EXAMS AT SCHOOLS

PROFESSOR OPPOSES SYSTEM

Girton House Speech Day

Speaking this morning in the New Fordham Hall at the Girton House Speech Day of Professor Darby Naylor, Mr. P. W. Emery, said he did not approve of the system of giving public examinations at schools. He thought the system was a great danger to the future of the country, and that the examinations were not a fair test of a boy's ability. He went on to say that the examinations were not fair to the boys who were not able to get a good education, and that the system was a great disadvantage to those who were not able to get a good education.

A meeting of the Adelaide Education Committee was held on Wednesday afternoon, and the appointment of Mr. P. W. Emery, Mr. J. F. Nairn, and Mr. R. Hodgkinson to the Adelaide Education Committee was confirmed.

IMPROVING AGRICULTURE.

Proposed Imperial Conference


An Imperial Agricultural Conference, initiated by the Home Office, is to be held in connection with the annual conference of the British Agricultural Association. The conference will be held in the United Kingdom, and will be attended by delegates from all parts of the Empire. The Minister for Agriculture (Mr. J. F. Nairn) will be present, and the conference will be addressed by the High Commissioner (Mr. J. F. Nairn) and the Agent-General for Australia.

PUBLIC EXAMINATIONS.

Professor Naylor Advocates a New System

Among educationalists, a system of public examinations held in connection with schools is gaining ground. At the annual speech day of Girton House School, Professor Darby Naylor, who has long been a leader in the field of educational reform, introduced his system of public examinations. He said that the system was a great boon to the students, and that it would help to raise the standard of education in the country.

"TYPICAL AUSTRALIAN SCENES"

A portfolio of exceedingly reproductions of photographs on art paper from the "Thirty-two Views of Scenic Australia," was published in the Sydney Morning Herald, and has been well received. The portfolio, which includes views of the Blue Mountains, the Great Dividing Range, and the Murray River, has been well received, and is said to be a great success.