

THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

SCHOOL OF GENERAL STUDIES

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC HISTORY

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Staff:

In 1963 only two members of the department were available for teaching (Professor Tucker and Dr Cain). Dr Forster went on study leave at the end of 1962 and during the year visited the U.K. and the U.S.A., the latter with the assistance of a travel grant awarded by the Carnegie Corporation.

Mr J. A. Dowie, M.A. (N.Z.) was appointed Lecturer in Economic History and will take up duty in March 1964.

The department wishes to thank Dr Alan Barnard, Professor N. G. Butlin and Professor Sir John Crawford for help generously given in teaching. Dr Barnard lectured during part of second term on aspects of American economic history, Professor Butlin lectured during third term on comparative economic development, and Professor Crawford gave two lectures on international trade and trade policies since Ottawa. In each case students benefited by specialist knowledge which would not otherwise have been available to them.

Courses:

The department offered three units, Economic History I and II and History of Economic Thought. A new syllabus was introduced in Economic History II, which now constitutes an intensive course on Australian economic development, with some comparative studies during third term on growth patterns in different countries. It is hoped to introduce a new unit, Economic History III, in 1964 or 1965. This will deal with the economic development of Japan and the Soviet Union.

Enrolments and Examinations:

	Enrolments	Sat Exam	Awarded Honours	Passed With Merit	Passed	Failed
Economic History I	48	41	3	3	21	14
Economic History II	13	11	3	1	6	1
History of Economic Thought	-					
Master's Candidates	4					

Mr Param Ajeet Singh Bal, who has been jointly supervised by Professor Crawford and Professor Tucker, was awarded the degree of M.A. with second class honours.

Research:

Dr Cain continued his work on Australian pastoral history and two articles on this subject were accepted for publication. One of these has already been published under the title "Capital Structure and Financial Disequilibrium: Pastoral Companies in Australia 1880-1893", Australian Economic Papers, Vol. 2 (June 1963, No. 1). An article on the economic writings of John Lalor is in preparation.

Professor Tucker's article on English pre-industrial population trends was accepted for publication in The Economic History Review and will appear shortly.

Members of the department participated in research seminars during the year in the Department of Economic History, Research School of Social Sciences.

G. S. L. Tucker

Professor of Economic History