

STAFF NOTES

Mr. Jeff Galbraith, clerk, Head Office, left the Department on February 17 to commence studies at the University of Western Australia. He has enrolled in the Faculty of Science and will be studying toward a Bachelor of Science Degree in Agriculture. We wish him every success in his new field.

With the commencement of yet another academic year, Pat Mahoney and Kurt Ammerer have enrolled for subjects in the Associateship in Public Administration. Both hope to complete the course this year. Bob Baker is continuing his studies toward a Diploma in Accountancy. Andy Skriener will be studying a unit in statistics at the University. All are Head Office clerks.

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Two members of our Head Office staff have been asked to conduct part time lectures in Public Administration subjects at Perth Technical College this year.

Jim Mearns has been asked to conduct lectures for a class in Public Administration I, while Pat Mahoney will be lecturing two classes in office administration. Both of these officers have completed their Diploma in Public Administration.

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David I. Heald has been selected as a Cadet Research Officer in the Fisheries Branch and will be commencing studies at the University of Western Australia this year.

Mr. Heald obtained passes in English, French, German, Mathematics A, Mathematics B, Physics and Chemistry in the Leaving Certificate examinations last year.

DOLPHINS IN THE RIVER

A dolphin was sighted in Blackwall Reach recently. The sighting was made by Des Gooding, of the Agriculture Protection Board. Mr. Gooding was fishing from a small boat when the dolphin appeared, accompanied by a solitary cormorant. The dolphin stayed in the area for 20 minutes. A further sighting was made several hours later.

Inspector Hammond has reported that a school of 8 dolphins was seen in the river near Claremont. The sighting was made about the same time as that reported by Mr. Gooding.