

ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COUNCIL FOR THE YEAR 1962DEPARTMENT OF HISTORYStaff

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Professor Hancock visited and lectured at Newcastle University College, the University of New England and the University of Queensland during July. In August he presented a paper 'Boers and Britons in South African History 1900-14' to Section E of the A.N.Z.A.A.S. Meeting in Sydney.

Mr. Fitzhardinge attended the A.N.Z.A.A.S. Meeting and also lectured in the Department of History at the University of Adelaide during August.

During July Dr. D. A. Low visited and lectured at the University of New England. He spent the last three months of the year in India, working mostly in the National Archives of India.

Dr. R. A. Gollan left in January on study leave which he spent principally in London with visits to Cambridge, Oxford, Hull, Sheffield, Manchester, Nottingham and the University of Sussex at Brighton. He interviewed prospective students for the Department and attended the Conference of the Anglo-American Historical Association, the Conference of Past and Present Society and the Moscow Conference on Higher Scientific and Technological Education.

Dr. G. C. Bolton, a Research Fellow in the Department for three years, left in February to take up an appointment as Senior Lecturer in the Department of History at Monash University.

Mrs. A. Mozley, Research Fellow and Assistant Editor of the Australian Dictionary of Biography, was appointed Research Associate to the Academy of Science in the history of Australian science from the beginning of July, and, in this capacity, her time will be divided equally between that institution and the Department of History.

Mr. A. A. Morrison, Senior Lecturer in History at the University of Queensland, spent January as a Visiting Fellow in the Department.

Dr. Dietmar Rothermund, who had spent the previous two and a half years in India working on aspects of the Indian national movement, joined the Department as a Visiting Fellow during July and August. He has since taken up a Professorship at the University of Marburg.

Dr. K. Inglis, formerly of the University of Adelaide, was also

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a Visiting Fellow in the Department for three months from the beginning of September, prior to taking up his appointment as Associate Professor of History in the School of General Studies.

Student and Teaching Activities

During the past year fourteen scholars have been working towards the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. Mr. Petrus van den Dungen was the only new scholar in the Department during 1962; his research topic is 'Social Change in the Punjab 1849-1900'. The subject of Mrs. Miriam Roberts' research has been changed to 'The Labour Movement, New South Wales, 1919-27.' Permission was given for her to spend the last year of her scholarship until May 1963 in Sydney under the supervision of Associate Professor N. B. Nairn of the University of New South Wales. All other students continued their work as previously reported. Scholarships have been awarded to Mr. E. M. Andrews, Mr. G. M. Buxton, Mr. J. S. Hagan and Mr. W. N. Hale and they are expected to join the Department early in 1963.

Mr. B. E. Kent, Mr. R. J. Lawrence and Mr. I. A. H. Turner successfully submitted theses for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy during 1962. Mr. A. Barcan submitted his thesis in December for the Doctorate of Philosophy and Miss M. J. E. Steven submitted her thesis for the Doctorate in October; these examinations were not completed during 1962.

Mr. J. H. Broomfield, Mr. R. Kumar, Mr. H. Owen, Mr. P. D. Reeves and Mr. P. van der Dungen each spent some part of the year in India working in the National Archives of India in New Delhi and in other archival repositories elsewhere in India and Pakistan.

This Department and the History Department of the School of General Studies continued their close co-operation, with Professor C. M. H. Clark assisting in the supervision of scholars.

Research Programme

The research programme outlined in previous years has continued, and, particularly in the field of modern Indian History, has been expanded. The first volume of Professor Hancock's biography of General Smuts, Smuts: The Sanguine Years, 1870-1919, was published in October, and he has begun work on the second volume. Four volumes of Smuts Papers, covering the period of the first volume of the biography, are in the press. Dr. Gollan's book, The Coal Miners of New South Wales: a history of the Union 1860-1960, will be published about March 1963. He contributed a chapter, 'The Australian Impact to the book Edward Bellamy Abroad, published in New York, and also a chapter, 'Industrial Relations in the Pastoral Industry', to The Simple Fleece - Studies in the Australian Wool Industry (edited by Dr. A. Barnard, Professor of the Department of Economic History, Institute of Advanced Studies). This book, which was published in August, was the outcome of an interdisciplinary Seminar on Wool which ran for three years. The seminar was based on the Department of History, which brought into focus upon a common problem the work of many specialists belonging both to the University and to outside bodies, such as C.S.I.R.O., the Bureau of Agricultural Economics and the Department of Trade.

During his study leave Dr. Gollan has engaged in two main fields of work: research for the history of the Commonwealth Bank, in particular, the development of the idea of a Government bank; and the study of recent work in Britain on nineteenth and twentieth century social history in general, and Labour History in particular.

Dr. Low has continued work on his book on Uganda, 1862-1902, and has published a monograph on 'Political Parties in Uganda' in the Commonwealth Studies series (London). The most important item on his programme of research

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in modern Indian history is a political biography of Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru, a very prominent Indian politician of the inter-war period whose private political correspondence, running to some fifty volumes, is deposited in the National Library in Calcutta. In this work, he is receiving the full co-operation of the Sapru family. Dr. Low and Miss Robinson completed the first draft of 'A Preliminary Guide to the Government Archives in India and Pakistan', which was sent for checking to all archivists directly concerned; arrangements for subsequent publication are being considered.

Other Activities

Work on the Australian Dictionary of Biography is progressing steadily and the Universities and Historical Societies are strongly supporting this national project. Priority has been given to Period II (1826-50); for its two volumes over 700 articles have been commissioned and the first batch will be ready for the printer early in 1963. The preparation of the more complex Period I (1788-1825) is about one year behind its companion; its 400 articles are commissioned and work is advancing well. Preparatory lists for Period III (1851-90) are nearing completion and the selection of names for inclusion has begun. This task will be greatly simplified by biographical notes from the National Biographical Register in which the references for more than 11,000 names have been collected under the direction of Mr. L. F. Fitzhardinge.

The Dictionary organization regretfully lost the services as Assistant Editor of Mrs. Ann Mozley at the beginning of the year. Professor Douglas Pike has accepted appointment as General Editor, and, through the co-operation of the University of Tasmania, has been able to visit the working parties in each State and make frequent visits to Canberra. Mr. Fitzhardinge greatly assisted during the transition period resulting from these changes.

The Society for the Study of Labour History was formed in June 1961, with Dr. Gollan as first President. Its aim is to foster the study of Labour History. In the first year it gained 180 members and issued two bulletins.

Work in progress seminars were held throughout first and second terms, and a series of seminars on British Commonwealth History was also conducted during this period. While Dr. Rothermund was with the Department the opportunity was taken to hold a series of informal seminars in which Dr. B. D. Graham of the Department of Political Science participated fully. From these emerged definite plans for a symposium of short studies designed to open up new reaches in modern Indian historiography. It was arranged to complete the drafts for this by 1964.

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