

A FAREWELL SOCIAL.

A large audience assembled at the Brougham-place Congregational Lecture Hall on Thursday evening, when a complimentary social was tendered to Mr. Frederick Bevan, who for twenty years has been organist and choir-master of the church.

Mr. Bevan has just recovered from a serious illness, and is about to take a six months' tour of the world. He will leave South Australia on January 27 by the Ulysses, and proceed to Europe via Cape Town.

The pastor of the church (Rev. L. C. Arkin) presided, and in wishing Mr. Bevan a happy voyage and a safe return to renewed health, he referred to the high esteem in which he is held by the congregation, and the officers and choir.

Mr. J. B. Anderson (a deacon of the church) spoke of the esteem and affection in which Mr. Bevan is held. His fine work in the choir was well known to those present.

Messrs. Walter Wood and P. C. Trevor, on behalf of musical friends, expressed good wishes to the guest.

The pastor, on behalf of the church and congregation, presented Mr. Bevan with a large travelling case, a pair of binoculars, and a box of cigars.

Mr. Bevan responded. In a graceful speech he said he had learned during his recent illness how much kindness there was in the world, and also he had been impressed while in the hospital with the amount of suffering that existed.

Mr. Trevor, on behalf of the Sullivan Choral Class, made a presentation to Miss Jean Prince, the accompanist.

A pleasing musical and elocutionary programme was admirably carried out by Misses Muriel Cheek, Jean Sinclair, Elsie Cook, and B. Trevor, and Messrs. Walter Wood, Sydney Coombe, A. Lucas, and Richard Correll, and members of the Sullivan Choral Class.

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Among appointments made in the Executive Council on Wednesday were the following:—Agricultural College Department, Mr. A. W. Peirce, B.Sc., to be assistant chemist, and Engineer-in-Chief's Department, Mr. F. E. Ellis, to be assistant surveyor.

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Sir Archibald Strong is visiting relatives in Warsaw. He contemplates a visit to Germany, after which he will leave for Australia.

Gift for Research Work.

Mr. J. T. Mortlock has forwarded to the Chancellor of the University £2,000, to be used either for building purposes or for the equipment of a laboratory at the Waite Research Institute, as the council may decide.

The donor is a son of the late Mr. W. T. Mortlock, of Martindale Hall, Mintaro. He is a young and wealthy pastoralist, with extensive interests in this State, and a keen student with a bent for scientific research.

The Work Hampered.

Work at the Waite Research Institute, formerly the Urrbrae Estate, Fullarton, is hampered by scarcity of funds. The late Mr. Peter Waite gave the estate and buildings to the Government to be used as an agricultural college, but more money is needed for equipment.

Laboratory in Coachhouse.

Professor Prescott, who has charge of the chemistry class at the Waite Research Institute, stated on Saturday that the authorities hoped Mr. Mortlock's example would be followed by other citizens. The institute was in need of gifts to enable the members of the staff to perform their duties conveniently.

Some time ago Mr. Mortlock visited Urrbrae, continued Professor Prescott, and his gift of £2,000 was an outcome of his realization of the need for money. The minimum amount required would be £10,000, and probably that would be exceeded.

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Dr. J. B. Dawson has been appointed by the Government to be a member of the Board of Optical Registration, under the provisions of the Opticians Act, 1920, instead of Dr. H. E. Pellew (resigned).

On the recommendation of the Public Service Commissioner Dr. W. Christie has been appointed a medical inspector of schools in the Education Department, in place of Dr. H. E. Pellew (resigned).

Prominent South Australians

(By "Felix")

Principal of St. Mark's

Adelaideans are always proud of their own, who rise to important positions in the State, and of none more so than the native born who achieve distinction in scholarship and in the educational world.

"Many happy returns" to Mr. Archibald Grenfell Price, M.A., Dip. Ed., F.R.G.S., the Principal of St. Mark's Residential College, which is affiliated with the University of Adelaide.



MR. A. GRENFELL PRICE

Mr. Price is a product of St. Peter's College, Adelaide, and of Magdalen College, Oxford. At St. Peter's he was head of the school in English literature, history, and Divinity; won the Farr Scripture prize, the E. T. Smith history prize, the Pulleine Essay prize, and the Commonwealth cadet essay prize.

Although comparatively a young man, the South Australian is widely known for his important literary contributions to geographical literature. His "Casual Geography of the World," published in 1918, has gone through seven editions.

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The South Australian Rhodes scholar Dr. Myles Formby, has been selected for the combined Oxford and Cambridge lacrosse team which is to tour the United States in March.

Record of Mr. Sidney Pick

Mr. Sidney Pick, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Pick, of Coondambo Station, has created two records in the University leaving honors examination.

He was born at Terowie in 1907, and began his education at St. Joseph's Convent. In 1919 he won a Government bursary and entered Christian Brothers' College. He passed the junior public examination in eight subjects with six credits.

In 1925 he again headed the general honors list and topped the list in the State for English, chemistry, and modern history. In 1924 and 1925 he gained first place for English, but was not eligible for the Tennyson Medal.



MR. SIDNEY PICK

who headed the English honors list three times in succession in the leaving honors examination at the Adelaide University.

Mr. Pick has a fine sports record. He represented his college in cricket, football, tennis, and handball, and won prizes for gymnastics and boxing.

He received the greater part of his tuition from Brother D. G. Purton (his former principal), Brother J. S. Terlin, and Brother J. S. Mackie (science master).

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SIR DOUGLAS MAWSON.

Our Sydney correspondent telegraphed on Wednesday that Sir Douglas Mawson, after spending a month in the North Island of New Zealand, returned to Sydney that morning by the Marara, on his way to Adelaide.