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MASSIVE RECREATIONAL FACILITIES FOR SHA TIN
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SHA TIN, LONG A POPULAR HOLIDAY SPOT WITH CITY DWELLERS, IS TO GET VAST NEW RECREATIONAL FACILITIES TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE 500,000 PEOPLE WHO WILL LIVE IN SHA TIN NEW TOWN BY 1985.

UNDER THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT'S OUTLINE DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE NEW TOWN, MILES OF NATURE TRAILS AND HUNDREDS OF ACRES OF NATURAL RESERVES WILL BE PROVIDED FOR THE ENJOYMENT OF THE NEWCOMERS, TOGETHER WITH MODERN SPORTS GROUNDS, SWIMMING POOLS AND A NETWORK OF SPECIAL CYCLE PATHS.

DETAILS OF THE PROPOSED RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENTS ARE BEING MADE PUBLIC FOR THE FIRST TIME AS PART OF THE SHA TIN NEW TOWN EXHIBITION NOW BEING HELD AT THE LEK YUEN ESTATE IN SHA TIN BY THE P.W.D.'S NEW TERRITORIES DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT (N.T.D.D.).

THE EXHIBITION IS OPEN FROM 10 A.M. TO 7 P.M. UNTIL THURSDAY IN THE LEK YUEN COMMERCIAL COMPLEX.

MR. JOHN DON, THE N.T.D.D.'S SHA TIN NEW TOWN PROJECT MANAGER, SAID TODAY THE SECTION ON RECREATION WAS PROVING TO BE ONE OF THE MOST POPULAR FEATURES OF THE EXHIBITION.

HE SAID : +SINCE THE EXHIBITION OPENED LAST SATURDAY WE'VE HAD THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE COMING TO SEE FOR THEMSELVES HOW THE NEW TOWN WILL DEVELOP AS A PLEASANT AND COMPLETE COMMUNITY. AT THE WEEKEND THEY WERE COMING THROUGH AT THE RATE OF ABOUT 1,500 AN HOUR.

+IT HAS BEEN ESPECIALLY GRATIFYING TO SEE THAT NOT ONLY HAVE PEOPLE FROM SHA TIN AND THE SURROUNDING AREA BEEN COMING, BUT ALSO BUSLOAD AFTER BUSLOAD FROM VARIOUS AREAS OF KOWLOON FROM WHICH WE WOULD EXPECT TO DRAW MUCH OF SHA TIN NEW TOWN'S POPULATION GROWTH. EVEN THE EXTRA BUSES LAID ON BY THE KOWLOON MOTOR BUS COMPANY ON ITS NO. 89 KWUN TONG-SHA TIN ROUTE WERE PACKED, AND WE'VE BEEN SELLING OUT STOCKS OF MAPS ON SHA TIN SO QUICKLY WE'VE HAD TO BRING IN EXTRA SUPPLIES.+

MR. DON SAID THAT SHA TIN, WITH ITS BEAUTIFUL NATURAL SETTING, OFFERED IMMENSE POTENTIAL AS A RECREATIONAL AREA, AND P.W.D. PLANNERS HAD LAID GREAT STRESS ON CONSERVING ITS NATURAL ASSETS OR ENHANCING THEM.

ONE NOVEL FEATURE OF THE NEW TOWN, HE SAID, WOULD BE A NETWORK OF PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE PATHS, WHICH HAD BEEN DESIGNED AS A RECREATIONAL AMENITY AS WELL AS A MEANS OF COMMUNICATION.

+THESE FOOTPATHS AND CYCLE TRACKS WILL BE COMPLETELY SEPARATED FROM THE MAIN ROADS, AND WILL LINK MOST OF THE MAJOR LEISURE AREAS WITHIN THE TOWN AND THE NATURAL RESERVES ON THE OUTSKIRTS.+ HE SAID.

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+THE CYCLE PATHS WILL ALSO SERVE AS A COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM, AND WE EXPECT THE BICYCLE TO BECOME A MAJOR FORM OF SAFE, POLLUTION-FREE TRANSPORT IN THE NEW TOWN.+

MR. DON SAID THAT MANY OF THE SHA TIN VALLEY'S TREE-COVERED RIDGES AND NATURAL SKYLINES WOULD BE RETAINED UNDER THE NEW TOWN PLAN. +IN OTHER AREAS AFFECTED BY DEVELOPMENT WORKS, THERE WILL BE A MAJOR PROGRAMME OF TREE AND SHRUB PLANTING AND OF LANDSCAPING GENERALLY TO IMPROVE THE LIVING ENVIRONMENT OF THE RESIDENTS,+ HE SAID.

CERTAIN AREAS AROUND THE VALLEY'S PERIMETER HAD BEEN DESIGNATED AS 'GREEN BELT' AND SET ASIDE FOR HIKING, PICNICKING AND GENERAL RECREATION.

A TOTAL OF 113 HECTARES (280 ACRES) OF VERDANT SLOPE SOUTH OF LION ROCK TUNNEL WOULD BE INCORPORATED IN THE ADJOINING LION ROCK COUNTRY PARK.

MR. DON SAID THE P.W.D. PLANNERS HAD ALSO RESERVED 47 HECTARES (118 ACRES) OF LAND SURROUNDING THE NEW TOWN AS OPEN SPACE, TO PROVIDE PARKS, SPORTS GROUNDS, NATURAL RESERVES, SWIMMING POOLS AND PICNIC AREAS.

ONE OF THE MAJOR RECREATIONAL FEATURES OF THE NEW TOWN WOULD BE A GIANT SPORTS STADIUM CAPABLE OF HOLDING 28,000 SPECTATORS. THE STADIUM WOULD BE LOCATED NEAR THE SHA TIN WAI ROAD JUNCTION, EASILY ACCESSIBLE FROM KOWLOON AND AREAS NORTH OF SHA TIN.

+APART FROM THE MAIN RECREATIONAL AREAS, THERE WILL BE OPEN SPACE TO SERVE EACH HOUSING ESTATE IN THE NEW TOWN AND EACH ESTATE WILL HAVE ITS OWN PLAYGROUNDS,+ SAID MR. DON. +A TOTAL OF 14 HECTARES (35 ACRES) HAVE BEEN EXPRESSLY RESERVED FOR THIS PURPOSE.+

MR. DON SAID THAT IN ADDITION TO NORMAL OPEN SPACE, THE SHING MUN RIVER, WHICH WOULD FLOW THROUGH THE CENTRE OF THE NEW TOWN, ALSO PROVIDED GREAT POTENTIAL FOR RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT.

THE RIVER WOULD BE REALIGNED, DREDGED AND CLEANED, AND WOULD PROVIDE A PLEASANT VENUE FOR BOATING. THE RIVER'S BANKS WOULD BE TRANSFORMED INTO 10 HECTARES (25 ACRES) OF SCENIC PARKLANDS AND PROMENADES.

THE CALM WATERS OF SHA TIN HOI (TIDE COVE), TO THE WEST OF THE NEW TOWN, WOULD ALSO PROVIDE ANOTHER OUTLET FOR BOATING ENTHUSIASTS.

+AND WHEN THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB'S INTERNATIONAL CLASS RACE TRACK IN SHA TIN OPENS IN OCTOBER 1978, RACING ENTHUSIASTS WILL NO LONGER HAVE TO TRAVEL ALL THE WAY TO HONG KONG ISLAND FOR THIS POPULAR SPORT,+ HE SAID.

+THE EIGHT HECTARES (20 ACRES) OF PARKLANDS IN THE CENTRE OF THE RACE-COURSE WILL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC ON NON-RACE DAYS TO PROVIDE ANOTHER PLEASANT RECREATIONAL OUTLET FOR THE NEW TOWN'S RESIDENTS.+

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PLAN VIGOROUSLY FOR FUTURE, CHINESE U. URGED

THE GOVERNOR, SIR MURRAY MACLEHOSE, SAID TODAY THAT THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY SHOULD, AS IT IS DOING, TAKE STOCK OF THE PAST AND PLAN VIGOROUSLY FOR THE FUTURE SO THAT BOTH TECHNICALLY AND ORGANISATIONALLY IT MAY BE EQUIPPED FOR THE TASKS AHEAD.

IN VIEW OF THE CHANGES IN THE UNIVERSITY AND THE COMMUNITY OVER THE YEARS, HE ADDED THAT NEW EFFORTS WOULD BE REQUIRED TO MEET THE HEAVY DEMANDS OF OUR RAPIDLY DEVELOPING CITY AND TO ENABLE OUR YOUNG PEOPLE TO MAKE, AS THEY WISH, AN EVER INCREASING CONTRIBUTION TO IT.

THE GOVERNOR WAS SPEAKING AT THE OPENING OF THE UNIVERSITY'S POSTGRADUATE HALL, WHICH HE SAID MARKED A NEW ERA IN THE HISTORY OF THE UNIVERSITY.

THE POSTGRADUATE HALL, SIR MURRAY SAID, WAS THE FIRST RESIDENCE FOR STUDENTS WHERE GRADUATES AND UNDERGRADUATES IRRESPECTIVE OF THEIR COLLEGE OR FACULTY AFFILIATIONS MIGHT MIX TOGETHER FREELY. IT WAS A NATURAL DEVELOPMENT FROM THE COMING TOGETHER OF ALL THREE FOUNDATION COLLEGES ON ONE CAMPUS.

HE SAID THAT TOGETHER WITH THE COLLEGE HOSTELS, THE HALL WOULD PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF CORPORATE AND INTELLECTUAL LIFE AMONG STUDENTS AND SERVE AS A COMMUNICATIONS CENTRE BETWEEN LOCAL AND VISITING SCHOLARS.

SIR MURRAY POINTED OUT: A GOOD UNIVERSITY IS NOT JUST A KNOWLEDGE MACHINE BUT A GROUPING OF PEOPLE.

HE SAID THE RIGHT ATMOSPHERE IN WHICH TEACHER AND STUDENTS COULD BOTH GIVE OF THEIR BEST COULD ONLY BE ACHIEVED IF ALL FEEL THEY BELONG TO A COMMUNITY IN WHICH THEY TAKE PRIDE, A COMMUNITY OF SCHOLARS DEDICATED TO LEARNING.

DESPITE ITS RELATIVELY SHORT HISTORY AND ITS TRIPARTITE ORIGINS, SIR MURRAY NOTED, THE UNIVERSITY HAD ACHIEVED THE CORPORATE SENSE.

THE GOVERNOR SAID THAT AS THE UNIVERSITY STEADILY EXPANDED IN SIZE, THE COMMUNITY OF HONG KONG WHICH IT SERVED HAD ALSO BECOME BIGGER AND INTERNATIONALLY MORE IMPORTANT. IT HAD ALSO CHANGED ITS ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS, OFFERING EVER WIDER OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE APPLICATION OF THE PROFESSIONAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCES AS WELL AS MANAGERIAL SKILLS OF THE HIGHEST ORDER.

HE SAID THE FUTURE EXPANSION OF THE UNIVERSITY WOULD INCLUDE A SECOND MEDICAL SCHOOL. SUCH A SCHOOL, HE SAID, WOULD MEET BOTH THE OBVIOUS NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY, AND ALSO WISH OF THE UNIVERSITY TO GIVE A HEAVIER WEIGHTING TO THE PROFESSIONAL FACULTIES.

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LABOUR INSPECTORS CAN ENTER FACTORIES UNDER LAW

PROPRIETORS OF FACTORIES AND INDUSTRIAL UNDERTAKINGS ARE REMINDED THAT MEMBERS OF THE FACTORY AND LABOUR INSPECTORATE OF THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT ARE AUTHORISED BY LAW TO ENTER, INSPECT AND EXAMINE AT ALL REASONABLE TIMES, DAY OR NIGHT, ALL FACTORIES AND INDUSTRIAL ESTABLISHMENTS.

A LABOUR DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY: +ANYONE WHO OBSTRUCTS OR DELAYS ANY OFFICER IN THE EXERCISE OF HIS DUTIES IS LIABLE TO A HEAVY PENALTY UPON CONVICTION UNDER EITHER THE FACTORIES AND INDUSTRIAL UNDERTAKINGS ORDINANCE OR THE SUMMARY OFFENCES ORDINANCE+.

HE WAS COMMENTING ON A CASE IN THE NORTH KOWLOON MAGISTRACY YESTERDAY (MONDAY) MORNING IN WHICH THE MAGISTRATE, MR. W.J. MCCLEALLAND,, SENTENCED A MAN, YEUNG SHIK PO, TO A FINE OF \$1,000 OR THREE MONTHS IMPRISONMENT FOR OBSTRUCTING A PUBLIC OFFICER IN THE EXECUTION OF HIS DUTY.

THE COURT WAS TOLD THAT YEUNG OF THE HOI TAK GARMENT MANUFACTURING CO., LTD. IN CHEUNG SHA WAN PREVENTED A LABOUR INSPECTOR WHO VISITED THE FACTORY LAST FRIDAY (MARCH 12) MORNING FROM TAKING DOWN INFORMATION IN THE COURSE OF HIS DUTY.

THE INSPECTOR, WHO WAS FROM THE WOMEN AND YOUNG PERSONS UNIT, FOUND FEMALE WORKERS AT WORK IN THE PREMISES AT 8.30 A.M. DURING THE VISIT.

PASSING SENTENCE, MR. MCCLEALLAND URGED PEOPLE TO BE POLITE TO CIVIL SERVANTS WHO WERE PERFORMING OFFICIAL DUTIES.

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DEATH SENTENCE COMMUTED

THE GOVERNOR, AFTER TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION THE ADVICE OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, HAS DECIDED THAT THE DEATH SENTENCE PASSED ON AUGUST 8, 1975 ON LAM TIN-YAU SHOULD BE COMMUTED TO A TERM OF 20 YEARS' IMPRISONMENT.

HE WAS FOUND GUILTY OF THE MURDER OF YEUNG KWAI-YIN.

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NEW TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS IN KWUN TONG

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TRAFFIC IN SEVERAL STREETS WILL BE RE-ROUTED AND RESTRICTIONS ON PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES INTRODUCED IN KWUN TONG AND NGAU TAU KOK FROM 10 A.M. ON FRIDAY (MARCH 19).

THE TRAFFIC RE-ROUTING WILL AFFECT THE FOLLOWING STREETS :
TUNG MING STREET BETWEEN KUNG LOK ROAD AND YEE ON STREET WILL BECOME ONE-WAY SOUTHBOUND= HANG ON STREET WILL BE ONE-WAY EASTBOUND= YEE ON STREET BETWEEN TUNG MING STREET AND LUEN ON STREET WILL BE ONE-WAY WESTBOUND= LUEN ON STREET WILL BECOME ONE-WAY NORTHBOUND BETWEEN HANG ON STREET AND YEE ON STREET, AND TWO-WAY BETWEEN YEE ON STREET AND NGAU TAU KOK ROAD= AND HORSE SHOE LANE WILL BE RE-ROUTED ONE-WAY ANTI-CLOCKWISE.

THE PUBLIC LIGHT BUS RESTRICTIONS WILL PROHIBIT STOPPING TO PICK UP OR SET DOWN PASSENGERS IN THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS OF ROAD FROM 10 A.M. ON FRIDAY :

- * THE NORTHBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF HONG NING ROAD BETWEEN NGAU TAU KOK ROAD AND YEE ON STREET AND THE SOUTHBOUND CARRIAGEWAY BETWEEN MUT WAH STREET AND KWUN TONG ROAD DURING THE HOURS 7 A.M. TO MIDNIGHT DAILY=
- * NGAU TAU KOK ROAD BETWEEN TUNG MING STREET AND A POINT ABOUT 25 YARDS WEST OF LUEN ON STREET AND BETWEEN THE LINK ROAD WITH KWUN TONG ROAD AND A POINT ABOUT 50 YARDS TO THE NORTH OF THE BUS TERMINUS FROM 7 A.M. TO MIDNIGHT DAILY.
- * ON TAK ROAD FOR ABOUT 135 YARDS FROM ITS JUNCTION WITH NGAU TAU KOK ROAD FROM 7 A.M. TO 10 A.M. AND 4 P.M. TO 7 P.M. DAILY.

AT THE SAME TIME AS THESE PLB RESTRICTIONS COME INTO EFFECT THREE NEW PLB STANDS WILL BE INTRODUCED. THEY ARE AT THE EAST END OF HORSE SHOE LANE= ON YEE ON STREET= AND OUTSIDE BLOCK 9 OF THE UPPER NGAU TAU KOK ESTATE. THE EXISTING STAND ON THE EASTBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF NGAU TAU KOK ROAD NEAR HONG NING ROAD WILL BE CANCELLED.

THE NEW ARRANGEMENTS ARE INTENDED TO REDUCE TRAFFIC CONGESTION IN NGAU TAU KOK ROAD, ESPECIALLY NEAR TUNG MING STREET, THE LUTHERAN SCHOOL AND THE BUS TERMINUS. TRAFFIC SIGNS WILL BE PUT UP TO GUIDE MOTORISTS AND PLB DRIVERS.

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LAND SALES IN N.T. RAISE \$3.8M

TWO LOTS OF CROWN LAND IN THE NEW TERRITORIES WERE SOLD FOR A TOTAL OF \$3.85 MILLION AT SEPARATE AUCTIONS TODAY.

THE FIRST SALE, OF 5,500 SQ. FT. OF LAND IN THE CENTRAL AREA OF YUEN LONG, REALISED \$1.49 MILLION. IT WAS SOLD TO SUN HUNG KAI PROPERTIES LIMITED AT A PRICE OF \$271 PER SQ. FT. THE LAND IS TO BE USED FOR NON-INDUSTRIAL PURPOSES ONLY.

THE AUCTION TOOK PLACE AT YUEN LONG TOWN HALL AND WAS CONDUCTED BY MR. BOB POPE, SENIOR ESTATE SURVEYOR, YUEN LONG DISTRICT OFFICE.

IN THE SECOND AUCTION, WHICH TOOK PLACE AT THE SAI KUNG DISTRICT OFFICE, AN AREA TOTALLING 7,770 SQ. FT. ON THE SAI KUNG RECLAMATION WENT FOR \$2.36 MILLION. THE LAND, FOR INDUSTRIAL PURPOSES ONLY, WAS BOUGHT BY JUBILEE INVESTMENT LIMITED AT \$303 PER SQ. FT.

BUILDINGS ON THE LAND ARE NOT TO EXCEED 65 FEET IN HEIGHT.

THERE WERE TEN BIDDERS AT THE AUCTION, WHICH WAS CONDUCTED BY MR. VINCENT CHU KAI-YUEN, SENIOR ESTATE SURVEYOR, SAI KUNG DISTRICT OFFICE.

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TURNING RESTRICTIONS IN YAU MA TEI

A NUMBER OF TURNING MOVEMENTS FOR VEHICLES WILL BE RESTRICTED IN YAU MA TEI FROM TOMORROW AND FRIDAY MORNING TO FACILITATE THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE METRO IN NATHAN ROAD.

THE TURNING MOVEMENTS THAT WILL BE RESTRICTED FROM 10 A.M. TOMORROW ARE THE LEFT TURN FROM WING SING LANE INTO NATHAN ROAD NORTHBOUND AND THE LEFT TURN FROM CHANG SHA STREET INTO NATHAN ROAD NORTHBOUND.

ON FRIDAY MORNING, THE FOLLOWING TURNING MOVEMENTS WILL BE RESTRICTED: THE RIGHT TURN FROM JORDAN ROAD INTO NATHAN ROAD SOUTHBOUND- THE RIGHT TURN FROM NATHAN ROAD INTO JORDAN ROAD EASTBOUND- AND THE RIGHT TURN FROM NATHAN ROAD INTO JORDAN ROAD WESTBOUND.

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SUPPLEMENT

Tuesday, March 16, 1976

PLAN VIGOROUSLY FOR THE FUTURE, CHINESE U URGED

The following is the text of the Governor's speech at the opening of the Postgraduate Hall of the Chinese University:

Mr. Vice-Chancellor, Ladies and Gentlemen:

We are here today to thank our benefactors who have made possible the construction of this Postgraduate Hall complex to celebrate its opening, and I think also to reaffirm our confidence in the future of our University.

It is normal for universities to start with a partnership of private benefactors and government, with the public purse playing progressively predominant role as it comes to be accepted that higher education for ever-increasing numbers is essential to the social and economic health of the community.

So it has been with our University which is so deeply rooted in all that is best in the hopes and ambitions of Hong Kong, and many buildings like this have been erected wholly or in part through the public spirit of dedicated individuals.

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This is the first residence for students from all the University where graduates and undergraduates irrespective of their college of faculty affiliations may mix together freely. This marks a new era in the history of the University, and is a natural development from the coming together of all three Foundation Colleges on one campus. Together with the College hostels, it will play an important role in the development of corporate and intellectual life among students and serve as a communications centre between local and visiting scholars.

I feel sure this new concept accords with both the needs of the University and the intentions of the benefactors. And I would like to add my thanks to those of the Vice-Chancellor to those who have contributed to this building. The Ho Tung family which has done so much for Hong Kong, and those who subscribed to commemorate Sir Cho-yu Kwan, who played such a decisive part in the formation and direction of this University during its first 8 years, and who died as he had lived in the service of Hong Kong.

A good university is not just a knowledge machine but a grouping of people. And the right atmosphere in which teachers and students can both give of their best can only be achieved if all feel they belong to a community in which they take pride, a community of scholars dedicated to learning. This sense of community can best be created through common purpose and common corporate life. And this in turn presupposes an organization in which teaching and learning and living and working and playing together are facilitated through the proper full and complementary functioning of all its many parts.

It has not been easy for this University to achieve this corporate sense because its history is relatively short and because of its tripartite origins. But it has achieved it, and this says much for the enthusiasm and vision of all concerned.

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There have been great changes since this University was founded. The University itself has steadily expanded in size, the community of Hong Kong which it serves has also not only become bigger and internationally more important, it has also changed its economic characteristics, offering ever wider opportunities for the application of the professional and social sciences as well as managerial skills of the highest order.

Though it has not yet been decided what the rate of expansion of this University will be in the next quadrennium, further expansion there will certainly be and this will include a second medical school. Such a school will meet both the obvious needs of the community, and also the wish of the University to give a heavier weighting to the professional faculties. These developments have been and will be great indeed, but even the environment of the University will also change and within a measurable time it will be on the edge of a new township of 500,000 in which will be its own teaching hospital.

The University has now existed for more than a decade, and with changes of such a scale in the University itself and in the community having already taken place, and with the prospect of more change to come, it is right and natural that the University should, as it is doing, take stock of the past and plan vigorously for the future so that both technically and organizationally it may be equipped for the tasks ahead.

New efforts will be required to meet the heavy demands of our rapidly developing city and to enable our young people to make, as they wish, an ever increasing contribution to it. In these efforts both the existing staff, who have already done so much, and those yet to come in the future, will have many great opportunities. I am confident that our University will rise to these new challenges in the way its benefactors and the whole community expect.