

#### 1968.0001 PAPERS OF SIR GEORGE WHITECROSS PATON 1951-1963

Creator	Paton, Professor Sir George Whitecross
Creator's Activity/Occupation	Academics - Law - Vice-chancellors - Art galleries

### Biography:

G.W. Paton was a graduate of Scotch College, the University of Melbourne and Magdalen College, Oxford from 1926 to 1929. In the following year he became Barrister-at-Law and lectured in Law at the London School of Economics, He was Professor of Jurisprudence at the University of Melbourne from 1931. Dean of Law from 1943 and was appointed Vice-Chancellor in 1951. Sir George chaired the Olympic Games Fine Arts Committee 1953 to 1957, and the National Library Enquiry Committee in 1956 (see below). The Federal Government's Roval Commission on Television, to which Sir George was appointed chairman in February 1953, consisted of C.B. Bednall, Mrs. Maud Foxton, R.G. Osborne, R.C. Wilson and N.S. Young. Its object was to enable Australia to profit from the experience of other countries in introducing and controlling television. The enquiry considered the numbers of national and commercial channels to be established, the economics involved and standards to be observed. In 1956 the Federal Government established a committee, chaired by Paton, "to examine the whole guestion of control of the National Library and its functions" and advise on possible changes, the central problem being that the National Library was controlled by a Parliamentary committee but performed many services unconnected with Parliament, while financial responsibility for it lay with the Prime Minister's Department. The chief result following the presentation of the Committee's Report was the separation of the National Library from the Parliamentary Library and the establishment of a separate Archival Authority (this authority having been vested in the Library from 1952) over the Commonwealth's Archives. Paton retired as Vice-Chancellor in 1968 and died in 1985.G.W. Paton was a graduate of Scotch College, the University of Melbourne and Magdalen College, Oxford from 1926 to 1929. In the following year he became Barrister-at-Law and lectured in Law at the London School of Economics. He was Professor of Jurisprudence at the University of Melbourne from 1931, Dean of Law from 1943 and was appointed Vice- Chancellor in 1951. Sir George chaired the Olympic Games Fine Arts Committee 1953 to 1957, and the National Library Enquiry Committee in 1956 (see below). The Federal Government's Royal Commission on Television, to which Sir George was appointed chairman in February 1953, consisted of C.B. Bednall, Mrs. Maud Foxton, R.G. Osborne, R.C. Wilson and N.S. Young. Its object was to enable Australia to profit from the experience of other countries in introducing and controlling television. The enquiry considered the numbers of national and commercial channels to be established, the economics involved and standards to be observed. In 1956 the Federal Government established a committee, chaired by Paton, "to examine the whole question of control of the National Library and its functions" and advise on possible changes, the central problem being that the National Library was controlled by a Parliamentary committee but performed many services unconnected with Parliament, while financial responsibility for it lay with the Prime Minister's Department. The chief result following the presentation of the Committee's Report was the separation of the National Library from the Parliamentary Library and the establishment of a separate Archival Authority (this authority having been vested in the Library from 1952) over the Commonwealth's Archives. Paton retired as Vice-Chancellor in 1968 and died in 1985.

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### **Scope and Content of Series**

This accession comprises six groups of material 1: Papers relating to the organisation of the Olympic Games, October 1951 - March 1957, and to the Olympic Games Fine Arts Committee, December 1953 - June 1957. 2: The Australian Universities Commission: questionnaire to Affiliated Colleges, 1959; Submission and J. S. Roger's comments, 1959; student enrolments by Faculty and Subject, 1958; data papers for Professorial Board Standing Education Committee; Copies of submissions on staff salaries to the A.U.C. Committee on University Salaries, draft report, etc., 1960-1961. 3: The Australian Vice-Chancellor's Committee: Report of conference on University Education held at the University of Melbourne, July 1960, submitted to Paton by S. B. Hammond, Editorial Committee. 1960. 4: The Committee for the development of Tertiary Education: agenda, submissions, comments, papers presented etc. Includes items relating to the discussion of a third University in Victoria, 1961-1962. 5: The State Library of Victoria. Terms of Enquiry, minutes of meeting of Trustees April 1963. 6: Epilepsy - A study in Medical Sociology, made at the request of the Royal Talbot Colony for Epileptics, n.d. by the Department of Social Studies, University of Melbourne.

### **Archival History**

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1968.0001	1968.0001	Olympic	1951-	Material relating to organisation of 1956
Unit 1	.00001	Games	1957	Melbourne Olympic Games, 20 October 1951 to
				19 March 1957. Previous Control Number: 1/1
1968.0001 Unit 1	1968.0001 .00002	Olympic Games	1953- 1957	Material relating to the Olympic Games Fine Arts Committee, of which Sir George Paton was Chairman, 10 December 1953 to 24 June 1957. Previous Control Number: 1/2
1968.0001 Unit 2	1968.0001 .00003	Australian Universities Commission (AUC)	1958- 1959	AUC questionnaire to Affiliated Residential Colleges, 1959; J S Roger's memo to Vice Chancellor, comments on submission, 14 August 1959; Submission; AUC questionnaire to Universities, 1959; Student enrolments by Faculty and Subject, 1958. Memo Vice Chancellor to Registrar; Data papers for Professorial Board Standing Education Committee. Previous Control Number: 2/1
1968.0001 Unit 2	1968.0001 .00004	Australian Universities Commission (AUC)	1960	Copies of Submissions on Staff Salaries to AUC Committee on University Salaries, 1960. Previous Control Number: 2/2
1968.0001 Unit 2	1968.0001 .00005	Australian Universities Commission (AUC)	1960	Draft Report on Salaries (AUC Committee on University Salaries); Amendments proposed; Minutes of the 2nd Meeting of the Salaries Committee, 7 September 1960; Letter from D. Dexter, Secretary AUC to Sir George Paton, enclosed minutes of September meeting, asking for amendments, 12 September 1960; Comments from Director of S. A. Institute of Technology; Analysis by Sir George Paton on effect of preliminary proposals on salaries on Melbourne University; Comments by Commissioner Bayliss on salaries with suggestions re salaries of senior staff in research schools; Result of examination by Dr Coombe of application of proposed salary structure considered by Australian National University. Previous Control Number: 2/3
1968.0001 Unit 3	1968.0001 .00006	Australian Universities Commission (AUC)	1960	AUC Salaries November 1960: Correspondence, minutes, reports, submission by University of Melbourne Council. Previous Control Number: 2/4
1968.0001 Unit 3	1968.0001 .00007	Australian Universities Commission (AUC)	1959	Newcastle University College Students Association Submission, October 1959. Previous Control Number: 2/5
1968.0001 Unit 3	1968.0001 .00008	Australian Universities Commission (AUC)	Undated	Submission by representatives of Sub Professorial Staff. Previous Control Number: 2/6



1968.0001 Unit 3	1968.0001 .00009	Australian Universities Commission (AUC)	1961	Proposed Sales 19/7/61; List of documents, AUC University Salaries Committee. Previous Control Number: 2/7
1968.0001 Unit 7	1968.0001 .00010	Australian Vice Chancellor's Committee	1960	Report of conference on University Education of representatives engaged in educational research in Australian Universities, held at University of Melbourne, 6-8 July 1960. Submitted to Sir George Paton, Chairman of VC's Committee by S B Hammond, Chairman Editorial Committee. Accompanied by covering note from Don Anderson, 19 September 1960. Previous Control Number: 3
1968.0001 Unit 4	1968.0001 .00011	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	1961	Committee on Tertiary Education No. 1, 1961: Notices of meetings, terms of reference, correspondence, submissions. Previous Control Number: 4/1
1968.0001 Unit 4	1968.0001 .00012	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	1961	Material from Riverine University League; Parliamentary Paper 'Distribution of Population Committee' 4th Progress Report, March 1961; Proposals for Establishment of a University College at Horsham, University Promotion Committee of The Wimmera, August 1961. Previous Control Number: 4/2
1968.0001 Unit 4	1968.0001 .00013	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	1962	Tertiary Education in Victoria: Comments by Sir George Paton on Committee's questionnaire, 27/4/62; Development of Tertiary Education in Victoria; The Probable Effects of a Separate University College on an established Tertiary Educational Institution by H E Arblaster, Principal, School of Mines and Industries Ballarat. Previous Control Number: 4/3
1968.0001 Unit 5	1968.0001 .00014	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	1961	Tertiary Education in California and Victoria: Submission for the Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education in Victoria, 29 September 1961, by L W Shears, Principal, Burwood Teachers College; Agenda for Committee Meeting 29 September 1961; Comments and discussion on various proposals for new university; Re Alternative Pattern for Future Tertiary Institutions in Victoria by A T Proudfoot; Distribution map of Metropolitan Form 6 Students by School 1961; First report of N.S.W. Committee on Higher Education, August 1961; A case for University Faculties in Geelong, 11 August 1961; Geographical Distribution of Matriculated New Entrants to Victorian Universities 1959, 1960, 1961; Preliminary submission from Mr C C Murphy, Maryborough; Resolutions passed by National Union of Australian University Students. Previous Control Number: 4/4



1968.0001 Unit 5	1968.0001 .00015	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	1957- 1962	Capital and Annual costs of Teachers Colleges; Melbourne University Student Association Study Group on Further Post secondary Institutions in Victoria; Pattern of Tertiary Education in the 1960's by P H C Karmel; Learning from Instructional Television by Wilbur Schramm; The Pattern of Tertiary Education most appropriate for Australia in the light of changing social and technological conditions by C P Price; Secondary Education: An end in itself or a preparation for tertiary education, September 1962. An Estimate of Future Demand for Degree Qualified Teachers; Proposed Educational Systems in Victoria; Monash University full and part time enrolments 1961 and estimated enrolments 1962-1966; Analysis of Entry of Students entering full time Diploma Courses, 1962 up to and including 3 March 1962; Faculty of Arts: Submission on Problems of Tertiary Education in Victoria; Enrolments in Victoria Post Secondary Institutions; Distribution map of Successful Matriculants 1957; Committee for Development of Tertiary Education in Victoria: purposes, Notes on Document, Document A, Notes on Document B, Document B; University College Zones of Victoria in map and tabular form accompanied by explanatory notes and population statistics; Report to the Victorian Chapter of the Australian College of Education on the need for, nature and location of a third University Matriculation and First Year University Examination Results, Some Implications for University Policy, Professor D
				1961; Monash University Matriculation and First Year University Examination Results, Some



1968.0001 Unit 5	1968.0001	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	1961- 1962	The Probable Effects of a Separate University College on an Established Tertiary Educational Institution, Arblaster, Principal, School of Mines Ballarat; Australian College of Education Victorian Chapter, Report of Chapter Sub Committee on Matriculation for Several Universities, March 1962; Memorandum for Committee on Future of Tertiary Education, 5 proposals to be considered; Notes on possible solutions by J A L Matheson, Vice Chancellor Monash University, 4/4/62; Extract from Communication from Walter L Willig, President of Staten island Community College, New York City University, 20 November 1961; Submission from Kathleen Deasey, School of Education, Melbourne, 6/4/62; Extract from Hansard 27 March 1962; Invitation from L H Martin, Chairman, to Sir George Paton to attend Committee, 21 February 1962; Student enrolments by course on first day of term, 20/3/62; Arguments for and against a third University of traditional type sited on the one campus in Melbourne and other proposals. Previous Control Number: 4/6
1968.0001 Unit 5	1968.0001 .00017	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	1957	Submission by Dr W A Merrylees, President, Riverine University League; The Case for an Australian Rural University, Riverine University League, 1957. Previous Control Number: 4/7
1968.0001 Unit 5	1968.0001 .00018	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	1963	Forecast of Demand for University Training 1963 by Mrs K Gizycki, Statistical Officer, Committee of Tertiary Education. Previous Control Number: 4/8
1968.0001 Unit 5	1968.0001 .00019	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	1963	Report to Minister for Education, the Hon. J S Bloomfield, M.L.A. August 1963. Previous Control Number: 4/9
1968.0001 Unit 5	1968.0001 .00020	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	1961	National Union of Australian University Students to Vice Chancellor enclosing resolutions from conference, 11 August 1961. Previous Control Number: 4/10
1968.0001 Unit 5	1968.0001 .00021	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	1963	The Hon. J Bloomfield to Sir George Paton asking for University's reactions to Committee's recommendations so that the University and Government will be in liaison with one another, 15 August 1963. Previous Control Number: 4/11



1968.0001 Unit 5	1968.0001 .00022	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	Undated	Submission by Bendigo University Committee for the establishment of a University at Bendigo. Previous Control Number: 4/12
1968.0001 Unit 5	1968.0001 .00023	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	1961- 1962	Submission from Beechworth Shire Secretary, 7 February 1962; Newspaper cutting from The Ovens and Murray Advertiser, 20 December 1961. Previous Control Number: 4/13
1968.0001 Unit 5	1968.0001 .00024	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	1960	The Diploma School, brochure for School of Mines and Industries Ballarat, October 1960. Previous Control Number: 4/14
1968.0001 Unit 6	1968.0001 .00025	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	Undated	The Training of Secondary Teachers In Victoria, submitted by P N Gill, Lecturer in Education, University of Melbourne. Previous Control Number: 4/15
1968.0001 Unit 6	1968.0001 .00026	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	Undated	Training for Professions and the University Community, submitted by P Grundy, Practising Engineer. Previous Control Number: 4/16
1968.0001 Unit 6	1968.0001 .00027	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	Undated	A note on Literacy among students, submitted by P J T Martin, tutor in English, Melbourne. Previous Control Number: 4/17
1968.0001 Unit 6	1968.0001 .00028	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	Undated	Senior College Scheme, K G Armstrong, Political Science, Melbourne and P Wertheim, Philosophy, Melbourne. Previous Control Number: 4/18
1968.0001 Unit 6	1968.0001 .00029	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	Undated	Threats to the Traditional Nature of Universities in Australia, submitted by V Buckley, S L English, Melbourne, and Paul Simpson, Philosophy, Melbourne. Previous Control Number: 4/19
1968.0001 Unit 6	1968.0001 .00030	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	1962	Notice of meeting 6 July; The need for increased Productivity in the rural centre; Extract from Hansard, 1 session 1962. Previous Control Number: 4/20
1968.0001 Unit 6	1968.0001 .00031	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	1962	J Matheson, Vice Chancellor Monash University to Sir George Paton, expanding remarks on difficulties in getting professional boards to support institution of which some disapprove, new institution should have independence, 12 July 1962. Previous Control Number: 4/21



1968.0001 Unit 6	1968.0001 .00032	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	1962	Submission to Committee by Australian Council for Educational Research, W C Radford, Director, July 1962. Previous Control Number: 4/22
1968.0001 Unit 6	1968.0001 .00033	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	Undated	Notice to members of Faculty of Arts, asking for comments on attached draft submission. Previous Control Number: 4/23
1968.0001 Unit 6	1968.0001 .00034	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	Undated	Advance Latrobe Valley Association, Tertiary Education - A Summary of the case for the Latrobe Valley. Previous Control Number: 4/24
1968.0001 Unit 6	1968.0001 .00035	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	Undated	Proposal for a Comprehensive System of University Colleges, 2 and 3 year institutions. Previous Control Number: 4/25
1968.0001 Unit 6	1968.0001 .00036	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	1962	Agenda for meeting 4 May 1962. Previous Control Number: 4/26
1968.0001 Unit 6	1968.0001 .00037	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	1962	Letter from J Field, State Electricity Commission to Arthur Holden regarding costs of student hotel accommodation for Advance Latrobe Valley Association; Covering letter to Sir George Paton from Australian Council for Educational Research, 25 May 1962. Previous Control Number: 4/27
1968.0001 Unit 6	1968.0001 .00038	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	1959- 1961	University Finance Victoria 1959 - 1961. Previous Control Number: 4/28
1968.0001 Unit 6	1968.0001 .00039	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	1961	Extract from Hamilton Spectator, 23 November 1961. Previous Control Number: 4/29
1968.0001 Unit 6	1968.0001 .00040	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	1961	Extract from Review of Educational Research, October 1961. Previous Control Number: 4/30
1968.0001 Unit 6	1968.0001 .00041	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	Undated	Memorandum regarding establishment of a University College at Hamilton. Previous Control Number: 4/31



1968.0001 Unit 6	1968.0001 .00042	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	1961	A Third University in Victoria, report to Victorian Chapter of Australian College of Education, July 1961. Previous Control Number: 4/32
1968.0001 Unit 6	1968.0001 .00043	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	1960	Notes on the Study of Failure in Australian universities, University of Melbourne, May 1960. Previous Control Number: 4/33
1968.0001 Unit 6	1968.0001 .00044	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	1961	Supplement to the proposals for the establishment of a University College at the City of Horsham, submitted by the University Promotion Committee of the Wimmera to the Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education in Victoria, August 1961. Previous Control Number: 4/34
1968.0001 Unit 6	1968.0001 .00045	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	1961	Submission by Dr W A Merrylees, President, Riverine League, 24 November 1961; Sir George Paton's itinerary; Projection of Victorian Enrolments and submission. Previous Control Number: 4/35
1968.0001 Unit 6	1968.0001 .00046	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	1961	Report of the Joint Committee of Professional Board and Schools Board on Public and matriculation Examinations, October 1961. Previous Control Number: 4/36
1968.0001 Unit 6	1968.0001 .00047	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	Undated	Monash University Matriculation and First Year Examination and Results - Some Implications for University policy, submitted by Professor D Cochrane, Dean, Faculty of Economics and Politics, Monash University. Previous Control Number: 4/37
1968.0001 Unit 6	1968.0001 .00048	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	1962	Committee on Tertiary Education in Victoria, signed G W Paton, notes not being an answer to Questionnaire but commenting on suggestions, 27 April 1962. Previous Control Number: 4/38
1968.0001 Unit 6	1968.0001 .00049	Committee for the Development of Tertiary Education	Undated	Faculty of Arts submission on problems of tertiary education in Victoria. Previous Control Number: 4/39
1968.0001 Unit 7	1968.0001 .00050	State Library of Victoria	1963	Library Enquiry; Minutes of meeting of Trustees, 5 April 1963. Previous Control Number: 5
1968.0001 Unit 7	1968.0001 .00051	Epilepsy	Undated	A study in Medical Sociology - Study carries out by Department of Social Studies, University of Melbourne, following request by council of the Royal Talbot Colony for Epileptics. Previous Control Number: 6
1968.0001 Unit 7	1968.0001 .00052	University of Melbourne notepaper	Undated	Several sheets of old university notepaper. Previous Control Number: 7



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