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ROYAL MEDAL FOR
PROF CORNFORTH

Professor John Cornforth, Royal Society Research Professor in the School of Molecular Sciences, has been awarded one of the three Royal Medals for this year of the Royal Society.

The award is in recognition of "his fundamental contribution to our knowledge of the biosynthesis of steroids." The very important work which Professor Cornforth has undertaken over the last 25 years has revealed the chemistry involved in the way in which the body makes steroids like cholesterol. His studies - described as "elegant" by a colleague - have paved the way for numerous investigations on the way in which nature builds up important substances.

The Royal Medal will be presented by Lord Todd, President of the Royal Society, in London today.

Professor Cornforth, who took up his Royal Society Research Professorship at the University in 1975, was joint winner of the 1975 Nobel Prize for Chemistry for his studies of the stereochemistry of enzyme action.

His current work at the University involves attempting to reproduce catalytic activity, of the type characteristic of enzymes, in relatively small organic molecules, an enterprise which would constitute a great scientific advance which would be of enormous technological importance.

Earlier this year Professor Cornforth was awarded honorary degrees of Doctor of Science by the Universities of Dublin, Liverpool, Oxford and Warwick. He is one of ten Fellows of the Royal Society at the University.

Professor Cornforth, 59, was born in Australia and came to England in 1939. After studying at Oxford, he joined the staff of the Medical Research Council in 1946. From 1962 to 1975 he was Director of Shell's Milstead Research Laboratory. He was created a CBE in 1972.

TUITION FEES ROCKET

Increases in tuition fees for home and overseas students were announced by Mrs. Shirley Williams, Secretary of State for Education and Science, in the Commons on November 25. The increases will take effect from 1977-78.

The revised fees are:

	Present fee (Sussex)	New fee (National)
	£	£
Home undergraduates	189	500
Home postgraduates	210	750
Overseas undergraduates	417	650
Overseas postgraduates	435	850

Home students who qualify for a grant from local education authorities will have their tuition fees paid. Overseas students are to pay more because of the fall in the value of the pound in relation to most overseas currencies and because the economic situation in Britain had not improved since July, said Mrs. Williams.

"Our policy remains to work towards the abolition of the differential when economic circumstances permit," she added.

AUT/NUS PACT UNDER FIRE

The University branch of the Association of University Teachers is to seek changes in the agreement drawn up nationally between the AUT and the National Union of Students on student disputes (fully reported in The Bulletin of October 19).

A general meeting on November 18 condemned the agreement and deplored the absence of prior consultation with local associations. A motion will now be submitted by the local branch to the December AUT Council Meeting at the University of Kent calling for immediate steps to replace the agreement with one which:

- * seeks to ameliorate the effect of student disputes;
- * makes clear that the AUT in no way condones or supports student action directed against its members in their official capacities;
- * ensures that local associations are consulted prior to the finalisation of any such agreement.

Several other AUT local branches have also passed motions either condemning the agreement or making clear their opposition to disruption and direct action.

The local AUT will now send a delegation to the Brighton Trades Council, it

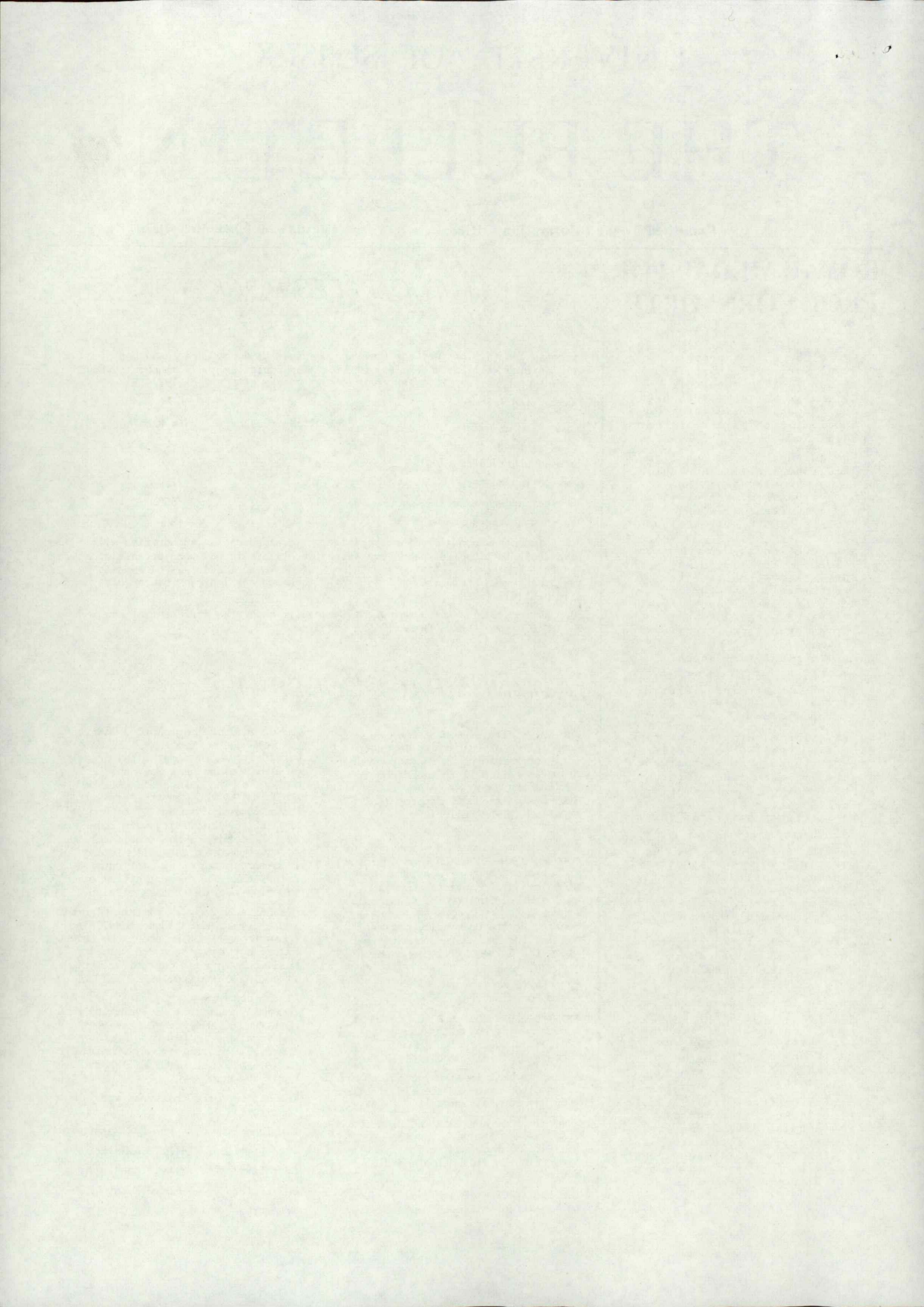
was decided at the meeting. Until rule changes setting up election machinery can be made at the annual general meeting next May, the members of the delegation will be nominated by the Committee. Moves to establish an AUT closed shop at the University were rejected by the meeting as was consideration of a proposal to establish opting out from membership on appointment rather than the present system of electing to join the Association.

Mrs Adrienne Aziz, Assistant General Secretary at AUT headquarters, also spoke to the meeting about the recent salary settlement and the union's position on public expenditure cuts affecting education.

At the end of the meeting a recommendation that Mrs Pauline Marstrand should become President of the local branch was unanimously approved. Mrs. Marstrand, who is a Senior Fellow in SPRU, will serve until the next AGM.

The officers for this year are therefore:

President	- Mrs P.K.Marstrand
Vice-President	- Mr.G.A.Walker
Secretary	- Mr.J.Cheshire
JNC Secretary	- Dr.J.E.Kay
Treasurer	- Mr.B.L.Claxton



THE PERSONAL COUNSELLORS

Jenny Bell, who joined the University this autumn as a full-time Counsellor, writes about the work of the personal counsellors at the University.

"Who are you? A Councillor? Bloody hell, we'll be having Lord Mayors next!" That was the greeting I got from one cynic when I joined my last organisation. He left shortly afterwards! I am pleased to say I have had a much warmer welcome at the University although because it is a new post and because it is such an open-ended task, there is inevitably confusion about who the Counsellors are, who they are meant to serve, what they actually do and where they fit in.

Who are we?

I arrived in September to this new post of full-time Counsellor. Some of you may already know Carolyn Robb who continues as half-time Personal Counsellor and half-time Advisor in the Occupational Advisory Service.

Who comes to us?

Although our main task is working with students we provide a service for the whole University community. In my last job I worked with everyone from apprentices to directors. As well as the social value of this procedure there are also practical advantages: for example it seems likely that if we can help tutors who have tutoring problems we can indirectly help those tutors' students.

Reasons for coming to see us?

Our new green information card which you may have seen around campus defines us as providing "a service for people with social, emotional and educational concerns." This could cover anything from a request for information on getting legal aid, to practical help in study skills or support needed by someone very emotionally distressed. We have already seen about 40 people with a wide range of needs this term.

What does counselling actually mean?

What we do is based on the client-centred approach of Carl Rogers. This means that we are not here to interrogate, psychoanalyse or tell



Jenny Bell (right) and Carolyn Robb

people what to do. We aim to be sympathetic listeners, but to be more than just that - to help people clarify things which are troubling them and then focus on decisions/solutions according to their own needs.

How does counselling fit in with life on campus?

There are already well established sources of support available to people: their own friends, students on Niteline, the chaplains, personal tutors and the psychotherapists in the Health Centre. As Counsellors we are a further alternative when none of these sources is quite appropriate. There is also a role for us to give support to and/or work alongside all these other sources of support.

We aim for counselling to be concerned with the development and personal growth of everyone involved in the total educational experience here at Sussex. This means there is little point in us 'elastoplasting' difficulties if it is possible to tackle problems at source. It also means exploring opportunities for one's individual growth in group settings such as the personal growth workshops we are running at the end of each term which are open to anyone. Anyone interested in finding out more can ring me on 08-195 (Room 9, Refectory Terrapins) or collect information from Maxine Brooks, 04-544, Arts C112.

SIR BASIL SPENCE

Sir Basil Spence, who died earlier this month, was the architect of the whole of the first stage of the University's building programme.

Of the many buildings he designed, the University of Sussex was, along with Coventry Cathedral and the Rome Embassy, said to be among his personal favourites.

It was at Sussex that with his partners he first employed the idiom based on repeated segmental arches which appeared frequently in his later work. His work here is considered by many to be among his best. The Times praised his subtle sense of space and of the relation of buildings to the landscape.

The Meeting House won a Civic Trust award for blending creatively into its environment, but such was the controversial nature of his work that its plans were initially rejected by Brighton Planning Committee as being inappropriate to the setting.

Falmer House was awarded a Bronze Medal by the RIBA for high architectural merit.

BUILDINGS

£189,000 for Thermo-Fluid Mechanics Research

Professor F.J. Bayley has been awarded a research grant by the Science Research Council of £189,000 for research in thermo-fluid mechanics.

The grant includes £85,000 for a building to be sited in the area to the south-west of the Science Laboratory Building, which at present contains the students' allotment and a tree nursery. Most of the trees are due for replanting within the next year and the allotment is to be relocated.

On November 12 Council agreed to allocate funds for site services. It also agreed that the professional services of the Deputy Bursar and Architect & Engineer, appointed architect for the building, should be made available without charge to the SRC grant. The cost of other professional advisers, however, should be met from the grant or from Science funds. Quantity surveyors and structural consultants have been appointed.

A model and drawings of the elevations of the new building were considered by Site Planning and Buildings Committee at its meeting on November 17. The centre section of the building would be glazed with bronze tinted glass, the Committee was told.

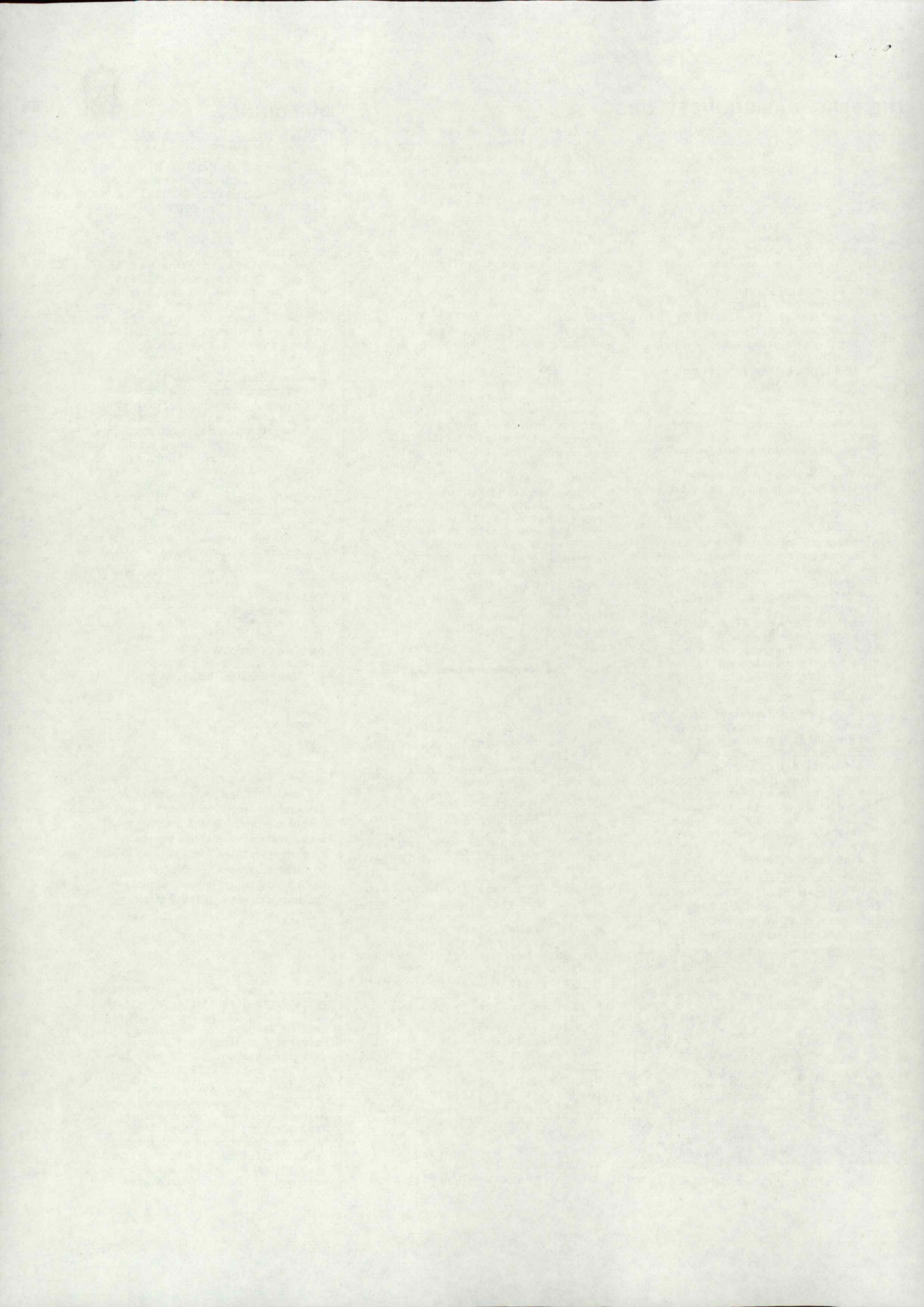
Bill-posting

Concern was expressed by Site Planning and Buildings Committee over damage caused to brickwork and trees by bill-posting. The Committee has asked that large display boards, specially provided for notices, should be sited alongside the path by the Engineering and Applied Sciences building and outside the Refectory.

WANTED

..... a name for the new Refectory restaurant. Suggestions for a name were invited by the Business Manager when he reported to the Community Services Committee last week on discussions about the service to be provided in the restaurant.

It is hoped that the new premises will be opened during January. The main facility will be an evening food service, but opening times, hours of service and menu are still being considered. In the meantime, suggestions for a name would be welcomed by the Business Manager.



THE UNIVERSITY AND THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

- Accommodation

Earlier in the year, *The Bulletin* carried a special feature outlining the initial findings of research conducted by Dr. Brian Smith, Chairman of Community Services, into the impact of the University on the local community.

In a further article on this on-going project, Dr. Smith writes below about student accommodation.

Accommodation is one topic guaranteed to generate strong feeling in both Town and Gown. Budding Students' Union Presidents and local Councillors share a convenient platform in the premise that student accommodation affects the local housing market and that University expansion should be linked with additional provision of rooms for students.

As part of our survey of the influence of the University on the local community we have examined the distribution of students amongst various types of accommodation. In particular we have carried out a detailed analysis of the situation in the years 1963-4, 1967-8, 1970-1 and 1974-5 (see table). We have also studied the influence of University staff housing on the local market.

Approximately ninety per cent of students and forty per cent of staff are migrants to the area. In 1963-4 there were 898 students in the University, of whom 553 (62%) lived in guest houses. By 1967-8, the University population had grown to 3318 and although there were then 837 students in guest houses, this corresponded to only 26% of the student body. The majority (57%) lived in lodgings or flats.

By 1970-1, two factors had changed the balance substantially. The guest house scheme had gone into decline and there had been a large increase in University campus accommodation. Only 5% of students remained in guest houses compared with 16% who lived on campus. In that year the number of students living in flats or lodgings reached the peak figure of 2418.

It is worth noting that although the University has expanded by about eight hundred students since then, because of the increase in the

amount of University-provided accommodation, there are now about six hundred fewer students in rented furnished accommodation in Brighton than there were in 1970-1.

The rise and fall of the guest house scheme is now past history. One of the reasons why Brighton was originally chosen as a site for a University was the possibility of using a large number of local guest houses and small hotels for student accommodation during the academic year. In the now defunct official guest house scheme the University negotiated an annual package deal with a consortium of local proprietors in which they provided facilities at a fixed rent and under agreed terms. Regulations were enforced by a team of proctors and student disciplinary officers.

Two factors led to the decline of the guest house scheme. Firstly, in the period 1965-70 a large number of proprietors sold their establishments to developers for conversion into flats. Thus in five years the number of hotel and guest house places available in Brighton was halved.

Secondly, it became increasingly difficult to negotiate a rent level which guest house proprietors found acceptable and students could afford to pay. Several proprietors opted out, for example, because they decided that it would be more economical for them to close down during the winter months than to continue with the low-income student trade. There are still about 4% of students living in guest houses, but these do so by private arrangement: the official scheme terminated in 1975.

University-owned accommodation for students has expanded over the years in spite of severe financial restrictions. The early Park Houses were funded from grants and donations. The bulk of accommodation,

however, including the Park Village, the East Slope and off-campus properties, was acquired or constructed under the notorious loan-finance scheme operated by the University Grants Committee.

Under this scheme the U.G.C. paid a capital grant ranging from 25% to 50% of the cost of a project and the University financed the rest of the cost from funds borrowed on the open market. Because the U.G.C. grant was kept at the lowest rate possible for a scheme to be viable, there was always great pressure to cut building costs, to the extent that some parts of the accommodation lack important social amenities, and will undoubtedly incur heavy maintenance costs in the coming years.

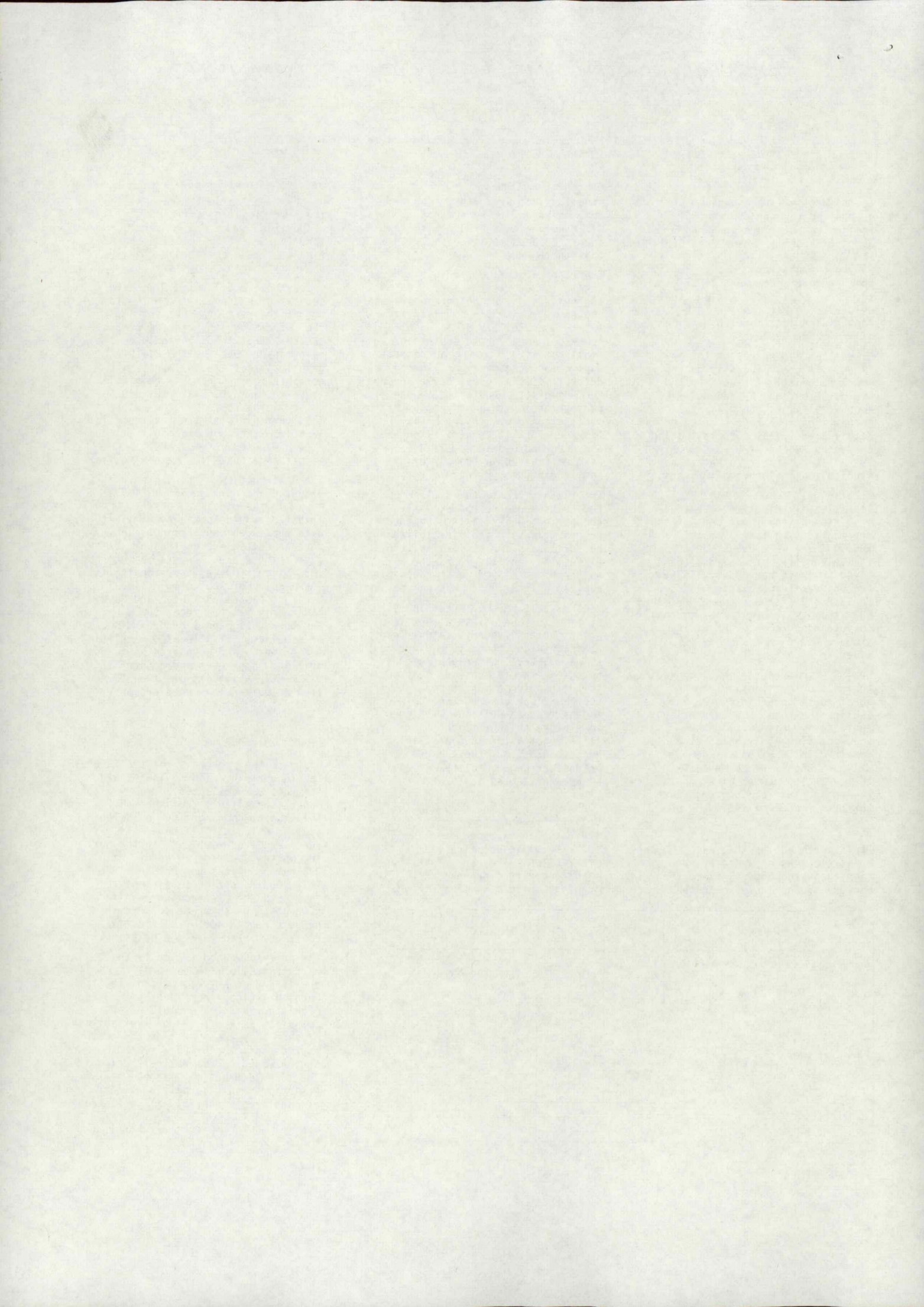
The distribution of students in Brighton and Hove during 1974-5 is shown in the map. The current distribution would look very similar, with the exception that now even more students live on the University site (there are currently about 1830 places for adult residents). The density of students in some parts of central Brighton and Hove has nearly halved since 1967-8, and there has been a gradual dispersion of students; still located mainly in the Brighton and Hove area, but also spilling into Lewes and country districts. About 47% of students now live in University-owned property.

What are the prospects for the future? The loan finance scheme in its old form has now collapsed and very little money is available from the U.G.C. for student housing. The New Colebrooke Housing Association scheme will, if it survives Government cuts in the next few months, provide an additional 300 campus places for October 1978. This should just be sufficient to cope with the planned increase in student numbers, provided that the private rented sector does not contract markedly in the meantime.

The private rented sector is the hardest area of all to foresee. When the 1974 Rent Act was passed, local Housing Officers confidently predicted that there would be an immediate fall off in the availability of furnished accommodation and that in ten years the private rented sector would become entirely defunct. The long term outlook may be bleak, but at present a surprising number of landlords are still willing to

	1963-4	1967-8	1970-1	1974-5	1976-7
University-owned accommodation on campus	0%	10%	16%	32%	37%
off campus	0%	0%	0%	4%	5%
Guest Houses	62%	26%	5%	4%	3%
Lodgings & Flats	36%	57%	70%	51%	48%
Parental Home	2%	5%	7%	8%	4%
Out of area/Abroad	0.4%	2%	1%	2%	2%
Total Students	898	3233	3624	4092	4466

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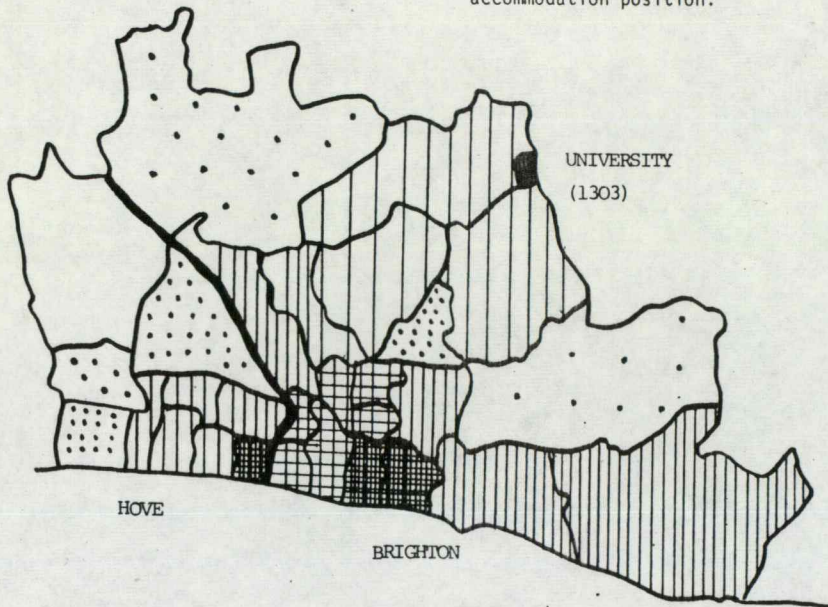


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rent to students. Interestingly enough, overseas post-graduate students have suddenly become popular as tenants - presumably because of the assumption that they will leave the area at the end of their course of study or research.

The overall conclusion must be that by dint of rapid expansion of the

University's own facilities we have just succeeded in averting an accommodation crisis which threatened to engulf us a few years ago, but that the future is thoroughly uncertain. One factor is clear, future plans for the expansion of the University must be linked to a realistic assessment of the accommodation position.



LEWES	152
ELSEWHERE	341
TOTAL	4092

UNDER 25	1 dot
25-49	2 dots
50-99	3 dots
100-199	4 dots
200-299	5 dots
OVER 300	6 dots

DISTRIBUTION OF STUDENTS 1974-5
(BOUNDARIES REFER TO ELECTORAL WARDS)

ELECTORAL REGISTRATION

Students and staff resident on campus are reminded that the Register of Electors was published in draft form on November 28, and can be checked at (a) the Post Office in Sussex House, or (b) the University Library, or (c) the offices of Brighton Borough Council (Town Clerk's Department, Town Hall, Brighton) up to December 16, 1976.

A return of eligible voters compiled from the accommodation records of the University was made to the Electoral Registration Officer. This excluded dependents of registered students, and those students who failed to notify the University of their local address. Full information was published in the Bulletin on November 16. Anyone wishing to check the accuracy of the draft is advised to consult the Register at one of the above addresses.

REVIEW OF COMMUNITY SERVICES AREA

Council has approved the terms of reference and composition of the Review Body established to review the activities of the first five years of the Community Services Area.

Members of the Review Body are: Vice-Chancellor (Chairman), Councillor P.E.P. Gladwin, Mr. D.W. Bunker, Professor J.N. Murrell, Mr. A.J. Bailey, Mr. L. Thomas, Mr. P. Ohlson, Mr. R. Ahern, and two trade union representatives (to be appointed).

Any member of the University is invited to submit written evidence, comment, or suggestion for consideration by the Review Body. Such evidence should be sent to the Vice-Chancellor in Sussex House.

COUNCIL

Council, at its meeting on November 12, approved proposals to establish a committee to study lay officerships and memberships in the University; to make recommendations to the Council on future guidelines and procedures in relation to the filling of those officerships and memberships fully within the terms of reference of the Council; and to make recommendations to the Council concerning the appointment of a Vice-Chairman as soon as possible and concerning the appointment of the new Chairman's successor in due course.

Earlier in the meeting Dr. L. Farrer-Brown was elected Chairman of the Council in succession to Sir Sydney Caffyn, the office of Vice-Chairman being left temporarily vacant.

Sir Richard Attenborough, Pro-Chancellor, is to be Chairman of the committee. Other members are: the Vice-Chancellor, Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Dr. L. Farrer-Brown, Councillor P.E. P. Gladwin, Councillor J.R. Lovill, Councillor A.B. Haworth-Booth, Councillor D.S.Y. Baker, Miss V. Cromwell, Professor C. Eaborn, Professor B.E. Supple, Mr. A.P. de Boer, Mr. D.W. Bunker, Mr. L.A. Foster, and Sir Roger Stevens.

The committee is expected to report to the Council on guidelines and procedures before it presents recommendations for appointments.

Professor Hans Singer

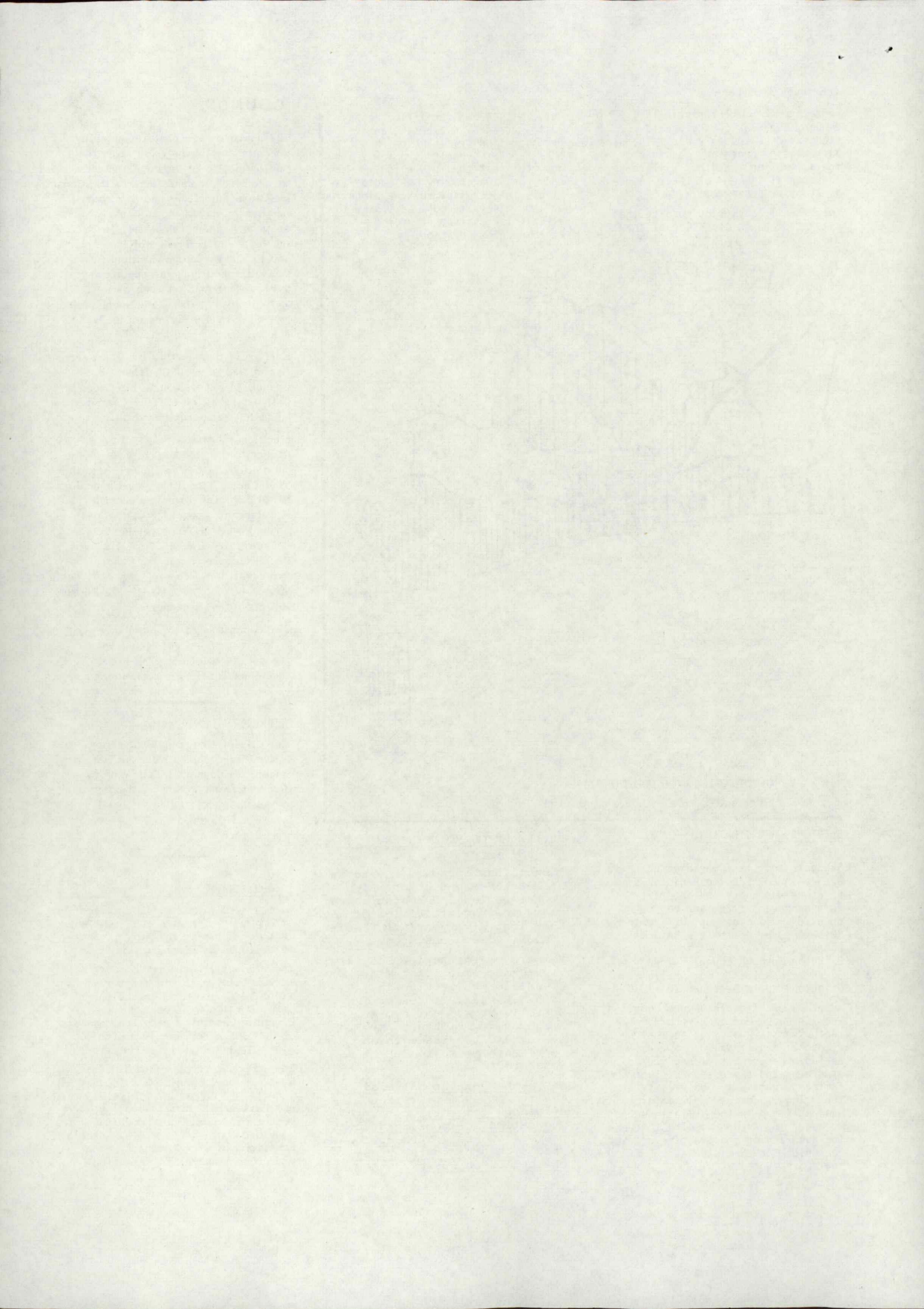
The title of Emeritus Professor should be conferred upon Professor Hans Singer, Professorial Fellow of the University and Fellow of the Institute of Development Studies, Council and Senate have agreed.

Internal Space Plan for Falmer House

A long-term plan for the internal arrangement of space in Falmer House is to be drawn-up by a group established by Planning Committee.

The plan will also provide a framework within which minor alterations might be implemented in the short term. Details will be submitted to Planning Committee with the comments of Community Services and Site Planning and Buildings Committees.

The composition of the group is: Chairman of Community Services (Chairman), Chairman of Site Planning and Buildings Committee, a lay member of Council on Community Services Committee (Mr. D.W. Bunker), President of the Students' Union and another member of the Union executive.



SPORT

A pilot exercise to attempt to identify sportsmen and women in the 'top talent' category will be undertaken by the Sports Federation over the next two months, Sport and Recreation Committee agreed at its meeting earlier this month.

At the same time the Sports Service is to attempt to take the necessary practical steps to give priority provision to such individuals. The scheme will be reviewed by the Committee at its next meeting early in the new year.

The decision to go ahead with a pilot scheme came after a long discussion of the extent to which the Sports Service should provide for "Sport for All" as against "elite" sport.

Points made in the discussion included:

- * there were difficulties in actually identifying top level participants;
- * the development of the intra-mural programme had been a successful and valuable venture in recent years, but this was not to say that its role and scope within the total sports programme should not be re-assessed;
- * the Sports Service should make a greater contribution to the development of student sport. But it was argued that the level of such provision was for the Sports Federation to determine within its own and the Students' Union financial priorities;
- * the Sports Federation had increased its involvement with sports provision below team level;
- * the needs of University employees should not be seen as conflicting with the needs of students, but would need to be protected if the balance of provision changed radically in favour of 'elite' or 'team' sportsmen and women;
- * consideration should be given to the encouragement of top talent. This could be done by identifying deserving cases and giving them priority treatment and entitlement to facilities. This would, it was considered, represent a major change of sports policy, which, in any case, might be achievable in practical terms without creating a new principle.

The Committee based its discussions on the assumption of no further expansion of the University's sports facilities.

Provision for Top Talent in Sport

Earlier in the meeting the Chairman reported that a letter had been received from the Minister of Sport enquiring what provision the University might wish to and be able to make for the development of

sporting talent at the highest level. As a result, the University had now made a bid to the Greater London and South East Sports Council to take part in a pilot scheme to develop centres of sporting excellence, in this case in fencing.

The Committee is to examine further possibilities for development within the pilot scheme, in particular badminton.

Sports Pavilion road

Vandalism had led to lights having to be replaced on 28 occasions during the current term on the road leading to the Sports Pavilion, the Committee was told.

International Symposium

Dr. Peter Dickens and Mr. Sean McConville of the School of Cultural and Community Studies, are to organise, with the assistance of the Nuffield Foundation, an international symposium on penal philosophy and prison design.

The symposium will be held at Sussex University in July 1977 and participants are expected from Britain, Europe and the United States.

DEVOLUTION

A debate on devolution, with four MPs as the main participants, will be held at the University tomorrow morning, Wednesday, December 1. It will be a chance to hear - and question - a variety of views about the issue which will occupy the most time in the new session of Parliament.

Mr. Giles Radice, MP (Labour) for Chester-le-Street, Mr. Norman Buchan, MP (Labour) for West Renfrewshire, Mr. Neil Kinnock, MP (Labour) for Bedwelty, and Mr. Malcolm Rifkind, MP (Conservative) for Edinburgh Pentlands, will be taking part. It is hoped they will be joined by Lord Crowther-Hunt and Professor J.P. Cornford of Edinburgh University.

Devolution is an important and emotional issue in the rest of the United Kingdom, but for some reason it attracts little notice here in the south. This debate may represent one of the best chances to participate for some time to come. It will try to compress the whole devolution question into a two-hour panel discussion.

All are welcome to attend the debate which will be held in Lecture Theatre A1 in the Arts Building from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. - bring your questions with you.

ADMISSIONS

The trend towards increased applications, and the improved quality of the intake, in terms of 'A' level achievement, in almost all the Schools, was noted by Admissions Committee earlier this month when it considered a preliminary report on the 1976 admissions.

New arrangement to admit Greek scholars

Under a new agreement with the Schilizzi Foundation, the University of Sussex will become the only UK university to admit Schilizzi Scholars from Greece. From 1978 two Scholars a year will be admitted.

The Schilizzi Foundation is a charitable trust providing a limited number of scholarships annually for Greek students wishing to enter higher education in the UK.

The University first entered into an agreement with the Foundation in 1963 to admit students who, as a result of a competition, would receive scholarships from the Foundation.

Since then a number of post-graduate and undergraduate students have been admitted to the University, and also to St. John's College Oxford, under varying agreements with the Foundation.

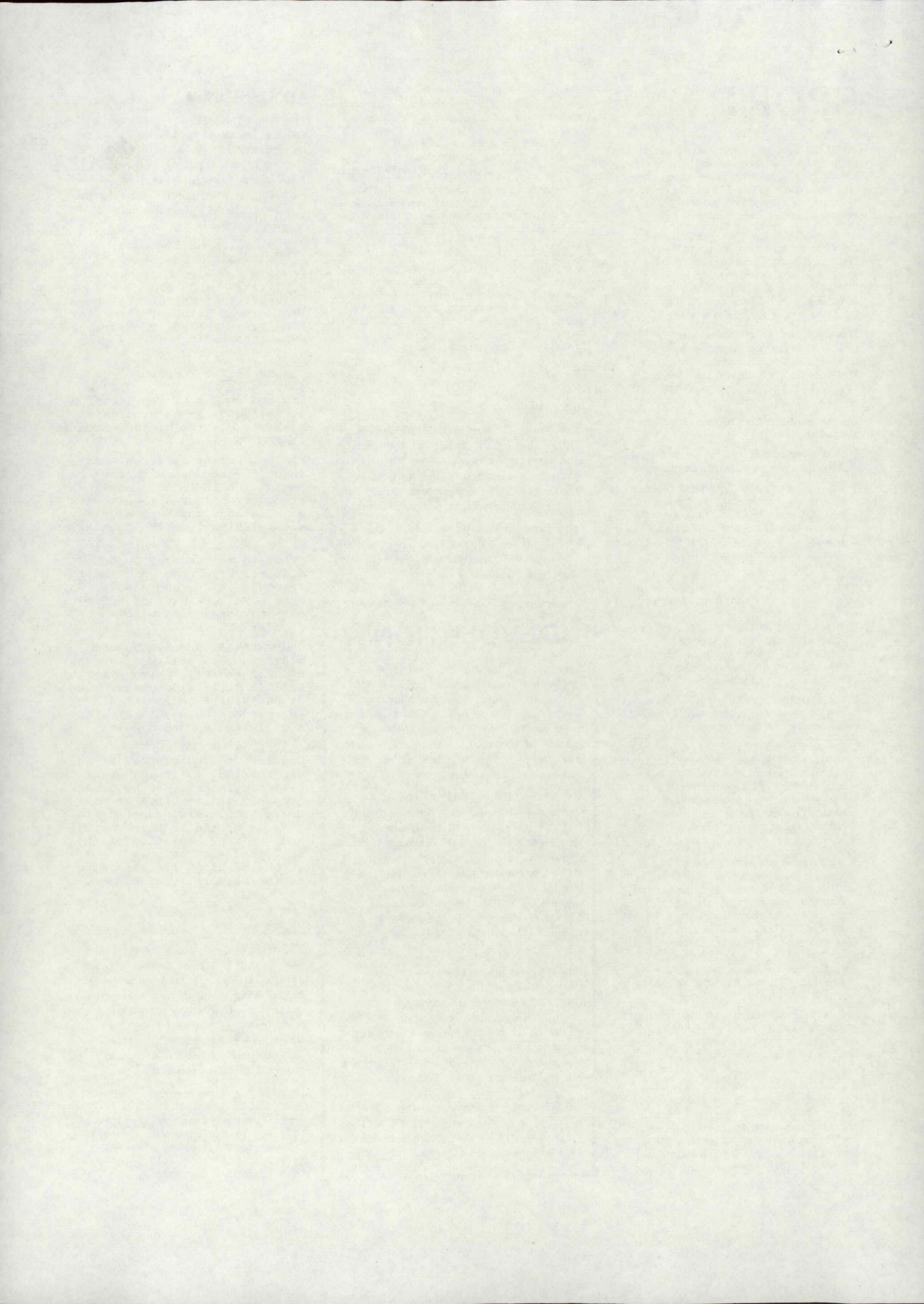
Under the arrangements just made, the University of Sussex will be the sole University to admit Schilizzi Scholars. Two students will be admitted each year, one probably in Arts and Social Studies and one in Science.

Candidates are selected by an examination, following which the best are interviewed by a panel composed of some five or six Greek professors, two representatives of the British Council and one representative of the Schilizzi Foundation. Recommendations are then made to the University of Sussex.

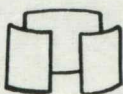
Nelson and Winnie Mandela Scholarship

The first Nelson and Winnie Mandela Scholarship has been awarded to Mr. J.B. Gaetsewe, to study Structural Engineering in the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences. The Scholarship is funded by the Students' Union under a scheme to enable students from southern Africa to study at this University.

A Professorial Inaugural Lecture will be given by Professor Leon Mestel, Professor of Astronomy, in the Molecular Sciences Lecture Theatre, this Thursday, December 2, at 6.30 p.m.



ARTS CENTRE



* The University of Sussex Theatre Club's production of the Gothic romance "Castle of Otranto" continues tonight, November 30, and tomorrow at the Gardner Centre. The play is based on the novel by Horace Walpole, and tells of the awful fate of Manfred, prince of Otranto, and that of Conrad and Matilda, his two children.

The U.o.S. Theatre Club returns to the Centre the following week when from Wednesday, December 8, to Friday, December 10, they present "Count Dracula" by Ted Tiller. Based on Bram Stoker's original 19th century novel, this production captures the irrationality, terror and fear of the vampire legend.

* One of the highlights of the autumn season is the visit of the English Music Theatre with a production of Benjamin Britten's "Paul Bunyan". This will be performed at the Gardner Centre from Thursday to Saturday this week, December 2 to 4.

It is Britten's first opera, composed in America in 1941 to a libretto by W.H. Auden based on a traditional American legend about the giant lumberjack Paul Bunyan. It is a huge, colourful, mythological pageant about the opening up of the American west. The opera was released only earlier in this Bicentennial Year and its British stage premiere by the English Music Theatre was described as a "knockout" by the Spectator, and a "life-enhancing evening" by The Observer.

* The English Chamber Orchestra will be at the Gardner Centre next Sunday, December 5, when they will perform works by Mozart, Hoffmeister and Debussy. The Orchestra was founded in 1948 and is a unique combination of experienced musicians, many of whom are well known as soloists, and young players of outstanding ability.

* The University Chamber Orchestra will give a concert on Tuesday, December 7. On Saturday, December 11, the University Choir and Orchestra, conducted by Laszlo Heltay, will perform Stravinsky's Symphony in C and Mozart's Requiem.

* An exhibition of textiles and ceramics will be on display in the Gardner Centre Gallery from December 1 to 18. "Humor in der Deutchen Populargrafik" continues on the Gardner Centre stairs until Friday, and there will be an exhibition of the work of stage designer Mark Wheeler on the stairs from

December 7. He is a former Artist-in-Residence at the Centre, and designer of the set for the Christmas production, "Where the Rainbow Ends."



Christmas Cards

This year the Gardner Centre is producing its own Christmas card. It is based on Mark Wheeler's original art work for the poster for the Christmas production of "Where the Rainbow Ends."

The cards cost 12p each, including envelope, and measure 5½" x 5½". There is no message inside so the cards can be used as notelets and birthday cards as well as for Christmas. Enquiries and orders to Anne Askew, Gardner Centre.

The Union Shop in Falmer House is also worth visiting if you are looking for Christmas cards, wrapping paper or gifts. They offer eight different cards: four red and white simple designs, at 7p each, and four 'old fashioned' reproductions at 14p each. Wrapping paper in a red or green design is 9p a large sheet.



Crêche Christmas Fair

This Friday morning, December 3, the Crêche will be holding its Christmas Fair in Falmer House. Home-made cakes, pies, puddings, jams and wine will be on sale, as well as Christmas decorations, candles and other items.

Christmas Appeal for Chapel in India

The Meeting House 10th Anniversary Appeal and Christmas Appeal 1976 is towards the building of a Chapel for the Union Christian College, Barapani, in N.E. India.

The College is a small institution with less than 300 students and because of its secluded position, it is entirely residential. Most of UCC's students are poor and the institution is run along the simplest lines. Accommodation and food is austere; students have to do all the work in and around the college: grass cutting, tending of gardens, sweeping, cleaning and helping in the kitchen.

There are plans to introduce agriculture and animal husbandry alongside the usual academic courses so that the students, most of whom return to their villages, will be able to improve their own economic lot. The College has great potential, but it requires capital grants.

To mark the Silver Jubilee of the

College it is hoped to build a Chapel, and contributions to the Meeting House Appeal, in this its tenth anniversary year, will be used towards this project. Contributions may be sent to any of the Chaplains or to Mrs Barbara Barber in the Meeting House. Cheques should be made payable to the Chapel Collections account.



CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

The Meeting House service of Readings and Carols will this year be recorded for transmission on Radio Brighton on Christmas Eve. The service will be held in the Chapel on Sunday, December 12 at 8.00 p.m. The theme is "Wonder in the Midst" and is arranged by John Birch and Stephen Medcalf.

Memorial to Sir Sydney Caffyn

A panel-tapestry designed by Dr. John Piper is to be commissioned by the University to honour Sir Sydney's memory, Council agreed. It will decorate the organ loft in the Meeting House Chapel.

NEW PERSONNEL OFFICER

Miss Pam Hampshire, at present Assistant Secretary (Establishment) in the Science Office is to be the University's new Personnel Officer. She will succeed Miss Janice Dodd who leaves the University at the end of the year to work in Denmark.

Pam Hampshire has worked in the Science Office since August 1969, and over the last few years has been responsible for all administrative matters relating to the appointment of staff in the Science Area. She is secretary to the Technical Staff Sub-Committee.

She will take up her new duties in early January 1977.

CHANGE OF UNIVERSITY TELEPHONE NUMBER

The University's telephone number is to be changed from Brighton 66755 to 606755. The change will be made early in 1978 when a new alphabetical directory is issued.

The Post Office explain that in order to meet demand they will have to expand the numbering range of the telephone exchange. This will be done by putting an '0' after the initial 6 in all Brighton five figured numbers beginning with 6.

Early notice of the change has been given so that stationery supplies and other items showing the telephone number can be regulated. The Communications Officer will be contacting all areas concerned, early in the new year.

