

3. VICTORIA UNIVERSITY COLLEGE.

Visitor.—The Hon. the Minister of Education.

Members of Council.

Chairman.—P. Levi, M.A.

Appointed by Governor-General in Council—*A. R. Atkinson, B.A., and D. M. Stout, M.D.

Elected by Court of Convocation—P. Levi, M.A.; The Hon. Mr. Justice H. H. Ostler, LL.B.; S. Eichelbaum, M.A., LL.B.; and H. F. O'Leary, LL.B.

Elected by teachers in primary schools—H. A. Parkinson, M.A.; and F. H. Bakewell, M.A.

Elected by members of Education Boards—The Hon. R. McCallum, M.L.C.; and J. A. Valentine.

Appointed by Wellington City Council—H. A. R. Huggins.

Elected by teachers in secondary schools and technical high schools—T. R. Cresswell, M.A.

Elected by governing bodies of secondary schools—T. Forsyth.

Elected by the Professorial Board—T. A. Hunter, M.A., M.Sc.; W. H. Gould, M.A. (resigned January, 1935); J. Rankine Brown, M.A., Hon.Litt.D., F.N.Z.I.A. (from February, 1935).

* Deceased March, 1935.

Staff.

Professors.—Classics—J. Rankine Brown, M.A. (St. Andrews and Oxford), Hon.L.L.D. (St. Andrews) F.N.Z.I.A. (Chairman, Professorial Board from February, 1935). English—H. Mackenzie, M.A. (St. Andrews). Modern Languages—E. J. Boyd-Wilson, M.A., B.Sc. (N.Z.), B.A. (Camb.), (Dean of Arts Faculty, 1934). Philosophy—T. A. Hunter, M.A., M.Sc. (N.Z.). History—F. P. Wilson, M.A. (N.Z.), F.E.S. (resigned January, 1935); F. L. W. Wood, B.A. (Sydney), M.A. (Oxon.) (from February, 1935). Economics—B. E. Murphy, M.A., LL.B., B.Com. (N.Z.), F.E.S., F.S.S. (Dean of Commerce Faculty). Education—W. H. Gould, M.A. (N.Z.). (Chairman of Professorial Board till February, 1935), (Dean of Arts Faculty, 1935). Mathematics—F. F. Miles, M.A. (N.Z.), M.A. (Oxon.), Dip.Ed. (from February, 1935). Biology—H. B. Kirk, M.A. (N.Z.), F.R.S.N.Z. Physics—D. C. H. Florance, M.A., M.Sc. (N.Z.). Chemistry—P. W. Robertson, M.A., M.Sc. (N.Z.), M.A. (Oxford), Ph.D. (Leipzig), (Dean of Science Faculty). Geology—C. A. Cotton, D.Sc. (N.Z.), A.O.S.M., F.G.S. Law—J. Adamson, M.A., LL.B. (Edin.), (Dean of Law Faculty); H. H. Cornish, M.A., LL.B. (N.Z.), (resigned May, 1934); J. Williams, LL.M. (N.Z.), Ph.D. (Cantab.) (from February, 1935). Registrar—G. G. S. Robison, M.A. (N.Z.). Librarian—H. G. Miller, M.A. (N.Z.).

Lecturers, eleven.

REPORT.

THE Victoria University College Council presents the following report for the year 1934:—

The Work of the College: The Staff.—Two vacancies were created on the teaching staff by the resignation of Professor F. P. Wilson and by the resignation of Professor H. H. Cornish on his appointment to the position of Solicitor-General.

Professor Wilson has been associated with the College for many years. He was one of the earliest students, served as graduates' representative on the Council for several years, and after acting as Lecturer in Economics and History was appointed Professor of History in 1921.

Professor Cornish succeeded Professor Garrow in the Chair of English and New Zealand Law in 1930.

The vacancy in the Chair of Mathematics caused by the death of Professor Sommerville in 1934, and the vacancies in the Chairs of History and English Law have been filled.

Mr. F. F. Miles, M.A., New Zealand and Oxford, a former Rhodes Scholar and for several years Lecturer in Mathematics, has been appointed to the Chair of Mathematics.

Mr. J. Williams, LL.M. (N.Z.), Ph.D. (Cantab.), and a former Travelling Scholar of the University of New Zealand, has been appointed Professor of English and New Zealand Law.

Mr. F. L. W. Wood, B.A. (Sydney) and M.A. (Oxon.), has been appointed to the Chair of History.

It is expected that these three Professors will prove valuable additions to the staff.

The Lectureship in Mathematics rendered vacant by the appointment of Mr. Miles to the Chair of Mathematics has been filled by the appointment of Mr. J. T. Campbell, M.A. (N.Z.), Ph.D. (Edin.).

Mr. L. C. King, for several years Demonstrator in Geology, resigned his position to take up a position in the University of Pietermaritzburg.

Owing to the reorganization of the Law Department resulting from the appointment of a full-time Professor, Mr. Hemery was appointed Lecturer in Evidence and Procedure in 1935; and the College had regretfully to terminate the appointments of Mr. Cousins and Mr. Cleary, who had been acting as Lecturers in Evidence and Conveyancing.

Accountancy Classes. A full course in Accountancy was started under Mr. H. R. Fountain, B.Com. (N.Z.), A.I.A.N.Z., Lecturer in Accountancy, and Mr. N. A. Foden, M.A., LL.M. (N.Z.). The classes were largely attended and proved a financial success so that there was no need to draw upon the guarantee furnished by the Society of Accountants.

Library: Carnegie Fund.—The year has been chiefly notable in that the first Carnegie Corporation grant of 5,000 dollars for book purchase has been at our disposal. During the year we have purchased out of this fund some 1,600 volumes. Such an addition to our resources can hardly fail to be an inspiration to students and teachers in all departments.

Library Extension.—In order to provide accommodation for new books and for readers the extension scheme adopted in 1933 was carried out: a new reading-room is now available, and shelving for 10,000 volumes, all immediately accessible to readers.

Foundation Professors' Portraits.—The portraits of the four original Professors—for which the College has to thank the unselfish activity of Mr. George Dixon, supported by many old students and members of the Council and staff—were formally handed over to the Council on 5th May. The large gathering in the library bore evidence to the great interest taken in the ceremony by graduates and the public generally. The presentation was made by Mr. A. H. Johnstone, K.C. The ode specially composed for the occasion by Seaforth Mackenzie was recited by Mrs. Craig Mackenzie.

Accommodation.—The Council would call the attention of the Minister to the urgent need for increased accommodation.

Workers' Educational Association.—A grant from the Carnegie Corporation enabled a limited programme of the Workers' Educational Association activities to be carried on during 1934.

Weir House.—Weir House was filled to capacity at the commencement of the 1934 session, with a number waiting to come in.