

2. AUCKLAND UNIVERSITY COLLEGE.

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Lecturers, 30.

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 1935 :—

Elections to Council.—The Professorial Board representatives are now Professors Burbidge and Forder. Mr. H. G. Cousins, M.A., has been appointed by the Governor-General in Council. Mr. G. Gordon Grant is the representative of the City Council. In June Mr. Kenneth Mackenzie, M.D., M.Ch., retired from the Presidency of the Council and did not seek re-election as a member. Mr. A. K. Turner, M.A., LL.B., was returned by Convocation to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Mackenzie's retirement. Mr. T. U. Wells was elected President, and Mr. H. J. D. Mahon, B.A., Vice-President. On the retirement of Mr. Justice Northcroft, Mr. W. P. Endean, LL.B., was elected by members of the General Assembly.

Staff.—During 1935 Professor Belshaw was appointed Economic Adviser to the Government, and during 1936 will be away on sabbatical leave. Mr. H. R. Rodwell, M.A., has been appointed Acting-Professor of Economics for the two years. Mr. G. B. Bell resigned from the School of Engineering in order to go into private practice.

School of Engineering.—With the exhaustion of College financial reserves the question of the financing of the School of Engineering came to a head. Mr. Crookes, on behalf of the College, instituted a vigorous campaign for the establishment of an endowment fund for the School. He was successful in raising over £6,000. During 1935 the staff of the School, in order to meet the position, carried on at half salaries. Towards the end of 1935 the Government made a grant to enable the School to be carried on during 1936, but nothing definite concerning the future of the School has yet been decided.

Finance.—The liquid reserves which carried the College on during the depression have now been exhausted, and it will be necessary to obtain an increased Government grant in order to continue the work of the College at a proper level of efficiency.

Library.—The Carnegie Corporation has agreed to donate to the College 5,000 dollars a year for three years, commencing from 1936. The various sections of the library have been reviewed by the teaching staff and the librarian, and a plan of expenditure drawn up which aims at bringing all sections to a uniform strength. The Carnegie Corporation has, in addition, presented a valuable art-teaching set and over 2,000 reproductions. Considerable use has been made of the set during the past year. The Paterson Library Bequest of some 2,000 volumes, mainly classics, was incorporated in the library during the year. An endowment of £1,000 for maintenance accompanied the bequest.

Workers' Educational Association.—Enrolments have totalled 1,224, as against 1,349 last year. This numerical decline is partly compensated by a certain freshness and spirit of experiment in some of the city classes, and by the fact that in country districts there has been a swing to more difficult sociological subjects. The quality of written work received from correspondence discussion groups has been probably higher than in any previous year. Some of the best work comes from unemployment relief camps, and it was the group leader in one of these camps who gained this year's university bursary. Borrowing from the library by country groups and individuals, much of it guided by the Director, has shown a marked expansion. Since the cutting-off of Government grants in 1932 the Workers' Educational Association has owed its continued existence very largely to the Carnegie Corporation of New York. It is hoped that the new Government, whose programme stresses the importance of adult education, will be able to remedy the situation.