

NEWS OF MEMBERS

Prof. J. Day, our President, is at present in London attending the Zoological Conference and the International Biological Union. From there, he will fly to Canada to represent the University of Cape Town at the International Universities Conference in Montreal. He expects to return at the end of September.

Our Vice-President, Mrs. Leila Kerr, has had a most successful shelling holiday in Durban, both on the beach and in private collections! She was fortunate enough to find several live cowries, including *Cypraea arabica*, *C. Moneta* and *C. Vitellus*. The beaches and rocks in Durban are almost denuded of shell-life owing to the depredations of Indians and the presence of factories along the coast. A good shelling spot is at Umkomaas and further south.

Congratulations to Mrs. Helen Boswell on acquiring the rare *Pleurotomaria africana*, trawled off Durban in April. This shell is the sixth specimen found and will enhance a notable collection.

Mrs. J. Ackermann has added a Golden Cowrie to her collection through exchange.

Mrs. J. Barnes of Rosemead, Darnall, Natal, would like to exchange shells with members.

We extend our sincere sympathy to Mrs. J. Weakley in the loss of her husband after a long illness.

Dr. Morris Cohen of Durban is on a three month's tour of the East, where he hopes to meet other collectors.

We regret that on the list of members, which appeared in Circular No. 1, the following name and address was omitted:-

Mrs. L. Quinn, "Treetops", Avenue Fresnays, SEA POINT.

Mr. D.J. Bosman has moved to Bloemfontein, where his address is:- P.O. Box 1728, BLOEMFONTEIN. He is interested in getting in touch with members in the Eastern Cape and Natal.

Both Mrs. M.M. Pinkham (The Rectory, Bredasdorp, C.P.) and Mrs. Henriette Joubert (Arniston, distr. Bredasdorp) have a number of Paper Nautilus shells for exchange. Interested members are requested to get in touch with them directly. Mrs. Joubert would like to get S.A. Cowries, and Mrs. Pinkham would like to get lists of what other members have to offer in local and foreign shells, particularly European material.

We congratulate Miss M. Cowell on her recent marriage. From now on she will be known to us as Mrs. Godfrey Pelletier, White Leaf, HERMANUS.
