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## The Otago Anthropological Society

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After nearly two years existence, the Society can now feel that it has consolidated itself. Of 100-odd members there is a stable core of 60, some of whom are active in archaeological field work, some whose interests lie more towards Social Anthropology. Membership comes from both the City and the University, although the student proportion is relatively small - as it will remain until the Anthropology Department expands. For the rest, some members come from the Medical, Dental or Science faculties and give us specialist advice in certain fields (human osteology and faecal analysis are two cases in point). It has been felt for some time; however, that our greatest need at present is for certain specialist members, especially geologists and zoologists, who can work in conjunction with the archaeologists on the fieldwork programme.

Meetings have covered a wide range of topics. The Chairman, Mr H. Knight, began the year with an address entitled 'Spanish Studies'. Seven other meetings have been held. Mr V.F. Fisher, of Auckland Museum, spoke on 'Maori Plant Lore'; Mr P. Gathercole on 'Anthropology and Industrial Society', and Professor G.R. Manton, of the Department of Classics, Otago University, on 'Anthopological Attitudes in the Classical World'. A meeting held in conjunction with the Historical Section of the Royal Society was addressed by Mr G.S. Parsonson (Department of History, Otago University) who, in a paper entitled 'New Light on Quiros and on Eastern Melanesian Settlement' put foward a theory on the influence of malarial mosquitoes on the pattern of Pacific settlement. A joint meeting was held in August with the main branch of the Royal Society (of which this Society is a section), consisting of a symposium reviewing current archaeological work in Otago. The speakers were Mr L. Phelan, Mr P. Gathercole, Mr L. Lockerbie and Mr H. Knight. A meeting was held in conjunction with the Otago University Maori Club. on 'Maori Urbanisation' which, because of the interest shown, led to the organisation of two discussion sessions on the Hunn Report. Finally, we were privileged to have a most stimulating talk by Mr K.E. Larsson of the Etnografiska Museet, Goteborg, on 'Post-European Contact in the Pacific'.