might not secure a position at any other point, the announcement was made six weeks later, and without any reason whatever, that the University, who runs may be the reason from the history of the controversy over the question of freedom of speech for teachers at this monopoly-controlled University. The victim's statements regarding the distribution of income to the trustees appeared to secure the incomes of some of the trustees. So they fired him. Some of the children who had imbibed the 'strange doctrines' of truth and justice that fell from the lips of Nearing, bailed their elders at the breakfast and dinner table, and among them, the祀 ensued, concerning the source of family income. Conditions had become intolerable. Something had to be done. As a graduate of 14 years standing, and for that same period secretary of the Class of 1930 College, I do so as a citizen and as a person interested in the welfare of the institution. I am ashamed of an alma mater and publicly declare it, because the trustees by publicly declaring that the control is exercised by the public service corporations, who will henceforth exercise their control, has, and an article. He was an ardent supporter of the group of useful young men of the Wharton School, who have given us universal fame and drawn students from almost every country of the globe, because he was assistant-professor, and could be dropped without a trial by his peers as are all others. These states have been equally guilty of trying to induce other social and business conditions, but they are harder to get. They have been of use to the present mayor and his directors in showing up the University, as the corporations whose powerful directors sit on the board of directors of the University. They have been used to the advantage of the State by a corporation in its arrangements for the Union. The reading railway was taken over by these corporations, and the taunting and efficiency of the Wharton School have been used wherever possible by the present administration.

The Government of the State appropriated 1,000,000 dollars for the University, and the Corporation requested to veto it unless the trustees explain this. They are not likely to do so. This incident demonstrates how far-reaching is the influence of Big Business. Shall we allow this influence to become dominant? When the referendum are taken there will be an opportunity to say once for all that Big Business shall be the servant of Australian and not their masters.
LECTURESHIP IN GERMAN.

From "Patriot":—The advertisement in The Register of August 7 for a gentleman for the Melbourne University, competent to teach the rising generation the German language, at a salary of £400 per annum, will, I have no doubt, have caused surprise to many of your subscribers. The English language is quite tabooed in Germany; in fact, it has practically been declared illegal. Our legislators are rightly advocating a discontinuance of all trade with Germany, which, in the event of our proving victorious in the war, will probably flow into Russia. In any case, Great Britain's trade and our trade with her will largely increase, and a knowledge of Russian will prove a most valuable acquisition. However, setting aside this side of the question, it certainly does seem inconsistent (to put it mildly) that, considering the dreadful war into which we have been plunged by Germany, with all the accompanying atrocities, diseases, and grief for which she is responsible, the continued teaching of the German language, at the public expense, in any school or university should be tolerated."

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Demand for Medical Men.

MELBOURNE, August 12.

At a special session of the senate of the University of Melbourne today Professor Sir Harry Allen submitted for adoption the temporary regulation which had been agreed at a recent meeting of the University council—"That the curriculum for the legal, bachelor of medicine and bache lor of surgery during the continuance of the war be modified and reduced in length from five calendar years to not less than four calendar years and one term."

Sir Harry said he had received a letter from Dr George Reid, stating that there was still a demand for reinforcements of medical men, and that those already sent had been first-rate men. Besides the need at the front, there was also pressing local requirements. The hospitals were working under great stress and with small staffs. The motion was unanimously agreed to.

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THE MONTESORRI SYSTEM.

The two South Australian teachers (Misses Longmore and Davidson) who went to Sydney to study the Montessori system of infant teaching, as adopted in the schools there, have completed a report for the Minister (Hon. C. Vaughan). It is understood that both ladies speak in terms of the warmest enor of the educational results gained from the new system, which the Government proposes to introduce in South Australia.
ST. PETER'S COLLEGE.

Resignation of Canon Girdlestone.

In a young State like South Australia, a comparatively small number of men have had a guiding hand in helping to mould the characters of the younger generation, and incidentally in assisting to frame the destiny of the State. One of these is the Rev. Canon Girdlestone, M.A., who has just resigned his position as head master of St. Peter's College. His name is known throughout the breadth of the State, and further, the name of the school, which he has controlled for the past 22 years, has always stood for everything that is manly and clean. The secret of his success has been his wise and deep knowledge of youthful traits, and his skilful handling of the growing boy.

—An Athlete and Scholar.

The popular head master was a notable athlete, having pulled stroke for Oxford in the inter-university boat races in 1885 and 1886. His crew was successful in the former year, and was beaten by Cambridge by only two-thirds of a length on the latter occasion. It was only to be expec-