II. REPORTS AND ACCOUNTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW ZEALAND AND OF CONSTITUENT COLLEGES.

1. REPORT ON THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW ZEALAND, 1938.

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REPORT OF THE SENATE.

In compliance with section 22 of the New Zealand University Act, 1926, the following report is presented to the Hon. the Minister of Education as to the proceedings of the University during the past year.

The Entrance Board met on Tuesday, 23rd August, 1938. The Board dealt with amendments to prescriptions, particularly in the subjects arithmetic and geography. The Board sent up, and the Senate later approved, a scheme for introducing ægrotat passes in the Entrance Examination.

The Academic Board met on Wednesday, 26th October, 1938. Changes in various prescriptions were dealt with, expecially in regard to education and geography. A revised course for the Degree of Bachelor of Commerce was submitted to the Senate, but was not accepted. The Board approved a recommendation that the examinations at Stage I, B.A., and B.Sc., be in future handed over, with certain provisos, to the Professorial Boards in the colleges. The Otago representatives were constituted a committee to draw up a detailed scheme for the change. A special committee was also set up to consider and report upon the matter of a course in physical education. The Board nominated to the Senate the panel of examiners for 1939.

The Scnate met in the Provincial Council Chambers, Christchurch, on Thursday, 2nd February, 1939, when the Chancellor, Dr. the Hon. J. A. Hanan, delivered an address, and welcomed the new members of Scnate, Mrs. W. N. Benson and Mr. A. H. Johnstone. The Chancellor also made reference to the loss of the valued services of Mr. T. U. Wells.

The Senate again considered the position as to the small financial margin within which the withdrawal for some years of the Government grant had forced it to work. In view of the position, and the fact that certain "cuts" in examiners' fees, scholarships, &c., were still not restored, it was resolved that the Hon. the Minister of Education be asked to approve a statute authorizing an increase of 2s. in each half guinea in all examination fees other than those for the Entrance Examinations.

Admission ad eundem statum as matriculated students was approved in sixteen cases, and ad eundem gradum in six.

The Senate received a deputation from the churches in the matter of degress in theology. After debate it was resolved that the Executive Committee be empowered to confer with the representatives of the churches and to act in the matter of approaching the Minister of Education with a view to obtaining the necessary amendment of the University Act.

Of eighteen bills submitted to the Senate, eleven were passed as presented, four were passed after amendment, and three were referred back for further consideration.

On the report of a special committee the Senate adopted recommendations that the Diploma in Fine Arts be no longer granted by the University, and that it be suggested that the Department of Education consider how such qualification might best be governed in the future.

The Senate adjourned, to meet next in Wellington on Thursday, 11th January, 1940.