

THE BULLETIN

& DIARY OF EVENTS

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OFFICIAL OPENING OF DEAF RESEARCH UNIT

At 12 noon on Tuesday, October 3rd, the Reginald M. Phillips Research Unit for the Deaf and other Handicaps will be opened by the Unit's founder, Mr. Reginald M. Phillips of Brighton. The unveiling ceremony will take place in the vestibule by the west door of the Education Development Building adjacent to room 100, in which the event will be televised on close-circuit television. Guests attending the opening of the Unit will include the former Governor-General of Barbados and Vice-Chairman of the Commonwealth Society for the Deaf, Sir John Stow, and his wife, Lady Stow; Mr. Arnold Bates, Chairman of the National College of Teachers of the Deaf; Sir Paul Davie, Chairman of the National Deaf Children's Society and the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Asa Briggs.

Grant

The Research Unit for the Deaf was established with effect from September 1st, 1969, with a grant of £132,000 from the Phillips Charitable Foundation. The initial idea of helping the deaf and handicapped was that of Mr. Phillips himself and linked with the donation are funds for the establishment of a professorial chair to promote research and teaching in the education of the blind and partially blind. Since the founding of the Unit in 1969, researchers have been using it as a home base to support their

work in schools for the deaf throughout the south of England.

An attempt is being made by the Unit to integrate the specialised investigation of learning by handicapped children with research on learning in general. The Unit is concerned to discover how people without language think.

Mixed up

They will also be seeking to establish whether deaf children are neurologically mixed up. For example, they will attempt to find out which particular parts of the body children use in certain situations - which leg they use to kick a ball, which eye is used most, which hand is preferred - as this may affect learning. The unit, which is part of the Centre for Educational Technology, is producing materials to help in the teaching of the deaf. These include films, video-tapes, learning modules and programmed books. Priorities for further development of the Unit's activities are bound up with individual differences in learning, research into audio-visual systems of teaching and research into other areas of special education, such as sub-normality, dyslexia and brain damage.

The Unit's co-directors are Professor John Butcher and Mr. Norman MacKenzie. Its Deputy Director is Mr. Bill Watts.

Committee of Inquiry to meet this Term

The Committee of Inquiry, into University Organisation set up by Senate at its meeting in June this year, should meet for the first time at the end of the month. The Committee will consist of a Chairman, three members of academic faculty, three students, two members of non-academic faculty and one member of either the technical staff or the secretarial/clerical staff of the University. The Committee, which is to report in the Summer term in 1973, has been asked to consider the number, composition, terms of reference and reporting relationships of University committees, and their methods of conducting business, including questions of standing orders and the appointment and representatives of committees.

Debate

The history of the committee of inquiry dates back to March 1972 when over 400 students, staff and faculty met to discuss student accommodation on campus, student representation and other issues. It was proposed at that meeting that a committee of inquiry be set up to report on the accommodation issue and the organisation of the University. After lengthy and heated debate a special meeting of the Senate Committee on May 3rd voted in favour of establishing some kind of committee of inquiry. More discussions followed at the next Senate meeting and agreement as to the nature, scope and form of such a committee was finally reached at the last meeting of Senate in the Summer term on June 21st. Much of the discussion hinged on the view held by some members of the University that there should be a Standing Committee of Inquiry, a permanent body which would be ready to consider a series of issues. It was agreed at Senate that the proposal for a Standing Committee should be held over pending the report of a committee of inquiry with a specific brief and term of duration.

Evidence

The committee will be empowered to take evidence and receive proposals from any member, employee or student, of the University. It will have full secretarial assistance, including shorthand records of oral evidence. The Committee will not be a decision-making body, but will report to the Senate, and its reports will be printed in full for the use of members of the University in wider discussions. Academic and non-academic faculty will be voting for their representatives by postal ballot between

October 3rd and October 14th. The student representatives will be appointed by the students union. The Vice-Chancellor is currently discussing the technical or secretarial/clerical members with the ASTMS and the Staff Association. The Chairman will not be appointed until the next meeting of Senate on October 25th, as this appointment must be acceptable to the Senate, the Vice-Chancellor and the elected members of the Committee.

Deputy V-C Post

Professor Roger Blin-Stoyle will give up the post of Deputy Vice-Chancellor at the end of the Autumn term.

At the last meeting of Senate on June 21st, Professor Blin-Stoyle presented a paper on the future of the deputy vice-chancellorship at the end of his tenure of the post, which was created in October 1970 for an experimental period of two years.

Professor Blin-Stoyle recommended to Senate that the post be discontinued. At the same time he proposed that the post of Pro-Vice-Chancellor should be strengthened and that steps should be taken to improve the coordination of the administration. Professor Blin-Stoyle agreed to continue in the post for one more term, while a new Pro-Vice-Chancellor was appointed to replace Professor J. F. Scott, who takes up his post as Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Science) at the end of this term. During this period, the Vice-Chancellor is to work out proposals for improving the coordination of the administration, which will go to Senate later this term.

Athletics Win

The University of Sussex Athletics Club in a joint team with Brighton and Hove Athletics Club, won a return match against the University of Barcelona at Withdene Stadium last Sunday. The Sussex team won all but one of the twelve events, and the final result was Sussex: 66 points and Barcelona University, 36 points. The University had invited Barcelona University to Sussex following a meeting in Barcelona last May, and Derek Boosey, Assistant Director of Sport, hopes that these matches may become an annual event.

Martin Wight Memorial Service

A memorial service for the late Professor Martin Wight will be held in the Meeting House Chapel on Monday October 9th, at 4.30 p.m. The address will be given by the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Asa Briggs and the Service will be conducted by the University Chaplain, the Reverend D. B. Forrester. The sudden and tragic death of Professor Martin Wight on July 15th came as a blow to many members of the University. Professor Wight was one of the 'Founding Fathers' of Sussex and was the first Dean of the School of European Studies and Professor of History. He had primary responsibility for the development of the School as well as making a major and distinctive contribution to the shape of the University as a whole.

Below, Professor John Cruickshank, pays tribute to Professor Wight as a colleague and personal friend:

Members of the University, at all levels, were deeply distressed to learn of Professor Wight's sudden death on 15th July. Earlier that week he had attended the Graduation Ceremony and carried on a characteristically acute intellectual discussion with colleagues prior to taking his place on the platform in the Dome. Martin Wight combined a naturally commanding physical presence with scholarly distinction and outstanding moral integrity. He was that relatively rare phenomenon, a highly intelligent but simply good man. His many interests and gifts led him into a variety of spheres - Chatham House, Haileybury, Nuffield College Oxford, a year on *The Observer*, L.S.E., and Sussex. He wrote or edited important books on such diverse topics as power politics and West African legislatures, the world scene in March 1939 and the nature of diplomacy. At the same time, he had a deep knowledge and love of classical antiquity. He appreciated the significance of Peguy's remark: "Homer remains fresh, but today's newspapers are already stale."

Given these broad-ranging interests and activities, both inside and outside academic life, Martin Wight was inevitably an influential founder member of this University. He was also an appropriate first Dean of the School of European Studies. He contributed much to its conception, was an active and versatile teacher (he taught half a dozen courses from "European Foundations" to "Britain and Europe" and lectured on "The Modern European Mind"), and persided over its development between 1961 and 1969.

It is perhaps as a tutor that we shall remember Martin best. He possessed outstanding gifts as a teacher. He took endless pains over undergraduates' academic work and personal difficulties. He tirelessly nursed along the weaker brethren and inspired the mediocre and gifted alike. With the willing co-operation of his wife Gabriele, he also made a week-end stay in his home at Speldhurst a memorable experience for countless students and ex-students.

He represented what is best in the Sussex ideal at both the intellectual and social levels. We shall sorely miss his friendship, his advice, his learning and, above all, his example.

John Cruickshank

ACCELERATOR BUILDING OPENED

The new accelerator building, which was purpose-built to house a three-million-volt Van de Graaf Accelerator, was opened during the Summer vacation by Sir Alan Cottrell, F.R.S., Chief Scientific Adviser to the Government. The accelerator will be used for fundamental studies in many aspects of physics and materials science, especially those concerned with particle-solid interactions, with changing the properties of materials by ion bombardment and investigating the nature of impurities in solids and the various constituents of alloys. The total cost of the accelerator project, which is under the direction of Professor M.W. Thompson, amounts to £228,000, of which about £200,000 has been provided by the Science Research Council, and the remainder by the University Grants Committee. The building, which was designed by the University's Architect and Engineer, Mr. J.A. Thomas, is landscaped into the hillside behind the Physics buildings.

Arts Centre

Until 21st October - "TWELFTH NIGHT" by William Shakespeare. Concluding the Season of plays set in the Twenties and Thirties, "Twelfth Night" which is directed by Gordon McDougall and designed by Saul Radomsky is set in 1927 in a garden in the imaginary country of Illyria. The music, Orsino's "Food of Love" is the music of the jazz age and much of it will still be familiar to modern audiences. Some new music has been composed for the production by Doug Fisher, who also plays Feste. The cast includes Ann Firbank, Katherine Barker, Peter Baldwin, Juliet Aykroyd, Michael Burrell, John Flanagan, Bryan Pringle, Robert MacLeod, James Ware and Clive Elliott.

The intention of this production is to let a period which is close to our history help to illuminate the comedy and the conflicts of Shakespeare's last comedy, a play in which all the strands of the earlier comedies are brought together to fulfilment. Monday - Thursday: 7.30 p.m.; Friday & Saturday: 8.00 p.m. Saturday Matinee: 7th & 21st Oct. 3.00pm. Tickets: 80p; 50p; 35p (Students and Senior Citizens). NB Special Schools matinees: Oct. 5th, 12th & 19th at 2.30 p.m.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

29th October - 7.30 p.m. - Pro Opera presents: LE DAMNATION DE FAUST (In French) by Berlioz. With Sarah Walker, Richard Gandy, David Thomas and John Tomlinson, with the Pro Opera Orchestra; Leader: John Bacon; Conductor: Leslie Head and the Brighton Consort (Musical Director: Daphne Elston). Tickets: 80p; 50p; 35p (Students & Senior Citizens).

31st October - 8.00 p.m. - ALLEGRI STRING QUARTET - One of Europe's leading string quartets, begin their week of residence at the University with a programme of 4 Haydn Quartets: Op 77/1, 74/3, 54/2, 64/5. (Booking opens October 9th). Tickets: 80p; 50p; 35p (Students & Senior Citizens).

EXHIBITIONS

Until 21st October - An exhibition of selected works from The Bishop Otter Collection, one of the finest collections of modern paintings in the South.

Appointments

Mr. Mike Banks, Director of Sport, took up his new appointment as Assistant to the Chairman of Community Services on September 1st. Mr. Banks, who remains Director of Sport, has moved from the Sports Centre to the Community Services offices in Essex House and his new telephone number is Essex 112. Mr. Derek Boosey, Assistant Director of Sport, who is still based at the Sports Centre, will be looking after the day-to-day running of Sport, while Mr. Banks will be concerned with University sports policy.

Mr. G.M. Ivey, moved over from the Science Office, where he was Assistant Registrar, to take up the post of Personal Assistant to the Vice-Chancellor.

Mr. R.I.M. Jamieson, formerly Personal Assistant to the Vice-Chancellor, took up his new post as Secretary of Arts and Social Studies on August 1st.

Dr. Richard Jolly has been appointed Director of the Institute of Development Studies to succeed Professor Dudley Seers from 30th September, 1972. Dr. Jolly, who has been a Fellow of the Institute since 1968, is an economist who has specialised in education, manpower planning and the study of unemployment problems. Professor Seers, who completed his term of office this year, has been appointed to a Fellowship of the Institute.

Mr. Angus McIntyre has been appointed University Information Officer. He takes up his post on Monday, 2nd October. Mr. McIntyre comes to the University from the Press Association where he has been working for the last two years as a senior sub-editor. Mr. McIntyre, who is an M.A. of Aberdeen University, was previously Universities' Correspondent and Deputy News Editor on the Glasgow Herald. He takes over from Mr. Fred Newman, who left last term to become Managing Director of the Magazine Division in the British Printing Corporation.

Week commencing Monday October 2nd

Thursday, 5th October Opening of Session Service, Preacher: Sir Robert Birley (Gresham Professor of Rhetoric in the City of London). 5.30 p.m. in the Meeting House.

Friday, 6th October Lunchtime Concert in the Meeting House - 1.15 p.m.

Sunday, 8th October Sunday Morning Service, Preacher: The Rev. Duncan Forrester, "Remember....." 11.30 a.m. in the Meeting House.

Week commencing Monday October 9th

Thursday, 12th October Institute of Manpower Studies - Seminar - Dr. S. Wabe, (University of Warwick) "An economic understanding of the RAS approach to Manpower Forecasting". (The overall objective of the paper is to move from the treatment of RAS as a mechanical tool of analysis to a situation where we try to understand the economic forces that are at work within the system.) 2.15 p.m. in Room 2A3 in the Nuffield Building.

Institute for the Study of International Organisation - Seminar - Charles Harvey (IDS) - "Aspects of External Investment in South Africa and South-West Africa". 2.30 p.m. in Stanmer House. (The University van will be outside the Refectory building at 2.15 p.m. to transport anyone wanting a lift to Stanmer House).

Friday, 13th October Lunchtime Concert in the Meeting House. 1.15 p.m.

Sunday, 15th October Sunday Morning Service, Preacher: The Rt. Rev. Colin Winter, Bishop of Damaraland in Exile. 11.30 a.m. in the Meeting House.

Notices and Announcements

LECTURES

The Special University Lecture will be given this term by Dr. Jonathan Miller. He will lecture on "Theatrical Fidelity" at 8.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 14th November in the Arts Centre.

Mr. Marc Girouard will give the Pelham Lecture this term at 8.15 p.m. on 23rd November in the Music Room in the Royal Pavilion, Brighton. The subject will be "The Victorian Public House." Professor Donald Winch will give the C.C.E. Great Centenary Lecture on "Ricardo" at 6.30 p.m. on Thursday, 16th November in the Molecular Sciences Lecture Theatre.

Professor John Russell Brown will give the Professorial Inaugural Lecture on "Experimental Theatre" at 6.30 p.m. on 7th December, in the Molecular Sciences Lecture Theatre.

Dr. A.D. Nuttall is taking over the post of organiser of Special University Lectures for 1972-73 from Professor R.W. Cahn this term. Administrative support for arranging the programme will be provided this year by Mr. D. Anderson-Evans, Assistant Director of the Centre for Continuing Education, and enquiries about the programme should be made to his office.

Arts Mini-bus

The Arts and Social Studies mini-bus scheme which has been operational for the last ten months has so far had few users. The bus is a Ford Transit and although priority is given to the needs of the Arts area, it is available for use by all areas of the University.

It may be used as a passenger-carrying vehicle and as a goods van. The only major restrictions governing the use of the bus are that it should be used exclusively for University business and should be driven by a member of Faculty.

Those wishing for further details should contact Mrs. Sue McMahan (Arts B120 - telephone- 04-872).

British Council

Mr. B.J. Silk, Officer in Charge at the Brighton Office of the British Council, left Brighton in mid-September to take up a post as Area Officer in Nottingham. He will be replaced by Mr. Peter Marsh from the beginning of October to mid-November, when Mr. Silk's permanent successor, Mr. C.P. Carter takes up his post. Mr. Carter, who has been with the British Council since 1959, was previously Director, British Council in Besawar, Pakistan.

Meeting of Faculty in the Administration: Please note that the Autumn Term meeting of Faculty in the Administration will take place at 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday, 21st November, 1972. An agenda, which will state the venue, will be circulated nearer the time.

University Diaries - 1972/73: The University Diary has now been printed for the academic year, 1972/73, these are obtainable from the Union Office at present.

SPORT AND RECREATION

The University Staff Badminton Club will be meeting every Friday evening this term from Friday, 29th September at 7.00 p.m. in the Sportcentre. The club is open to all members of University staff and those interested should contact the Secretary, Geraldine Smith (telephone Sussex House 234).

VISITORS

Father M. Alingasa, Director of the Audio-visual Centre at the University of the Philippines, is to visit the Centre for Educational Technology on Thursday 5th October.

Mr. B. R. Goordyal, Deputy Librarian at the University of Mauritius, will visit the Library on Friday 6th October. Professor T. Heidues, Dr. P. Kreyenberg and Graf Schwerin Krosigh of the German Science Council will visit the Science Policy Research Unit on Friday 6th October. They will be meeting Professor C. Freeman and other members of S.P.R.U. to discuss the formulation of British science policy.

Dr. Jose Rodriguez, sub-director for Administration and Service at the Colombian Institute for the Promotion of Higher Education, will visit the University on Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th October to look at planning and development.

Secretary of Science

Mr. R.A. Nind, Secretary of Science, is leaving the University, after eight years, working in the Science Office, at the end of November this term to take up his appointment as Secretary of the School of Physical Sciences at the University of Cambridge.