

University Commemoration

rest, and will look forward to your safe return from the Antarctic.

Annual commemoration of the University of Adelaide will be held in Elder Hall on Wednesday, December 10. Sir George Murray (chancellor) will preside. Candidates of Adelaide University and graduates of other universities will be admitted to degrees. The senate and council will proceed to Elder Hall in the following order:—Senate, teachers of Elder Conservatorium, lecturers of the University, professors, the acting registrar, the council and members of boards, vice-chancellor, and chancellor. Applications for tickets must be made by Monday, December 8.

Cable From British Government
The Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs (Mr. J. H. Thomas) has sent the following cable to the Acting Prime Minister—On the eve of the departure of the Discovery for the Antarctic, his Majesty's Government, in the United Kingdom desires to convey to his Majesty's Government in the Commonwealth of Australia its best wishes for the success of the important enterprise on which the expedition is engaged. Its progress will be followed with keen interest in the United Kingdom, and we all wish Sir Douglas Mawson and his comrades a prosperous voyage and a safe return.

CANBERRA FORESTRY SCHOOL

SETBACK FOR SOUTH AUSTRALIA
To the Editor
Sir—The committee of the South Australian Forestry League has read with much interest the observations of Mr. S. R. Whitford in Saturday's "Advertiser." This league some years ago took active steps towards preserving the Adelaide Forestry School, which was recognised by the universities in the eastern States as the ideal centre for Australian afforestation. At that time Mr. H. H. Corbin (now Professor Corbin, of the University School at Auckland) was the lecturer, and Kulp Forest was under the control of the University. Negotiations for the permanent establishment of the Adelaide School of Forestry, with the concurrence of other universities interested, were strongly urged by my league, and the then members of the executive committee waited on the Prime Minister (Mr. S. M. Bruce) and supported the claims of the local forestry school. Mr. Bruce, within a few days of the deputation, announced the establishment of the school at Canberra. As a result the splendid organisation of the Adelaide School of Forestry collapsed, although under the Waite bequest ample funds were available for its support.—I am, Sir, &c.
COLIN R. COLQUHOUN,
Hon. Secretary S.A. Forestry League.

TWO NEW UNIVERSITY DEGREES

Economics and Forestry COURSES IN ADELAIDE

Adelaide University will, in future, hold examinations for two new degrees—Bachelor of Economics and Bachelor of Science in Forestry.
The annual meeting of the University Senate was held yesterday afternoon in the Prince of Wales lecture room at the University, with Mr. Justice Angas Parsons presiding. The elections to the council and Senate resulted in the following appointments being made:—Warden of the Senate, Mr. Justice Angas Parsons. Clerk of the Senate, Mr. F. W. Eardley. University Council, Professor R. W. Chapman, Doctors A. M. Cudmore and F. S. Hone, and Messrs. T. Barr Smith and W. J. Young. Mr. E. V. Clark was again elected acting clerk of the Senate.

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

LOWER GRANTS IN FUTURE

LONDON, November 19.
Mr. Scullin has informed the Imperial scientific bodies, to which Australia at present makes annual contributions, that the existing obligations will be honored, but warns them that reduced grants are likely in future. The affected bodies include the Imperial Institute and eight Imperial agricultural bureaux. Professor Rivett expresses the hope that the wool manufacturers of Australia will contribute towards the cost of the Wool Industries Research Association at Leeds, so as to assist the retention of its funds, in addition to grants from Government sources.

CHAIRMAN OF THE BRITISH POLAR COMMITTEE—The polar committee desires me to convey to you and all on board the Discovery its cordial wishes for a prosperous and successful voyage. Good luck to you all.
God Speed From Imperial Conference
CHAIRMAN OF THE IMPERIAL CONFERENCE (Mr. Ramsay MacDonald)—On behalf of the Imperial Conference now sitting in London, I send you and your companions in adventure the best wishes of the Conference for a successful voyage and a safe return. God speed you all.

Age And University Degrees

"AMBITIOUS" writes:—"Dear Rufus—I am a business man, and have done part of the medical course at the Adelaide University. But owing to the slackness of the trade during the past two years I had to discontinue my studies. I am now 30 years of age. Without disclosing names, could you mention any cases of a man starting the course at my age and being successful in gaining his degree. Also, in my case it would be necessary to keep an eye on the business at the same time, as funds are depleted." I communicated with the acting registrar of the University, who said:—"It is usual to take the medical degree between 20 and 30, but in several instances it has been taken by graduates over 30 years of age. Several degrees have been taken by people over 40 in the law and arts courses and so on."

RHODES SCHOLAR

Selection on December 1

South Australian Rhodes Scholar for 1931 will be chosen at a meeting of the selection committee at Government House at 11 o'clock on Monday morning, December 1. Sir Alexander Hore-Ruthven, V.C. (Governor) will preside. The scholarship is valued at £400 a year, and is tenable at the University of Oxford normally for three years. Candidates are selected on the following four groups of qualities:—Literary and scholastic attainments; qualities of manhood, devotion to duty, and fellowship; exhibition of moral force and instinct of leadership; physical vigor.

The following have been appointed members of the council of the School of Mines:—Sir Langdon Bonython, Mr. E. A. Anstey, Mr. Anthony, M.P., Mr. J. A. V. Brown, Professor R. W. Chapman, Mr. Dale, M.P., Professor Kerr Grant, Mr. D. M. Charles, Mr. Harvey, M.L.C., Mr. G. Jeffrey, Mr. Laffer, M.P., and Dr. L. Keith Ward.

Chicago Education Experiment

CHICAGO, Friday.—The University of Chicago has adopted a new and radical experiment in education. It has abandoned the old four-year courses, and a student can now graduate in one year or less if he can pass the examinations.

DISCOVERY GOES SOUTH

Leaves Hobart To-day

FAREWELL MESSAGES

Canberra, November 21.
The following messages have been dispatched to Sir Douglas Mawson, the leader of the Antarctic Research Expedition, which will leave Hobart to-morrow.

ACTING PRIME MINISTER (Mr. Fenton)—On behalf of the Government and people of the Commonwealth, I desire to express to you and to all who are associated with you on the Discovery, our best wishes for a successful sojourn in the Antarctic, and for your safe return to Australia. We are confident that you will again surmount the rigors and perils which you will encounter, and that, at the conclusion of the expedition, science will be further enriched by the knowledge which has resulted from the skill and enterprise of yourself and your companions.
Success Anticipated

CHAIRMAN OF THE ANTARCTIC COMMITTEE (Senator Daly)—The committee wishes you, Captain Mackenzie, and all members of the expedition, every success. We feel confident that you and your companions will materially add to the achievement of last year. Australians will follow your progress with the utmost interest.

Discovery Leaves For South

HOBART, Sunday.—The Discovery, with Sir Douglas Mawson aboard, left Hobart yesterday afternoon for the Antarctic. In a farewell message, Sir Douglas said that the value of the Antarctic would increase as more became known of it. Several sheep have been penned on deck to provide fresh meat during the early part of the voyage.

Mr. Madigan May Go On Further Research Trip

Mr. C. T. Madigan, lecturer in geology at the Adelaide University, will make a private expedition to the country east of the McDonnell Ranges early next year if he can get leave of absence. During his last tour Mr. Madigan examined the country west of the ranges, and he hopes to continue his investigation on the eastern side during his forthcoming trip.



Mr. C. T. Madigan

Mr. Madigan's special task is the geological problems of Central Australia. Early next year the Geological Society of London will publish his results in their quarterly journal. Some months ago the Federal Government invited Mr. Madigan to investigate the Jericho Range mineral fields, Central Australia, but because of financial stringency the trip was cancelled.

Public Examinations
From "Parent," Unley Park:—"A rumor is current in the schools of Adelaide that the candidates' papers in the forthcoming public examinations are to be marked with much greater severity than in former years. If that is so, it will be very hard on the parents who have found it a great strain to pay their children's fees, and will be quite unable to pay them again next year. I know a widow in reduced circumstances, who borrowed the necessary money for her children's schooling, and who is doing her neighbors' mending at the end of an already overworked day, so that she may earn the money to repay the debt. Another case is that of a boy student, who has sold a treasured bicycle in order to sit for the examination."

NEW UNIVERSITY DEGREE

Regulations providing for an ordinary and honors degree of Bachelor of Economics, will be approved at a meeting of the senate of the University of Adelaide this afternoon. The course will begin next year.

PRIZE IN MUSIC

At a meeting of the senate of the University of Adelaide yesterday afternoon a regulation was made providing for a prize of 20 guineas to be awarded each year to the best South Australian candidate who passes as an executant with credit or honors in the licentiate examination (music).

Rennie Scholarship

Revisions and new clauses in the statutes of the Senate were discussed. With regard to the Rennie scholarship for research in chemistry, a new statute was proposed by Professor Chapman, who stated that £320 had been handed to the University by subscribers for the founding of a research scholarship to perpetuate the memory of the late Edward Rennie, Professor of Chemistry in the University from 1884 to 1927. The motion was adopted.

A new clause was added to the regulations for the degree of Master of Arts. It was as follows:—"Candidates who had graduated as Bachelor of Arts in or before the year 1930, and who wished to proceed under the regulations already repealed, must apply to the council to have their position defined. In any case, all candidates proceeding under the regulations already repealed must complete the course not later than December, 1933."

Bachelor of Economics

A new degree, that of Bachelor of Economics, was added. Professor Wilton stated that there would be an ordinary and an honors degree. Candidates could obtain either or both. Referring to the degree of Bachelor of Science, Professor Kerr Grant introduced a new clause for the degree of Bachelor of Science in Forestry. A candidate would complete a two-years' course at the Australian Forestry School, Canberra. Before this, he would be required to attend the Adelaide University for two years.

Medical Students

Dr. de Crespigny informed the meeting of a revised regulation concerning medical students. He said that, at its discretion, the board might permit a candidate who had failed at the fifth examination in one group of subjects only, to present himself in that group of subjects only at the next examination, and if he satisfied the examiners in that group he should be deemed to have passed the whole examination. This was recommended and passed by the council.

TWO NEW DEGREES

Bachelors Of Economics And Forestry At University

Two new degrees were yesterday added to the syllabus of Adelaide University—those of Bachelor of Economics and Bachelor of Science in Forestry. At the annual meeting of the University Senate Professor Wilton said that there would be both an ordinary and honors degree in the economics course. Professor Kerr Grant said that before a student could obtain the forestry degree he would have to complete a two-years' course at the Australian Forestry School, Canberra, after having attended the Adelaide University for two years. Dr. de Crespigny said that, at its discretion the board, under a proposed new regulation might permit a candidate who had failed at the fifth examination in one group of subjects only, to present himself in that group of subjects only at the next examination, and if he satisfied the examiners in that group he should be deemed to have passed the whole examination. This regulation was adopted.

NOBEL PEACE PRIZE

Awarded to Mr. Kellogg

OSLO, November 27.
Mr. F. B. Kellogg (American diplomat and formerly Secretary of State in the Coolidge Cabinet) has been awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for 1929, valued at £9,600.

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