

2. AUCKLAND UNIVERSITY COLLEGE.

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STAFF.

Professors.—Classics—A. C. Paterson, M.A. English—C. W. Egerton, M.A. (Dean, Arts Faculty). Mathematics—H. W. Segar, M.A. Modern Languages—M. Walker, M.A., B.Com. Chemistry—F. P. Worley, M.A., D.Sc., D.I.C., F.C.S. Physics—P. W. Burbidge, M.Sc., B.A. Economics—H. Belshaw, M.A., Ph.D. (Dean, Commerce Faculty). History—Vacant. Law—R. M. Algic, LL.M. (Dean, Law Faculty). Philosophy—W. Anderson, M.A. Architecture—C. R. Knight, M.A., B.Arch., A.R.I.B.A., A.N.Z.I.A. (Dean, Fine Arts Faculty). Education—A. B. Fitt, M.A., Ph.D. (Dean, Education Faculty). Music—W. E. Thomas, Mus.Doc. Engineering—S. E. Lamb, B.Sc., A.R.C.Sc., A.M.I.M.E., M.N.Z.Soc.C.E. (Dean, Engineering Faculty). Geology—J. A. Bartrum, M.Sc., A.O.S.M. (Dean, Science Faculty).

Lecturers, twenty-five.

REPORT.

IN pursuance of the provisions of the Auckland University College Act, 1882, the Council has the honour to make the following report for the year 1932:—

Council.—The Council suffered a severe loss during the year by the death of Mr. Charles Rhodes, who had been a member of the Council since 1924. Mr. Rhodes had been a most valued member of the Council, and his untimely demise will leave a place difficult to refill.

Staff.—There have been various changes on the teaching staff. Owing to the financial position, there has been no appointment as yet of a Professor to the vacant Chair of History, but Mr. W. T. G. Airey, M.A., is acting-head of the Department. Mr. K. E. Bullen, M.A., B.Sc., Lecturer in Mathematics, has gone to Cambridge for two years' post-graduate work. It is pleasing to note that Mr. Bullen has been awarded a research grant in mathematics, and has also been awarded a Strathcona Research Exhibition. Mr. Bullen's work in the Department is being carried on by Mr. D. G. Mawson, M.Sc. The Professor of Chemistry (Professor F. P. Worley) has gone to England on Sabbatical leave. A new appointment is that of Dr. R. A. Robinson, M.Sc., as Lecturer in Physical Chemistry, who will arrive in time to take up work at the beginning of the 1933 session. Carnegie Fellowships have been awarded to the following: The Professor of Physics (Professor Burbidge), the Registrar (Mr. M. R. O'Shea), and the Librarian (Miss A. E. Minchin). Professor Burbidge left for Cambridge shortly after the end of the 1932 session, and will be absent during the whole of 1933. Mr. O'Shea left for America at the beginning of September and is undertaking an intensive study of University administrative methods, and will also visit Great Britain for the same purpose. Miss Minchin is taking a post-graduate course in library science at the University of Michigan.

An old student of the College (Mr. R. W. Firth) has been appointed Lecturer in Anthropology in the London School of Economics.

Another honour to the College is the award of the Hutton Memorial Medal to Professor J. A. Bartrum, Professor of Geology, for his research work in geology.

Finance.—The financial position during the past year has been very difficult and the prospect for the coming year does not appear to be a brighter one. The Council has been forced to economize in every possible direction, and in this has been loyally assisted by the staff.

Student Successes.—Senior Scholarships at the 1931 degree examination were obtained in Latin, Greek, French, education, physics, chemistry, geology, and Roman law.

School of Architecture.—Official recognition of the school has been granted by the British Institute of Architects. This confers on graduates the right to practise anywhere in the British Empire and the United States.

Workers' Educational Association.—Statistics from country centres are not all to hand, but, using a conservative estimate where necessary, enrolments have totalled about 1,987 (city, 765; box scheme, about 618; correspondence course, about 412; Waikato, 192) as against 1,755 last year. The greatest expansion has taken place in the box scheme and correspondence work, there being sixty-three groups this year as against twenty-nine in 1931, and it would have been impossible to run this side of things apart from voluntary clerical help generously given by a number of members.

A new departure has been the regular broadcasting of two Workers' Educational Association talks per week from 1YA.

From the financial point of view great difficulties have been experienced, the final blow coming with the abolition of all Government grants and subsidies as from April, 1932. The generous emergency grant from the Carnegie Corporation, together with an annual sum from University College endowments, have been the main factors in saving the Workers' Educational Association from entire extinction.