At the end of 1971 the composition of the Governing Body was as follows:

Master: Professor Emeritus R.N. Robertson

Fellows: Retiring 15 August 1972: Mr J.F. Atchison, Dr R.E. Barwick, Dr A.R. Crawford (Deputy Master), Professor C.R. Heathcote, Mr S.M. Khan.

Retiring 15 August 1973: Dr P.A. Arriens (Steward), Mr W.J. Caelli, Mr P.E.M. Standish (Bursar).

The Master was in residence throughout the academic year except for an absence of two weeks in January-February visiting London to represent the Australian Academy of Science at discussions with representatives of the Royal Society of London, the Royal Society of New Zealand and the Canadian National Research Council. He was also absent in hospital for some weeks as the result of accidents. During the year he continued research on the biochemistry of mitochondrial membranes in collaboration with Dr D. Weiss, F.A.A., of C.S.I.R.O. and Dr F. Bygrave of Biochemistry Department, School of General Studies.

Professor Robertson was re-elected President of the Australian Academy of Science. During the year he delivered the J.G. Wood Memorial Lecture to the Australian Society of Plant Physiologists, the Occasional Address to the Third Biennial Convocation of the Australian College of Dental Surgeons and the Bertrand Russell Memorial Lecture to the Science Association of Flinders University.

The Chancellor, Dr H.C. Coombs, has been frequently in residence in the Chancellor's flat during the year.

The total membership increased to about 775, including fifty-six (56) visitor members and seventy-three (73) invited members. Over 135 regular new members were enrolled. There has been further decrease in the number of research students in residence during the year; this decrease was due to the increase in
alternative accommodation available in Canberra, particularly with the opening of Graduate Hall, self-contained flats for unmarried research students. There was, in consequence, a considerable fall in occupancy rate during the year because the number of casual visitors did not off-set the reduced number. This decrease in occupancy posed some very difficult financial problems for the House, which is seeking more casual residents attending conferences in Canberra, visiting government departments, etc. In particular, an arrangement has been made with the Centre for Continuing Education to hold their short conferences in University House and to provide accommodation for the visitors to Canberra attending these conferences.

**Tariff**

The tariffs for permanent residents was increased from 1 January, 1971, except for research students. A further increase in tariffs had to be made in July, 1971, following the very marked increase in domestic staff wages, due to the Union award.

**Visitors**

The Creative Arts Fellow for 1971, Mr Stanislav Ostoja-Kotkowski, was resident in the House for most of 1971.

Visitors from overseas who stayed in University House for one month or more included - Mr C.A. Adams, Nuclear Health and Safety, England, and Mrs Adams; Dr M. Aleksiuik, University of Manitoba, and Mrs Aleksiuik; Dr V.T. Arkhipov, Academy of Science, Moscow; Professor M. Margaret Ball, Duke University; Professor H. Barlow, University of California (Berkeley); Professor W. Bartley, University of Sheffield, and Mrs Bartley; Dr Jerome Ch'en, University of Leeds; Dr Vera Daniel, University of Oxford; Professor G.W.J. Drewes, Noordivijk, Netherlands; Professor Isadore Dyen, Yale University, and Mrs Dyen; Dr H. Edwards, New York University; Professor B. Fritsch, University of Zurich; Professor B. Glassburner, University of California; Dr F.H. Gleason, University of Colorado; Professor C. Hartley Grattan, University of Texas; Professor D.H. Green, University of Cambridge; Dr J. Hart, Lakeside University, Canada, and Mrs Hart; Professor T. Hazama, University of Kanski, Osaka; Dr T.J. Higgins, University of California; Professor M. Hiramatsu, Keio University, Tokyo; Professor E.P. Hutchinson, University of Pennsylvania; Dr R.P. Irwin, Hamilton Teachers' College, New Zealand; Professor K. Katsuda, Leverhulme; Professor L.A. Koenigsberg, State University, New York; Professor A.N. Kost, State University, Moscow; Associate Professor Joyce Lebra, University of Colorado; Professor J. MacQueen, University of Edinburgh; Professor D. Martynov, State University, Moscow; Dr M.J. Mayes,
Cambridge; Professor K. Mizukoshi, Japan; Dr Mubyarto, Gadjah Mada University, Jogjakarta; Dr P.K. Mukherjee, Indian Development Council, New Delhi; Dr R. C-Y Ng, London University; Professor A. Okajima, Yokohama City University, Japan; Professor K. Okutsu, International Christian University, Tokyo; Dr L. Parai, University of Ontario; Professor H. Peter, University of Buffalo, and Mrs Peter; Professor A.R. Prest, University of Manchester, and Mrs Prest; Professor G. Rasche, Institute for Theoretical Physics, Zurich; Dr Ward T. Robinson, University of Canterbury, New Zealand; Dr M. Rubel, Centre for Social Studies, Paris; Dr L.J. Saha, University of Notre Dame; Professor B.N. Sahney, University of Calgary, Canada; Dr P. Smithies, University of Cambridge and Mrs Smithies; Dr A. Sugimura, State University, New York; Professor B. Tukey, Bell Telephone Laboratory and Princeton University, and Mrs Tukey.

Among the many distinguished visitors for shorter periods were:

H.I.H. Prince Mikasa and Princess Mikasa, Japan; Dr C.G. Adams, British Museum (London); Chancellor D.G. Aldrich, University of California, and Mrs Aldrich; Professor Bintarto, Gadjah Mada University, Jogjakarta; Dr A. Budowski, Venezuela; Professor M. Butor, French Novelist; Dr P.C. Carmen, Director, National Chemical Research Laboratory, South Africa, and Mrs Carmen; Professor J.B. Condliffe, University of California (Berkeley); Professor A.R. Doll, University of London, and Mrs Doll; Dr M. Dowouna, Chairman of Higher Education, Ghana; Sir Robert Drew, University of London; Professor D.E.M. Ellegiers, University of Brussels, Belgium; Professor M. Evenari, Hebrew University, and Mrs Evenari; Dr V. Gostin, University of Moscow; Professor Abdul Habid, Rector of Hasanuddin University, Makassar, Indonesia; Professor W.M. Hayes, FRS, University of Edinburgh, and Mrs Hayes; Professor Sydney Hook, and Mrs Hook, U.S.A.; Mr M. Howard, University of Oxford; Professor John Hunter, University of Otago; Professor Torsten Husen, University of Stockholm, and Mrs Husen; Master I.H. Jacob, Master of English, Supreme Court, London, and Mrs Jacob; Professor R. Jasinski, Harvard and Sorbonne Universities, and Madame Jasinski; Sir Bernard Katz, University of London, Royal Society, and Lady Katz; Mr D.H. Kim, Seoul National University, Korea; Professor F.B.J. Kuiper, University of Leiden; Mr W. Lawson, Royal Radar Establishment, Malvern, England; Sir Edwin McCarthy, CBE, England; Lady Ogilvie, Retired Principal, St. Anne's Ladies College, Oxford, U.K.; Professor Clive Parry, University of Cambridge, and Mrs Parry; Sir Guy Powles, Ombudsman,
New Zealand, and Lady Powles; Dr Prachoom Chom Chai, Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok; Mr J.A. Quinn, Ford Foundation, Philippines, and Mrs Quinn; Miss Norma Redpath, Creative Arts Fellow for 1972; Mr Vernon Roberts, Department of Aviation Supply, London; Professor A.S. Romer, Harvard University and Mrs Romer; Dr J.H. Sass, Geothermal Studies Project, California; Dr R. Seidewitz, Agronomy Research Institute, Braunschweig, West Germany; Dr A.D. Sheglov, University of Moscow; Professor A. Smithies, Harvard University; Dr A. Somogyi, Hungary; Professor A. Steensberg, Copenhagen; Mr Maurice Strong, United Nations, and Mrs Strong; Dr A.V. Tenyakov, University of Moscow; Mr George Thomson, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore; Lord Trevelyan, U.K.; Mr B.G.J. van Rensberg, University of South Africa, and Mrs van Rensberg; Professor M. Wilkes, University of Cambridge; Sir Maurice Yonge, CBE, University of Edinburgh.

Many members of the staffs of Australian universities and national institutes have also stayed in the House.

Buildings and Grounds

The re-arrangement of chairs and tables in the Common Room has been appreciated by most people because it is socially easier than the previous groupings. The most noticeable change in the public rooms has been the installation of Leonard French's paintings, "The Seven Days of Creation". The six rectangular panels have been hung in the Hall foyer, and the large medallion on the end wall of the Hall above High Table. These paintings, which belong to the University, have created much interest, and added greatly to the appearance of the Hall.

Library and Record Collection

The library has been in constant use during the year; over 3450 borrowings were recorded and there were many acquisitions either by gift (148) or by purchase (54). The Music Room has been as popular as usual and many new records have been acquired.

Functions and Activities

The Commencement Dinner was held on 2 March and was attended by about 120 members. Guest Nights were held on 30 June and 13 October. The University Consort presented musical programmes at the Commencement Dinner and one of the Guest Nights. At the other Guest Night, we had a programme from the Deakin High School Pre-baroque Consort which was very much appreciated. Guest Tables have been arranged four evenings a week during term and two evenings a week out of term; the average number taking part has been about 14. These provide opportunities for members of the House to dine with casual residents and invited guests.
The light lunch served in the bar and in the Fellows' Garden has increased in popularity, particularly with non-resident members.

**Residents' Committee**

With the low numbers of research students in the House, it was agreed that the Residents' Committee should be suspended pro tem. Various members of the House have undertaken, as individuals, the duties normally performed by the Residents' Committee.

**Council Committee**

The Committee appointed by Council to look into the role and functions of University House consisted of the Master (Chairman), Professor G. Sawer, Professor C.A. Gibb, O.B.E., Mr D.M. B-Butt, Mr A.D. Crombie and Mr R.A. Hohnen, O.B.E. The full report of the Committee went before the December Meeting of Council. As a result of that report, it has been decided to widen eligibility for membership of University House to include any graduate employed by the University or any graduate of the University.