr. C.S. Daley, Sir Frederic Eggleston, Sir Robert Garran, Mr. H.J. Goodes, Professor L.H. Martin, Sir David Rivett, Professor H.K. Ward, Professor J.G. Wood, Professor R. Douglas Wright.

The Acting Registrar was in attendance.

1. APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received from Sir John Medley and Mr. H.F.E. Whitlam.

2. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the 27th Meeting, having been previously circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

3. REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE:

(a) The report of the Finance Committee (see Minutes of Meeting held on 10th March, 1949) was received and adopted.

(b) In accordance with the Committee's recommendation it was resolved that -

(i) University House -

The Committee on the management of University House be asked to consider the anticipated cost of operation of University House.

(ii) Accounts Clerk -

Mr. W.H. Goddard be appointed Accounts Clerk at a salary of £468 per annum, plus cost of living adjustment.

(iii) London Office - Bank Account -

The Administrative Officer in the United Kingdom, together with the Secretary of the Association of Universities of the British Commonwealth or the
Assistant Secretary of the Association of Universities of the British Commonwealth be authorised to operate jointly on the University's account with the Commonwealth Bank of Australia in London.

(iv) **Estimates 1949-50**

A sub-committee of the Finance Committee comprising the Vice-Chancellor and Mr. Goodes be authorised to approve the estimates for the financial year 1949-50 for submission to the Government.

4. **BUILDING PROGRAMME**

(a) **Report of Buildings and Grounds Committee.**

(i) The report of the meeting of the Buildings and Grounds Committee held on 7th April, 1949, was received and adopted.

(ii) In accordance with the recommendations of the Buildings and Grounds Committee it was resolved that -

(A) **Canberra University College**

(I) In the interests of balanced development the Interim Council considers that the immediate buildings for the Canberra University College should be sited to the North East of the University site and is prepared to make available for this purpose an area of approximately twenty acres fronting University Avenue.

(II) The Interim Council will not develop the remainder of the area requested by the Council of the Canberra University College without consultation with the Council.

(III) The Interim Council will make representations to secure an area of land to the North East of University Avenue for use by the Canberra University College.

(B) **Buildings for the John Curtin School of Medical Research**

Dr. Sanders, consultant architect to Sir Howard Florey, be invited to visit Australia for consultation with the University's architect.

/(c) University House
(c) **University House**

(I) The responsibility for advising the Interim Council on the furnishing and equipping of University House be delegated to the Committee on the Management of University House.

(II) Mr. Clifford Last be invited to submit preliminary proposals for the sculptural treatment of University House.

(d) **Development of Grounds**

The recommendations submitted by the Superintendent of Parks and Gardens, Canberra Services Branch, Department of the Interior, for the development of the University site be adopted in principle and the Superintendent be asked to submit to the Council a plan showing the treatment proposed.

(b) **Professor Oliphant's Residence**

The Interim Council considered a letter dated 28th February from Professor Oliphant concerning the decision recorded at its 26th Meeting (Minutes, para. 6(b)).

It was resolved that Professor Oliphant be informed that the Interim Council is prepared to consider alternative proposals for:

(i) the erection of a house at Weetangerra in accordance with Professor Oliphant's request expressed in a letter to the Vice-Chancellor dated 2nd December, 1948, on the understanding that Professor Oliphant will, when he becomes the occupant, recoup the Interim Council, or

(ii) the erection of a house off the University site, to be let to Professor Oliphant on the terms regarding the erection of houses for Directors formulated by the Finance Committee at its meeting on 8th July, 1948, and adopted by the Interim Council at its 20th Meeting,

and that the Vice-Chancellor be asked to discuss the matter, whilst in the United Kingdom, with Professor Oliphant.

(c) **Housing and Accommodation for Staff**

The Interim Council received a letter dated 6th April, 1949, from the Minister for the Interior and noted with appreciation that houses and boarding accommodation will be made available for certain of the University's officers and that vacancies in houses on the University site will be offered, as they occur, to officers of the University.
5. Scholars:

(a) Mr. G.R. Storry -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that a clearance had been given for Mr. Storry to enter Japan and that he had authorised Mr. Clark to arrange a round passage from London via Washington in advance so that payment might be effected in sterling.

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor's action be confirmed.

The Vice-Chancellor also reported that Mr. Storry had married on 2nd April, 1949, and would be eligible for an increased allowance at the rate of £600 per annum from that date in accordance with the conditions governing the award of scholarships.

(b) Award of Scholarships - 1949 -

Reports by the Medical Advisory Committee on Scholarships and the Scholarships Committee of the Interim Council (see Minutes, 21st Meeting, para. 8(d)(iii)) were received.

It was resolved that the reports be forwarded to the Academic Advisory Committee for consideration with the advice that the Interim Council is prepared to award 18 scholarships in accordance with the Committees' recommendations.

6. Research Fellowships in the Social Sciences:

A report was received from the Committee appointed to consider reports and applications by Research Fellows in the Social Sciences (Minutes, 26th Meeting, para. 7(a)).

In accordance with the recommendations of the Committee it was resolved that -

(a) Mr. R.S. Parker -

The balance of Mr. Parker's allowance for travel and expenses in connection with his Fellowship (£133.5.7) be available to him for approved expenses in connection with the completion of work commenced under the Fellowship and not yet completed.

(b) Mr. G.T.J. Wilson -

Mr. Wilson be paid at the rate of £900 stg. from the date of embarkation for India until his return to Australia and that he be allowed steamer and rail fares together with the usual expenses in connection with the Fellowship and a travelling allowance at the rate of 25/- sterling or Australian currency per diem whilst travelling away from his headquarters in India and Australia respectively, up to a maximum of £350 including fares.

/(c) Mr. T.G.H. Strehlow
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(i) Authority be given for the purchase of equipment and the payment of field and other expenses for Mr. Strehlow, up to the following amounts:

- Motor vehicle, photographic equipment, camping gear, etc. £650
- Payments to natives £150,
- all equipment including exposed film to remain the property of the University.

7. JOHN CURTIN SCHOOL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH:

(a) Department of Microbiology -

(i) Accommodation for Department -

A letter dated 30th March, 1949, from Professor Burnet offering accommodation for the Department in the Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research in Melbourne was received with gratification and referred to Sir Howard Florey for advice.

(b) Department of Medical Chemistry -

(i) Appointment of Research Assistant -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had authorised the advertisement within the United Kingdom of the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. R.P. Royer, Research Assistant to Professor Albert; the tenure of the position would be 2 years and the salary range £550-750 per annum.

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor's action be confirmed.

(ii) Appointment of Laboratory Technician -

(Minutes of Academic Advisory Committee, 12th Meeting, para. 10(b)).

It was noted that it is intended to recommend the appointment of Mr. E.W. Rogers as Laboratory Technician at a commencing salary of £350 per annum.

(c) Department of Biochemistry -

(i) Appointment of Fellow -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that a Fellowship in the Department of Biochemistry would be advertised.

(ii) Appointment of Research Assistant -

It was resolved to appoint Mr. H.E.R. Barker Research Assistant in the Department of Biochemistry for a period of two years within the salary range £450-550 per annum with commencing salary of £500 per annum, the appointment to take effect from a date to be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor.
8. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES:

(a) Appointment of Reader in Physical Techniques -

It was resolved that Mr. S. M. Duke be appointed Reader in Physical Techniques at a commencing salary of £1,250 per annum on the approved conditions of appointment for Readers, to date 1st June, 1949.

9. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES:

(a) Appointment of Staff -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that there were no further developments.

10. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PACIFIC STUDIES:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that a memorandum had been prepared pursuant to the Interim Council's instruction at the 27th Meeting (Minutes, para. 12(b)) and forwarded for the information of the Academic Advisory Committee.

The Interim Council considered a letter from Professor Hancock dated 21st March, 1949, and noted the reference in the Minutes of the twelfth meeting of the Academic Advisory Committee (para. 2(e)).

It was resolved that the Interim Council adheres to its previous view that it is of the utmost importance that the two Research Schools of Social Sciences and Pacific Studies be established as soon as possible, and to authorise the Vice-Chancellor to undertake discussions with the Academic Advisory Committee and with Professor Hancock in order to ensure that the establishment of the two Schools advance as quickly as possible.

11. RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ACADEMIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

The Interim Council considered the recommendations and observations of the Academic Advisory Committee at its 11th and 12th meetings on 27th February, 1949, and 27th March, 1949, respectively.

(a) Building Programme (Academic Advisory Committee Minutes, 11th Meeting, para. 3(c)(ii)).

The Vice-Chancellor reported that plans of houses to be erected on the University site will be forwarded for the information of the Academic Advisory Committee when approved.

(b) Special Allowances to Scholars (Academic Advisory Committee Minutes, 11th Meeting, para. 3(j)).

It was resolved that Directors and/or Members of the Academic Advisory Committee be authorised to approve of expenditure not exceeding £50 in any one case to meet the cost of special apparatus needed for a scholar's work and not otherwise available (see Minutes, 26th Meeting, para. 9(k)(ii)).

(c) International Congress
(c) **International Congress of Biochemistry** (Academic Advisory Committee Minutes, 11th Meeting, para. 3(l)(ii)).

It was noted that the Academic Advisory Committee endorses Sir Howard Florey's recommendation that Professor Ennor's visit to the United Kingdom should be made in the course of his normal duties and not be regarded as a period of study leave.

(d) **Visiting Scholars : Sir Edward Salisbury** (Academic Advisory Committee Minutes, 11th Meeting, para. 3(p)(v)).

It was resolved to advise the Academic Advisory Committee that an appropriate invitation has been issued to Sir Edward Salisbury to visit Canberra.

(e) **John Curtin School of Medical Research** (Academic Advisory Committee Minutes, 11th Meeting, para. 4(ii)).

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Sir Howard Florey had arranged for Mr. C.C. Kratzing, a scholar, to be accepted by Dr. McIlwain at the Department of Biochemistry, Research Laboratories, Institute of Psychiatry, Maudsley Hospital, London, and that Mr. Kratzing will arrive in England in time to attend the International Congress of Biochemistry.

(f) **Academic Advisory Committee : Professor Albert** (Academic Advisory Committee Minutes, 11th Meeting, para. 4(iii)).

The advice of the Academic Advisory Committee that it has resolved to invite Professor Albert to attend the morning session of future Academic Advisory Committee meetings was noted.

(g) **Publication of Research Papers** (Academic Advisory Committee Minutes, 11th Meeting, para. 10).

It was reported that this matter had been considered by the Interim Council at its 27th Meeting (Minutes, para. 9(iii)).

(h) **Visit of Mr. S.R. Cornick and Mr. J.W. Blamey** (Academic Advisory Committee Minutes, 12th Meeting, para. 2(d)(ii)).

The Interim Council noted the advice of the Academic Advisory Committee that the full hotel expenses of Messrs. Cornick and Blamey for bed and meals when travelling away from headquarters in Australia should be met by the University and that they should each receive, in addition, an allowance of 15/- a day.

It was resolved that the Academic Advisory Committee be informed that the rates of travelling allowance in Australia approved for Messrs. Cornick and Blamey (Minutes of the Interim Council, 27th Meeting, para. 10(d)(C)) are on the basis adopted by the Council for officers of the appropriate salary scales but that the Interim Council is prepared to review the position generally.

It was resolved further that the Finance Committee be asked to consider the matter and report.
12. VISITING SCHOLARS:

(a) Professor M.D. Kamen: The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Oliphant has heard from Professor Kamen to the effect that he is not yet able to fix a date for his visit to Australia. It was noted that Professor Oliphant considers, however, that a visit by Professor Kamen should be kept in view.

(b) Professor H.S.W. Massey: The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Massey has accepted the invitation of the Interim Council to visit Australia as a visiting professor (Minutes, 26th Meeting, para. 16(f)) and that Professor Massey expects to arrive in Australia by air at the end of the third week in July and hopes to stay about 3 months.

It was resolved that Professor Massey's air and rail fares be reimbursed and that he be paid a salary at the rate of £2,000 per annum whilst in Australia and an allowance of £2 per day.
(c) Professor Roscoe Pound: The Interim Council considered a letter from Professor Paton in which he stated that it was doubtful whether Professor Pound would visit Australia in 1949.

It was resolved to invite Sir Ivor Jennings to visit Australia as a visiting Professor.

(d) Professor K.C. Wheare: The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor K.C. Wheare would visit Australia shortly and would visit Universities in accordance with a long standing invitation of the Interim Council.

It was resolved that Professor Wheare be paid a fee of £200 Aust. if he is able to devote 5 weeks to the University's requirements and that the University will meet his fares within Australia plus an allowance of £2 per day.

(e) Visiting Scholars 1949-50:

(i) The Vice-Chancellor reported that definite arrangements have been made for two visiting Professors in 1949-50, Mrs. Alva Myrdal and Professor H.S.W. Massey, both of whom are expected in Australia from August to October, but the possibility of inviting to Australia an authority on Pacific affairs should be borne in mind.

13. 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF VICTORIA UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the University has been invited to appoint a representative to attend the celebrations of the 50th anniversary of the founding of the College, to be held in Wellington, New Zealand, 15th to 21st May, 1949.

It was resolved that Professor R.S. Parker be asked to represent the University.

14. UNIVERSITY OF NOTTINGHAM – INSTALLATION OF THE CHANCELLOR:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the University has been invited to appoint a representative to attend the ceremony of the installation of the Chancellor of the recently incorporated University of Nottingham, to be held on 3rd May, 1949.

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor represent the University (if he is able to attend the ceremony) or make suitable alternative arrangements.

15. CONGRESS OF UNIVERSITIES OF THE COMMONWEALTH, OXFORD, JULY, 1948:

The Interim Council deferred, for consideration at its next meeting, a letter dated January, 1949, from the Secretary of the Association of Universities of the British Commonwealth, in which are conveyed resolutions on Inter-University relations carried by the Congress of Universities of the Commonwealth at Oxford in July, 1948.
16. **SUPERANNUATION**:

(a) **Relations with F.S.S.U.** -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the Secretary of F.S.S.U. has advised that, until the whole question of the interchange of superannuation arrangements between the Universities in the United Kingdom and those in other countries of the Commonwealth is worked out, the Central Council of F.S.S.U. will be prepared to recognise policies effected with the panel of companies "approved" for the University's scheme if the policies conform in all other ways with the requirements of Clause 5(d) of the F.S.S.U.

(b) **Vice-Chancellor's Retiring Allowance** -

It was resolved that a request by the Vice-Chancellor that the arrangement as expressed in the minutes of the 24th Meeting (para. 4(b)(i)) be varied in accordance with the advice of Messrs. Davies, Campbell & Piesse, Solicitors, be referred to the Finance Committee for consideration and report.

17. **AUSTRALIAN VICE-CHANCELLORS' COMMITTEE - SECRETARIAT**:

Consideration deferred until next meeting.

18. **OTHER BUSINESS**:

(a) **Morrison Oration** -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Sir Frederic Eggleston has expressed his appreciation of the invitation extended to him by the Interim Council at its 27th Meeting (Minutes, paragraph 16) to deliver the Morrison Oration in 1949, but is compelled to decline.

It was resolved that Professor J.K. Rideout be invited to deliver the Oration.

(b) **Dr. D.F. Thomson** -

A request by Dr. D.F. Thomson that the University sponsor the publication of reproductions of a set of aboriginal bark paintings was referred to the Finance Committee for consideration and report.

(c) **Seminar by Professor B. Higgins** -

It was resolved that Professor B. Higgins be invited to conduct two week-end seminars in Canberra to be organised by the Canberra Branch of the Economic Society and that Professor Higgins be paid a fee of 20 guineas.

(d) **Foundation Stone** -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had discussed with the Minister for Post-war Reconstruction the possibility of arranging for a ceremony for laying the Foundation stones of

/University House
University House and the John Curtin School of Medical Research, and that the Minister had suggested that the Prime Minister be invited to lay the foundation stone for the School of Medical Research.

It was agreed to arrange a ceremony during the Budget Session of Parliament and that the Prime Minister be invited to lay the foundation stone of the John Curtin School of Medical Research and Mr. Dedman that of University House.

(e) The Chairman on behalf of the Interim Council wished the Vice-Chancellor a safe and successful visit overseas.

The meeting closed at 5.10 p.m.

(R.C. MILLS)
Chairman,
13th May, 1949.
Minutes of the 29th Meeting of the Interim Council
held at the University Offices, Barton, on Friday, 13th May, 1949, at 10 a.m.

Present: Professor R.C. Mills (Chairman),
Dr. H.C. Coombs,
Mr. C.S. Daley,
Sir Frederic Eggleston,
Sir Robert Garran,
Mr. H.J. Goodes,
Professor L.H. Martin,
Professor H.K. Ward,
Professor J.G. Wood,
Professor R. Douglas Wright.

The Acting Registrar was in attendance.

1. APOLOGIES:
Apologies were received from Sir John Medley,
Sir David Rivett, Mr. A.S. Brown and Mr. G.A. Watson.

2. MINUTES:
The Minutes of the 28th Meeting, having been previously circulated, were taken as read and confirmed after deleting from paragraph 4(ii)(B) the words "consultant architect to Sir Howard Florey".

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:
Estimates 1949-50 -

It was reported that the sub-committee appointed by the Interim Council at its 26th Meeting (Minutes, paragraph 3(iv)) had approved the submission to the Government of the Estimates for the financial year 1949-50 totalling £282,574 (including expenditure on buildings £86,632).

4. MEMBERSHIP OF THE INTERIM COUNCIL:

(a) Mr. G.A. Watson -

The Acting Registrar reported that Mr. G.A. Watson had been appointed Acting Solicitor-General during the absence from Australia of Professor Bailey.

It was resolved that the appreciation of the Interim Council be conveyed to Mr. H.F.E. Whitlam for his service to the University as Professor Bailey's deputy.

(b) Sir David Rivett -

It was resolved that Sir David Rivett be granted leave from attendance at meetings of the Interim Council until the November 1949 meeting during his absence from Australia.
5. MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES:

(a) Buildings and Grounds Committee -

It was resolved that Mr. A. S. Brown be appointed a member of the Buildings and Grounds Committee.

(b) Medical Advisory Committee -

It was resolved that Professor A.H. Ennor be appointed a member of the Medical Advisory Committee established to advise on the recruitment of scholars for training in medical research.

6. MEMBERSHIP OF THE ACADEMIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

(a) Resignation of Professor Hancock -

The Council received with regret a letter from Professor Hancock dated 3rd May, 1949, in which he declined the Council's invitation (Minutes, 19th Meeting, para. 9) that he should accept the position of Director of the Research School of Social Sciences and tendered his resignation from the Academic Advisory Committee; it was resolved that the appreciation of the Council be conveyed to Professor Hancock for his support and counsel during the establishment period of the University.

(b) Professor K.C. Wheare -

It was resolved to authorise the Vice-Chancellor to invite Professor K.C. Wheare to become a member of the Academic Advisory Committee.

7. REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE:

(a) The report of the Finance Committee (see Minutes of Meeting held on 12th May, 1949) was received and adopted.

(b) In accordance with the Committee's recommendation it was resolved that:-

(i) Travelling Allowances for Members of Staff

(Minutes, 28th Meeting, para. 41(h)) -

On any occasion on which the rate of travelling allowance approved by the Interim Council for a member of staff is shown to be insufficient to meet expenses necessarily incurred, the payment of actual expenses may be approved.

(ii) Vice-Chancellor's Retiring Allowance

(Minutes, 28th Meeting, para. 16(b)) -

Para. 4(b)(i)(H) of the Minutes of the 28th Meeting of the Interim Council be amended by deleting the words "the University may deal with the policies or policy moneys as it thinks fit" and inserting the following in their place "he will be entitled to receive the surrender value as at the date of assignment to the University of the
three whole life policies referred to in Clause (C) of this section and the return of his contributions to the premiums subsequently paid on these policies and on the endowment assurance policy referred to in Clause (B) and the University may deal with the balance of the policy moneys as it thinks fit."

(iii) Dr. D.F. Thomson (Minutes, 28th Meeting, para. 18(b)) -

Dr. Thomson be informed that the University is not prepared at present to sponsor the publication of reproductions of his set of aboriginal bark paintings.

8. BUILDING PROGRAMME:

(a) Report of Buildings and Grounds Committee -

The report of the meeting of the Buildings and Grounds Committee held on 12th May, 1949, was received and adopted.

(b) Professor Oliphant's Residence -

The Acting Registrar reported that a plan of the proposed residence for Professor Oliphant had been made available and that the alternative proposal recorded at the 28th Meeting of the Interim Council (Minutes, para. 4(b)(i)) was understood to be acceptable to Professor Oliphant.

It was resolved to refer the plans for consideration by the Committee appointed to consider proposals for the erection of houses off the University site (Minutes, 17th Meeting, para. 5(b)).

(c) Visit to Australia by Dr. Sanders -

The Acting Registrar reported that Dr. Sanders would visit Australia in September.

9. REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MANAGEMENT OF UNIVERSITY HOUSE:

The report of the meeting of the Committee on Management of University House held on 7th April, 1949, was received.

It was resolved that notification be made in the press of any intention to seek designs or to let contracts for furnishings and equipment for University House.

10. SCHOLARS:

(a) Mr. P. Lawrence:

It was reported that Mr. Lawrence had commenced work in the Madang area of New Guinea.

(b) Award of Scholarships
(b) **Award of Scholarships 1949**

It was resolved that the award of scholarships to the following candidates be confirmed:


**Physical Sciences**: D.E. Caro, I.G. Ross, R.L. Martin.

**Social Sciences**: N.G. Butlin, D.G. Benjafiel, J.M. Main, A.F. Davies, A.J. Hagger.

**Pacific Studies**: C.S. Belshaw, R.B. Joyce.

and that consideration of further awards be deferred until recommendations are received from Sir Howard Florey and Professor Oliphant.

(c) **Mr. S.F. Cox**

The Acting Registrar reported that it was understood that Sir Howard Florey concurred in the view expressed by the Interim Council at its 28th Meeting (Minutes, para. 11(j)(ii)).

The Council considered the question of an allowance to Mr. Cox for his fare to Australia and asked the Acting Registrar to write to the Vice-Chancellor in terms of the discussion.

(d) **Dr. I.R.C. Bick**

It was resolved to seek the advice of Sir Howard Florey in relation to a suggestion that Dr. I.R.C. Bick be appointed a Junior Fellow.

(e) **Mr. N.G. Butlin**

The Chairman reported that it was important that Mr. N.G. Butlin be allowed to work under his scholarship at Harvard University, and that an approach had been made to the Rockefeller Foundation for assistance in United States currency.

It was resolved that Mr. Butlin's scholarship allowance be $3,500 per annum subject to the availability of dollars, to be reduced by the amount of any grant made to him from United States sources.
11. JOHN CURTIN SCHOOL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH:
   (a) Department of Biochemistry -
      (i) Professor Ennor's Visit to the United Kingdom -

      It was resolved that approval be given to Professor A.H. Ennor to extend his visit to the United Kingdom (see Minutes, 27th Meeting, para. 9(a)(i)) until the end of September, 1949, and to then visit the United States of America.

      (ii) Appointment of Instrument Maker -

      The Acting Registrar reported that he had authorised the advertisement of the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. I. McKinnon, Instrument Maker, on the existing salary and conditions of appointment.

      It was resolved that the Acting Registrar's action be confirmed.

      (iii) Dr. E.C. Slater -

      It was resolved that Dr. E.C. Slater be granted twelve months' leave of absence without pay to enable him to accept a Rockefeller Fellowship for work in the United States of America, to commence on a date to be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor, and that the University's superannuation contributions be continued during the period of leave.

12. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES:
   Appointment of Director -

   The Interim Council considered a letter from the Vice-Chancellor dated 2nd May, 1949, together with further advice received by cable from the Vice-Chancellor.

   It was resolved that the Acting Registrar communicate with the Vice-Chancellor in the terms of the discussion.

13. MORRISON ORATION 1949:

   It was reported that Professor J.K. Rideout had accepted the invitation of the Interim Council (Minutes, 28th Meeting, para. 18(e)) to deliver the Morrison Oration in 1949 and that the title of the address would be "Politics in Medieval China".

14. AUSTRALIAN VICE-CHANCELLORS' COMMITTEE - SECRETARIAT:

   Consideration deferred until next meeting.
15. VISITING PROFESSORS:

(a) Sir Ivor Jennings

It was reported that a reply had not been received to the invitation issued to Sir Ivor Jennings (Minutes, 28th Meeting, para. 12(c)).

(b) Visiting Scholars, 1950-51

It was resolved that a Committee be appointed consisting of the Chairman, the Deputy Chairman, the Vice-Chancellor, Dr. H.C. Coombs, Sir Frederic Eggleston, Professor R. Douglas Wright and Professor L.H. Martin, to consider invitations to scholars to visit Australia during the twelve months commencing July, 1950, and that the Academic Advisory Committee be invited to make recommendations for consideration by the Committee.

16. CONGRESS OF UNIVERSITIES OF THE COMMONWEALTH, OXFORD, JULY, 1948:

The Interim Council received a letter dated January, 1949, from the Secretary of the Association of Universities of the British Commonwealth, to which was appended resolutions on Inter-University relations carried by the Congress of Universities of the Commonwealth at Oxford in July, 1948.

It was resolved that the Executive of the Association be informed that the Interim Council adopts, in principle, the courses of action appropriate to it proposed by the resolutions.

17. 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF VICTORIA UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND:

It was reported that Professor R.S. Parker will represent the University at the celebrations of the 50th Anniversary of the Founding of Victoria University College (Minutes, 28th Meeting, para. 13).

18. GIFT OF 19TH CENTURY SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS:

It was resolved to accept from Wing Commander Hamilton the gift to the John Curtin School of Medical Research of a set of 19th century medical instruments.

19. OTHER BUSINESS:

It was resolved that the Statutes Committee be asked to consider the form of a statute to determine the award by the University of honorary degrees.

The meeting closed at 1.05 p.m.

(R.C. MILLS)

Chairman,

10th June, 1949.
Minutes of the 30th Meeting of the Interim Council held at the University Offices, Barton, on Friday, 10th June, 1949, at 10 a.m.

Present: Dr. H.C. Coombs (in the Chair), Mr. A.S. Brown, Mr. C.S. Daley, Sir Frederic Eggleston, Sir Robert Garran, Mr. H.J. Goodes, Professor H.K. Ward, Professor J.G. Wood, Professor R. Douglas Wright.

The Acting Registrar was in attendance.

1. APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received from Professor R.G. Mills, Sir John Medley, Professor L.H. Martin, and Mr. G.A. Watson.

2. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the 29th Meeting, having been previously circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

(a) Estimates 1949-50 -

The Interim Council considered the statement of estimated expenditure for the year 1949-50 previously approved for submission to the Government (see Minutes of 28th Meeting, para. 3(b)(iv)).

It was resolved that the statement be adopted.

(b) Honorary Degrees -

A report of the Statutes Committee (see Minutes of 29th Meeting, para. 19) was received. (A copy of this report is attached to these Minutes.)

It was resolved to defer the drafting of a statute to provide for the conferring of honorary degrees until the general question of granting degrees is considered.

4. MEMBERSHIP OF THE INTERIM COUNCIL:

The Acting Registrar reported that he had been informed by the Minister for Post-War Reconstruction that the following members have been nominated by the Commonwealth Houses of Parliament and will be recommended to the Governor-General for appointment to the Interim Council:
House of Representatives: Kim E. Beazley, B.A.
Hon. P.C. Spender, B.A., LL.B., K.C.

Senate: Senator J.H. O'Byrne,
Senator W.J. Cooper, M.B.E.

It was resolved that the Chairman be asked to write welcoming the new members to the Interim Council.

5. MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES:

It was resolved that the Chairman and the Vice-Chancellor be asked to review the composition of committees and report.

6. MEMBERSHIP OF THE ACADEMIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Professor K.C. Wheare:

The Interim Council noted with pleasure advice received from the Vice-Chancellor that Professor Wheare had accepted the invitation extended to him (see Minutes, 29th Meeting, para. 6(b)) to become a member of the Academic Advisory Committee in the place of Professor Hancock.

It was resolved to defer consideration of an honorarium and other details until Professor Wheare meets the Interim Council in August.

7. REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE:

(a) The report of the Finance Committee (see Minutes of the Meeting held on 9th June, 1949) was received and adopted.

(b) In accordance with the Committee's recommendation it was resolved that a committee consisting of the Chairman, the Vice-Chancellor, Mr. C.S. Daley and Mr. H.J. Goodes be appointed to allot tenancies of houses and flats controlled by the University.

8. BUILDING PROGRAMME:

(a) Report of Buildings and Grounds Committee -

The report of the meeting of the Buildings and Grounds Committee held on 9th June, 1949, was received and adopted.

(b) Foundation Stones -

It was resolved that Dr. Coombs be asked to consult the Prime Minister concerning his wishes in relation to the proposal adopted by the Interim Council at its 28th Meeting (see Minutes, para. 18(d)) that a ceremony be arranged during the Budget Session of Parliament and that the Prime Minister be invited to lay the foundation stone of the John Curtin School of Medical Research and Mr. Dedman that of University House.

(c) Art Advisory Committee -

It was resolved that the Acting Registrar be asked to consult the Chairman and submit names for inclusion in a panel to the Interim Council at its next meeting.
(d) **Architect's Fees**

It was resolved that a Committee consisting of the Chairman, the Vice-Chancellor, Mr. C.S. Daley and Mr. H.J. Goodes be appointed to consider and report upon the architect's claims for fees contained in his letters dated 6th and 7th June, 1949.

(e) **Professor Oliphant's Residence**

A report was received from the Committee appointed to consider proposals for the erection of houses off the University site (see Minutes of 29th Meeting, para. 8(b)) to the effect that the site, design and cost of the proposed residence for Professor Oliphant are acceptable.

The Acting Registrar reported that the question of the issue of a permit to commence building operations had been referred by the Government to the Interim Council for comment.

It was resolved that the Minister be informed that the Interim Council has examined the proposal and believes that the site, design and cost of the proposed residence are reasonable and recommends that the necessary permission to commence building operations be granted.

9. **REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MANAGEMENT OF UNIVERSITY HOUSE**

The report of the Committee on Management of University House (see Minutes of meeting held on 9th June, 1949) was received.

10. **CLASSIFICATION OF ACADEMIC STAFF**

The Interim Council noted the observations of the Academic Advisory Committee (Minutes, 13th Meeting, para. 7, and 14th Meeting, para. 4) and considered the following recommendations:

(a) That the classification of academic staff be as follows:

- **Professor**
- **Reader**
- **Fellow** £1,000-1,200 p.a. (Tenure 5 years renewable up to 65).
- **Research Fellow Grade I** - £1,000 p.a.  
  **Grade II** - £750-950 p.a.  (Tenure 3 years renewable to 5 years.
- **Research Assistant** - ?
- **Scholar** £400-650 (Tenure 2 years, renewable up to 3 years).

(b) That the following resolution be adopted:

"That there may be cases in which the National University has a direct interest in research projects organised and carried out by other bodies and in such cases the University may wish to participate in this..."
research. In other cases the National University, in pursuance of its own research projects, might wish to enlist temporarily the help of workers in other institutions."

(c) That Fellows already on the staff be reclassified as follows:

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It was resolved to defer consideration of these recommendations until the July meeting upon the return of the Vice-Chancellor.

11. SCHOLARS:

(a) Dr. K. E. Read

Consideration was given to a request for information concerning the financial arrangements to be made for his expedition to New Guinea received in a letter from Dr. Read dated 13th May, 1949.

It was resolved to defer consideration pending the receipt of additional information from Dr. Read.

(b) Mr. N. G. Butlin

The Acting Registrar reported that the following dollars had been made available on the understanding that the allocations will be reduced by the amounts of any grants made to Mr. Butlin by the Rockefeller Foundation:

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The Acting Registrar also reported that the Rockefeller Australian Advisory Committee had recommended that Mr. Butlin be granted assistance.

The Interim Council gave consideration to a further report by the Acting Registrar that in order to arrive in Harvard before the commencement of term Mr. Butlin must travel via the United Kingdom.

It was resolved that the travelling allowance to be made Mr. Butlin for the outward journey be £130 stg.
(c) Mr. G.R. Storry -

(i) It was resolved that Mr. G.R. Storry's scholarship be extended for a period of six months from 1st January, 1950.

(ii) It was further resolved that Mr. Storry's allowance be paid at the rate of £800 stg. per annum whilst he is in Japan.

(d) Mr. S.F. Cox -

Consideration was given to the recommendations of the Academic Advisory Committee at its 14th Meeting (Minutes, para. 8(ii)) and it was resolved that Mr. S.F. Cox be granted an allowance of £75 stg. towards his fare to Australia upon the completion of his scholarship.

(e) Dr. I.R.C. Bick -

The Interim Council noted the Minutes of 14th Meeting of the Academic Advisory Committee (para. 8(iii)) and resolved to defer the matter pending consideration by Sir Howard Florey.

(f) Mr. A.J. Hagger -

The Acting Registrar reported that he had advised Mr. Hagger that he might take up his scholarship as from 1st December, 1949. It was resolved that this action be confirmed.

(g) Mr. D.J. Benjafield -

The Acting Registrar reported that he had advised Mr. Benjafield that he might take up his scholarship as from 1st December, 1949. It was resolved that this action be confirmed.

(h) Award of Scholarships, 1949 -

(i) Principles of Award -

It was resolved that the Scholarships Committee be asked to consider and report on views expressed at the 13th Meeting of the Academic Advisory Committee (see Minutes, para. 4)) that awards should be made to more senior people as potential staff members.

(ii) Further Awards -

Consideration was given to the recommendations of the Academic Advisory Committee at its 14th Meeting (Minutes, para. 10) concerning the award of scholarships to the following:

Physical Sciences: G.R. Hercus, J.H. Carver,

Pacific Studies: Adrian Mayer,

and to a letter from Professor Firth dated 31st May, 1949, concerning Mr. Mayer.
It was resolved that awards be offered to Messrs. Hiercus and Carver and that Professor Firth be advised that the Interim Council will be prepared to make an award to Mr. Mayer in 1950 subject to an assurance by Professor Firth that Mayer is regarded as a potential member of staff or that there is a reasonable prospect of his coming to Australia to work.

(i) Conditions of Appointment of Scholars

It was resolved that it should be a condition of the award of scholarships that the scholar shall, on the completion of his tenure, submit to the Registrar a report on the work done under the scholarship and shall deposit a copy of any thesis submitted for a higher degree with the University Library.

12. MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

13TH AND 14TH MEETINGS:

The Interim Council considered the recommendations and observations of the Academic Advisory Committee at its 13th and 14th Meetings on 30th April-1st May and 24th May, 1949:

(a) Area of University Site - Housing on Site (Academic Advisory Committee 13th Meeting, para. 5(a))

It was resolved that Professor Oliphant's suggestion be noted and referred for consideration by the Buildings and Grounds Committee.

(b) University House

(i) Flats (Academic Advisory Committee 13th Meeting, para. 5(b)(i))

It was resolved that Professor Oliphant's remarks concerning the provision of accommodation for married people in University House be noted and referred to the Committee on Management of University House for consideration.

(ii) Finance and rents (Academic Advisory Committee 13th Meeting, para. 5(b)(iv))

The discussion on finance and rents of University House was noted.

(c) Old Hospital Buildings (Academic Advisory Committee, 13th Meeting, para. 5(c))

The Acting Registrar was asked to obtain a plan of the Old Hospital Buildings on the University site and forward it for the information of the Academic Advisory Committee.

(d) Rents for University Houses (Academic Advisory Committee 13th Meeting, para. 5(d))

Deferred for consideration upon the Vice-Chancellor's return.
(e) **Disposition of Buildings for John Curtin School of Medical Research and Research School of Physical Sciences** (Academic Advisory Committee 13th Meeting, para. 5(e)) -

The suggestions by Sir Howard Florey and Professor Oliphant were referred to the Buildings and Grounds Committee for consideration.

(f) **Gas Supplies** (Academic Advisory Committee 13th Meeting, para. 5(f) and 14th Meeting, para. 2(a)) -

It was resolved that the Acting Registrar be asked to make enquiries on the lines suggested by Professor Oliphant and to seek details from Professor Albert as to why he considers that cylinder gas is not satisfactory.

(g) **Library - Microcards and Microfilm** (Academic Advisory Committee 13th Meeting, para. 5(b) and 14th Meeting, para. 2(b)) -

It was resolved to ask the Librarian to report.

(h) **Research Fellowships in the Social Sciences** (Academic Advisory Committee 13th Meeting, para. 8, and 14th Meeting, para. 4(a)) -

The observations of the Committee were noted.

(i) **Degrees to be Awarded** (Academic Advisory Committee 13th Meeting, para. 8) -

The suggestion that it might be advisable to have a degree of M.Sc. in addition to the Phil.D. was noted.

(j) **Dollar requirements** (Academic Advisory Committee 13th Meeting, para. 9, and 14th Meeting, para. 11) -

Deferred for consideration upon the Vice-Chancellor's return.

(k) **Superannuation** (Academic Advisory Committee 13th Meeting, para. 10, and 14th Meeting, para. 12) -

Deferred for consideration upon the Vice-Chancellor's return.

(l) **Family Allowances** (Academic Advisory Committee 13th Meeting, para. 11, and 14th Meeting, para. 5) -

Deferred for consideration upon the Vice-Chancellor's return.

(m) **Travelling Expenses** (Academic Advisory Committee 13th Meeting, para. 12) -

The discussion was noted.

(n) **Academic Salaries in the United Kingdom** (Academic Advisory Committee 13th Meeting, para. 17) -

It was resolved that the discussion be noted.
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(o) **Visiting Scholars (Academic Advisory Committee 13th Meeting, para. 18, and 14th Meeting, para. 9)** -

It was resolved that the discussion be noted and the recommendations referred to the committee appointed by the Interim Council at its 29th Meeting (see Minutes, para. 15(b)).

(p) **Statutes (Academic Advisory Committee 13th Meeting, para. 19)** -

Deferred for consideration upon the Vice-Chancellor's return.

(q) **Administration of University House (Academic Advisory Committee 13th Meeting, para. 20, and 14th Meeting, para. 3)** -

It was resolved to refer the Vice-Chancellor's memorandum and the observations of the Academic Advisory Committee to the Committee on Management of University House for consideration.

(r) **Finance (Academic Advisory Committee 13th Meeting, para. 25)** -

The discussion on the interim memorandum on the financial position of the University was noted.

43. **JOHN CURTIN SCHOOL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH** :

(a) **Report on Vice-Chancellor's Discussions with Sir Howard Florey** -

The Interim Council received a report in general terms from the Acting Registrar on discussions held by the Vice-Chancellor with Sir Howard Florey.

(b) **Department of Biochemistry** -

(i) **Professor Ennor's Visit to the United States of America** -

The Acting Registrar reported that advice has been received from the Carnegie Corporation that dollars would be made available for Professor Ennor's proposed visit to the United States (see Minutes of 29th Meeting, para. 11(a)(i)).

(ii) **Appointment of Instrument Maker** -

It was resolved that the Acting Registrar be authorised to make an appointment to the position of Instrument Maker on the recommendation of Professor Ennor (see Minutes, 29th Meeting, para. 11(a)(ii)).

/(iii) **Appointment of**
(iii) Appointment of Laboratory Assistant

It was resolved to advertise the position of Laboratory Assistant in the Department of Biochemistry on the following salary range:

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Adults to be appointed at rate for age 21 and to rise to £354 per annum after 3 years' service, and to authorise the Acting Registrar to make an appointment on the recommendation of Professor Ennor.

(iv) Purchase of Equipment in the United Kingdom

The Interim Council considered a request contained in a letter dated 30th May, 1949, from Professor Ennor that arrangements be made for him to purchase equipment in the United Kingdom for his Department.

The Acting Registrar reported that the Interim Council at its 22nd Meeting (Minutes, para. 11(c)(iii)) authorised the purchase of certain basic items of laboratory equipment specified by Professor Ennor at a cost of £2,700, the total expenditure under this head up to 30th June 1949 not to exceed £200.

It was resolved that approval be given to the following procedure for purchases in the United Kingdom of scientific and workshop equipment for the Department of Biochemistry during the financial year 1949-50 which is not available in Australia:

(A) Sir Howard Florey is authorised to purchase such equipment within the vote for the Department of Biochemistry for the financial year 1949-50.

(B) Orders will be placed by the administrative officer in the United Kingdom (Mr. Clark) upon the authority of an appropriate requisition signed by Sir Howard Florey or by Professor Ennor on his behalf.

/(C) Five copies
(C) Five copies of each order will be required, to be disposed of as follows:

- 1 to the supplier,
- 1 for Professor Ennor,
- 3 for the University's office in London, of which 2 will be forwarded to Australia.

(D) "Follow-up" procedure in connection with orders will be carried out by the University's London office.

(E) The London office will be responsible for all negotiations and proceedings (including export licences, etc.) involved in the export and shipping of the goods from Great Britain to Australia.

(F) Purchases will be made as far as possible on the basis of payment on delivery in Australia, but the London office is authorised to pay for purchases to which this procedure cannot be applied (including, where necessary, the making of progress payments);

(G) The London office will arrange that all equipment in England or in transit is insured.

(c) **Department of Medical Chemistry - Appointment of Research Assistant**

The Interim Council considered a recommendation by Sir Howard Florey received by cable from Mr. Clark.

It was resolved that Mr. G.W.H. Cheeseman be appointed Research Assistant in the Department of Medical Chemistry as from 1st August, 1949, at a salary of £650 per annum for a period (to be determined by Sir Howard Florey) of not more than two years, and that Mr. Cheeseman's salary be paid at the rate of £650 sterling per annum whilst he is employed by the University in the United Kingdom.

14. **RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES**

(a) **Report on Vice-Chancellor's Discussions with Professor Oliphant**

The Interim Council received a report in general terms from the Acting Registrar on discussions held by the Vice-Chancellor with Professor Oliphant.
(b) Professor Oliphant's Visit in July -

It was reported that Professor Oliphant will leave the United Kingdom by air on 10th July and will return to the United Kingdom as soon as a booking is available after the August Council meeting.

(c) Purchase of Equipment in the United Kingdom (Academic Advisory Committee 13th Meeting, para. 13(b)) -

The Interim Council noted that Professor Oliphant had expressed satisfaction with the understanding that had been reached about the purchase of equipment in the United Kingdom.

(d) Mr. S.R. Cornick and Mr. J.W. Bleney -

It was reported that Mr. Cornick and Mr. Bleney had arrived in Australia and had interviewed Mr. Essington Lewis and other officials of the Broken Hill Pty. Ltd. and other firms.

(e) Appointment of Fellows -

The Interim Council considered the recommendations of the Academic Advisory Committee at its 13th Meeting, (Minutes, para. 4) and 14th Meeting (Minutes, para. 4(b)), and resolved that applications be invited by advertisement for two positions of Junior Fellow in the Research School of Physical Sciences on the approved conditions of appointment for Fellows.

15. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES:

(a) Appointment of Director -

(i) Consideration of proceedings of Academic Advisory Committee at its 13th Meeting (see Minutes, para. 14).

The Interim Council noted the discussion and it was resolved to confirm the assurance given to the Academic Advisory Committee by the Vice-Chancellor.

(ii) Dr. G. Myrdal -

It was reported that in accordance with the suggestion of Professor Hancock (Minutes, Academic Advisory Committee, 13th Meeting, para. 14) and the wish of the Interim Council expressed at the 29th Meeting (see Minutes, para. 12), the Vice-Chancellor visited Geneva on 20th May and had discussions with Dr. G. Myrdal concerning the plans for the establishment of the Research School of Social Sciences.

The Interim Council noted a report by the Vice-Chancellor in his cable of 23rd May, 1949, and in his subsequent letter dated 27th May, 1949.
Dr. N. Kaldor -

The Interim Council noted references by the Vice-Chancellor in his cable of 23rd May and his letter of 27th May to an interview with Dr. N. Kaldor.

16. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PACIFIC STUDIES:

(a) Appointment of Director -

The Interim Council considered the Minutes of the Academic Advisory Committee at its 13th Meeting, para. 15, and 14th Meeting, para. 7, and a message dated 17th May, 1949, from the Vice-Chancellor to the effect that Professor Firth was prepared to accept responsibility for the next three years for the establishment of the Research School of Pacific Studies, subject to the concurrence of the authorities of the London School of Economics, and noted this advice with pleasure.

The Acting Registrar reported that on receipt of the Vice-Chancellor's message and after consultation with available members of the Interim Council he had suggested to the Vice-Chancellor that, subject to his recommendation, the Council would agree to a detailed arrangement with Professor Firth on the following lines:

(i) Professor Firth to agree to accept responsibility for directing the establishment of the Research School of Pacific Studies within the Council's revised plan, involving advice regarding the selection, training and subsequent general supervision of personnel for a period of three years or until the prior appointment of a Director.

(ii) The Interim Council to pay Professor Firth an honorarium to £750 per annum and make provision for secretarial assistance, if necessary, on similar lines to the arrangements with Sir Howard Florey and Professor Oliphant and continue the existing imprest account for incidental expenses.

(iii) The Interim Council will sponsor a visit by Professor Firth to Australia and the South Pacific in the third year. Subject to the arrangements for Professor Firth's leave made by the London School of Economics, the Interim Council will be prepared to pay Professor Firth, instead of the honorarium, and if the visit takes place before the appointment of a Director, the full Director's salary of £A2,750 per annum, though probably not the entertainment allowance, or otherwise a salary at the rate of £A2,000 per annum as for visiting Professors, together with a travel grant, in either case, as for professors of the University, viz. £A1,000.

/ The Acting Registrar
The Acting Registrar reported further that the Vice-Chancellor had extended an invitation to Professor Firth on these lines and that Professor Firth had indicated his willingness to accept, subject to the concurrence of the Governors of the London School of Economics.

It was resolved that the terms of the invitation to Professor Firth be confirmed.

(b) Appointment of Staff

(i) Dr. S.F. Nadel

The Acting Registrar reported in terms of the Vice-Chancellor's message of 17th May and a reference in an earlier letter from Professor Firth dated 25th January, 1949, concerning Dr. S.F. Nadel.

(ii) Mr. C.A. Fisher

Consideration was given to a letter from Professor Firth dated 2nd June, 1949, and the recommendations of the Academic Advisory Committee at its 14th Meeting, para. 4(h).

It was resolved that applications be invited by advertisement for the position of Junior Fellow in Geography within the Research School of Pacific Studies on the approved conditions of appointment for Fellows.

17. ACCEPTANCE OF COMMONWEALTH SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH ORGANISATION LABORATORIES AS ACCREDITED CENTRES OF TRAINING FOR CANDIDATES FOR HIGHER DEGREES:

The Interim Council received a letter dated 2nd May, 1949, from the Secretary of the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research, asking whether the Interim Council would care to express an opinion as to the desirability of C.S.I.R. laboratories being accepted as accredited centres of training for candidates for higher scientific degrees of the University.

It was resolved to defer consideration until the next meeting of the Interim Council.

18. VISITING PROFESSORS:

(a) Sir Ivor Jennings

It was reported that Sir Ivor Jennings had acknowledged the invitation extended to him by the Interim Council at its 26th Meeting (see Minutes, para. 12(c)) and will give a definite reply in July.

(b) Mr. C.P. Fitzgerald

It was resolved to invite Mr. C.P. Fitzgerald to visit Australia as a visiting Professor on the normal conditions.
(c) **Sir Geoffrey Taylor**

The Acting Registrar reported that many letters of appreciation had been received from Australian Universities and from scientists in connection with the visit to Australia by Sir Geoffrey Taylor and the seminar held in Melbourne to which scientists with a special interest in the field of plasticity had been invited by the University.

(d) **Australian Postgraduate Federation in Medicine**

Consideration was given to a letter dated 3rd June from the Secretary of the Federation asking whether an invitation might be issued to one of the following scientists to visit Australia next year:

- Professor Gordon Cameron (Pathology): London
- Sir Paul Fildes (Chemotherapy): London
- Professor C.H. Best (Pharmacology and Endocrinology): Toronto;

It was resolved to refer the recommendations to the Committee appointed at the 29th Meeting (Minutes, para. 15(b)) to consider invitations to scholars to visit Australia during the twelve months commencing July, 1950.


It was resolved to accept an invitation to be represented at the Commemoration of the Centenary of the Foundation of The Queen's University of Belfast as Queen's College, Belfast, and to ask the Academic Advisory Committee to arrange for the University to be represented.

20. **15TH CONFERENCE OF THE INTERNATIONAL UNION OF CHEMISTRY**:

Consideration was given to a letter dated 13th May from the Australian National Research Council, Melbourne, advising that the Executive of the Council had nominated Professors Albert and Ennor as official delegates to attend the 15th Conference of the International Union of Chemistry to be held in Amsterdam from 6th to 10th September, 1949.

It was resolved that Professor Albert and Professor Ennor be authorised to attend the conference and that their fares and travelling allowance be paid by the University.

21. **OTHER BUSINESS**:

(a) **Assistant to the Vice-Chancellor**

The Acting Registrar reported that in view of the notice of resignation received from Mr. A.J. Hogger he had advertised the position of Assistant to the Vice-Chancellor on the existing terms and conditions of appointment.
(b) Foundation Stones -

It was resolved that the Chairman, the Vice-Chancellor and Mr. C.S. Daley be appointed a committee to advise on arrangements for the ceremony for the laying of the foundation stones of University House and the John Curtin School of Medical Research.

(c) Coat of Arms -

It was resolved that the question of the adoption of a coat of arms for the University be considered at the next meeting.

The meeting closed at 3.45 p.m.

(R.C. MILLS)
Chairman,
8th July, 1949.
1. The Committee met in the University's Offices, Barton, at 9.30 a.m. on Friday, 10th June, to consider a reference from the Interim Council at its 29th Meeting (see Minutes, para. 19) that the Statutes Committee be asked to consider the form of a statute to determine the award by the University of honorary degrees.

2. The Committee first discussed the power of the Interim Council to make Statutes for the government of the University generally, and was in agreement with the view expressed in 1947 by Professor Bailey:

"I ...... am satisfied that the Interim Council does have all the necessary power .... (to make statutes for the government of the University generally). With certain exceptions not here material, the Act (s. 12) vests in the Interim Council all the powers and functions of the Council, so far as required in order to enable it to do whatever the Interim Council itself considers necessary in connexion with the establishment of the University and the commencement of the functions of the University. The Interim Council takes the view, as I understand it, that to adopt statutes indicating the manner in which the University will be organised will assist in the initial recruitment of outstanding men. There is in my opinion reasonable ground for holding that view. The Interim Council is therefore fully entitled to make such statutes as it thinks necessary for the purpose. (The statutes so made by the Interim Council will of course be subject to review by the Council itself when constituted.)"

3. The Committee considers therefore that a statute can be validly made if the Interim Council is of the opinion that it is "necessary" to make such a statute in connexion with the establishment of the University and the commencement of the functions of the University.

4. On the particular question of the making of a statute to enable the Interim Council to confer honorary degrees, the Committee wishes to advise the Interim Council that it is competent for it to decide whether or not such a statute is "necessary", so long as it can reasonably be said to be connected with the establishment and commencement of functions of the University.

5. It is felt to be proper to point out, however, that the University will not be "established" (sec. 4(1)) until the Council is duly constituted in accordance with sec. 11 and that the granting of any degrees - and particularly honorary degrees - before the establishment of the University in law is unusual.

6. Before proceeding to draft a statute for consideration by the Interim Council the Committee suggests that the Interim Council may form a conclusion in accordance with para. 4; guidance would also be appreciated with regard to the principles under which it is contemplated honorary degrees will be conferred and the categories of persons eligible.

7. Appended to this report is a summary of the main principles which have been adopted by some Australian and overseas Universities.
HONORARY DEGREES - AUSTRALIAN AND BRITISH UNIVERSITIES.

A. Degrees which may be Awarded.

1. UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE: Any degree of doctor in University, including Hon. LL.D. (see below par. B.1.), degree of Master in any faculty, degree of bachelor in any faculty where no degree of Master.

2. UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA: Not specified. Statute No. 14 empowers Senate to grant "an honorary degree" to certain people.

3. UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND: Not specified. Senate, "subject to this Act and Statutes" may ".... confer honorary degrees" on certain people.


5. UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE: Not specified. Statutes provide that "titles of degrees" may be awarded.


7. UNIVERSITY OF WALES: Any of University's degrees.

8. UNIVERSITY OF LONDON: Not specified. Statutes provide that "titles of degrees" may be awarded.


10. DUBLIN UNIVERSITY: Not specified.

B. Basis of Award.

1. UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE: For degree of doctor in any faculty (other than Doctor of Laws) - graduate of another University and "person of distinguished eminence in some branch of learning proper to such Faculty".

   For degree of Doctor of Laws called "Hon. LL.D." - graduate of another University and "person distinguished by eminent public service".

   For degree of Master in any faculty or degree of Bachelor in faculty in which no degree of Master - graduate of another University and professor or associate-professor of University or has served the University for at least 5 years as senior lecturer or full-time officer of equivalent status or occupies senior position in higher or secondary education in Victoria.

2. UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA: Distinguished service within or without the State.
3. UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND: Degrees may be conferred on "approved persons", apparently by Senate (see below par. C.3).

4. EDINBURGH UNIVERSITY: Not specified.

5. UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE: Degrees may be granted to members of Royal Family, "to British subjects who are of conspicuous merit or have done good service to the State or to the University, and to foreigners of distinction".

6. GLASGOW UNIVERSITY: Not specified.

7. UNIVERSITY OF WALES: Not specified. The Court may "... admit any person to any of its Degrees."

8. UNIVERSITY OF LONDON: As for University of Cambridge (see par. B.5 above).


10. UNIVERSITY OF DUBLIN: Not specified.

C. Bodies initiating Award.

1. UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE: For degree of Doctor (other than Doctor of Laws) - Council may admit on recommendation of absolute majority of Professorial Board and of absolute majority of Faculty in which degree to be conferred.

   For degree of Doctor of Laws - Council may admit on recommendation of absolute majority of Professorial Board.

   For degree of Master - Council may admit on recommendation of Professorial Board and of appropriate faculty.

2. UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA: Senate may grant degree after report from Professorial Board.

3. UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND: Senate may confer degrees.

4. UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH: Degree of Doctor of Music - conferred by Senatus Academicus after recommendation in writing by Faculty of Music.

   Doctor of Divinity and Doctor of Laws not specified.

5. UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE: Not indicated.

6. GLASGOW UNIVERSITY: Degree of Doctor of Divinity - granted by Senate after recommendation of Committee appointed by Senate at beginning of each session and consisting of Principal and three professors from the Faculty of Theology (including Professor of Divinity) and three other professors from other faculties.

   Degree of Doctor of Laws - similar to Doctor of Divinity except for composition of Committee.

/7. UNIVERSITY OF WALES:
7. UNIVERSITY OF WALES: Standing Committee recommends conferment of degree to Academic Board which, in turn, recommends, with confirmation of Council, to Court.

8. UNIVERSITY OF LONDON: Not specified.


10. DUBLIN UNIVERSITY: Not specified.
THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

INTERIM COUNCIL

Minutes of the 31st Meeting of the Interim Council held at the Hotel Canberra, on Friday, 15th July, 1949, at 10 a.m.

Present: Professor R.C. Mills (Chairman), The Vice-Chancellor, Mr. A.S. Brown, Senator W.J. Cooper, Mr. L.F. Crisp, Mr. C.S. Daley, Sir Frederic Eggleston, Sir Robert Garran, Mr. H.J. Goodes, Professor L.H. Martin, Senator J.H. O'Byrne, The Hon. P.C. Spender, K.C., M.P., Professor H.K. Ward, Professor J.G. Wood, Professor R. Douglas Wright.

The Acting Registrar was in attendance.

1. APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received from Sir John Medley, Professor K.H. Bailey, Dr. H.C. Coombs and Mr. K.E. Beazley.

2. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the 30th Meeting having been circulated were taken as read and confirmed.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

Membership of the Interim Council

The Chairman reported that the Governor-General had appointed Mr. K.E. Beazley, Senator W.J. Cooper, Senator J.H. O'Byrne and the Hon. P.C. Spender to be members of the Interim Council for two years or until the Council has been constituted and appointed in accordance with section 11 of the Act or until the appointee ceases to be a member of the Commonwealth Parliament, whichever is the earliest.

The Chairman reported that Mr. L.F. Crisp had been appointed Acting Director-General of Post-War Reconstruction and was therefore a member of the Interim Council by virtue of his office and also that the Governor-General had appointed Mr. A.S. Brown to be a member of the Interim Council.

The Chairman welcomed the new members.

/4. VICE-CHANCELLOR'S VISIT
4. **VICE-CHANCELLOR'S VISIT TO THE UNITED KINGDOM AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:**

The Vice-Chancellor said that he hoped to present a written report on his visit overseas to the Interim Council at its next meeting; he referred in general terms to the impressions gained during his trip and mentioned in particular that discussions in academic circles abroad completely confirmed the basic plans for the establishment of the University; he had heard, especially in the United States of America, expressions of the greatest confidence in the relationship between the University and the Commonwealth Government.

5. **PROFESSOR OLIPHANT'S VISIT TO AUSTRALIA:**

The Chairman welcomed Professor Oliphant, who had arrived in Australia on the previous day and had called in at Canberra on his way to Adelaide; Professor Oliphant attended the meeting for a short time at the invitation of the Chairman and spoke of his plans for the Research School of Physical Sciences; he mentioned particularly the difficulties likely to be experienced in arranging for the manufacture locally in Australia of much of the heavy apparatus needed and the extra costs that were likely to be involved.

The Chairman announced that Professor Oliphant would be present in Canberra at the time of the next meeting of the Interim Council and it was hoped to have full discussions with him then.

6. **MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES:**

The Vice-Chancellor said that he would furnish a report to the next meeting in accordance with the resolution at the 30th Meeting (see Minutes, para. 5).

7. **REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE:**

The report of the Finance Committee (see Minutes of the Meeting held on 14th July, 1949) was received and adopted.

In accordance with the Committee's recommendation it was resolved that:

(a) **Architect's fees:**

(i) an interim payment of £1,000 be made to the Architect on account of his claim for fees generally as covered by his letter of 6th June, 1949, on the understanding that the payment will not admit liability on the part of the University for any specific service claimed and is without prejudice to the final settlement.

(ii) the Acting Registrar be asked to investigate the claims (vide paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 of the letter dated 6th June, 1949) and report.
(iii) the Architect's proposals as to the fee for the Research School of Physical Sciences - namely 6% of the actual cost - be accepted (see paragraph 6 of letter of 6th June, 1949), subject to negotiation with the Architect and the Department of Works and Housing as to the division of the fee.

(iv) the Acting Registrar investigate the basis of determination of the amount of £293 claimed for work carried out on this building between 1st April, 1948, and 2nd February, 1949.

(v) the basis of fees suggested by the Architect - namely 3% of actual cost - be accepted (see paragraph 7 of the letter dated 6th June, 1949), subject to negotiation with the Architect and the Department of Works and Housing as to the division of the fee.

(vi) the basis of fees suggested by the Architect - namely 6% generally for the houses at present envisaged in the present building programme - be accepted (see paragraph 8 of the letter dated 6th June, 1949) subject to negotiation with the Architect and the Department of Works and Housing as to the division of the fee; also that the Architect's proposal under this heading that the fee for work done on the single storey houses (type "B"), which are not at present being proceeded with, should be 3% of estimated cost as for a single unit be accepted.

(vii) the Acting Registrar be asked to investigate the cost basis of the charge of £317 claimed by the Architect as attributable to work done on senior staff houses not now included in the immediate building programme, and for the charge of £253.11.0 attributable to staff houses (type "E").

(viii) the Acting Registrar should also consult Professor Lewis on the various items mentioned in paragraph 9 of his letter for report to the Committee.

(b) Residence for Administrative Officer in London -

Mr. Clark be authorised to negotiate, on behalf of the trustees for the Interim Council, for the purchase of a residence within reasonable distance of the London Office, to cost not more than £4,000 sterling, the price to be within 10% of a valuation by Messrs. Knight Frank and Rutley, and that should a purchase on these lines not be practicable, Mr. Clark submit details of a suggested investment for decision by the Committee on houses off the University site.
8. BUILDING PROGRAMME :

(a) Report of Buildings and Grounds Committee -

The report of the meeting of the Buildings and Grounds Committee held on 11th July, 1949, was received and adopted.

In accordance with the Committee's recommendation it was resolved that the Commonwealth Art Advisory Board and the following additional members:

Professor B.B. Lewis, Professor of Architecture, University of Melbourne,
Professor J.F. Burke, Professor of Fine Arts, University of Melbourne,
Mr. Hal Missingham, Director, National Art Gallery, N.S.W.,
Mr. Daryl Lindsay, Director, National Gallery of Victoria,

be asked whether they would be prepared to act in an honorary capacity as an advisory committee on matters relating to Art referred to the Committee by the Interim Council.

(b) Professor Oliphant's Residence --

The report of the meeting of the Committee appointed to consider proposals for the erection of houses off the University site which was held on 11th July, 1949, was received; the Vice-Chancellor was asked to arrange for an agreement to be drafted in the terms of the discussion.

9. SCHOLARS :

(a) R.B. Joyce -

The Interim Council considered a request from Mr. Joyce in a letter dated 7th June, 1949, that he be allowed to finish the courses leading to a degree in Law at the University of Sydney before taking up his National University scholarship.

It was resolved that Mr. Joyce's request be approved providing he can complete his Law course in time to reach England for the commencement of the academic year 1950-51.

(b) I.R.C. Bick -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that is is now unlikely that Dr. Bick will be offered a Fellowship at Cambridge.

/(c) A.C. Mayr -
A.C. Mayer -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that advice had been received from Professor Firth to the effect that Mr. Mayer is interested in the prospect of coming to Australia to work after the completion of his scholarship (see Minutes of 30th Meeting, para. 11(h)(ii)).

The Vice-Chancellor also reported that Professor Firth will shortly submit for the consideration of the Interim Council a detailed research project for Mr. Mayer and an estimate of the expenditure that it will involve.

John Curtin School of Medical Research:

(a) Vice-Chancellor's Report on Discussions with Sir Howard Florey -

The Vice-Chancellor reported in general terms concerning discussions held with Sir Howard Florey in England. He spoke of Dr. Sanders' coming visit to Australia and said that Professor Ennor had suggested that instead of visiting the United States of America after the conference of Professors with Sir Howard Florey in Oxford he should return to Australia to be present during discussions between Dr. Sanders and the Architect.

The Vice-Chancellor was asked to consult Sir Howard Florey.

(b) Department of Medical Chemistry -

Appointment of Laboratory Technician -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Sir Howard Florey, on Professor Albert's advice, had authorised the appointment of Mr. D.W. Rogers as Laboratory Technician as from 4th July, 1949 at a salary of £364 in accordance with the estimates previously approved by the Interim Council.

(c) Veterinary Officer -

The Interim Council considered a letter dated 7th July from Sir Howard Florey.

It was resolved to authorise Sir Howard to invite Mr. W.K. Whitten to accept appointment as Veterinary Officer at a salary of £950 per annum.

(d) Department of Biochemistry -

The Vice-Chancellor reported in terms of a letter received from Professor Fenner dated 7th June, 1949, that Professor Fenner had decided not to return to Australia via the United States of America, but wished to visit Europe.
after the conference of Medical Professors at Oxford, and come to Australia in January, 1950. Sir Howard Florey had been asked for his recommendation.

It was resolved that Professor and Mrs. Fenner's fares and travelling allowance be paid from the United States to the United Kingdom and from the United Kingdom to Australia on the basis of reasonable first class fare plus 20/- sterling per diem and that Professor Fenner's salary be paid in Australian currency pending Sir Howard Florey's recommendation with respect to Professor Fenner's programme.

11. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES:

(a) Report by Vice-Chancellor -

The Vice-Chancellor reported in general terms concerning his talks with Professor Oliphant in England.

(b) Appointment of Fellows -

It was resolved to appoint Mr. K. S. W. Champion and Mr. F. C. Barker Junior Fellows within the Research School of Physical Sciences on the approved conditions of appointment of Fellows at a commencing salary in each case of £750 per annum to commence on dates to be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor.

12. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES:

The Vice-Chancellor reported in general terms on discussions with Professors Hancock and Wheare in England and with Drs. Myrdal and Kaldor and other scholars abroad, with particular reference to the appointment of a Director and staff.

It was resolved that a Committee be appointed consisting of the Chairman, the Vice-Chancellor, Sir Frederic Eggleston, Professor K. H. Bailey, Dr. H. C. Coombs and Mr. L. F. Crisp to meet Professor Wheare in Canberra immediately before the next meeting of the Interim Council and discuss with him the establishment of the Research School of Social Sciences.

13. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PACIFIC STUDIES:

(a) Appointment of Director -

The Vice-Chancellor recalled that the Interim Council at its 30th Meeting (Minutes, para. 16(a)) confirmed the terms of an invitation he had issued to Professor Firth to accept responsibility for a limited period for the establishment of the Research School of Pacific Studies, and mentioned his discussions with the Academic Advisory Committee and with Professor Firth and the Director of the London School of Economics (Sir Alexander Carr-Saunders).
The Interim Council received a letter dated 22nd June, 1949, from the Director of the London School of Economics and Political Science conveying the consent of the Court of Governors to the proposed arrangement, and a letter dated 6th July from Professor Firth accepting the invitation.

It was resolved to note Professor Firth's acceptance with pleasure, to date 25th May, 1949, and to inform him that the Vice-Chancellor has been asked to discuss with him financial provision to cover field expenses in connection with his anthropological research.

The Vice-Chancellor was also asked to take up with Professor Firth and with the Carnegie Corporation the possibility of an early visit to the United States of America.

It was resolved to ask the Vice-Chancellor to convey the deepest gratitude to the Director and Court of Governors of the London School of Economics and Political Science.

(b) Appointment of Staff -

The Interim Council considered a letter dated 6th July from Professor Firth concerning the staffing of the School, and noted his remarks generally.

It was resolved to authorise invitations to the following scholars to accept Chairs on the approved conditions of appointment of Professors:

Dr. S. F. Nadel - Chair of Anthropology,
Dr. J. W. Davidson - Chair of Pacific History,
Mr. W. R. Crocker - Chair of International Relations.

It was resolved further that applications be invited by advertisement for appointment as Reader in Social Anthropology and Reader in Comparative Social Institutions on the approved conditions of appointment for Readers.

A committee consisting of the Chairman, the Vice-Chancellor, Sir Frederic Eggleston and Professor J. G. Wood was appointed to consult with Professor Firth on appointments within the Department of Geography.

14. DOLLAR REQUIREMENTS:

The Interim Council considered the proceedings of the Academic Advisory Committee at its 13th Meeting (Minutes, para. 9) and 14th Meeting (Minutes, para. 11) and a letter from Dr. H. C. Coombs dated 21st June, 1949, and resolved to defer further consideration until reports to be furnished by Sir Howard Florey and Professor Firth are received.

/The Vice-Chancellor
The Vice-Chancellor reported that as a result of his visit to the United States, he felt that the Carnegie Corporation and the Rockefeller Foundation would provide dollars for specific purposes in keeping with their general policy. The Carnegie Corporation was more interested in Visiting Professors and there was every prospect of assistance being available for special visits in the early stages of the University. The scope of the work of the Rockefeller Foundation was confined more to Research Fellows and its administration was on the whole less elastic. In neither case could a block dollar grant be expected to be used at the discretion of the University.

The Vice-Chancellor mentioned that a new educational foundation (the Ford Foundation) was about to be set up, and he hoped to bring the needs of the University under its notice.

15. CLASSIFICATION OF ACADEMIC STAFF:

Deferred until the next meeting for discussion with Professor Oliphant.

16. RENTS FOR UNIVERSITY HOUSES:

The Interim Council considered the proceedings of the Academic Advisory Committee at its 13th Meeting (Minutes, para. 5(d)).

It was resolved to ask the Vice-Chancellor to prepare a memorandum on the question raised by Professor Oliphant and on the general question of rents to be charged for University houses.

17. SUPERANNUATION:

The Interim Council considered the proceedings of the Academic Advisory Committee at its 13th Meeting (Minutes, para. 10) and 14th Meeting (Minutes, para. 12(k)) and the memorandum by Professor Oliphant on the Superannuation Scheme in the University of Birmingham.

It was resolved to ask the Vice-Chancellor to consider the recommendations and report.

18. FAMILY ALLOWANCES:

The Interim Council noted the discussion before the Academic Advisory Committee at its 13th Meeting (Minutes, para. 11) and 14th Meeting (Minutes, para. 5) and particularly Mr. Foster's report.

It was resolved to inform the Academic Advisory Committee that the Interim Council does not consider that there is any present need to make provision for family allowances to members of staff.

19. STATUTES:

The Interim Council noted the discussion before the Academic Advisory Committee at its 13th Meeting (Minutes, para. 19) and asked the Vice-Chancellor to consider Professor Hancock's request for a codification of precedents and decisions and to report to the Statutes Committee.
20. APPOINTMENT OF REGISTRAR:

After the Acting Registrar had retired from the meeting, the Vice-Chancellor reported that he had discussed the applications for appointment to the position of Registrar with the Committee appointed by the Interim Council at its 26th Meeting (see Minutes, para. 19), and with Dr. Coombs and other members of the Interim Council, and that, with Mr. Goodes, he had interviewed several applicants.

It was recommended that final consideration be given to the following:-

Mr. F.L. McCay,
Mr. W.R. Cumming,
Brigadier W. Cremor,
Mr. C.M. Donald,
Dr. C. Sanders,
Mr. L.R.D. Pyke,
Mr. K.D. Hilton,
Mr. F.C.P. Keane,
Mr. N.C. Tritton,
Mr. R.A. Höhnen.

The Interim Council, after considering the qualifications of these applicants, unanimously resolved that Mr. R.A. Höhnen be appointed to the position of Registrar on the existing terms and conditions of appointment.

The Chairman informed the Registrar of the decision and congratulated him on taking up the duties of his new office.

21. APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT TO THE VICE-CHANCELLOR:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he was not in a position to recommend an appointment to the Interim Council, but that he had arranged for Mr. Hagger to continue as from 1st August on a part-time basis at a salary of £325 per annum.

22. COAT OF ARMS:

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor be asked to arrange for the preparation of suggested designs.

23. FOUNDATION STONES:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the Prime Minister was willing to lay the foundation stone of University House.

24. AUSTRALIAN VICE-CHANCELLORS' COMMITTEE - SECRETARIAT:

Deferred.

25. AWARD OF DEGREES:

The Interim Council referred for consideration by the Academic Advisory Committee a letter from Professor A.H. Ennor dated 29th June, 1949, concerning the award of the degree of Master of Science.
OVERSEAS VISITORS:

(a) Professor K.C. Wheare: The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Wheare had arrived in Australia.

(b) Professor H.S.W. Massey: The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Massey was due to arrive in Sydney on Monday, 18th July, and would go straight to Melbourne. Professor Massey had suggested two seminars, one to be held in Sydney for about two days between 17th September and 1st October, and the other in Melbourne for about two days between 10th and 31st August.

(c) Mr. C.F. Fitzgerald: The Vice-Chancellor reported that Mr. C.F. Fitzgerald had accepted the invitation extended to him by the Interim Council at its 30th Meeting (see Minutes, para. 18(b)) to visit Australia and that Mr. Fitzgerald would come to Australia as soon as travel could be arranged.

(d) Mrs. Alva Myrdal: The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had seen Mrs. Myrdal who had told him that she could not come to Australia this year but still hoped to be able to accept the Interim Council's invitation for a visit in 1950.

(e) Professor A.C. Chibnall: A request contained in a letter dated 10th June, 1949, from Professor A.H. Ennor that Professor A.C. Chibnall be invited to visit Australia was referred to the Committee appointed at the 29th Meeting (Minutes, para. 15(b)) to consider invitations to scholars to visit Australia during the twelve months commencing July, 1950.

(f) Sir Ivor Jennings: No further advice.

OTHER BUSINESS:

(a) Library - Microcards and Microfilm -

The Registrar reported that the Librarian's statement called for by the Interim Council at its 30th Meeting (see Minutes, para. 12(g)) would be circulated for consideration at the next meeting.

(b) Carnegie Corporation -

It was resolved that the appreciation of the Interim Council be conveyed to the executives of the Carnegie Corporation for the assistance rendered to the Vice-Chancellor in his visit to the United States of America.

/(c) Trust Deed -
(c) **Trust Deed**

The Registrar reported that a draft Deed of Trust to be entered into between the Interim Council and the trustees appointed at the 22nd Meeting (see Minutes, para. 16) had been prepared.

It was resolved that a committee consisting of Mr. A.S. Brown, Sir Frederic Eggleston and the Hon. P.C. Spender should peruse the draft Deed.

The meeting closed at 4.30 p.m.

(R.C. MILLS)
Chairman,
12th August, 1949.
Minutes of the 32nd Meeting of the Interim Council held at the Hotel Canberra on Friday, 12th August, 1949, at 10 a.m.

Present: Professor R.C. Mills (Chairman), Sir John Medley (Deputy Chairman), The Vice-Chancellor, Mr. A.S. Brown, Dr. H.C. Coombs, Senator W.J. Cooper, Mr. L.F. Crisp, Mr. C.S. Daley, Sir Frederic Eggleston, Sir Robert Garran, Mr. H.J. Goodes, Professor L.H. Martin, The Hon. P.C. Spender, K.C., M.P., Professor H.K. Ward, Professor J.G. Wood, Professor R. Douglas Wright.

Professors M.L. Oliphant and K.C. Wheare attended from 11 a.m.

The Registrar was in attendance.

1. APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received from Professor K.H. Bailey, Mr. K. Beazley and Senator J.H. O'Byrne.

2. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the 31st Meeting having been circulated were taken as read and confirmed.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

Art Advisory Committee

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Mr. Daryl Lindsay and Professor Lewis had accepted the invitation issued by the Interim Council at its 31st Meeting (see Minutes, para. 8(a)) to be members of an Art Advisory Committee.

4. MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES:

In accordance with the wish of the Interim Council expressed at its 30th Meeting (see Minutes, para. 5) the Vice-Chancellor tabled a statement setting out the membership of the Committees of the Interim Council with suggested alterations.

It was resolved that the membership of Committees be in accordance with the statement, as amended and attached to these Minutes.
5. MEMBERSHIP OF ACADEMIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Professor K.C. Wheare -

It was resolved that Professor K.C. Wheare be paid an honorarium of £250 stg. per annum as from 10th June, 1949, and that the customary imprest allowance of £200 stg. be made available for expenses.

6. VICE-CHANCELLOR'S VISIT TO THE UNITED KINGDOM AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

The Interim Council received and discussed a report by the Vice-Chancellor which had previously been circulated to members.

It was resolved that the report be forwarded for the information of the Prime Minister and the Vice-Chancellors of the Australian Universities.

7. REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE:

The report of the Finance Committee (see Minutes of the Meeting held on 11th August, 1949) was received and adopted.

In accordance with the Committee's recommendation it was resolved that:

(a) Purchases of equipment in the United Kingdom -

A letter of credit for £5,000 sterling be established with the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, Strand Branch, to be operated on jointly by the Administrative Officer in the United Kingdom and Mr. J.F. Foster for the purchase of equipment for the Research School of Physical Sciences at Professor Oliphant's request in cases where immediate cash payment is essential.

(b) Accounts Section -

(i) That the position of Accountant be advertised at a salary of £750-950 per annum.

(ii) That the salary of the Assistant Accountant be £600 per annum plus cost of living adjustment, to date 12th August, 1949, and that, until the appointment of the Accountant, Miss Dexter continue to receive a higher duties allowance at the present rate of £100 per annum.

8. BUILDING PROGRAMME:

Report of Buildings and Grounds Committee -

The report of the Buildings and Grounds Committee (see Minutes of the Meeting held on 11th August, 1949), was received and adopted.
SCHOLARS:

(a) Miss Dorothy Crozier -

The Interim Council considered a letter from Professor Firth dated 9th July, 1949, and concurred in the programme of research outlined; it was resolved that Miss Crozier's scholarship be extended for a third year providing Professor Firth continues to be satisfied as to the high quality of her work under the scholarship.

(b) Mr. N.G. Butlin -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Mr. Butlin, who was awarded a scholarship at the 29th Meeting (see Minutes, para. 10(b) and (c)), had also been awarded a Fellowship by the Rockefeller Foundation which provided for:

(i) approved fares to the United States of America;

(ii) an allowance of $3,300 for one year.

(c) Mr. G.R. Storry -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Mr. Storry was to have arrived in Japan on 3rd August, 1949, and that consideration was being given to a further temporary adjustment in his scholarship allowance.

(d) Mr. J.H. Carver -

Consideration was given to a letter dated 18th July, 1949, from Mr. Carver; it was resolved that Mr. Carver's scholarship allowance be increased by £50 Aust. per annum in accordance with the conditions of appointment which provide for this increase when justified by special circumstances.

(e) Mr. R.L. Martin and Mr. D.E. Caro -

The Registrar reported that Mr. Martin and Mr. Caro, having been awarded scholarships by the Commissioners for the Exhibition of 1851, had resigned their scholarships with this University.

(f) Principles of Award of Scholarships -

The Registrar reported that the Scholarships Committee had met in accordance with the resolution of the Interim Council at its 30th Meeting (see Minutes, para. 11(h)(i)) and had discussed with Professors Oliphant and Wheare the objects of the award of scholarships and the calibre of successful applicants. As a result of the discussions it was not felt that a re-statement of policy with regard to scholarships was necessary but the Committee recommended that the closing date for applications be 30th November.
and that the Scholarships Committee be authorised to consider the applications and, with the advice of the Medical Advisory Committee on Scholarships, to make awards.

The report was received.

10. **JOHN CURTIN SCHOOL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH**

   **Visit by Dr. Sanders**

   It was resolved that Dr. Sanders who is to visit Australia at the invitation of the Interim Council be paid, in addition to his fares, a travelling allowance at the rate of £2 Aust. per diem from the date of his departure from the United Kingdom until his return.

11. **RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES**

   At the invitation of the Chairman, Professor Oliphant outlined the development of his plans for the establishment of the Research School of Physical Sciences -

   (i) **Buildings** : Professor Oliphant reported that, after consultations with the Architect, the lay-out of the proposed buildings had been agreed and the order of construction determined; Professor Oliphant said that he proposed to come to Australia at the end of 1950 and it was essential that some parts of his own buildings be ready at that date for the accommodation of workers and equipment.

   (ii) **Equipment** : Professor Oliphant said that he had felt "extraordinarily encouraged" about the supply of steel and the construction of major items of equipment since his talks with executive officers of Broken Hill Pty. Co. Ltd. and other engineering concerns. The greater share of the supply and construction of equipment could be carried out in Australia.

   (iii) **Machine Tools** : Tools could be supplied in the time available from Australian and United Kingdom resources.

   (iv) **Laboratory Materials** : Mainly available in Australia.

   (v) **Staff** : Professor Oliphant said that he was confident that the project would not be held up for lack of young men of high ability, especially if it were possible to fill the Chairs with distinguished people.

   The Chairman thanked Professor Oliphant for such an encouraging report.
12. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the Committee appointed at the previous meeting (see Minutes of 31st Meeting, para. 12) had discussed the establishment of the Research School of Social Sciences and tabled a memorandum (attached to these Minutes) dated 8th August, 1949, by Sir Frederic Eggleston arising from these discussions which had been used as a basis for talks with Professor Wheare.

Professor Wheare, at the invitation of the Chairman, spoke in favour of the views put forward by Sir Frederic and said that he felt the decision should now be taken to create the appropriate Chairs and to recruit staff. It was resolved to establish Chairs of Social Philosophy, Economics, Political Science, Law and History, and to ask the Committee on the Research School of Social Sciences to maintain discussions with Professor Wheare on the development and staffing of the School.

13. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PACIFIC STUDIES:

(a) Appointment of Staff

(i) Dr. S.F. Nadel

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Dr. S.F. Nadel had accepted the invitation issued by the Interim Council at its previous meeting (see Minutes, 31st Meeting, para. 13(b)) and it was accordingly resolved that Dr. S.F. Nadel be appointed Professor of Anthropology on the approved conditions of appointment for Professors, to commence on a date to be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor.

(ii) Mr. K.B. Cumberland

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the Committee appointed by the Interim Council at its previous meeting (see Minutes of 31st Meeting, para. 13(b)) had considered the qualifications of Mr. K.B. Cumberland for appointment to the Chair of Geography and recommended that he be invited to visit Canberra for interview.

It was resolved that the recommendation be adopted.

(iii) Junior Fellow in Geography

The Vice-Chancellor reported that applications for the position of Fellow advertised in accordance with the resolution of the Interim Council at its 30th Meeting (see Minutes, para. 16(b)(ii)) had closed and that the applications would be considered by the Committee appointed to consult with Professor Firth on appointments within the Department of Geography (see Minutes of 31st Meeting, para. 13(b)).
14. CLASSIFICATION OF ACADEMIC STAFF:

The Interim Council considered the recommendations of the Academic Advisory Committee at its 14th Meeting; it was resolved that -

(a) the following new categories be adopted:

(i) Fellow - to be appointed for an initial period of five years and to be eligible then for consideration for appointment until 65 years of age.

- to be appointed on an appropriate salary range to be established within the limits £750-1,250.

(ii) Senior Research Fellow - £1,000 per annum, tenure 3 years, renewable to 5 years.

(iii) Research Fellow - £750-950 per annum, tenure 3 years, renewable to 5 years.

(b) in accordance with the recommendation of the Academic Advisory Committee, the following Junior Fellows be re-classified Research Fellows, without change in salaries:

John Curtin School of Medical Research -
G. M. Watson,
E. C. Slater,
D. J. Brown,

Research School of Physical Sciences -
J. S. Gooden,
L. U. Hibberd,
J. L. Symonds,
K. S. W. Champion,
F. C. Barker,

and that Mr. W. D. Borrie be appointed Senior Research Fellow as from 12th August, 1949, on the approved terms and conditions of appointment for Senior Research Fellows.

(c) the categories of Senior and Junior Fellow adopted by the Interim Council at the 19th Meeting be abolished.

15. RENTS FOR UNIVERSITY HOUSES:

Deferred.

16. SUPERANNUATION:

The Vice-Chancellor reported to the Interim Council in terms of the discussion before the Academic Advisory Committee, and Professor Oliphant described measures which were being taken in the United Kingdom to protect the pension rights of members of staff against the possibility of a market depreciation in the value of money.
17. FOUNDATION STONES:

The Registrar outlined the plans proposed by the Committee appointed by the Interim Council at its 30th Meeting (see Minutes, para. 21(b)):

It was resolved that arrangements be made, if practicable, for a ceremony to be held at 3 p.m. on Monday, 17th October, for the purpose of laying foundation stones for University House, the John Curtin School of Medical Research and the Research School of Physical Sciences, followed by a reception at 5.30 p.m.

18. ACCEPTANCE OF COMMONWEALTH SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH ORGANISATION LABORATORIES AS ACCREDITED CENTRES OF TRAINING FOR CANDIDATES FOR HIGHER DEGREES:

The Interim Council considered a letter dated 2nd May, 1949, from the Secretary of the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research asking whether the Interim Council would care to express an opinion as to the desirability of the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research laboratories being accepted as accredited centres of training for candidates for higher scientific degrees of the University.

Professor Oliphant reported that the Academic Advisory Committee had discussed this question and was strongly opposed to the suggestion that responsibility for the supervision and training of candidates for higher degrees should be delegated to scientists who are not members of the staff of the University. Professor Oliphant added that candidates for scientific degrees might quite well carry out portion of the requirements for their degrees in institutes outside the University.

It was resolved to inform the Executive Committee of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation that candidates for scientific degrees will be required to be supervised by members of the University staff but to state the Executive generally for their wish to co-operate and particularly for the suggestion that laboratory facilities of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation might be made available to research students.

19. MICROCARDS:

A report by the Librarian was received and referred to the Academic Advisory Committee in accordance with the request expressed by the Committee at its 13th Meeting (see Minutes, para. 6(b)).

20. TRUST DEED:

The Registrar reported that the Committee appointed at the 31st Meeting (see Minutes, para. 27(c)) had approved of the terms of the Trust Deed which would be signed by the Trustees appointed by the Interim Council at its 22nd Meeting (see Minutes, para. 16).

21. VISITING PROFESSORS:

(a) Professor K.C. Wheare -

It was resolved that the fee to be paid Professor Wheare in connection with his visit to Australia be £250 Aust. instead of as stated in the Minutes of the 28th Meeting (para. 12(d)).

(b) Sir Ivor Jennings
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The Vice-Chancellor reported that Sir Ivor Jennings had enquired, in a letter dated 28th July, 1949, whether a visit of two months' duration in April and May 1950 would be acceptable.

It was resolved to inform Sir Ivor Jennings that a visit of two months' duration would be welcomed providing all Australian Universities were visited.

(c) **Mr. C.P. Fitzgerald** -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Mr. C.P. Fitzgerald had arrived in Australia at the invitation of the Interim Council.

22. **OTHER BUSINESS**:

(a) **Appointment of Assistant to the Registrar** -

It was resolved to appoint a Committee consisting of the Chairman, the Vice-Chancellor and Mr. Goodes to consider applications for the vacancy.

(b) **University House** -

Professor Oliphant explained the view of the Academic Advisory Committee with regard to the accommodation of families in University House.

The meeting closed at 3.45 p.m.

R.C. MILLS,
Chairman,
9th September, 1949.
THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Memorandum re the School of Social Sciences

by Sir Frederic Eggleston

In planning a School of Social Research, it is essential that the Director and staff have freedom to pursue their studies in the direction which they consider best suited to their capacity and views on social matters. On the other hand, it seems necessary for that reason that the various sections of the School should cover the field of the Social Sciences as adequately as possible. The task of the social scientist is different from that of the natural scientist. The latter has to extend the frontiers of knowledge. In the social sciences, there are no frontiers to be explored; they concern ourselves and our associations. The task is to know ourselves and the institutions in which we express ourselves and which surround and, to a certain extent, condition us. The task of the social scientist is not so much exploration as the interpretation of things of which we are already aware but which we do not properly understand. They are all sciences of human conduct and they may be treated as sciences because human conduct is the result of a human organ – the mind; and the mind is constant through human beings. The constitution of the blood or body temperature in man is sufficiently constant to form the basis of a science of physiology. The similarity of minds is the basis upon which the social sciences are built.

I hope I shall be pardoned for this excursus but the considerations I have just stated lead to practical conclusions. They mean, I think, that a School of Social Sciences cannot consist simply of a series of isolated specialties. Each science throws light on other sciences and the research student who does not act with this in view is not, in my opinion, working scientifically. The economist makes certain theoretical calculations but he does not know whether they are operative unless he has the assistance of the political scientist or the lawyer. The lawyer may advocate legislation on a certain subject but such legislation will have repercussions on welfare and he should obtain aid from the economist in framing his legislation. This interdependence of the social sciences has been ignored by most Universities in the past with serious results. The concept of "the humanities" is that of a miscellaneous group of studies developed over a period of some hundreds of years, in which the title of a Chair and the subject matter is often determined by a donor and, when once established, the Chair is maintained on the same lines. There is thus a tendency for a series of specialists to develop on divergent lines and important parts of the field are entirely ignored.

The establishment of the School of Social Sciences at Canberra gives us the opportunity of rectifying this defect and I suggest that it is essential to start with a comprehensive plan. We are, of course, aware that our means do not permit of an exhaustive examination of every phase involved, but the various departments into which the School is divided should cover the whole subject, and the various parts of the subject which come under each department should be allotted as the means and men available permit.
It would not, for instance, be desirable to appoint a Professor of Constitutional Law. The subject of the department should be Law and the incumbent might be a constitutional lawyer and pursue that line of his research, while the members of his staff might tackle other legal branches.

A preliminary survey on these lines suggests at once three Chairs - Economics, Political Science and Law. I think it might be understood that it is not the duty of the School to give vocational training for professional lawyers and economists. We should bear in mind the social implications of these sciences. For instance, Law should have room for functional subjects and for the science of legislation. Institutional Economics should be an important phase of the work of the Economics Department and it should also have provision for an enquiry into the nature of economic thought and the relationship of theory to policy.

With regard to Political Science, I would like to say one or two things in view of the preliminary discussion we have held. In the first place, I prefer "Political Science" to "Government" as a title. "Government" seems to imply that power is the main subject of Political Science. The nature of power and the source of political authority is a major enquiry of Political Science. In the second place, I suggest that the School of Political Science should concern itself with the nature and structure of political institutions and their methods of operation. It should cover a wide ambit from Constitutions and Federations to Public Administration.

There remains to be considered what is called Sociology or Social Philosophy, and I strongly advocate a Chair which would cover the fundamental problems of the social sciences. I hope I may be excused if I explain myself at length on this phase of the subject. What usually goes under the name of Social or Political Philosophy is really a history of political ideas. It takes a procession of thinkers, such as Plato, Aquinas, Hobbes, Locke and Rousseau, and traces the evolution of these ideas of political authority and obligation over a long period of time. In most cases, the ideas of these thinkers are abstractions. There is no inherent objection to this, but implied in teaching of this kind is the idea that their ideas were readily translatable into practice. That these ideas had an influence on political events cannot be denied. Most modern ideologies are traceable to them. But I do not think it can be suggested that their ideas were operative or that they played any serious part in ordering the affairs of communities or their members. The political philosophy of Locke played its part in rationalising the Revolution of 1688 and the Act of Settlement but it had no relation to the political or social structure of England at the time. In this evolution, the ethical question of why the citizen owes a duty to the State is prominent and forms the main subject of the thought of, for example, T.H. Green.

There is another group of thinkers, however, who approach the matter from a completely different point of view - more concrete and realistic. They are typified by Burke and Bagehot. I think the utilitarians should be classed with these for, though they were theoretical, they applied their theories to practical matters and had an important impact on political structures. These thinkers took the community and its ethos as the basic factors in
their social thought. In this view, a man owed a duty to the state or the community because he was in it - he was part of it. It formed an element in his personality and served his immediate needs. Political obligation did not then depend on metaphysical conceptions, such as the order of Nature or natural law but was the consequence of the existence of the community and the character of its norms. Ethical conceptions of human relations developed on the basis of the relation of a man to his fellows. Social philosophers of this kind were able to plan policy because they had definite ideas as to how the community and its members would react to the demands made upon them, which the other School was not able to do.

I do not suggest that Burke and Bagehot were social scientists in the proper sense of the word or that utilitarianism is satisfactory as a social science, but the ideas of the people I have mentioned have been rationalised and developed on modern lines. This was done in England by Graham Wallas, Hobhouse and Bosanquet and, later, Lindsay, while Duguit, Weber, Durkheim, Pareto, Sumner, Talcott Parsons and others have advanced ideas of a similar character. Mclvor has perhaps summed up the gist of the above thinkers in the most satisfactory way.

The relationship of Marx to these schools of thought is interesting. His realistic approach threw a considerable amount of light on the structure of society, but he was in the grip of a philosophical dialectic and his followers have concentrated almost entirely on the latter.

There still appears to be a tendency, however, on the part of teachers in British Universities, to prefer the abstract approach and the thought of Hobhouse and Graham Wallas has never been developed on the foundations they laid.

I have given this outline to show that a department of Social Philosophy would be able to work on a fruitful stream of modern thought and I would like to see it pursue enquiries into such subjects as the nature of society and the nature of social action and make a detailed analysis of the fundamental concepts of social science, such as community, social force, political authority and the way in which communities make decisions and formulate policy. I gather from the syllabus of the Bachelor of Philosophy course at Oxford that the same ideas are beginning to gain force at that University. I should hope that the Director of the School would have similar interests.

History.

I believe that a Chair of History should form part of the School of Social Studies because history, properly studied, gives a realistic, almost organic, approach to social problems. Moreover, it is necessary for the good of the historian that he should be part of a School of Social Studies. I find that, in some Schools of History in Australia, Political Philosophy is really being taught without the equipment which is provided for in the disciplines of Social Philosophy. The plan, as I see it, should therefore be as follows.

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(Sgd.) F.W. Eggleston

8th August, 1949.
THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

INTERIM COUNCIL

List of Committees as amended at Meeting of the
Interim Council on 12th August, 1949

The Finance Committee

Professor R.C. Mills,
Sir John Medley,
The Vice-Chancellor,
Mr. K. Beazley,
Dr. H.C. Coombs,
Mr. H.J. Goodes,
Professor L.H. Martin,
Sir David Rivett,
Professor J.G. Wood,
Professor R. Douglas Wright.

Appointed 13.9.1946
12.8.1949

The Statutes Committee

Professor R.C. Mills,
Sir John Medley,
The Vice-Chancellor,
Professor K.H. Bailey,
Mr. A.S. Brown,
Sir Robert Garran,
Mr. R.G. Osborne,
The Hon. P.C. Spender,
Professor R. Douglas Wright.

Appointed 13.9.1946
11.2.1949
12.8.1949

Buildings and Grounds Committee

Professor R.C. Mills,
Sir John Medley,
The Vice-Chancellor,
Mr. A.S. Brown,
Dr. H.C. Coombs,
Senator W.J. Cooper,
Mr. G.S. Daley,
Sir Robert Garran,
Mr. H.J. Goodes,
Professor R.K. Ward,
Professor J.G. Wood.

Appointed 13.9.1946
13.5.1949
12.8.1949
Resigned 12.8.1949

Library Committee

Professor R.C. Mills,
Sir John Medley,
The Vice-Chancellor,
Professor K.H. Bailey,
Sir Frederic Eggleston,
Mr. H.J. Goodes.

Appointed 13.9.1946

Readership in the Sources
of Australian History -
Electoral Board

The Vice-Chancellor,
Professor R.M. Crawford,
Professor W.K. Hancock,
Mr. H.L. White.

Vice-Chancellor appointed 12.11.1948.

Appointed 9.7.1948
Committee on Research Fellowships in the Social Sciences
Professor R.C. Mills,
The Vice-Chancellor,
Professor K.H. Bailey,
Dr. H.C. Coombs,
Mr. L.F. Crisp,
Sir Frederic Eggleston. Appointed 12.11.1948

Committee on Management of University House
Professor R.C. Mills,
The Vice-Chancellor,
Mr. H.J. Goodes,
Senator J.H. O'Byrne,
Professor H.K. Ward,
Professor J.G. Wood. Appointed 12.11.1948

Committee on Visiting Scholars - 1950-51
Professor R.C. Mills,
Sir John Medley,
The Vice-Chancellor,
Mr. A.S. Brown,
Dr. H.C. Coombs,
Sir Frederic Eggleston,
Professor L.H. Martin,
Professor R. Douglas Wright. Appointed 13.5.1949

Scholarships Committee
Professor R.C. Mills,
The Vice-Chancellor,
Dr. H.C. Coombs,
Mr. L.F. Crisp,
Professor L.H. Martin,
Professor J.G. Wood,
Professor R. Douglas Wright. Appointed 13.8.1948

Academic Advisory Committee
Professor Raymond Firth,
Sir Howard Florey, F.R.S.,
Professor W.K. Hancock, #
Professor M.L. Oliphant, F.R.S., # Resigned 13.5.1949
Professor K.C. Wheare. & Appointed 10.6.1949

Medical Advisory Committee on Scholarships
Professor R.C. Mills,
The Vice-Chancellor,
Professor F.M. Burnet, F.R.S.,
Professor H.R. Dew,
Professor A.H. Ennor, #
Professor M. Mitchell,
Sir Alan Newton,
Professor V.M. Trikojus, Appointed 14.5.1948
Professor H.K. Ward, 13.5.1949
Professor R. Douglas Wright. & Deceased

Vice-Chancellor appointed 12.11.1948
Advisory Committee on Buildings
required for the Division of Microbiology

Professor R.C. Mills,
The Vice-Chancellor,
Professor F.M. Burnet, F.R.S.,
Dr. E.V. Keogh,
Professor H.K. Ward. Appointed 14.5.1948
Terminated 12.8.1949

Advisory Committee on Medical Buildings

Professor R.C. Mills,
The Vice-Chancellor,
Professor F.M. Burnet, F.R.S.,
Dr. E.V. Keogh,
Professor H.K. Ward,
Professor R. Douglas Wright,
Heads of Departments of John Curtin School of Medical Research. Appointed 10.12.1948

Committee on Foundation Stones

Professor R.C. Mills,
The Vice-Chancellor,
Mr. C.S. Daley. Appointed 10.6.1949

Committee on Architect's Fees

Professor R.C. Mills,
The Vice-Chancellor,
Mr. C.S. Daley,
Mr. H.J. Goodes. Appointed 10.6.1949

Committee on Houses off University Site and Tenancies of University Houses

Professor R.C. Mills,
The Vice-Chancellor,
Mr. C.S. Daley, Appointed 13.2.1948
Mr. H.J. Goodes. Appointed 10.6.1949
Committees combined 12.8.1949

Advisory Committee on Art

Commonwealth Art Advisory Board,
Professor J.T. Burke,
Professor Brian B. Lewis,
Mr. Daryl Lindsay,
Mr. Hal Missingham. Appointed 15.7.1949

Committee on Appointments in Department of Geography

Professor R.C. Mills,
The Vice-Chancellor,
Sir Frederic Eggleston,
Professor J.G. Wood. Appointed 15.7.1949
Vice-Chancellor appointed 12.11.1948.
Committee on Establishment of
Research School of Social
Sciences

Professor R.C. Mills,
The Vice-Chancellor,
Professor K.H. Bailey,
Dr. H.C. Coombs,
Mr. L.F. Crisp,
Minutes of the 33rd Meeting of the Interim Council held at the Hotel Canberra on Friday, 9th September, 1949, at 10 a.m.

Present: Professor R.C. Mills (Chairman),
Sir John Medley (Deputy Chairman),
The Vice-Chancellor,
Professor K.H. Bailey,
Mr. A.S. Brown,
Dr. H.C. Coombs,
Mr. L.F. Crisp,
Mr. C.S. Daley,
Sir Robert Garran,
Mr. H.J. Goodes,
Senator J.H. O'Byrne,
The Hon. P.C. Spender, K.C., M.P.,
Professor H.K. Ward,
Professor J.G. Wood.

The Registrar was in attendance.

1. APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received from Mr. K. Beazley,
Senator W.J. Cooper, Sir Frederic Eggleston, Professor L.H. Martin and Professor R. Douglas Wright.

2. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the 32nd Meeting having been circulated were taken as read and confirmed.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

Art Advisory Committee

The Vice-Chancellor reported that in addition to the acceptances reported to the previous meeting, the members of the Commonwealth Art Advisory Board, Professor J.T. Burke and Mr. H. Missingham had accepted the invitation issued by the Interim Council at its 31st Meeting (see Minutes, para. 8(a)) to be members of an Art Advisory Committee, and that the Committee had met in Canberra on 8th September, 1949.

4. REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE:

The report of the Finance Committee (see Minutes of the Meeting held on 8th September, 1949) was received and adopted.

In accordance with the Committee's recommendation it was resolved that:

/(a) Rents of
(a) **Rents of Houses and Flats on the University Site**

The basis for determining rents decided upon at the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 8th July, 1948, be applied to houses and flats on the University site but that the rental for these dwellings should not exceed the rental that the tenant might be expected to pay in the ordinary course for a house off the site - taking into account his income and his accommodation requirements.

5. **UNIVERSITY HOUSE**

The Interim Council received and discussed a report of a joint meeting of the Committee on the Management of University House and the Buildings and Grounds Committee with the Art Advisory Committee (see Minutes of meeting held on 8th September, 1949).

The recommendations, as set out in the Minutes, with respect to:

(a) design of a Coat of Arms;
(b) appointment of a sculptor;
(c) appointment of decorators for special rooms;
(d) appointment of a furniture designer;
(e) acquisition of works of art;

were adopted; the Vice-Chancellor was asked to ensure that the understanding about fees was clear in each case before commitments were entered into.

6. **BUILDING PROGRAMME**

*Report of Buildings and Grounds Committee*

The report of the Buildings and Grounds Committee (see Minutes of the joint meeting held on 8th September, 1949) was received and adopted.

7. **SCHOLARS**

(a) **Field Expenses**

The Interim Council considered a letter from Professor Firth dated 10th August saying that (from the point of view of field research) where a wife could be shown to be of distinct value to her husband's research, it would be reasonable for the University to pay her fares and any special expenses incurred.

The Interim Council felt that the principle outlined by Professor Firth should not be applied to the holders of scholarships; it was decided not to adopt a general statement of principle in this regard.
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(b) C.S. Belshaw -

(i) The recommendations contained in a letter dated 10th August, 1949, from Professor Firth concerning expenses for Mr. C.S. Belshaw's field work in New Guinea were considered. It was resolved that Professor Firth be informed that the Interim Council is not willing to pay Mrs. Belshaw's fare from the United Kingdom to Australia but would be prepared to meet her fare from Sydney to New Guinea and other expenses associated with her accommodation in New Guinea if he considers that she is qualified to do the work mentioned in his letter of 10th August, 1949.

(ii) It was resolved that the following maximum expenditure for Mr. Belshaw's work in New Guinea be approved:

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(c) Dr. G.B. Mackenness -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that following the receipt of a letter dated 10th August from Sir Howard Florey he had approved a request that Dr. G.B. Mackenness undertake 30 hours' demonstration per annum for a fee of £100.

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor's action be confirmed and that Dr. Mackenness' scholarship allowance be increased by £50 for the second year of his scholarship in accordance with the conditions of appointment, which provide for this increase when justified by special circumstances.

8. RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS IN THE SOCIAL SCIENCES:

(a) Mr. G.T.J. Wilson -

The Registrar reported that the Committee on Research Fellowships in the Social Sciences, having considered an application by Mr. G.T.J. Wilson dated 29th August, 1949, for a review of the expense allowance to be made him in connection
connection with his visit to India, recommended that enquiries be made in India to see whether special arrangements can be made for Mr. Wilson’s accommodation in Delhi and other places he will visit, and that Mr. Wilson be informed that the Interim Council will review his expense allowance when this has been done.

It was resolved that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted.

(b) Dr. Ian Hogbin

It was reported that Dr. Ian Hogbin’s Research Fellowship in the Social Sciences terminated on 1st August and that he had expressed his gratitude to the Interim Council.

9. JOHN CURTIN SCHOOL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH:

(a) Veterinary Officer

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Mr. W.K. Whitten had accepted the invitation issued by the Interim Council at its 31st Meeting (see Minutes, para. 10(c)) and it was accordingly resolved that Mr. W.K. Whitten be appointed Veterinary Officer in the John Curtin School of Medical Research at a salary of £950 per annum, to commence on a date to be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor.

It was resolved that approval be given for Mr. Whitten to visit the United Kingdom and the United States of America under the direction of Sir Howard Florey and that he be paid fares plus an allowance at the rate of 10/- sterling per diem on board ship and hotel account for room and meals plus 30/- sterling per diem whilst in the United Kingdom.

(b) Department of Microbiology

(i) Professor F.J. Fenner

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Sir Howard Florey had recommended that Professor Fenner’s proposals for work in the United Kingdom and travel in Europe which were before the Interim Council at its 31st Meeting (see Minutes, para. 10(d)), be adopted.

It was resolved that the plans for Professor Fenner’s travel be approved and that he be paid fares in connection therewith and hotel account plus 30/- sterling per diem until he returns from Europe and commences work at the National Institute of Medical Research and that from then until the date of embarkation for Australia his salary be paid at the rate of £2,000 sterling per annum.
(ii) Accommodation for Department -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Sir Howard Florey had discussed with Professor Fenner the invitation received from Professor Burnet for the Department of Microbiology to be accommodated in the Walter and Eliza Hall Institute in Melbourne for the time being.

It was resolved that the offer of accommodation for the Department of Microbiology contained in a letter from Professor F.M. Burnet dated 30th March, 1949, be accepted with thanks.

(c) Visit by Dr. Sanders

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Dr. Sanders had now arrived in Australia with full information from Sir Howard Florey as to the accommodation requirements of the John Curtin School of Medical Research and that discussions with the architect were proceeding.

10. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the Minister for Post-War Reconstruction in a letter dated 30th August had asked that the Interim Council allow Professor Oliphant to accept membership of an Industrial Atomic Energy Policy Committee set up by Cabinet to advise it on all aspects of the work to be undertaken in this field in Australia.

It was resolved that the Minister be informed that the Interim Council will be happy for Professor Oliphant to co-operate as requested if he feels that it is possible for him to accept the invitation.

11. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES:

The Interim Council received and adopted a report (see Minutes of meeting held on 8th September, 1949) of the Committee on the establishment of the Research School of Social Sciences.

In accordance with the recommendation of the committee it was resolved that Associate Professor Geoffrey Sawyer be invited to accept the Chair of Law on the approved conditions of appointment of Professors.

12. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PACIFIC STUDIES:

(a) Appointment of Director

The Vice-Chancellor reported that in accordance with the request of the Interim Council at the 31st Meeting (see para. 15(9)), he had discussed with Professor Firth the financial provision to cover field expenses in connection with his anthropological research during the year he is to spend with the University.
It was resolved that the Interim Council pay Professor and Mrs. Firth's return fares to Australia, Professor Firth's fares for travel within Australia away from Canberra on University business, together with the customary expense allowances, and that in addition provision will be made for field expenses in connection with Professor Firth's anthropological research after consideration by the Interim Council of an estimate, instead of the provision for a travel grant as set out in the invitation to Professor Firth recorded in the Minutes of the 30th Meeting of the Interim Council, para. 16(s)(iii).

(b) Appointment of Staff -

(i) Dr. J.W. Davidson -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Dr. J.W. Davidson had accepted the invitation issued by the Interim Council at its 31st Meeting (see Minutes, para. 13(b)), and it was accordingly resolved that Dr. J.W. Davidson be appointed Professor of Pacific History on the approved conditions of appointment for Professors, to commence on a date to be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor.

(ii) Report of Committee on Appointments in Geography -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the Committee on Appointments in Geography had arranged for Professor Cumberland to visit Canberra in the second week in October, and proposed to defer making recommendations for the appointment of junior staff.

13. CLASSIFICATION OF ACADEMIC STAFF:

Conditions of Appointment of Research Fellows, Senior Research Fellows, and Fellows -

The Vice-Chancellor tabled draft conditions of appointment for Research Fellows, Senior Research Fellows, and Fellows; it was resolved to defer discussion until the next meeting of the Interim Council.

14. FOUNDATION STONES:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that 17th October, 1949, was now not a suitable date for the Prime Minister to be present, and it was resolved that the ceremony be postponed to Monday, 24th October, 1949.

It was resolved that the October meeting of the Interim Council should be held at 11.30 a.m. on that date.
15. APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT TO THE REGISTRAR:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the Committee appointed by the Interim Council at its previous meeting (see Minutes, para. 22(a)) had considered the applications for the position of Assistant to the Registrar and recommended the appointment of Mr. Maurice Brown, Academic Secretary of the University of Melbourne.

The Interim Council considered the names of the applicants for the position and it was resolved that Mr. Maurice Brown be appointed Assistant to the Registrar at a commencing salary of £1,000 per annum with two annual increments of £25, to commence on a date to be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor.

16. COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA - JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS:

The Interim Council considered a letter from Mr. L.F. Crisp dated 2nd September, 1949, suggesting that the National University should organise a seminar on the Development of Federation in connection with the Jubilee Celebrations of the Commonwealth. The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had given some consideration to Mr. Crisp's proposal, and that he was contemplating an extension of the proposal to include a similar seminar on the relation of Fundamental and Applied Science and the development of the work of the Commonwealth in research. He suggested that the matter be deferred till next meeting, when he would submit a report.

17. OTHER BUSINESS:

(a) Residence for Administrative Officer in the United Kingdom -

The Vice-Chancellor recalled that the Interim Council at its 31st Meeting (see Minutes, para. 7(b)) authorised Mr. Clark to negotiate for the purchase of a residence within reasonable distance of the London Office, to cost not more than £4,000 sterling, the price to be within 10% of a valuation by Messrs. Knight, Frank and Rutley, and directed that, should a purchase on these lines not be practicable, Mr. Clark submit details of a suggested investment for decision by the Committee on Houses off the University Site.

He reported that Mr. Clark submitted for the approval of the Committee the purchase of a freehold property at 1 Bedford Avenue, High Barnet, to cost £4,200, and that the Committee had approved of this investment.

The Interim Council resolved to note the report and confirm the action of the Committee.

(b) Appointment of Assistant to the Vice-Chancellor -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had considered the applications for the position of Assistant to the Vice-Chancellor and in accordance with his recommendation it was resolved that Mr. R.L. Mathews be appointed to the
position for a period of two years at a salary of £650 per annum, with one annual increment of £25, and that arrangements be made for superannuation under the University's superannuation scheme; to commence on a date to be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor.

The meeting closed at 3.20 p.m.

R.C. MILLS,
Chairman,
24th October, 1949.
1. APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received from Professor K.H. Bailey, Mr. A.S. Brown, Sir Robert Garran, Senator J.H. O'Byrne, the Hon. P.C. Spender, and Professor H.K. Ward.

2. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the 33rd Meeting having been circulated were taken as read and confirmed.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

(a) Commonwealth of Australia Jubilee Celebrations -

The Vice-Chancellor referred to the Minutes of the previous Meeting (see Minutes, paragraph 16) and said that he had now had further consultations with members of the Interim Council with a view to developing Mr. Crisp's proposal for a seminar on the development of Federation, and said that it was thought that it would be appropriate to organise a further seminar to examine the relationship between fundamental and applied research. It was resolved that -

(i) the University officially participate in the Jubilee celebrations of the Commonwealth to be held in 1951 by organising two seminars, one to be devoted to a review of federalism and the other to a review of the development of research and the relationship between fundamental and applied research;
(ii) for each seminar two distinguished scholars from abroad be invited to visit Australia as visiting scholars and that they participate in seminars in Canberra to which leading authorities in Australia would be invited;

(iii) a Committee consisting of the Chairman, the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Bailey, Mr. Crisp, Professor Wright, Professor Martin, be appointed to report to Council on the detailed arrangements.

(b) Design of a Coat of Arms -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that, in accordance with the decision of the Interim Council at its previous meeting (see Minutes, paragraph 5), invitations had been issued to Mr. Douglas Annand, Mr. Richard Beck and Mr. Alistair Morrison to submit suggestions for the design of a Coat of Arms, and each of the artists had accepted; the designs will be submitted by 19th November and will be available to members of the Interim Council at the December meeting.

(c) Appointment of a Sculptor -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that, in accordance with the decision of the Interim Council at its previous meeting (see Minutes, paragraph 5), an approach had been made to Mr. Lyndon Dadswell to prepare a report on his suggested sculptural treatment of University House; Mr. Dadswell had conferred with the architect and had visited Canberra, and had agreed to write a report.

It was resolved that Mr. Dadswell be paid a fee of 20 guineas for his preliminary report.

(d) University House -

(i) Appointment of a Furniture Designer -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that, in accordance with the decision of the Interim Council at its previous meeting (see Minutes, paragraph 5), Mr. Frederick Ward had been approached and asked to submit further suggestions as to the design of furniture for University House, together with an estimate of the total manufactured cost of the furniture involved and his own fee. It had been agreed with Mr. Ward that a maximum fee of £50 would be paid for this detailed information, and that this fee would be absorbed into Mr. Ward's overall fee if he receives the contract.

It was resolved to confirm the arrangements made.
(ii) **Appointment of Decorators for Special Rooms**

The Vice-Chancellor reported that, in accordance with the decision of the Interim Council at its previous meeting (see Minutes, paragraph 5), the possibility of individual public rooms in University House being decorated by Mr. Douglas Annand, Miss Jean Bellette and Mrs. Margaret Preston, had been discussed with the artists concerned and that further discussions would take place.

4. **REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE**

The report of the Finance Committee (see Minutes of the Meeting held on 24th October) was received and adopted.

In accordance with the Committee's recommendation it was resolved to open an account with the Commonwealth Savings Bank of Australia, Canberra Branch, styled "Commonwealth Superannuation Fund and Provident Account Reserve", to be operated on by either the Vice-Chancellor or Mr. H.J. Goodes jointly with either the Registrar or the Accountant.

5. **BUILDING PROGRAMME**

(a) **Capital Building Programme**

Consideration was given to a memorandum by the Registrar dated 14th October, 1949, on the overall capital programme of the University.

The Vice-Chancellor referred to the recent visit to Australia by Dr. Sanders, representing Sir Howard Florey, and said that a large measure of agreement was achieved during the discussions between Dr. Sanders (acting for Sir Howard Florey and on instructions from the Medical Professors formulated at their August meeting in Oxford), the architect and the Council's Advisory Committee on Medical Buildings. The resultant building as presented by the architect in the preliminary drawings was much larger and more costly than had been contemplated. He said that it had been known for some time that the cost of buildings in the immediate programme would be considerably above the estimates furnished to Cabinet in 1946 and it had become clear that other subsidiary buildings - necessary for the functioning of the main buildings - would be necessary in the first stage.

The Vice-Chancellor also said that in view of the fact that the Prime Minister was to lay the foundation stones of two of the important buildings on the day of the Council meeting, he had thought it his duty to acquaint the Prime Minister with the outline facts set out in the document; accordingly, with Mr. Goodes, he had seen the Prime Minister on the evening of Tuesday, 18th October, and had assured him that the Council would go very carefully into the new estimates and would then make a considered submission to the Government.
With regard to the medical buildings, the Vice-Chancellor said that he has asked Sir Howard Florey for a message outlining his views on the new developments, but Sir Howard, having only very recently become acquainted with the problem, had said that he would not like to give any considered opinion before having an opportunity to consider the plans worked out by Dr. Sanders with Professor Lewis in detail.

It was resolved to refer the Registrar's memorandum to a joint meeting of the Finance Committee and the Buildings and Grounds Committee for consideration, with authority to take what action might be considered necessary.

(b) **Professor Oliphant's Residence**

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he understood from Professor Oliphant's architect, Mr. M.J. Moir, that three tenders had been received for the erection of Professor Oliphant's residence at Weetangerra and that Professor Oliphant had been advised.

6. **SCHOLARS**:

(a) **Dr. K.E. Read**

It was resolved to agree to a request contained in a letter from Dr. K.E. Read dated 26th September that the commencement of his scholarship be postponed until April, 1950, but that Dr. Read be informed that if any further postponement were contemplated it would be necessary for him to make a fresh application for a scholarship in competition with other applicants.

(b) **Award of Scholarships 1950**

The Vice-Chancellor reported that in accordance with the decision of the Council at the 32nd Meeting (see Minutes, paragraph 9(f)) applications for the award of scholarships in 1950 had been invited, to close on 30th November, 1949.

It was resolved that 14 scholarships be available for award should there be that number of candidates of sufficient merit.

The Registrar was asked to ensure that applicants submit written evidence of their experience in research.

(c) **C.S. Belshaw**

The Vice-Chancellor referred to the decision of the Interim Council at its previous meeting (see paragraph 7(b)(i)) and said that he understood from Professor Firth that Mr. Belshaw would not be able to finance his wife's passage to Australia and that Mr. Belshaw considered that his financial position was such that he should
not borrow for this purpose. The Vice-Chancellor said that Professor Firth was prepared to recommend that Mr. Belshaw be appointed a Research Fellow.

The Interim Council resolved to agree to an arrangement whereby Mrs. Belshaw's fare from England to Australia would be advanced by the University and, further, that repayment would not be required if Mr. Belshaw were appointed to a staff position with the University within a reasonable period.

7. RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS IN THE SOCIAL SCIENCES:

(a) Award of Fellowships in 1950 -

On the advice of the Committee on Research Fellowships in the Social Sciences it was resolved that the award of two Research Fellowships in the Social Sciences available in 1950 be authorised.

The Vice-Chancellor said that in accordance with the request by the Academic Advisory Committee at its 13th Meeting (paragraph 8), it was proposed to submit a short list of the names of scholars suitable for the award of Fellowships, to the appropriate member of the Academic Advisory Committee.

(b) Mr. G.T.J. Wilson -

The Vice-Chancellor referred to the decision of the Interim Council at its previous meeting (see Minutes, paragraph 8(a)) and said that advice had been received from the High Commissioner for Australia in India dated 27th September, 1949, saying that it would not be possible to arrange accommodation for Mr. Wilson other than in hotels in India.

It was resolved to grant Mr. G.T.J. Wilson a maximum allowance for travelling and other approved expenses in connection with his Research Fellowship in the Social Sciences of £700 sterling in lieu of the arrangements recorded in the Minutes of the 28th Meeting (paragraph 6(b)).

(c) Mr. G. Rudduck -

The Interim Council received a letter dated 26th September, 1949, from Mr. Rudduck thanking the Council for the benefit he had received from the Research Fellowship awarded to him in the Social Sciences, and tendering three reports:

"Town and Country Planning in Great Britain",
"Housing in Great Britain",
"Town and Country Planning and Education",

with the further advice that an additional report outlining the application of his overseas experience to Australia was in preparation and would be submitted when completed.
It was resolved that Mr. Rudduck's letter and reports be referred to the Committee on Research Fellowships in the Social Sciences for consideration.

8. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES:

Appointment of Designer -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Oliphant had authorised the appointment of Mr. D.B. Shenton as designer on the technical staff of the Research School of Physical Sciences at a salary of £425 per annum plus cost of living adjustment, to commence on 1st October, 1949.

It was resolved that Mr. Shenton's salary be payable in sterling whilst he is employed by the University in the United Kingdom.

9. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES:

(a) Appointment of Staff -

(i) Professor Geoffrey Sawer -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Associate Professor Geoffrey Sawer had accepted the invitation issued by the Interim Council at its previous meeting (see Minutes, paragraph 11), and it was accordingly resolved that Associate Professor Geoffrey Sawer be appointed Professor of Law on the approved conditions of appointment for Professors, to commence on 1st January, 1950.

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Sawer had, as a member of the staff of the University of Melbourne, made arrangements to visit the United States of America on a grant from the Carnegie Corporation of New York, and had left Australia early in October, 1949. Before his departure Professor Sawer had discussions with the Vice-Chancellor, as a result of which it was proposed that whilst in the United States of America he would concentrate particularly on problems associated with the establishment of the Department of Law in the National University; it was also proposed that Professor Sawer should take the opportunity of visiting the United Kingdom whilst abroad.

It was resolved to confirm the tentative arrangements set out and to pay Professor Sawer's fare by sea from the United States of America to the United Kingdom and from London to Melbourne, together with an allowance equal to his hotel account for room and meals plus 30/- sterling per diem whilst in the United Kingdom.
(ii) **Reader in Political Science** -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that at a previous meeting of the Committee on the establishment of the Research School of Social Sciences it was decided to ask Professor Wheare's advice on a proposal that a Readership in Political Science be advertised, but that Professor Wheare's reply was not yet to hand.

(iii) **Reader in Sources of Australian History** -

Deferred.

(iv) **Research Assistant in Demography** -

Deferred.

10. **RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PACIFIC STUDIES** :

(a) **Appointment of Staff** -

(i) **Mr. W.R. Crocker** -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Mr. W.R. Crocker had accepted the invitation issued by the Interim Council at its 31st Meeting (see Minute, paragraph 13(b)), and it was accordingly resolved that Mr. W.R. Crocker be appointed Professor of International Relations on the approved conditions of appointment for Professors, to commence on 1st November, 1949.

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Crocker had been granted assistance by the Carnegie Corporation of New York to spend a short time in the United States of America visiting research institutions engaged on problems in which his Department will be interested, and that he had thought it wise for Professor Crocker to visit London to meet and confer with Professor Raymond Firth.

It was resolved to confirm the arrangements made by the Vice-Chancellor and to pay Professor Crocker's fares to the United Kingdom and return to the United States of America, together with an allowance equal to his hotel account for room and meals plus 30/- sterling per diem whilst in the United Kingdom.

(ii) **Report of Committee on Appointments in Geography** -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the Committee on Appointments in Geography had not met before the meeting of the Interim Council, but that Professor K.B. Cumberland had visited Canberra in accordance with the
arrangements reported at the previous meeting (see Minutes, paragraph 12(b)(ii)); Professor Cumberland had delivered a public lecture entitled "New Zealand's Pacific Island Neighbourhood" and had led a seminar on the topic "Methods of Study of Land Utilisation with special reference to the South West Pacific Area". The Vice-Chancellor said that, whilst he regarded Professor Cumberland as a competent geographer, he was not prepared at present to recommend him for appointment to a Chair in the Research School of Pacific Studies.

(iii) Reader in Social Anthropology - Deferred.

(iv) Reader in Comparative Social Institutions -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that applications for the position of Reader in Comparative Social Institutions had closed on 14th October, 1949, and that Professor Firth had recommended the appointment of Dr. W.L. Stanner.

It was accordingly resolved to appoint Dr. W.L. Stanner Reader in Comparative Social Institutions on the approved conditions of appointment for Readers, at a commencing salary of £1,350, to commence on a date to be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor.

(v) Reader in Oriental Studies -

It was resolved to appoint a Committee consisting of the Chairman, the Vice-Chancellor, Sir Frederic Eggleston, Professor J.G. Wood, Professor K.H. Bailey and Mr. H.J. Goodes, to consider a proposal for the creation of a Readership in Oriental Studies.

11. CLASSIFICATION OF ACADEMIC STAFF - CONDITIONS OF APPOINTMENT OF RESEARCH FELLOWS, SENIOR RESEARCH FELLOWS AND FELLOWS:

The Vice-Chancellor recalled that draft statements of the conditions of appointment governing these grades of staff were circulated at the previous meeting of the Interim Council and that consideration was deferred. He said also that it was understood that the Academic Advisory Committee had at its recent meeting requested a minor modification; it was resolved to defer the discussion until the next meeting.

12. VISITING SCHOLARS 1950-51:

Deferred.
13. **APPOINTMENT OF ACCOUNTANT**

It was resolved that a committee consisting of the Chairman, the Vice-Chancellor and Mr. Goodes be appointed to consider the applications for the position of Accountant and recommend an appointment.

14. **35TH MEETING OF THE INTERIM COUNCIL**

It was resolved that the next meeting of the Interim Council be held on 11th November, 1949.

15. **MOTTO**

The Vice-Chancellor reported that suggestions for the adoption of a motto for the University had been received from Sir Robert Garran and circulated to members.

Deferred.

16. **ANNUAL REPORT TO PARLIAMENT**

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Section 33 of the Australian National University Act 1946 required the Council to present to the Governor-General within six months of the close of each University year a report of the proceedings of the University during that year, containing audited statements of income and expenditure, and that a copy of such a report be laid before both Houses of Parliament.

The Vice-Chancellor said that it was not quite clear whether the Interim Council was required to render such a report, but that the establishment of the University had now reached the point where a report could be made.

It was resolved that a committee consisting of the Chairman, the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Bailey, Mr. Crisp, the Hon. P.C. Spender and Senator O'Byrne, be appointed to consider a draft report to be circulated to members of the Interim Council for consideration at a subsequent meeting.

17. **ASSISTANCE FOR PUBLICATION**

Deferred.

18. **OTHER BUSINESS**

(a) **The Vice-Chancellor - Membership of Immigration Planning Council**

The Chairman reported that the Vice-Chancellor had advised him of an invitation he had received from the Minister for Immigration to be a member of a committee set up by the Government to advise on the absorption of immigrants into Australian industries and development projects.

The Chairman said that he had felt that this was an invitation which it was important for the Vice-Chancellor to accept if he could see his way clear to do so, and as the Prime Minister wished to announce the names of the committee before the present meeting of the
Interim Council he had authorised the Vice-Chancellor to accept the nomination.

It was resolved to note the report and to confirm the Chairman's action.

(b) Acceptance of Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation Laboratories as Accredited Centres of Training for Candidates for Higher Degrees - Deferred.

(c) Australian Postgraduate Federation in Medicine -

The Interim Council had before it a letter from the Honorary Secretary of the Australian Postgraduate Federation in Medicine dated 21st October, inviting the University to join the Federation.

It was resolved to inform the Federation that the Interim Council was appreciative of the invitation extended and wished to establish such relations with the Postgraduate Federation as would enable the John Curtin School of Medical Research to make the most effective contribution to research and the training of research workers in Australia in the chosen fields of study.

The Interim Council felt, however, that the nature of the relationship with the Postgraduate Federation should be determined on the advice of the Director and staff, and that the invitation should be allowed to stand over until the School is operating normally.

The meeting closed at 1.15 p.m.

R.C. MILLS,
Chairman,
11th November, 1949.
THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

INTERIM COUNCIL

Minutes of the 35th Meeting of the Interim Council held at the Hotel Canberra on Friday, 11th November, 1949, at 11 a.m.

Present: Professor R. C. Mills (Chairman), The Vice-Chancellor
Mr. K. Beazley
Professor K. H. Bailey
Mr. A. S. Brown
Dr. H. C. Coombs
Mr. L. F. Crisp
Mr. C. S. Daley
Sir Robert Garran
Mr. H. J. Goodes
Sir David Rivett
Professor H. K. Ward
Professor J. G. Wood
Professor R. Douglas Wright

The Registrar was in attendance.

1. APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received from Sir John Medley, Senator W. J. Cooper, Sir Frederic Eggleston, Professor L. H. Martin, Senator J. H. O'Byrne, and the Hon. P. C. Spender.

2. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the 34th Meeting having been circulated were taken as read and confirmed.

3. FOUNDATION STONES:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that foundation stones of the John Curtin School of Medical Research and the Research School of Physical Sciences had been laid by the Prime Minister (Rt. Hon. J. B. Chifley, P.C., M.P.) on the 24th October, 1949, on which day also the Minister for Post-War Reconstruction (Hon. J. J. Dedman, M.P.) laid the foundation stone of University House.

It was resolved that the Interim Council appreciates very greatly the interest and practical encouragement shown by Mr. Chifley and Mr. Dedman to the University throughout the preliminary stages of its development and is grateful to them for laying the foundation stones of the first of the University's buildings.

The Interim Council received with pleasure a letter from Mrs. J. Curtin, widow of the former Prime Minister of Australia expressing her thanks for the invitation extended to her by the Interim Council to be present when the foundation stone of the John Curtin School of Medical Research was laid in memory of her late husband.
4. **REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE:**

The report of the Finance Committee (see Minutes of the Meeting held on the 10th November, 1949) was received and adopted.

In accordance with the Committee's recommendation it was resolved that:-

(a) **Bank Account in London.**

A current account styled "The Australian National University No. 2 account" be opened with the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, Strand Branch, London, to be operated on by the signatories approved by the Interim Council at its 27th Meeting (see Minutes, para. 6(b)(i)).

(b) **Architect's fees.**

A payment (see Minutes of 31st Meeting, para. 7(a)(i)) of £500 be made to the Architect on account of the claim for fees contained in his letter of 6th June, 1949, (paragraphs 2 and 3) on the understanding that the payment is without prejudice to the final settlement.

(c) **Graduate Assistant to the Registrar.**

A graduate assistant be appointed in the Registrar's office for a period of three years.

(d) **The Library.**

The Vice-Chancellor be asked to submit a report on purchasing for the library to the next meeting.

5. **BUILDING PROGRAMME:**

(a) **Report of Buildings and Grounds Committee.**

The report of the Buildings and Grounds Committee (see Minutes of the Meeting held on 10th November, 1949) was received.

It was resolved that the Government be informed of the estimated cost of the buildings for the Research School of Physical Sciences before the builder was authorised to proceed.

With regard to paragraph 4 of the Minutes of the Buildings and Grounds Committee the Vice-Chancellor said that he had already written to Sir Howard Florey in terms of the discussion which took place at the joint meeting of the Finance Committee and Buildings and Grounds Committee on 24th October, 1949; it was agreed to await Sir Howard's considered opinion after having seen the drawings.
6. RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ACADEMIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

The Interim Council considered the recommendations and observations of the Academic Advisory Committee at its 15th Meeting on 9th October, 1949.

(a) Fees for Microanalyses and lantern slides.

(Academic Advisory Committee Minutes, para. 11).

It was resolved that members of staff and scholars be re-imbursed expenses (not including typing expenses) incurred for illustrations and slides required in the preparation of papers and addresses arising from their research work.

(b) Academic Organisation.

(Academic Advisory Committee, Minutes para. 15).

Deferred.

(c) Committee of the Interim Council.

It was resolved that Professor G. Sawer be appointed a member of the Statutes Committee.

The Vice-Chancellor was asked to write to Sir Howard Florey about the other suggested appointments to Committees.

7. SCHOLARS:

(a) Mr. C. S. Belshaw.

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Firth had given his opinion that Mrs. Belshaw was competent to assist her husband in the way contemplated in New Guinea and that he had accordingly confirmed the decision recorded in the Minutes of the 33rd Meeting (para. 7(b)) with respect to her fare from Australia to New Guinea and her expenses in the field.

(b) Award of Scholarships - 1950.

(Academic Advisory Committee, 15th Meeting, para. 5).

(i) Principle of Award.

The Vice-Chancellor said that it was proposed to follow the practice adopted in 1949 in submitting the scholarship applications to the Academic Advisory Committee.

(ii) Need for Elasticity.

The Vice-Chancellor was asked to take up this matter with the Academic Advisory Committee.
It was resolved that Mr. Storry's scholarship allowance in Japan be increased by the sum of £20 stg. to offset the appreciation of the yen.

8. RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS IN THE SOCIAL SCIENCES:

(a) Dr. I. Hogbin - expenses to visit Madang.
   
   Deferred.

(b) Mr. T.G.H. Strehlow.

It was resolved that the provision of £650 for the purchase of a motor vehicle, photographic equipment and camping gear recorded in the Minutes of the 28th Meeting (para. 6(c)) be increased to £900.

9. JOHN CURTIN SCHOOL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH:

Research Fellow in Biophysics.

The Vice-Chancellor reported that, on the advice of Sir Howard Florey, he had authorised the advertisement of a vacancy of Research Fellow in Biophysics within the Department of Biochemistry on the approved conditions of appointment.

10. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES:

(a) Dr. R. v. d. R. Woolley.

The Interim Council considered a letter from Professor Oliphant dated 19th October, 1949, recommending that the Commonwealth Solar Observatory be recognised as fulfilling the functions of a Department of Astronomy within the Research School of Physical Sciences and that Dr. R. v. d. R. Woolley be given the title of Professor of Astronomy.

It was resolved to appoint a Committee consisting of the Chairman, the Vice-Chancellor, Mr. A. S. Brown, Mr. H. J. Goodes and Professor L. H. Martin, to discuss the proposal with Dr. Woolley and with the appropriate government authorities and to consult with Professor Oliphant.

(b) Appointment of Staff:

It was resolved that a vacancy of Research Fellow be advertised.

11. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES:

Appointment of Staff.

(a) The Vice-Chancellor reported that the Committee on the establishment of the
Research School of Social Sciences had met in the morning before the meeting of the Interim Council and, acting with the advice of Professor K. C. Wheare, recommended the establishment of the following Readerships:

- Political Science
- Economics
- Statistics
- Sources of Australian History

It was resolved that the report of the Committee be adopted and the positions advertised.

(b) It was resolved that a position of Research Assistant in Demography be advertised on a salary range of £450-500 per annum, tenable for two years and that provision be made for superannuation in accordance with the University's scheme.

12. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PACIFIC STUDIES: Appointment of Staff.

It was resolved that a vacancy of Research Fellow in Anthropology be advertised.

13. CLASSIFICATION OF ACADEMIC STAFF - CONDITIONS OF APPOINTMENT OF RESEARCH FELLOWS, SENIOR RESEARCH FELLOWS AND FELLOWS:

(deferred from previous Meeting, see also Minutes of 15th Meeting of the Academic Advisory Committee, para. 16).

It was resolved that the draft statement of conditions of appointment, as amended, be approved and that copies be tabled at the next Meeting.

14. VISITING SCHOLARS 1950-51:

(a) Report of Committee: (See Minutes of 29th Meeting, para. 15(b) and also Minutes of 15th Meeting of the Academic Advisory Committee, para. 4).

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the Committee on visiting scholars had met on the preceding day and, having considered the names before it, recommended that invitations be issued to the following distinguished scholars and scientists to visit Australia in 1950-51 on the usual terms and conditions:

- Mr. J. S. Furnivall
- Professor J. T. Wilson
- Professor Jacob Viner, or if he is not able to accept, Professor C. A. Driver.

The Committee further recommended that, within the field of medical research, one of the following scientists be invited and
that Sir Howard Florey be asked to make the nomination he considered most suitable:

Professor A. C. Chibnall
Professor Gordon Cameron
Sir Paul Fildes
Professor Beadle
Professor E. B. Verney

It was resolved that the report of the Committee be adopted and invitations issued accordingly.

(b) **Professor F. C. James.**

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor F. C. James, Principal and Vice-Chancellor of McGill University would visit Australia in 1950; it was resolved to invite Professor James to visit Canberra and to lead a seminar.

(c) **Professor B. G. Maegraith.**

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor B. G. Maegraith, Professor of Tropical Medicine in the University of Liverpool would visit Australia in July, 1950, and that he had invited him to visit Canberra and Melbourne.

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor's action be confirmed.

(d) **Professor Rescue Pound.**

The Interim Council considered a request contained in a letter dated 21st October, 1949, from the President of the Australian Universities Law Schools Association that the University meet the expenses of approximately twenty members of the Association attending a seminar which it was hoped to arrange in Perth should Professor Pound be able to visit Australia in 1951.

It was resolved that an offer of £300 be made towards the cost of such a seminar on the understanding that the assistance would be rendered to members of University staff's and that the name of the University would be associated with that of the Association in the conducting of the seminar.

15. **MOTTO:**

Deferred.

16. **ASSISTANCE FOR PUBLICATION:**

The Chairman reported that he had received from Professor S. G. Butlin a request for assistance in the publication of his book: "Foundations of the Australian
Monetary System" and that he had also been approached by the National Union of Australian University Students as to the possibility of the establishment of a University Press.

Deferred.

17. ACCEPTANCE OF COMMONWEALTH SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH ORGANISATION LABORATORIES AS ACCREDITED CENTRES OF TRAINING FOR CANDIDATES FOR HIGHER DEGREES (CONSIDERATION OF LETTER RECEIVED FROM THE SECRETARY, DATED 22nd SEPTEMBER, AND MINUTES OF 15th MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE, PARA. 8):

The Interim Council received a letter dated 21st September from the Secretary of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation.

18. AWARD OF DEGREES:

(Academic Advisory Committee, 15th Meeting, Minutes para. 6).

Deferred.

19. OTHER BUSINESS:

(a) Australian Vice-Chancellor's Committee - Secretariat.

The Vice-Chancellor reported that, at a recent meeting, the Australian Vice-Chancellors had resolved that it was necessary for the efficient functioning of the Committee that a permanent secretary and staff be appointed; it was thought that the annual cost, including travelling expenses for the Chairman, and Secretary, would be £2,000 per annum.

It was resolved that the Interim Council accept the views of the Vice-Chancellors with respect to the establishment of a Secretariat.

It was further resolved to offer to contribute to the expenses of the Secretariat equally with the University of Melbourne; Mr. Geodes had proposed that the Interim Council should contribute with other Australian Universities in proportion to total annual running expenses; he dissented from the resolution and asked that his view be recorded.

(b) Vice-Chancellor's visits to New Zealand and India.

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he was anxious to visit New Zealand early in the New Year and would discuss University problems including the recruiting of staff and the award of scholarships. He had also been invited by the Secretary of the Department of External Affairs (Mr. K.P.S. Menon) in the Indian Government to visit India in 1950.

/It was
It was resolved that a Committee consisting of the Chairman, Mr. H. J. Goddes and Mr. A. S. Brown be appointed to discuss these proposed visits with the Vice-Chancellor.

The Meeting closed at 5 p.m.

R. C. MILLS,
Chairman,
9th December, 1949.
THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

INTERIM COUNCIL

Minutes of the 36th Meeting of the Interim Council held at the University Offices, Acton, on Friday, December 9th, 1949, at 11 a.m.

Present: -
Professor R.C. Mills (Chairman),
The Vice-Chancellor,
Mr. A.S. Brown,
Dr. H.C. Coombs,
Mr. L.F. Crisp,
Mr. C.S. Daley,
Sir Robert Garran,
Mr. H.J. Goodes,
Professor L.H. Martin,
Sir David Rivett,
Professor H.K. Ward,
Professor J.G. Wood,
Professor R. Douglas Wright.

The Registrar and his Assistant were in attendance.

1. APOLOGIES:
Apologies were received from Professor K.H. Bailey, Mr. K. Beazley, Senator W.J. Cooper, Sir Frederic Eggleston, Sir John Medley, Senator J.H. O'Byrne, and the Hon. P.C. Spender.

2. MOVEMENT OF UNIVERSITY OFFICES:
The Chairman expressed pleasure that the Interim Council was for the first time meeting on the University site, where temporary buildings were now in use as the administrative offices of the University.

3. MINUTES:
The Minutes of the 35th Meeting having been circulated were taken as read and confirmed.

At the Registrar's suggestion it was resolved that so much of paragraph 13(b)(iii) of the Minutes of the 30th Meeting as relates to the establishment of a salary range for a Laboratory Assistant in the Department of Biochemistry be rescinded and that the following table be substituted:

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Adults to be appointed at rate for age 21 and to rise to £354 per annum after three years' service.

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4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

Vice-Chancellor's Visits to India and New Zealand -

The Registrar reported that the Committee appointed at the previous meeting (see Minutes of 35th Meeting, paragraph 19(b)) had met and, having discussed with the Vice-Chancellor the suggestions that he should visit India and New Zealand, recommended:

(i) That the Vice-Chancellor be authorised to accept an invitation to visit India, if possible in November and December, 1950; and

(ii) That in connection with the New Zealand visit the University pay the Vice-Chancellor's fares in New Zealand and a travelling allowance at the rate of £2.12.6 (New Zealand) per day while he is engaged there on University business, together with his air or sea fare from New Zealand to Sydney.

It was resolved that the Committee's recommendations be adopted.

5. REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE:

The report of the Finance Committee (see Minutes of the Meeting held on 8th December, 1949) was received and adopted.

In accordance with the Committee's recommendation it was resolved that Mr. F.G. Brennan be appointed Graduate Assistant to the Registrar for a period of three years commencing on 3rd January, 1950, at an initial salary of £450 per annum, plus cost of living adjustment, with two annual increments of £25 each.

The Interim Council noted that the Auditor-General had certified the University's Balance Sheets as at 31st December, 1947, and 31st December, 1948, together with the Income and Expenditure Accounts for the period ended 31st December, 1947, and the twelve months ended 31st December, 1948.

6. ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ART:

The report of the Advisory Committee on Art (see Minutes of Meeting held on 8th December, 1949) which had been considered by a joint meeting of the Buildings and Grounds Committee and the Committee on Management of University House, was received.

7. UNIVERSITY HOUSE:

The Interim Council received and discussed a report of a joint meeting of the Committee on Management of University House and the Buildings and Grounds Committee with the Art Advisory Committee (see Minutes of Meeting held on 8th December, 1949).

The recommendations, as set out in the Minutes (see paragraph 3) with respect to:

(a) the appointment of a sculptor and the sculptural treatment of University House;

(/b) the appointment
(b) the appointment of a furniture designer and the furniture lay-out and design,

were adopted; the Interim Council indicated that it preferred a plan to a motif of coats of arms as the basis for design of a mosaic to be laid in the lobby of University House.

8. BUILDING PROGRAMME:

(a) Report of Buildings and Grounds Committee -

The recommendations of the Buildings and Grounds Committee (see Minutes of the joint meeting held on 8th December, 1949, paragraphs 5-11) were adopted except that, with regard to the erection of five staff houses (see Minutes, paragraph 7(a)), it was resolved, after discussion of the revised estimates of cost, to refer the question to a Committee comprising the Vice-Chancellor and Messrs. A.S. Brown, C.S. Daley, H.J. Goodes, with power to act.

(b) Professor Oliphant's residence -

The Interim Council considered a letter from Professor Oliphant dated 24th October, 1949 (which had been received at the previous meeting) concerning the erection of his house at Weetangerra.

The Vice-Chancellor was asked to write to Professor Oliphant outlining the Interim Council's proposals concerning this house.

In view of the serious delay in letting a contract, however, it was resolved that a Director's house on the site with a maximum area of 2,500 square feet be erected and that this house be made available to Professor Oliphant until the house at Weetangerra is finished.

It was further resolved that a Committee comprising the Chairman, the Vice-Chancellor, Mr. A.S. Brown, Mr. C.S. Daley, and Mr. H.J. Goodes, be appointed to consider and approve of the plans and site for the Director's house.

9. COAT OF ARMS:

In accordance with the recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Art (see Minutes of the Meeting held on 8th December, 1949) and the joint meeting mentioned in paragraph 7 above (see Minutes, paragraph 2) it was resolved to invite Mr. Alistair Morrison to develop his suggested design for a Coat of Arms for the University.

10. RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ACADEMIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

The Interim Council considered the recommendations and observations of the Academic Advisory Committee at its 16th Meeting, on 11th November, 1949.
Rents for Houses -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Oliphant had been sent particulars of the wages paid to technical employees of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation, and informed that a rent of between £2.2.6 and £2.17.6 was usual for the new brick cottages, with two or three bedrooms, being erected by the Government in Canberra.

11. SCHOLARS:

(a) Scholars’ Field Expenses -

The Interim Council considered the observations of the Academic Advisory Committee on this matter at its 16th Meeting on 11th November, 1949 (see Academic Advisory Committee Minutes, paragraph 10(c)), the memorandum dated 8th November, 1949, submitted to that Committee by Professor Firth, and two letters from Professor Firth, dated 20th November, 1949, making recommendations concerning the field and other expenses of Miss Dorothy Crozier and Mr. A.C. Mayer.

In view of the number of other important matters on the notice paper it was resolved:—

(i) to defer a discussion of the general question of scholars' field expenses until the next meeting;

(ii) to refer the allowances, other than those which are customary, to be made to Miss Crozier and Mr. Mayer to a committee comprising the Vice-Chancellor and Mr. Goodes, with power to act.

12. RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS IN THE SOCIAL SCIENCES:

(a) Dr. I. Hogbin -

On the recommendation of Professor Firth it was resolved that Dr. I. Hogbin be asked to visit Madang, whilst in New Guinea completing the work for which he was awarded a Research Fellowship in the Social Sciences, and furnish a report on Mr. P. Lawrence's progress. The estimated extra cost of the visit was £60.

(b) Award of Research Fellowships in the Social Sciences, 1950 -

It was resolved to empower the Committee on Research Fellowships in the Social Sciences to award up to two Fellowships for 1950. Applications for these awards would close on 31st December, 1949.

13. JOHN CURTIN SCHOOL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH:

(a) Appointment of Staff -

(i) Research Fellow in Biophysics -

It was reported that applications for this appointment had closed on 8th December, 1949.
It was resolved to empower the Vice-Chancellor to make the appointment on the usual terms after consultation with Sir Howard Florey and Professor Ennor.

(ii) Laboratory Manager -

It was resolved that the position of Laboratory Manager be advertised, in terms approved by Sir Howard Florey, at a salary of £1,200 per annum.

14. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES:

(a) Appointment of Staff -

(i) Research Fellow -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that in accordance with the decision of the Interim Council at its previous meeting (see Minutes, paragraph 10(b)) a Research Fellowship in the Research School of Physical Sciences had been advertised.

On Professor Oliphant's recommendation, it was resolved that Mr. J.W. Blamey be appointed to the vacancy on the approved conditions of appointment for Research Fellows at a commencing salary of £850 per annum, commencing on 1st January, 1950.

(ii) Professor of Physics -

The Interim Council considered a letter dated 8th November, 1949, in which Professor Oliphant recommended the appointment of Dr. E.W. Titterton to a Chair of Physics in the Research School of Physical Sciences. The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had received a letter from Sir John Cockcroft, Director of the Atomic Energy Research Station, Harwell, verifying Dr. Titterton's ability.

It was resolved that Dr. E.W. Titterton be invited to accept a Chair of Physics in the Research School of Physical Sciences on the approved conditions of appointment of Professors.

(iii) Technical Staff -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he was in correspondence with Professor Oliphant concerning the appointment of a senior technical officer to the staff of the Research School of Physical Sciences, and the adjustment of the salaries of officers already appointed.
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It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor should be empowered to decide the conditions of employment of senior technical staff in the Research School of Physical Sciences, and to report to the next meeting.

(b) Dr. R.v.d.R. Woolley -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the Committee appointed at the previous meeting (see Minutes of 35th Meeting, paragraph 10(a)) had met and considered the proposals made by Professor Oliphant, in a letter dated 19th October, 1949, for collaboration between the University and the Commonwealth Observatory. In particular, Professor Oliphant had suggested that the Observatory be recognised as fulfilling the functions of a Department of Astronomy within the Research School of Physical Sciences, and that Dr. Woolley be given the title of Professor of Astronomy in the University. He contemplated that as a result of this arrangement research scholars of the University would be able to undertake work in the Observatory, and Dr. Woolley would have access to the facilities of the Research School of Physical Sciences.

Dr. Woolley had discussed with the Committee the staffing, research facilities and finances of the Observatory, and the Committee had considered various forms of association between the University and the Observatory.

The Committee had recommended that the Interim Council accept in principle the proposals made by Professor Oliphant, and that the Committee, in consultation with Professor Oliphant, should now discuss the matter in detail with the appropriate authorities of the Department of the Interior and the Observatory.

It was resolved that the Committee's recommendations be adopted.

(c) Professor H.S.W. Massey -

The Vice-Chancellor referred to previous discussions with Professor H.S.W. Massey and reported that he had received a letter in which the Professor said that if the University were prepared to offer him certain conditions which he set out, he would seriously consider accepting appointment to the staff.

It was resolved to refer Professor Massey's proposals to Professor Oliphant for advice, and to ask Professor Oliphant to consult the other members of the Academic Advisory Committee informally about it.
It was further resolved that should any question of a definite offer of an appointment to Professor Massey arise before the next meeting of the Interim Council, a Committee comprising the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Martin and Sir David Rivett should take action in the name of the Interim Council, after consultation with such other members of the Council as should be available.

15. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES:

(a) Appointment of Staff -

(1) Readers in Economics, Political Science and Statistics -

It was resolved that the Committee on the Establishment of the Research School of Social Sciences be asked to consider the applications for these vacancies, and to consult Professor Wheare with a view to making recommendations to the Interim Council at a subsequent meeting.

(ii) Research Assistant in Demography -

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor be empowered to appoint a Research Assistant in Demography in accordance with the decision of the Interim Council at its previous meeting (see Minutes, paragraph 11(b)).

16. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PACIFIC STUDIES:

(a) Appointment of Staff -

(i) Reader in Social Anthropology -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Dr. I. Hogbin had withdrawn his application for appointment as Reader in Social Anthropology.

(ii) Readerships in Oriental Studies -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the Committee appointed at the 34th Meeting of the Interim Council (see Minutes, paragraph 10(a)(v)) had met, and recommended that, subject to consultation with Professor Firth:

(A) two Visiting Readerships in Oriental Studies be created, one having special reference to Chinese, and the other to Indian Studies;

(B) the tenure of the Visiting Readerships be limited to three years;
Mr. C.P. Fitzgerald be invited to accept appointment to the Visiting Readership in Chinese Studies;

the Vice-Chancellor be authorised to discuss with representatives of the Government of India during his visit to India in 1950 the appointment of a native Indian scholar to the Visiting Readership in Indian Studies; and

subject to the limitation of their tenure to three years (which also removes the normal entitlement to study leave), appointments to the two Visiting Readerships be made in terms of the approved conditions of appointment for Readers. It was understood that a Visiting Reader might require facilities for visiting the country concerned during the tenure of his appointment and it was agreed that a recommendation should be submitted to the Interim Council in each such case.

It was resolved that the recommendations of the Committee be adopted.

Preparation of Political and Resources Atlas -

Cartographer -

The Vice-Chancellor reminded the Interim Council that the plans and budget for the Research School of Pacific Studies had always included provision for a map-making section, and reported that Sir Frederic Eggleston had interested himself in the making of an atlas of the Pacific and Indian Ocean areas, to include social, political and economic data of importance. Mr. I. McDuff, an officer of the Department of Post-War Reconstruction, had done certain preliminary work in this connection, and would shortly be available for transfer from his present appointment.

The Vice-Chancellor said that he thought this work might well be of interest to the Research School of Pacific Studies, and that he had written to Professor Firth about it.

It was resolved that the University should arrange, and meet the expenses of, a meeting in Canberra of a small group of experts to discuss Sir Frederic's proposal for a political and resources atlas of the Pacific and Indian Ocean areas. If it were decided to pursue the project, the desirability of appointing a cartographer to the staff could be considered later.
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(c) Mr. H.A. Powell:

The Vice-Chancellor discussed with the Interim Council a letter, dated 27th November, from Professor Firth, in which the Professor mentioned a suggestion made to him that the University should contribute some £250 to the field expenses of Mr. H.A. Powell, who had been awarded a scholarship by the Emslie Horniman Anthropological Scholarship Fund. The scholarship was for two years, one of which was to be spent in the study of Massim cultures and culture change in the Trobriand Islands.

Professor Firth was of opinion that Mr. Powell was a first-rate scholar, and that the work he proposed to do would be of great interest to the Research School of Pacific Studies. He had consulted Professor Nadel, who agreed in supporting the proposal.

It was resolved that further information be sought concerning Mr. Powell's status and the emoluments of his scholarship; that he be considered for election as a Research Scholar of the University; and that, if elected, he be allowed to retain his Horniman Scholarship, its emoluments being taken into account in fixing the value of his University award.

17. APPOINTMENT OF ACCOUNTANT:

The Interim Council considered a summary of the applications received for appointment to the position of Accountant, and the report thereon of the Committee appointed at the 34th Meeting (see Minutes, paragraph 13).

It was resolved that the three applicants whom the Committee considered best fitted for the appointment be interviewed at the next meeting of the Interim Council.

18. ARRANGEMENTS DURING ABSENCE OF VICE-CHANCELLOR AND REGISTRAR:

It was resolved that during the Vice-Chancellor's forthcoming absence in New Zealand the Chairman be authorised to act on the Vice-Chancellor's behalf in urgent matters, and that during the Registrar's absence on leave in January, 1950, his Assistant (Mr. Maurice Brown) be authorised to sign cheques on the University's account.

19. LIBRARY: REPORT OF LIBRARIAN:

(a) A report prepared by the Librarian on the progress of the Library up to 22nd November, 1949, was before the Interim Council.

It was resolved that consideration of the report be deferred until a later meeting.

(b) It was resolved that a Committee comprising Mr. Goodes and Mr. Brown be appointed to consider certain matters connected with the proposed overseas visit of the Librarian during 1950.
20. CLASSIFICATION OF ACADEMIC STAFF:

The Interim Council received a statement of the conditions of appointment of Research Fellows, Senior Research Fellows and Fellows, amended in accordance with the resolution of the last meeting (see Minutes of 35th Meeting, paragraph 13).

21. VISITING SCHOLARS:

(a) Professor E.J. King -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor E.J. King, Professor of Chemical Pathology in the University of London, would be in Sydney in January, 1950, and that he had invited Professor King to visit Canberra if his itinerary permitted.

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor's action be confirmed.

(b) Sir Henry Tizard -

The Vice-Chancellor said that in a recent private letter it had been mentioned that Sir Henry Tizard would retire during 1950 and would welcome an opportunity for an extended visit to Australia. The Vice-Chancellor thought that Sir Henry should be invited to visit Australia during 1951, and perhaps to lead a seminar in connection with the Jubilee Year Conferences on the development of fundamental research in science and the application of scientific research.

It was resolved to ask the Vice-Chancellor to pursue this matter at his discretion, and to keep in touch concerning it with such of the scientific members of the Interim Council as might be available.

22. ACADEMIC ORGANISATION:

(a) (Deferred from 35th Meeting - see Minutes, paragraph 6(b) - and also Minutes of Academic Advisory Committee, 16th Meeting, paragraph 17).

Deferred.

(b) Use of the Title "Director" -

Sir David Rivett gave notice that at the next meeting of the Interim Council he would move that the use of the title "Director" in connection with appointments in the University be discontinued. He said he had the term "Principal" in mind as an alternative, and during the discussion the term "Dean" was also mentioned.

23. AWARD OF DEGREES:

(Deferred from 35th Meeting - see Minutes of Academic Advisory Committee, 15th Meeting, paragraph 6).

Deferred.
24. MOTTO:
(Deferred from previous Meetings).
Deferred.

25. INSTITUTE OF COMMONWEALTH STUDIES: GIFT OF FURNITURE:

The Vice-Chancellor referred to a letter received from Professor Hancock, in which it was suggested that the University might like to have the opportunity of presenting a small gift of furniture in Australian wood for use in the offices of the Institute of Commonwealth Studies in London.

It was resolved to authorise the Vice-Chancellor to offer such a gift, at a cost of £100 sterling.

26. COTTAGES ON UNIVERSITY SITE: RENTS:

The Registrar asked that the Interim Council fix rents for the two temporary cottages recently completed on the University site.

It was resolved to fix the rent of the larger cottage at £1.15.0 per week, and that of the smaller cottage at £1.10.0 per week.

The meeting closed at 5.35 p.m.

(R.C. MILLS)
Chairman,
10th February, 1950.
THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

FELLOW

Conditions of Appointment

1. (a) Salary -

A Fellow shall be appointed on a salary range to be established by the Interim Council within the limits £750-1,250 per annum. In addition a cost of living adjustment is payable which is reviewed twice a year.

If he is appointed at less than the maximum salary of the range established, provision will be made for annual increments of £50 until that maximum salary is reached. If a Fellow is stationed in the United Kingdom, his salary will be within the limits £750-1,250 stg.

(b) Superannuation -

The University will contribute to an endowment insurance scheme on the principles of the Federated Superannuation System for Universities in the United Kingdom. The University will deduct 5 per centum of the Fellow's salary to provide his contribution to this scheme.

(c) Travelling and removal expenses -

Reasonable travelling and removal expenses on taking up appointment or subsequently moving to Canberra (where applicable), or both, if necessary, will be paid.

2. Tenure -

(a) A Fellow will normally be appointed for an initial period of five years but will be eligible at the end of that period to be considered for re-appointment until the thirty-first day of December in the year in which he attains the age of 65 years provided that:-

(i) a Fellow may retire at any time after reaching the age of 60 years with superannuation benefits in accordance with the University's superannuation scheme;

(ii) the Council may terminate the appointment of a Fellow at any time for incapacity, inefficiency or misconduct.

(b) Except by special arrangement with the Council a Fellow is required to give six months' notice if he desires to resign his Fellowship before the expiration of the term for which he was appointed.
3. **Outside Work**

A Fellow shall not:

(a) sit in Parliament; nor

(b) engage in paid outside work of any kind or undertake or conduct any paid occupation or business or engage in the practice of any profession, without the permission of the Council. Permission, in general terms, will be given in respect of a reasonable amount of such outside work as examining, lectures, and broadcasting, and for the purposes mentioned in paragraph 5.

4. **Duties**

A Fellow shall devote the whole of his time to the duties of his office. It shall be the primary duty of a Fellow to devote himself to research and the advancement of knowledge in his subject under the supervision of the appropriate Professor, or, if there is no Professor in his subject, of the Director of the Research School.

5. **Visits to other Universities, etc.**

A Fellow may, with the approval of the Vice-Chancellor, on the recommendation of the Director of the Research School, visit other Universities and educational or research institutes, for the purpose of delivering courses of lectures or assisting in research work, and generally for the purpose of maintaining good relations with other bodies interested in teaching and research in Australia.

6. **Study Leave**

Leave for travel will be considered by the Council on the recommendation of the Director; a Fellow may be required to travel in connection with his work in which case an allowance will be made against his expenses.

Leave for short periods for travel, or for attending meetings, in Australia will be granted by the Vice-Chancellor on the recommendation of the Director in cases where such travel is for purposes connected with the research or other duties of the Fellow. In that case, or where the Director recommends to the Vice-Chancellor that travel in Australia by a Fellow for any purpose will be in the interests of the University, the Fellow will receive travelling expenses, consisting of fares plus a daily travelling allowance to be fixed by the Council in accordance with his salary.

7. **Patent Rights**

The decision whether a patent should be taken out in respect of a discovery made in the course of research work, which is a patentable invention, will be made by the Council. The University has adopted the general principle that the results of its research work should be published and made generally available. The University will, therefore, not normally agree to vest in private individuals the right to use University discoveries. There may be exceptional cases in which the best use of an invention might be
ensured if patent rights were held by the University, and this will be decided by the Council.

Where inventions are made by the members of the University staff as a result of investigations not connected with their University duties, it will be for the officer concerned to decide whether he will apply for a patent, but this must be reported to the Council.
Conditions of Appointment of Research Fellows and Senior Research Fellows

1. (a) **Salary** -

The salary of a Senior Research Fellow is £A1,000 p.a.
The salary scale for Research Fellows is £A750-950 p.a.

In addition a cost of living adjustment is payable which is reviewed twice a year.

A Research Fellow will be appointed at a salary in the scale £750-950 selected by the Council according to his research experience and qualifications. If he is appointed at less than the maximum salary, provision will be made for annual increments of £50 until the maximum salary is reached. If a Senior Research Fellow or Research Fellow is stationed in the United Kingdom his salary will be £1,000 sterling or £750-950 sterling, as the case may be.

(b) **Superannuation** -

The University will contribute to an endowment insurance scheme on the principles of the Federated Superannuation System for Universities in the United Kingdom. The University will deduct 5 per centum of the Fellow's salary to provide his contribution to this scheme.

(c) **Travelling and removal expenses** -

Reasonable travelling and removal expenses on taking up appointment or subsequently moving to Canberra (where applicable), or both, if necessary, will be paid.

2. **Tenure** -

The term of Senior Research Fellowships and Research Fellowships will be three years but may be extended to five years. The Council may terminate the appointment of a Senior Research Fellow or Research Fellow at any time for incapacity, inefficiency or misconduct. Except by special arrangement with the Council, a Senior Research Fellow or Research Fellow is required to give six months' notice if he desires to resign his Fellowship before the expiration of the term for which he was appointed.

3. **Outside Work** -

A Senior Research Fellow or Research Fellow shall not -

(a) sit in Parliament; nor

(b) engage in paid outside work of any kind or undertake or conduct any paid occupation or business or engage in the practice of any profession without the permission of the Council. Permission,
3. **Outside Work (Contd.)**

in general terms, will be given in respect of a reasonable amount of such outside work as examining, lectures, and broadcasting, and for the purposes mentioned in paragraph 5.

4. **Duties**

A Senior Research Fellow or Research Fellow shall devote the whole of his time to the duties of his office. It shall be the primary duty of a Senior Research Fellow or Research Fellow to devote himself to research and the advancement of knowledge in his subject under the supervision of the appropriate Professor, or, if there is no Professor, of the Director of the Research School.

5. **Visits to other Universities, etc.**

A Senior Research Fellow or Research Fellow may, with the approval of the Vice-Chancellor, on the recommendation of the Director of the Research School, visit other Universities and educational or research institutes, for the purpose of delivering courses of lectures or assisting in research work, and generally for the purpose of maintaining good relations with other bodies interested in teaching and research in Australia.

6. **Leave**

Leave for short periods for travel, or for attending meetings in Australia, will be granted by the Vice-Chancellor on the recommendation of the Director in cases where such travel is for purposes connected with the Research or other duties of the Senior Research Fellow or Research Fellow. In that case, or where the Director recommends to the Vice-Chancellor that travel in Australia by a Senior Research Fellow or Research Fellow for any purpose will be in the interests of the University, he will receive travelling expenses, consisting of fares plus £1.50 per diem travelling allowance.

7. **Patent Rights**

The decision whether a patent should be taken out in respect of a discovery made in the course of research work, which is a patentable invention, will be made by the Council. The University has adopted the general principle that the results of its research work should be published and made generally available. The University will, therefore, not normally agree to vest in private individuals the right to use University discoveries. There may be exceptional cases in which the best use of an invention might be ensured if patent rights were held by the University, and this will be decided by the Council.

Where inventions are made by the members of the University staff as a result of investigations not connected with their University duties, it will be for the officer concerned to decide whether he will apply for a patent, but this must be reported to the Council.
Minutes of the 37th Meeting of the Interim Council held at the University Offices, Acton, on Friday, February 10th, 1950, at 10 a.m.

Present: Professor R.C. Mills (Chairman), Sir John Medley (Deputy Chairman), The Vice-Chancellor, Mr. K.E. Beazley, Dr. H.C. Coombs, Mr. C.S. Daley, Sir Frederic Eggleston, Sir Robert Garran, Mr. H.J. Goodes, Professor L.H. Martin, Senator J.H. O'Byrne, Sir David Rivett, Professor H.K. Ward, Professor J.G. Wood, Professor R.D. Wright.

The Registrar and his Assistant were in attendance.

1. APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from Professor K.H. Bailey, Mr. A.S. Brown, Senator W.J. Cooper and the Hon. P.C. Spender.

2. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the 36th Meeting, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

3. MEMBERSHIP OF INTERIM COUNCIL:

(a) Professor L.F. Crisp

It was reported that Mr. L.F. Crisp's appointment as Director-General of Post-War Reconstruction had ceased on the winding up of that Department, and that Mr. Crisp had accordingly ceased to be a member of the Interim Council.

It was resolved that a message be sent thanking Mr. Crisp for his services both as a councillor and as Honorary Secretary of the Interim Council from 15th January, 1947, to 29th July, 1947, and extending good wishes to him in his new duties as Professor of Political Science in the Canberra University College.
(b) Senator W.J. Cooper -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had received a letter from Senator the Hon. W.J. Cooper in which Senator Cooper said that his appointment to Ministerial office in the new Government would involve his withdrawal from membership of the Interim Council, but that he would retain a lively interest in the affairs of the University.

It was resolved to ask the Vice-Chancellor to discuss this matter with Senator Cooper and with the Prime Minister.

(c) Minister administering the University Act -

The Interim Council received with pleasure the Vice-Chancellor's report that the Prime Minister (the Right Hon. R.G. Menzies) had himself undertaken the administration of the University Act. The Prime Minister had authorised the Vice-Chancellor to say that he would foster active development of the University in accordance with existing plans, and was keenly interested in its progress.

4. VICE-CHANCELLOR'S VISIT TO NEW ZEALAND:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had spent the period between 29th December and 6th February on a visit to New Zealand. While there he had had conversations with senior academic and administrative officers of the University of New Zealand and its constituent bodies, and with the Minister for External Affairs and the Director-General of Education. In these conversations he had suggested that means should be found to establish a small number of scholarships, especially in Pacific Studies, to enable New Zealand graduates to conduct research at the Australian National University.

In the course of addresses to the Senate of the University of New Zealand in Auckland and at a civic reception in Dunedin, and in a broadcast talk, Professor Copland had expounded the Interim Council's general plans for the development of the University. He had found in New Zealand a clear understanding of the importance of the National University for the advancement of research in the two Dominions.

5. REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE:

The Report of the Finance Committee (see Minutes of the Meeting held on 9th February, 1950) was received.

After discussion, during which attention was drawn to paragraphs 6. Bank Account — Morrison Oration Funds, 8. Architect's Fees, 11. Purchase of Dwellings, and 12. Salaries, it was resolved that the Committee's recommendations be adopted.
6. LIBRARY :

(a) Report of Librarian -

The report prepared by the Librarian on the progress of the Library up to 22nd November, 1949, was again before the Council.

The Registrar recalled that at its meeting of 10th November, 1949, the Finance Committee, after a discussion on library purchases, resolved (Minutes, paragraph 3) to ask the Vice-Chancellor to enquire into and report on this matter; that this resolution was adopted by the Interim Council at its 35th Meeting (Minutes, paragraph 4(d)); and that the matter was dealt with in the report now before the Council.

It was resolved to receive the report; to congratulate the Librarian on the development of the Library and the presentation of the report; and to invite him to meet the Council at its next meeting to discuss the report.

(b) Overseas Visit of Librarian -

It was reported that the Committee appointed at the 36th Meeting of the Interim Council (Minutes, paragraph 19(b)) to consider matters connected with the proposed overseas visit of the Librarian during 1950 had met. The Committee recommended that the visit be approved, and that the University pay Mr. McDonald's fares to the United Kingdom, the United States and return, an allowance of 10/- sterling per day while travelling by sea or air, his hotel accounts for room and meals, and an allowance of 30/- sterling per day while in the United Kingdom, should assistance not be granted by the Carnegie Corporation.

It was resolved that the Committee's recommendations be adopted.

7. BUILDING PROGRAMME :

(a) Report of Buildings and Grounds Committee -

The report of the Buildings and Grounds Committee (see Minutes of the meeting held on 9th February, 1950), incorporating the report of a conference on buildings for the John Curtin School of Medical Research held on 7th February, 1950, was submitted and adopted.

(b) Professor Oliphant's House -

Extracts from Professor Oliphant's letter to the Vice-Chancellor of 19th December, 1949, and copies of the Registrar's letter to Council members of 23rd January, 1950, were before the Council. The Vice-Chancellor said that since the events mentioned in the Registrar's letter
it had been found that the lowest tenderer for the erection of the house was not prepared to proceed with the work, and that negotiations had therefore been carried on with the next lowest tenderer, Messrs. Simmie & Co. of Melbourne. This contractor's price had been £15,426, to which must be added the cost of electrical installation (about £700), and architect's fees at 6 per cent. of the total cost. A reduction bill, which would be discussed with Professor Oliphant, might reduce the cost by about £1,400. The clearing and levelling of the site had begun on 3rd February, 1950.

It was resolved to confirm the action taken by the Registrar as set out in his letter dated 23rd January, 1950, and to empower the Vice-Chancellor to authorise contracts with Messrs. Simmie & Co. and others for the erection of the house.

8. REPORT OF THE ACADEMIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

The Interim Council considered the report of the Academic Advisory Committee (17th Meeting, 13th January, 1950).

(a) Professor Albert's Publications

The reference in paragraph 8 of the Committee's report concerning Professor Albert's publications was noted with pleasure.

(b) Publication

The Registrar reported that he was investigating the facilities for specialist publication in Australia (see paragraph 11 of the Committee's report) and would place the results of his enquiries before the Academic Advisory Committee.

9. SCHOLARS:

(a) Award of Scholarships, 1950

The Council considered the report of a meeting of the Scholarships Committee held on 9th February, 1950, and in accordance with that report it was resolved as follows:

(i) Social Sciences

Scholarships awarded to:
B.D. Cameron,
A.R. Hall,
H. Mulhall,
R.W. Parsons,
C.M. Williams.

In awarding five Scholarships in this field the Council had in mind the recommendation as to Research Fellowships in the Social Sciences noted in paragraph 10(a)(ii) below.
(11) Pacific Studies -

Scholarships awarded to -

Miss A.M. McArthur,
Mr. A.C. Mayer (see Minutes, 30th Meeting, paragraph 11(h)(i)),
Mr. G.H. Nadel.

A grant in aid of £250 sterling made to Mr. H.A. Powell as recommended by Professor Firth.

The Registrar drew attention to the fact that Mr. Mayer and possibly Miss McArthur would be engaged in field work, and that Mr. Nadel wished to study in the United States. It was agreed that estimates of Miss McArthur's special expenses be sought.

(iii) Physical Sciences -

A scholarship awarded to Mr. C.A. Hurst, and the Vice-Chancellor empowered to make further awards in this field after further consultation with Professor Martin and Professor Oliphant.

(iv) Medicine -

Scholarships awarded to -

J.H. Bennett,
G.A. Bentley,
J.B. Davenport,
L.F. Dodson,
F.W.E. Gibson,

and, subject to further consultation with Sir Howard Florey, to R.D. Brown.

It was resolved that the Scholarships Committee be asked to review the emoluments paid to scholars of the University, and to comment on future policy as to the award of Scholarships.

(b) Allowances for Scholars Working in the Field -

The Vice-Chancellor recalled that the Interim Council at its 33rd Meeting declined to adopt a general statement of principle submitted by Professor Firth, in which it was suggested that where a scholar's wife could be shown to be of distinct value to her husband's research in the field it would be reasonable for the University to pay her fares and any special expenses incurred. The Council at that time had held that scholars, as persons receiving supervised training in research, would not in general be doing a sufficiently substantial piece of work to justify meeting their wives' expenses.
In a more recent memorandum of 8th November, 1949, submitted to the Academic Advisory Committee at its 16th Meeting, and now before the Council, Professor Firth took the view that a scholar undertaking investigations of an anthropological or allied character involving first-hand observation of an alien people is making a distinct contribution to knowledge. He suggested that in such cases "special expenses such as extra stationery, copying and translation of documents, and wives' field expenses where they can make a field contribution ..... be borne on the budget of the School of Pacific Studies."

The Interim Council considered the resolutions of the Academic Advisory Committee on this matter at its 16th Meeting (Minutes, paragraph 10(c)).

After discussion, it was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor be asked to write to the Academic Advisory Committee, indicating that the Interim Council had in mind the following resolutions:

(i) that scholars may be reimbursed field expenses (including the cost of the translation and copying of documents and of stationery) on the Vice-Chancellor's authority after consultation with the Director (or Adviser) of the School concerned, where the translation is not an integral element in the scholars' training: in such cases the documents will become the property of the University and be reported to the Librarian.

(ii) that the Interim Council will make a contribution to the expenses of a scholar's wife where a Director (or Adviser) is of opinion that the scholar, while working under his scholarship, is capable of making a distinct contribution to knowledge (and is not simply obtaining research training) and that his wife is qualified to make a contribution of value to her husband's research.

(c) Mr. A.C. Mayer -

The Committee appointed by the Interim Council at its 36th Meeting (Minutes, paragraph 11(a)(ii)) to decide field expenses to be paid in the cases of Miss Crozier and Mr. Mayer had referred back to the Council the question of whether the University should pay Mrs. Mayer's fare from Sydney to Suva and return, and other field expenses associated with her participation in the expedition. The Registrar read a passage from a letter dated /20th November.
20th November, 1949, in which Professor Firth, after mentioning Mrs. Mayer's qualifications and field experience, recommended that the University meet these expenses.

It was resolved that the University meet the expenses mentioned.

10. RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS IN THE SOCIAL SCIENCES:

(a) Awards for 1950 -

The Council considered the report of a meeting of the Committee on the award of Research Fellowships in the Social Sciences held on 9th February, 1950, and on the advice of that Committee it was resolved:

(i) that, in the absence of any candidate worthy of an award, no Research Fellowships in the Social Sciences be awarded in 1950. It was reported that Professor Wheare had concurred in this view.

(ii) that, as the Council considers that the award of Research Fellowships in the Social Sciences, which has been made in each of the preceding three years, has now fulfilled its purpose, no further awards of this kind should be offered.

(b) Mr. G. Rudduck - Reports on Work -

The same committee had received three manuscript volumes embodying reports on the work done abroad under a Fellowship by Mr. G. Rudduck, and had been informed that another volume would shortly be presented.

On the Committee's advice it was resolved that Dr. Coombs be asked to consider the reports and make recommendations as to their publication.

11. APPOINTMENT OF ACCOUNTANT:

In accordance with the resolution of the 36th Meeting (Minutes, paragraph 17) the Interim Council interviewed three candidates for appointment as Accountant - Messrs. W.L. Burke, T.H. Cranston and W.S. Hamilton.

After discussion it was resolved on the motion of Sir John Medley, seconded by Professor Martin, that the Vice-Chancellor be empowered to appoint one of these candidates on the approved conditions.
12. JOHN CURTIN SCHOOL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH:

(a) Department of Biochemistry -

(i) Appointment of Reader -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Ennor had requested that a Readership in Biochemistry be created, and that Sir Howard Florey, whose plan for the establishment of the Department of Biochemistry included provision for such an appointment, supported the request. He therefore proposed to advertise a Readership.

The report was received.

(ii) Research Fellowship in Biophysics -

Applications for this appointment having been received, it was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor be empowered to make the appointment after consulting Sir Howard Florey.

(iii) Secretary to the Department -

The Registrar reported that Miss E. Furlonger had resigned from the position of Secretary to the Department of Biochemistry, and that steps were being taken to replace her.

(iv) Appointment of Laboratory Assistant -

A report was received from the Vice-Chancellor that he had appointed Mr. R. Frater Laboratory Assistant in the Department of Biochemistry at a commencing salary of £235 per annum plus a cost of living adjustment of £30 per annum from 31st January, 1950.

(b) Department of Medical Chemistry -

(i) Annual Report -

The annual report of the Department of Medical Chemistry which had been circulated to the Interim Council was received, and noted with approval.

(ii) Dr. D.J. Brown -

The Interim Council considered letters from Sir Howard Florey dated 18th October and 22nd November, 1949, recommending, on Professor Albert's advice, the appointment of Dr. D.J. Brown as permanent Fellow in the Department of Medical Chemistry.

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After full discussion it was resolved that Dr. Brown be appointed a Fellow in the Department of Medical Chemistry on the approved conditions for the appointment of Fellows at an initial salary of £750 plus cost of living adjustment.

The Vice-Chancellor drew attention to the fact that the correspondence before the Council contemplated the appointment of three permanent Fellows in this Department. The Vice-Chancellor stated that he would write further to Sir Howard on this point, as well as on the question of a salary range for Dr. Brown, and a commencing date for his new appointment.

(c) **Department of Microbiology** -

(i) **Annual Report** -

The annual report of the Department of Microbiology, which had been circulated to the Interim Council, was received and noted with approval.

(d) **Department of Physiology - Chair** -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that, following previous correspondence with Sir Howard Florey, he had had conversations during his New Zealand visit with Professor J.C. Eccles, M.B., B.S.(Melb.), M.A., D.Phil.(Oxon.), F.R.A.C.P., F.R.S., Professor of Physiology in the University of Otago. Professor Eccles had, at the Vice-Chancellor's suggestion, agreed to visit Australia to meet members of the Council and to join in discussions on buildings for the John Curtin School.

Professor Wright referred to Professor Eccles' distinguished career and world reputation as a research worker in physiology. The Vice-Chancellor said that if the University were to appoint Professor Eccles to a Chair, he thought that he would not be able fully to take up office for some three or four years, but that in the meantime he would have adequate and increasing opportunities to develop his research in Dunedin.

Professor Eccles was then introduced to the Interim Council, and in the course of discussion, made comments on the proposed medical buildings, the organisation of medical departments, and his own reactions to the suggestion that he should consider joining the staff of the Australian National University. He then withdrew from the meeting, the Chairman having thanked him for his attendance.

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After discussion, it was resolved that Sir Howard Florey be authorised to invite Professor Eccles to accept appointment as Professor of Physiology in the John Curtin School of Medical Research at a salary of £2,500 per annum, and otherwise on the approved conditions for the appointment of Professors.

(e) Appointment of Laboratory Manager -

The Vice-Chancellor stated that some 100 applications had been received for this appointment and that reports on promising Australian candidates would be sent to Sir Howard Florey. He said that Sir Howard contemplated that the person appointed would spend a period of training in laboratories in the United Kingdom and the United States of America.

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor be empowered to make the appointment in consultation with Sir Howard Florey, and to arrange for the Laboratory Manager to gain experience overseas in accordance with Sir Howard's recommendation.

(f) Sir Howard Florey - Proposed Visit to Australia -

The Vice-Chancellor reminded the Council that it had been contemplated for some time that Sir Howard Florey would visit Australia during 1950, and that financial provision for such a visit was made in the estimates for 1949-50. Sir Howard had now indicated that he could come in July and August, 1950.

It was agreed that an invitation be issued to Sir Howard accordingly.

(g) Australian Institute of Anatomy -

The Council received a report from the Vice-Chancellor that he was in consultation with Sir Howard Florey, Lady MacKenzie, the Minister for Health (Sir Earle Page) and Professors Ward and Wright on the question of the future of the Australian Institute of Anatomy.

13. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES:

(a) Appointment of Staff -

(i) Professor of Physics -

It was reported that Dr. Titterton had accepted the Interim Council's invitation to occupy the Chair of Physics, and it was resolved to appoint Dr. E.W. Titterton Professor of Physics as from 30th September, 1950, on the approved conditions for the appointment of Professors.
(ii) **Research Fellow** -

A report was received that Mr. J.W. Blarney took up duty as a Research Fellow on 1st January, 1950.

(iii) **Technical Staff** -

It was reported that in accordance with the request of the Interim Council at its 36th Meeting (Minutes, paragraph 14(a)(iii)) the Vice-Chancellor had fixed the salaries of the senior technical officers in the Research School of Physical Sciences as follows:

(A) **Mr. S.R. Cornick** - placed in a range of £900 to £1,000 per annum, plus cost of living adjustment, with £25 annual increments, the first such increment becoming effective on 1st January, 1950.

(B) **Mr. M.P. Edwards** - placed in a range of £700 to £900 per annum, plus cost of living adjustment, with £25 annual increments, the first such increment becoming effective on 1st January, 1950.

(C) **Mr. H.S. Tomlinson** - to be dealt with, if appointed, in the same way as Mr. Edwards.

This action was noted.

(iv) **Dr. E. Orowan** -

The Vice-Chancellor referred to a passage in a letter from Professor Oliphant of 19th December, 1949, in which Professor Oliphant suggested that Dr. Orowan, of the Cavendish Laboratory and Caius College, Cambridge, an authority on the plasticity and strength of materials, might be invited to occupy a Chair of Physics of the Solid State in the School of Physical Sciences. He understood that Dr. Orowan's work would require capital equipment to the value of about £30,000 sterling and annual running costs amounting to about £3,000 sterling.

The Vice-Chancellor said that he had reason to believe that the leading metallurgical companies of Australia might be prepared to meet the cost of the capital equipment required for Dr. Orowan's work should he join the staff.
It was resolved to ask the Vice-Chancellor to continue discussions in this matter, and, if the capital sum could be provided, to empower Professor Oliphant to invite Dr. Orowan to accept a Chair of Physics of the Solid State on the approved conditions for the appointment of Professors.

(b) Professor H.S.V. Massey -

The Vice-Chancellor said that he had written to Professor Massey saying that the Interim Council did not feel able to offer him appointment to the staff on the terms he had suggested (see 36th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 14(a)). This reply had been made after advice had been received from Professor Oliphant in his cable of 22nd December, 1949.

(c) Finance -

A letter dated 14th December, 1949, had been received from Professor Oliphant concerning the finances of the Research School of Physical Sciences.

It was resolved that the letter be referred to the Finance Committee for report, the Interim Council recording its full realisation that substantial increases on figures previously mentioned in connection with finance will be inescapable.

14. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES:

(a) Chair of Economics -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the Committee on the establishment of the Research School of Social Sciences had considered a letter from Professor Wheare, dated 17th January, 1950, in which Professor Wheare outlined the results of enquiries he had made about Mr. T.W. Swan, and intimated that he would approve his appointment to a Chair of Economics.

On the Committee's recommendation it was resolved to empower the Vice-Chancellor to invite Mr. Swan to accept the Chair on the approved conditions for the appointment of Professors, after further consultation with the electoral board appointed by the Interim Council at its 23rd Meeting (Minutes, paragraph 12) - Sir Henry Clay, Professor Wheare (vice Professor Hancock, originally appointed) and Professor J.R. Hicks.

/(b) Readerships -
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(i) The Sources of Australian History -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the applications received for this appointment would be submitted for advice to the electoral board established when the Readership was created - the Vice-Chancellor, Professor R.M. Crawford, Mr. H.L. White and Professor K.C. Wheare (vice Professor Hancock, originally appointed) (see Minutes of 24th Meeting of Interim Council, paragraph 15(a)).

(ii) Economics -

Deferred.

(iii) Statistics -

It was resolved to ask the Vice-Chancellor to make further enquiries about an appointment in Statistics, the possibility of the creation of a Chair of Statistical Theory having been raised by Professor Wheare in correspondence with the Vice-Chancellor.

(iv) Political Science -

It was resolved that applications for this appointment be submitted for advice to a Committee comprising the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Bailey, Dr. Coombs and Sir Frederic Eggleston, in consultation with Professor Wheare.

(c) Research Assistant in Demography -

A report was received that the Vice-Chancellor had, in pursuance of the authority given by the Interim Council at its 35th Meeting (Minutes, paragraph 15(a)(ii)), appointed Mr. D.R. Packer to this position for two years from a date to be fixed, at an initial salary of £450 per annum.

15. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PACIFIC STUDIES:

(a) Staff -

(i) Reader in Comparative Social Institutions

A report was received that Dr. W.E.H. Stanner had accepted this appointment (Interim Council, 34th Meeting, paragraph 14(iv)) as from 1st September, 1949.
(ii) **Visiting Readerships in Oriental Studies**

(A) **Mr. C.P. Fitzgerald** -

A report was received that Mr. C.P. Fitzgerald had accepted the invitation to this appointment (Interim Council, 36th Meeting, paragraph 16(a)(ii)(C)).

It was accordingly resolved that Mr. Fitzgerald be appointed Visiting Reader in Oriental Studies for three years as from a date to be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor, at an initial salary of £1,350 per annum.

(B) **General Question** -

The Interim Council noted the comments of the Academic Advisory Committee on the proposal to appoint Visiting Readers in Oriental Studies (17th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 12) and asked the Vice-Chancellor to write to Professor Firth expounding the Council's views.

(iii) **Professor W.R. Crocker** -

The Council received a report that arrangements had been made for Professor Crocker to return from the United States to Australia by way of the United Kingdom, at an estimated additional cost to the University of $300. While in England he would confer with Professor Firth and with other members of the staff of the Research School of Pacific Studies.

(b) **Political and Resources Atlas** -

The Registrar reported that a conference of persons interested in this project would be held in Canberra on February 13th, in accordance with the resolution of the Interim Council at its 36th Meeting (Minutes, paragraph 16(b)).

(c) **George Bogese** -

The Vice-Chancellor said that he was in correspondence about a suggestion made by Professor A.P. Elkin in a letter dated 24th January, 1950, that the University might subsidise certain anthropological work to be done by George Bogese, an educated Solomon Islander, and that he would raise the matter at a future meeting.
16. VISITING SCHOLARS:

(a) Professor J.T. Wilson -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Wilson had accepted the Interim Council's invitation (35th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 14), and expected to arrive in Australia in July, 1950.

(b) Mr. J.S. Furnivall -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Mr. Furnivall had accepted the Interim Council's invitation, subject to his obtaining leave from the Government of Burma.

(c) Professor Jacob Viner -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Viner was not able to accept the Interim Council's invitation.

(d) Professor C.H. Driver -

It was reported that no reply had yet been received from Professor Driver.

(e) Sir Henry Tizard -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Sir Henry Tizard had replied expressing interest in a visit to Australia in connection with the proposed Jubilee seminars, and that further discussions with him were proceeding.

(f) Dr. E.F. Hartree -

The Interim Council considered a letter of 16th December, 1949, from the Secretary of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation, suggesting that the University might be disposed to sponsor a visit to Australia by Dr. E.F. Hartree, of the Molteno Institute, Cambridge.

It was resolved that a reply be sent to the letter indicating that the Interim Council had already laid its plans for visiting scholars for 1950-51, and did not feel free to accede to the suggestion.

(g) Professor H. Jeffreys -

A letter from Professor K.E. Bullen dated 30th December, 1949, was submitted, in which Professor Bullen suggested the name of Professor H. Jeffreys of Cambridge as a visiting scholar.

It was resolved that Professor Bullen be informed that the Council's plans for visitors in 1950-51 are complete, but that the Vice-Chancellor should be asked to seek Professor Oliphant's advice as to whether Professor Jeffreys might be considered when the programme for 1951-52 is being discussed.
The Council considered a letter dated 25th January, 1950, from Sir David Rivett, in which Sir David suggested that the Council might invite Sir Henry Dale to visit Canberra at the time of his forthcoming visit to New Zealand.

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor be asked to approach Sir Henry, and, if satisfactory arrangements appeared possible, to issue an invitation to him to visit Canberra.

17. ACADEMIC ORGANISATION:

(a) General Question -

This matter had been deferred from the 35th Meeting of the Interim Council, and had been recently considered by the Academic Advisory Committee at its 16th Meeting (Minutes, paragraph 17) and its 17th Meeting (Minutes, paragraph 4).

Copies of a letter of 28th January, 1950, written to the Vice-Chancellor by Sir Howard Florey after the 17th Meeting of the Academic Advisory Committee, were circulated to members of the Interim Council.

After discussion, it was resolved to ask the Vice-Chancellor to reply personally to Sir Howard Florey on this matter.

(b) Sir David Rivett's Motion: Use of the term "Director" -

Deferred.

18. AWARD OF DEGREES:

Deferred.

19. MOTTO:

Deferred.

The meeting closed at 5.10 p.m.

(R.C. MILLS)
Chairman
10th March, 1950.
Minutes of the 38th Meeting of the Interim Council held at the University Offices, Acton, on Friday, March 10th, 1950, at 10 a.m.

Present: Professor R.C. Mills (Chairman), The Vice-Chancellor, Professor K.H. Bailey, Mr. K.E. Beasley, Dr. H.C. Coombs, Mr. C.S. Daley, Sir Robert Garren, Mr. H.J. Goode, Senator J.H. O'Byrne, Sir David Rivett, Professor H.K. Ward, Professor J.G. Wood, Professor R.D. Wright.

The Registrar and his Assistant were in attendance.

APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. A.S. Brown, Senator the Hon. W.J. Cooper, Sir Frederic Eggleston, Professor L.H. Martin, Sir John Medley and the Hon. P.C. Spender.

1. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the 37th Meeting, copies of which had been circulated, were received.

It was resolved that the following section be added to paragraph 15(a) of the Minutes – Research School of Pacific Studies: Staff –

"(iv) Research Fellowships in Anthropology –

It was reported that Professor Firth had recommended the appointment of Dr. C.S. Belshaw and Dr. K.E. Read as Research Fellows in Anthropology. It was resolved that Dr. Belshaw and Dr. Read be appointed Research Fellows in Anthropology on the approved conditions for the appointment of Research Fellows, at commencing salaries of £750 in each case, the commencing dates to be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor".

Subject to the qualification mentioned, it was resolved that the Minutes be taken as read, and confirmed.

2. COMMONWEALTH COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY NEEDS:

The Chairman recalled that on October 25th, 1949, Mr. Chifley, as Prime Minister, had announced the appointment of a Committee to review the situation and needs of the Universities in the Australian States. Since his assumption of office, the present Prime Minister had asked the Australian Vice-Chancellors' Committee to nominate an additional member
of the Committee, and the Vice-Chancellors had nominated Professor Copland. The Chairman, after consulting the Deputy Chairman, had informed the Vice-Chancellors' Committee that the Interim Council would be agreeable to this nomination. Mr. Menzies had now appointed Professor Copland to the Committee, and asked it for an early report.

It was resolved that this information be noted, and the Chairman's action confirmed.

3. MEMBERSHIP OF THE INTERIM COUNCIL:

(a) Senator the Hon. W.J. Cooper -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he was in touch with Senator Cooper and the Prime Minister concerning Senator Cooper's membership of the Interim Council.

(b) Professor L.F. Crisp -

It was reported that a letter had been received from Professor Crisp thanking the Interim Council for its message of appreciation and good wishes on the occasion of his withdrawal from the Council.

(c) Sir Frederic Eggleston -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had received a letter from Sir Frederic Eggleston in which Sir Frederic said that the state of his health would not allow him to travel to Canberra for meetings of the Interim Council.

It was resolved that, in view of Sir Frederic's intimate association with the University and especially with the foundation of the Research Schools of Social Sciences and Pacific Studies, he be invited to remain a member, and that he continue to be consulted on appropriate matters.

4. AWARD OF DEGREES:

The Vice-Chancellor recalled that at its 31st Meeting the Interim Council referred to the Academic Advisory Committee a letter from Professor Emnor, dated 29th June, 1949, concerning the award of the Degree of M.Sc. At its 15th Meeting the Academic Advisory Committee considered the matter, and recommended (Minutes, paragraph 6) that the Interim Council should institute an M.Sc. degree to be given after two years' work in the University. The Committee also recommended that there should be at least one examiner for both M.Sc. and Ph.D. candidatures.

The Vice-Chancellor suggested that the Academic Advisory Committee should now be asked to consider this matter more fully on lines which he outlined to the meeting.

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor be asked to write outlining the discussion, and inviting the Academic Advisory Committee to amplify its proposals for a Master's degree and to advise also on -
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(a) the provision of a Doctorate at the level of Ph.D. for scholars working under special temporary conditions (such as with Professor Albert in London) as well as under normal conditions when the Research Schools are established in Canberra;

(b) the provision of a higher Doctorate;

(c) admission ad eundem statum and the conferring of honorary degrees.

Members expressed the hope that the Committee would offer advice on the pre-requisites for candidature, the period of work, and the nature of and the procedure for the examination to be prescribed in respect of each degree to be established.

5. LIBRARY — INTERVIEW WITH LIBRARIAN:

Pursuant to the resolution of the Interim Council at its 37th Meeting (Minutes, paragraph 6(a)) the Librarian attended, and discussed various matters arising out of his report on the development of the Library up to November, 1949, and certain other questions of concern to the Library.

Mr. McDonald said that the Library now contained some 30,000 bound volumes.

Following a meeting of Medical Professors in Oxford during 1949, Mr. McDonald had been asked to buy duplicate copies of the current numbers of some 36 medical periodicals, and of six chemical journals, to enable these publications to be kept in Departmental Libraries as well as in the Central Library. The Council discussed the question of establishing Departmental Libraries, and came to the general view that some duplication would clearly be necessary; that the utmost flexibility of procedures should be maintained; that any Departmental collections should be maintained in close consultation with the Librarian; that back numbers of periodicals should be duplicated only in response to an exceptionally strong case; and that Mr. McDonald should while in England consult the Academic Advisory Committee about the general question of Departmental Libraries.

It was resolved—

(a) to authorise the purchase of duplicate current numbers of the 36 medical periodicals mentioned,

(b) to empower the Librarian to negotiate, either in Australia or abroad, for the appointment of a binder for the Library.

During his further remarks Mr. McDonald stressed the need for adequate accommodation in Canberra, not only for books, but for library staff and services, and for readers.

He expressed confidence that a satisfactory arrangement could be reached with the National Library to prevent unnecessary duplication of purchases and effort.

The Chairman expressed the Council's thanks to the Librarian and its good wishes for his impending visit abroad, and Mr. McDonald withdrew.
6. **ACADEMIC ORGANISATION**:

Pursuant to notice given at the 36th Meeting of the Interim Council (Minutes, paragraph 22(b)), Sir David Rivett moved that the use of the title "Director" in connection with appointments in the University be discontinued. Sir David said that the term "Director" had authoritarian implications which would be inappropriate in University research.

The Vice-Chancellor recalled that the Academic Advisory Committee considered this point at its 17th Meeting (Minutes, paragraph 10), and expressed the opinion that "Principal" would not be a suitable substitute for "Director", but that it would have no objection to the use of either "Dean" or "Chairman" for this purpose.

After discussion, during which some doubts were expressed about the terms "Dean" and "Chairman" on the ground that they normally connote elective offices, the Council carried an amendment proposed by Dr. Coombs and seconded by Professor Bailey, that the matter should be referred to the Academic Advisory Committee for further consideration, with the suggestion that a final decision might best be left until the Research Schools were in substantial operation and it were possible to consult the eventual academic body.

7. **FINANCE COMMITTEE**:

(a) **Report of the Committee** -

The report of the Finance Committee (see Minutes of the Meeting held on 9th March, 1950) was received.

During discussion, attention was drawn to paragraph 5. Authority to Operate on Bank Accounts. 6. Purchase of Utility Vehicle for University. 7. Purchase of Dwellings. 9. School of Physical Sciences - Finance, and 10. Residence to be occupied by the Registrar.

It was resolved in the case of paragraph 10, Residence to be occupied by the Registrar, to ask the Finance Committee to reconsider the precise nature of the arrangement proposed, and, if it felt unable to confirm the approval it had given to the arrangement, to authorize additional expenditure of up to £200 on the house.

With the qualification mentioned, it was resolved that the Committee's recommendations be adopted.

(b) **Membership of the Committee** -

Sir David Rivett said that, as he was unable to attend its meetings, he wished to withdraw from the Finance Committee. The Vice-Chancellor undertook to consider this matter.
8. JOHN CURTIN SCHOOL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH:

Dr. A.H. Ennor, Professor of Biochemistry, and Dr. F.J. Fenner, Professor of Microbiology, attended by invitation.

(a) Department of Biochemistry - Appointment of Research Fellow in Biophysics -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the candidate selected as most suitable for this appointment had been unable to accept appointment, and that Professor Ennor was making further enquiries about filling the post.

(b) Reports by Professors -

Professors Ennor and Fenner briefly addressed the Council on the work of their Departments.

The Chairman thanked the Professors, who then withdrew.

(c) Department of Physiology -

(i) Professor J.C. Eccles -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Eccles' reply dated 24th February, 1950, to the invitation authorised at the previous meeting (Minutes, paragraph 12(d)) had been received and circulated to members. Sir Howard Florey's advice was awaited, and certain matters, e.g. that of superannuation, would be taken up with Professor Eccles.

The Vice-Chancellor also reported that he had invited Professor Eccles to visit Australia during Sir Howard Florey's visit later in the year.

It was resolved that the information given be noted: that the Vice-Chancellor's action be confirmed; and that in connection with Professor Eccles' proposed visit, approval be given to the payment of Professor Eccles' return fares from New Zealand to Canberra, and an allowance of £2 Australian per day during his visit.

(d) Appointment of Laboratory Manager -

The Registrar reported that Sir Howard Florey was considering the English applications for this appointment, as well as a short list of the Australian applicants prepared by Professors Ennor and Fenner.
9. **BUILDING PROGRAMME** :

(a) **Report of the Buildings and Grounds Committee** -

The report of the Buildings and Grounds Committee (see Minutes of the Meeting held on 9th March, 1950) was received, and it was resolved that the Committee's recommendations be adopted.

10. **SCHOLARS** :

(a) **Award of Scholarships, 1950** -

(i) **Physical Sciences** -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that, in terms of the authority of the Council at its 37th Meeting (see Minutes, paragraph 9(a)(iii)) and after further consultation with Professor Oliphant and Professor Martin, he had awarded Scholarships, in addition to that already awarded to Mr. C.A. Hurst, to -

- Mr. M.J. Buckingham,
- Mr. J.R. Prescott,
- Mr. I.F. Wright.

(ii) **Medicine** -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had written to Sir Howard Florey explaining the Council's views on the Scholarships Committee's recommendation of the award of a Scholarship to Mr. R.D. Brown, and that he had not yet received a reply.

The Vice-Chancellor also reported that Sir Howard Florey had, after interview, recommended the award of a Scholarship to Dr. H.M. Carey, a Sydney graduate in Science and Medicine, who was working in England and wished to continue physiological research.

It was resolved to empower the Vice-Chancellor to decide the award in the light of further consultation with Sir Howard Florey.

(iii) **Pacific Studies** -

The Registrar reported that he was awaiting a reply from Professor Firth to his enquiry as to whether there would be any field expenses involved in Miss A.M. McArthur's Scholarship.
He also said that a request was being made for the provision of dollar funds to cover Mr. G.H. Nadel's Scholarship, if other possible sources of assistance failed or were inadequate. He suggested that Mr. Nadel's allowance be fixed at $2,500 per annum, to be reduced by the amount of any other similar assistance obtained for Mr. Nadel. It was resolved that this suggestion be adopted.

(b) **Allowances for Scholars working in the Field**

It was reported that the resolutions suggested to govern this matter (37th Meeting of the Interim Council, Minutes, paragraph 9(b)) were before the Academic Advisory Committee.

(c) **Mr. C.P. Haddon-Cave**

The Registrar reported that Mr. Haddon-Cave, a Scholar in Economics whose second year of tenure would expire in November, 1950, had applied for an extension of his scholarship for a third year. The application was supported by Mr. Haddon-Cave's supervisor at King's College, Cambridge.

It was resolved to empower the Vice-Chancellor to extend Mr. Haddon-Cave's Scholarship for a third year on the recommendation of Professor Wheare.

11. **RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES**:

(a) **Dr. E. Orowan**

The Vice-Chancellor informed the Council that he was still negotiating for support from leading metallurgical undertakings for the buildings and equipment which would be needed were Dr. Orowan to be appointed to a Chair in the University.

(b) **Movements of Director**

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Oliphant and his family would leave England in the "Orcades" on July 11th, 1950.

(c) **Dr. R. v.d.R. Woolley**

In answer to a question from Sir David Rivett, the Vice-Chancellor said that further discussions would be held shortly concerning the details of the proposed association between Dr. Woolley and the University, but that he did not intend to recommend the final implementation of the agreement until Professor Oliphant arrived in Australia.
12. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES:

(a) Chair of Economics -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had written to Professor Wheare about the appointment of Mr. T.W. Swan to the Chair of Economics, in accordance with the decision of the Council at its previous meeting, and was awaiting a reply.

(b) Chair of Theoretical Statistics -

Readerships in Economics and Statistics -

The Vice-Chancellor said that he was continuing discussions with Professor Wheare on this matter.

On the recommendation of the Committee appointed at the 36th Meeting (Minutes, paragraph 15(a)(i)) it was resolved that, subject to Professor Wheare's concurrence, Mr. H.P. Brown be appointed Reader in Economic Statistics, at a salary of £1,500 per annum, and otherwise on the approved conditions for the appointment of Readers, to commence on a date to be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor.

(c) Reader in Political Science -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the applications for this appointment had been considered by the committee appointed at the 37th Meeting (Minutes, paragraph 14(b)(iv)), and that the committee's recommendations had been sent to Professor Wheare.

It was resolved to empower the Vice-Chancellor to make the appointment after consultation with Professor Wheare.

13. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PACIFIC STUDIES:

(a) Department of Anthropology -

(i) Reader in Comparative Social Institutions -

The Registrar reported that Dr. W.E.H. Stanner left London on 28th February for six weeks, to complete work for the Government of Uganda. He intended to come to Canberra as soon as possible, and was in touch with Professors Firth and Nadel about his plans.

(b) Political and Resources Atlas -

A report prepared following a meeting of the committee approved by the Interim Council at its 36th Meeting (Minutes, paragraph 16(b)) was submitted. The report had been sent to Professor Firth.

It was resolved that further consideration be deferred pending Professor Firth's advice.

(c) George Bogese -
The Registrar recalled that a suggestion had been received from Professor Elkin that the University might subsidise certain anthropological work to be done by George Bogese, an educated Solomon Islander (37th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 15(c)). Professor Firth had now written approving the proposal, but suggesting that further enquiries should be made about the work; that the University should not begin its assistance until Professor Nadel's arrival in Australia; and that assistance should in the first instance be for one year only.

It was resolved to empower the Vice-Chancellor to grant assistance to Mr. Bogese at the rate of £15 Australian per month, to commence on a date to be fixed in consultation with Professor Nadel.

14. VISITING SCHOLARS:

(a) Mr. J.S. Furnivall -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Mr. J.S. Furnivall had received approval from the Government of Burma to visit Australia (see Minutes of 37th Meeting, paragraph 16(b)), and expected to spend three months in Australia from August to October, 1950.

(b) Professor C.H. Driver -

It was reported that no response had been received from Professor Driver to the invitation issued to him.

(c) Sir Ivor Jennings -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that arrangements for Sir Ivor Jennings' visit were in hand, and that a copy of his itinerary would be circulated to members. A seminar of scholars of government and of constitutional law would take place in Melbourne on April 18th and 19th, and the heads and senior officials of appropriate Commonwealth Departments would be invited to a discussion with Sir Ivor in Canberra.

(d) Sir Henry Dale -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that no reply had yet been received from Sir Henry Dale to the invitation issued to him.

(e) Invitations in the Medical Field -

Sir Howard Florey had exhausted the list of medical scholars in England whom he had previously been asked to approach with a view to arranging a visit to Australia by one of them. He had not approached Professor
Beadle, who was in California, and he now asked for a direction about an approach to Professor Beadle, and asked whether a further list of potential visitors could be sent to him.

The Council referred to the list previously drawn up by Sir Howard, and resolved to ask him to endeavour to arrange a visit by one of the following scholars:—

- Professor Beadle (California),
- Professor Bedson (London),
- Professor Dubos (New York),
- Professor Garrod (London),
- Professor Long (Mal).

(f) Professor J.B. Condliffe -

The Vice-Chancellor referred to the decision of the Interim Council at its 27th Meeting (Minutes, paragraph 14(g)) to invite Professor Condliffe, who, it now appeared, would be in Australia for about seven weeks in August and September, 1950.

It was resolved to confirm the invitation to Professor Condliffe to act as a visiting scholar of the University on the customary terms, but on the understanding that the University would not be responsible for his fares to and from Australia.

15. ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITIES OF THE BRITISH COMMONWEALTH:

(a) Report of Executive Council -

The Report of the Executive Council of the Association, together with the Accounts for the year ended 31st July, 1949, was submitted. The report recorded the ending of the arrangement whereby the Association acted as the administrative centre of this University up to January, 1949, and the close interest taken in the University since that time by the Secretary of the Association, Dr. J.F. Foster.

It was resolved that the Report be received, and the University's good wishes for the further development of the Association expressed.

(b) Inter-Commonwealth Conference, New Zealand, July and August, 1950 -

The Vice-Chancellor said that he had invited visiting overseas Vice-Chancellors to visit Canberra from 21st to 25th July on their way to New Zealand.

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor's action be confirmed, and approval be given for the accommodation expenses of the guests while in Canberra, and their fares from Melbourne or Sydney to Canberra, and from Canberra to Sydney.
16. GENERAL CONFERENCE OF UNIVERSITIES, NICE, 
DECEMBER 3rd-9th, 1950:

The Council considered a letter, dated 13th February, 1950, from the Director of the International Universities Bureau, inviting the University to send one delegate to the Conference.

It was resolved that Professor Wheare be asked to represent the University; and that, if he were unable to act, the Vice-Chancellor should select an appropriate delegate from among people interested in this University who would be in England or Europe at the time.

17. UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM - JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS OF THE GRANTING OF THE CHARTER, MAY 4th-5th, 1950:

The University had been invited to send a representative to this gathering.

It was resolved that Professor Oliphant be invited to represent the University.

18. UNITED STATES EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION IN AUSTRALIA:

The Council considered a letter dated 28th February, 1950, from the Chairman of the Australian Vice-Chancellors' Committee, passing on a request from the Foundation for advice as to how Fulbright Funds could best be used.

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had consulted the Academic Advisory Committee, and proposed to reply in the light of advice from the Committee.

The Council noted the action being taken.

19. AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF ANATOMY:

The Vice-Chancellor said that he was continuing investigations mentioned at the previous meeting and that he would look into a report he had received that a substantial tract of pastoral land near the University site had been reserved for the purposes of the Institute, but never used.

The meeting closed at 4.45 p.m.

R.C. MILLS
Chairman,
14th April, 1950.
THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY
INTERIM COUNCIL

Minutes of the 39th Meeting of the Interim Council held at the University Offices, Acton, on Friday, April 14th, 1950, at 11 a.m.

Present: Sir John Medley (Chairman),
The Vice-Chancellor,
Mr. A.S. Brown,
Mr. C.S. Daley,
Sir Robert Garran,
Mr. H.J. Goodees,
Sir David Rivett,
Professor H.K. Ward,
Professor R.D. Wright.

The Registrar and his Assistant were in attendance.

APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from the Chairman (Professor R.C. Mills), Mr. K.E. Beazley, Professor K.H. Bailey, Senator the Hon. W.J. Cooper, Dr. H.C. Coombs, Sir Frederic Eggleston, Professor L.H. Martin, Senator J.H. O'Byrne, the Hon. P.C. Spender, and Professor J.G. Wood.

1. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the 38th Meeting, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

2. MEMBERSHIP OF THE INTERIM COUNCIL:

(a) Senator the Hon. W.J. Cooper -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Senator Cooper had now agreed to continue as a member of the Interim Council, so long as the pressure of his Ministerial duties permitted him to do so.

(b) Sir Frederic Eggleston -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Sir Frederic Eggleston had agreed to the Interim Council's suggestion that he remain a member of the Interim Council (Minutes, 38th Meeting, paragraph 3(c)).

3. AWARD OF DEGREES:

The Registrar reported that a note on the discussion at the previous Meeting (see Minutes, paragraph 4) was now before the Academic Advisory Committee for its further consideration.
4. ACADEMIC ORGANISATION - USE OF THE TITLE OF "DIRECTOR"

The Registrar reported that a note of the Council's discussion of this matter (see Minutes of 38th Meeting, paragraph 6) was now before the Academic Advisory Committee for its further consideration.

5. FINANCE COMMITTEE

(a) Report of the Committee

The report of the Finance Committee (see Minutes of the Meeting held on 13th April, 1950) was received, and the Committee's recommendations adopted.

(b) Sir David Rivett's Membership

It was resolved that Sir David Rivett's resignation as a member of the Finance Committee be accepted with regret, and that Mr. A.S. Brown be invited to accept membership of this Committee.

6. BUILDING PROGRAMME

(a) Report of Buildings and Grounds Committee

The report of the Buildings and Grounds Committee (see Minutes of Meeting held on 13th April, 1950) was received.

It was resolved -

(i) that with regard to the proposed purchase of the "Forrest" Flats mentioned in paragraph 5(a)(ii)(A) an independent valuation of the buildings concerned be obtained, and that, if this valuation were in the region of the price asked, the Vice-Chancellor be authorized to buy the flats.

(ii) that in the case of paragraph 5(a)(ii)(B), enquiries, which had already been begun, as to whether the land in question was in fact available, be further pursued.

With the qualifications mentioned, it was resolved that the Committee's recommendations be adopted.

7. ACADEMIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Interim Council considered the recommendations and observations of the Academic Advisory Committee at its 18th Meeting on 3rd and 4th March, 1950:

(a) International Conferences (Academic Advisory Committee Minutes, paragraph 3)

The arrangements proposed for the reimbursement of expenses involved in attendance by Scholars and Fellows at international conferences were noted with approval.

/(b) Scholarships
(b) **Scholarships** (Academic Advisory Committee Minutes, paragraph 4) -

Discussed under Agenda Item 9 (see Minutes, paragraph 8).

(c) **Gas Supply** (Academic Advisory Committee Minutes, paragraph 5(b)) -

Noted.

(d) **Dr. G.M. Watson** (Academic Advisory Committee Minutes, paragraph 6(b)) -

It was resolved to confirm the payment of £100 towards Dr. Watson’s laboratory expenses at the Radcliffe Infirmary.

(e) **Visiting Scholars - Future Policy** (Academic Advisory Committee Minutes, paragraph 13(d)) -

Noted; the Vice-Chancellor and other members mentioned the stimulus to research in other Universities which had resulted from the visits of distinguished scholars, and emphasised that exposition of the results of research to a wide public was far from being an important factor in the visits; in some fields it would continue to be necessary to sponsor visits which might encourage scholars to undertake research. Professor Ward suggested that to arrange visits of a sufficient duration to allow the visitor to conduct research in Australia would be a valuable variant of the visiting scholar scheme.

(f) **Fulbright Funds in Australia** (Academic Advisory Committee Minutes, paragraph 15) -

Noted (see Interim Council 38th Meeting Minutes, paragraph 18).

8. **SCHOLARS** :

(a) **Report of Scholarship Committee** -

A report of the Scholarships Committee (see Minutes of meeting held on 14th April, 1950) was received.

(i) **Extension of Scholarships** (Academic Advisory Committee Minutes, 18th Meeting, paragraph 4(a)) -

It was resolved that the Academic Advisory Committee be informed that the Interim Council has in mind the following resolution:

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"Although the normal tenure of a scholarship is two years, the Interim Council will consider in special cases the extension of a scholar's tenure for a third year or part thereof if the Director or Adviser of the School concerned is of opinion,

(i) that the scholar's work during the first eighteen months of his tenure has been of good quality and promise; and

(ii) that the research training for which the scholarship was awarded will fall seriously short of achievement should the scholarship be terminated at the end of the second year, but has a good prospect of success if an extension is granted; or

(iii) that there are other reasons (e.g. the scholar's prospective membership of the staff) which make it desirable in the University's interest that the scholarship be extended,

and that the following procedure be suggested:

(i) The scholar will make an application for extension to the Registrar (or, if the scholar is in England, to the University's Administrative Officer in the United Kingdom);

(ii) The Registrar (or Mr. Clark) will ask the scholar's supervisor for a confidential report;

(iii) The application and report will be sent to the appropriate member of the Academic Advisory Committee, who will make a recommendation to the Interim Council;

(iv) The Interim Council will decide upon the question of extension."

//(ii) Dr. C.C.J. Culvenor
(ii) **Dr. C.C.J. Culvenor** -

It was resolved that Dr. Culvenor's scholarship be extended by a period of up to three months.

(iii) **Mr. C.P. Haddon-Cave** -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had extended Mr. Haddon-Cave's scholarship for a third year on the advice of Professor Wheare (see Minutes, 38th Meeting, paragraph 10(c)).

(iv) **Emoluments of Scholarships** -

It was resolved that the emoluments of scholarships be not altered except that the maximum extra amount which the Vice-Chancellor may grant to scholars in cases of special need be increased from £50 to £100 per annum.

(v) **Future Policy of Awards (Minutes, 37th Meeting, paragraph 9(a)(iv))** -

(A) It was resolved that the Academic Advisory Committee be informed that the Interim Council has in mind that when scholarships are next awarded they will be of two classes:

(I) those relevant to the several Research Schools, to a number to be decided in the case of each School after consultation with the Director or Adviser; and

(II) a group of some five or six, not directly related to any School, and available to Australian graduates generally for research work abroad.

(B) Bearing in mind that the cost of scholarships has not hitherto been a charge against the several Research Schools but that some such arrangement will be necessary when the statutory endowment provided for in the Act becomes payable, the Interim Council resolved that the Director or Adviser of each School be asked to consider the scholars already appointed, and, having regard to whether or not each might be considered...
a potential Research Fellow or member of staff within the University, recommend which of them should be borne on the School budget after 1st July, 1951, and which might be a charge on general University funds.

(vi) Mr. P. Lawrence -

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor be asked to consider the adequacy of Mr. Lawrence's allowances and if appropriate to vary them.

(vii) Dr. I.R.C. Bick -

It was resolved to empower the Vice-Chancellor to make an allowance of £100 stg. to Dr. Bick towards his fares in taking up a fellowship he has been offered in the University of California, should Sir Howard Florey approve, on the understanding that this would fulfil the University's obligation to Dr. Bick in respect of his return passage to Australia.

(viii) Mr. D.G. Benjafield -

It was resolved to note a report by the Vice-Chancellor that he had granted Mr. Benjafield an additional allowance of £50 per annum.

(ix) Dr. L.F. Dodson -

It was resolved to note a report by the Vice-Chancellor that he had granted Dr. L.F. Dodson an additional allowance of £50 per annum.

(b) Mr. R.D. Brown -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that, after consultation with Sir Howard Florey, he had awarded a scholarship to Mr. R.D. Brown (see Minutes, 38th Meeting, paragraph 10(a)(ii)).

(c) Dr. H.M. Carey (Minutes, 38th Meeting, paragraph 10(a)(ii)) -

The Registrar reported that Sir Howard Florey had now withdrawn his support for Dr. Carey's candidature for a scholarship, and therefore no award would be made.

JOHN CURTIN SCHOOL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH:

(a) Department of Biochemistry -

(1) Readership in Biochemistry -

The Registrar reported that advertisements inviting applications for this Readership had been published
in Australia, New Zealand and the United Kingdom, the closing date being April 30th, 1950 (see Minutes of 37th Meeting, paragraph 12(a)(i)).

(ii) Research Fellowship in Biophysics -

The Registrar reported that Professor Ennor had not yet been able to suggest an award to this Fellowship (see Minutes of 38th Meeting, paragraph 8(a)).

(iii) Research Assistantship -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that on the recommendation of Professor Ennor, and with Sir Howard Florey's approval, he had appointed Mr. J.F. Morrison as Research Assistant in the Department of Biochemistry at a salary of £600 for one year from a date which he would fix after further discussions.

It was resolved that the appointment be confirmed.

(b) Department of Physiology -

The Interim Council considered the conditions on which Professor J.C. Eccles had indicated, in a letter dated 24th February, 1950, that he would be prepared to accept a Chair of Physiology in the University. It was resolved as follows :-

(i) Salary -

The Interim Council will pay the Professor's salary in New Zealand currency while he is in New Zealand.

(ii) Salary Increases -

The Interim Council will advise Professor Eccles that if the basic professorial salary should rise after his appointment, sympathetic consideration would be given to increasing his salary by a similar amount. Such an increase would be the normal action taken in such a case.

(iii) Superannuation -

The Professor's existing policies would be brought within the terms of the University's scheme.

(iv) Travelling and Removal Expenses -

The Interim Council regards the Professor's suggestion as reasonable.

/(v) Accommodation -
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On the assumption that Professor Eccles will not wish to move to Canberra for three or perhaps four years, the Interim Council will undertake to make some suitable arrangement to accommodate him and his family.

(vi) **Transitional Arrangements** -

The Interim Council approves the arrangement suggested.

(vii) **Staff** -

The Interim Council notes that Sir Howard Florey has expressed confidence that Professor Eccles' staff proposals will not present insuperable difficulties.

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor be asked to convey these resolutions to Professor Eccles, and ask him if he were now able to accept appointment. In writing he would outline the position as to the likely progress of medical buildings.

Professor Ward undertook to make personal enquiries as to the whereabouts and present use of the electro-physiological unit previously used by Professor Eccles at the Kanematsu Institute.

(c) **Laboratory Manager** -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Sir Howard Florey still had under consideration the applications for appointment to this position (see Minutes of 38th Meeting, paragraph 8(d)).

(d) **Micro-analyst** -

The Vice-Chancellor reported a recommendation from Sir Howard Florey that Miss Joyce Fildes be appointed trainee micro-analyst in the Department of Medical Chemistry for three years at a salary of £515 sterling per annum.

It was resolved that Miss Fildes be appointed in the terms mentioned, it being understood that if at the end of her training period she were asked to do so, she would serve for a reasonable period on the University staff. It was further resolved that Miss Fildes be granted a contribution towards her fares on the same basis as is used in the case of scholars.
0. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES:

(a) Dr. E. Orowan -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he was continuing negotiations about the equipment of a laboratory, and that he was keeping Professor Oliphant informed in the matter.

(b) Dr. R.v.d.R. Woolley -

The Interim Council received a letter from Dr. Woolley dated 5th April, 1950, requesting assistance in financing a visit to the observatory at Mt. Stromlo by Dr. Brouwer, Director of Yale University Observatory, and Dr. Schilt, Director of the Rutherford Observatory of Columbia University.

It was resolved to refer the request for decision by the Vice-Chancellor and Mr. Goodes.

1. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES:

(a) Chair of Economics -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that with the support of Professor Wheare and Sir Henry Clay (Professor J.R. Hicks not being available for consultation) he had offered the Chair of Economics to Mr. T.W. Swan (see Minutes of 37th Meeting, paragraph 14(a)) and that Mr. Swan had accepted the appointment.

It was resolved that Mr. T.W. Swan be appointed Professor of Economics in the Research School of Social Sciences on the conditions approved for the appointment of Professors, the appointment to take effect from a date to be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor.

(b) Readership in Economic Statistics -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that with Professor Wheare's concurrence he had offered the Readership in Economic Statistics to Mr. H.P. Brown (see Minutes of 37th Meeting, paragraph 12(b)), and that Mr. Brown had accepted the appointment.

It was resolved that Mr. H.P. Brown be appointed Reader in Economic Statistics, at a salary of £1,500 per annum, and otherwise on the conditions approved for the appointment of Readers, from a date to be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor.

(c) Readership in Political Science -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that with Professor Wheare's concurrence, he had offered the Readership in Political Science to Mr. L.C. Webb (see Minutes of 37th Meeting, paragraph 12(c)), and that Mr. Webb had accepted the appointment.
It was resolved that Mr. L.C. Webb be appointed Reader in Political Science, at a salary of £1,500 per annum, and otherwise on the conditions approved for the appointment of Readers, from a date to be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor.

(a) Research Fellowship in Geography -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Firth, with the support of the Committee on appointments in Geography (see Minutes, 31st Meeting, paragraph 13(b)) had recommended the award of a Research Fellowship in Geography to Mr. D.B. Mather, the position having been advertised previously.

It was resolved to empower the Vice-Chancellor to invite Mr. D.B. Mather to accept a Research Fellowship in Geography on the approved conditions of appointment.

2. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PACIFIC STUDIES:

(a) Political and Resources Atlas -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Firth had expressed considerable interest in this project, and was seeking the comments of the Professors in the Research School of Pacific Studies. The Vice-Chancellor was continuing discussions with him.

(b) Visiting Reader in Oriental Studies -

The Vice-Chancellor said that he hoped to submit to the next meeting of the Interim Council final plans for Mr. C.P. FitzGerald's assumption of duty.

3. VISITING SCHOLARS:

(a) Sir Ivor Jennings -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Sir Ivor Jennings had visited Western Australia and Tasmania, and had begun a visit to Melbourne, where he would conduct a seminar on April 18th and 19th.

(b) Other Scholars -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that itineraries were being worked out for the following scholars, who expected to be in Australia between the dates shown:

- Mr. J.S. Furnivall: August 10th to October 26th.
- Professor J.T. Wilson: July 31st to October 26th.
- Professor J.B. Condliffe: August 9th to September 25th.
(c) Professor C.H. Driver -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that no reply had been received from Professor Driver to the Council's invitation, from which fact it appeared that he would be unlikely to make a visit.

(d) Sir Henry Dale -

It was reported that Sir Henry Dale had found it impossible to accept the Council's invitation.

(e) Professor Carl Iversen -

The Vice-Chancellor referred to a letter of April 3rd, 1950, from the Australian Embassy in Washington, suggesting Professor Carl Iversen, a Danish Economist, as a possible visiting scholar.

It was resolved to ask the Vice-Chancellor to make suitable enquiries.

(f) Professor Nicholas Mansergh -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Wheare, in a letter dated 5th April, 1950, had mentioned the possibility of a short visit to Australia by Professor Mansergh.

It was resolved to ask the Vice-Chancellor to make such arrangements as he thought fit, and to report to the next meeting.

(g) Invitations in the Medical Field -

The Registrar reported that Sir Howard Florey now had the further list of potential visiting scholars in the medical field determined upon by the Council at its last meeting (see Minutes, paragraph 14(e)).

14. WEIZMANN INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE:

A letter of April 6th, 1950, from the Secretary of the Commonwealth Department of External Affairs was read, conveying a suggestion from the Weizmann Institute of Science, Israel, that appropriate Australian bodies might consider exchanges of scientists with the Institute.

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor be asked to reply, indicating the University's goodwill towards the Institute, but saying that the University would rather consider exchanges as and when the Institute found it practicable to make particular suggestions.

15. AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF ANATOMY:

The Vice-Chancellor indicated that informal discussions on the question of a relationship between the University and the Institute were continuing, and that he hoped to be able to make specific proposals when Sir Howard Florey visited Australia later in the year.
16. **REMOVAL EXPENSES**:

The Registrar asked for the Council's guidance on the interpretation to be placed on the undertaking given to officers taking up appointments in the University that the University will meet their "reasonable travelling and removal expenses" particularly with regard to the removal of furniture.

After discussion it was agreed that the University should pay fares for the officer, and, where appropriate, for his wife and children, at a standard appropriate to his seniority. It should meet the cost of transporting furniture up to a limit determined by the Vice-Chancellor in each case, having regard to such matters as the nature and replaceability of the furniture concerned.

17. **MAX PLANCK SOCIETY FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE - GREETINGS**:

A message of greetings and good wishes to scientists in Australia which had reached the University through Mr. Purchase from Professor Otto Hahn, as President of the Max Planck Society for the Advancement of Science, Göttingen, was read.

It was resolved that a message of appreciation be sent in reply, and that a copy of the greetings be sent to the other Australian Universities.

18. **DAVID SYME RESEARCH PRIZE - AWARD TO PROFESSOR FENNER**:

It was resolved that the Interim Council's congratulations be extended to Professor Fenner on the award to him by the University of Melbourne of the David Syme Research Prize for 1949.

The meeting closed at 3.15 p.m.

(R.C. MILLS)

Chairman

12th May, 1950.
THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

INTERIM COUNCIL

Minutes of the 40th Meeting of the Interim Council held at the University Offices, Acton, on Friday, 12th May, 1950, at 10 a.m.

Present: Professor R.C. Mills (Chairman), The Vice-Chancellor, Professor K.H. Bailey, Mr. C.S. Daley, Sir Robert Garran, Mr. H.J. Goode, Professor L.H. Martin, Sir David Rivett, Professor H.K. Ward, Professor J.G. Wood, Professor R.D. Wright.

The Registrar and his Assistant were in attendance.

APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from the Deputy Chairman (Sir John Medley), Mr. K.E. Beazley, Mr. A.S. Brown, Dr. H.C. Coombs, Senator the Hon. W.J. Cooper, Sir Frederic Eggleston, Senator J.H. O'Byrne and the Hon. P.C. Spender.

1. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the 39th Meeting, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

2. MEMBERSHIP OF THE INTERIM COUNCIL:

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor should approach the Prime Minister, as Minister administering the University Act, with a view to having Professor Oliphant made a member of the Interim Council.

3. AWARD OF DEGREES:

No further report of the Academic Advisory Committee's views on this matter was available (39th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 3).

4. ACADEMIC ORGANISATION:

(a) Use of the Title "Director" -

No further report of the Academic Advisory Committee's views on this matter was available (39th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 4).

(b) Academic Advisory Committee -

The Vice-Chancellor initiated a discussion on the future role of the Academic Advisory Committee. It was resolved that the members of the Academic Advisory Committee remaining in the United Kingdom after Professor
Oliphant's departure for Australia be asked to continue to meet for the time being, and that the Academic Advisory Committee be informed that the Interim Council, having in mind that Professor Firth will come to Australia in 1951 and that there will by that time be a substantial body of the academic staff in Australia, would like to discuss with Sir Howard Florey and Professor Oliphant, on behalf of the Committee, questions involving the future functioning of the Advisory Committee as such, representation of staff on the governing body, the establishment of an academic advisory body in Australia and Faculty organisation within the University.

5. **FINANCE COMMITTEE - REPORT:**

The report of the Finance Committee (see Minutes of the Meeting held on 11th May, 1950) were received. After discussion, during which items 4(e), Dr. J.S. Gooden, and 11. Removal Expenses, were mentioned, it was resolved that the Committee's report be adopted.

6. **BUILDING PROGRAMME - REPORT OF BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE:**

The report of the Buildings and Grounds Committee (see Minutes of the Meeting held on 11th May, 1950) was received. After discussion, during which items 2. Building Materials, 4. Buildings for Research School of Physical Sciences, 5. Buildings for John Curtin School of Medical Research, and 6. Houses and Flats, were mentioned, it was resolved that the Committee's recommendations be adopted.

7. **SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME:**

(a) **Principles and Procedure for Extension** -

(b) **Future Policy of Awards** -

No further report of the Academic Advisory Committee's views on these matters was available (39th Meeting, Minutes, paragraphs 8(a)(i), 8(a)(v)).

8. **SCHOLARS:**

(a) **Mr. P. Lawrence** -

(39th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 8(a)(vi)).

Deferred.

(b) **Dr. I.R.C. Bick** -

(39th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 8(a)(vii)).

Deferred.

(c) **Mr. R.M. Hartwell** -

It was noted that the Vice-Chancellor had, on Professor Wheare's recommendation, extended Mr. Hartwell's scholarship for a third year, and also that, in view of Mr. Hartwell's standing and family position, and of the fact that he is in Oxford, the Vice-Chancellor had granted him a special extra allowance of £100 sterling to be payable during the third year of his scholarship.
(a) Mr. R.A. Gollan -

The Registrar reported that Mr. Gollan had applied for an extension of from four to six months in his scholarship tenure, on the ground that illness had interrupted his work. The Registrar was making enquiries about Mr. Gollan's health, and would make a submission to the Council in due course.

(e) Dr. G.B. Mackaness -

It was noted that the Vice-Chancellor had extended for a third year the scholarship held by Dr. Mackaness, the extension having been strongly recommended by Sir Howard Florey, under whom Dr. Mackaness had been working as a scholar; and that the Vice-Chancellor had told Dr. Mackaness that the special extra allowance of £50 sterling paid him in the second year will be payable also in the third year of his tenure.

(f) Dr. R.V. Sellwood -

It was noted that the Vice-Chancellor, on Sir Howard Florey's advice and after a favourable report from the supervisor, had extended Dr. Sellwood's scholarship for a third year.

(g) Dr. C.S. Belshaw -

The Registrar referred to a message received from Dr. Belshaw (recently appointed a Research Fellow during the tenure of a scholarship) to the effect that his accommodation problems in Port Moresby could be solved by the purchase of a prefabricated native house at an estimated cost of £275. Dr. Belshaw suggested that the University should either buy such a house, or lend him the funds to do so. The Registrar said that he was urging the Department of External Territories to make suitable accommodation available to Dr. Belshaw.

It was resolved that if no other satisfactory arrangement could be made, the University should purchase the house and rent it to Dr. Belshaw.

(h) Appointment of Scholars to Fellowships -

In connection with items (e) and (f) above, the question was raised whether it would not be appropriate to award Fellowships to scholars whose work under their scholarships had shown real promise.

It was resolved that this matter be discussed with Sir Howard Florey during his forthcoming visit to Australia.
9. JOHN CURTIN SCHOOL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH:

(a) Department of Biochemistry -

(i) Readership in Biochemistry -

Applications for this appointment having closed, it was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor be empowered to make the appointment after consultation with Professor Ennor and Sir Howard Florey.

(ii) Research Fellow in Biophysics -

It was reported that there had been no further progress in this matter (39th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 9(a)(ii)).

(b) Department of Microbiology -

(i) Research Assistantship -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that applications had been invited for a two-year appointment as Research Assistant, and that applications had closed on 30th April, 1950. In accordance with practice, the appointment, of which the salary would be less than £750 per annum, would be made by Sir Howard Florey on the advice of Professor Fenner.

(ii) Technician -

It was noted that Professor Fenner wished to advertise for a technical officer who would eventually become the chief technician of the Department. Discussions were proceeding with Professor Fenner about duties and salary, and a recommendation would be made later to the Council.

(c) Department of Physiology -

The Vice-Chancellor referred to recent correspondence with Professor Eccles, from which it appeared that Professor Eccles was considering very favourably the Council's offer of the Chair of Physiology. The only outstanding point was the possibility of creating a Chair of Biophysics in the John Curtin School, and inviting Dr. Bernhard Katz to occupy it. On this point the Vice-Chancellor had been in correspondence with Sir Howard Florey, who had replied saying that the proposal needed considerable thought, and should not be pursued at the cost of reducing the scope of the Department of Pharmacology. The Vice-Chancellor was examining the financial implications of the creation of a Department of Biophysics, but felt, and had suggested to Professor Eccles, that a final decision should be deferred until Sir Howard Florey visits Australia in August.

The Vice-Chancellor's action was noted with approval; it was, however, agreed that Sir Howard Florey's attention should be drawn to Professor Eccles' view as to the urgency of appointing Dr. Katz.

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(d) **Laboratory Manager**

No recommendation had yet been received from Sir Howard Florey as to the appointment of a Laboratory Manager (39th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 9(c)).

(e) **Microanalyst**

The Registrar reported that he had issued to Miss Joyce Fildes an invitation in terms of the Council's resolution at its last meeting (Minutes, paragraph 9(d)). At her request a final decision on the appointment had been deferred until Miss Fildes, who had now sailed for England, had had an opportunity to discuss the matter.

(f) **Proposed Visit of Professor Albert**

The Vice-Chancellor reported that, following a recent meeting of the Advisory Committee on Medical Buildings, he had decided to suggest that Professor Albert be invited to visit Australia at the time of Sir Howard Florey's visit. The same suggestion had now been made by Sir Howard and strongly supported by the Academic Advisory Committee.

It was resolved that Professor Albert be asked to make the visit, and that he should receive the customary allowances while absent from London.

(g) **Proposed Visit of Dr. Sanders**

The Vice-Chancellor referred to a cable in which Sir Howard Florey asked that Dr. Sanders be invited to visit Australia from the middle of July until the end of September, 1950.

After discussion it was resolved that an invitation be issued in accordance with Sir Howard's recommendation, and that the University pay Dr. Sanders' fares and a travelling allowance at the rate of £2 Aust. per diem from the date of his departure from the United Kingdom until his return.

10. **RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES**

(a) **Dr. E. Orowan**

The Vice-Chancellor mentioned conversations he had had with representatives of certain non-ferrous metal companies about their providing part of the capital cost which would be necessary should Dr. Orowan join the staff. He also said that he proposed to seek the remainder of this cost from undertakings manufacturing and fabricating steel. He said he felt some confidence in the success of these approaches. He recalled that the capital cost of Dr. Orowan's Department would be about £30,000 sterling, and its annual running costs about £5,000 sterling.

It was resolved on the motion of Professor Martin that Professor Oliphant be authorized to offer Dr. Orowan appointment as Professor of Physics of the Solid State, at a salary to be determined by the Vice-Chancellor within the existing range, and otherwise on the conditions approved for the appointment of Professors.

(b) Commonwealth
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(i) Dr. R. v.d.R. Woolley -

The Vice-Chancellor recalled that the Interim Council had already agreed that Dr. R. v.d.R. Woolley should be appointed an honorary Professor in the University (36th Meeting, paragraph 14(b)). He had now had further discussions with Dr. Woolley and with the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, and there did not seem to be any difficulties in the way of the arrangement contemplated. The Vice-Chancellor asked the Council to consider the question of a payment to Dr. Woolley, and the Council resolved to authorize the payment of an honorarium to be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor having regard to the difference between Dr. Woolley's salary as Director of the Commonwealth Solar Observatory and the standard professorial salary.

(ii) Visitors to Observatory -

The Vice-Chancellor recalled the request that the University might help to finance a visit to Mt. Stromlo by Dr. Brouwer of Yale and Dr. Schilt of Columbia (39th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 10(b)). He said that he was enquiring into the possibility of the costs being met from Fulbright funds, but he suggested that, if this were not feasible, the University might offer to contribute £250 towards the expenses of one of the visitors, on the understanding that he would pay visits to the Universities of Melbourne and Sydney, and conduct a seminar under the University's aegis.

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor's recommendation be adopted.

(c) Dr. D.F. Martyn -

The Vice-Chancellor referred to conversations he had had with Dr. Martyn, and to correspondence which Dr. Martyn had had with Professor Oliphant. The Vice-Chancellor had now received a letter from Professor Oliphant recommending Dr. Martyn's appointment as Head of a Department of Geophysics.

It was resolved that a committee comprising the Chairman, the Vice-Chancellor, Sir David Rivett, Professor L.H. Martin and Mr. Goodes be appointed to consider the recommendation, in the light of the budget and of certain difficulties felt by Professor Oliphant and others about the scope and organisation of the proposed Department.

//(d) Technician -
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It was reported that Professor Oliphant had appointed Mr. R. Goldberg as a technician in the Research School of Physical Sciences at a salary of £440 per annum plus cost of living as from 3rd April, 1950.

11. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES:

(a) Professor G. Sawer -

The Vice-Chancellor introduced Professor Sawer, who spoke briefly about his recent visit to the United States and to England.

(b) Readership in the Sources of Australian History -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that, on Professor Wheare's advice, and after consultation with the electoral board, appointment as Reader in the Sources of Australian History had been offered to Mr. L.P. Fitzhardinge, whose reply was awaited (37th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 14(b) (i)).

It was resolved that, subject to his acceptance, Mr. Fitzhardinge be appointed Reader in the Sources of Australian History in the Research School of Social Sciences on the conditions approved for the appointment of Readers, the appointment to take effect from a date to be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor.

(c) Research Fellowship in Geography -

Deferred.

(d) Political and Resources Atlas -

Deferred.

(e) U.N.E.S.C.O. "Tensions" Project -

It was noted that the Vice-Chancellor had approved of Mr. W.D. Borrie's accepting an invitation to attend a U.N.E.S.C.O. meeting of demographers in Paris during July, 1950.

It was resolved that if Mr. Borrie wished to pay a short visit to England in connection with his work as a Senior Research Fellow, he should while doing so be reimbursed his hotel bills for room and meals, and have an allowance of 30/- sterling per day.

12. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PACIFIC STUDIES:

(a) Mr. C.P. FitzGerald -

(i) Report as Visiting Scholar -

The Council received and resolved to thank Mr. FitzGerald for his report on his tour of Australia as a Visiting Scholar, and noted the Vice-Chancellor's intention of making copies available to the Vice-Chancellors of the other Australian Universities.
(ii) Visiting Readership -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Mr. FitzGerald would probably visit the United States, with assistance from the Rockefeller Foundation, in August and September, 1950.

It was resolved that approval be given to his visiting Peking on his way to Australia.

(b) Professor W.R. Crocker -

(i) Report -

The Council received and resolved to thank Professor Crocker for his report on his recent visits to American Universities.

(ii) Movements -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Crocker would leave England by air for Australia on 20th May, and would visit Canberra on his arrival.

VISITING SCHOLARS :

(a) Sir Ivor Jennings -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Sir Ivor had completed his Australian tour, except for a visit to the University of Adelaide, and that he would leave Fremantle for Ceylon on 22nd May. He then introduced Sir Ivor to members, and Sir Ivor spoke briefly about his tour and the future relations of the National University with the Indian countries.

(b) Professor A.R. Todd -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that arrangements had been made with the Royal Australian Chemical Institute for Professor A.R. Todd to visit Canberra on 17th and 18th October, 1950.

(c) Professor Nicholas Mansergh -

The Vice-Chancellor said that he was in touch with Professor Wheare about Professor Mansergh's proposed visit, and would report later thereon.

(d) Invitations in the Medical Field -

The Vice-Chancellor said that no further progress had been made in this matter, save that the possibility of a visit from Professor Beadle was being discussed with the United States Educational Foundation in Australia with a view to the cost being met from Fulbright Funds.

/e) Jubilee Seminars -
(e) **Jubilee Seminars**

The Vice-Chancellor said that he had been making some further enquiries about possible visitors for the Jubilee Seminars. He had enquired about Dr. Vannevar Bush, but it seemed unlikely that he could come. It had, however, been suggested that President James B. Conant of Harvard might be willing to come.

It was resolved that the Interim Council's committee on the Jubilee Seminars should meet and consider the situation generally.

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had at the Prime Minister's invitation become a member of the Jubilee Celebrations Council set up by the Commonwealth Government.

4. **INTERNATIONAL STUDIES CONFERENCE**

The Vice-Chancellor said that the University had been asked, through the Australian Institute of International Affairs, to make a small contribution to the fund kept by the British Co-ordinating Committee for International Studies to finance the International Studies Conference. Professor Crocker had recently presided over a session of the Conference.

It was resolved to authorize a contribution of £15 sterling for the present year.

15. **GENERAL CONFERENCE OF UNIVERSITIES, NICE**

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Wheare would not be able to attend this conference in December, 1950, and had suggested that Mr. Clark should represent the University. The Vice-Chancellor had arranged for Mr. Clark to do so (38th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 16).

The meeting closed at 3.55 p.m.

(R.C. MILLS);

Chairman,

9th June, 1950.
Minutes of the 41st Meeting of the Interim Council held at the University Offices, Acton, on Friday, 9th June, 1950, at 11 a.m.

Present: Professor R.C. Mills (Chairman), The Vice-Chancellor, Professor K.H. Bailey, Dr. H.C. Coombs, Mr. C.S. Daley, Sir Robert Garran, Sir David Rivett, Professor H.K. Ward, Professor J.G. Wood, Professor R. Douglas Wright.

The Registrar and his Assistant were in attendance.

APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from the Deputy Chairman (Sir John Medley), Senator the Hon. W.J. Cooper, Professor L.H. Martin, and the Hon. P.C. Spender.

1. HONOUR CONFERRED ON VICE-CHANCELLOR:

The Chairman expressed the pleasure which members of the Interim Council and other members of the University felt at the honour recently conferred by the King on the Vice-Chancellor. The Chairman's remarks were greeted with acclamation, and Sir Douglas acknowledged the good wishes expressed by the Council.

2. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the 40th Meeting, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

3. MEMBERSHIP OF THE INTERIM COUNCIL:

(a) Professor Oliphant -

The Registrar reported that Professor Oliphant had agreed to become a member of the Interim Council (40th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 2) and that the Prime Minister had agreed to recommend his appointment to the Governor-General.

(b) Professor Martin -

The Registrar said that Professor L.H. Martin had asked for leave from attending meetings of the Interim Council from the present meeting until October, on the ground that he would be abroad during that time.

It was resolved that leave be granted accordingly.
4. AWARD OF DEGREES:

The Vice-Chancellor referred to the recent discussion of the Academic Advisory Committee on this matter (19th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 7).

After some discussion of the advisability of the University's offering a Master's degree, it was resolved that the views of the Academic Advisory Committee be referred to the Statutes Committee for the preparation of a draft statute, which would form the basis of discussion during August, 1950.

5. ACADEMIC ORGANISATION:

(a) Use of Title "Director" - Deferred. (Academic Advisory Committee, 19th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 10).

(b) Academic Advisory Committee -

The Registrar pointed out that the future position of the Academic Advisory Committee (Interim Council, 40th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 4(b)) would be discussed by the Academic Advisory Committee at its next meeting (Academic Advisory Committee, 19th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 20).

6. CONSTITUTION OF COUNCIL - STATUTES:

The Vice-Chancellor said that he thought it desirable that further thought be given by the Interim Council to the establishment of the eventual Council, and to other matters which appeared to call for legislative action.

It was resolved that the Statutes Committee be asked to prepare draft statutes concerning the establishment of Convocation, the establishment of the Council, the enrolment of students and the conferring of degrees, the creation of the Board of Graduate Studies, and on such other matters as ought in the Committee's opinion to be regulated by statute at this stage of the University's development. The Council asked that the Committee, when presenting the drafts, should submit a memorandum bringing to the Council's attention the major decisions of policy involved.

7. FINANCE COMMITTEE - REPORT:

The report of the Finance Committee (see Minutes of the Meeting held on 8th June, 1950) were received. After discussion, during which items 4(c), Dr. J.S. Gooden, 6. Vice-Chancellor's Visit to India, and 11, Estimates of Expenditure 1950-51, were mentioned, it was resolved that the Committee's report be adopted.

8. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE - REPORT:

The report of the Buildings and Grounds Committee (see Minutes of Meeting held on 8th June, 1950) was received.

With reference to item 8. Existing Buildings on University Site, the Vice-Chancellor reported that he had made strong representations to the Prime Minister and the Minister for the Interior that the requirements of the University should, in accordance with undertakings previously given by the Department of the Interior, be regarded as the first
priority in the use of buildings on the site, and that the use of a major part of the buildings for ancillary hospital services would seriously prejudice the University's immediate development. The Council expressed strong support of this view.

After discussion of item 9, Professor Lewis' proposed visit overseas, it was resolved that the Interim Council does not approve the Architect's absence at the time proposed, when the building programme will be at a critical stage.

During discussion, items 2(b), Arrangements for Employment of Sculptor and 5(b)(ii)(C), Proposed Eight Flats at Forrest, were also mentioned.

With the qualifications mentioned above, it was resolved that the Committee's report be adopted.

9. ACADEMIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

The Interim Council considered the Minutes of the 19th Meeting of the Academic Advisory Committee, including the following matters:

(a) Removal Expenses (paragraph 4(a)) -

It was noted that the Academic Advisory Committee had agreed with the views of the Interim Council (39th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 16), but had recommended investigation of the adequacy of the amount of £30 per person suggested as the rate of payment in lieu of removal expenses.

It was resolved to defer further discussion of the latter point pending further advice from Mr. Clark.

A discussion ensued on the alternative offered by the Council, namely that the University will meet the cost of transporting such of the officer's effects as could not readily be replaced by purchase in Australia. It was resolved that, as an interim measure, expenditure by the University under this alternative be limited to £200 Aust. plus half the actual cost in excess of that sum. It was agreed that the University's Administrative Officer in the United Kingdom should be kept supplied with information about the availability and price of furniture and other domestic articles in Australia.

(b) Houses for Members of Staff (paragraph 5(a)) -

The Interim Council noted that a report about the type of houses that were being provided for members of the Physics staff and the rents that were being charged for such houses had been received "with consternation". It was resolved to ask for full details of the submission made to the Academic Advisory Committee, and for particulars of the comparison between Australian and English conditions which the report must obviously have contained.

(c) Photographic Record of Building Progress (paragraph 5(b)) -

The Registrar reported that photographs of work on the Physics building had been going forward regularly to Professor Oliphant, and that steps had been taken to maintain a more general photographic record.
(d) **Salaries** (paragraph 8) -

It was resolved to defer consideration of this matter until the Finance Committee had reported fully thereon.

(e) **Publications** (paragraph 12) -

It was resolved to ask the Vice-Chancellor to explore the possibility, pending an eventual decision on publishing policy, of a link with the Melbourne University Press for the purpose of the publication of work by members of the staff; and that the question be further discussed during Sir Howard Florey's forthcoming visit to Australia.

10. **SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME** :

(a) **Principles and Procedure for Extension (Academic Advisory Committee, 19th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 6(a))** -

The Academic Advisory Committee having concurred in the resolutions proposed, it was resolved as follows:

"Although the normal tenure of a scholarship is two years, the Interim Council will consider in special cases the extension of a scholar's tenure for a third year or part thereof if the Director or Adviser of the School concerned is of opinion -

(i) that the scholar's work during the first eighteen months of his tenure has been of good quality and promise; and

(ii) that the research training for which the scholarship was awarded will fall seriously short of achievement should the scholarship be terminated at the end of the second year, but has a good prospect of success if an extension is granted; or

(iii) that there are other reasons (e.g., the scholar's prospective membership of the staff) which make it desirable in the University's interest that the scholarship be extended,

and that the following procedure be adopted:

(i) The scholar will make an application for extension to the Registrar (or, if the scholar is in England, to the University's Administrative Officer in the United Kingdom);

(ii) The Registrar (or Mr. Clark) will ask the scholar's supervisor for a confidential report;
(iii) The application and report will be sent to the appropriate member of the Academic Advisory Committee, who will make a recommendation to the Interim Council;

(iv) The Interim Council will decide upon the question of extension."

(b) Future Policy of Awards (Academic Advisory Committee, 19th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 6(b)) -

The Council noted the comments of the Academic Advisory Committee in this matter, and asked the Vice-Chancellor to write to the Advisory Committee in the terms of the discussion.

11. SCHOLARS:

(a) P. Lawrence -

On Professor Firth's advice, it was resolved -

(i) that Mr. Lawrence's scholarship be extended for a further year;

(ii) that after his present field tour he should return to England to write up his material, and that thereafter, should Professor Firth be satisfied with the quality of his work, he should return to New Guinea.

(b) I.R.C. Bick -

Deferred.

(c) M.H. Draper -

On the advice of Sir Howard Florey it was resolved to meet the cost (about £39 Australian) of transporting special equipment which Dr. Draper had taken to England in connection with his scholarship.

(d) J.A. Allen -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that on Professor Oliphant's recommendation he had extended Mr. Allen's scholarship to enable him to spend a year working under Professor Emeleus at Cambridge.

(e) R.A. Gollan -

On Professor Wheare's recommendation it was resolved to extend for six months the scholarship held by Mr. Gollan, whose tenure had been interrupted by illness.

(f) R. Storry -

On Professor Firth's recommendation, it was resolved to extend for a further six months, up to 31st December, 1950, the scholarship held by Mr. Storry, whose tenure had been interrupted by illness.

/(g) Miss A.M. McArthur -
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The Registrar recalled that the Council, when awarding a scholarship to Miss McArthur, had resolved to seek information as to what field expenses would be involved (37th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 9(a)(ii); 38th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 10(a)(iii)). It was now noted that Professor Firth had advised the Registrar that Miss McArthur's field expenses would be of the same order as Miss Crozier's, and would fall in the financial year 1951-52.

12. JOHN CURTIN SCHOOL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH:

(a) Department of Biochemistry -

(i) Readership in Biochemistry -

No further progress had been made.

(b) Department of Microbiology -

(i) Research Assistantship -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that on Professor Fenner's recommendation he had appointed Mr. R.H. Leach as Research Assistant to the Professor of Microbiology for two years from 26th June, 1950, at a salary of £500 per annum, plus cost of living adjustment (40th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 9(b)(i)).

(ii) Technician -

No further progress had been made (40th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 9(b)(ii)).

(c) Department of Physiology -

(i) Appointment of Professor -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Eccles had accepted the Interim Council's invitation to occupy the Chair of Physiology (37th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 12(d); 39th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 9(b)), and that Professor Eccles expected to take up the Chair late in 1952.

It was resolved -

(A) that Professor Eccles be appointed Professor of Physiology from a date to be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor, at a salary of £2,500 per annum, and otherwise on the conditions approved for the appointment of Professors, note being taken of the undertakings given by the Interim Council at its 39th Meeting (Minutes, paragraph 9(b)); and

(B) that the Vice-Chancellor be empowered to fix an honorarium to Professor Eccles pending his full assumption of duty.

/(ii) Purchase
(ii) **Purchase of Equipment**

It was resolved, on Professor Eccles' advice, to buy two Lucas pendulums at a total cost of about £250 sterling.

(d) **Department of Biophysics**

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor should be asked to advise the Interim Council on the financial implications of the establishment of a Department of Biophysics, and that he should consult Sir Howard Florey and Professor Eccles in this connection; and that the Vice-Chancellor should ask Sir Howard Florey to discuss in general terms with Dr. Bernhard Katz his future plans.

(e) **Fees for Specialist Courses**

Professor Fenner had asked whether the University would pay fees incurred by University officers who are required to take advanced courses in connection with their University duties.

It was resolved that the Academic Advisory Committee be informed that the Interim Council has in mind paying such fees for members of the technical staff and others below the grade of Research Fellow.

(f) **Laboratory Manager**

Sir Howard Florey had, after consultation with Professor Albert, recommended the appointment of Mr. A.F. Bunker as Laboratory Manager of the John Curtin School of Medical Research. The Vice-Chancellor said that certain further enquiries were being made, involving further correspondence with Sir Howard Florey.

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor be authorized to appoint Mr. Bunker at a salary of £1,200 per annum plus cost of living adjustment, from a date which he would fix.

Sir Howard Florey had suggested that if Mr. Bunker were appointed, he should visit Australia by sea at the time of Sir Howard's forthcoming visit, that he should stay for some months, and then return to England for further training. The Vice-Chancellor recalled that it was contemplated that the Laboratory Manager should also spend a period of training in the United Kingdom and the United States of America (Interim Council, 37th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 12(e)).

It was resolved that the question of the Laboratory Manager's visiting Australia be further discussed by the Vice-Chancellor with Sir Howard Florey, and that the Vice-Chancellor be empowered to make a decision.

(g) **Microanalyst**

No further progress had been made (40th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 9(e)).
(h) **Visits by Sir Howard Florey, Professors Albert and Eccles and Dr. Sanders** -

The Registrar tabled a draft itinerary for the visit of Sir Howard Florey (24th July - 25th August). He said that Professor Eccles would arrive in Australia on 15th August and remain until about 25th August, and that the dates of Professor Albert's and Dr. Sanders' visits were not yet known.

13. **RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES**:

(a) **Dr. E. Orowan** -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Dr. Orowan had declined the invitation to occupy a Chair in the University, and that thought was being given to other persons who might be offered an appointment in the field of the physics of solids.

(b) **Commonwealth Observatory** -

No further progress had been made (40th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 10(b)).

(c) **Dr. D.F. Martyn** -

The Vice-Chancellor reported on conversations he had had with Dr. Martyn, and on correspondence with Professor Oliphant, in which Professor Oliphant had suggested that further discussion of the possibility of an offer to Dr. Martyn be left until Professor Oliphant's arrival in Australia.

It was resolved that further consideration be deferred until the Committee appointed at the 40th Meeting of the Interim Council (Minutes, paragraph 10(c)) had reported.

(d) **Professor Titterton** -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that on Professor Oliphant's advice he had approved of Professor Titterton taking up duty on 1st September, 1950, instead of on 30th September (37th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 13(a)(i)).

14. **RESEARCH SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES**:

(a) **Department of Law** -

The Council received a report from Professor Sawer on his recent tour abroad.

It was resolved to thank Professor Sawer for his report.

(b) **Readership in the Sources of Australian History** -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Mr. L.F. Fitzhardinge had accepted appointment to this Readership, and that he would endeavour to arrange for Mr. Fitzhardinge to take up duty shortly, though it might be that he could not be released by the University of Sydney until the end of the present academic year.
(c) **Department of Social Philosophy -**

The Vice-Chancellor tabled a confidential letter dated 31st May, 1950, from Professor Wheare about Dr. Karl Popper's suitability for appointment to the Chair of Social Philosophy.

After considerable discussion, it was agreed that the Vice-Chancellor should discuss this matter with the professors in the School of Social Sciences and with Sir Frederic Eggleston and Professor John Anderson. If he thought on enquiry that urgent action were necessary, he should consult members of the Council by letter before the next meeting.

(d) **Mr. G. Rudduck - Publication of Reports -**

The Registrar recalled that at its 37th Meeting (Minutes, paragraph 10(b)), the Interim Council was informed that Mr. Rudduck had submitted reports on his tenure of a Research Fellowship in the Social Sciences. Dr. Coombs had since expressed the opinion that the reports were worthy of publication. Part of the work had already been published by the Department of Post-War Reconstruction.

It was resolved that the Registrar be asked to investigate the question of publication with a view to having the whole work published under government auspices.

(e) **Department of Political Science - Chair -**

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he was discussing further with the Committee on the establishment of the Research School of Social Sciences the possibility of an appointment to the Chair of Political Science, and would report on his enquiries to Professor Wheare.

(f) **Mr. W.D. Borrie -**

It was reported that the Vice-Chancellor had suggested that Mr. Borrie, whilst on his forthcoming visit to Paris (40th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 11(c)) should break his journey for about eleven days at New York, to enable him to see some demographic work in progress in the United States.

It was resolved that Mr. Borrie's stay in the United States be approved, and that while there he should be paid his fares, his hotel bills for room only, and an allowance of $13.50 per day.

15. **RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PACIFIC STUDIES :**

(a) **Professor Firth's Visit to the United States -**

The Vice-Chancellor tabled a letter from Professor Firth dated 15th May, 1950, which gave a brief outline of his visit.

(b) **Visiting Reader in Oriental Studies -**

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Mr. Fitz-Gerald would go from England to Peking in November, 1950, and take up duty in Canberra in January, 1951.
Reader in Comparative Social Institutions:

The Registrar reported that Dr. W.E.H. Stanner would leave England for Australia by sea towards the end of July.

Political and Resources Atlas:

Deferred.

Appointments in Geography:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he was discussing with Professor Firth the possibility of awarding Mr. D.B. Mather a Research Fellowship in Geography (39th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 11(d)) and appointments in Geography generally.

EXPENSES OF TYPING RESEARCH MANUSCRIPTS:

The Registrar suggested that the Council should lay down a practice as to whether the University should meet the expenses of typing (or type itself) papers or books written for publication by members of the University staff.

It was resolved that the typing of manuscripts is a legitimate function of Departmental secretarial staff, and that where arrangements cannot be made for such typing to be done within the University the Vice-Chancellor should have authority to agree to the work being performed by contract at the University's expense.

VISIT OF VICE-CHANCELLOR TO INDIA:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had received an invitation from the Indian Government and Ministry of Education to visit India towards the end of 1950. He said that acceptance of the offer would involve an absence from Australia of about seven weeks.

It was resolved that should the Vice-Chancellor wish to accept the invitation he would do so with the Council's cordial support.

VISITING SCHOLARS:

(a) Itineraries:

Itineraries for Professor J.T. Wilson, Professor J.B. Condliffe and Mr. J.S. Furnivall were tabled.

(b) Professor A.J. Toynbee:

The Vice-Chancellor referred to a letter he had received, dated 15th May, 1950, from Professor L.F. Giblin on behalf of the Dyason Committee, in which it was suggested that the University might contribute to the cost of Professor Toynbee's visiting Australia in 1951 or 1952. The cost to the University would be about £500 plus the expenses of a seminar.

It was resolved to agree in principle to the proposal, and to ask the Vice-Chancellor to discuss it with Professor Giblin.
The Vice-Chancellor said that he was in touch with Professor Wheare, and that it now appeared that Professor Mansergh would be available to visit Australia for about three weeks from 22nd February, 1951.

It was resolved that an invitation be issued to Professor Mansergh accordingly, and that he be offered a fee of £100, and an allowance of £2 per day while in Australia.

It was reported that Lord Russell would shortly visit Canberra, and the Vice-Chancellor was authorized to arrange an official dinner or luncheon in his honour.

Professor Bailey mentioned that Sir Richard Livingstone would be visiting the West Coast of the United States in August, 1951.

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor should be asked to explore the possibility of Sir Richard's visiting Australia.

The Council received a report of the Committee on the Jubilee seminars, which had met earlier in the day. The Committee recommended that for the seminar on the development of federalism, Professor Wheare and either Professor F.R. Scott, Professor W.A. Mackintosh or Professor C.B. Swisher should be invited to visit Australia; and that for the seminar on scientific research invitations should be issued to President Conant and Sir Edward Mellanby.

It was resolved that the report be referred to the Academic Advisory Committee for comment.

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the University of Oxford had presented to this University a silver replica of the stave carried by the Oxford Bedel of Arts.

It was resolved that the thanks of the University be expressed to the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Oxford.

The Registrar reported that the University's Administrative Officer in the United Kingdom had been in touch concerning the proposed coat of arms with Sir Gerald Wollaston, formerly Garter Principal King of Arms, and that Sir Gerald's advice would shortly be available.

It was pointed out that the Academic Advisory Committee has this matter in hand (Academic Advisory Committee, 19th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 17).
23. **MEDICAL EXAMINATION OF STAFF**:

It was resolved that the terms of appointment to all offices in the University should include a requirement that the candidate submit a medical certificate of health from a medical practitioner nominated by the University.

24. **ADDRESS OF LONDON OFFICE**:

It was reported that the address of the University's Office in the United Kingdom was now -

27 Russell Square,
LONDON, W.C.1. ENGLAND.

The meeting closed at 4.40 p.m.

(R.C. MILLS)

Chairman,

14th July, 1950.
Minutes of 42nd Meeting of the Interim Council held at the University Offices, Acton, on Friday, 14th July, 1950, at 11 a.m.

Present: Professor R.C. Mills (Chairman),
The Vice- Chancellor,
Mr. C.S. Daley,
Sir Robert Garran,
Sir John Medley,
Professor H.K. Ward,
Professor J.G. Wood.

The Registrar and his Assistant were in attendance.

APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from Professor E.I. Bailey, Mr. A.S. Brown, Dr. H.C. Coombs, Senator J.H. O'Byrne, Sir David Rivett, Hon. P.C. Spender, and Professor R.D. Wright.

1. PROFESSOR W.R. CROCKER:

The Interim Council resolved to offer congratulations to Professor W.R. Crocker, Professor of International Relations, on the presentation to him at a recent ceremony of two Belgian war decorations in recognition of his services to Colonial troops and Belgian fliers in Africa during the war - the Cross of Officer of the Royal Order of the Lion with Palm, and the Croix de Guerre 1940 with Palm.

At a later stage of the meeting the Vice-Chancellor introduced Professor Crocker, who had taken up duty in Canberra a few days previously, to the Council, and a brief discussion took place of the place of studios in international relations in the University's programme.

2. COUNCIL ROOM FURNITURE:

Members of the Council expressed appreciation of the tables and chairs which had been made for the Council room, and which were now being used for the first time.

3. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the 41st Meeting, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

4. MEMBERSHIP OF THE INTERIM COUNCIL:

The Registrar reported that the Governor-General had now appointed Professor Oliphant a member of the Interim Council.

5. AWARD OF DEGREES:

The Vice-Chancellor referred to the discussion by the Academic Advisory Committee of the conditions for the award of the Ph.D. degree (20th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 6).

After discussion of the principal conditions proposed by the Academic Advisory Committee, it was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor should arrange for a group of the academic members of the Council to discuss this matter with Professors Oliphant and Florey.
6. ACADEMIC ORGANISATION:

(a) Use of Title of "Director" -

The Vice-Chancellor referred to the mention of this matter in the Minutes of the Academic Advisory Committee (20th Meeting, paragraph 15), and it was agreed that no further discussion was now necessary.

(b) Academic Advisory Committee -

The Vice-Chancellor drew attention to the Academic Advisory Committee's minute concerning its own future role in University affairs (Academic Advisory Committee, 20th Meeting, paragraph 9). It was resolved that this matter be further discussed with Professors Oliphant and Florey.

7. STATUTES:

The Registrar reported that, while informal consultations had been held, and some drafting done, it had not been practicable to hold a meeting of the Statutes Committee, but that he hoped to present a report from the Committee at the next meeting of the Interim Council.

8. FINANCE COMMITTEE - REPORT:

The report of the Finance Committee (see Minutes of Meeting held on 13th July, 1950) was received, and the Committee's recommendations adopted.

9. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

The reports of the Buildings and Grounds Committee and the Committee on Houses off the University Site (see Minutes of Meetings held on 13th July, 1950) were received, and the Committees' recommendations adopted.

10. ACADEMIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

The Interim Council considered the Minutes of the 20th Meeting of the Academic Advisory Committee, including, in addition to matters mentioned separately, the following items:

(a) Houses for Members of Staff (paragraph 3(a)) -

It was resolved that the letter from the Vice-Chancellor to Professor Oliphant dated 1st June, 1950, about the University's housing activities be circulated to members of the Interim Council.

(b) Scholarships (paragraph 3(c)) -

It was resolved that this matter be further discussed with Professors Oliphant and Florey.

(c) Salaries (paragraph 3(d)) -

It was resolved that this matter be further discussed with Professors Oliphant and Florey.

(d) Fees for Specialist Courses (paragraph 4) -

As the Academic Advisory Committee had now concurred with the Council's proposal (Interim Council, 41st Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 12(e)), it was resolved that where officers of the technical staff, or other University Officers below the grade of Research Fellow, are required to take advanced courses in connection with their University duties, the University will pay the fees necessarily incurred.

(e) Medical
It was noted that the Academic Advisory Committee had concurred in the Council's resolution in this matter (Interim Council, 41st Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 23).

The Council noted the Academic Advisory Committee's view "that, as a general rule, there would not be departmental libraries, but that School Libraries would be established where necessary."

11. SCHOLARS:

(a) R.M. Hartwell -

The Registrar reported that Mr. Hartwell had been appointed Professor of Humanities in the New South Wales University of Technology, and that advice was being sought as to Mr. Hartwell's intentions concerning his scholarship.

It was resolved that the Council convey its congratulations to Mr. Hartwell on his appointment, and that if he wished to complete his scholarship tenure, which had recently been extended, he should be at liberty to do so.

(b) J.F. McCrea -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that on Sir Howard Florey's advice he had extended Dr. McCrea's scholarship for a third year.

(c) I.R.C. Bick -

The Registrar reported that a payment of £100 sterling had been offered to Dr. Bick as a grant in aid of his travelling expenses, pursuant to the Council's resolution at the 39th Meeting (Minutes, paragraph 8(a)(vii)).

(d) Mrs. Joyce Gibson -

The Vice-Chancellor mentioned a letter from Professor Wheare dated 21st June, 1950, suggesting the possibility of offering an appointment to Mrs. Gibson, who had been working in the Agricultural Economics Research Institute in Oxford.

It was resolved that the suggestion be referred for advice to Professor Swan on his return from abroad.

(e) A. Davies -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Mr. Davies, who took up a scholarship on 26th August, 1949, had been appointed to a senior lectureship in Political Science in the University of Melbourne as from February, 1951, and that he wished to resign his scholarship as from January, 1951.

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor be asked to negotiate with Mr. Davies and the University of Melbourne with a view to making it possible for Mr. Davies to complete his scholarship tenure.
(f) P.G. Klemens -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that on Professor Oliphant's advice Mr. Klemens' scholarship, which would expire in August, 1950, had been extended until November, 1950.

(g) J.O. Cope -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that on Professor Oliphant's advice Mr. Cope's scholarship, which would expire in August, 1950, had been extended for a third year.

(h) D.B. Morell -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that on Sir Howard Florey's advice Mr. Morell's scholarship, which would expire in August, 1950, had been extended for a third year.

(i) N.G. Butlin -

The Registrar referred to a letter dated 15th June, 1950, received from Mr. Butlin seeking an increase in the University's contribution to his scholarship allowance from 200 dollars to 1,000 dollars for the second year of tenure.

After discussion it was resolved that the contribution of 200 dollars be continued, and that the maximum extra grant be made to Mr. Butlin as a case of special need, i.e., an additional grant of the dollar equivalent of £100 sterling.

(j) Number of Scholarship Extensions -

It was resolved that the attention of the Academic Advisory Committee be directed to the fact that fourteen scholarships had already been extended in the current year.

12. JOHN CURTIN SCHOOL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH:

(a) Department of Biochemistry -

(i) Readership in Biochemistry -

No further progress had been made.

(b) Department of Microbiology -

(i) Technician -

No further progress had been made.

(c) Department of Physiology -

(i) Professor J.C. Eccles -

The Vice-Chancellor informed the Council that Professor Eccles had been invited to deliver the Waynflete Lectures in Oxford in 1952. He proposed to spend several months overseas in 1952, and to include a visit to U.S. These proposals were noted with approval.
(a) **Laboratory Manager**

The Vice-Chancellor reported that after further consultation with Sir Howard Florey, he had offered appointment to Mr. A.F. Bunker in terms of the Council's previous decision (41st Meeting, Minutes paragraph 12(f)); and that he was discussing with Sir Howard Mr. Bunker's movements on appointment.

(e) **Microanalyst**

No further progress had been made.

(f) **Visits by Sir Howard Florey, Professors Albert and Eccles and Dr. Sanders**

The Registrar supplied members with all the available details of the itineraries of these visitors.

13. **RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES**:

(a) **Honorary Professorship of Astronomy**

The Vice-Chancellor said that in view of Dr. Woolley's imminent departure abroad, and with Professor Oliphant's strong support, he had offered Dr. Woolley appointment in accordance with the previous decision of the Council (36th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 14(b)). Dr. Woolley, with the consent of the Minister of the Interior, had now accepted.

The conditions of the appointment included the provision of facilities at Mt. Stromlo for the development of a University Department of Astronomical Research and the training of research students.

It was resolved that Dr. Woolley be appointed Honorary Professor of Astronomy as from 5th July, 1950 and that he be granted an honorarium of £200 per annum.

(b) **Dr. D.F. Martyn**

The Vice-Chancellor said that the Committee appointed to consider the possibility of an appointment for Dr. Martyn (40th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 10(c)) had met, and recommended that further discussion of the matters involved be allowed to await Professor Oliphant's arrival in Australia. This course was, he understood, acceptable to Dr. Martyn.

It was resolved that the Committee's recommendation be adopted.

14. **RESEARCH SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES**:

(a) **Department of Social Philosophy**

The Vice-Chancellor said that the Committee on the Establishment of the Research School of Social Sciences had met and considered opinions obtained from a number of Australian social scientists and philosophers on the suitability of Dr. Karl Popper for appointment to a Chair of Social Philosophy. Although a wide divergence of opinion was apparent, the Committee thought that the weight of evidence and judgment favoured the appointment.

It was resolved that the Committee's views, and the opinions referred to, be further discussed by the Vice-Chancellor with Professor Wheare and with Professors Oliphant and Florey.
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(b) G. Rudduck - Publication of Reports -

The Registrar reported that it would not be possible to publish through Public Service channels such of Mr. Rudduck's reports as had not already been so published, and that he was seeking an estimate of the cost of having them separately published.

15. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PACIFIC STUDIES:

(a) Department of Geography -

(i) D.B. Mather - Research Fellowship -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that in accordance with the Council's authority (39th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 11(d)), and after further consultation with Professor Firth, he had offered a Research Fellowship in Geography to Mr. Mather, at an initial salary of £900 per annum plus cost of living adjustment.

(ii) Other Appointments in Geography - C.G. Stephens, Maurice Brown, etc. -

The Vice-Chancellor referred to recent correspondence he had had with Professor Firth concerning a professorial and other appointments in Geography, and to further opinions he had secured about the appointment of Dr. C.G. Stephens to the staff.

After discussion, it was resolved -

(A) that the Vice-Chancellor consult Professor Firth about the wisdom of appointing Dr. Stephens to a Readership;

(B) that the Vice-Chancellor discuss further with Professor Firth the latter's recommendation for the appointment of Mr. Brown to a Research Fellowship, the Council having expressed concern that Mr. Brown had had no research experience, and doubt as to whether more suitable candidates might not be found in Australia.

(iii) Political and Resources Atlas -

It was agreed that further discussions should be conducted by the Vice-Chancellor with a view to giving effect to the proposal for a political and resources atlas of the Pacific and Indian Oceans, the possibility of assistance from an American foundation being mentioned.

(b) Research Fellowship in Anthropology - K.E. Read - Field Allowances and Expenses -

It was reported that Dr. Read had taken up his Research Fellowship on 1st June, 1950, and that he would shortly go to New Guinea. It was resolved that as Dr. Read was now a member of staff, the correct procedure would be for the Vice-Chancellor to fix his field expenses and allowances in consultation with Professor Firth.

/(c) Professor Firth's
16. PUBLICATION OF WORK BY MEMBERS OF STAFF:
Deferred. (See Interim Council, 41st Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 9(e)).

17. VISITING SCHOLARS:
(a) Professor A.J. Toynbee -
The Vice-Chancellor reported that after further discussion with Professor Giblin, he had asked Professor Wheare to ascertain informally whether Professor Toynbee would be able to accept an invitation to visit Australia in 1952 at the invitation of the University in collaboration with the Dyason Trust.

(b) Sir Alan Herbert -
The Vice-Chancellor referred to a letter he had received from the Representative of the British Council in Australia, asking whether the University would care to collaborate in a visit to Canberra by Sir Alan Herbert late in 1950.

It was resolved that the University should offer to make Sir Alan its guest during his stay in Canberra, and to arrange for him to deliver a public lecture under its auspices.

(c) Sir Richard Livingstone -
The Vice-Chancellor reported that he was exploring the possibility of a visit by Sir Richard Livingstone in 1951 (Interim Council, 41st Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 18(e)). Professor Bailey had recently mentioned that the British Council might be willing to provide the expenses of such a visit, and this point would now be taken up with the British Council.

18. JUBILEE SEMINARS:
The Vice-Chancellor said that he was now in touch with Professor Wheare, President Conant, Sir Edward Mellanby and Professor Mackintosh about their coming to Australia for the Jubilee Seminars.

19. VICE-CHANCELLOR'S VISIT TO INDIA:
The Vice-Chancellor said that he was in process of arranging his Indian itinerary, and that his present plans involved leaving Australia on 16th October and returning on 6th December, 1952.

20. ACADEMIC DRESS:
A memorandum from Dr. C.A.H. Franklyn was circulated (see Academic Advisory Committee, 20th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 7).

It was resolved that the Interim Council appoint a Standing Committee on Ceremonial, comprising the Chairman, the Vice-Chancellor and Professor Wood, and that the memorandum be referred for advice to that Committee.
21. **ARRANGEMENTS FOR NEXT MEETING**

It was resolved that the Council meet next on Friday, 18th August, 1950.

The meeting closed at 3.15 p.m.

(R.C. MILLS)
Chairman
18th August, 1950.
THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

INTERIM COUNCIL

Minutes of the 43rd Meeting of the Interim Council held at the University Offices, Acton, on Thursday and Friday, 17th and 18th August, 1950.

Present: Professor R.C. Mills (Chairman),
The Vice-Chancellor,
Professor K.H. Bailey,
Mr. C.S. Daley,
Sir Robert Garran,
Mr. H.J. Goode,
Sir John Medley,
Senator J.H. O'Byrne,
Professor M.L. Oliphant,
Sir David Rivett,
Professor H.K. Ward,
Professor J.G. Wood,
Professor R.D. Wright.

The Registrar and the Assistant to the Registrar were in attendance.

Sir Howard Florey was present by invitation throughout the meeting.

APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. K.E. Beazley, Dr. H.C. Coombs, Senator the Hon. W.J. Cooper, and the Hon. P.C. Spender.

1. WELCOME TO PROFESSOR OLIPHANT:

The Chairman extended a welcome to Professor Oliphant who had arrived on 12th August, 1950, to take up the Directorship of the Research School of Physical Sciences and who was attending his first meeting as a member of the Interim Council.

2. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the 43rd Meeting, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

3. STATUTES:

(a) Report of Committee -

Sir Robert Garran introduced a report by the Statutes Committee of its proceedings at a meeting held on 8th August, 1950 to consider a reference by the Interim Council (see Minutes, 41st meeting, paragraph 6). Four draft statutes and accompanying rules were placed before members.

The Interim Council received the Report and noted the views of the Committee on the power to make Statutes. It endorsed the principles suggested in the report under Drafting Policy, and Need for Definition and Interpretation Statute.
The draft statutes and rules for the Election of Members of Council (Statute I and Rule), Membership of Convocation (Statute II) and the Board of Graduate Studies (Statute III) were approved as to content, subject to drafting amendments and the following:

Statute I. Clause i(a) to read "of students of the University;"

Statute II. Clause 1(c), delete the word "appointed" and insert "established" in its place.

Clause 1. Provide also for Chancellors and Vice-Chancellors of Australian Universities; the Chairman and Warden of the New England University College and the Chairman and Principal of Canberra University College.

Clause 1. Provide also for five persons to be nominated by the governing body of each existing Australian University and University College. This election is to be non-recurrent.

In accordance with the Committee's recommendation it was resolved that the draft Statute IV and rule "Enrolment of Students and Conferring of Degrees" be referred to the Board of Graduate Studies.

(b) Seal -

The Vice-Chancellor was asked to arrange for the manufacture of a seal for the University and to submit a motion dealing with the custody and use of the seal.

4. ACADEMIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE - FUTURE FUNCTIONS:

The Vice-Chancellor said that he had discussed with Sir Howard Florey and Professor Oliphant the future functions of the Academic Advisory Committee. It was clear that as the University's activities came together in Canberra it would not be necessary for the Council to look to the Academic Advisory Committee in matters of detail. It would still, however, be of the greatest importance to have the Committee's advice on matters of higher policy and it was desirable that the Committee should have, as hitherto, power to initiate discussions on such matters.

The Interim Council expressed agreement with these views and noted that Professor Oliphant would continue to be a member of the Academic Advisory Committee.

5. SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME:

(a) Future of Scholarship Scheme -

The Vice-Chancellor recalled the Interim Council's decision to allot future scholarships to particular Schools but to reserve a small number for award irrespective of the University's particular interests (39th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 8(a)(v)).
The Academic Advisory Committee had agreed with this proposal on the understanding that the unattached scholarships should not prejudice the number of scholarships required for work falling within the province of the Schools (19th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 6(b); 20th Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 3(c)).

In discussion of the general nature of the future scholarship scheme, Sir Howard Florey said that he would wish to have a stated number of scholarships available for award in the John Curtin School of Medical Research. Professor Oliphant said that he would be interested primarily in scholarships for work in Canberra but he hoped that it would be possible occasionally to send a scholar abroad.

Professor Wright suggested that it might be wise to place the award of the unattached scholarships in the hands of a general Australian academic board. It was thought, however, that in the interests of the University's relation with the other Australian Universities, it would be advisable for this University to retain the initiative in the awards of these scholarships.

Sir David Rivett raised, without elaborating, the question of whether the University might take some general interest and exert some influence in the policy of awarding the rapidly growing number of travelling scholarships available to Australian graduates.

Sir Howard Florey referred to the fact that most English Universities now insisted on a three-year course for the Ph.D. degree and that National University scholars would normally need to hold their awards for three years. He felt that the scholarships should continue to be awarded in the first instance for two years but that for budgetary purposes it should be assumed that most of them would be held for three years.

(b) Medical Scholarships

The Registrar reported that the Medical Advisory Committee on Scholarships had met and held a discussion with Sir Howard Florey. The Committee understood the reasons prompting the division of scholarships into those relevant to particular Schools and an unattached group. It was particularly glad that the second group would still make it possible for the occasional brilliant scholar to receive assistance, irrespective of his field of study.

The Committee had discussed its own future role and had left it to the Interim Council to decide whether it should remain in existence. On this point the Interim Council agreed that the Committee, of which the Medical Professors were members, should remain in existence but that the Professors concerned should, in consultation with their Australian colleagues, exercise the actual decision as to the number and selection of scholars for their own departments.
Sir Howard Florey expressed his willingness to deal with the administration of the scholarship scheme as it affected Medical Departments for which Professors had not yet been appointed.

Sir Howard Florey said that he did not think there was any advantage in continuing to advertise the University's medical scholarships in England.

The Council noted and adopted the views expressed by the Committee and by Sir Howard.

6. SCHOLARS:

(a) Mr. W.L. Morison -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that on the advice of Professor Wheare he had extended Mr. Morison's scholarship for three months from 27th November, 1950.

(b) Dr. F.K. Crowley -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that on Professor Wheare's advice he had increased the value of Dr. Crowley's scholarship by £50 sterling per annum as from the beginning of the second year of his tenure.

(c) Mr. A. Hampton -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that on the advice of Professor Albert and Sir Howard Florey he had made a grant-in-aid of £250 sterling for the twelve months beginning on 1st July, 1950, to Mr. A. Hampton in the Department of Medical Chemistry.

7. PERMANENT FELLOWSHIPS:

The Vice-Chancellor said that he had recently discussed with Sir Howard Florey and the heads of Medical Departments the view of the Interim Council that permanent Fellowships should be few and the circumstances of such appointments special. There had been some misunderstanding over the meaning of the term "permanent" and he thought the Council should consider the tenure and, in general terms, the number of these appointments.

During discussion it was agreed that the presence of some permanent Fellows, who might be regarded as the counterpart of lecturers in teaching Universities, would be necessary to the continuing work of the several University Departments, though the number required would vary considerably, having regard to the Department's programme of work. Professor Oliphant said, for example, that he contemplated that the School of Physical Sciences would require three permanent Fellows and some fifteen Research Fellows.

It was agreed that no change should be made in the present conditions of the tenure of "permanent" Fellows whereby the appointment is made, in the first instance for five years, and, if then confirmed, continues until the Fellow reaches the age of 65.
(Professors A.H. Ennor, A. Albert, F.J. Fenner and J.C. Eccles were present by invitation during portion of the discussion on the Medical School; the architect, Dr. A.G. Sanders and Mr. B.U. Weiss (Department of Works and Housing) were present during the discussion on buildings.)

(a) Department of Biochemistry -

Professor Ennor informed the Interim Council that he was not able to recommend the appointment of any of the applicants for the recently advertised Readership in Biochemistry.

(b) Department of Medical Chemistry -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that, on the advice of Sir Howard Florey and Professor Albert, he had offered a Research Fellowship within the Department of Medical Chemistry to Mr. L.N. Short, formerly a scholar of the University, on the approved conditions of appointment but at a commencing salary of £900 per annum to date 5th August, 1950.

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor's action be confirmed and that a Fellowship be advertised at a later stage.

(c) Department of Microbiology -

Professor Fenner reported that the accommodation available to him at the Walter and Eliza Hall Institute would be sufficient for a year or two but that the sub-department of Chemical Microbiology would need space elsewhere when the time came to establish it.

(d) Department of Physiology -

Professor Eccles reported in general terms on his proposals for the establishment of his Department, mentioning his interest in the Institute of Anatomy. Professor Eccles said that, if space were available, he would come to Canberra in 1952 and that work in Biophysics allied to his own research could be profitably started at the same time.

(e) Laboratory Manager -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Mr. A.F. Bunker had now accepted appointment in terms of the Interim Council's previous decision (see Minutes, 41st Meeting, paragraph 12(f)). After discussion with Sir Howard Florey the Vice-Chancellor had arranged for Mr. Bunker to visit Australia to acquaint himself with local conditions and to take part in the detailed planning of the Medical School. He would arrive in Australia in September and return to England about April, 1951, for further training under Sir Howard Florey.
It was resolved that Mr. A.F. Bunker be appointed Laboratory Manager in the John Curtin School of Medical Research at a salary of £1,200 per annum and that arrangements for Mr. Bunker’s visit to Australia and his future movements be approved.

(f) Estimated Running Costs

The Registrar informed the Interim Council that the expected running costs of the School had been examined during Sir Howard Florey's visit. From a report placed before the Finance Committee it appeared that the annual cost might rise to £170,000 in five years' time. Finance Committee had arranged for the Medical School's needs to be examined in conjunction with those of other sections of the University.

Mr. Goodes drew attention to the fact that the annual cost of the University's operations as a whole was even now likely to be more than £300,000, which meant that any new commitments, and possibly some already entered into, would involve expenditure greater than the statutory grant. Mr. Goodes stressed that the Government should be informed of the extent of this excess at the earliest opportunity.

(g) Proposal to Establish Department of Biophysics

Sir Howard Florey explained that his plans for the development of the John Curtin School of Medical Research included macromolecular work in Biophysics under the Professor of Biochemistry. Professor Eccles had now asked for some provision to be made for work of an altogether different character in Biophysics, closely complementary to work in which he himself would be engaged in Physiology. Professor Eccles had suggested a new name "physical biochemistry" for the work to be done in Professor Ennor's department (which the Medical Professors had agreed was still necessary); he had also asked that a new Department of Biophysics be set up and that the Chair be offered to Dr. Bernhard Katz of University College, University of London.

Professor Eccles described Dr. Katz' career and his qualifications; he said that no enlargement of the building contemplated would be necessary; the cost of the new Department would primarily consist of salaries, say £5,000 per annum. If Dr. Katz were appointed, the appointment of a Reader in the Department of Physiology could if necessary be deferred.

It was resolved that a Department of Biophysics be established within the John Curtin School of Medical Research and that the Chair be offered to Dr. Bernhard Katz on the approved conditions for the appointment of Professors.

/(h) Australian
(h) **Australian Institute of Anatomy**

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Sir Howard Florey and he had had a preliminary talk with the Minister for Health on the future use of the Institute of Anatomy.

Sir Howard said that the Institute's building had been inspected by the Medical Professors and that Professor Eccles held the opinion that, if space could be made available there, he could establish his Department of Physiology in the Institute temporarily until the buildings for the John Curtin School were ready. The Department of Biophysics, previously agreed on, could also be set up there, the requirements of those two Departments for special fittings and services being much less than those of other Departments.

Sir Howard Florey suggested that the Interim Council have in mind the possibility, in the long run, of developing in the Institute research in Cytology, a branch of Medical Science in keeping with the conception of the Institute's founder, Sir Colin MacKenzie, and of the work previously done there.

It was agreed to leave negotiations in the hands of the Vice-Chancellor.

(i) **Delegation of Director's powers to appoint staff**

The Vice-Chancellor recalled that the Interim Council at its 19th Meeting agreed to delegate to Directors power to authorize the appointment of junior staff below the grade of Research Fellow, in the several Departments under their guidance, subject to the overall need to establish some uniformity in rates of pay and conditions of appointment throughout the University.

The Vice-Chancellor said that Sir Howard Florey wished to delegate to the medical professors power to authorize appointments within their approved budgets. Appointments would still be notified by the Registrar and reported to the Interim Council by him.

The arrangement envisaged by Sir Howard Florey was approved.

(j) **Microanalyst**

The Registrar reported that Miss J. Fildes had now accepted appointment in the terms previously decided upon by the Interim Council (see Minutes, 39th Meeting, paragraph 9(d)).

It was resolved that the appointment be confirmed.

/(k) **Scholarships**
(x) Scholarships -

(i) Allowances -

At Sir Howard Florey's suggestion, the Interim Council considered the value of the University's scholarships tenable overseas; it was agreed that the allowance to a single scholar (£450 per annum) was adequate but the Vice-Chancellor and Mr. Goodes were asked to meet and consider a proposal that the married allowance be raised to £650 per annum plus £50 per annum for each child, to take effect in July, 1951.

(ii) Awards 1951 -

Sir Howard Florey asked that up to eight places be made available for scholarship awards to take effect in 1951 in fields related to the Departments of the John Curtin School of Medical Research. Sir Howard said that he still wanted to be in a position to award scholarships for study overseas to good people offering in the medical field.

Agreed.

(1) Medical Buildings -

(At this point the Interim Council considered paragraph 2 of the report of the Buildings and Grounds Committee - see paragraph 13 of these Minutes).

(i) Standard of Building -

The Vice-Chancellor drew attention to the discussion which took place before the Buildings and Grounds Committee, saying that the Committee had given tentative approval to the plans for the buildings but had desired the situation to be fully examined by the Interim Council itself.

Sir Howard Florey reported on the discussions that had taken place between himself, the Medical Professors, Dr. Sanders and the Architect during the past few weeks. He said that the plans had been reviewed with a continual awareness of the need to reduce expense while preserving the essential features to ensure the building a reasonably long and useful life. Sir Howard said that the building was essentially a shell. An extra floor could be added on top.

It was agreed that comparison of the space contemplated for the John Curtin School of Medical Research with that in other scientific institutions on a "space per worker" basis might well give a false impression; work with animals and large scale apparatus needs much more space than in some other branches of scientific research.

/ The Architect
The Architect reported that in its present form the John Curtin School would not be extravagant if compared with the Nutritional Research Building in Adelaide or with similar buildings overseas.

The Professors agreed that the establishment of the School would be increased by visiting scholars who would be supported privately. At the Council's request the Professors advised that the optimum number of graduate workers to be housed by the building was 90, consisting of 65 staff and scholars plus 25 visitors supported by outside grants. The maximum capacity would be 100 graduate workers.

(ii) Programme of building

It was agreed that if possible the workshop, the mock-up and the excavation for the main building should be pushed ahead as quickly as possible and that a contract should be let for the building shell so that construction could proceed whilst the detailed planning of services was continuing.

The Architect agreed that, from his point of view, this could be done and plans could be completed in about six months. He said that reinforcing steel and concrete would be the main elements of the essential structure and these were not in short supply.

Mr. Weiss said that close liaison would be maintained by the engineering consultants with the Architect and he was confident that the engineering plans would keep step with those of the Architect.

It was resolved that the revised plans for the medical buildings be approved.

9. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES:

(a) Dr. D.F. Martyn - Deferred (Interim Council, 42nd Meeting, paragraph 13(b)).

10. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES:

(a) Department of Social Philosophy -

The Vice-Chancellor referred to further opinions he had had regarding the suitability of Dr. Karl Popper for appointment to the Chair of Social Philosophy. He also read a further letter which he had received from Professor Wheare.

After a full discussion of the opinions received it was agreed that the Vice-Chancellor should be authorized to invite Dr. Popper to spend a period of say six months in the University as Visiting Professor of Social Philosophy.
(b) **Mr. Grenfell Rudduck - Publication of Reports - Deferred.**

(c) **Chair of Theoretical Statistics -**

The Vice-Chancellor reported on his further correspondence with Professor Wheare about the possibility of the appointment of a Professor of Theoretical Statistics (Interim Council, 37th Meeting, paragraph 14(b)(iii); 38th Meeting, paragraph 12(b)). Professor Wheare had mentioned the name of Mr. P.A. Moran of Oxford.

During a general discussion of the place of the Chair of Statistics in the University, it was agreed that there would be need to appoint statisticians in various University departments (as had in fact already been done in the Department of Economics and was contemplated in the Department of Microbiology), but that it would be important to have a Chair of Theoretical Statistics which could conduct fundamental research in statistical theory. It was thought that the title of such a Chair might be simply the "Chair of Statistics".

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor should be asked to continue enquiries about the suitability of Mr. P.A. Moran for appointment to such a Chair.

(d) **Mr. W.D. Borrie -**

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Mr. Borrie had been offered a grant of $1,000 by the United Nations Organisation to finance research into the Australian experience in the assimilation of German and Italian migrants. He said that as this was directly in line with work on which Mr. Borrie was engaged, he had approved of the project.

It was resolved to confirm the Vice-Chancellor's action.

(e) **Mr. Alan Wood -**

The Vice-Chancellor reported that a letter had been received from Professor Wheare about Mr. Alan Wood, an Australian, who wished to carry out a piece of research into the operations of British government colonial undertakings.

11. **RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PACIFIC STUDIES:**

(a) **Department of Geography -**

The Vice-Chancellor outlined recent correspondence in which he had again mentioned to Professor Firth the name of Dr. C.G. Stephens.

(b) **Professor Firth's report -**

The Interim Council resolved that Professor Firth be thanked for his report, discussion of which was deferred until the next meeting.
(c) Department of International Relations - Memorandum from Professor Crocker -

Deferred.

(d) Visiting Reader in Oriental Studies -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Mr. C.P. FitzGerald would leave England in late September, spend some six weeks in the United States of America and after visiting Peking arrive in Australia in January, 1951.

(e) Atlas -

The Vice-Chancellor reported in terms of Professor Firth's letter of 21st July, 1950, suggesting that further consideration be deferred until next year.

12. FINANCE COMMITTEE:

The report of the Finance Committee (see Minutes of Meeting held on 17th August, 1950) was received and the Committee's recommendations adopted.

13. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE:

The report of the Buildings and Grounds Committee (see Minutes of Meeting held on 17th August, 1950 (including report of a meeting of the Medical Buildings Advisory Committee held on Wednesday, 8th August, 1950)) was received and the recommendations adopted except insofar as those relating to medical buildings had already been dealt with.

14. ADMINISTRATION OF UNIVERSITY HOUSE:

Deferred.

15. PUBLICATION OF WORK BY MEMBERS OF STAFF:

During a general discussion Professor Oliphant raised the question of a University Press. Sir Howard Florey said that the research output of the John Curtin School would be fairly well catered for by reputable journals and book publishers; if a University printing office was in mind, he would be more interested in having funds available to sponsor publication of work rather than set up an expensive press.

Sir David Rivett suggested that Mr. G.F. James, Director of the Melbourne University Press, Mr. L.F. Fitzhardinge, Reader in the Sources of Australian History, and Mr. F.G. Nicholls of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization could advise the Vice-Chancellor.

The Vice-Chancellor was asked to bring a report to Council in due course.

16. VISITING SCHOLARS:

(a) General -

The Vice-Chancellor referred to the Academic Advisory Committee's comments at its 18th meeting (see Minutes, paragraph 13(d)) on
the position that visiting scholars should occupy in future plans for the University and recalled the Interim Council's view expressed at its 39th meeting (see Minutes, paragraph 7(e)).

The Vice-Chancellor said that, after discussion with Sir Howard Florey and Professor Oliphant, he proposed that any new commitment for visiting scholars be deferred for say twelve months after the 1951 programme already settled.

Agreed.

(b) Particular Visitors -

(i) Professor J.T. Wilson, Professor J.B. Condliffe, Mr. J.S. Furnivall -

The Registrar reported that Professor Wilson and Professor Condliffe had arrived in Australia and begun their tour of Universities and that Mr. Furnivall was expected to arrive on 21st August.

17. JUBILEE SEMINARS:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Dr. Conant had indicated his willingness to come to Australia for two months from mid-July, 1951, to join in the science seminar and to visit the Universities. He also said that he was in touch with Professor Wheare about his participation in the seminar on federalism. He had not yet received replies from Professor Mackintosh or Sir Edward Mellanby.

The Vice-Chancellor said that Sir Henry Tizard, who had previously been invited to attend the science seminar, had written expressing regret at his inability to accept the invitation.

18. NEXT MEETING:

It was resolved that the next meeting of the Interim Council be held on 8th September unless the Chairman and Vice-Chancellor considered that the business would not warrant calling the Council together.

19. SIR HOWARD FLOREY'S VISIT:

It was resolved to thank Sir Howard Florey for making his present visit to Australia and for his assistance in settling the plans of the John Curtin School of Medical Research.

The meeting concluded at 4.45 p.m. on Friday, 18th August, 1951.

(R.C. MILLS)
Chairman,
8th September, 1950.
A meeting of the Statutes Committee was held in Sir John Medley's room in the University of Melbourne on Tuesday, 8th August, 1950, at 2.15 p.m. Sir Robert Garran, Professor K.H. Bailey, Mr. R.G. Osborne, Professor G. Sawer and Professor R.D. Wright were present, and Sir Robert Garran was elected to the chair. The Registrar and his Assistant were in attendance.

Reference by Interim Council to Committee.

At its 41st Meeting, the Interim Council asked the Statutes Committee "to prepare draft statutes concerning the establishment of Convocation, the establishment of the Council, the enrolment of students and the conferring of degrees, the creation of the Board of Graduate Studies, and on such other matters as ought in the Committee's opinion to be regulated by statute at this stage of the University's development." The Council asked "that the Committee, when presenting the drafts, should submit a memorandum bringing to the Council's attention the major decisions of policy involved."

Power to make Statutes.

The Committee first considered doubts which had arisen as to whether the Interim Council had power under the University Act to enact Statutes. These doubts had been felt particularly on account of the provisions of section 28(1), which requires that "every Statute, when approved by the Council, shall be sealed with the common seal, and shall be transmitted by the Chancellor for the approval of the Governor-General, and upon being so approved shall be notified in the Gazette, and shall thereupon have the force of law." The Interim Council clearly cannot elect a Chancellor (section 17(1), section 12(4)). It had therefore been considered that no Statutes can be made by the Interim Council. It had also been suggested that, as the election of some members of the eventual Council cannot be conducted except "in the manner provided in the Statutes", the Council could not come into existence until Statutes are passed; and that a deadlock had accordingly been reached.

Sir Robert Garran and Professor Bailey advised the Committee that in their view no such difficulty existed. They thought that the provision in section 28(1) for transmission of Statutes by the Chancellor was directory rather than mandatory, and that there was no reason why the University should not acquire a common seal forthwith. They were of opinion that the power given to the Interim Council by the Act to establish the University clearly implied a power to enact Statutes.

They said, moreover, that the Council could be brought into effective existence without Statutes, though it would then at first consist only of the members elected by Parliament, those appointed by the Governor-General, and the Vice-Chancellor - a total of nine.

(During further discussion Sir Robert and Professor Bailey expressed the opinion that the University had, at the establishment of the Interim Council, become a body corporate (see section 4(2))).
The Committee resolved to advise the Interim Council that by virtue of section 12 of the University Act, the Interim Council may properly enact Statutes, which should, when sealed, be transmitted to the Governor-General by the Chairman of the Interim Council.

**Drafting Policy.**

The Act contemplates (section 27(2)) that the detailed affairs of the University will be governed by by-laws, rules or orders made by the Council, or by some other authority or officer of the University designated by Statute. It is recommended that advantage should be taken of this provision to make the Statutes themselves as brief, simple and general as possible, and that the more detailed prescriptions should be contained in two other classes of legislation—rules to govern continuing or recurrent matters such as election procedures, and orders to govern ephemeral matters such as the conduct of a special University function. Such a practice would provide a flexible machinery well suited to the rapid development of the University in its early years.

**Need for Definition and Interpretation Statute.**

Professor Bailey pointed out that Statutes, regulations, etc., made pursuant to the Act would probably be governed, as a matter of law, by the Acts Interpretation Act of the Commonwealth Parliament, which defines a great many terms and expressions. It would, however, be desirable for the University to have its own definition Statute. This Statute should, inter alia,

(a) provide that the Acts Interpretation Act should apply to Statutes, regulations, etc., made under the University Act;

(b) specify the manner in which the Statutes, regulations, etc., should be numbered and cited;

(c) specify the way in which regulations and other domestic legislation should be brought to public notice, a matter which is governed, as far as Statutes are concerned, by the Act itself (section 28);

(d) define terms which are not dealt with in the Acts Interpretation Act, but which will crop up frequently in University legislation, e.g. Director.

**Statutes to be made : Principal Matters of Policy.**

The Committee resolved to recommend that the Interim Council should make Statutes and rules, in accordance with the following drafts, with respect to—

(a) Election of Members of Council - Draft Statute and Rule (Schedule A)

(b) Membership of Convocation - Draft Statute (Schedule B)

(c) The Board of Graduate Studies - Draft Statute (Schedule C).

It was further resolved to recommend that the Board of Graduate Studies be asked to consider a draft Statute and Rule (Schedule D) with respect to Enrolment of Students and Conferring of Degrees.

The principal matters of policy embodied in the Statutes and Rules are indicated by an asterisk in the margin.
Schedule A.

Election of Members of Council.

Draft Statute.

I. Election of Members of Council.

1. The Council may from time to time make, alter and repeal Rules with respect to the election as members of the Council of representatives

(a) of undergraduate students and other students of the University;

(b) of the professorial and teaching staff of the University;

and the said elections shall be conducted in accordance with the Rules so made and for the time being in force.

2. All elections pursuant to this Statute shall be conducted by the Registrar, who shall be the Returning Officer for all such elections, and his decision on all matters affecting the eligibility of candidates and the conduct and result of such elections shall be final.

3. All elections pursuant to this Statute shall be conducted in accordance with the electoral system prescribed by or pursuant to Rules made under this Statute. The electoral system shall provide that at an election where one candidate is to be elected the principle of the single transferable vote shall be used, and that at an election where more than one candidate is to be elected the principle of preferential voting shall be used.

4. At all elections pursuant to this Statute voting shall be by secret ballot.

5. Every candidate for election by a specified class of electors shall be a member of that class.

6. The Rules made pursuant to this Statute shall provide for the retirement in rotation of elected members of the Council.

7. If an elected member of the Council ceases to hold the qualification by virtue of which he was elected, his seat shall thereupon become vacant.

8. Subject to the provisions of the Act, members may be co-opted to the Council by the resolution of a majority of the elected appointed and ex officio members of the Council voting at a meeting convened for this purpose. Such resolution shall also fix the tenure and provide for the retirement in rotation of co-opted members.

(Note: Section 11(10) of the Act provides that Council members elected by Parliament or appointed by the Governor-General shall be elected or appointed for periods not exceeding three years. The Committee recommends that the Houses of Parliament and the Governor-General be recommended to elect or appoint the members concerned for the maximum period of three years.)
Draft Rule.

I. Election of Members of the Council.

Part I - General.

1. All elections pursuant to this Rule shall be conducted by the Registrar in accordance with the electoral system set out in the Schedule hereto.

2. If at any election the number of nominations does not exceed the number of seats to be filled, the Registrar shall declare the persons nominated to be elected.

3. The Registrar shall not accept a vote at any election unless he is satisfied that it has been cast by a qualified voter, and that that voter has voted only once.

4. Any casual vacancy in the office of an elected member of the Council shall be filled by the election of a member to fill the vacancy who shall be entitled to hold office during the residue of the term of the member whose office he fills:

Provided that -

If a person elected pursuant to this Rule ceases to be a member of the Council within six months of the time at which his tenure would have expired, the Council may if it thinks fit direct that the casual vacancy so caused shall be filled at the election conducted at the time when that person's seat would normally have become vacant.

5. Save as is otherwise provided in this Rule, all members elected pursuant to this Rule shall hold office for four years.

Part II - Elections by Convocation.

1. Each member of Convocation shall keep the Registrar informed of his address, and the Registrar shall keep a roll of addresses so supplied to him.

2. When an election under this Part is necessary, the Registrar shall publish the fact by notice on the notice board at the University and in one daily paper in Canberra, Sydney and Melbourne, a copy of which notice he shall send by post to each member of Convocation at the address shown on the roll. The notice shall

(a) set out the number of seats to be filled, and the names of the members of the Council elected by Convocation whose seats do not fall vacant at the time of the election concerned;
3. (b) invite nominations of persons for election, and specify the form in which nominations must be made;
(c) prescribe a date and time by which nominations must reach the Registrar.

3. If the number of nominations exceeds the number of seats to be filled, the Registrar shall send to each member of Convocation with an address known to him
(a) a voting paper;
(b) a notice setting out how the voter's preference is to be shown, and prescribing a date and time by which voting papers must reach the Registrar.

4. The two of the first five members elected by Convocation who stand highest at the polls shall hold office for four years, and the other three members shall hold office for two years. If the first five members elected by Convocation are declared elected without a ballot, the Registrar shall decide by lot which two of them shall hold office for four years, and the other three shall hold office for two years.

Part III - Elections by Students.

1. In this Part a student means a person for the time being enrolled as a student of the University.

2. When an election under this Part is necessary, the Registrar shall publish the fact by notice on the notice board at the University and in a daily paper in Canberra; the notice shall
(a) state that a seat is to be filled, and set out the name of the member of the Council elected by the students whose seat does not fall vacant at the time of the election concerned;
(b) invite nominations of persons for election, and specify the form in which nominations must be made;
(c) prescribe a date and time by which nominations must reach the Registrar.

3. If the number of nominations exceeds the number of seats to be filled, the Registrar shall send to each student -
(a) a voting paper;
(b) a notice setting out how the voter's preference is to be shown, and prescribing a date and time by which voting papers must reach the Registrar.
4. Of the first two members elected by the students, that member who stands higher at the polls shall hold office for two years, and the other member shall hold office for one year. If the first two members elected by the students are declared elected without a ballot, the Registrar shall decide by lot which of them shall hold office for two years, and the other member shall hold office for one year. Thereafter all members elected pursuant to this Part shall hold office for two years.

Part IV - Elections by Staff.

1. In this Part a member of the staff means a person who holds a full-time academic appointment in the University of or above the grade of Research Fellow. Before each election pursuant to this Rule the Council shall draw up a list of persons entitled to vote, and only persons whose names appear on that list shall vote.

2. When an election under this Part is necessary, the Registrar shall publish on the notice board at the University and send to each member of the staff a notice which shall

(a) set out the number of seats to be filled, and the name of any member of the Council elected by the staff whose seat does not fall vacant at the time of the election concerned;

(b) invite nominations of persons for election, and specify the form in which nominations must be made;

(c) prescribe a date and time by which nominations must reach the Registrar.

3. If the number of nominations exceeds the number of seats to be filled, the Registrar shall send to each member of the staff

(a) a voting paper;

(b) a notice setting out how the voter's preference is to be shown, and prescribing a date and time by which voting papers must reach the Registrar.

4. Of the first three members elected by the staff, the member who stands highest at the polls shall hold office for four years, and the other two members shall hold office for two years. If the first three members elected by the staff are declared elected without a ballot, the Registrar shall decide by lot which of them shall hold office for four years, and the other two shall hold office for two years.

The Schedule.

(Expert advice is being sought as to voting procedures, and a recommendation will be made to the Interim Council at a later stage.)
II. **Membership of Convocation.**

1. In addition to persons on whom membership is conferred by the Act, the following persons shall be members of Convocation -

   (a) all Professors, Directors, Readers, Senior Research Fellows, Fellows and Research Fellows of the University, and such other officers and servants of the University as are graduates of three years' standing of another University;

   (b) the Registrar, the Librarian and the Accountant of the University;

   (c) all members and past members of the Academic Advisory Committee appointed by the Interim Council on 11th April, 1947.

2. Any person who becomes a member of Convocation shall remain a member notwithstanding that he ceases to hold the qualification by virtue of which he became a member.

3. The Council may from time to time make, alter and repeal rules with respect to the functions, meetings and officers of Convocation.

(Note: The Committee wishes to have an opportunity, before this Statute is enacted, to discuss with the Vice-Chancellor the question of whether there are any other classes of person who should be made members of Convocation.)
The Board of Graduate Studies.

Draft Statute.

IV. The Board of Graduate Studies.

1. There shall be a Board of Graduate Studies comprising the Vice-Chancellor, the Directors and all professors, including honorary professors, of the University. The Council may, on the advice of the Board, appoint as a member of the Board any person who holds an honorary appointment in the University with a rank not lower than that of a professor.

2. The Board may make Rules with respect to its proceedings and officers.

3. The Board shall be the principal academic body of the University; it shall have the right to advise the Council on any question affecting education, learning or research in the University.

4. (1) The Board may, by resolution, delegate all or any of its powers and functions (except this power of delegation) under any Statute, by-law, rule, order or resolution of the Council to any Committee of its members, or to any of its members or to any officer of the University.

(2) Every delegation under this section shall be revocable by resolution of the Board, and no delegation shall prevent the exercise of any power or function by the Board.

5. The Registrar shall be secretary of the Board.
Enrolment, Courses and Degrees.

III. Enrolment, Courses and Degrees.

1. The following degrees may be conferred by the Council -
   Master of Arts,
   Master of Science,
   Doctor of Philosophy,
   Doctor of Letters,
   Doctor of Science.

2. The Council after consultation with the Board of Graduate Studies may from time to time make, alter and repeal Rules with respect to -
   (a) the enrolment of students;
   (b) the requirements of courses for degrees;
   (c) the fees to be paid by students and other persons working in the University;
   (d) the granting of degrees, including honorary degrees;
   (e) the granting of fellowships, scholarships and other awards and distinctions;
   (f) the discipline of the University.

Draft Rule.

II. Enrolment, Courses and Degrees.

   Part I - General.

1. In this Rule the Board means the Board of Graduate Studies.

2. Each applicant for enrolment, each student enrolled, and each applicant for a degree shall pay such fees as are from time to time prescribed by order of the Council, and payment shall be made in the manner similarly prescribed.
Part II - Enrolment.

3. A person wishing to be enrolled as a student shall make application to the Registrar in such form as the Board shall prescribe, and shall submit with his application an outline of the course of advanced study and research which he proposes to pursue.

4. A person may be enrolled if he

(1) holds a degree of another University, which degree and University are approved for this purpose by the Board having regard to the degree if any to which he wishes to proceed; provided that the Board may in special cases and subject to such conditions as it thinks fit approve the enrolment of a person who does not hold a degree of another University; and

(2) has been admitted by the Board either as a student for a particular degree or as a student not proceeding to a degree; and

(3) has secured the approval of the Board to his proposed course of study and research. No application for approval under this sub-section shall be considered by the Board unless the proposed course of study and research has been approved by the Head of the Department concerned.

Part III - Courses and Degrees.

5. When the Board admits a student, it shall specify the Department in which he shall work, and shall appoint a supervisor of his studies.

6. Each candidate shall pursue his approved course of study and research to the satisfaction of the Board. If the Board is of opinion that any student is not making satisfactory progress, it may terminate his enrolment.

7. Each candidate shall spend his full time in the pursuit of his approved course.

8. Subject to the provisions of sub-section (1) of section 4, no person shall be admitted as a candidate for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy unless he

(1) holds a degree of Master in this University; or

(2) holds a degree of Master in another University, which degree and University are approved for this purpose by the Board.

9. (1) Each candidate for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy shall pursue his approved course within the University for such period, not being less than three or more than four calendar years, as the Board shall prescribe; provided that

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(a) the Board may permit a candidate to pursue at another institution such part of his approved course as it thinks fit;

(b) the Board may in special cases prescribe that a candidate's approved course shall extend over a period of less than three, but not less than two years;

(c) the Board may in special cases prescribe that a candidate's approved course shall extend over a period of more than four years;

(d) the Board may allow such credit as it thinks fit for work done by any candidate, before the enactment of this Rule, in the University or in the Commonwealth Solar Observatory;

(e) the Board may allow such credit, not exceeding a period equal to half the candidate's approved course of study and research, for work done, whether before or after the enactment of this Rule, otherwise than in the University;

(f) any part of a candidate's approved course undertaken, with the approval of the Board, in the field, shall be deemed to have been undertaken within the University.

(2) The powers conferred by the preceding sub-section shall not be exercised in such a way as to make eligible for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy any candidate who has not spent at least one year of his approved course in the University.

(3) Each candidate for the degree of Master of Arts or Master of Science shall pursue his approved course within the University for such period, not being less than two or more than three calendar years, as the Board shall prescribe; provided that

(a) the Board may permit a candidate to pursue at another institution such part of his approved course as it thinks fit;

(b) the Board may in special cases prescribe that a candidate's approved course shall extend over a period of more than three years;

(c) the Board may allow such credit as it thinks fit for work done by any candidate, before the enactment of this Rule, in the University or in the Commonwealth Solar Observatory;

(d) the Board may allow such credit, not exceeding a period equal to half the candidate's approved course of study and research, for work done, whether before or after the enactment of this Rule, otherwise than in the University.

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any part of a candidate's approved course undertaken, with the approval of the Board, in the field, shall be deemed to have been undertaken within the University.

10. Each candidate for a degree shall at the end of his approved course, or within such period thereafter as the Board allows, present in such form as the Board prescribes a thesis embodying the results of the work done during that course. The Council shall, after consultation with the Board, appoint not fewer than two examiners, at least one being an external examiner, who shall examine the thesis, and may require the candidate to undergo such other form of examination concerning the subject of his approved course as they think fit.

11. A candidate who is passed by both his examiners, or if there are more than two, by a majority of his examiners, may be admitted to the appropriate degree. A candidate who is not so passed may be permitted, on such conditions as are prescribed by the Board after consultation with the examiners, and after such further period of approved study and research, not exceeding two years, as is determined by the Board, to submit a revised thesis for examination.

12. Two or more candidates may pursue jointly the course for a degree, provided that the proposed joint course of study and research is approved by the Board in accordance with subsection (3) of Section 4.

13. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Rule, any person who

(1) holds a degree of this University; or

(2) (a) holds a degree of another University, which degree and University are approved for this purpose by the Board; and

(b) is certified by the Board to have a substantial connection with this University

may at the discretion of the Board be admitted as a candidate for the degree of Doctor of Letters or Doctor of Science.

14. A candidate for the degree of Doctor of Letters or Doctor of Science shall submit his published and unpublished works in such manner as the Board prescribes. The Council shall, after consultation with the Board, appoint not fewer than two examiners, at least one being an external examiner, who shall examine the candidate's work.

15. A candidate for the degree of Doctor of Letters or Doctor of Science who is certified by both his examiners, or if there are more than two, by a majority of his examiners, to have made an original and substantial contribution to knowledge and scholarship may be admitted to the appropriate degree.

16. A copy of every thesis or other material successfully submitted for examination for a degree shall be deposited in the Library.
Minutes of the 44th Meeting of the Interim Council held at the University Offices, Acton, on Friday, 13th October, 1950

Present: Professor R.C. Mills (Chairman), The Vice-Chancellor, Professor K.H. Bailey, Mr. K.E. Beazley, Dr. H.C. Coombs, Mr. C.S. Daley, Sir Robert Garran, Mr. H.J. Goodes, Professor M.L. Oliphant, Sir David Rivett, Professor H.K. Ward, Professor J.G. Wood, Professor R.D. Wright.

The Registrar and the Assistant to the Registrar were in attendance.

APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from Sir John Medley, the Hon. P.C. Spender, and Senator Cooper.

1. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the 43rd Meeting, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

2. STATUTES:

Professor Bailey reported that the Statutes Committee had revised the draft Statutes and Rules for the Election of Members of Council, Membership of Convocation, and the Board of Graduate Studies which had been approved as to content at the previous meeting (see Minutes, paragraph 3(a)). He placed revised drafts before the Interim Council for adoption but, in doing so, drew attention to the Election Rule providing for the method of election of certain members of Council where more than one place is to be filled.

Professor Bailey also placed before the Interim Council a new draft Statute entitled Interpretation Statute, with the recommendation of the Statutes Committee.

It was resolved that Statute No. 1, Interpretation Statute, in the form attached to and incorporated in these Minutes, be made and that the Chairman forward it to the Governor-General for approval.

It was resolved that Statute No. 2, Elections (Members of Council) Statute, in the form attached to and incorporated in these Minutes, be made and that the Chairman forward it to the Governor-General for approval.

After discussion concerning the eligibility for membership of Convocation of graduate students and servants of the University and the question of the representation of University Colleges and other research organisations, including the method of selecting such representatives, it was resolved that draft Statute No. 3, Convocation Statute, be amended as follows:-
Section 1, sub-section (a): by inserting in line two after the words "Research Fellows" the words "and Graduate Students" and by adding at the end of the sub-section directly after the word "University" the words "and have served the University for a period of two years".

Section 2: by deleting the words "the Advisory Council".

Sections 3 and 4: by re-numbering these sections to be Sections 4 and 5 respectively and by the insertion of a new Section 3 reading:

"The Council may by the vote of an absolute majority admit as additional members of Convocation persons who in the opinion of the Council are specially qualified to advance the interests of the University."

It was resolved that the amended Statute No. 3, Convocation Statute, in the form attached to and incorporated in these Minutes, be made and that the Chairman forward it to the Governor-General for approval.

It was resolved that Statute No. 4, Board of Graduate Studies Statute, in the form attached to and incorporated in these Minutes, be made, and that the Chairman forward it to the Governor-General for approval.

It was resolved that the draft Rule No. 1, Election of Members of the Council and the Schedule, except paragraph 13 of the Schedule, be approved as to content, that the Statutes Committee be asked to review it, making any further drafting amendments, and to have drafted a new paragraph to replace paragraph 13 of the Schedule, using the method adopted in the State of Tasmania for the election of more than one representative from an electorate to the Legislative Assembly. It was further resolved that the revised draft, when ready, be circulated to members and, if no objection be lodged within fourteen days, should be deemed to be duly made.

3. BOARD OF GRADUATE STUDIES:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that a meeting of Professors had been held in Canberra on 6th October, 1950. He informed the Interim Council of the decisions and recommendations of the meeting contained in (a) paragraph 3; Enrolment, Courses of Research and Degrees, (b) paragraph 4; Enrolment of Students and Fees, (c) paragraph 5; Scholarships, (d) paragraph 6; Committee on Staff, (e) paragraph 8; Jubilee Seminars.

It was resolved to defer discussion until the Academic Advisory Committee had considered the Minutes, except on the following questions which were deemed urgent:

(a) Enrolment of Students -

It was resolved that the Interim Council concur with the recommendation of the Professors (contained in paragraph 4(a) of the Minutes of their meeting held on 6th October, 1950) concerning the enrolment of students in 1951 and 1952.

(b) Fees -

It was resolved that the Interim Council concur with the Professors' views on fees and specifically that:
(i) Students enrolled for training degrees including those holding scholarships, be charged fees covering attendance and examination.

(ii) Candidates for higher degrees (non-training) be charged examination fees.

(iii) The Vice-Chancellor be asked to place before the Interim Council a suggested table of fees together with a note on the practice in other Universities.

(iv) The Vice-Chancellor have discretion to remit fees, wholly or partly.

(c) Scholarships -

It was resolved to approve of the proposals of the Professors for the award of scholarships in the Research Schools of Social Sciences and Pacific Studies, and the unattached group, having in mind the possible award of three places in each group.

4. REPORT TO PARLIAMENT:

It was resolved that the draft Report of the Interim Council to the Governor-General for the period ended 31st December, 1949, with amendments handed to the Vice-Chancellor at the meeting, be approved.

5. UNIVERSITY SEAL:

(a) Adoption -

The Registrar submitted a seal manufactured in accordance with the resolution of the Interim Council at its previous meeting (Minutes, paragraph 3(b)).

It was resolved to adopt the seal as the common seal of the University, pursuant to the provisions of Section 4(2) of the Australian National University Act 1946.

(b) Custody and Use -

In accordance with the power given to the Interim Council in Section 5 of the Act, it was resolved that:

(i) The seal of the University shall be kept in the custody of the Registrar and shall be used only as hereinafter provided.

(ii) The Registrar shall be authorized to affix the Seal -

(A) to the diploma to be issued in respect of any Degree or Diploma which has been conferred by the University;

(B) to the copy of any Statute or amendment thereof to be submitted for the approval of the Governor-General.
(iii) In the case of all other documents required to be under the seal of the University, the seal shall be affixed by direction of the Chancellor or Vice-Chancellor, and the action taken shall be reported to the Council at the first opportunity.

(iv) Whenever the seal is affixed to any document, the document shall be endorsed with the following words or words to the like effect: "Given under the Common Seal of the Australian National University by direction of the Council/Chancellor/Vice-Chancellor."

(v) Each affixation of the seal shall be attested by the Chancellor or the Vice-Chancellor and the Registrar.

It was resolved further that the Statutes Committee be asked to prepare a Statute accordingly.

6. JOHN CURTIN SCHOOL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH:

(a) Department of Biophysics -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Dr. Bernhard Katz had acknowledged the invitation to the Chair of Biophysics and was awaiting opportunities for discussion with Sir Howard Florey.

(b) Department of Medical Chemistry -

On the recommendation of Sir Howard Florey, it was resolved that the maximum of Dr. D.J. Brown's salary range be fixed at £1,250 per annum.

7. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES:

(a) Mr. J.W. Blamey -

It was resolved to confirm the Vice-Chancellor's action in authorizing Mr. J.W. Blamey's transfer, with his wife, by air from England to Australia.

(b) Dr. R.S. Wilson -

It was resolved to confirm the Vice-Chancellor's action in inviting Dr. R.S. Wilson to accept appointment as Fellow at a fixed salary of £1,000 per annum, but otherwise on the approved conditions for the appointment of Fellows, to commence on a date to be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor.

(c) Mr. D.B. Shenton -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Oliphant had, under authority delegated to him, approved the appointment of Mr. D.B. Shenton (previously a designer-draughtsman in the School) to be a Research Assistant for a period of two years from 1st September, 1950, at a commencing salary of £700 per annum, plus cost of living adjustment, with an increment of £50 in one year's time.
8. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES:

(a) Department of Social Philosophy - Visiting Professor -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that a reply to the invitation extended to Dr. Karl Popper at the previous meeting of the Interim Council (Minutes, paragraph 10(a)) was still awaited.

(b) Department of History -

It was resolved, on the advice of the Vice-Chancellor and Professor Wheare, to approve the following functions of the Readership in the Sources of Australian History, which are in addition to those set down in the approved conditions of appointment for Readers:

(i) The Reader will be expected to undertake as a member of the staff of the Research School of Social Sciences, his own historical researches.

(ii) It will be his duty to make and keep himself familiar with the printed and other source material of Australian history.

(iii) He will assist and advise members of the staffs of the Research Schools of Social Sciences and Pacific Studies on questions of Australian history, and will in particular advise them on the printed and other sources of Australian historical material. He will also suggest fields in which further research by other workers might be fruitful.

(iv) He will keep in touch with, and as far as possible co-operate in, the research in Australian history being conducted in other universities, and elsewhere.

(v) He will take an active interest in the work being done in connection with Australian archives, and will be available to public or private bodies for consultation and advice on questions arising in such work.

(vi) He may also, by arrangement with the Commonwealth National Library, be associated with the publication of Australian historical records.

(c) Senior Research Fellow in Demography - Mr. W.D. Borrie -

The Vice-Chancellor conveyed to the Interim Council Mr. W.D. Borrie's thanks for granting him permission to extend his recent trip abroad to consult English and American workers in his field.

(d) Chair of Educational Research -

The Interim Council considered a letter from Professor G.S. Browne written at the instance of a Conference of Australian Professors of
Education conveying a recommendation that a Chair of Educational Research be established in the Research School of Social Sciences.

The Vice-Chancellor said that it would be impracticable at the moment to enlarge the scope of the School in a field which was likely to prove very expensive.

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor be asked to reply to Professor Brown accordingly.

9. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PACIFIC STUDIES:

(a) Department of Demography

The Vice-Chancellor reported on correspondence he had had with Professor Firth on the question of appointments in Geography.

He said that the Committee on appointments in Geography had considered the qualifications of Dr. O.H.K. Spate (Reader in Geography in the University of London) for the Chair, and, with Professor Firth's concurrence, recommended his appointment.

It was resolved to invite Dr. O.H.K. Spate to accept appointment as Professor of Geography on the approved conditions of appointment for Professors.

On the recommendation of the Committee it was also resolved to ask Professor Firth to discuss with Dr. Spate, should he accept the Chair, the establishment of a Readership in the general field of land use.

(b) Professor Firth's Report

The Interim Council, after considering Professor Firth's report on his tour in the United States and a note on the points emerging from the report, resolved that the Board of Graduate Studies be asked to consider the report.

(c) Chair of Statistics

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he awaited further information from Professor Wheare about Mr. F.A. Moran.

10. PUBLICATION OF WORK BY MEMBERS OF STAFF

The Vice-Chancellor said that he was making enquiries on the question of publication and wished to discuss the matter with the Board of Graduate Studies before finally reporting to the Interim Council.

11. MANAGEMENT OF UNIVERSITY HOUSE

The Interim Council received a report from the Registrar on the meeting of the Committee on the Management of University House held on 12th October, 1950.

In accordance with the Committee's recommendation it was resolved that the Board of Graduate Studies be asked to make proposals for the administration and conduct of University House.
12. SCHOLARS:

The Interim Council received a report from the Registrar on the meeting of the Scholarships Committee held on 13th October, 1950.

In accordance with the Committee's recommendations it was resolved that:

(a) Mr. G.H. Nadel -

The Vice-Chancellor's action in increasing the allowance to Mr. Nadel for the outward journey Australia to the United States of America via the United Kingdom by £55 sterling be confirmed;

(b) Mr. R.W. Parsons -

That Mr. R.W. Parsons be granted an additional allowance of £30 sterling towards his fare to the United Kingdom via South Africa;

(c) Mr. L.N. Short -

That Mr. Short be informed that the University will not pay the examination fees for his Ph.D. degree;

(d) Examination and Degree Fees -

That it be a condition of the award of future scholarships that examination and degree fees will be the responsibility of the scholar; provided that the Vice-Chancellor may, upon request, and in cases where he thinks fit, authorize the payment of a proportion of the degree fee but not the examination fee;

(e) Future of Committee -

That the Board of Graduate Studies be asked to accept responsibility for the selection of all scholars and that the Scholarships Committee of the Interim Council be not re-appointed.

13. FINANCE COMMITTEE:

The report of the Finance Committee (see Minutes of Meeting held on 12th October, 1950) was received and the Committee's recommendations adopted, except that, after further report from the Vice-Chancellor, it was resolved to meet the whole cost of Professor Albert's fares to and from the United States of America in September, 1951 (see paragraph 25).

14. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE:

The Report of the Buildings and Grounds Committee (see Minutes of Meeting held on 12th October, 1950) was received and the Committee's recommendations adopted.

15. VISITING SCHOLARS:

(a) Sir Richard Livingstone -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Sir Richard Livingstone hoped to visit Australia in August, 1951, but would not be available for
The Jubilee Seminars (Minutes, 41st Meeting, paragraph 18(e)). Sir Richard had also been invited by the New Education Fellowship and it was not yet certain which invitation Sir Richard would accept.

(b) Professor N. Mansergh -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Mansergh's visit would take place between 21st February and 26th March, 1951 (Minutes, 41st Meeting, paragraph 18(c)).

(c) Professor A.R. Toynbee -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Toynbee had expressed his willingness to visit Australia in 1954 at the joint invitation of the Dyason Trust and the University (Minutes, 41st Meeting, paragraph 18(b)).

It was resolved that Professor Toynbee be invited on the customary terms for Visiting Professors and that a contribution of £800 from the Dyason Trust be accepted.

16. JUBILEE SEMINARS :

The Vice-Chancellor reported that it was expected that Professor Mackintosh, Professor Wheare and Sir Edward Mellanby (as well as Dr. Conant, previously reported) would attend the Seminars. The professors had been consulted and Professors Oliphant and Sawyer have agreed to supervise the arrangements for the Seminars.

17. VICE-CHANCELLOR'S VISIT TO INDIA :

The Vice-Chancellor reported that, in view of pressing University problems in Canberra, he had regrettfully withdrawn from his commitment to visit India this year.

18. MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL :

The Vice-Chancellor said that he proposed to review the membership of Committees and to report to the next meeting of the Interim Council, but would like to have Professor Oliphant's advice on the Buildings and Grounds Committee immediately.

It was resolved that Professor Oliphant be appointed a member of the Buildings and Grounds Committee.

19. PRESENTATION OF SILVER STAVE BY UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD:

The Vice-Chancellor reported advice from the Registrar of the University of Oxford that the silver stave which that University has presented (see Minutes, 41st Meeting, paragraph 20) is ready and that before being sent to Australia it will be included in an impending exhibition of modern English silversmiths' work.

The meeting concluded at 5 p.m.

(R.C. MILLS)
Chairman.
10th November, 1950.

2. (1) Where a Statute provides for empowering an authority or officer of the University to make by-laws, rules or orders, then unless the contrary intention appears expressions used in any such by-law, rule or order shall have the same meanings as in the Act or in the Statute.

(2) This Statute applies to by-laws, rules and orders made under Statutes in like manner as it applies to Statutes.

3. In a Statute, unless the contrary intention appears -
   "Director" means the Director of a Research School in the University;
   "the Act" means the Australian National University Act 1946-47;
   "the Rules" means the Rules made in pursuance of the Statute, and "the By-laws" or "the Orders" has a corresponding meaning.

4. In a Statute, unless the contrary intention appears, references to an authority, officer or office shall be construed as references to that authority, officer or office in and of the University.

5. In a Statute, rule, by-law, order or other document of the University, a Statute may be cited by its title or by its number, and a reference to a Statute by its number or title shall be construed as a reference to that Statute as amended from time to time.
THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY.

STATUTE NO. 2

ELECTIONS (MEMBERS OF COUNCIL) STATUTE.

1. Subject to this Statute, the Council may make Rules with respect to the method of election of members of the Council -

(a) by Convocation;
(b) to represent the students of the University;
(c) to represent the professorial and teaching staff of the University,
and with respect to the tenure of office of the members elected, and the elections shall be conducted in accordance with the Rules.

2. Every election referred to in this Statute shall be conducted by the Registrar, who shall be the Returning Officer, and his decision on all matters affecting the eligibility of candidates and the conduct and result of an election shall be final.

3. Elections shall be conducted by a method of preferential voting.

4. At an election referred to in this Statute the voting shall be by secret ballot.

5. A candidate for election by a specified class of electors shall be a member of that class.

6. The Rules shall provide for the retirement in rotation of the elected members of the Council.

7. If an elected member of the Council ceases to hold the qualification by virtue of which he was elected, his seat shall thereupon become vacant.

8. Co-option of members of the Council may be effected by the resolution of a majority of the members of the Council referred to in sub-section (9) of section 11 of the Act, voting at a meeting summoned for that purpose, and the resolution may determine the period during which a co-opted member shall hold office, and may provide for the retirement in rotation of the co-opted members.
1. In addition to the persons on whom membership is conferred by the Act, the following persons shall be members of Convocation -

(a) the Directors, Professors, Readers, Senior Research Fellows, Fellows and Research Fellows of the University, and such other officers and servants of the University as are graduates of three years' standing of another University;

(b) the Registrar, the Librarian and the Accountant of the University;

(c) the members and past members of the Academic Advisory Committee established by the Interim Council on 11th April, 1947;

(d) the Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor or equivalent officers of each of the other Universities in Australia, the Chairman of the Council of Canberra University College, the Chairman of the Advisory Council of the New England University College, and the Principal or equivalent officer of those Colleges;

2. The governing body of each of the other Universities in Australia, and of Canberra University College and the Advisory Council of the New England University College may respectively nominate five persons as members of Convocation, these nominations to be made once only.

3. A person who becomes a member of Convocation shall remain a member notwithstanding that he ceases to hold the qualification by virtue of which he became a member.

4. The Council may from time to time make Rules with respect to the functions, meetings and officers of Convocation.
1. There shall be a Board of Graduate Studies comprising the Vice-Chancellor, the Directors and the professors. The Council may, on the advice of the Board, appoint as a member of the Board any person who holds an honorary appointment in the University with a rank not lower than that of professor.

2. Subject to this Statute, the Board may make Rules with respect to its proceedings and officers.

3. The Board shall be the principal academic body of the University; it shall have the right to advise the Council on any question affecting education, learning or research in the University.

4. The Vice-Chancellor shall be the Chairman of the Board.

5. (1) The Board may, by resolution, delegate all or any of its powers and functions (except this power of delegation) under any Statute, by-law, rule, order or resolution of the Council to any Committee of its members, or to any of its members or to any officer of the University.

(2) Every delegation under this section shall be revocable by resolution of the Board, and no delegation shall prevent the exercise of any power or function by the Board.

6. The Registrar shall be secretary of the Board.
Minutes of the 45th Meeting of the Interim Council held at the University Offices, Acton, on Friday, 10th November, 1950.

Present: Professor R.C. Mills (Chairman),
The Vice-Chancellor,
Mr. K.E. Beazley,
Mr. C.S. Daley,
Sir Robert Garran,
Mr. H.J. Goodes,
Professor L.H. Martin,
Professor M.L. Oliphant,
Professor H.K. Ward,
Professor J.G. Wood,
Professor R.D. Wright.

The Registrar and the Assistant to the Registrar were in attendance.

APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from Professor K.H. Bailey, Senator the Hon. W.J. Cooper, Sir John Medley, Sir David Rivett and the Hon. P.C. Spender.

1. MINUTES:

The minutes of the previous meeting, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

2. STATUTES:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the Statutes made at the last meeting had been forwarded by the Chairman for the approval of the Governor-General; that a revised provision for the counting of votes at multiple elections would shortly be circulated to members of the Council; and that the Statutes Committee would present to the next meeting of the Council a draft Statute on the University seal.

3. MEETING OF PROFESSORS, 6th NOVEMBER, 1950:

The Vice-Chancellor distributed an extract from the minutes of the meeting of professors held on 6th November, 1950, comprising items 7, 8, 12, 14, 18 and 19 of those minutes. These items were dealt with as follows:

Item 7. University's Financial Position in Relation to the Establishments and Budgets of Departments: Approved.

Item 8. Selection of Scholars: Noted. The Vice-Chancellor assured members that in arranging the award of "unattached" scholarships the Board of Graduate Studies would see to it that advice was sought from the heads of appropriate departments of the other Universities.

Item 12. University House: Received, and deferred for later discussion.
Item 14. Publication of Work by Members of Staff:
Noted. Resolved that the possibility of publication in "Oceania" be commended to the attention of members of the staff of the Research School of Pacific Studies; and that the Australian Vice-Chancellors' Committee be asked to consider the development of a single Australian Universities' Press, the expert opinions which had been collected by the Council being made available to the Committee.


Item 19. Classification of Laboratory Assistants and Technical Assistants: Noted.

4. JOHN CURTIN SCHOOL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH:
(a) Department of Biophysics -

The Vice-Chancellor said that he had had no answer to the Council's invitation to Dr. Katz to occupy the chair, but that such indications as he had had of Dr. Katz' reaction were favourable.

(b) Department of Biochemistry - Research Fellowship -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had authorized Professor Ennor, in consultation with Sir Howard Florey, to negotiate with Dr. D.M.P. Phillips concerning the acceptance of a Research Fellowship in the Department of Biochemistry, at an initial salary of £850 plus cost of living adjustment.

It was resolved to empower the Vice-Chancellor, on Sir Howard's recommendation, to make the appointment without advertisement at the salary mentioned, and otherwise on the approved conditions for the appointment of Research Fellows.

5. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES:
(a) Conference of officers and scholars in the United Kingdom -

The Vice-Chancellor said that after consultation with Professor Oliphant he had approved of the holding of a conference of physical sciences scholars in England, under the leadership of Professor Titterton, at the University's expense.

(b) Astronomical Visitors to Mt. Stromlo -

The Vice-Chancellor said that, in conformity with previous discussions (Minutes, 39th Meeting, paragraph 10(b)), he had offered a contribution of £250 towards the fares of Dr. Brouwer, Director of Yale University Observatory, in connection with his forthcoming visit to Australia.
6. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES:

(a) Department of Social Philosophy: Visiting Professor -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Dr. Popper had not yet acknowledged the Council's invitation, and undertook to make further enquiries.

(b) Research Fellowship in the Social Sciences:
Mr. Q.B. Gibson -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Mr. Gibson, whose fellowship expired on 16th October, 1950, had submitted a report on his tenure and two draft chapters arising out of work done under the fellowship.

It was resolved that this matter be referred for advice to the Board of Graduate Studies.

(c) Department of Statistics -

The Vice-Chancellor said that no further developments had taken place.

7. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PACIFIC STUDIES:

(a) Department of Geography -

The Vice-Chancellor said that he understood that Dr. O.H.K. Spate had decided to accept the Council's invitation to occupy the Chair of Geography, and that Dr. Spate proposed to leave England for Canberra in about May, 1951.

It was resolved that, on receipt of his formal acceptance, Dr. Spate be appointed Professor of Geography on the approved conditions for the appointment of Professors, from a date to be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor.

The Vice-Chancellor said that Dr. Spate had given preliminary consideration to the appointment of Dr. C.G. Stephens as Reader, and had expressed strong interest in the possibility. A more definite recommendation in this connection would be submitted as soon as possible.

(b) Professor J.W. Davidson -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Davidson proposed to visit Canberra during December, and to go to New Zealand during January, 1951. He would then return to Cambridge, and come to Australia to take up duty, probably by way of the United States, in about April, 1951.

8. SCHOLARS:

(a) Mr. J.D. Legge -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that on Professor Wheare's advice he had extended Mr. Legge's scholarship from 16th November, 1950, to 1st March, 1951, to enable Mr. Legge to stay in England to complete his Ph.D. examination.
(b) Mr. A. Davies -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that after further consultation, Mr. Davies had decided to relinquish his scholarship in order to take up in February 1951 a Senior Lectureship in Political Science in the University of Melbourne.

It was resolved to ask the Vice-Chancellor to fix a date for the termination of the scholarship, it being understood that the University would not be responsible for any part of Mr. Davies' homeward fare.

(c) Mr. S.T. Butler -

The Vice-Chancellor said that Mr. Butler, whose scholarship would expire in January, 1951, had applied for either an extension of the scholarship or appointment to a Research Fellowship: Mr. Butler had been working for nearly two years under Professor Peierls at Birmingham.

On the motion of Professor Oliphant it was resolved that Mr. Butler's scholarship be extended for one year.

(d) Mr. G.A. Bentley -

The Registrar said that Mr. Bentley, one of the 1950 medical scholars, had been advised on medical grounds to defer his departure abroad for a year. Mr. Bentley had asked that his scholarship be held over for this period. Sir Howard Florey's advice had been sought on this request.

It was resolved to empower the Vice-Chancellor to take appropriate action in the light of Sir Howard's advice.

9. FINANCE COMMITTEE - REPORT:

A report of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 9th November, 1950, was submitted.

After discussion of item 10, Provision of Superannuation Benefits, it was resolved that members of the staff be not at liberty to revoke their election between the two available forms of superannuation, save in special circumstances and with the approval of the Council. (The Council had in mind as a fitting case for the exercise of discretion that in which a member moved from the non-academic to the academic staff.)

At the Vice-Chancellor's request it was resolved that action on item 15, Superannuation - Professor M.L. Oliphant be deferred pending further discussion.

Other items mentioned in discussion were items 7, Hostel Subsidies, 8, Overseas Travelling Allowance, 9, Long Service Leave, and 14, Purchase of Equipment for Workshop of John Curtin School of Medical Research.

/ The Interim Council
Che Interim Council discussed fully item 6, Salary Review. During discussion of administrative salaries Professor Oliphant and the Vice-Chancellor drew attention to the fact that it was normal university practice to equate the salaries of the Registrar and the Librarian with those of professors in the institutions concerned. The salaries proposed in these cases were therefore anomalous. The Vice-Chancellor said that he would take an opportunity of re-committing these matters at a later stage.

During discussion of academic salaries, Mr. Goodes, with the Chairman's permission, made a statement of his grounds for refraining from voting as a member of the Finance Committee on the question of whether the salary revisions now suggested should be recommended to the Council. He said that, under the present legislative provision for it, the University would need to approach the Commonwealth Treasurer for additional funds to give effect to the resolution on salary increases. The Treasurer was entitled to require his advice and for that reason he would prefer not to prejudice, by voting on the resolution, his official report to the Treasurer which would be made after due consideration of the many aspects to which, in his official capacity, he must have regard.

It was resolved that, with the qualifications mentioned above, the recommendations made in the report be adopted.

10. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE - REPORT :


In connection with item 5, Professor Oliphant said he was now satisfied that the difficulty concerning the cooling pool need not arise.

It was resolved that the Committee's recommendations be adopted.

11. CEREMONIAL :

The Vice-Chancellor reported that this Committee had not met (see item 15).

12. VISITING SCHOLARS :

(a) Sir Richard Livingstone -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Sir Richard Livingstone had accepted the Council's invitation to visit Australia.

(b) Sir Alan Herbert -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Sir Alan Herbert would be in Canberra as the University's guest from 23rd-25th November, and that his itinerary, including a public lecture, an address to school children, and a lunch to be tendered by the Prime Minister, had been arranged.
13. JUBILEE SEMINARS:

(a) Professor J.L. Montrose -

The Vice-Chancellor said that Professor Sawer had suggested that an invitation to attend the seminar on federalism should be issued to Professor J.L. Montrose of the Queen's University of Belfast.

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor, in consultation with Professor Wheare, conduct negotiations accordingly, on the understanding that an invitation be issued only if the British Council should agree to meet the cost of Professor Montrose's fares to and from Australia.

(b) Professor Wheare's participation -

On the Vice-Chancellor's suggestion, it was resolved that in connection with his visit to attend the seminar and to conduct consultations regarding the Research School of Social Sciences, Professor Wheare be made a travel grant equal to the return air fare from London to Canberra, and receive the normal fee for a visiting professor for the period spent away from England.

14. ADVISER TO RESEARCH SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES - FEE:

It was resolved that Professor Wheare's honorarium as Adviser to the Research School of Social Sciences be increased to £500 sterling per annum from a date to be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor.

15. MEMBERSHIP OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

The Vice-Chancellor said that after consultation with the meeting of Professors held on 6th November, 1950, he wished to suggest that the following action be taken concerning the membership of standing Committees of the Council:

Statutes Committee: To consist of Sir Robert Garran, Professor Bailey, Professor Sawer, Mr. R.G. Osborne. The Committee to be asked to take responsibility for drafting and presenting all legislative and similar documents of the University and its instrumentalities.

Library Committee: A Committee of the Board to replace the Council Committee; the membership and functions of the Committee to be decided after consultation with the Librarian on his return from abroad.

University House Committee: To consist of two persons to represent those who will reside in University House, two members of the staff not resident in University House, one representative of the Board, two representatives of the Council, and the Warden of University House (if and when appointed).

Committee on Houses off the University Site and Tenancies of University Houses: The Directors or Advisers, or their nominees, to be added.

/Advisory Committee
Advisory Committee on Art: The Board's representative on the University House Committee to be added.

Committee on the Establishment of the Research School of Social Sciences: The Council Committee to be disbanded, and replaced by a Committee of the Board, comprising the Adviser, Professors and Readers in the School, and Professor Crocker, it being understood that the appointment of the Committee would not prejudice any subject development of a Faculty structure for this or other Schools.

Committee on Salaries: The meeting of professors had been of opinion that the academic staff as such should not be represented on this Committee, though the Council might well appoint to it members of the staff who were also members of the Council.

Jubilee Seminars Committee: To be disbanded.

Committee on Ceremonial: To be disbanded, and its functions to be taken over by the Board.

Buildings and Grounds Committee: The Advisers of the Schools of Medical Research, Social Sciences and Pacific Studies or their nominees to be added (Professor Oliphant being already a member). The Vice-Chancellor should be a member of each Committee.

It was resolved that these proposals be dealt with as follows:-

Statutes Committee: Approved. Professor Wright asked that, whenever practicable, drafts of legislative instruments should be circulated to members of the Council at least a week before the meeting at which they were to be considered.

Library Committee: Approved. Members stressed the importance of giving a senior status to the Library Committee, and giving it ready access to the Council, especially in financial matters. It was resolved to consider at the next meeting of the Council a suggestion of Professor Oliphant that the Librarian should be a member of the Board of Graduate Studies.

University House Committee: Composition of new Committee approved. The Vice-Chancellor agreed to prepare for the next meeting of the Council a memorandum on the functions and responsibilities of the Committee, its relation to the Council, its role in the matter of the finances of University House, and its personnel. It was noted that until the new Committee was constituted the existing Committee would remain in existence, and would be augmented at the Vice-Chancellor's discretion by members of the academic body. It was resolved to suggest that the Board of Graduate Studies should itself proceed to consider the basic functions of University House in the university community.

Houses and Tenancies Committee: The Council, having in mind that Professor Oliphant had already been co-opted to this Committee, thought that a further enlargement would render the Committee unwieldy, and resolved to ask the Board of Graduate Studies to consider this view.
Advisory Committee on Art: Approved.
Committee on the Establishment of the Research School of Social Sciences: Approved.
Committee on Salaries: Approved. The Vice-Chancellor undertook to look into the question of widening the functions of this Committee, and of renaming it the Staff and Establishments Committee.
Jubilee Seminars Committee: Approved.
Committee on Ceremonial: Approved.
Buildings and Grounds Committee: Approved.

16. CIRCULATION OF COUNCIL DOCUMENTS:

It was resolved that the circulation given to documents concerning the Council's business be as follows:

Convening Letters: Members of Council and the appropriate Committees.
Professor Lewis.
Mr. Clark.

Agenda Papers: Council Meetings.
Members of Council.
Mr. Clark.

Committee Meetings.
Members of Council and of Committees concerned.
Mr. Clark.
Professor Lewis (agendas, without supporting papers – Buildings and Grounds Committee only).

Minutes: Council meetings.
Members of Council.
Mr. Clark for Academic Advisory Committee (6).

Committee Meetings.
Members of Council.
Members of the appropriate Committee who are not members of Council.
Mr. Clark.

17. PROPOSED VISIT OF LADY MELLANBY:

The Vice-Chancellor said that Sir Edward Mellanby, when visiting Australia to join in the scientific jubilee seminar, would be accompanied by his wife, an internationally known dental research worker. He referred to a letter from Professor A.B.P. Amies urging that Lady Mellanby be invited to visit the Australian dental schools during her visit.

It was resolved that the University interest itself in Lady Mellanby's visit; that the Nuffield Foundation be invited to provide her fares to and from Australia; and that an approach concerning her expenses in Australia be made to the Australian Dental Association and the several State
18. **BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT OFFICER**:

The Vice-Chancellor said that it would shortly be necessary to advertise for a successor to the present Buildings and Equipment Officer (Mr. L. Strudwick), who had resigned.

It was resolved that the title of the office be changed to Property and Purchasing Officer, and that a salary of £1,050-1,250 be offered.

The meeting closed at 4.40 p.m.

(R.C. MILLS)
Chairman.

8th December, 1950.
Minutes of the 46th Meeting of the Interim Council held at the University Offices, Acton, on Friday, 8th December, 1950.

Present: Professor R.C. Mills (Chairman), The Vice-Chancellor, Professor K.H. Bailey, Dr. H.C. Coombs, Sir Robert Garran, Professor M.L. Oliphant, Sir David Rivett, Professor H.K. Ward, Professor J.G. Wood, Professor R.D. Wright.

The Registrar and the Assistant to the Registrar were in attendance.

APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. K.E. Beazley, Mr. A.S. Brown, Senator the Hon. W.J. Cooper, Mr. C.S. Daley, Sir Frederic Eggleston, Mr. H.J. Goodes, Professor L.H. Martin, Sir John Medley, Senator J.H. O'Byrne, and the Hon. P.C. Spender.

1. MINUTES OF 45TH MEETING:

The minutes of the previous meeting, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

2. The Right Hon. J.B. CHIFLEY:

At the Vice-Chancellor's suggestion it was resolved that a message be sent to Mr. Chifley, wishing him a speedy recovery from his present illness.

3. STATUTES COMMITTEE:

(a) Enactment of Statutes -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the first four Statutes enacted by the Council at the 44th Meeting had been sealed, and, having received the Governor-General's approval, had come into effect on 22nd November, 1950, viz. Statute No. 1, Interpretation Statute, No. 2, Elections (Members of Council) Statute, No. 3, Convocation Statute, and No. 4, Board of Graduate Studies Statute.

(b) General -

The Vice-Chancellor said that it had not been possible for the Statutes Committee to prepare a final draft of the Seal Statute or of the provision for the counting of votes at multiple elections, but that he hoped to submit these drafts to the next meeting.
4. BOARD OF GRADUATE STUDIES:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that a meeting of the Board of Graduate Studies was held on 4th December, 1950, and submitted an extract from the Board's minutes (attached to these minutes) covering the following matters:

(a) Membership of the Board

In accordance with the Board's recommendations, it was resolved that Professor Woolley be appointed a member of the Board.

The Vice-Chancellor referred to the suggestion made by Professor Oliphant that the Registrar and the Librarian be members of the Board of Graduate Studies. The Interim Council agreed with Professor Oliphant's view, but as the Statute had just been made it was resolved that the matter be deferred for some time, but that in the meantime the Librarian be invited to attend meetings of the Board and participate in its discussions.

(b) Enrolment, Courses of Research and Degrees

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the Board had considered the Academic Advisory Committee's comments on the draft Statute on Enrolment, Courses of Research and Degrees, and had recorded certain resolutions on related topics. He said that at a later meeting a revised draft of the Statute and a copy of the resolutions would be placed before the Interim Council for its approval.

(c) University House

(i) Name

The Vice-Chancellor drew attention to the Board's advice that the Council should adopt the name "Commonwealth College" in lieu of "University House".

After considerable discussion of this point it was resolved to inform the Board that the Council would prefer to retain the name "University House".

(ii) University House Committee

The Vice-Chancellor submitted the following nominations by the Board for appointment to the new University House Committee:

Representing the Board - Professor Oliphant,
Representing prospective residents - Professor Crocker, Dr. Stanner,
Representing non-resident members of staff - Mr. Fitzgerald, Professor Woolley.

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He also pointed out that the Board recommended the addition to the Committee of the University Accountant; the appointment of the Committee in the first instance for one year only; and the conferment on the Committee of power to co-opt from time to time three other members.

It was resolved that the Board's nominations and recommendations be approved, and that Professor Bailey and Mr. Goodes be appointed to the Committee as the Council's representatives.

The Vice-Chancellor distributed, in accordance with the request made at the last meeting of the Council, a memorandum on the functions of the new Committee, and referred to a note written by Professor Crocker concerning the appointment of a Warden and other matters. It was resolved that the memorandum and the views of Professor Crocker referred to be submitted to the Committee for consideration and report to the Council.

(d) Membership of Committees -

Houses and Tenancies Committee -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the Board had considered the Council's view that the addition of all the Directors and Advisers to this Committee would render it unwieldy, and had suggested that Professor Swan should be added to the Committee to advise on the needs of the Schools of Social Sciences and Pacific Studies and to act as an alternate for Professor Oliphant should he be absent.

It was resolved that the Board's advice be adopted.

(e) Procedure of Board -

It was noted that, in considering its own procedure, the Board had discussed the appointment of a Vice-Chairman, and the possibility had been mentioned of creating the office of Pro-Vice-Chancellor, who would presumably become ex officio Vice-Chairman of the Board. On the Vice-Chancellor's suggestion it was resolved that the Council when constituted consider the desirability of creating an office of Pro-Vice-Chancellor.

5. STAFF AND ESTABLISHMENTS COMMITTEE:

It was resolved that a standing committee, to be known as the Staff and Establishments Committee, be appointed, comprising the Chairman, the Vice-Chancellor, Professors Oliphant and Wright, Mr. Goodes and Mr. H.P. Brown; and that the Committee co-opt from time to time as a full member the Head of the Department whose personnel or requirements were under discussion.

/6. JOHN CURTIN
6. JOHN CURTIN SCHOOL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH:

(a) Department of Biophysics -

The Vice-Chancellor reports on his recent correspondence with Professor Eccles and Sir Howard Florey concerning the appointment of Dr. Katz to the Chair of Biophysics. He said that Dr. Katz wished for personal reasons to defer his decision for six months, and that he had indicated that he would not in any case wish to establish his Department in temporary quarters in the Institute of Anatomy, but would prefer to work in England until the medical buildings were completed. Certain questions concerning the salary to be paid to Dr. Katz would also arise.

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor should continue negotiations with a view to securing Dr. Katz' acceptance of the Chair.

(b) Department of Biochemistry - Appointment of Research Fellow -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that in accordance with the authority given at the 45th Meeting (Minutes, paragraph 4(b)) he had appointed Dr. D.M.P. Phillips as Research Fellow in the Department of Biochemistry from a date which he would later fix.

7. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that on Professor Oliphant's advice he had appointed Mr. W. McCall as Senior Technical Officer in charge of workshops in the Research School of Physical Sciences at a salary of £650 per annum plus cost of living adjustment, from 1st February, 1951.

8. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES:

(a) Department of Social Philosophy - Visiting Professor -

The Vice-Chancellor mentioned a reply he had received from Professor Popper to the Council's invitation to accept appointment as Visiting Professor of Social Philosophy. Professor Popper had said that he could not spend an extended period in Australia either in 1951 or 1952, but that in the latter year he could spend the English long vacation in Canberra. The council felt that this would not answer the purpose which it had had in mind in issuing the invitation, but that a visit from Dr. Popper on the customary conditions as a visiting scholar in 1952 would perhaps be desirable.

The Vice-Chancellor said that the Board of Graduate Studies had appointed a Committee on the Establishment of the Research School of Social Sciences and had asked the Committee to consider what steps should be taken in connection with the Chairs of Social Philosophy, History and Political Science.
It was decided to take no further steps in connection with the filling of the Chair of Social Philosophy until the Board had given its advice.

(b) Demography

A memorandum by the Senior Research Fellow, Mr. W.D. Borrie, was before the Council. It was resolved that the memorandum be submitted to the Board of Graduate Studies for advice.

9. RESEARCH SCHOOL OF PACIFIC STUDIES:

(a) Department of Geography

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Dr. O.H.K. Spate had accepted appointment to the Chair of Geography as from 16th March, 1951.

(b) Department of International Relations

A memorandum from Professor Crocker on the duties of the Professor of International Relations was before the Council. The Council noted that this memorandum had been referred to the Board of Graduate Studies, and it was resolved that the Council, before discussing it, await the Board's advice. The Vice-Chancellor indicated that he would be glad to receive the comments of any member of the Council on the points mentioned by Professor Crocker.

(c) Visiting Reader in Oriental Studies

The Vice-Chancellor said that Mr. C.P. Fitzgerald was at present in Hong Kong where he was engaged in buying goods for the University Library and attending to certain personal affairs. He expected to arrive in Canberra to take up duty early in January, 1951. He also said that on Mr. Fitzgerald's strong recommendation he had approved the expenditure of approximately £A2,500 for the purchase of the library of the late Professor Hsu which contained a rare and valuable collection of Chinese classics. It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor's action be confirmed.

(d) Professor Firth's Visit

The Vice-Chancellor mentioned Professor Firth's plans for his visit to Australia in 1951-52 and said that Professor Firth had in mind the calling, during his stay in Canberra, of a conference of representatives of the several bodies interested in Pacific area research. This proposal had been mentioned to the Board of Graduate Studies and had the Board's support.
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It was resolved to approve the holding of such a conference, and to ask the Vice-Chancellor to investigate the question of having it included in the programme of the Jubilee Celebrations of the Commonwealth.

10. SCHOLARS:

(a) Mr. G.A. Bentley -

The Registrar reported that on Sir Howard Florey's recommendation the Vice-Chancellor had approved of the deferment of Mr. Bentley's scholarship for twelve months, on the ground of illness.

(b) Dr. C.J. Stratmann -

The Registrar said that Sir Howard Florey and Professor Ennor, on the advice of Dr. Stratmann's supervisor, had recommended that Dr. Stratmann's scholarship be extended for six months from 9th March, 1951, its present expiry date.

It was resolved that the scholarship be so extended.

11. FINANCE COMMITTEE - REPORT:

A report of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 7th December, 1950, was submitted, and the Committee's recommendations, except that made in item 8, Superannuation - Professor M.L. Oliphant, adopted.

In discussion of item 8, it was pointed out that Professor Oliphant's F.S.S.U. policies could not be transferred to an Australian company, and that their premiums had to be paid in sterling. The normal superannuation contributions made by the Professor and by the University on the Professor's Australian salary were insufficient to pay the premiums in sterling, and, although the University was at present paying the premiums to ensure that the policies did not lapse, it was necessary to decide who should supply the deficiency. The question of the Professor's liberty to take out additional policies in Australia as his salary increased was also involved.

After a full discussion it was resolved: -

(a) that Professor Oliphant be at liberty to take up incremental assurance policies from time to time in the normal way, in respect of any sum by which his salary exceeded £2,500 Australian;

(b) that the method of dealing with the English policies, and the question of the payment of exchange on their premiums, be further considered by the Vice-Chancellor with a view to reaching agreement with Professor Oliphant.

12. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE:

A report of the meeting of the Buildings and Grounds Committee held on 7th December, 1950 was submitted.

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In connection with Item 4 - Buildings for Research School of Physical Sciences - Professor Oliphant submitted a note suggesting the speedy erection of temporary buildings in which the work of the School could be begun pending the completion of the main building. It was resolved to empower the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Oliphant and Mr. Goodes to investigate this proposal, and, if they found it materially and financially practicable, to approve it.

In connection with item 7(b) - Advisory Committee on Art - the Council resolved to proceed with the execution of the following sculptural works in the manner recommended by the Art Committee -

(i) "Relaxation" figure at entrance to University House: estimated cost £1,500 (subject to further consultation).

(ii) Entrance Hall: Floor (estimated cost £1,000 executed in rubber flooring, which the Interim Council did not favour, directing that other materials be investigated.)

It was resolved to consider the other proposed sculptural works when the buildings were further advanced.

With the qualification mentioned in the previous paragraph, it was resolved that the recommendations in the Buildings and Grounds Committee's report be adopted.

13. VISITING SCHOLARS :

(a) Professor N. Mansergh -

The Registrar said that Professor Mansergh would arrive in Australia on 22nd February, 1951, and leave on 26th March, 1951. Arrangements were in hand for him to visit the Universities in Sydney, Melbourne, Canberra, Adelaide and Perth, to meet local branches of the Australian Institute of International Affairs in those places, and to conduct a small seminar in Canberra on March 2nd and 3rd.

(b) Professor Sir Howard Florey -

The Interim Council strongly supported a suggestion made by the Vice-Chancellor that Sir Howard Florey be invited to spend a few weeks in Australia in the middle of 1951, when the other Director and Advisers would be in Canberra, and resolved that an invitation be issued accordingly.

14. JUBILEE SEMINARS :

The Vice-Chancellor mentioned generally the progress of arrangements for the Jubilee Seminars. He said that on Professor Sawer's advice he had suggested to Professor Wheare that Professor J.L. Montrose of Belfast might be invited to visit Australia for the seminar on Federalism. Professor Wheare had agreed, and the Vice-Chancellor proposed to issue an invitation, on the understanding that the British Council would meet the cost of Professor Montrose's fare. The Council approved these proposals.
15. LIBRARY - MOVE TO CANBERRA:

The Registrar reported that the Acting Librarian, Mr. Stockdale, and six members of his staff transferred to Canberra on 6th December and that the Library was now in substantially full operation in its temporary quarters at the Old Hospital buildings.

16. APPOINTMENT OF PROPERTY AND PURCHASING OFFICER:

It was agreed to empower the Vice-Chancellor to appoint a Property and Purchasing Officer on the advice of a committee comprising himself, Professor Oliphant, Mr. Goodes, Professor Ward and the Registrar.

The meeting closed at 4.30 p.m.

(R.C. MILLS)
Chairman.

9th February, 1951.
THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

INTERIM COUNCIL

Minutes of the 47th Meeting of the Interim Council held at the University Offices, Acton, on Friday, 9th February, 1951.

Present: Professor R.C. Mills (Chairman),
The Vice-Chancellor,
Professor F.H. Bailey,
Mr. A.S. Brown,
Mr. C.S. Daley,
Sir Robert Garran,
Mr. H.J. Goodes,
Professor N.L. Oliphant,
Sir David Evatt,
Professor H.K. Ward,
Professor J.G. Wood,
Professor R.D. Wright.

The Registrar and the Assistant to the Registrar were in attendance.

APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from Sir John Medley, Mr. K.E. Beazley, Dr. H.C. Coombs, Senator the Hon. W.J. Cooper, Sir Frederic Eggleston, Professor L.H. Martin, Senator J.H. O'Byrne, and the Hon. P.C. Spender.

1. MINUTES:

The minutes of the 46th Meeting, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

2. REPORT BY VICE-CHANCELLOR:

The Vice-Chancellor reported as follows on the matters mentioned:

(a) Convocation

Nominations of members of Convocation by certain Australian Universities had been received in accordance with the provision in the Convocation Statute that the governing body of each of the other Universities in Australia and of Canberra University College and of the New England University College might respectively nominate five persons as members of Convocation, and a list of names circulated to Council. Nominations by the Universities of Tasmania, Queensland and Western Australia and by the New South Wales University of Technology were expected shortly.

The roll of members of Convocation was tabled and as the number of members now exceeded 50 the Interim Council resolved, pursuant to the University Act, Section 16(3), to report the fact to the Governor-General. Upon the report being published in the Gazette, Convocation would be deemed to be constituted.
(b) Membership of Committees -

(i) Buildings and Grounds Committee -

The Interim Council at its 45th meeting had resolved that the Advisers of the Schools of Medical Research, Social Sciences and Pacific Studies or their nominees be added to the membership of the Buildings and Grounds Committee (Professor Oliphant being already a member). Professor Ennor, Professor Swan and Professor Crocker had now been nominated by the Advisers to attend meetings of the Committee in their absence.

(ii) Library Committee -

The Board of Graduate Studies was considering the membership and functions of the Library Committee referred to at the Council's 45th meeting (Minutes, paragraph 15).

(c) Scholars - Mr. G.R. Storry -

On the recommendation of Professor Crocker and with Professor Firth's concurrence the Vice-Chancellor had extended the tenure of Mr. Storry's scholarship for a period of three months commencing on 1st January, 1951.

(d) John Curtin School of Medical Research -

(i) Visit of Sir Howard Florey -

Sir Howard Florey had accepted the Interim Council's invitation to visit Australia during the year and hoped to arrive in Canberra at the beginning of September, 1951, and would stay until the first week in October (Minutes of the 46th Meeting, paragraph 13(b)).

(ii) Visit of Professor J.C. Eccles -

At the Vice-Chancellor's request Professor Eccles was at present visiting Canberra to finalise arrangements for the establishment of his Department in the Institute of Anatomy. Professor Eccles had been present for the meeting of the Board of Graduate Studies held on Monday, 5th February.

(e) Research School of Physical Sciences -

(i) Seminar on Cosmic Rays and Nuclear Physics -

The Vice-Chancellor had concurred in arrangements by the Director of the Research School of Physical Sciences to hold a seminar on cosmic rays and nuclear physics in Melbourne during the forthcoming visit of Professor W. Contner, Professor of Physics in the University of Freiburg.
(f) Research School of Pacific Studies -

(i) Professor S.F. Nadel -

Professor Nadel, Professor of Anthropology, had arrived in Canberra on 31st January, 1951, with Mrs. Nadel and their daughter, to take up his Chair.

(ii) Field Expenses - General -

Professor Nadel was considering the general question of expenses for field work in Anthropology and would submit a statement of procedure for consideration by the Interim Council.

(iii) Appointment of Senior Research Fellow in the Department of International Relations -

On the recommendation of Professor Crocker and with Professor Firth's concurrence the Vice-Chancellor had appointed the Hon. Michael Lindsay to a Senior Research Fellowship in the Department of International Relations within the salary range £1,200-£1,450 with a commencing salary of £1,250 per annum plus cost of living adjustment, from a date to be fixed. A curriculum vitae was submitted to the Council.

(iv) Mr. C.P. FitzGerald -

Mr. C.P. FitzGerald, Visiting Reader in Oriental Studies, with Mrs. FitzGerald and their daughters had arrived in Canberra on 3rd February, 1951, to take up his appointment with the University.

(v) Professor Firth's Visit - Conference of Pacific Research Bodies -

The Interim Council at its 46th Meeting (Minutes, paragraph 9(d)) had approved the holding of a conference of representatives of the several bodies interested in Pacific area research in Canberra during Professor Firth's forthcoming visit.

The dates for the conference had been tentatively fixed on 27th-29th August, and Professor Firth was preparing a list of names of experts who might be invited. Professor Firth proposed tentatively that the title of the discussions be "Social Processes in the Pacific". The discussions would be preceded by private deliberations among the members of the Research School of Pacific Studies.
(vi) Mr. D.B. Mather, Department of Geography

The Interim Council at its 39th Meeting empowered the Vice-Chancellor to invite Mr. D.B. Mather to accept a Research Fellowship in Geography. Negotiations with Mr. Mather had been protracted, and the Vice-Chancellor had now acceded to a recommendation by Professor Firth that the invitation be allowed to stand over for six months, by which time the result of Mr. Mather's candidature for a doctorate would be known and there would be some further evidence of his ability in the form of published work.

(g) Jubilee Seminars

(i) Science Seminar

It was now confidently expected that Sir Edward Mellanby and Dr. Conant would be able to attend the science seminar which had been set down for July 25th, 26th and 27th. The programme for the seminar and the names of those to be invited were being considered by Professor Oliphant in consultation with the Vice-Chancellor, and a report would be made to the Interim Council at a subsequent meeting.

(ii) Federalism Seminar

It had now transpired that Professor Mackintosh and Professor Wheare would be unable to be in Australia at the same time, and it was therefore proposed to divide the federalism seminar into two parts - the first dealing primarily with public finance and administration to be held from 22nd to 24th August; the second on the more general and Constitutional problems associated with the subject. Professor Mackintosh would be the principal speaker at the first part of the seminar and Professor Wheare would lead the discussion at the second, which would take place during September.

It had been ascertained that Professor J.L. Montrose of Belfast (see Minutes, 46th Meeting, paragraph 14) would be able to visit Australia for the seminar, but the British Council had not yet intimated whether or not it would meet the cost of Professor Montrose's fares.

(h) Visiting Scholars

(i) Professor N. Mansergh

Professor Mansergh would arrive in Australia on 22nd February from New Zealand. He would remain in Australia until 26th March as the University's guest. He would visit the Universities of Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide and Western Australia, and would conduct a seminar in Canberra on 2nd and 3rd March.
(ii) **Sir Richard Livingstone**

Sir Richard Livingstone, having accepted the Council's invitation to visit Australia (Minutes, 45th Meeting, paragraph 12), expected to arrive in Australia about 27th August and leave about 9th November, although these dates were still tentative.

(i) **Appointment of Property and Purchasing Officer**

On the advice of the Committee appointed at the 46th Meeting (Minutes, paragraph 16) the Vice-Chancellor had appointed Mr. A.A. McDonald, Accountant and Property Officer of the University of Western Australia, to be the University Property and Purchasing Officer, from a date to be fixed.

The salary for the appointment had been fixed at £1,250 per annum plus cost of living adjustment and in addition Mr. McDonald had been granted an entertainment allowance of £52 per annum payable during the will of the Council. Mr. McDonald would take up his duties in Canberra on 19th February.

(j) **University Seal**

In accordance with the decision of the Interim Council at its 44th Meeting (Minutes, paragraph 5(b)(iii)) the Vice-Chancellor reported that the seal of the University had been affixed to the following documents since the 46th Meeting of the Council:

- Application for change to Inscribed Stock of £300 State Electricity Commission Loan 1st March, 1961.

It was resolved that the actions indicated in the report as having been taken by the Vice-Chancellor be confirmed.
3. **RUTHERFORD MEMORIAL FUND**

At Professor Oliphant's suggestion, it was resolved to authorize the Vice-Chancellor to establish a fund within the University for the purpose of receiving Australian contributions to the Rutherford Memorial, as part of the general scheme being initiated throughout the British Commonwealth by the Royal Society of London. The Vice-Chancellor undertook to prepare a scheme for the administration of the Fund.

4. **REPORT OF BOARD OF GRADUATE STUDIES**

The following report of the proceedings of the Board of Graduate Studies at a meeting held on 5th February, 1951, was submitted:

(a) **Award of Scholarships - 1951**

(i) **Medical**

Awards had been made to five candidates, namely:

- R.L. Blakley (Biochemistry)
- J.F. Morrison (Biochemistry)
- H. Harris (Experimental Pathology)
- A. Hampton (Medical Chemistry)
- Rosemary M. Eccles (Physiology),

the claims of five others being still under consideration.

(ii) **Social Sciences**

(iii) **Pacific Studies**

(iv) **General Scholarships**

Selection proceeding.

(v) **Medical Condition of Scholars**

The Board had received a report on the circumstances in which Mr. J.B. Davenport, a scholar in the medical field, had become seriously ill during the tenure of his award, together with comments received by the Registrar from Sir Howard Florey on the question of medical examinations for scholarship candidates.

The Board had resolved to recommend to the Council that a general provision be instituted that scholars be medically examined before their awards are finally confirmed, not with a view to excluding automatically a man who did not have a clean bill of health but so that the University would appreciate the obligation it was entering into.
(b) Research School of Physical Sciences -

(1) Chair of Geophysics -

The Board had resolved that the Interim Council be asked to invite Professor J.C. Jaeger, D.Sc., Professor of Applied Mathematics in the University of Tasmania, to accept appointment to a Chair of Geophysics within the Research School of Physical Sciences on the approved conditions of appointment for Professors.

Professor Jaeger's curriculum vitae was before the Council.

(ii) Readership in Radiochemistry -

The Board had resolved (subject to the Vice-Chancellor receiving before the meeting of the Interim Council a satisfactory report on Mr. Scarf by Sir Edward Appleton) that the Interim Council be asked to invite Mr. Frank Scarf, M.Sc., to accept a Readership in Radiochemistry on the approved conditions of appointment for Readers at a salary of £1,500 per annum.

Mr. Scarf's curriculum vitae was before the Council.

(c) Research School of Pacific Studies -

(1) Chair of International Relations -

(See Minutes, Interim Council, 46th Meeting; paragraph 9(b)) -

It had been resolved that Professor Crocker's memorandum on the functions of the Chair of International Relations be considered by the Research Schools of Pacific Studies and Social Sciences.

(d) Membership of Board -

The Board had noted with approval the Interim Council's decision that the Registrar and Librarian should be members of the Board, and had indicated that it would welcome the attendance of the Librarian at meetings until such time as the Board of Graduate Studies Statute is appropriately amended.

(e) Enrolment, Courses of Research and Degrees -

(1) The Board had considered the revised draft Statute and Rules dealing with enrolments, courses of research and degrees (18/1951) which were now before the Council.

The Board had resolved that the draft Statute and Rules be recommended to the Interim Council for adoption.

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(ii) It had also been resolved that the text of certain ancillary resolutions on this matter adopted by the Board at its first meeting be conveyed for the information of the Interim Council.

(f) Appointments of Academic Staff -

(i) Professorships and Readerships -

The Board had received a memorandum from Professors Oliphant and Sawer prepared pursuant to the Board's request. The substance of this report was now before the Council.

(g) Research Fellow in the Social Sciences (Interim Council Minutes, 45th Meeting, paragraph 6) -

The Board had heard a report by Professor Sawer on the work produced by Mr. Q.B. Gibson, who recently concluded his term as Research Fellow in the Social Sciences. Mr. Gibson's papers having been referred to the Board by the Interim Council, the Board reported that Mr. Gibson would be informed that his writings were highly satisfactory as far as they had gone, but that the University looks to him to carry the writing up of his research to a more advanced stage. The Board proposed to invite Mr. Gibson to meet and discuss his research with interested members of the staff.

It was resolved to defer until the next meeting the matters dealt with in paragraphs 9, Enrolment, Courses of Research and Degrees and 10, Appointments of Academic Staff.

With these modifications, it was resolved that the Board's recommendations be adopted.

After a discussion of the date of meeting of the Board of Graduate Studies, the Vice-Chancellor said that he would try to arrange for the Board to meet on the Monday of the week before that of the Council meeting.

5. PROFESSOR OLIIPHANT - LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

The Vice-Chancellor said that Professor Oliphant had been invited by the Government of Pakistan to tender advice on scientific and educational matters. Acceptance of the invitation would involve an absence of between two and four weeks in March or April, 1951.

It was resolved that appropriate leave be granted.

6. FINANCE COMMITTEE - REPORT:

The report of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 8th February, 1951, was submitted.

There was a full discussion of paragraph 6 of the report - Salaries of Academic Staff. The Council had before it copies of the correspondence and memorandum referred to in that paragraph. It was resolved -

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(a) that the Interim Council represent to the Prime Minister (as the Minister administering the University Act) that, having in mind the responsibility placed on the Council by the Act for the management of the University, the Vice-Chancellor should be taken into consultation before a final decision is given by the Minister in a case where that decision is likely to be at variance with the Council's submissions;

(b) that the Vice-Chancellor be asked to approach the Minister with a view to securing a modification of the Government's decision in the present matter;

(c) that the salary of Senior Research Fellows be not specially varied at this stage.

7. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE - REPORT:

The report of the meeting of the Buildings and Grounds Committee held on 8th February, 1951, was submitted. Discussion took place on paragraph 4(d) of the report - High Tension Laboratory. Since the Committee's meeting it had been learned that the Department of Works and Housing had let a contract for this building to John Grant and Son, by way of extension of the existing contract for the main Physics building. It was agreed that this procedure was likely to be unsatisfactory, both as regards the high tension laboratory and the main building. It was agreed that the Vice-Chancellor should express this view to the Department of Works and Housing, and discuss with the Prime Minister the unsatisfactory progress being made on the main building.

8. HOUSES AND TENANCIES COMMITTEE - REPORT:

A report of the meeting of the Houses and Tenancies Committee held on 8th February, 1951, was submitted, and the Committee's recommendations adopted.

9. RENT OF PROFESSOR OLIPHANT'S RESIDENCE:

Professor Oliphant pointed out that a determination of the rental of his new house was now a matter of urgency, and the Vice-Chancellor said he would take early steps to have the rental fixed.

10. ACADEMIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

The Interim Council considered the Minutes of the 21st Meeting of the Academic Advisory Committee.

(a) Gas Supply (Minutes, paragraph 2(d)) -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that there was now little prospect of the Government undertaking the installation of a gas works to serve Canberra, and that it was unlikely that the Municipality of Queanbeyan would be able to make gas for supply to Canberra. The Laboratory Manager of the John Curtin School of Medical Research was
therefore exploring the possibility of putting in a small plant to supply the requirements of scientific research in the University.

Discussions on the major project were not yet complete, and it was believed that the Government would offer a franchise to a private corporation to make gas for industrial purposes in Canberra.

(b) Scholarships (Minutes, paragraph 3(a)) -

The Vice-Chancellor recalled that in budgeting for scholarships it had been assumed that scholarships other than the general ones would in most cases be held for three years, though they were awarded in the first instance for two years only.

It was resolved to inform the Academic Advisory Committee that upon recommendation scholarship awards will be extended for a third year.

(c) Financial Data (Minutes, paragraph 9) -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that there is some doubt as to what documents Sir Howard Florey wished to show the Committee, but that the summarised Estimates for the financial year 1950-51 had been made available.

In other particulars it was resolved that the Committee's views be noted.

11. INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITIES BUREAU - QUESTION OF MEMBERSHIP:

The Vice-Chancellor referred to a report by Mr. E.H. Clark, the University's representative at the recent meeting of the Bureau in Nice. The Vice-Chancellor said that the report had been placed before the Academic Advisory Committee, whose views were awaited. The matter of membership would also come before the Australian Vice-Chancellors' Committee at its next meeting, when a report by Professor Blakey, the Australian representative, would be received.

It was resolved that Mr. Clark be thanked for the report, which should be considered by the Council upon receipt of the views of the Academic Advisory Committee.

12. UNIVERSITY OF GLASGOW - 500TH ANNIVERSARY:

The Vice-Chancellor said that he was giving thought to the University's representation at the 500th Anniversary celebrations of the University of Glasgow, to which an invitation had been received.

13. RHODES UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, GRAHAMSTOWN - INAUGURATION:

It was resolved to invite Mr. R.W. Parsons to represent the University at the Inauguration Celebrations of Rhodes University College, Grahamstown.
14. DONATIONS AND BENEFACIONS:

(a) Lady Isaacs -

The Vice-Chancellor reported the receipt of a donation from Lady Isaacs to be applied to the work of the Department of Anthropology "to be used for the furtherance of study in that Department". Lady Isaacs had said that if it were thought fit the money might be expended in the purchase of text books.

It was resolved that the University's thanks be formally expressed to Lady Isaacs.

(b) Lady Groom -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the late Lady Groom bequeathed to the University "at Canberra in the Commonwealth of Australia as and when such University shall be established the sum of £500 to be applied for the foundation of a scholarship at the said University to be known as the Littleton Groom Memorial Scholarship, such scholarship to be available to students from Queensland and to be given in whichever Faculty the Council of the said University shall deem advisable, my wish, however, being that such scholarship shall be in the Faculty of Law".

Lady Groom's executors were not willing to pay over the legacy until the Council of the University had been duly appointed. Meanwhile the legacy had been invested in Commonwealth Bonds and was earning interest.

(c) General -

It was resolved that notice of all benefactions of or above the value of £100 should in due course be given in an official publication of the University.

15. DR. C.G. STEPHENS:

The Vice-Chancellor mentioned conversations he had had with Dr. C.G. Stephens concerning the possibility of his appointment as Reader in Geography. This appointment was strongly supported by Professors Firth and Spate, and it was resolved to ask the Vice-Chancellor to continue the negotiations with a view to Dr. Stephens' accepting the post.

16. LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR VICE-CHANCELLOR:

The Chairman referred to an invitation received by the Vice-Chancellor from Sir Harold Butler, asking that Sir Douglas should attend a discussion of the British Section of the European League for Economic Co-operation in London on 26th May, 1951, and a conference of the League in Brussels from 31st May to 2nd June.

/The Vice-Chancellor
The Vice-Chancellor mentioned a number of University matters with which he could usefully deal in the course of short visits to the United Kingdom and to New York. He said that he would propose being absent from Canberra for about five weeks from 19th May.

It was resolved that leave be granted to the Vice-Chancellor for the period and purposes mentioned, it being noted that the fares involved in the visit would not be a charge on the University.

17. MR. MAURICE BROWN - LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

The Vice-Chancellor said that the trustees of the Nuffield Foundation had invited Mr. Brown, who had acted as Secretary of the Foundation's Australian Committee since its inception, to visit the United Kingdom for a period of a few months. Such a visit would enable Mr. Brown to visit university and other learned institutions under very favourable circumstances, and would not involve the University in any travelling expenses. The Registrar said that he strongly favoured the proposal.

It was resolved that leave be granted to Mr. Brown from towards the end of 1951, the Vice-Chancellor undertaking to submit a more detailed proposal to the Council at a later meeting.

18. APPOINTMENT OF UNIVERSITY SOLICITORS:

Professor Bailey said that he thought it would be convenient for the University to have its own private solicitors for the transaction of some parts of its legal business, and that he would like to discuss this matter with the Chairman and the Vice-Chancellor. It was resolved to ask Professor Bailey to proceed with these discussions.

19. PROFESSOR D.R. HARTREE, F.R.S.:

The Vice-Chancellor mentioned a suggestion made by Professor Cliphant that Professor Hartree, who would be visiting Sydney and Melbourne at the invitation of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization, be invited to visit Canberra, Hobart and Adelaide as the University's guest.

It was resolved that an invitation be issued, Professor Hartree being offered a fee of £200.

20. LONDON OFFICE:

The Vice-Chancellor said that the London office of the University was established early in 1949 with an initial period of three years in mind. He felt that the office should be maintained after the end of '51, but that Mr. E.H. Clark, the administrative officer in the United Kingdom, should return to Australia at the end of the present year.

It was agreed that Mr. Clark should be asked to return to work in Canberra providing satisfactory arrangements could be made to staff the London Office on his return, and the Vice-Chancellor undertook to make specific proposals in this connection at a later meeting.

The meeting closed at 5.5 p.m.

(R.C. MILLS)  
Chairman.
Minutes of the 48th Meeting of the Interim Council held at the University Offices, Acton, on Friday 9th March, 1951 at 10.30 a.m.

PRESENT: Professor R.C. Mills (Chairman),
The Vice-Chancellor,
Mr. K.E. Beazley,
Dr. H.G. Coombs,
Mr. C.S. Daley,
Sir Robert Garran,
Professor L.H. Martin,
Professor M.L. Oliphant,
Professor J.C. Wood,
Professor R.D. Wright.

The Registrar (Mr. R.A. Höhnen) and the Assistant to the Registrar (Mr. M. Brown) were in attendance.

APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from Professor K.H. Bailey, Senator the Hon. W.J. Cooper, Mr. H.J. Goode, Sir John Medley and Sir David Rivett.

1. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the 47th Meeting, held on 9th February, 1951, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

2. ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL:

(a) Election Rules

It was reported that the Rules and Schedule concerning the Election of Members of the Council had been dealt with in the manner directed by the Interim Council at its 44th meeting (Minutes, para. 2).

It was resolved that the Rules and Schedule be made in the form attached to these minutes.

(b) Conduct of Elections

A memorandum from the Registrar (106/1951) concerning the conduct of elections was submitted.

It was resolved that the recommendations made in the memorandum be adopted, i.e.:

(i) that Rule 4 of Part II of the Election Rules be adopted in the form proposed by the Registrar;
(ii) that Mr. R.G. Osborne be admitted as a member of Convocation;
(iii) that the list of persons entitled to vote in the election of members of the staff to Council be approved as submitted.

It was further resolved to inform the Prime Minister that elections were to take place, and to draw his attention to the fact that it would be necessary for the Governor-General to appoint five members of the Council.
3. VICE-CHANCELLOR'S REPORT:

The Vice-Chancellor reported as follows on the matters mentioned:

(a) Scholars.

(i) Mr. R.L. Blakely -

On the recommendation of Professor Ennor the Vice-Chancellor had agreed to increase the value of Mr. Blakely's scholarship by £50 per annum.

(ii) Miss A.M. McArthur -

On the recommendation of Professor Firth and with Professor Nadel's concurrence the Vice-Chancellor had extended the tenure of Miss McArthur's scholarship for a period of twelve months from 1st May, 1952.

(b) Research School of Physical Sciences

(i) Professor J.C. Jaeger had accepted the invitation to the Chair of Geophysics. Professor Jaeger expected to take up duty towards the end of the year.

(ii) Mr. F. Scarf -

No reply had yet been received to the Interim Council's invitation to Mr. Scarf to take up an appointment as Reader in Radiochemistry.

(c) John Curtin School of Medical Research

Mr. A.F. Bunker, Laboratory Manager, would return to the United Kingdom on 24th March, 1951, and return to Australia permanently towards the end of the year.

(d) Property and Purchasing Officer

Mr. A.A. McDonald, Property and Purchasing Officer, had arrived in Canberra on 19th February, 1951, with Mrs. McDonald to take up duty.

(e) Visiting Scholars

(i) Professor N. Mansergh -

Professor Mansergh had led a seminar in Canberra on 2nd and 3rd March, 1951, on "The British Commonwealth, with special reference to security problems in the Atlantic, Pacific and Indian Ocean Areas". Professor Mansergh had left Canberra on 7th March, 1951, for Melbourne. He would visit Adelaide and Perth and leave for the United Kingdom on 24th March, 1951.

(ii) Sir Richard Livingstone -

Sir Richard Livingstone had now indicated that he will be able to visit Australia from 28th August, 1951 to 23rd November, 1951.

(f) University Seal

The University Seal had not been used since the 46th Meeting of the Council.
4. **BOARD OF GRADUATE STUDIES**

(a) Report of Meeting held on 5th February, 1951.

(i) **Enrolment, Courses of Research and Degrees:**

It was resolved that the draft Statute and Rules dealing with Enrolment, Courses of Research and Degrees be made as submitted by the Board of Graduate Studies (18/1951), and that the accompanying resolutions of the Board at its meeting on 4th December, 1950 (Minutes, Para. 3(b)) be noted.

(ii) **Appointments of Academic Staff:**

It was agreed that the procedure suggested by the Board be approved, save that paragraph 19(a)(i)(c) be redrafted to read:

"(C) If the Council is not prepared to accept the Board's recommendation, it will send the recommendation back to the Board with the Council's comments."

The crucial importance of the confidential nature of information concerning proposed appointments to the staff was stressed.

(b) Report of Meeting held on 26th February, 1951. A report of the Meeting was submitted and the recommendations in it, including that for the award of a scholarship to Mr. F.W.W. Barbour, adopted.

5. **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

The report of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 8th March, 1951 was submitted and the recommendations made therein adopted.

In discussion of Item 9 - Superannuation - the Vice-Chancellor said that the Committee would shortly consider the question of how English insurance policies should be treated if the Australian pound should reach a premium vis-a-vis sterling.

6. **BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE**

The report of the meeting of the Buildings and Grounds Committee held on 8th March, 1951 was submitted and the recommendations made therein adopted.

7. **COMMITTEE ON HOUSES AND TENANCIES**

Reports of meetings held on 15th February and 17th March, 1951 were submitted and the recommendations made therein adopted.

8. **UNIVERSITY HOUSE COMMITTEE**

At a special meeting of this Committee held on 26th February, 1951 it had been recommended that subject to the acquisition by the University of the lease of Brassey House, Mr. E.R. Cottier, now Assistant Manager of the Hotel Canberra, be appointed Manager of Brassey House with a view to his later becoming Manager of University House. Mr. Cottier's salary would be £750 per annum, plus keep for self and family and full privilege.

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The report of the meeting of the Committee held on 5th and 6th March, 1951 was submitted.

It was resolved that the recommendations of the Committee, including that relating to Mr. Cottier's appointment, be adopted.

9. ACADEMIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

The Minutes of the 22nd Meeting of the Academic Advisory Committee were before the Council.

It was resolved -

(a) that the financial matters referred to in Item 2(c) should be discussed with the Academic Advisory Committee by the Vice-Chancellor during his forthcoming visit to England;

(b) that Item 3(d) - Travelling Expenses for Conferences - be referred to the Board of Graduate Studies.

(c) that Item 4(e) - Canberra University College - be referred to the Board of Graduate Studies;

(d) that Item 5 - Study Leave - be discussed by the Vice-Chancellor with the Academic Advisory Committee. The Committee appeared to have misunderstood the Council's intention, which was to fix a lump sum for travelling expenses before the member of staff went on leave, and so obviate the submission of detailed accounts. It was also agreed that permanent Fellows could be granted study leave by the Council on the recommendation of a Director;

(e) that the other matters mentioned in the Minutes be noted.

10. BENEFACIONS:

(i) French Periodicals for Library

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the French Ambassador intended to recommend to his Government that it provide the University with certain French periodicals. The periodicals to be suggested had been nominated by the University Librarian.

It was resolved to confirm the action of the Vice-Chancellor in accepting the Ambassador's offer and thanking him for his interest.

11. APPOINTMENT OF UNIVERSITY SOLICITORS:

Deferred.

12. LONDON OFFICE:

The Vice-Chancellor referred to the decision of the Interim Council at its last meeting to maintain the London office, but to ask Mr. Clark to return to Canberra about the end of the present year. He now suggested that his own Assistant, Mr. R.L. Mathews, after suitable training in the Registrar's office in Canberra, should take charge of the London office, and that for the period between Mr. Clark's departure from London and Mr. Mathews' arrival there, Mr. Maurice Brown should be asked to maintain oversight of the London office.
13. UNIVERSITY OF LONDON INSTITUTE OF COMMONWEALTH STUDIES:

The Vice-Chancellor referred to a letter dated 26th February from Professor W.K. Hancock, Director of the Institute, inviting the University to be represented at the opening of the Institute on 1st May, 1951. The Vice-Chancellor had replied saying that the University would be very happy for Professor Hancock himself to represent the University; but that if this were impracticable, the University would invite Professor Firth to be its representative.

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor's action be confirmed.

14. UNIVERSITY OF GLASGOW - 500TH ANNIVERSARY:

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor, who expected to be in the United Kingdom at the time concerned, should represent the University at these celebrations.

The meeting closed at 3.30 p.m.

(R.C. MILLS)
Chairman.

13th April, 1951.
THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY.

Election of Members of the Council, Rules.
(Made by the Interim Council 9/3/51)

Part I - General.

1. All elections pursuant to these Rules shall be conducted by the Registrar in accordance with the electoral system set out in the Schedule hereto.

2. If at any election the number of nominations does not exceed the number of seats to be filled, the Registrar shall declare the persons nominated to be elected.

3. The Registrar shall not accept a vote at any election unless he is satisfied that it has been cast by a qualified voter, and that that voter has voted only once.

4. Any casual vacancy in the office of an elected member of the Council shall be filled by the election of a member to fill the vacancy who shall be entitled to hold office during the residue of the term of the member whose office he fills:

Provided that -

If a person elected pursuant to these Rules ceases to be a member of the Council within six months of the time at which his tenure would have expired, the Council may if it thinks fit direct that the casual vacancy so caused shall be filled at the election conducted at the time when that person's seat would normally have become vacant.

5. Save as is otherwise provided in these Rules, all members elected pursuant to these Rules shall hold office for four years.

Part II - Elections by Convocation.

1. Each member of Convocation shall keep the Registrar informed of his address, and the Registrar shall keep a roll of addresses so supplied to him.

2. When an election under this Part is necessary, the Registrar shall publish the fact by notice on the notice board at the University and in one daily paper in Canberra, Sydney and Melbourne, a copy of which notice he shall send by post to each member of Convocation at the address shown on the roll. The notice shall

(a) set out the number of seats to be filled, and the names of the members of the Council elected by Convocation whose seats do not fall vacant at the time of the election concerned;

(b) invite nominations of persons for election, and specify the form in which nominations must be made.

(c) prescribe a date and time by which nominations must reach the Registrar.
3. If the number of nominations exceeds the number of seats to be filled, the Registrar shall send to each member of Convocation having an address known to him

(a) a voting paper;

(b) a notice setting out how the voter's preference is to be shown, and prescribing a date and time by which voting papers must reach the Registrar.

4. The three of the first six members elected by Convocation who stand highest at the polls shall hold office for four years; and the other three members shall hold office for two years. If the first six members elected by Convocation are declared elected without a ballot, the Registrar shall decide by lot which three of them shall hold office for four years, and the other three shall hold office for two years.

Part III - Elections by Students

1. In this Part a student means a person for the time being enrolled as a student of the University.

2. When an election under this Part is necessary, the Registrar shall publish the fact by notice on the notice board at the University and in a daily paper in Canberra. The notice shall

(a) state that a seat is to be filled, and set out the name of the member of the Council elected by the students whose seat does not fall vacant at the time of the election concerned,

(b) invite nominations of persons for election, and specify the form in which nominations must be made.

(c) prescribe a date and time by which nominations must reach the Registrar.

3. If the number of nominations exceeds the number of seats to be filled, the Registrar shall send to each student -

(a) a voting paper;

(b) a notice setting out how the voter's preference is to be shown, and prescribing a date and time by which voting papers must reach the Registrar.

4. Of the first two members elected by the students that member who stands higher at the polls shall hold office for two years, and the other member shall hold office for one year. If the first two members elected by the students are declared elected without ballot, the Registrar shall decide by lot which of them shall hold office for two years, and the other member shall hold office for one year. Thereafter all members elected pursuant to this Part shall hold office for two years.

Part IV - Elections by Staff

1. In this Part a member of the staff means a person who holds a full-time academic appointment in the University of or above the grade of Research Fellow. Before each election pursuant to these Rules the Council shall draw up a list of persons entitled to vote and only persons whose names appear on that list shall vote.

2. When an election under this Part is necessary, the Registrar shall publish on the notice board at the University and...
send to each member of the staff a notice which shall

(a) set out the number of seats to be filled and the name of any member of the Council elected by the staff whose seat does not fall vacant at the time of the election concerned;

(b) invite nominations of persons for election and specify the form in which nominations must be made;

(c) prescribe a date and time by which nominations must reach the Registrar.

3. If the number of nominations exceeds the number of seats to be filled the Registrar shall send to each member of the staff

(a) a voting paper;

(b) a notice setting out how the voter's preference is to be shown, and prescribing a date and time by which voting papers must reach the Registrar.

4. Of the first three members elected by the staff, the member who stands highest at the polls shall hold office for four years, and the other two members shall hold office for two years. If the first three members elected by the staff are declared elected without a ballot, the Registrar shall decide by lot which of them shall hold office for four years, and the other two shall hold office for two years.

The Schedule.

1. In the conduct of an election the Registrar shall allow the intervals specified hereunder between the events severally set out.

(1) Between the publication of the fact that an election is necessary and the time prescribed for the receipt of nominations: not less than fourteen and not more than thirty days.

(2) Between the time prescribed for the receipt of nominations and the issue of voting papers: not more than twenty eight days.

(3) Between the time of issuing voting papers and the time by which voting papers must reach the Registrar: not less than twenty eight and not more than sixty days.

2. Nominations of candidates shall be made to the Registrar. A nomination shall be signed by two persons qualified to vote at the election and shall contain the written consent of the candidate to his nomination.

3. With every voting paper there shall be issued a form of declaration and three envelopes, one envelope marked "Voting Paper", one marked "Declaration", and one addressed to the Registrar.

4. Every voting paper shall contain the names of the candidates in alphabetical order (the names of any retiring candidates being indicated) and shall be initialled by the Registrar or his deputy and no voting paper other than one /so initialled
so initialled shall be accepted. Where a voting paper has been lost or destroyed a duplicate shall be supplied on written application to the Registrar.

5. The voter shall indicate the order of his preference on the voting paper by writing the arabic numeral one against the name of the candidate, or an unbroken series of arabic numerals beginning at one against the names of the candidates for whom he wishes to vote, one number against the name of each such candidate; but he shall not be obliged to place a number against the name of every candidate.

6. Each voter shall post or deliver to the Registrar his voting paper and declaration each enclosed in a separate and distinctive envelope. These envelopes shall both be enclosed in another envelope addressed to the Registrar.

7. All such envelopes received by the Registrar shall remain unopened until the close of the poll. The Registrar or his deputy shall then in each case open the outer envelope and also the envelope containing the declaration. If the declaration be duly signed by a qualified voter the envelope containing the voting paper shall be placed and mixed with other similar envelopes. The Registrar or his deputy shall then open the envelopes containing the voting papers and ascertain the result of the election.

8. Each candidate shall be entitled to nominate a scrutineer to represent him at the scrutiny.

9. Neither the Registrar nor anyone acting as his deputy nor any scrutineer shall in any way disclose or aid in disclosing in what manner any voter has voted.

10. No voting paper shall be accepted unless it is received by the Registrar before the close of the poll.

11. The Registrar shall decide whether any voting paper shall be accepted or rejected.

12. In an election at which only one candidate is to be elected the result of the election shall be determined in the manner following:-

(1) The Registrar shall count the first preference votes given for each candidate on all unrejected voting papers.

(2) The candidate who has received the largest number of first preference votes shall, if that number constitutes an absolute majority of votes, be elected.

(3) If no candidate has received an absolute majority of first preference votes, the counting of votes shall proceed as follows:

(a) The candidate who has received the fewest first preference votes shall be excluded, and each voting paper counted to him shall be counted to the candidate next in the order of the voter's preference;

(b) If a candidate then has an absolute majority of votes he shall be elected, but if no candidate then has an absolute majority of votes, the process of excluding the candidate who has the fewest votes, and counting each of his voting papers to the unexcluded candidate next in the order of the voter's preference, shall
preference, shall be repeated until one candidate has received an absolute majority of votes; and

(c) The candidate who has received an absolute majority of votes shall be elected.

3. In an election at which more than one candidate is to be elected, the result of the election shall be determined in the manner following:

(1) The first preference votes given for each candidate on all unrejected voting papers shall be counted.

(2) The aggregate number of such first preference votes shall be divided by one more than the number of candidates required to be elected, and the quotient increased by one, disregarding any remainder, shall be the quota, and (except as hereinafter provided in sub-section 10) no candidate shall be elected until he obtains a number of votes equal to or greater than the quota.

(3) Any candidate who has, upon the first preference votes being counted, a number of such votes equal to or greater than the quota shall be declared elected.

(4) Where the number of such votes obtained by any candidate is equal to the quota, the whole of the voting papers on which a first preference vote is recorded for such elected candidate shall be set aside as finally dealt with.

(5) Where the number of such votes obtained by any candidate is in excess of the quota, the proportion of votes in excess of the quota shall be transferred to the other candidates not yet declared elected, next in the order of the voter's preferences, in the following manner:

(a) All the voting papers on which a first preference vote is recorded for the elected candidate shall be re-examined, and the number of second preference votes, or (in the case provided for in section 15) third or next consecutive preferences, recorded for each unelected candidate thereon shall be counted:

(b) The surplus of the elected candidate shall be divided by the total number of votes obtained by him on the counting of the first preference votes, and the resulting fraction shall be the transfer value:

(c) The number of second or other preferences, ascertained in paragraph (a) to be recorded for each unelected candidate, shall be multiplied by the transfer value:

(d) The resulting number, disregarding any fractional remainder, shall be credited to each unelected candidate, and added to the number of votes obtained by him on the counting of the first preference votes.

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(6) (a) Where, on the counting of the first preference votes or on any transfer, more than one candidate has a surplus, the largest surplus shall be first dealt with. If then more than one candidate has a surplus, the then largest surplus shall be dealt with, and so on: Provided that, if one candidate has obtained a surplus at a count or transfer previous to that at which another candidate obtains a surplus the surplus of the former shall be first dealt with.

(b) Where two or more surpluses are equal, the surplus of the candidate who was the highest on the poll at the count or transfer at which they last had an unequal number of votes shall be first dealt with, and if they have had an equal number of votes at all preceding counts or transfers, the Registrar shall decide which candidate's surplus shall be first dealt with.

(7) (a) Where the number of votes obtained by a candidate is raised up to or above the quota by a transfer as aforesaid, he shall thereafter be declared elected. And in such case, notwithstanding the fact that he may have reached the quota, such transfer shall be completed, and all the votes to which he is entitled therefrom shall be transferred to him, but no votes of any other candidate shall be transferred to him.

(b) Where the number of votes obtained by a candidate is raised up to, but not above, the quota by a transfer as aforesaid, the whole of the voting papers on which such votes are recorded shall be set aside as finally dealt with.

(c) Where the number of votes obtained by a candidate is raised above the quota by a transfer as aforesaid, his surplus shall be transferred to the candidates next in the order of the voters' respective preferences, in the following manner:

i. The voting papers on which are recorded the votes obtained by the elected candidate in the last transfer shall be re-examined, and the number of third, or (in the case provided for in sub-section 15) next consecutive preferences recorded for each unelected candidate then counted;

ii. The surplus of the elected candidate shall be divided by the total number of voting papers mentioned in paragraph i, and the resulting fraction shall be the transfer value:

iii. The number of second (or other) preferences, ascertained in paragraph i, to be recorded for each unelected candidate, shall be multiplied by the last-mentioned transfer value.

iv. The resulting number, disregarding any fractional remainder, shall be credited to each unelected candidate, and added to the number of votes previously obtained by him.

(8) (a) Where, after the first preference votes have been counted and all surpluses (if any) have been transferred as hereinbefore directed, no candidate, or less than the number of candidates required to be elected, has or have obtained the quota, the /candidate who
candidate who is lowest on the poll shall be excluded, and all the votes obtained by him shall be transferred to the candidates next in the order of the voter's respective preferences, in the same manner as is directed in sub-section (5).

(b) The votes obtained by such excluded candidate as first preference votes shall first be transferred, the transfer value of each vote in this case being 1.

(c) The other votes of such excluded candidate shall then be dealt with in the order of the transfers in which, and at the transfer value at which, he obtained them.

(d) Each of the transfers which takes place under the two previous clauses of this sub-section shall be deemed for all purposes to be a separate transfer.

(9) (a) Where a number of votes obtained by a candidate is raised up to or above the quota by any such transfer as aforesaid, he shall thereupon be declared elected. And in such case, notwithstanding the fact that he may have reached the quota, such transfer shall be completed, and all the votes to which he is entitled therefrom shall be transferred to him, but no other votes shall be transferred to him.

(b) Where the number of votes obtained by a candidate is raised up to, but not above, the quota, by any such transfer as aforesaid, the whole of the voting papers on which such votes are recorded shall be set aside as finally dealt with.

(c) Where the number of votes obtained by a candidate is raised above the quota by any such transfer as aforesaid, the surplus shall be transferred to the candidates next in the order of the voters' respective preferences in the same manner as is directed in sub-section 7, paragraph (c); Provided that such surplus shall not be dealt with until all the votes of the excluded candidate have been transferred.

(d) Where any surplus exists it shall be dealt with before any other candidate is excluded.

(10) The same process of excluding the candidate lowest on the poll and transferring his votes to other candidates shall be repeated until all the candidates, except the number required to be elected, have been excluded, and the unexcluded candidates who have not already been so declared, shall then be declared elected.

14. Where at any time it becomes necessary to exclude a candidate and two or more candidates have the same number of votes and are lowest on the poll, then whichever of such candidates was lowest on the poll at the last count or transfer at which they had an unequal number of votes shall be first excluded, and if such candidates have had an equal number of votes at all preceding counts or transfers, the Registrar shall decide which candidate shall be first excluded.

15. In determining which candidate is next in the order of the voter's preference, any candidates who have been declared elected or who have been excluded shall not be considered, and the order of the voter's preference shall be determined as if the names of such candidates had not been on the voting paper.
16. Where on any transfer it is found that on any voting paper there is no candidate next in the order of the voter's preference, that voting paper shall be set aside as exhausted.

17. The Registrar may if he thinks fit, on the request of any candidate setting forth the reasons for the request, or of his own motion, re-count the ballot papers received in connection with any election.
Minutes of the 49th Meeting of the Interim Council held at the University Offices, Acton, at 10.30 a.m. on Friday, 13th April, 1951.

Present: Sir David Rivett (in the Chair),
The Vice-Chancellor,
Professor K.H. Bailey,
Dr. H.C. Coombs,
Mr. C.S. Daley,
Sir Robert Garran,
Professor H.K. Ward,
Professor J.G. Wood,
Professor R. Douglas Wright.

The Registrar and his Assistant were in attendance.

APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from Professor R.C. Mills, Sir John Medley, Mr. K.E. Beazley, Mr. A.S. Brown, Senator the Hon. W.J. Cooper, Sir Frederic Eggleston, Mr. H.J. Gcodes, Professor L.H. Martin, Senator J.H. O'Byrne, Professor M.L. Oliphant and the Hon. P.C. Spender.

1. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the previous meeting, held on 9th March, 1951, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

2. VICE-CHANCELLOR'S REPORT:

The Vice-Chancellor reported as follows on the matters mentioned:

(a) Readership in Radiochemistry

Mr. F. Scarf had now accepted appointment to this position, and would take up duty on 16th April, 1951.

(b) Research Fellowship in Biochemistry

Dr. E.C. Slater had resigned his Research Fellowship as from 30th April, 1951. It was understood that Dr. Slater had been awarded a research grant by the Agricultural Research Council in the United Kingdom.

(c) Professor J.W. Davidson: Movements

Professor Davidson was spending the period from 26th March to 11th May in the United States, the Rockefeller Foundation having made a grant to cover his incidental travel and his maintenance while there. He had attended the annual meeting of the Far Eastern Association at Philadelphia from 27th to 29th March.

(d) Visiting
(d) **Visiting Scholars** -  
Itineraries were now being planned for the following visitors:

(i) Sir Edward Mellanby,
(ii) President J.B. Conant,
(iii) Professor W.A. Mackintosh,
(iv) Professor J.L. Montrose,
(v) Sir Richard Livingstone,
(vi) Professor D.R. Hartree.

(e) **University Seal** -

April 2. No. 11. Licence to occupy 1A Bedford Avenue, High Barnet.

3. **BOARD OF GRADUATE STUDIES** :

A report (191/1951) of the decisions taken at the fourth meeting of the Board of Graduate Studies, held on 2nd April, 1951, was submitted, and the Board's recommendations, subject to the following resolution concerning the proposal to establish a Chair of Statistics, adopted.

The Board had recommended, subject to certain conditions, that a Chair of Statistics be created, but had advised the Council to proceed to a decision in this matter only after receiving the comments of the Academic Advisory Committee.

The Vice-Chancellor reported that the Academic Advisory Committee would consider this matter at its next meeting, but that Sir Howard Florey had expressed the view that the matter should not be concluded until it had been discussed during the visit to Canberra of the members of the Academic Advisory Committee later in the year.

It was resolved that further discussion of the matter be deferred.

The Vice-Chancellor also reported that Dr. G. de Vaucouleurs had now accepted a Research Fellowship in Astronomy.

4. **LEGISLATION** :

A report (197/1951) of the meeting of the Statutes Committee held on 5th April, 1951, was submitted and the Committee's recommendation adopted, namely that a Statute on the University Seal be approved in the form attached to these Minutes (198/1951), subject to the amendment of the title to read "Common Seal Statute", and the deletion of the Number "6" from the heading. It was further resolved that the Statute be sealed and transmitted to the Governor-General for his approval.

It was also resolved that when the seal is affixed to any document the document shall be endorsed with the following words or words to the like effect:-
5. **CONVOCATION**:

The Vice-Chancellor proposed that Dr. J.F. Foster should, by reason of his close association with the University from its earliest days, be admitted to Convocation in pursuance of section 3 of the Convocation Statute.

All members present signified their approval of the proposal, but it was pointed out that the absolute majority required by the Statute was lacking. It was therefore resolved that the Registrar should ask absent members to signify their views by post, and that, if an absolute majority favoured the proposal, Dr. Foster should be admitted as a member of Convocation.

Consideration was given to other possible admissions to Convocation, but it was agreed to defer further discussion until the next meeting.

6. **ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL**:

(a) **By Convocation** -

The Registrar, as Returning Officer, said that he had received twelve nominations for election to the six seats which were to be filled by Convocation, and that he was now preparing to issue ballot papers. The candidates were:

- Professor K.H. Bailey,
- Professor H. Burton,
- Professor G.A. Currie,
- Mr. C.P. Fitzgerald,
- Professor A. Boyce Gibson,
- Mr. H.J. Gocdes,
- Mr. R.G. Osborne,
- Professor S.H. Roberts,
- Professor H.K. Ward,
- Dr. Roland Wilson,
- Professor J.G. Wood,
- Professor R. Douglas Wright.

(b) **By the staff** -

The Returning Officer said that three nominations had been received for the three seats to be filled by the staff, and that he had declared the nominees elected, namely:

- Professor W.R. Crocker,
- Professor A.H. Ennor,
- Professor M.L. Oliphant.
He said further that he had determined by lot, as required by the Election Rules, the tenure of these candidates: and that he had declared that Professor Crocker shall hold office for four years and Professors Ennor and Oliphant for two years.

7. **FINANCE COMMITTEE**:

A report (210/1951) of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 12th April, 1951, was submitted, and the Committee's recommendations approved, attention being particularly directed to items 5. Salary Review - Academic Staff and 10. Purchase of the Library of the American Mathematical Society.

8. **BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE**:

A report (211/1951) of the meeting of the Buildings and Grounds Committee held on 12th April, 1951, was submitted and noted.

9. **HOUSES AND TENANCIES COMMITTEE**:

A report (209/1951) of the Houses and Tenancies Committee held on 12th April, 1951, was submitted and noted.

10. **APPOINTMENT OF UNIVERSITY SOLICITORS**:

Deferred, pending consultation between the Vice-Chancellor and Professor Bailey.

11. **INSTITUTE FOR NUCLEAR STUDIES, CHICAGO**:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that Dr. Samuel K. Allison, Director of the Institute for Nuclear Studies in the University of Chicago, had invited Professor Oliphant to attend an international conference on nuclear physics and the physics of fundamental particles in Chicago in September, 1951. The Vice-Chancellor understood that Professor Oliphant wished to attend the conference.

It was resolved that leave be granted to Professor Oliphant to attend the conference, and that the University should pay half his expenses, the balance being contributed by the host Institute.

12. **INSTITUTE OF COMMONWEALTH STUDIES**:

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had written asking Professor Hancock to represent the University at the opening of the Institute on 1st May, and that he understood that Professor Firth would also be present.

It was agreed that if Professor Hancock were not able to represent the University Professor Firth be asked to do so.

13. **JUBILEE SEMINARS**:

The Vice-Chancellor asked the Council's views as to the extent of the responsibility the University should accept for the expenses of persons attending the Jubilee Seminars from other parts of Australia.

It was agreed that, in accordance with the usual practice, the University should meet the travelling and accommodation expenses of full-time officers of other
Universities who attended the whole seminar; that the same treatment be accorded to other persons attending full-time and delivering opening or supporting addresses; and that travelling and/or accommodation expenses in Canberra might at the Vice-Chancellor's discretion be provided for other persons. It was however noted that the Vice-Chancellor proposed to approach universities and perhaps other bodies with a view to their meeting the expenses of their officers attending the seminars.

14. BENEFACTIONS:

(a) Silver Stave presented by the University of Oxford -

The silver stave presented to the University by the University of Oxford was inspected by the members present, and Sir David Rivett, as a graduate of Oxford, handed over the stave to the Vice-Chancellor, members greeting its acceptance with acclamation.

(b) Chinese Classic for Library -

The Vice-Chancellor reported that he had received, through the British Consul-General in Canton, two volumes of commentary on the Chinese classical book, the I Tung, as a gift to the University Library. The work was written by the late father of Professor C.C. Lui of Kwangsi University. The thanks of the University had been suitably conveyed.

15. UNIVERSITY HOUSE COMMITTEE; OFFICE OF WARDEN:

The Registrar reported that the University House Committee, at a meeting held on 12th March, 1951, had recommended the creation of the office of Warden of University House, with status and emoluments comparable with those of a Director. The Committee had had in mind the appointment of a person of high academic attainments, preferably in a discipline outside the scope of the Research Schools.

It was resolved that this matter be discussed at the next meeting, and that in the meantime the Committee be asked to prepare a detailed submission on the subject.

16. APPOINTMENT OF ACTING CHAIRMAN:

The Vice-Chancellor said that the Chairman of the Council would shortly leave for the United States, where he would spend some three months.

It was resolved that Dr. H.C. Coombs be elected Chairman of the Interim Council for the rest of its term of office, or the period of Professor Mills' absence, whichever period should be the shorter.

17. APPOINTMENT OF ACTING VICE-CHANCELLOR:

The Council, having in mind that the Vice-Chancellor would be absent from Australia from 19th May to 4th July, 1951, resolved to invite Professor Oliphant to act as Vice-Chancellor during Sir Douglas' absence.

The meeting closed at 3.15 p.m.
1. APPOINTMENTS TO ACADEMIC STAFF:

The Board accepted the modification suggested by the Council at its last meeting.

2. CANBERRA UNIVERSITY COLLEGE:

After considering the Academic Advisory Committee's comment which the Council had referred to the Board, the Board reached the following decisions:

On the question of the undertaking by students of the National University of teaching duties in the College, the Board resolved to express the view that no such teaching should be undertaken except with the permission of the student's supervisor, who would be required to satisfy himself that the teaching duties concerned bore a direct connection with, and would be beneficial to the student's approved course of research in the University. Approval should not be given for students to conduct regular courses of lectures to undergraduate students of the College.

On the question of the eligibility of members of the College staff to become candidates for degrees in the University, it was resolved to advise the Council that the Board wished to adhere to its original statement of the ground on which such persons should be regarded as ineligible (Board of Graduate Studies, 1st Meeting, Minutes, paragraph 9), namely:

"members of the staff of the College would not be conducting full-time research and so would not be eligible to become candidates for degrees in the National University."

3. FEES:

The Board recommends that the inclusive annual fee to be paid by students be fifty guineas, and that questions concerning the payment of this fee by persons holding scholarships from the University should be left for the Vice-Chancellor to decide in his discretion.

4. SCHOLARS:

(a) Mr. P. Lawrence -

Mr. P. Lawrence's scholarship has been extended, on the recommendation of Professors Firth and Nadel, for twelve months from April, 1951.

(b) Mr. P.M. Worsley -

On Professor Firth's recommendation, a scholarship has been awarded to Mr. P.M. Worsley.
The Board has noted that Professors Firth and Davidson are arranging an informal conference of the Pacific Studies scholars at present in the United Kingdom.

5. CHAIR OF STATISTICS:

The Board recommends -

(a) that a Chair of Statistics be created, providing it were clear that such a step would not prejudice the filling of other Chairs already in mind for the Research School of Social Sciences, i.e., the Chairs of Social Philosophy, History and Political Science.

(b) that the following recommendations as to the title and functions of the Chair be adopted by the Council:

(i) The Chair be given the title "Statistics".

(ii) The notice advertising the Chair of Statistics should describe the organisation of the University into Research Schools and should name the Chairs contemplated for each school.

(iii) The Professor would, as prescribed for other Professors in the University, devote himself to research and the advancement of knowledge in his subject, i.e., theoretical knowledge in statistics.

(iv) It would be necessary to contemplate that the Professor, through appropriate staff under his control, would maintain a statistical unit for the University.

(v) It would be convenient if the Professor's own interests lay towards the problems and material of the Research School of Social Sciences, and it would be expedient for the Chair to be established in that School. The Professor would, however, be expected to take an interest in the applicability of statistical methods to work in the other Schools and especially to advise workers in statistics in other departments.

(c) that the Council take a decision on this matter only after receiving the comments of the Academic Advisory Committee, which had already been sought.

6. LIBRARY STATUTE:

The Board recommends that a Library Statute be made in accordance with the draft which will be submitted to the present meeting of the Council.
7. OVERSEAS VISITORS:

The Board has approved a suggestion that up to two general visitors be provided for in each year, and that there be machinery for the Schools from time to time to invite special visitors to visit the School. The latter invitations would be made after recommendation from the Director to the Board, and would be reported to the Council.

8. ANNUAL DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

The Board will ask the Heads of Departments to furnish annual reports of the transactions of their Departments.

9. TRAVELLING EXPENSES FOR A.N.Z.A.A.S. MEETING:

The Board considered the comment of the Academic Advisory Committee referred to it at the last Council meeting.

The Board wishes to reiterate the following resolution made at a meeting of Professors on 6th November, 1950, and to emphasise that that resolution referred only to A.N.Z.A.A.S. meetings.

"18. A.N.Z.A.A.S. : EXPENSES:

The Vice-Chancellor, on Professor Ennor's suggestion, raised the question of the contribution to be made by the University towards the expenses of members of the staff attending A.N.Z.A.A.S. meetings.

It was resolved that the provision to be made for members be left to the Directors and the Vice-Chancellor to determine, the meeting holding the view that the University might properly meet the cost of fares (but no other expenses) of persons reading papers at the meeting concerned."

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The Australian National University

Interim Council

Minutes of the 50th Meeting of the Interim Council
held at the University Offices, Acton, on Friday, 11th May, 1951.

Present : Sir David Rivett (in the Chair),
The Vice-Chancellor,
Professor K.H. Bailey,
Mr. C.S. Daley,
Sir Robert Garran,
Mr. H.J. Geodes,
Senator J.H. O'Byrne,
Professor H.K. Ward,
Mr. W.J. Weeden,
Professor J.G. Wood,
Professor R. Douglas Wright.

The Registrar and the Assistant to the Registrar
were in attendance.

Apologies : Apologies for absence were received from Mr. K.E.
Beazley, Mr. A.S. Brown, Senator the Hon. W.J. Cooper, Dr. H.C.
Coombs, Professor L.H. Martin, Sir John Medley and Professor
M.L. Oliphant.

1. Minutes : The minutes of the 49th meeting, copies of which
had been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

2. Membership of Interim Council :
The Vice-Chancellor pointed out that by virtue of
his appointment as Acting Director of the Commonwealth Office
of Education during Professor Mills' absence abroad, Mr. W.J.
Weeden had become a member of the Interim Council. The Chairman
extended a welcome to Mr. Weeden.

It was also noted that the Hon. P.C. Spender had
ceased to be a Member of Parliament on the dissolution of the
House of Representatives on 16th March, 1951, and that his
membership of the Interim Council had accordingly lapsed on
that date.

3. Vice-Chancellor's Absence Abroad :
The Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor Oliphant
had by reason of his health been obliged to decline the Interim
Council's invitation to perform the duties of the Vice-Chancellor
during the latter's forthcoming absence abroad.

It was resolved to ask Professor Crocker to act for
the Vice-Chancellor from May 19th to July 4th, 1951.

4. Vice-Chancellor's Report :
The Vice-Chancellor reported as follows on the
matters mentioned :-
(a) Scholars -

Dr. L.F. Dodson -

On the recommendation of Sir Howard Florey the Vice-Chancellor had agreed to increase the emoluments paid to Dr. Dodson by a further £50 per annum as from 14th April, 1951.

(b) Research School of Physical Sciences -

Professor E.W. Titterton -

Professor Titterton, together with his wife and two children, arrived in Canberra on 7th May to take up duty.

(c) Research School of Social Sciences -

Mr. L.C. Webb -

Mr. Webb and family would arrive in Canberra on 14th May to take up duty.

(d) Research School of Pacific Studies -

Professor J.W. Davidson -

Professor Davidson, who was visiting the United States on a Rockefeller grant, had visited the University of British Columbia from 20th to 24th April. He expected to leave for New Zealand on 19th May and would arrive in Canberra on 10th June to take up duty.

(e) Visiting Scholars -

The Vice-Chancellor submitted itineraries for the following scholars: -

(i) Sir Richard Livingstone,
(ii) Professor R.D. Hartree,
(iii) Sir Edward Mellanby.

Itineraries had been drafted and were awaiting confirmation for the visits of: -

Professor J.L. Montrose,
Dr. J.B. Conant,
Professor W.A. Mackintosh.

(f) University Seal -

Since the last Council meeting the University seal had been affixed to the following documents: -

13th April - Enrolment, Courses of Research and Degrees Statute (two copies).

5. BOARD OF GRADUATE STUDIES:

A report (231/1951) of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Board of Graduate Studies held on 13th April, 1951, was submitted.
Chair of Statistics -

In order to avoid delay should the Council, after receiving the Academic Advisory Committee's views, decide to establish a Chair of Statistics, the Board had appointed an electoral committee comprising Professor Wheare (Chairman), the Vice-Chancellor and Professors Fenner, Swan and Woolley. The Interim Council noted this action but resolved to defer further discussion until the Vice-Chancellor had had an opportunity of discussing the establishment of the Chair with the Academic Advisory Committee.

Scholarship Emoluments -

The Board had recommended that the present basic emoluments of scholars be adhered to, but that there should be added to them the University's existing cost of living adjustment as determined from time to time.

The Board had further resolved to recommend that all scholars should be responsible for paying their fees but that the Vice-Chancellor should have authority to remit these wholly or partly in circumstances which in his opinion constituted hardship.

After discussion the Interim Council resolved that the Board be informed that the Council has in mind adhering to the basic emoluments in the case of scholars working in Australia but adjusting them periodically in the light of changes in the cost of living; and that the Vice-Chancellor, Mr. Goodes and a nominee of the Board of Graduate Studies be empowered to make recommendations concerning these adjustments to the Finance Committee.

Appointment - Dr. L.N. Short -

In adopting the recommendation for the appointment of Dr. L.N. Short as a Fellow the Council authorized the Vice-Chancellor to fix Dr. Short's commencing salary and salary range in consultation with Sir Howard Florey.

Senior Research Fellowship in Economic History -

The Council empowered the Vice-Chancellor to make an appointment to the Senior Research Fellowship in Economic History in consultation with Professors Wheare and Swan and to fix the salary of the person appointed.

With these modifications it was resolved that the recommendations of the Board of Graduate Studies be adopted.

6. LEGISLATION :

(a) Seal Statute -

It was reported that this statute was being prepared for submission to the Governor-General.

(b) Library Statute -

The Registrar said that there was no further progress to report in this matter.
7. CONVOCATION:

(a) Nominees from University of Queensland -

The Registrar reported that the University of Queensland had nominated the following persons as members of Convocation:

Mr. A.D. McGill,
Mr. L.D. Edwards,
Dr. A. Fryberg,
Professor T. Jones,
Professor H. Webster.

(b) Fifth Nominee of University of Melbourne -

The Registrar reported that he had asked the University of Melbourne whether it was proposed to nominate a fifth Convocation member, only four members having previously been nominated by that University.

(c) Dr. J.F. Foster -

The Registrar reported that on his consulting members of the Council as directed at the previous meeting an absolute majority of the Council had supported Dr. Foster's admission to Convocation, and that he had therefore been admitted.

(d) Further Special Admissions -

After full discussion and in accordance with Section 3 of Statute No. 3 it was unanimously resolved, an absolute majority of the Council being present, to invite the Right Hon. R.G. Menzies, C.H., K.C., M.P., the Right Hon. J.B. Chifley, M.P., and the Hon. J.J. Dedman to accept membership of Convocation as persons "specially qualified to advance the interests of the University".

8. FINANCE COMMITTEE:

A report (251/1951) of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 10th May, 1951, was submitted and the Committee's recommendations adopted.

9. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE:

A report (253/1951) of the meeting of the Buildings and Grounds Committee held on 10th May, 1951, was submitted.

It was reported that the minute concerning the main buildings for the John Curtin School of Medical Research - paragraph 5(b) - should read:

"Reporting on the main buildings for the John Curtin School of Medical Research the Vice-Chancellor said that through a decision on this matter had been delayed by the incidence of the federal elections he had now had satisfactory discussions with senior officers of the Department of Works and Housing and that he looked forward to an early and satisfactory outcome to discussions which were now proceeding between members of the Government."

It was resolved that the report be adopted.
10. **HOUSES AND TENANCIES COMMITTEE**

A report (252/1951) of the meeting of the Houses and Tenancies Committee held on 10th May, 1951, was submitted and adopted.

11. **UNIVERSITY HOUSE COMMITTEE**

The Registrar reported that the absence of certain members of this Committee from Canberra had prevented its meeting.

12. **COMMITTEE ON RENTS**

A report (254/1951) of the Committee on Rents held on 10th May, 1951, was submitted and adopted.

13. **ACADEMIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

The Vice-Chancellor said that he had received a draft copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Academic Advisory Committee held on 27th and 28th April, 1951. He would circulate the full minutes to the next meeting of the Interim Council but meanwhile he noted that the Committee wished to discuss with him during his forthcoming visit to England the following matters:

- Building programme,
- Chair of Statistics,
- University finances,
- Procedure for the selection of scholars,
- Scholars' examination and degree fees,
- Faculty structure and membership,
- Procedure for the appointment of Professors and Readers.

14. **APPOINTMENT OF UNIVERSITY SOLICITORS**

It was resolved that further discussion of this matter be deferred until towards the end of 1951.

15. **INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITIES BUREAU - MEMBERSHIP**

The Vice-Chancellor said that the Australian Vice-Chancellors' Committee was investigating the conditions of membership of the Bureau and it was resolved that the matter be deferred until this information were available.

16. **VICE-CHANCELLOR AND INTERIM COUNCIL**

The Vice-Chancellor said that as the present meeting would be the last occasion on which he would meet the Interim Council he wished to pay a tribute to the loyalty and support he had received from the Interim Council and its members individually during his term of office, and to express the University's gratitude to the Interim Council for the care and energy it had devoted to University affairs since its appointment.

17. **GOOD WISHES TO VICE-CHANCELLOR**

Sir David Rivett on behalf of the Interim Council expressed the Council's good wishes to the Vice-Chancellor and the hope that his forthcoming visit abroad would be enjoyable and fruitful.

The meeting closed at 3.5 p.m.
THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

INTERIM COUNCIL

Minutes of the 51st Meeting of the Interim Council held at the University Offices, Acton, on Friday, 8th June, 1951.

Present: Dr. H.C. Coombs (in the Chair), The Acting Vice-Chancellor (Professor W.R. Crocker), Professor K.H. Bailey, Sir Robert Garran, Mr. H.J. Goodes, Professor M.L. Oliphant, Professor H.K. Ward, Mr. W.J. Weeden, Professor J.G. Wood.

The Registrar was in attendance.

APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from Senator the Hon. W.J. Cooper, Mr. C.S. Daley, Sir Frederic Eggleston, Professor L.H. Martin, Professor R.C. Mills, Sir David Rivett and Professor R.D. Wright.

1. MINUTES:

The minutes of the 50th Meeting, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

2. LEGISLATION: THE SEAL STATUTE:

The Registrar said that the Governor-General's approval had not yet been received.

3. CONVOCATION:

(a) Election of Members to Council -

The Registrar reported that Dr. Roland Wilson, Professor G.A. Currie and Professor K.H. Bailey had been elected members of Council for four years and that Professor R.D. Wright, Professor H.K. Ward and Professor H. Burton had been elected members of Council for two years.

It was resolved that the Registrar should write to each of the successful candidates, offering congratulations on behalf of the Interim Council.

(b) Membership -

(1) Fifth nominee of University of Melbourne -

The Registrar reported that the University of Melbourne had nominated Professor S.M. Wadham as its fifth member of Convocation.
The Registrar said that each of these gentlemen had accepted with pleasure nomination to Convocation.

4. VICE-CHANCELLOR S REPORT :

The Acting Vice-Chancellor reported as follows :-

(a) Visiting Scholars -

Itineraries were circulated for the following Visiting Scholars :-

Dr. J.B. Conant,
Professor W.A. Mackintosh,
Professor J.L. Montrose.

(b) University Seal -

Since the last meeting of the Council the University Seal had been affixed to the following documents :-

5th May - Superannuation Policy Proposal -
A.M.P. - K.W. Thompson.

- Increase Authority - A.M.P.
  - E.H. Clark.

13th May - Address for presentation to
University of Glasgow.

30th May - Specimen only: Certificate
regarding affixing of seal
requested by State Electricity
Commission of Victoria.

5. BOARD OF GRADUATE STUDIES :

A report (279/1951) of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Board of Graduate Studies held on 28th May, 1951, was submitted.

The Interim Council noted that Mr. H.P. Brown would represent the Board on the Committee set up to make recommendations concerning the periodical adjustment of the allowance of scholars working in Australia, and resolved to confirm the establishment and functions of the Committee (see Minutes, 50th Meeting, paragraph 5).

The Interim Council resolved that the Acting Vice-Chancellor be authorized to make outstanding appointments to Research Fellowships in the Research School of Physical Sciences on the advice of the Committee appointed by the Board.

6. ACADEMIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE - MINUTES OF 23RD MEETING :

The minutes of the 23rd Meeting of the Academic Advisory Committee were received. The Council noted that most of the matters raised are the subject of further discussion between the Committee and the Vice-Chancellor and that the discussions would now be taking place.
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7. **FINANCE COMMITTEE : REPORT :**

A report (306/1951) of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 7th June, 1951, was submitted and the Committee's recommendations adopted.

Professor Cliphant pointed out that it was becoming increasingly difficult to recruit technicians for the staff of the Research School of Physical Sciences. The Council agreed to authorize the Vice-Chancellor to make appropriate adjustments in the salary ranges for Technical Officers and staff after further consideration of current scales in the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation and other bodies employing similar people.

8. **BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE : REPORT :**

A report (304/1951) of the meeting of the Buildings and Grounds Committee held on 7th June, 1951, was submitted and the Committee's recommendations adopted.

9. **HOUSES AND TENANCIES COMMITTEE : REPORT :**

A report (303/1951) of the meeting of the Houses and Tenancies Committee held on 7th June, 1951, was submitted and the Committee's recommendations adopted, after verbal amendments to the text of the Minutes were agreed on by the appropriate members.

10. **COMMITTEE ON RENTS : REPORT :**

Deferred.

11. **FELLOWSHIPS :**

   (a) **Senior Research Fellowship in Economic History -**

   The Registrar said that the Vice-Chancellor intends to consult Professor Wheare about the English applicants and that an appointment would then be made.

   (b) **Research Fellowship in Experimental Pathology -**

   It was resolved to confirm action taken by the Vice-Chancellor, on the recommendation of Sir Howard Florey, to appoint Dr. G.B. Mackaness as a Research Fellow in the Department of Experimental Pathology from 1st July, 1951.

   (c) **Other - Research Fellowships in the Research School of Social Sciences -**

   The Registrar reported that an announcement about the award of Research Fellowships in the Research School of Social Sciences had been circulated to Universities in Australia, New Zealand and the United Kingdom.

   It was agreed that the announcement should also go to governmental and other bodies where academic workers might find interest in the announcement.
12. UNIVERSITY OF LONDON, INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION: FELLOWSHIPS

The Secretary, Australian Vice-Chancellors' Committee, had submitted a request from the London University Institute of Education seeking Dominion support to finance pound for pound with the Imperial Relations Trust, its programme of Dominion fellowships for the next few years.

It was resolved that should an approach to the Commonwealth Government not meet with success, the Vice-Chancellor be asked to discuss the proposal with the Australian Vice-Chancellors' Committee.

13. CONSTITUTION OF COUNCIL:

The Registrar reported that the representatives on Council of Convocation and the Staff had now been elected. There being no students it was impossible to elect their representative and the Solicitor-General's opinion was that the Council would be brought into existence when the election of Parliamentary representatives and appointment of Governor-General's nominees had been made.

The Registrar said that it had become necessary to fix a commencing date from which the tenure of elected members would run. He tabled a letter dated 6th June, 1951, from the Solicitor-General.

It was resolved to make, and forward to the Governor-General for approval, a statute entitled "Constitution of the Council (Period of Office) Statute", in the form attached to these Minutes.

14. OTHER BUSINESS:

(a) Annual Report to Parliament

It was decided to set up a Committee consisting of the Vice-Chancellor, Sir Robert Garran and Mr. A.S. Brown, to finalise the Annual Report to Parliament.

It was agreed that the report presented to Parliament should include the University's activities up to 30th June, 1951, the day on which the Interim Council will conclude its period of office. The draft report would be circulated to members of the Interim Council for comment, before being settled.

(b) Professor T.W. Swan - Leave of Absence

The Acting Vice-Chancellor reported that Professor T.W. Swan had been invited by the United Nations Organisation to join a group of specialists in preparing a report on National and International Measures to reduce the impact of recessions and to stabilise commodity markets.

Members agreed that the invitation was a tribute to the University and to Professor Swan, and resolved that he be granted the necessary leave with pay from approximately mid-August to mid-October.

(c) Interim Council
The Acting Vice-Chancellor expressed the thanks of the University to the Interim Council for the work it had done in establishing the University. He said that academic staff arriving from overseas were greatly impressed both with the amount and quality of the work done.

The Registrar, on behalf of the Administration, paid tribute to the unselfish manner in which Council members had made their time available for the affairs of the University, and to the generous way in which this had contributed to the smooth working of the administration of the University's business.

The Chairman, on behalf of the Interim Council, thanked the Acting Vice-Chancellor and the Registrar. Dr. Coombs said that members were proud to have been associated with the University in its formative years, and that the University could be assured of their support in the future.

The meeting closed at 12.20 p.m.
1. The members of the Council first elected under sub-sections (2) and (3) of section 11 of the Act and the members first appointed under sub-section (4) of that section shall hold office for a period of two years.

2. The periods of office of the members of the Council first elected under sub-sections (2), (3), (4), (5), (7) and (8) of section 11 of the Act shall commence on the first day of July One thousand nine hundred and fifty-one.

3. Subject to this Statute, the Council may make rules with respect to the period of office of the members of the Council elected under sub-sections (2) and (3) of section 11 of the Act and of the members appointed under sub-section (4) of that section.