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**Third
Annual Report
and
Balance Sheet**



1969

WOLLONGONG UNIVERSITY COLLEGE UNION

Board of Management

1969

Chairman:

Mr. J. E. O. Beale

Deputy Chairman:

Mr. D. E. Parry, B.E. (till 15th April)
Mrs. Helen Beacham (from 15th April)

Secretary/Manager:

Mr. I. L. Dunn, LL.B., p.s.a., p.f.c.

Members:

Mr. N. L. Adams, B.Sc., M.A.P.S. (from 16th September)	Mr. W. McGrath, B.A. A.I.Ed., M.A.C.E.
Professor P. K. Elkin, B.A., Dip.Ed., B.Litt., D.Phil. (from 16th September)	Mr. A. O'Leary
Mr. C. T. Heazlewood, B.Comm., Dip. Ed., A.A.S.A. (from 16th September)	Mr. W. Parnell (till 15th April)
Mr. M. J. Lowrey, M.E., A.S.T.C., M.I.E. Aust. (till 16th September)	Mr. D. Roberts (till 15th April)
Miss K. McCredie, B.A., Dip.Soc.Sci.	Miss J. Smith
	Mr. R. Woods

The Board of Management presents the Third Annual Report of the Wollongong University College Union. During the calendar year 1969 there were nine Board Meetings attended as follows.—

Board Member	Appointed/Elected by	Meetings	
		Attended	Possible
Adams, Mr. N. L.	Academic Staff	3	3
Beacham, Mrs. H.	Students' Union	5	7
Beale, Mr. J. E. O.	University Council	9	9
Dunn, Mr. I. L.	University Council	9	9
Elkin, Prof. P. K.	University Council	2	3
Heazlewood, Mr. C. T.	Union Members	67
Lowrey, Mr. M. J.	Academic Staff	6	6
McCredie, Miss K.	College Council	7	9
McGrath, Mr. W.	College Council	3	9
O'Leary, Mr. A.	Students' Union	7	7
Parnell, Mr. W.	Students' Union	0	2
Parry, Mr. D.	University Council	3	6
Roberts, Mr. D.	Students' Union	1	2
Smith, Miss J.	Students' Union	4	7
Woods, Mr. R.	Students' Union	8	9

MEMBERSHIP

There were 952 members in 1969 compared with 966 in 1968. During the year nearly all staff members withdrew their membership on the grounds that their amenity requirements were not being met.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting was held on 17th April. At it the Annual Report and Balance Sheet for 1968 was received with approval.

FINANCE

The audited financial statements of the Union appear elsewhere in this report. The extreme shortage of funds, both for recurrent expenditure and capital development, has inhibited progress in Union affairs: our facilities and programme of activities have been well below the level expected in a university.

The basis of the Union's financial structure has been the members' annual fees and a first reason for our poor financial standing is because the level of our fee has been the lowest in Australia. Further, in regard to funds for future capital projects, it is understood that the Union will receive no Government granted funds for development during the 1970-72 triennium.

To improve the Union's financial affairs the Union Board, with the support of the Students' Union and the Sports Association, recommended an increase in annual fees for 1970 together with an entrance fee in respect of members in their first year. These new fees have been approved by the University Council. It must be realised, however, that the increase will do no more than cover vitally needed additions to our annual recurrent expenditure. The Union is most inadequately provided for by way of premises and considerable funds are required for capital purposes. Generous Government grants are urgently required and it is hoped that adequate priority is accorded the Union's next submission in respect of the 1973-75 triennium. The Board realises, however, that the only sure road to success in this regard is to demonstrate a vigorous determination through far-sighted planning and by self-help. To this end, the Board is at present investigating the possibility of raising a loan from its Bank.

STAGE II BUILDING PROGRESS

Although it had been hoped that the Union might have taken over its new Stage II building by August or September, 1969, it had still not been completed in February, 1970. The delays have been due to a shortage of funds and the consequent inability of the builders to bring the premises up to the required standard of preparation. By paring our requirements to an absolute minimum and by increasing the Union's financial contribution, an arrangement was, however, finally agreed with the University whereby partially equipped premises would be accepted. The building, so completed, was actually opened for use on 16th March, 1970.

UNION DINNER

The Annual Dinner of the Union was held in the Common Room on Wednesday, 9th July. 85 attended. Our guest speaker was Mr. A. T. Cunningham, B.Ec., Warden of the Union at the University of New South Wales, Kensington.

AGENCIES

Agencies of the Commercial Bank of Australia Ltd. and the University Co-operative Bookshop Ltd. continued operating in the Union building. The facilities for both these essential services are far from satisfactory, and were the subject of adverse comment during the year. The Board has agreed to alterations to these premises being carried out. Costs will be met jointly by the Union, the University Co-operative Bookshop Ltd., and the Commercial Bank of Australia Ltd.

CATERING

As a service to members during 1969 the prices of made-up and cooked items over the canteen counter were reduced to cost or, in some cases, below cost. This policy was agreed to by the Board as some compensation for the overall inadequacy of the Union facilities.

STAFF

Undernoted are the fulltime officers and employees of the Union together with the date they entered duty. In addition, there were five ladies who worked on a part-time basis in the Canteen (Mrs. Barnhill, Mrs. Brooks, Mrs. Beresford, Mrs. Smithers, Mrs. Chilcott).

Secretary/Manager:	Mr. I. L. Dunn (3rd March, 1969)
Canteen Manageress:	Mrs. I. N. Buxton (5th February, 1968)
Secretary:	Miss H. V. Lovell (10th November, 1969)
Porters:	Mr. J. Krumpos (26th September, 1969)
	Mr. H. Rowbotham (26th October, 1966)

On behalf of the Board

EDGAR BEALE,
Chairman.

17th March, 1970.

LIABILITIES:

	UNIVERSITY OF NEW SOUTH WALES	11,626.60		
	PROVISION FOR LONG SERVICE			
162	LEAVE	352.40		
528	SUNDRY CREDITORS	526.66		
280	ACCRUED CHARGES & PROVISIONS	150.00		
	TRUST FUND			
	Student Affairs Committee 1967	1,192.33		
1,192	Student Affairs Committee 1968	1,611.67	2,804.00	
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26,256		\$32,355.63	26,256	\$32,355.63
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We have examined the Books of Account and vouchers of the Wollongong University College Union for the year ended 31st December, 1969, and have obtained all the information and explanations we have required. In our opinion the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Union's affairs and is in accordance with the information and explanations given to us and the Books of the Union.

SMITH JOHNSON & CO.,
Chartered Accountants.

Wollongong—6th March, 1970

Registered under the Public Accountants
Registration Act, 1945, as amended.

WOLLONGONG UNIVERSITY COLLEGE UNION

Revenue Account for the year ended 31st December, 1969

1968					
	CANTEEN EXPENSES			1968	MEMBERS FEES
8,610	Cost of Goods Sold	13,232.69		11,028 11,431.00
4,148	Salaries	5,506.61		12,526	CANTEEN SALES — Counter
505	Sundry Expenses	835.87	19,575.17	2,267 16,365.82
					— Functions
				 2,859.74
					— Machines
				 297.80
	GENERAL & ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES			55	CONCESSIONS
280	Audit Fees	150.00		456 63.06
32	Bad Debts Written Off	—		226	HIRE CHARGES
453	Catering	526.30		136 283.28
1,480	Depreciation	1,352.00			INTEREST RECEIVED
322	Insurances	224.24		 684.94
130	Printing and Stationery	132.56			SUBSCRIPTIONS TO ANNUAL DINNER
53	Provision for Long Service Leave	190.40		 149.00
	Repairs and Maintenance	307.15			
5,609	Salaries	6,645.29			
518	Services and Supplies	714.67			
152	Telephone	92.56			
82	Sundry Expenses	347.89	10,683.06		
4,320	SURPLUS TO ACCUMULATED FUNDS ...		1,876.41		
<u>26,694</u>			<u>\$32,134.64</u>	<u>26,694</u>	<u>\$32,134.64</u>