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**First
Annual Report
and
Balance Sheet**



1967

WOLLONGONG UNIVERSITY COLLEGE UNION

**First Annual Report
and Statement of Accounts
of the Wollongong University College**

The year's operations have been generally satisfactory, but increasing numbers and greater use of the Union emphasize the pressing need for the building extensions now in hand. In case the funds now provided will not allow Stage Two to be completed, the University has included this in its submissions for the 1970-72 triennium. Stage Three has also been included, so that before very long we should have a Union with a greater range of facilities and suitable for a considerably increased number of members.

It has been my privilege to be Chairman of the Interim Committee and later the Board of Management, as appointed by Council. Since I shall shortly be retiring and leaving the district it will soon be time for me to relinquish the position of Chairman and leave the Board of Management.

It has been stimulating and worthwhile to be associated with the Union during these early years. We have collaborated well and with good understanding and for this I offer thanks.

I wish the Union success, but indeed this is assured.

F. M. MATHEWS.



The Board of Management presents the first Report and Financial Statement of the Wollongong University College Union.

The first fully constituted Board took office in 1967 and comprised the following:

| | | |
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| Dr. F. M. Mathews, Chairman |) | Appointed by Council. |
| Mr. E. Beale, Deputy Chairman |) | |
| Miss K. McCredie |) | Nominated by the Wollongong University College Advisory Committee. |
| Mr. D. Parry |) | |

Mr. D. J. Webster — a Senior Administrative Officer of the College appointed by the Council.

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| Mr. W. E. Parnell |) | |
| Mr. B. Talamini |) | Nominated by the Students' Union. |
| Mr. M. Michie |) | |
| Miss R. Delich |) | |

Mr. J. Lewin — appointed by the Students' Union on the resignation of Mr. Talamini.

Mr. M. J. Lowrey — elected by the Academic Staff of Wollongong University College.

Miss D. White — elected by members of the union.

ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS

The figures in brackets are the possible number of attendances during the member's term of office.

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|-------------------|---------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Dr. F. M. MATHEWS | 8 (10) | Mr. M. MICHIE | 6 (8) |
| Mr. E. BEALE | 10 (10) | Mr. W. E. PARNELL | 6 (8) |
| Miss R. DELICH | 7 (8) | Mr. D. PARRY | 7 (9) |
| *Mr. F. M. HALL | 3 (3) | *Mr. B. TALAMINI | 4 (4) |
| Mr. J. LEWIN | 5 (8) | Mr. D. J. WEBSTER | 9 (9) |
| Mr. M. J. LOWREY | 7 (8) | Miss D. White | 3 (4) |
| Miss K. MCCREDIE | 7 (10) | | |

* Member of Interim Committee.

Prior to the formation of a permanent Board of Management the affairs of the Union were conducted by an Interim Committee.

The first meeting was held on 9th September, 1964 and the members were:

Dr. F. M. Mathews (Chairman), Mr. E. Beale (Deputy Chairman), Mr. F. M. Hall, Mr. M. McConnell 1, Mr. A. M. McNamara 2, Dr. J. D. Oddy 3.

1. Last meeting — 20th January, 1966.
2. Transfer to Kensington, September, 1966.
3. Deceased 21st March, 1965.

Subsequently the following were appointed to the Interim Committee: Miss K. McCredie, Mr. J. Lewin, Mr. B. Talamini.

A Finance Committee was established comprising Dr. F. M. Mathews, Mr. E. Beale and Mr. A. M. McNamara.

A House Committee to handle the day to day running of the Union was formed and its members were: Mr. F. M. Hall, Miss K. McCredie, Mr. J. Lewin.

OPENING OF THE UNION

The Union will be built in three stages. The first at a cost of \$84,000 comprising the present building was officially opened on 16th June, 1965 by Sir Ian McLennan, K.B.E., B.E.E., then Chief General Manager, The Broken Hill Proprietary Company Limited. During the period of office of the Interim Committee, the following events are worthy of being reported to present members.

UNION DINNER

The first was held on 2nd December, 1965, and the guest speaker was Mr. W. C. Wentworth, M.P.

MEMBERSHIP

In 1965 there were 614 members and in 1966 this increased to 866.

WENTWORTH ROOM

This comprises a women's common room and was furnished by the generosity of Messrs. W. C. and G. N. Wentworth.

FINANCE

Although the building itself was provided by the University of New South Wales the source of funds for day to day running comes from members' subscriptions.

The University of New South Wales provided the Union with a loan of \$5,000 to assist in the initial cost of furnishing.

The above brief summary of events to the end of 1966 is not part of the report of the Board for the year ended 31st December, 1967, but records, particularly for the information of new members, events leading to the formation of the present Board.

With particular reference to the year ended 31st December, 1967 the Board wishes to report the following:

MEMBERSHIP

Membership in 1967 comprised approximately 700 students and 33 members of the University academic staff.

UNION DINNER

The 1967 Union Dinner was held on 15th June, 1967. The guest speaker was the Vice-Chancellor of the University of New South Wales, Professor Sir Philip Baxter, K.B.E., C.M.G., and was attended by 78 members and guests from other University Unions in New South Wales.

BANKING AGENCY

The agency of the Commercial Bank of Australia Limited is situated in the Union and is open from 12.30 to 3.00 p.m. daily.

UNIVERSITY CO-OPERATIVE BOOKSHOP

A branch of the University Co-operative Book Shop which had been located elsewhere in the university was opened in the union in a room originally set aside for a shop. Students and staff may become members, enjoy discounts, and shareholders receive a rebate.

CATERING

A canteen is operated by the City of Greater Wollongong and District Y.M.C.A. Youth Clubs, but notice was received that they wished to relinquish the licence from the end of 1967.

Although not part of this report it seems appropriate to inform members that the Board of Management resolved that for 1968 the canteen will be operated by the Union with the same staff as were employed by the Y.M.C.A.

ROOM USE

Considerable use was made of the various rooms available in the union and a summary of the number of times various types of bodies used the union, is as follows:

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| Students Union, Sports Association and Societies | 146 |
| Professional Societies | 34 |
| University Organisations | 20 |
| Music Classes | 30 |
| Union Board Meetings | 10 |

STAFF

Until towards the end of 1967 Mr. D. J. Webster, Senior Administrative Officer of the College, has acted as Secretary of the Union Board. This arrangement was found to be one presenting both the College, the Union Board and Mr. Webster with some difficulties and accordingly Mr. Webster was appointed Acting Secretary-Manager until August, 1968, when the position will be reviewed.

FUTURE EXPANSION

Plans have been approved for the extension of the Union buildings in an easterly direction from the southern end of the present building. The extension will comprise a hall and sundry offices and will cater for the needs of members for some years to come, by which time a third stage will be added. Funds for the extensions are being provided by the University of New South Wales from finance made available by the Federal and State Governments. The Union has agreed to provide \$10,000 towards the extensions and also to provide furnishings. The precise nature of these has yet to be discussed by the Board, but in due course members will be given the opportunity to express their views on the matter.

In conclusion the Board wishes to acknowledge the loyal assistance it has received from the Union staff and staff of the Canteen. It should also be recorded that the Warden of the College, Professor C. A. M. Gray and his officers have been unstinting in their support of the Union and without this help, particularly in the early years, the task would have been much more difficult.

On Behalf of the Board,
F. M. MATHEWS,
Chairman.
28th March, 1968.

WOLLONGONG UNIVERSITY
Balance Sheet as at

| | | |
|--|-----------|-------------|
| Accumulated Funds Account: | | |
| Balance at 31st December, 1966 | 10,655.26 | |
| Add Surplus for year | 2,706.24 | 13,361.50 |
| | | |
| Capital Improvement Reserve Fund | | 13,361.50 |
| Long Term Loan — University of N.S.W. | | 5,000.00 |
| Provision for Long Service Leave | | 1,652.75 |
| | | 10.00 |
| | | \$20,024.25 |

We have examined the books of account and vouchers of the Wollongong University College Union for the year ended 31st December, 1967, and have obtained all the information and explanations we have required.

Wollongong — 14th March, 1968.

WOLLONGONG UNIVERSITY
Income and Expenditure Account for the

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|--|----------|-------------|
| To Catering | 777.08 | |
| " Electricity | 60.00 | |
| " Insurances | 130.80 | |
| " Materials | 536.14 | |
| " Provision for Long Service Leave | 10.00 | |
| " Repairs | 108.93 | |
| " Salaries | 5,425.01 | |
| " Supervision | 34.60 | |
| " Sundry Expenses | 20.35 | |
| " Telephones | 129.21 | |
| " Allowances for Depreciation | 1,248.00 | |
| | | 8,480.12 |
| " Surplus for the year transferred to Accumulated Funds Account | | 2,706.24 |
| | | \$11,186.36 |

COLLEGE UNION
31st December, 1967

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| Fixed Assets: | | |
| Furniture — at cost | 9,815.58 | |
| Less Depreciation | 1,235.00 | |
| | <hr/> | 8,580.58 |
| Plant — at cost | 130.55 | |
| Less Depreciation | 13.00 | |
| | <hr/> | 117.55 |
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| | | 8,698.13 |
| Current Assets: | | |
| Commercial Bank of Aust. Ltd. | | |
| Current Account | 10,609.02 | |
| Cash on Hand | 10.00 | |
| Sundry Debtors: | | |
| University of N.S.W.—Kensington | 522.48 | |
| Others | 184.62 | |
| | <hr/> | 707.10 |
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| | | 11,326.12 |
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| | | \$20,024.25 |
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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.
Registered under the Public Accountants'
Registration Act, 1945, as amended.

COLLEGE UNION
year ended 31st December, 1967

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| By Subscriptions: | | |
| Students | 8,318.00 | |
| Others | 104.00 | |
| | <hr/> | 8,422.00 |
| " Licence Fees | | |
| Commercial Bank of Aust. Limited | 1,042.86 | |
| Canteen | 376.00 | |
| | <hr/> | 1,418.86 |
| " Hire of Rooms and Facilities | 738.37 | |
| " Interest Received | 245.53 | |
| " Concessions | 64.00 | |
| " Refund Electricity Charges | 96.00 | |
| " Entertainment | 144.00 | |
| " Compensation for Damage | 30.00 | |
| " Mini-Pool | 27.60 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| | | \$11,186.36 |
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