

prepared, while the architects have drawn up a scheme, which the Council has approved, for the general layout of the grounds in order to provide accommodation for the various proposed hostel buildings. As the Weir Bequest will not be available until late in 1929, the Council hopes that the Government will provide temporary finance to enable it to proceed with the erection of the first of these buildings, to accommodate from eighty to ninety men students, as soon as the plans are ready.

Grounds.—The Council is glad to be able to report that it has made substantial improvements to the Salamanca Road site. By arrangement with the City Council, the unsightly clay bank at the corner of Salamanca Road was removed, and has given place to a fine sloping lawn and shrubberies, which we hope will in time greatly improve the appearance of the College.

Conference of the Four Colleges.—In December, 1927, a conference of the representatives of the four University Colleges was held in Wellington, and various matters of common interest were discussed. It was agreed that the salaries, both of the professorial staff and of their assistants, were too low, and that the Government should be approached for additional grants to enable them to be substantially increased. It was further agreed to adopt a higher scale of fees, to be uniform for all four Colleges. The new scale is now in operation.

New Time-tables for Arts Classes.—During the year the Council approved of a suggestion of the Professorial Board for the introduction of a new time-table for classes in arts, so as to provide for partial daytime teaching. Arts subjects have been divided into two groups, which will be held in the daytime and in the evening in alternate years, so that in any one year roughly half of the arts classes are held in the daytime and half in the evening. By this arrangement students who can attend only in the evening will still be able to have their courses arranged for evening classes only; but full-time students will gain a great advantage by being able to attend classes in the daytime. The new arrangement should prove of great benefit to the work of the College generally.

Professor Grant's Lecture.—During the year the Council arranged for Professor Grant, of Leeds University, who had taken Professor Hight's place at Canterbury College for the session, and who is a recognized authority on history, to deliver a lecture on history to students of this College. The lecture, which was entitled "Revolutions in France and Elsewhere," was delivered in September, and was largely attended by students and the general public.

Workers' Educational Association.—Within the limits fixed by the available funds the work of the W.E.A. has developed satisfactorily during the year. There were eighteen tutorial classes (nine holding twenty-four meetings, and nine with fourteen to eighteen meetings) and thirteen study circles or short courses. The total number of students was 1,867, an increase of 110 for the year. In addition to the classes many public lectures were held under the auspices of the W.E.A.

The meet the needs of the wide district served by the College, a new plan of organization has been adopted: Mr. Mander has been given charge of the whole of the northern area, and his courses are supplemented by classes under local tutors. A beginning has also been made with correspondence courses for small groups in isolated parts. The success of this work has been due to the energy and enthusiasm of Mr. Mander.

The money given by the Carnegie Trust for the W.E.A. libraries has enabled us to add very considerably to our stock of books and to meet the requests of all classes for boxes of books dealing with the subjects of study.

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