School of Mines wants the college established here and if not here will not agree to it being anywhere else.   That is not true - The Committee gave the Government an estimate of the cost. We considered that estimate much too low - they left out altogether the question of dealing with office work, the equipping of an Office and the appointment of an office Staff. We have a complete organization to deal with this work - We have thousands of pounds worth of equipment in the engineering and science laboratories. Mr Hurley speaks about the University atmosphere. What is the University atmosphere ? There are scores of students taking University courses who are not getting the University atmosphere.   The boys who really get the University atmosphere are those resident in the University colleges. Do you mean to say that the student taking an arts course would learn any less from a lecturer in a classroom connected with this institution than he would in a class conducted in the Town Hall at Ballarat East ? I did hope that a full attendance of the committee would have been here so that we could have discussed the whole matter thoroughly.

Mr Barrow - Have the committee done anything in writing or sent in their claims to the University ?

Sir James Barrett - They have done nothing at all - I asked them to put their case in writing and so far it has not been received - Until they form themselves into a corporate body they could not do anything. I suggested that they form themselves into a corporate body - If they wrote as individuals it would be nebulous and of no effect -

The Mayor - What is the best way out of the difficulty ?

Mr Butler - The only way would be to bring these people together in consultation

Mr Lederman - Is it worth while ? This opportunity has been given and I think their non attendance is an insult - They know that Sir James Barrett is here and they have been asked to attend - and they have been given an opportunity to confer and they treat the circular and Sir James Barrett with discourtesy - I think we should not bother any further