

# Monowai To Be Broken Up In Hong Kong

The Union Steam Ship Company announced today the sale of the passenger liner Monowai to the Far East Metal Industry and Shipping Company Ltd., Hong Kong, where she will be broken up. The Hong Kong company recently purchased the New Zealand Shipping Company's Tongariro, also for demolition.

The Monowai, which is expected at Wellington tomorrow morning, will lay up and be handed over to the new owners next month.

The Monowai left Wellington on her last trip from this port in the trans-Tasman passenger service on May 6, and since then has made one crossing from Auckland and a cruise to the Pacific Islands from June 2 to June 19.

After arriving back at Auckland on Sunday, she departed for Wellington yesterday evening. Union Company officials were unable to give an exact time of her arrival. She will proceed to Clyde Quay Wharf.

## *Paying off crew*

One of the first things to be done will be the paying off of the crew and the removal of all perishable stores from the ship.

No details have been released by the Union Company as to how long the ship will remain at Wellington, or whether a New Zealand or foreign crew will be taking her on the delivery voyage to the Hong Kong shipbreakers.

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sory school subject in New Zealand within the next year or two, predicts Mr. L. R. H. Beaumont, of the Auckland Adult Education Council.

He also predicts that soon a chair in astronomy will be established at a New Zealand university.

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The holder of the Murray Geddes Memorial Prize in astronomy, Mr. Beaumont delivered a lecture at a Community Arts Services sponsored school in astronomy at Whakatane during the weekend.

Mr. Beaumont said that up till now there had been no real opening in New Zealand for those who wanted to make a career in astronomy, but interest was being awakened.

People were keen today to learn and were intrigued by the mystery of the universe.

## The Scientists



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