

ADELAIDE: FRIDAY, JANUARY 27, 1928.

WAITE INSTITUTE.

The laying of the foundation stone of the John Melrose Laboratory at the Waite Institute on Thursday is a memorable event in the history of primary production and scientific research in South Australia.

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They had received from Mr. John Melrose £10,000 for the erection of a chemical laboratory and £2,000 from Mr. J. P. Mortlock, for equipment.

Through the Empire Marketing Board the British Government had contributed £3,000 toward the cost of a laboratory as well as £1,875 yearly for five years for pastoral research.

The Council for Scientific and Agricultural Research had given £3,000 toward the laboratory, £900 yearly for five years for pastoral research, and £1,600 for the erection of a glasshouse for the study of tomato wilt and other work.

State Parliament had offered for 10 years a grant to the work of the institute. It would be £5,000 for the present financial year, with annual increases until £15,000 had been given in 1937.

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Increased Staff

Prof. Richardson, in seconding the motion, said that when the institute began operations there was a staff of six; at the completion of the building there would be 24 workers on the staff.

Work in the laboratory would be divided into six groups, dealing with agricultural chemistry, plant pathology, new varieties of cereals, pastoral research, and so forth.

The inscription on the foundation stone read—"This stone was laid by Lily Margaret Melrose, daughter of John Melrose, the donor of this laboratory, January 26, 1928."

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Ware, Phyllis Joyce, H G A; Warrington, Alice Maud, H A M1; Warr, Annada, A B S Tp; Warnes, James Fullarton, G; Warren, Alfred Montague, Eg. H; Waters, Kenneth, Colm, A M2 O G1; Washburn, Jessie Vivian, G Sa, Tpl; Watson, Gwendoline Mary, Eg A S Tp; Watson, Kathleen Mary, Eg A S Tp; Watts, Mavis John Joseph, F A M1 M2 C; Watts, Mavis Olwyn, S; Wauchop, Charlotte Hilda, Fo A; Weather, Kenneth Laurance, Eg L F M1; Weber, Norman Victor, G; Webster, Joyce Ralston, Eg F H; Wedd, Arthur Edgar, G D; Wedd, Mavis, Alice Court, Eg H A G1 P; Welcome, Edna Susan, L; Wedded Eva May, Sax; Wells, Elizabeth Wynne, Eg L R H M2; Wells, Ronald Frederick, Eg G A; West, Alfred Lawrence, Eg A S; West, Bevan Lefwyrche, F A M1 Pe C; Westley, Marjorie Florence, G A G1 Bk Tp; Weu, Minna Ophelia Eileen, F Bk; Wharton, William Bentley, M2 Bk; Whimpress, Ada Blanche, Eg M2 G1 Bk; Whitmore, Thomas James Alexander, Eg G; M1 G1 Bk; White, Dulema Florence Mary, A; White, Eileen, Eg F H; Whitehead, Dulcie May, Eg H A M1 P; Whitford, Edna Amelia, A; Wickham, Colin Francis, Eg G A; Wieke, Ronald Leonard, A M1 M2 Pe C; Wieser, Robert Geoffrey, H G C; Wiesner, Gwenth Kathleen, G A M1; Wigglesworth, Phyllis Jean Bell, L F A M1 M2 B; Wilcox, Leonard Arthur James, Eg H A Bk; Wilkinson, Douglas Chester, F; Wilkinson, Harry, A Pe G1; Wilkinson, Ruby Jay, A M1 Bk S; Williams, Adeline, Eg F; Williams, Adrian Leonard, Fo, C; Williams, Frederick Roy, H A; Williams, Gilbert Victor, Eg; Williams, Jean Campbell, Sa Tp; Williams, Lorna Claire, Eg A M1 M2; Williams, Robert Graham, Eg A; Willis, Nora Ellen, Eg F A Bk; Willson, Percy James, Eg A G1 D; Wilson, Owen Carl, H A; Wilson, Pauline Eulie, Ex Bk A M1 C; Wilson, Edgar Norman, Eg A M1 M2 C; Wilson, James Herbert, M1 M2 Pe C; Wilson, Thomas Robert McRay, Eg Pe C G1; Winterbottom, Ruth Alice Charles, Eg G; Wise, Eric Hazell, Eg M1 M2 Pe; Witcombe, Raymond John, Eg A Bk S; Witnall, Harry Hugh, A; Wither, Francis Arnold, A M1 M2 Pe C; Wolsey, Burnice Ruby, S Tp; Wood, Cyril Robert, H G A Bk; Wood, Jean Margaret Latta, Eg Fo H G B; Wood, Winifred Maud, P; Woodford, George Becket, H A; Woods, Alice Ruby, Eg A M2; Woods, Valmai Doris Marie, Eg G1 S Tp; Woodward, Margaret Frances, Eg F H; Woolcock, Pauline Nora, Eg L Fo H D; Woolcott, Robert Pearson, G; Woollard, Mervyn John, L F A M1 M2 Pe C; Woolley, William Terence, C G1; Woore, Richard Leicester, Eg L F; Worthley, Maurice Henry, C; Worthley, Maxwell George, H R M1; Wreford, Leslie Turnbull, Eg M2 G1; Wright, Edna Katherine May, Eg Bk S Tp; Wright, Nancy Malenoir, Eg P; Wright, Thomas Noel, F.

Yelland, Beryl Margaret, Eg H; Yelland, Clab Bungey, M2; Yelland, Kathleen North, F H M2; Yelland, Marjorie Annette, H; Yeomans, Geoffrey Heeri, Ex L; F Bk; Young, Donald Frank Eg Bk; Young, Maxwell Armstrong, Eg H M1; Young, Valaska Joyce, Eg A B; P1; Young William Henry Keith, A M1 M2 D M.

NEWS 26-1-28

MELROSE LABORATORY

FOUNDATION STONE LAID

Research in Agriculture

At Waite Agricultural Research Institute this morning showers marred the ceremony of laying the foundation stone of the John Melrose Laboratory, which is the first permanent building to be erected for the work of the institute.

There was a large and representative attendance.

Sir George Murray (Chancellor of the University), who presided, said that it was his privilege to ask Miss Lily Melrose to lay the foundation stone of the laboratory, which was the gift of her father, Mr. John Melrose.

Favored by Fortune

The result of those deliberations was the establishment of the Waite Institute for Agricultural Research. It was one thing to found an institute, and another to make it succeed.

Active work began on March, 1925. During the three years that had elapsed scientific work had been conducted in scattered laboratories. Two existed in the basement of the house, and three others in the former stables.

NEWS 27-1-28

ADV. 30-1-28

THE UNIVERSITY OF ADELAIDE.

The council of the University has granted Mr. H. C. Trumble, M. Ag. Sc., agronomist at the Waite Agricultural Research Institute, leave of absence to proceed to Great Britain for training.



MISS LILY MELROSE daughter of Mr. John Melrose, of Ulooleo, who laid the foundation stone yesterday of the John Melrose Laboratory at the Waite Research Institute, Urrbrae.