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Research Fellow	B.D. Graham, M.A., Ph.D.
Research Fellow	G.E. Caiden, B.Sc. (Econ.), Ph.D.
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Research Assistant	Nina Heathcote, B.A.
Research Assistant	Geraldine O'Connell, B.A.
Departmental Assistant	Pauline Thomas

Staff Changes

Mr R.S. Parker, formerly Reader in the Department, was appointed in May to the Chair of Political Science, vacated by the death of Professor Leicester Webb in June 1962.

Dr T.H.R. Rigby, previously Associate Professor of Russian Studies in the School of General Studies of the University, was appointed in December to the Professorial Fellowship left vacant by the promotion of Mr Parker to the Chair.

Mr Abner Shavitsky, previously Scientific Liaison Officer in London of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation, resigned from that Organisation to work as Honorary Research Fellow in the Department as from February.

Mrs Pauline Thomas was appointed in July as Departmental Assistant in charge of the Department's Newspaper Service, in place of Mrs Mary Louise Nicholas, resigned.

Students

Mr Glenn Barclay and Mr John Playford, former research scholars in the Department, were successful in their examinations for the Ph. D. degree, awarded for theses respectively on United Kingdom policies toward the European Common Market, and the Communist Party in Australian politics since 1945. Dr Playford has subsequently been appointed to the Politics Department at Monash University.

Mr D.A. Aitkin, M.A., completed further field work in Sydney and rural New South Wales for his thesis on the organisation of the N.S.W. Country Party since 1946, and has nearly completed the preparation of the thesis.

Mrs Carol Morgan, B.A., formerly Miss Cockram, who had completed nearly a year as an M.A. scholar in the Department of Political Science in the





School of General Studies, on the recommendation of that Department was transferred in May to this Department and enrolled for the Ph. D. degree, her research topic being "The First Minister in Australian governments". Mrs Morgan undertook her first period of field work in libraries and archives in Sydney.

Mr G.L. Kristianson, B.A., a research scholar enrolled for the Ph. D. degree, continued his research on the pressure group activities of the Returned Servicemen's League of Australia, visiting annual conferences of the League, examining its files and records, and interviewing a number of its leaders.

Mr R.M. Harney, B.A., research scholar, was enrolled for the Ph. D. degree, his research topic being the relation between A.L.P. objectives and its State commercial and industrial experiments. Mr Harney conducted research in libraries and archives in Sydney and Brisbane.

Mr Milton Lewis, B.A., continued his research for the Ph. D. degree on British Labour Party attitudes and policies towards the European Common Market. He was awarded a General Motors-Holden Fellowship for the second year in succession, the periods covered being the years 1963 and 1964.

Capta n Dante Simbulan, M.A., completed a period of nearly twelve months' field work in the Philippines for his study, as a research scholar enrolled for the Ph. D. degree, of the socio-economic elite in the Philippines. In November he observed the municipal and Senate elections in that country.

Miss Sondra Silverman, M.A., continued her research, as a scholar enrolled for the Ph. D. degree, on the legal, political and philosophical aspects of the right of resistance in democratic societies.

Mr C.M. Tatz, M.A., a research scholar enrolled for the Ph. D. degree, spent most of the year in writing his thesis on the administration of aboriginal policy in the Northern Territory, and has nearly completed it. By request, he submitted evidence to the Queensland Committee Inquiring into Aboriginal Legislation. He has accepted appointment from April 1964 as Lecturer in Political Science at Monash University.

Miss Isabel Eastwood, B.A. completed in July her period as Public Service Fellow in the Department, and is engaged in writing her report on the early history of television control and its administration in Australia.

Research Activities

As part of his work on Australian public service administration, Professor Parker continued a study of the restrictions on public comment by civil servants on political and administrative matters, and the possibilities of liberalising existing rules and practices; this involves an examination of Australian and British legislation and is being extended to parliamentary standing orders and the common law affecting privilege, and to certain aspects of the doctrine of Ministerial responsibility. He also commenced research projects on the history and problems of administrative organisation and political advancement in Australian New Guinea.

Mr Burns, in collaboration with Mrs Heathcote, completed a book on peace-keeping by United Nations Forces. He published a number of articles on Australian defence and began work on a monograph on the theory of international relations. In the third term he commenced a three-year project on Defence Studies, financed through the Australian Institute of International Affairs by the Ford Foundation.

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Dr Hughes, together with Dr Graham, continued to supervise compilation of the <u>Handbook of Australian Politics</u>, for which the collection of election results should be completed early in 1964. He spent five weeks in southeastern Queensland during the State election campaign conducting interviews and collecting material for a book-length study on the election which is now in preparation. In collaboration with Dr J.S. Western of the Department of Psychology, School of General Studies, he arranged a study of the impact of television on the Federal election, based on the telecast of the Prime Minister's policy speech. In collaboration with Dr Bettison of the New Guinea Research Unit and Dr Van der Veur of the Department of Pacific History, he planned and embarked on a study of the first elections for the House of Assembly of Papua-New Guinea, to be held early in 1964. A dozen or more anthropologists, historians and political scientists are participating in the local research under the general direction of a committee comprising the above staff members (who will edit the final report) and Professors Barnes, Davidson and Parker.

In addition to his work on the <u>Handbook</u>, Dr Graham made a study of the Country Party idea in New Zealand politics, worked on the preparation of a book on country parties in Australian politics, and continued his research on the Bharatiya Jana Sangh Party in Uttar Pradesh, India. In connection with the latter project he departed in December for three months' field work in India.

Dr Caiden completed a number of projects, including the second draft of his history of personnel administration in the Commonwealth Public Service; the draft of a history of the Australian Commonwealth Post and Telegraph Officers! Association; an administrative case study for a book of Australian cases to be edited by Drs D.C. Corbett and B.B. Schaffer; and a research report on "The Wage-Fixing Powers of the Commonwealth Public Service Board" which had been commissioned by the Board. In November he was appointed Convenor of a Royal Institute of Public Administration research project for compiling a bibliography of sources for Australian administrative history.

Mr Shavitsky embarked on a three-year research project on government in science in Australia. He spent most of the year in planning the project and collecting preliminary statistical information.

Other Activities

Professor Parker attended three meetings of the Interim Council of the Papua-New Guinea Administrative College, which was formally inaugurated by the Administrator of the Territory on 12th November. He prepared submissions for the Commission on Higher Education in Papua-New Guinea and the Committee of Review on the Organisation of the Territory Department of Native Affairs. He continued to act as Honorary Secretary of the Social Science Research Council of Australia and President of the A.C.T. Group of the Royal Institute of Public Administration. He lectured to senior management conferences of the Commonwealth Departments of Works and Supply, and to immigration officials from Argentina and Chile in a course arranged by the Department of Immigration and the International Committee for European Migration. In collaboration with Dr Bruce Yuill of the School of Management, Sydney Technical College, he organised a Seminar on Administrative Studies held at the University in August, attended by some 64 persons from universities, technical colleges, government and business institutions throughout Australia and its Territories. Twenty papers were read on administrative research, theory, teaching and practice by experts from each field; a number have since been published, and a further Seminar is being planned for 1964. Professor Parker read a paper, "Max Weber on Bureaucracy" in an inter-departmental seminar of the School on Weber, and two papers in the Departmental work-in-progress seminar.

Mr Burns read papers in the work-in-progress seminar of this Department (on international theory); of the Department of International Relations (on Niebuhr as an international theorist); and of Social Philosophy (on the

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Calvinist view of man); and of the Philosophy Society (on "Ontology and Explanation"). He also read papers in conferences in Melbourne and Sydney on Australia's part in the Malaysian-Indonesian crisis.

Dr Hughes continued to supervise the work of the Departmental newspaper collection and clipping service which is extending its holdings of party journals and pamphlets. With the assistance of the service he has continued to write the regular "Political Review" for <u>The Australian</u> <u>Quarterly</u>.

Dr Graham read a paper at the Political Studies Association Conference in August on "Pools and Politics: the issue of co-operative marketing in the wheat and wool industries, 1910-1922". In addition to his normal supervision of students in this Department, he collaborated with Dr Low in the supervision of two students in the History Department of the School. He gave three lectures on contemporary French politics in the adult education course on "The Shape of Europe".

Dr Caiden gave written and oral evidence to the Commonwealth Parliament's Joint Select Committee on Government Publications. He delivered a lecture on the Commonwealth Public Service Board to the A.C.T. Branch of the Royal Institute of Public Administration. He assisted in the preparation of histories of several Commonwealth Public Service Unions, and arranged for the transfer of records of a number of unions to the School's Archives Section. He read three papers on his Commonwealth Public Service history research to the Departmental work-in-progress seminar, and a paper on "The Study of Australian Administrative History" to the Political Studies Association Conference in August. Dr Caiden also arranged to collect material on public personnel practices for the Editor of <u>Public</u> <u>Personnel Review</u> (Chicago) and on Australian Public Administration for the Comparative Administration Group of the American Society for Public Administration and the Israeli Institute of Public Administration.

A work-in-progress seminar was conducted weekly throughout the year, at which papers were read by all members of staff and graduate students, and by one student from the Department of Anthropology.

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