

2. REPORT OF THE VICE-CHANCELLOR2.1 Academic Dress

In order that appropriate robes may be provided for the Visitor on those occasions when he shares in ceremonial occasions at the University, Council made the Academic Dress (Amendment No.2) Regulations, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

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2.2 Professor R. Selby Smith

Council recorded the following minute of appreciation -

"At its meeting on 14 December 1970, Council received with regret the resignation of Professor R. Selby Smith and recorded briefly its thanks for his work and good wishes for his future. Professor Selby Smith left the University on 14 April 1971 and Council wishes now to record more fully its appreciation of his services to Monash.

Professor Selby Smith was the first Dean of the Faculty of Education who, in seven short years, built an outstanding faculty using to the great advantage of the University his abilities as a first-class administrator, his experience as an educator with liberal ideas and a personality as strong as it was attractive. He gathered a lively and enterprising staff around a group of professorial colleagues, acknowledged experts in their respective fields of scholarship.

In addition to building a remarkable faculty inside the University, he influenced educational thought and practice outside it through his work with such bodies as the Australian College of Education and VUSEB. His essay on teacher training in Victoria will surely, in the end, prove to be very influential in reforms that must come.

As a **Dean** he took his turn as Acting Vice-Chancellor and served for more than a year in this capacity at a time when integrity, clear thinking and wise counsel were of paramount importance in decision-making. Council and the whole University regret his departure though fully understanding his desire to take a leading part in the creation of a new College of Advanced Education incorporating the State teacher education organization - a development he has long advocated. He takes with him the gratitude of Monash and the good wishes of all for success in his new endeavour."

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It was agreed to circulate again to members of Council the essay, referred to in the minute, on teacher training in Victoria.

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