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### Association News

### Letter from the National Coordinator

As this second issue of the Newsletter goes to press, our membership has grown to over 120, including several institutional members (the next issue of the Newsletter will contain a directory of members and their fields of interest). Planning for the First Biennial Conference is well underway Student coordinators have been established at (see report herein). several university centres and several student societies have sprung up. Our activities have been publicized abroad, especially in Australia and the United States by means of visits of the pro-tem Secretary of the Association, Stephen Levine, and by myself, respectively (we are now listed in the American Political Science Association's newsletter PS under "National Political Science Associations", and Henry Mayer, the Editor of Politics, has placed a note about the NZPSA in the November The editors of the journal Political Science have indicated an interest in exploring the feasibility of having the journal eventually become the official organ of the NZPSA (this will undoubtedly be discussed at the First Conference).

Suggested Articles of Association (or a Constitution for the Association) are now being drawn up by the National Office of the Association in consultation with the Area Coordinators. This draft will be published in the next issue of the Newsletter in order to solicit response from all members. Once this is done, we may ask members to vote on acceptance or rejection of this document by means of a mail ballot. Thus, the primary goals of the Association seem to be within our grasp. Secondary goals, including some that I suggested in the first issue of the Newsletter, must now be developed, and future issues will contain reports on the progress of these ventures.

One promising development is the growing interest in the Association expressed by Teachers' Colleges in New Zealand. We may well wish to develop a Coordinator for this group, although at present it seems best to encourage them to work closely with Area Coordinators.

There is growing interest in the Association in Palmerston North, and it seems desirable to appoint a coordinator for that area. Thus, I have taken the liberty of asking Dalton West to serve in this capacity until a more permanent arrangement can be finalized at the First Conference.

John Halligan, our able <u>Newsletter</u> Editor, has recently taken up a position in Australia (see News and Notes), and this has necessitated the appointment of a replacement. Irene Webley, of the School of Political Science and Public Administration at Victoria University of Wellington, has agreed to assume this function until a more permanent arrangement can be finalized at the First Conference. John was responsible for the production of the first issue which has been so well received, as well as for this second issue. Australia's gain is only partly our loss, since he will still be an active member of the Association, promoting our activities there and serving as one Australian Coordinator.

Despite these promising developments, there is still much to be done. A membership drive will soon be under way, and the National Office will be supplying the Area Coordinators with necessary materials. Reports on professional activities of individuals and institutions need to be regularly transmitted to the Editor of the Newsletter, either directly or through the local Area Coordinator. Suggestions for the First Conference need to be actively circulated through the Newsletter. And most importantly, local area activities need to be developed. The Association's roots need watering. Won't you help?

Ray Goldstein

National and Wellington Area Coordinator

### First Biennial NZPSA Conference

Plans are now proceeding for the first biennial conference to be held in Wellington in 1976 and hosted by the School of Political Science and Public Administration. The exact date is still to be determined but there seems to be growing interest in holding it sometime in early May rather than in August (your preference is solicited, see form on back page). After some negotiation with the School, they have agreed to assist with the provision of physical facilities and other services, while the overall planning of the conference programme will be the responsibility of the National Coordinator and the Area Coordinators who will serve as the Conference Planning Committee. In this regard, please send suggestions and offers of papers, panel topics, working groups, etc. as soon as possible to the NZPSA National Coordinator, Ray Goldstein, School of Political Science and Public Administration, Victoria University of Wellington. (See form on back page). Some topics already suggested are:

"Government Assistance for Social Research in New Zealand"

"Public Opinion and Public Policymaking in New Zealand"

"Administrators in the Policy Process: A Reassessment of Representative Bureaucracy"

"Towards a Growth Policy for New Zealand"

"Politics and the Arts in New Zealand"

"Regional Government in New Zealand"

"Politics and Sport in New Zealand"

"Civil Liberties in New Zealand"

"Health Policy in New Zealand"

"Education Policy and Politics in New Zealand"

"Towards a Natural Resource Policy for New Zealand"

"Political Journalism in New Zealand"

"Who Holds Power in New Zealand?"

"The South Pacific as a Nuclear Free Zone"

- "The Political Economy of Imperialism in the Pacific Area: Development and Underdevelopment"
- "The Political Economy of New Zealand: Towards a Class Analysis of New Zealand"
- "Trends in Political Science Abroad and their Relevance to New Zealand"
- "Women and the Profession of Political Studies in New Zealand"
- "Studying Political Science or Political Studies in New Zealand (a special workshop for students)"
- "Community Colleges, Secondary Education and Political Studies in New Zealand"
- "Professional Political Science Publications in Australasia" (see NZPSA Essay Series)
- "Political Theory and Public Policy in New Zealand"
- "A Workshop on Teaching Politics in New Zealand"
- "The Viability of Democracy in the Asian Subcontinent"

It appears that a very general theme is emerging from the bulk of these suggestions, namely something like "Public Policymaking in New Zealand." Whether or not this eventuates, the editors of Political Science have given an undertaking to produce a special issue of that journal, containing a selection of papers from the conference (see report on the Political Science journal).

### NZPSA Essay Series

The National Office and Area Coordinators have received letters from Juliet Lodge of the Department of Political Studies, University of Auckland, suggesting that the Association support the production of an essay series. The Auckland Coordinator of the Association, Steve Hoadley, is in favour of this idea. Juliet envisages that works published in this series could:

- cover any aspect of political science and encourage discussion of new approaches, ideas, and views on developments in the discipline;
- 2) have a preferred average length of 4,000 6,000 words and a maximum of 10,000 words;
- be individually bound -preferably in a printed cover similar to paperback encasements;
- 4) be distributed free to NZPSA members (some could be held for distribution overseas and to libraries; a small charge to be made for those).

She has expressed interest in coordinating preliminary efforts in this direction and has made specific suggestions regarding format, financing, editorial responsibility, etc.

The National Coordinator of NZPSA feels that this is an idea worth investigating, although it should be developed in close consultation with the editors and editorial advisers of the journal, Political Science, especially since that publication is considering something along similar lines and is committed to further developing its relationship with the Association (see report on the Political Science journal). It seems likely that this proposal will receive scrutiny at the First Biennial NZPSA Conference (see report on this herein); in the meantime all interested members should contact Juliet Lodge, Department of Political Studies, University of Auckland.

### Professional Notes

### Journal of Political Science

Rod Alley and Ray Goldstein, the co-editors of the journal, have finalized arrangements for the first issue of 1975 and announce the following changes to the journal. They will be:

- (a) changing the style and format of the journal;
- (b) attempting to bring out 3 issues per year (possibly beginning in 1976);
- (c) devoting 1 or more of these issues to a special topic;
- (d) inviting guest editors for some special issues;
- (e) establishing editorial policy on publication guidelines as follows:

1st: works based on research into any aspect of N.Z. politics;

2nd: works on politics of Australia and the South Pacific;

3rd: works on politics in Asia and the Pacific;

4th: other works.

In addition, a new advisory body, the "Editorial Advisers", has been appointed, consisting of the Heads or Chairmen of all Departments of Political Studies or Political Science in New Zealand Universities. Their functions will be to:

- (a) meet when possible (preferably not less than once a year, possibly in conjunction with the biennial meeting of the NZPSA) to discuss the content, style and other related matters of the journal (with a view to making recommendations to the Editor(s) and to the School of Political Science and Public Administration, which remains responsible for the publication of the journal);
- (b) individually make suggestions to the Editor(s) and to the School regarding any aspect of the journal;
- (c) receive--along with the School of Political Science and Public Administration--the annual report on the Journal by the Editor(s).

A Publication Consultant, Hugh Price, has also been appointed, to assist in the design of the journal.

The Editors are also in the process of establishing a Board of Reviewers with the function of refereeing the papers submitted to the journal; in the meantime, they have endeavoured to widely circulate prospective papers to qualified readers.

### Political Studies in the Teachers Colleges

From statements recently received from a number of teachers colleges it is clear that political studies is gaining acceptance as a worthwhile aspect of teacher education. Auckland, Hamilton, Palmerston North, Christchurch and Dunedin Teachers Colleges are all offering courses and these are increasing in popularity with students as they become better established.

Universally the political studies courses are offered as Selected Study options all of which are designed to promote the personal academic development of primary teacher trainees. Neither of the two colleges which specialise in the training of secondary teachers offer courses in political studies because their brief is to prepare teachers for the present school curriculum. (As an aside, I question whether this is either valid or logical - as a graduate in both history and political science my experience was that the latter prepared me better to handle the demands of the School Certificate History prescription and the recent changes in syllabus seem to make this even more pertinent)./A.McRobie/

### Courses

### auckland

Three options are offered at the third year level -

- (1) Fascism and the Fascists in Western Europe, 1900-45
- (2) New Zealand Politics in the Twentieth century
- (3) Public Opinion in New Zealand

(All taken by John Tremewan)

### hamilton

One compulsory course for all students advancing in History:

Studies in Comparative Government and Political Sociology

(Taken by Bruce Beetham)

### palmerston north

There are no specific units offered in the discipline but there are two courses in each of the first and third years which contain elements of political studies:

- (1) European philosophers from the 17th to the 19th centures (1st Year)
- (2) Greece in the Age of Pericles

(3rd Year)

(Taken by Gerald Auton

(3) Frontier Society

- (Ist Year)
- (4) American History and Life in the 20th Century (3rd Year)

(Taken by Roy Palmer)

For 1975 Roy Palmer will be offering a specific political studies course on a trial basis - no title for the course was given.

### christchurch

Semester courses are offered as part of the social sciences programme in both second and third years. In addition a portion of one semester course offered in the first year contains elements which may be labelled political studies:

(1) Security and Identity in New Zealand (1st Year)

(2) International Relations - A Case Study of the Middle East (2nd Year)

(3) Public Opinion (2nd Year)

(4) Contemporary New Zealand Government (3rd Year)

(All taken by Alan McRobie)

### dunedin

Two courses are offered, one in the first year and one in the third year:

(1) Political Systems (1st Year) (2) International Relations (3rd Year)

(Both taken by George Cooper)

### Research

Some staff members are involved in research either as theses for M.A.'s in Political Science or in following particular interests, and some students are also involved in research under the supervision of College staff.

### auckland

Two student projects were under way in late 1974:

- (1) Examines the effectiveness of Mike Moore in his electorate of Eden.
- (2) A follow-up survey to one undertaken in 1966 by Dr. Graeme Bush which seeks to measure the levels of political understanding of teachers college students.

### hamilton

A political public opinion survey (designed to measure changes in voter attitudes since the 1972 election) was conducted in June 1974 in the Hamilton East electorate. A similar poll is to be undertaken in Hamilton West this year.

### palmerston north

Roy Palmer has been working for the past two years on the Political Socialisation of New Zealand Children - for an M.A. Thesis in Political Science from Victoria University.

### christchurch

Alan McRobie is near to completing his M.A. Thesis on Electoral Redistribution in New Zealand. In 1973 a student group supervised by him surveyed two electorates in an attempt to assess the elector's perception of an M.P.'s role. This year students taking the Public Opinion option will be involved in survey work relating to the 1975 general election.

Alan McRobie

Christchurch Teachers College

### Social Science Research Council

Once again a coordinating body for social science research has been proposed, this time by the Social Development Council in a submission made to Government in April. This particular proposal recommends that Government establish two independent research bodies: a Social Science Research Council to stimulate, coordinate and fund research in the social sciences, and a New Zealand Institute for Social Research to carry out research and to report on that carried out by others. Both would be statutory bodies funded by Government, working closely with existing research agencies in Government, university and private sectors.

The Social Development Council, chaired by Dr. J.L. Robson, Director of Criminological Studies at Victoria University, recognises and reiterates some of the problems of present social science research in New Zealand outlined in two papers presented to the 1973 Sociology Conference by John Orbell and G. Fougere (University of Canterbury) and Charles Crothers and Margaret Shields (Victoria University). It points out that though present arrangements produce social science research of high quality, it lacks coordination, and tends to be piecemeal and small scale. The lack of funding for this type of research is a contributing factor, too. The implications of these inadequacies are that Government social policies may actually be doing more harm than good; there is simply not enough information available to evaluate existing policies or to suggest alternatives.

To date, there has been no official response from Government to this latest submission.

### Urbanisation in Auckland

The United Nations is to hold a conference on human settlement at Vancouver in mid-1976. In preparation for this event, the Commonwealth Human Ecology Council in association with the City of Auckland and the University of Auckland are sponsoring a regional conference in Auckland, November 16-21, 1975, entitled "Human Settlement - The Urbanising process in Auckland: A Case Study".

There is a rich field of experience in human settlement problems arising from Auckland's classical case of urban expansion which could be of significance in the process of devising both national and international human settlement policies. The sponsors have invited authorities on aspects of human settlement from several Commonwealth countries to join in deliberations with New Zealand specialists concerning the developments in Auckland. The fields of specialism to be covered will include biological sciences, architecture, town planning, geography, economics, sociology, political science, anthropology, urban ecology, engineering, medicine and social administration.

The Conference will take the form of open sessions for general public attendance and working seminars for the invited participants preparing the conference brief.

Further information can be obtained from Dr. G.W.A. Bush, Political Studies, Auckland University; or Professor J.L. Roberts, School of Political Science and Public Administration, Victoria University of Wellington.

### The New Constitution

A Symposium on the prospects for local government in New Zealand in the next ten years based upon recent and prospective legislation was organized by the Urban Development Association at Victoria University from 20 August to 22 August.

Speakers included David Crombie - Mayor of Toronto; The Prime Minister and the Ministers of Local Government, Works and Environment; members of the Opposition; and a wide range of experts and experienced local government people who had been asked to prepare background papers on matters put in issue by the new legislation.

The most important aspect of the Symposium was the working sessions at which all participants were able to influence the substance of the Symposium Report. The U.D.A. will present a report to government that will give community reaction to the formal structure proposed by the new legislation and prepare the ground for its implementation.

The proceedings of the Symposium will be available in early 1976 from: Secretary, U.D.A. Symposium, Box 1717, Wellington.

### APSA Conference

"Reform Policies and their Implementation": The First Thousand Days of Labour", Canberra College of Advanced Education, 11-13 July 1975. Elizabeth Rowley (Auckland) and Steve Levine (Victoria) were the only New Zealand political scientists to attend. The conference papers will be available later this year.

### Wellington Regional Government Association

A group called the Wellington Regional Government Association has been formed to seek the most appropriate reorganisation of local government in the region under the new legislation.

The Association will prepare in-depth studies of functions that might be undertaken as a consequence of the Local Government Act and will make the results available to the Local Government Commission. It hopes to involve citizens of all professions and political opinions with the overriding goal of providing the best solution for Wellington. The only exception is that existing local body members will not be invited to join because they will be involved with the preparation of their own submissions to the Commission. But the Association hopes to work in with existing councils and boards.

John Roberts, Professor of Public Administration at Victoria University, has been appointed the interim chairman.

### VUW Political Science Society

Students recently formed the Political Science Society with the following objectives: (1) to encourage and facilitate the exchange of ideas between university staff and students; (2) to organise addresses and seminars; (3) to represent political science students at the School's staff meetings and in the NZPSA.

Office holders of the Society are Anthony Skipper (President) Monty Arnott (Treasurer) and Joy Hutton (Secretary). They may be contacted at the School of Political Science and Public Administration, Victoria University, Private Bag, Wellington.

### News and Notes

- Peter Aimer, University of Auckland was in Australia in mid-1974 studying the double dissolution and will be on leave in Britain in 1975 studying Scandinavian politics.
- Ralph Brookes, Victoria University, was on leave from June 1974 to February 1975, mainly in Australia and the United Kingdom, exploring the literature of the sparsely populated frontier between moral philosophy and public administration theory, with a view to discovering the criteria by which one can judge a responsible decision to be a good decision or otherwise (taking "responsible" to mean "made on behalf of and in the interests of others"). Professor Brookes has also been appointed to the Legal and Administrative Group of the Health Department.
- Graham Bush, University of Auckland, was elected to the Waitemata City Council in the 1974 local body elections.
- Robert Chapman, University of Auckland, was in Britain, Northern Europe, United States, and Canada in 1974 studying broadcasting systems and elections.
- Ivan Cikl, Victoria University, will be on leave from August 1975 to March 1976, visiting the U.S.A., Germany, and East Asia. He will be researching 2 major areas of interest: the post-1949 period of power consolidation in China, and the emergence and development of democratic ideas in East European countries.
- Margaret Clark, B.A. (Victoria University) M.A. (Malaya), Ph.D (Columbia) has been appointed lecturer in political science at Victoria University. Dr. Clark is a specialist on the politics of the Borneo State and the Malaysian Federation, and recently published a book on the area. She has lectured previously at the Universities of Melbourne and Malaysia and presently is at the City University of New York.
- David Clark, a recent graduate at Otago University, has been awarded a Commonwealth Scholarship and accepted for entry to St. Antony's College Oxford.
- Kevin Clements, Lecturer in Sociology, University of Canterbury, is the new editor of the Australia and New Zealand Journal of Sociology, and would welcome contributions from political sociologists.
- Sir Willis Coombs, the Canterbury Visiting Fellow for the second term, was attached to the department from May to August. Sir Willis although Australian born, was educated in New Zealand and has recently been British Ambassador in Indonesia.
- Ray Goldstein, Victoria University, while on overseas conference leave, attended the 16th Annual Convention of the International Studies Association in Washington, D.C. on February 19-22. Later that month he attended the Western Regional Meeting of the Peace Science Society International at the University of Southern California, Los Angeles. At both meetings he represented the NZ Political Studies Association and publicized our activities. Anyone desiring further information about either the ISA or the PSSI should contact him at Victoria University.
- Barry Gustafson, University of Auckland, was on leave July 1974-June 1975 at the University of Glasgow studying for a diploma in Eastern European studies.

- John Halligan, Victoria University, left in June to take up a research position at the Canberra College of Advanced Education. He would like to thank the Co-ordinators and other members of the Association who so willingly assisted him in the publication of the Newsletter.
- Paul Harris, who finished his Ph.D. at Lancaster University, is a post-doctoral fellow at the University of Auckland 1974-75 doing research on social conflict in New Zealand between the two World Wars.
- Paul Harris, Victoria University, left New Zealand in August to lecture in political sociology at the Canberra College of Advanced Education.
- John Henderson, a graduate of Canterbury University, has just completed his Duke Fellowship in the United States and returned to the Department at the end of May as assistant lecturer in International Affairs.
- Steve Hoadley, University of Auckland, was in Indonesia during Summer 1974-75 and has received a travel and subsistence grant for research in Portuguese Timor during summer leave, 1975-76.
- V. Kubalkova has left Otago to take up a two-year post-doctoral fellowship at A.N.U., Canberra, under the supervision of Professor Hedley Bull.
- R.C. Mascarenhas, Ph.D. (Delhi), from The Indian Institute of Management, Calcutta, has been appointed lecturer in Public Administration at Victoria University. Dr. Mascarenhas's main research interests are the political and administrative aspects of development.
- Walter Murphy, Victoria University, organized and taught a course on New Zealand History and Politics for a class of students from Lewis and Clark College, Portland, Oregon, from November 1974 to February 1975.
- John Roberts, Victoria University, was invited by the Commonwealth Human Ecology Council to give a lecture on the "Political Role of Small Communities in Environmental Control" at London in October 1974.
- Theo Roy, University of Waikato, has been on leave from Sept. 1974 to May 1975 in Fiji, United States, Britain, India, Malaysia and Australia. During this period he completed several papers, worked on a book and gave lectures at universities in several countries on various topics including South Pacific Studies, South Asia and the Commonwealth. His research was in the following areas: British Administration in Fiji; Indian Ocean Defence Problems; Major-General Claude Martin 1753-1800; and Pakistan Foreign Policy since 1971.
- Elizabeth Rowley, University of Auckland, has been appointed a member of the Board of the Housing Corporation of New Zealand.
- Andrew Sharp, University of Auckland has been appointed a member of the Cinematographic Films Censorship Board of Appeal.
- David Tait (a 1974 honours graduate of Canterbury University), goes to the University of Oregon in August to commence a Ph.D. on some aspect of social policy in the Department of Sociology.
- Robert Taylor, University of Auckland, travelled to London during the summer of 1974-75 to receive the Ph.D. degree from the School of Oriental and African Studies. He will be on leave July 1975-June 1976 in London doing research on Chinese education.

### Current Political Research

## University of Auckland Department of Political Studies

Research Projects

The Brown's Island Drainage Controversy (Graham Bush). EDC (estimated date of completion) February 1976. To be published as a book.

Committee Autonomy and Committee Chairmen (Graham Bush). To be published in N.Z. Local Government.

Contesting a Local Body Election (Graham Bush). EDC August 1975.

The 1974 Auckland City Council Wards Referendum (Graham Bush). EDC October 1975.

The Future of Southern Africa (Ruth Butterworth). To be published in 1977 in the Yearbook of World Affairs (Institute of World Affairs).

Images of Africa in Rhodesia: The Perceptual Frame of Policy Making (Ruth Butterworth). EDC 1977. To be published.

A Data Book on New Zealand Elections (Robert Chapman).

Indonesia and New Zealand (Steve Hoadley). Draft completed; available at cost of xeroxing, approx. \$2.00 (40 pp).

New Zealand's Trade and Aid in Asia: A Search for Alternatives (Steve Hoadley). To be published by N.Z. Asian Studies Society.

Political and Administrative Decolonization of Portuguese Timor (Steve Hoadley). EDC March 1976. A preliminary survey of this topic is now available in The Future of Portuguese Timor published in March 1975 by the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, Singapore.

The European Policy of the SPD (Juliet Lodge). To be published by Sage mid-1975.

The Organisation and Control of European Integration in the Federal Republic of Germany (Juliet Lodge). To be published in Parliamentary Affairs mid-1975.

Towards the European Political Community: EEC Summits and European Integration (Juliet Lodge). To be published in ORBIS Spring 1975.

Chinese Education as a Strategy of Development (Robert Taylor). To be published in D. Bing, ed., China: Cultural and Political Perspectives (Longman Paul, 1975).

Ph.D.

The Role of Farmers in Conservative Parties: A Comparative Study of New Zealand, the United Kingdom, and Sweden (Helen Clark). In progress.

The Structure, Composition, and Function of Labour Party Branches (Barry Gustafson). Completed 1974.

Industrial Reporting in New Zealand's Daily Press: Content, Process, and Effects (A. Hearn). In progress.

Small State Diplomacy in New Zealand's Relations with Western Europe (Juliet Lodge). In progress.

The Political Role of Labour Party Conferences: A Comparative Study (Richard Northey). In progress.

Social Mobility, Residence, and Voting in New Zealand (John D. Prince). In progress.

Cabinet Selection in New Zealand (Elizabeth Rowley). In progress.

M.A Completed

Societal Knowledge and Corporate Action: An Investigation of Opinion

Formation in the Modern Polity with Reference to the Environmental Issue
in New Zealand (Richard Flynn). 1975.

Political Attitudes in the New Zealand Countryside (Helen Clark). 1974.

Work and Political Alienation (Jeremy Pyner). 1974.

Political Thought in New Zealand (Barry Shorter). 1974.

Community and Organisation: A Study of Opinions and Attitudes in Two Urban Subdivisions (Jack Vowles). 1974.

In Progress

Political Thought on Academic Freedom and University Autonomy (Stephen Chan).

The Relationship between the Labour Government and the Unions on Stabilisation and Wage Bargaining (Philip Goff).

Housing Policy under National and Labour, 1970-1975 (Peter Keeble).

John Locke's Political Theory and His Critics (Rodney Lyon).

An Investigation of Late 17th Century Absolutist Thinkers (Michael Moynihan).

The Politics of Birth Control: Pressures and Parties in a Moral Arena (Raewyn Stone).

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M.A.
Completed

Wool Marketing Reform 1967-72: A Cautionary Tale (Mary Ensor). 1975.

Examines what happens when rural policies exceed farmers' desires.

New Zealand and the Oil Crisis (Matthew McKay). 1975. The thesis suggests that the oil crisis would indicate that David Vital and others need to consider variables other than size alone when considering the bargaining power of small states vis-a-vis larger states, and concludes that size is not the key factor influencing foreign policy behaviour.

Political Parties in Prewar Japan (Julie MacKenzie). 1975. Argues that the prewar Japanese party system (including characteristics such as, party discipline and factionalism, ideology and policy, and leadership recruitment owed a great deal to the separation-of-powers established by the Meiji Constitution.

Conflict-Regulation in a New Zealand Meat Freezing Works: The Problem of Social Order in an Industrial Setting (Pat Walsh) 1975. Argues that industrial peace depends upon a recognition of the fact that conflict is always inherent in the union-management relationship, and that while conflict can't be resolved or eliminated, it can be regulated.

In Progress

Party Identification and Straight and Split Ticket Voting at the 1974
Christchurch City Council Election. (A.M. MacKenzie). An analysis of voting behaviour using survey data from 230 interviews conducted prior to the election and theoretical notions of choice, effects of information costs, and the 'exit voice and loyalty' paradigm.

Modernity in English Literature and Politics between 1870 and 1914 (D. Naulls). EDC December 1975.

The Politics of Trade Unionism in Canterbury. (John O'Conner). This thesis will concentrate on the political role of the local Trades Council in relation to such factors as the demographic and psychological characteristics of its key members. The time span will be from 1970, and a few key issues will be focused on. EDC February 1976.

A Descriptive Investigation into the Significance of the Introduction of Second-channel Television in New Zealand. (Ross Vintiner). The thesis will: provide a descriptive account of the organizational structure and operation of the N.Z.B.C. from 1960 to early 1975; examine the effects of the new Broadcasting Act on the organization and operation of the two new channels; and investigate the actual changes such as personnel, sponsorship, and the political content of television. EDC February 1976.

# University of Otago Department of Political Studies

Research Projects

The Governor and His Northern House (G.A. Wood). Published. Auckland University Press, 1975.

The Overseas Chinese in New Zealand (S.W. Greif). Published, Singapore, Pacific Press, 1974. (Sole N.Z. distributors: Whitcoulls).

Victoria University of Wellington
School of Political Science and Public Administration

Research Projects

Political Leadership and Foreign Policy in New Zealand (R.M. Alley). Completed. Under consideration for publication

N.Z. Officials: Perceptions of Public Opinion on Foreign Affairs (Ray Goldstein, Eleanor O'Brien, Karen Smyth, David Tan and Len Wilson). A preliminary report based on 22 interviews with officials from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs conducted in a one week period in June, 1975. Four main areas were examined: how the officials perceive public opinion; which source of public opinion they come in contact with and how they regard each source; what degree of influence such expressions of opinion have on their recommendations; their view of the role of the Ministry in foreign policy formation. Part of a larger study comparing these findings with those of Cohen, Mennis, and Garnham. Submitted for publication in a forthcoming issue of the New Zealand Foreign Affairs Review.

Community Councils: The Substance or the Shadow of Political Participation (R.J. Gregory). The article examines the concept of community councils provided for in the Local Government Act 1974 and asks: why should we expect community councils to raise the level of citizen participation in local politics? The conclusion is that we should not expect it.

Completed. To be published in the New Zealand Journal of Public Administration.

The New Zealand Member of Parliament (John Halligan). A general examination of the status of the profession in the seventies, with a reformist orientation. EDC November 1975. To be published in a book.

The Impact of the Wellington Tenants' Protection Association on Housing Policy and Tenancy Law (Paul Harris) EDC July 1975. Forthcoming in a book.

The New Zealand Rent Appeal Boards (Paul Harris and Alex Frame, Department of Jurisprudence and Constitutional Law). An examination of the relation between formal and informal rules in the operation of the N.Z. Rent Appeal Boards. EDC August 1975.

New Zealand Politics: A Reader (Stephen Levine). Available as a book, late May.

She's a Lady: Learning about Sexism in New Zealand (Stephen Levine, coeditor with P. Bunkle and C. Wainwright). The book contains a dozen or so research papers into different facets of New Zealand society to determine the extent to which females are subordinated in a world in which male power is predominant. The papers are largely empirical and bring together data not only on attitudes (of men towards feminism, of women towards various issues) and the forces which shape them, but on overt behaviour. The intent is to demonstrate conclusively that New Zealand is a sexist society, but need not inevitably be so. Completed. To be published.

Administrative Capability - The Case of Land Reform in India (R.C. Mascarenhas). In process.

Policy Making and Coordination of Public Enterprises in India (R.C. Mascarenhas). Appearing in R.C. Dutt (ed). The Public Sector in India (in press).

Public Policy Making in India - The Emerging Relationship of Knowledge and Power (R.C. Mascarenhas). In process.

Administrative Resource Transfer from the Military to the Civilan Sector (M. Mushkat) Completed. Recently submitted for publication.

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