# News

## UNIVERSITY OF AUCKLAND

Professor Nicholas Tarling has been appointed Head of Department for 1971 and 1972. Professor Keith Sinclair expects to devote more time to his biography of Sir Walter Nash.

Dr Valerie Flint has been appointed Senior Lecturer: her field is medieval history. Dr Milan Kalous has been appointed Lecturer: his special interest is Africa. Miss Susan Moller has also been appointed Lecturer, concentrating on nineteenth-century intellectual history.

Dr M. R. Stenson and Mrs Judith Binney have been promoted to Senior Lecturerships.

Mrs Binney was awarded the F. P. Wilson prize for New Zealand historiography in respect of her book, The Legacy of Guilt: A Life of Thomas Kendall.

During the year Dr Hugh Laracy attended the ANZAAS conference in Port Moresby; Dr Michael Bassett and Professor L. J. Holt the conference of the Australian and New Zealand American Studies Association at La Trobe University; and Professor Tarling the 28th Congress of Orientalists in Canberra.

Dr Russell Stone returned from leave in England during February. Dr Stenson spent the long vacation in West Malaysia and Singapore, and Mr C. Y. Chen has been working on his D.Phil. in Oxford.

Professor Robert Sklar of the University of Michigan taught in the Department during second term.

#### UNIVERSITY OF WAIKATO

At the beginning of the third term of 1971 Dr Lewis Fretz, a graduate of Princeton and Stanford Universities, will be joining the department. He is a specialist in modern American history.

Dr G. P. Taylor resigned towards the end of the third term of 1970, and left to take up a position as Senior Lecturer in History at the Sheffield Polytechnic. Towards the end of 1970 Mr J. C. Davis also resigned with the intention of taking up a position as Senior Lecturer in History at the Victoria University of Wellington in 1972.

Professor J. H. Jensen returns towards the end of May 1971 from his leave spent in the United States and Eastern Europe.

During the first and second terms of 1971, visiting Professor Stanley P. Wasson of Drexel University, Philadelphia, will be with the department.

#### MASSEY UNIVERSITY

Mr Dalton A. West from McGill University has been appointed to a Senior Lectureship in Russian and Modern European History. Mr B. K. Macdonald from the Australian National University has been appointed to a Lectureship in Pacific History.

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Mr G. V. Butterworth has been promoted to a Lectureship.

Professor W. H. Oliver has recently returned from the University of Alberta where he held a Visiting Commonwealth Research Fellowship. Dr J. M. R. Owens is to take up a Visiting Fellowship with the School of Pacific Studies at the Australian National University from September 1971.

#### VICTORIA UNIVERSITY OF WELLINGTON

Dr David Hamer, from the University of Auckland, has been appointed to the Second Chair of History. Mr J. C. Davis, University of Waikato, has been appointed Senior Lecturer; Mr Miles Fairburn and Dr D. Mackay Lecturers.

Miss L. Halberstam has been promoted to a Senior Lectureship.

Miss D. Crozier, Mr K. Harling and Mr F. Coleman have resigned.

# UNIVERSITY OF CANTERBURY

Dr L. Trainor, Lecturer in History at the James Cook University of North Queensland, was appointed Senior Lecturer in October 1970. Dr N. Bennett, Lecturer in History at the University of Hong Kong, has been appointed Senior Lecturer and will take up his duties in June 1971. Mr E. Countryman, who joined the department as a Lecturer in December 1970, will be admitted to the degree of Ph.D. by Cornell University in June 1971.

Mrs M. A. H. Peters has been promoted to Senior Lecturer from February 1971.

Mr A. Wood resigned in August of 1970 to take up an appointment at Monash University.

Mr J. J. Saunders will be on leave of absence in the United Kingdom from August 1971 to May 1972. Mr P. R. May has returned from two years' leave of absence during which he was a Senior Research Fellow at the Australian National University.

Professor A. A. Conway attended the ANZASA Conference at Melbourne in August 1970. Professor W. D. McIntyre attended the Conferencia del Pacifico at Vina del Mar, Chile, in September and early October 1970. Dr S. A. M. Adshead and Dr I. J. Catanach attended the 28th International Congress of Orientalists at Canberra.

Mr W. J. Gardner gave the first Massey Memorial Lecture entitled 'The Farmer Politician in New Zealand History' at Massey University in April 1970.

Mr J. E. Cookson was awarded the degree of Ph.D. by the University of St. Andrews in July 1970.

## UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO

Dr R. H. C. Hayburn, Ph.D. (Hull), from Hull University, has been appointed Assistant Lecturer dealing with the late nineteenth and twentieth century British history. Mr M. J. Cullen, M.A. (Cant.), a Commonwealth Scholar currently completing a Ph.D. at Edinburgh, has been appointed Lecturer in History, and will specialise in early nineteenth-century British history. Dr W. H. McLeod, M.A. (N.Z.), Ph.D. (London), has been appointed Associate Professor. His field is Indian and Asian History.

Dr A. A. Chanady, Senior Lecturer in History, has resigned to become an Associate Professor in History, University of Regina, Saskatchewan.

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Mrs M. Maslen, M.A., B.Lit. (Oxon), Lecturer in History since 1967, has taken up a part-time lectureship in English Medieval History.

Professor A. Ross has been on leave in Britain since May 1970. He is currently Smuts Fellow in History at Cambridge.

#### COLONIAL HISTORY NEWSLETTER

The area available for comparative studies in the history of the former colonies becomes obvious with the latest issue of the Colonial History Newsletter. Race relations, colonial nationalism, slavery, federalism and defence are all under scrutiny in several countries at the moment. The newsletter lists research, work in progress and recent publications of academics in many different countries and covers the colonial period in Africa, Australia, Canada, New Zealand, West Indies, Malaysia and elsewhere. While postgraduate studies are catered for in a number of national publications, the work in progress among university staff is harder to trace and this problem has become more important with the long delays between completion of a manuscript and publication. The newsletter does something to meet this need and to provide the names of historians working on similar themes, although in different countries.

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