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GRATIS

A Bigger, Brighter Student's Block

- Cloister-top Rooms
- Cheery Paint
- Bigger Kitchen
- Steel Lockers
- Floors
- Furniture
- Fluo. Lights

Plans for the renovation of the students' block are now well under way and, to everyone's satisfaction, there seems little doubt that a great deal will be done before March next.

Two fourth-year architects, Dave Taylor and Dick Ward, drew plans, and these, together with a written report, were presented to the house committees by Peter Butcher. The house committees approved them and they were that afternoon taken to the College Council by the Students' representative, Keith Piper (who is a qualified architect). In 25 years the Students' Block has had only the very minimum of attention, and the Council is well aware that the accumulated maintenance bill must be faced. The students' report was favourably received and referred to the Finance Committee. The Principal, Mr. Maidment, told *Craccum* that matters were being hurried along so that work could be done in the long vacation. Until the Finance Committee had obtained estimates and made its report, he could not say how much would be spent or what would be done. But there is no doubt about action.

The recommendations of the students are set out in a 14-page report, which tours the block:—

- CLOISTERS—new notice boards and fluo tubes.
- CAFETERIA—plastering, painting and the removal from the windows of light-and-view-obstructing wooden detail. The kitchen wall to be brought forward about four feet. (Moving the cashier's desk more than compensates for the space lost).
- KITCHEN—enlarged and redesigned, with new sinks, refrigerator and an outside staircase. The staff room in the tower (a little less than 5ft. by 12ft. with one window 11 inches square) to be enlarged by building a room on the cloisters. (Committee rooms are also planned for the cloisters). Total estimated cost for the kitchen and caf. alterations—£1,200.
- WOMEN'S COMMON ROOM.—In addition to plaster repairs and

painting, which is required throughout the block, the floor needs repairs and the fireplace remodelling. Fire irons, fuel boxes and lamp shades, a glass roof to the phone booth, better taps, and more drinking faucets in the washroom.

- BALCONY—needs resealing and another bench.

Total to be spent on the women, £371 10/-.

- STAIR WELL—notice boards removed to ease congestion.

- PHONE BOOTH—two separate semi-sound-proof booths to be built here.

- MEN'S COMMON ROOM — the worst case in a sorry lot. Reflooring with heavy lino or Linctol (as in the Ping-pong room). Lighting to be improved by (a) removing window-tracery; (b) cutting shrubs that obscure the windows; (c) knocking out the masonry below the windows on either side of the double doors and fitting glazed panels; (d) fluo. lights. Seats round the wall to be uphol-

stered and seating to be provided in the middle of the room. The woodwork around the fireplace to be removed.

New furniture in the reading room, a new floor and steel lockers in the locker room. With compact steel lockers the number can be increased by a third without occupying as much space as the present wooden ones. The dividing walls in the men's shower room to be removed (see reference to a gym, page 3).

Total spent on the men (exclusive of lockers)—£1,080.

£500 for Paint

£300 is allotted for new furniture throughout the block. There will be ten fixed benches on the asphalt. On a bright final note, a detailed report on colour schemes is promised. Painting will cost £500. Dave Taylor and Dick Ward assured us that it wouldn't be spent on "mere cream."

The total estimated cost of the work is £3,425 10/-, of which the Students' Association is believed to be willing to find £1,500. However, the estimate seems conservative, and when essential repairs to the roof are also considered, £4,000 to £5,000 would seem nearer the price. Much of the work, it should be remembered, is essential maintenance; the rest is the minimum that the Association and the Council can reasonably be expected to provide for the thousands of students who study, play, talk and pay in New Zealand's largest College.



THE RENOVATORS, who are planning a better and brighter Students' Block: Peter Butcher (in charge), Ron Thrush (Chairman M.H.C.), and Cree Munro (Chairman, W.H.C.), who is flanked by Dave Taylor (left) and Dick Ward, the architectural students, who have been excused "studio" to work on the improvements.

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EXAM ADVICE

"Answer The Question"

The best advice I can give to prospective examinees is to work as hard as they know how up to about two days before the actual examination, and then to go away for a quiet weekend. To cram your head with facts right up to the time of entering the examination room only causes mental indigestion; a couple of days' relaxation is wonderfully refreshing, and enables you to face the paper with a clear head. (This advice is, of course, based on the assumption that you have not been entirely indolent throughout the year).

Inside the examination room there is one unbreakable rule: Answer the question. Do not regard an enquiry about the technique of Marlowe's blank verse as an invitation to regurgitate all the facts and opinions remotely connected with Marlowe which you have heard of in the whole course of your life. An examination question is usually selective, you must choose from your store of knowledge those facts which are relevant. And by the same token, when you have said all you have to say, for heaven's sake, stop. Don't drivel on vaguely about something or other. It only serves to exasperate the examiner's temper.

— S. MUSGROVE

Craccum congratulates Philosophy lecturer Bernard Pflaum and Mrs. Pflaum who have recently been blessed with a daughter.

HISTORY COMPETITION

This year Historical Society is again holding its vacation essay competition. Essays on any subject may be submitted, but they must contain the results of original investigation or original thought on some historical topic. A suitable subject may often be found in incidents of local history, and here the back files of the local newspaper will often give at least a starting point. Essays must not be more than 4,000 words in length, and must be in the hands of the secretary of the Society. Mr. R. D. Stanley, O'Rorke Hall, 49 Symonds Street, Auckland, not later than February 14th, 1951. The prize is one of books to the value of one guinea.

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Editorial

AN ACADEMIC GLUE

This is the last issue of Craccum for 1950. We must now, rather belatedly, do a little swot before the exams.

People have asked us, "Why are you giving Craccum away? and who pays for it, anyhow?" The first question we have answered modestly enough by saying that unless by some miracle we get G.B.S., Noel Holmes, Aunt Daisy and Thomas Mann to contribute, our seven small pages will never be worth threepence.

The second question they usually ask with a big "we know" grin.

They are right, of course; students still pay for Craccum, about 8d. a year each, or £100 altogether. We are also helped by the advertisers, whom we hope you support. (You might tell barmen that you drink so-and-so's beer because you have read about it in Craccum. Of course this is only a suggestion).

Last year when Craccum sold at 6d., 500 people bought it and it cost the Association £220 besides.

This year, as a sort of compromise, price—and size—were halved. But Craccum was then too small, and could be read in two minutes for nothing—most of you did that. Un-read Craccums piled up in the Publications' hut like bills after Christmas.

So now we are giving it away, and a thousand of you will probably read this. Better a thousand at £100 per annum than half the number at £200. We are pleased, because we feel that at last Craccum can do a real job in the College.

What is its job? is the natural question, and we must try briefly to explain. In our more optimistic moments we envisage Craccum, this size, coming out every Monday with news of doings in the clubs and departments, plans and projects for tournaments and carnivals, interviews, gossip, and (most important) news of the coming week's activities.

The old catch-cry is wrong; students are not apathetic—they are busy. What they are doing, all 3,000 of them, could more than fill Craccum each week. If the busy students are apathetic about doings elsewhere in the College, that is because they lack the tall periscope of a student paper to give them a panoramic view. In short, like the Principal and the clubs, Craccum can do much to make students interested in all sides of the University life, not merely in coleoptera, Catullus or their particular study. It can be a sort of academic glue—a very important job that.

Craccum doesn't do it now. For the last year it has depended on one or two people. They have been too busy to recruit more to help them regularly. In the long vacation we hope to get together a team of news-hounds who will fill Craccum, 1951, with news of every sort for every sort.

CRACCIVARIA

Gymnasium

Still in the embryo stage is a proposal to instal a collapsible boxing ring and other gym equipment in the ping-pong room. A man would then be employed to coach boxers and to run "Keep Fit" classes for students. Maybe a woman would be engaged to exercise the girls. The Council receives an annual grant for a physical instructor. At present it isn't spent. This seems a good way of doing it.

When the matter is considered by Exec., Rod Smith, an ardent anti-boxer, will take along as exhibit A the pickled brains of a punch-drunk pugilist (if he can find some).

Quietness

From a correspondent: "While you are fixing the men's common room, please build a small sound-proof hut on the outskirts of the estate and put the blooming piano in it. The thing is driving me cer-azy!!"

Tane

In Macri legend Tane was the father of the trees and birds. The Field Club gives the name to its annual publication, which this year contains at least 25 scientific studies made on club trips.

Tane's entertainment value is slight and its "species lists" will reveal little to the scientifically innocent, but as a record for the use of future club members it seems a full and valuable compilation.

At Waikaremoana, where there were 40 at the club's after-degree camp last year, the lichens, mosses, plants, birds, insects and fresh-water life were all studied and catalogued. The shore life of the noises and bush at Coromandel and Huia are also listed. There are articles on Coromandel geology and the plankton and hydroids in the Auckland.

Tane is a polysyllabic memorial to the painstaking labour which scientific enthusiasm spurs the Field Club members to undertake.



Waal!

Professor Davis, Floridan botanist here on a Fullbright grant, had a capacity house when he showed coloured slides of scenery, natural and academic, here and in the States, to students, in the Physics theatre on a recent lunch-time. The professor is no greenhorn with a camera. Pictures and patter were of high and enjoyable standard. The show is recommended by us for universal exhibition.

Engagement

Keith Piper, the Students' representative on Council, is engaged to Miss Desley Borrie. On behalf of the Association, Exec. has extended heartiest congratulations to them.

STOP PRESS

The College Council Finance Committee has approved the renovations to the Students' Block and work will be done over the holidays.

Doh-re-mi

The Music School was well represented in the Competitions' Festival in August. The successful singers were Barbara Hyland, Kath Reardon and Bryan Cammell, while the instrumentalists were Fleur Stark, Joye Schmidt and Don Bowick. Tony Blomfield and Murray Gronwald, with Graeme Grummer, were successful entrants in the chamber music section. One of the singers had the honour of obtaining second place in the coveted James Stenberg Aria contest.

Goodwill

Catholic students hope next year to bring a refugee student to New Zealand to study at one of our colleges. U.N.O. will help if negotiations are successful. Kevin Lynch, of Catholic Society, here is looking for an Auckland family who would give the student a home.

Atoms

In a corner of the old engineering school, the Physics Dept. is setting up a high-voltage accelerator for carrying out experiments in nuclear physics. As its name implies, the machine will accelerate nuclear particles by the creation of a high-voltage electrical field. When the particles hit something, things happen which the physicists will be able to study. The accelerator will develop about 20,000 volts, and this may later be increased. A cyclotron, "an elegant accelerator," can develop voltages running into hundreds of millions. However, the Physics Dept. will be able to do valuable work with a small, yet nonetheless very expensive machine.

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"A Sad Waste of Time"

Critic sees the "Secrets of Life"

We asked Mr. Olphert to review this film. The following thoughts have been culled by the Editor from the three-thousand-word analytical appraisal which Mr. Olphert submitted.

The aim of the producers of "Secrets of Life" was avowedly educational, but I feel that the advertising and the price of the pulp booklets suggests speculation rather than educational zeal. The peep-show displays in the theatre entrance seemed designed to pander to the salacious. Significantly the film has been labelled although the film has been labelled "educational entertainment" and one Australian sheet claims with glorious confusion "it could rightfully not be misconstrued as anything salacious or immoral because it is shown only to segregated audiences."

The film tries to do too much; it points out to parents the dangers of not giving sex instruction to their children; for adolescents it provides some information and a formidable moral, and for the laughter-seekers it provides intermittent entertainment, not always intentionally.

Childbirth—Fear and Shame

The film outlines the experience of a girl of "respectable" parents who becomes pregnant, whose lover is killed and whose child dies at birth. The role of the parents might have been better portrayed by well-meaning but ineffective people. The father is of this type but the mother has an abnormal destructive horror of sexual matters. More seriously for adolescent viewers the whole sexual situation is abnormal, highly charged with the emotions and anxieties of an undesired and socially rejected pregnancy. Against this emotional background a few brief instructive illustrations of foetal development and birth are given. In the final scenes a doctor explains that the girl has been fighting for her life and the baby will die. This performance might well lead a young mind to associate permanently with sex relations and childbirth emotions of shame, fear and the concept of death. The effect on later marital adjustment might be disastrous.

Throughout, the film upholds sex morality at the level of uncritical acceptance of group standards, which it supports by an implicit fear motive. (After conception the girls says: "I feel like a leper, unclean and not fit to associate with my friends"). But sex relationship must be set in a general framework accepted by each individual. My inclination is to take as a guide the quality of the psychological relationship involved; others

may reasonably prefer religious or philosophical ideals.

In the film, sex instruction is given in a high school. All educators agree that parents are the best teachers of the "secrets of life" and all agree that children should have adequate knowledge before puberty. However, few parents provide such information, so that if such lessons were voluntary, graded sex instruction in intermediate and post-primary schools could do much good. Films would be valuable here.

For "Average People"

But in the commercial cinema with its varied audience the film cannot deal directly with the subject as it should. When entertainment and fiction even of the documentary kind is mixed with instruction, and profit, not prestige is the basis, the material suffers.

In an interval, Mr. Elliot Forbes addressed the audience. The gist of his message was that "the secret of sensible sex is nothing more than being sensible." He then outlined the contents of "two of the finest books I have ever had the privilege and pleasure of reading." "Do you middle-aged men in the audience feel that you are missing out on life? Read this chapter and it'll put that old sparkle back in your eye." The "fearless commentator" seemed rather to be a cheerful American extrovert unaware of his own ineptness.

Speaking to me afterwards, Mr. Forbes explained the difficulties of speaking to an audience with a wide range of intellectual attainment and power to comprehend. He was aiming not at intellectuals but average people.

Although the books give questionable advice on some matters, they do provide for ordinary persons a sufficient systematised background of knowledge to instruct their children as required. They rightly emphasise psychological relationships, thus avoiding the common pitfall of such publications, which tend to emphasise physiology exclusively. The treatment of sex information in childhood is commendable, except that the role of the father should be explained from the beginning. The treatment of masturbation, while better than the still sporadic outbursts of vicious loathing and condemnation, could be still more liberal. The statements on sterilisation are motivated more by advanced fanaticism than by any sound notions of heredity.

Wow!

The W.H.C. has ideas about colour schemes for their common room: "Cream with a nuance of green" announced Cree Munro.

Biassed comment: "A dream with a nuance of nausea."

SABBATIC TOURISTS

Many Professors will Follow Studies and the Sun

*I went to Frankfort and got drunk,
With that most learn'd professor
Brunck;*

*I went to Wortz and got more
drunken,
With that more learn'd professor
Ruhnken.*

... So, 200 years ago, wrote Richard Porson, a classical scholar of some note. Such charming candour is rare in one so learned; what a fine fellow he must have been!

Next year the cloisters will clang a semitone lower with the departure of eight A.U.C. professors and four other ranks on Sabbatical or special leave. (It's not suggested that Richard's experience will be theirs, of course; but his poem was too rich to leave out of even the most temperate company).

All the tourists will be brushing up aspects of their subjects, some going to out-of-the-way places. For many who have not travelled since pre-war days it will be a long-awaited chance to see old sights and meet friends and masters of their student days.

Professor Rodwell leaves for England in November. He will study methods of teaching Economic History and make a general survey of the subject, particularly those aspects which affect New Zealand closely. Dollars permitting, he hopes to visit the United States on his way home, having a look at teaching methods there.

Professor Rutherford: My reasons for going are two. First, I shall meet fellow professors in England and South Africa. Second, I am preparing a study of Sir George Grey. I have done a lot here and will forward my work in London in the Records Office, and later in South Africa, where he was Governor. I may have time to spend in Australia to study his work there, but if not, I can catch up on that later. That all you want to know?

*Lugete homines . . .
Professor Blaiklockius, doctor doctissimus, in animo habet
In Europam proficisci.*

*Magnopere studet,
Id quod plurimi novimus,
Romanorum res militares.
His discendis operam dabit.
Romae et Neapoli
sub terram descendet
ruinas archeologicas
spectandi causa.*

*Tum in Gallia, in terra antiqua
(quae noniam in tres partes divisa est)*

*Julii Caesaris castra videbit.
Legiones secutus in ultimam Britanniam
ad murum Hadriani conspiciendum
iter faciet. In bibliothecis,
museis et academiis,
doctor hic doctissimus
se abscondet.
Tum "interger vitae scelerisque purus"
(ita speramus!)
maxime eruditus, sapientissimus,
rursus ad novam Zealandiam navigabit.*

(Answer on page 7)

Cricketeres

Last season the Women's Cricket Club came third on points in the Senior and Intermediate competitions. Evelyn Simmons, Ineca Van Leyden and Deirdre de Clive Lowe reached the Auckland XI, and Beverly Rudd, Deirdre and Marjory Lowe played in the second XI.

With the standard of play improving another successful season is expected. Play starts at Melville Park at the end of October. See Deirdre de Clive Lowe in the library.

Debating Club

This year the College Debating Club has suffered from lack of organisation. However, the annual meeting has endeavoured to rectify this. The new chairman is Jim Chamley (Law), and Selwyn Hetherington (O'Rorke Hall) is secretary. Students wishing to take part in next year's debates should leave a note in the letter rack.

A pleasant ceremony at the annual meeting was a presentation to the retiring president, Professor Rodwell. In making the presentation, Rod Smith referred to the invaluable assistance given the club by Professor Rodwell over a long period. The new president is Professor Davis.

Next year a touring team from the British Universities should be in Auckland.

World Student Relief

The World Student Relief organisation was formed in 1943 to provide material assistance to students in war-ravaged universities. The agreement under which W.S.R. was formed expired on September 30th and I.U.S. has decided not to participate in any extension. As a result W.S.R. has dissolved and a new body called World University Service has come into being to continue its work and to extend it in the field cultural relations exchanges between countries. The effect of this change is that the Communistically dominated I.U.S. has withdrawn from its only international affiliation.

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PROCESH PLANS

Shorter Route Proposed

New ideas for improving the Carnival procession were produced at a special meeting held recently. There were about 60 present, an indication of the wide interest there is in the planning. On the basis of what was said at the meeting, the Carnival Committee has produced a report, the gist of which is . . .

The City Council will be asked to permit slower travel.

A shorter route suggested is up Symonds Street and down Queen Street, "making the bottom of Queen Street the climax and finish."

Suggested women's beauty floats "to give dignity and taste."

A limited number of trucks to be allotted to the clubs submitting the best designs. Trucks to be at Varsity by nine a.m. if possible.

Plenty of publicity on radio and screen.

John Buckland, Chairman of Carnival Committee, has requested the Principal that no exams be held on "the day" and two days before. Mr. Maidment will consult the Professorial Board.

The Committee disapproves of a suggestion that the Carnival should be held in the first week of the vacation. Most boarders would then have gone home.

Committee members: John Buckland, chairman; John Miller, secretary; Augusta Dunlop, business manager; Rod Smith, treasurer; David Stanley, Editor; John Davenport, Proccesh; Graham Horne, Censor; Alan Gordon, Revue.

IMPORTANT NEWS

Fresher's Handbook

A "freshers" handbook" will be distributed during Orientation Week next year. Club secretaries are asked to forward details of club activities to the Chairman, Publications Committee, by 15th December. A general outline of the club's aims, activities planned for the coming year, committee-list and details of "how-to-join" are wanted.

LETTER TO EDITOR

(From Gibb Pinfold)

Dave—

After-Degree Ball will be held in the College Hall and Room 19 on Friday, November 24th, from 8.30 p.m. until God knows when—at the same low price of admission as last year.

Epi is supplying the music. A very experienced group has been engaged to handle the decorations.

—GIBB.

Australia

There are two people going to Australia on the Exchange scheme. They are Dene Sadgrove and Dickson Reilly, and they leave on the Monowai in December. Harold Mead was going to go, but can't. He will sell his £6 deposit for £3 — enquiries to Rosalie Goodyear, Exec. room.

N.Z. Tour

An American student at the College with a car wants to spend six to eight weeks of the vacation on a camping tour of New Zealand. He wants one or two chaps to accompany him, sharing expenses. Leave a note in Craccum box.

"Kiwi"

A "medium of serious creative work"—the next issue of "Kiwi"—will be sold during enrolment next year. Contributions will be accepted until 15th December, and should be left in the Executive letter box.

HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

Next year we must stage a successful Carnival week, and redeem ourselves in the minds of the public. It is our turn to hold Easter Tournament, and as this is one time when A.U.C. is on "display" to the other Colleges, it's essential that we turn on a good show.

Tournaments are very good fun—when they are held at other Colleges. When they are held at home they mean hard work. The more helpers there are the less work there will be for everyone, and we shall have a good time.

Tournament will be very early next year—in the third week. Carnival will also be early. I earnestly appeal to you all to lend a hand in helping to make them a success. On the organising side helpers are always welcome, but what we most want are billets for Tournament and ideas for Carnival.

Contact John Miller, Tony Greenough or Chris Parr on all Tournament matters and John Buckland on all matters relating to Carnival.

M. S. BRITTAIN, President.

Graduation Ball, 1951

The 1951 Graduation Ball will probably be held in the College Hall. The executive recently considered a motion that it be held in the Town Hall, but after the Chairman of the Social Committee (Gibb Pinfold) said he did not favour the idea, the matter was allowed to drop. The principal objection to the use of the College Hall appeared to be insufficient room.

Club Cyclostyling

The Association's Gestetner is now under the control of Mrs. Chisholm, and clubs wishing to use it should consult her.

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(By the Editor, Revue Book, 1951)

Greetings, gentle folk!

What could you do with three pounds? We aren't exactly offering you three pounds for nothing, but all you have to do is get your genius on the job and dash off a few lines of verse or an article or two for next year's capping book. Sane or otherwise according to taste. I.Q., etc. You haven't time? Don't hand us that one. You've got nine months or thereabouts—does that sound suggestive? And just think of those five handsome prizes of two and three guineas—not to mention the Prestige of being a Widely Read Author. It's money for jam—but mind your article doesn't get us in a jam!

Carnival Committee has some definite ideas for Capping Book 1951. These have not been finalised, but we shall be giving you the details before the end of term. Closing date for copy will be early in the first term next year, when the material submitted will be judged by Mr. Joseph of the English Department. Photos are also required, and there will be prizes for these too.

While you're on the job, how about some sizzling, new ideas for Review scripts? Sketches and short items are needed in plenty for the new kind of Review we'll be staging in 1951. There will be excellent prizes going in this department as well—so why work in the freezing works over the vacation? Just sit down and write for Review and Capping Book and make some easy money.

—R.D.S.

HOLIDAY DOINGS

Catholic Society

The final Knocknagree Camp of the year at which Catholic Society members will welcome next year's freshers, will be held on December 9 and 10. There will be a wind-up dance in the Social Centre in Pitt Street on Wednesday, December 13. The Annual Congress will be held at Raumati Camp, near Paraparaumu, January 20-22. Victoria students will be hosts. At a recent conference of the U.C.S.N.Z. Mr. John Reid was re-elected President and Kevin O'Connor, of Massey, Vice-President.

S.C.M.

The annual Congress of the Student Christian Movement will be held this year at Knox College, Dunedin. Dates are December 28 to January 5.

Matterhorn is Easy

Following is part of a letter sent by Bruce Morton, A.U.C. Rutherford Scholar now in Cambridge. With Mr Cecil Segedin, Maths lecturer here, and Ed Hillary of the Alpine Club he has been climbing in Switzerland.

"Your prediction that we should climb the Matterhorn turned out to be incorrect although I may be able to do something about that later; we were beaten off by a violent thunderstorm the night before we were to climb. Not that there is any difficulty in doing the Matterhorn by the standard route, in fact if you were to go to Zermatt, you could do it yourself with a guide. These guides stand around the main street and every time they see a likely victim they go and start the sales talk—it does not matter whether the victim has never climbed anything more than Mt. Eden as long as he is reasonably fit and agile, and is prepared to part with £8/10/- in Swiss francs. I can assure you that this is true as they did it to us, without any noticeable success. They find a few "suckers" though and apparently they literally drag them up on a rope's end over any difficult patch. As we were going up to the Hornlihutte in preparation for our

Professor Blaiklock

Professor Blaiklock, who, as most know, is interested in Roman military history, will spend his Sabbatical year on an archeological survey. He will visit Naples and Rome, the encampments of Caesar in France and Hadrian's wall in Britain, besides the museums, libraries and universities, which shelter the most important remnants of the Roman age. But it is the dust and bricks, not the books, in which Dr. Blaiklock is mainly interested.

"I shall have quite a round of lectures, too," he said. "In Dublin I'm to speak to the Rotary Club, the Classical Society, the Y.M.C.A. and possibly the E.U. The same speech will obviously not serve all four, so I shall be busy."

Of the other travelling professors we know less. Professor Cumberland of the Geography Dept., who was to go earlier this year, is not now certain whether he will be taking his leave or not.

own attempt we passed one or two very subdued Americans trotting down after their guides and looking as though this climbing business was vastly overrated."

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