

THE NEW LABORATORY.



LISTENING TO THE PRIME MINISTER.

There was a representative gathering at the ceremony of opening the new laboratory for research into animal nutrition at the University of Adelaide by the Prime Minister yesterday.

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THE PRIME MINISTER IN ADELAIDE.



A GROUP AT THE UNIVERSITY.

The Prime Minister (Mr. Bruce), conversing with Professor T. Brailsford Robertson, Mrs. Robertson, and the Chancellor of the University (Sir George Murray) at the opening of the new research laboratory at the University of Adelaide on Monday morning.

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WORKERS' EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION.

The annual break-up of the Workers' Educational Association was held at Stow Lecture Hall on Saturday night. The president (Mr. E. R. Dawes), reviewing the work of the association since he became president, said the association stood primarily for three things: to impart knowledge, build up character, and make good citizens. Neither the aim nor the purpose of the W.E.A. was an end in itself. Knowledge for knowledge sake was unsound. Their task was to acquire knowledge and apply it to the problems which confronted them. Quite a number of people had realised that there was something out of joint in the social system, and had joined the W.E.A. to find out what it was. There was no reason why the students forming the association should not become a force to be reckoned with in the community. The W.E.A. would never be strong in numbers until the workers realised that education was necessary before they could hope for an improvement in their status. (Applause).

The Rev. G. E. Hale, speaking on behalf of tutors, expressed the hope that Mr. A. L. G. Mackay would make a speedy recovery from his illness. He was a particularly able and energetic teacher, whose capacity for work left them amazed. They had a high opinion of him as a colleague in the work of teaching, knowing him to be an enthusiast for the ideals to which the movement was dedicated.

Professor R. W. Chapman (acting vice-chancellor of the University) expressed the sympathy of the University with the W.E.A. movement. He regarded the work of adult education as one of the most important phases of educational work in a democratic community. Engineers could claim to have been the first to seek an educational association. One had been started by young men who wanted to form a society to educate one another in the science necessary for the practical application of engineering. The same state of affairs existed in other spheres. Men found they could not advance without certain scientific knowledge. The mind of man was like a tree that year by year went on spreading its roots into fresh soil. As long as the tree did that it developed, but failing to develop, became a bundle of lifeless sticks. (Applause).

Professor McKellar Stewart said an experiment had been tried of distinguishing three kinds of classes, the study circles, led the greater part by professors; tutorial classes, which extended over three years; and lecture classes, which were of one year's duration. The difference between tutorial classes and lecture classes was that more intensive study was required for the former. The experiment on the whole had been justified. He referred to the fact that early in the year Dean Russell, of the Columbia University, had visited Adelaide, and was greatly impressed by the work done in the tutorial classes. As a result of his visit the Carnegie Corporation had made an offer of financial help to the