

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON EQUIPMENT

On Sunday, October 14, the Minister for Administrative Services, John McLeay, hosted a reception at the Lakeside International Hotel in Canberra for delegates to the Fourth International Conference on Police Equipment (October 15-19). Delegates attended from 10 overseas countries. From left: Brig. A. Nassar, Egypt; Capt. F. Merze, Saudi Arabia; Mr McLeay; Lieut-Col. M. Alerefi, Saudi Arabia; Mrs McLeay; Lieut. M. Almubarek and 1st Lieut. M. Alasmari, Saudi Arabia; front: Capt. A. Alangari, Saudi Arabia.



PNG POLICE STUDY HERE

NCO's from the Royal Papua New Guinea Constabulary inspect the workings of an overhead projector while in training at the AFP Training Centre, Barton, A.C.T. Their Course commenced on October 3.



Provost Plaque presented to Commissioner

• Left: The Director of Military Police-Provost Marshal (Army), Lt.-Col. Ken Petersen, recently paid a courtesy visit on Sir Colin Woods.

Lt.-Col. Petersen presented Sir Colin with a Royal Australian Corps of Military Police plaque — the first plaque Sir Colin had received since assuming his appointment.

Lt.-Col. Petersen told Sir Colin that the RACMP had enjoyed close co-operation with both the A.C.T. Police and the Commonwealth Police Forces and he looked forward to maintaining that bond with the Australian Federal Police. (Pic courtesy of Armycamera.)

Minister's farewell visit to Civic



• On Friday, October 19 — the first day of the new Australian Federal Police — the Minister for the Capital Territory, the Hon. R. J. Ellicott, paid a farewell visit to Civic Station, the former headquarters of the A.C.T. Police. With the creation of the new force, the former A.C.T. Members transferred from Mr Ellicott's Department to the Department of Administrative Services.

NARCOTICS ROLE

• The first edition of *PLATYPUS* was practically "on the press" when the Deputy Prime Minister, Mr Anthony, announced that the Federal Narcotics Bureau was to be disbanded and its members incorporated into the Australian Federal Police.

We plan to publish as much information on this as possible in the December issue.

In the meantime, on behalf of all "old" members of AFP, *PLATYPUS* extends a hearty welcome to our "new" members.

— The Editor.

A.F.P. OFFICERS AT U.N. DAY

• Assistant Commissioner Roy Farmer lays a wreath at the Sydney cenotaph to mark United Nations Day on October 24. Commissioner Farmer has served twice in Cyprus as a member of AUSTCIVPOL (see page 14). On U.N. Day he led an AFP contingent of former AUSTCIVPOL members. A similar contingent of NSW police combined with AFP for the ceremony at the Cenotaph.

