

5. UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO.

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Also lecturers, demonstrators, and assistants.

Registrar.—H. Chapman, Esq., B.A.

REPORT (ABRIDGED) OF THE CHANCELLOR OF THE UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO.

In accordance with the provisions of the University of Otago Ordinance, 1869, I have the honour to report on the proceedings of the University of Otago for the year ended 31st December, 1935.

The Council.—During the year the Council received the resignation of Mr. J. M. Butler, M.Sc., who had represented the Court of Convocation since 1933. During his short stay on the Council Mr. Butler proved himself a very active and useful member, and general regret was expressed when his transfer to Wellington necessitated his severing his connection with the University. The vacancy has been filled by the election of Mr. J. W. Howorth, LL.B.

Teaching Staff.—I very much regret to report the loss by death of a highly valued member of the Professoriate, Dr. J. K. H. Inglis, Professor of Chemistry. Dr. Inglis was appointed to the chair of Chemistry in 1911, and from that year to the time of his death served the University with singular devotion, both as teacher and member of the Council. His loss is deeply deplored by Councillors, professors, and students.

Another severe loss to the teaching staff has been occasioned by the resignation of Dr. A. G. B. Fisher, Professor of Economics since 1924. Dr. Fisher's high attainments and teaching capabilities had made him a valuable member of the staff, and his resignation was accepted with much regret. The Council nevertheless congratulates Dr. Fisher very sincerely on his appointment to the chair of Economics in the University of Western Australia. The vacancy thus occasioned has been filled by the appointment of Dr. R. W. Souter, a distinguished graduate of this University, whose work as lecturer in the Economics Department of the Columbia University, New York, had earned high praise from responsible authorities.

There have been other changes in the sub-professorial staff of lecturers and assistants, most of which are mentioned in the reports of the respective deans already forwarded. I wish to point out, however, that the attention of the Council was drawn to the urgent need of providing additional assistance to various professors, and that it has done what lay in its power towards meeting that need.

Association for Country Education.—In my last report I referred to a gift made by the Carnegie Corporation of New York for the support of a scheme of extension work in Otago and Canterbury. To assist in the carrying-on of this work an association was formed, known as the Association for Country Education (A.C.E.), and Miss Violet Macmillan, B.H.Sc., was appointed organizer of the whole scheme. Tutors appointed by Canterbury College hold classes in literature and drama in country districts both in Otago and Canterbury, whilst tutors appointed by the University of Otago give instruction in home economics in the same districts. The scheme is working satisfactorily, and it is hoped that it will to a large extent become self-supporting. If, however, this very useful branch of adult education is to be developed satisfactorily some Government aid will undoubtedly be required.