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NIGHT LECTURES AT THE UNIVERSITY.

Recently a deputation waited upon the Premier (Hon. J. Gunn) with a request for an extension of time to the Adelaide University in order that the Council provide night lectures in arts for the benefit of teachers and other students. The Minister of Education (Hon. L. Hill) announced yesterday that the Government had decided to accede to the request, and it was expected that lectures between the hours of 7 and 10 p.m. would be initiated next year. Lecturers might be given in any of the following subjects, provided that not less than ten qualified students made the necessary application—Latin I. and II.; English I. and II.; logic; pure mathematics I. and II.; chemistry I.; philosophy; history I. and II.; ethics; geology; I.; French I. and II.; psychology; education; physics; I. and II.; botany. It is to be noted that the evening lectures (excepting third-year subjects, such as English III., Latin III., mathematics III., history III., &c.) at present are given between 4 and 6 p.m., would probably be discontinued. The University Council had put forward this proposal, and the Government has promised the necessary financial support, mainly in the interest of upwards of 1,000 metropolitan teachers and college students, who, it is felt, would obtain an opportunity of raising their standard of improving their education, which they would not be slow to appreciate, as has long been apparent that teachers attended evening lectures tired and jaded by the day's work, and that night lectures would afford them better opportunities and better conditions.

EDUCATING THE YOUNG

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MASTER OF HIGH SCHOOL

Favored by ample recreation grounds and picturesque surroundings the pupils of Woodville High School have every opportunity to improve themselves mentally and physically. The school is situated in an ideal locality about five minutes' walk east of Woodville Railway Station, in grounds more than seven acres in extent. The portion allotted to the boys forms a full-sized football ground. There are several asphalted tennis courts and a concrete cricket pitch, on which some interesting contests have been played. The cricket eleven for the first round this year headed the High Schools' Sports Association list.

Industrial Visits

Living in an industrial centre the boys are afforded many opportunities of seeing the great wheels of machinery at work in the various manufacturing establishments in the district. During a vacation about 40 upper boys, accompanied by teachers, have been enabled to see something of what can be done in industry. The managers of the South Australian Gasworks at Brompton, J. Kitchen and Sons Proprietary, Limited, Idington Workshops, F. B. Fawcett & Co. at Southwark, Holden's Motor Body Builders at Woodville, and Torrensview Woollen Mills, Limited, threw open their works for inspection and made the visits of the boys pleasant and profitable.

Guides were placed at the disposal of the boys on the following occasions: any of the industries could be thoroughly explained. Some instructive and enjoyable mornings have been spent in this way. Mr. McCarthy has a loyal and efficient staff. The deputy head master is Mr. A. C. Richards, B.A., and the senior commercial master is Mr. H. D. Doolittle, A.C.U.A. Other members of the staff are Messrs. J. W. Nixie, M.A., B.Sc., Henry Brown, M.A., Dep. Ed., K. Luckwell, A.C.U.A., and E. C. Parsons, Misses E. F. Strirling, B.A., K. N. Powell, B.A., J. M. Genis, L. Morris, E. R. Morphet, M. Nicholas, and G. A. Salmon. The last-named is in charge of the Domestic Art Centre.

INCREASED UNIVERSITY GRANT.

The Council of the University of Adelaide was informed at a meeting yesterday by the Minister of Education that provision will be made in the Estimates for 1926-27 to increase the University grant by £1,500 for the financial year 1926-27, and by £3,000 for subsequent financial years. The purpose of the increased grant is to enable the University to provide night lectures in such subjects of the arts course as are required by ten or more qualified students, and a condition is that teachers employed by the Education Department shall be permitted to attend such lectures and incidental examinations without payment of fees. The Council accepted the grant for the purpose mentioned, and directed that the matter be forwarded to the faculty of arts and science to prepare a scheme so that the night lectures shall be inaugurated in 1927.

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ORGAN RECITAL.

An appreciative audience gathered at the midday organ recital given by Dr. Harold Davies, Mus. Bac., at the Elder Conservatorium, Adelaide. A well-balanced programme opened with two selections from the brilliant French writer, Guilmant, the items being "Process of Descent," a pastoral composition played with delicate effects, and the popular "Funeral march and chant of seraphims." In the latter item the solemn, deep-like passages and the celestial strains, with their message of hope, were impressively rendered. The number of organists performing was five. "Alleluia in B minor" (Lemare) made a pleasing contribution, some good tonal qualities being displayed. Mr. Charles Davies plays "Violin concerto" in "Mendelssohn" in his usual masterly style. Admiration and tasteful appreciation was the number thoroughly enjoyable, and the audience gave ample proof of appreciation of the artistic interpretation. Handel was represented by the "Organ concerto, No. 6." Each of the four parts was treated sympathetically, and the work, which is a masterpiece of Handel's method, was given with expressions of approval. Particular interest were the opening "Larghetto" and the "Alla Siciliana" movements. The recital was concluded by the "Presto," with which the composition closes. At the recital on July 7, 1926, at the Adelaide Conservatorium, Mr. Davies and Guilmant will be presented.



Mr. W. J. McCarthy head master of Woodville High School.

Connected with the school are a well-equipped science laboratory and a typing room supplied with about 50 machines. There is ample accommodation, and the only disadvantage is that two of the rooms are of the pavilion type. Students are drawn from various districts along the Port Line, Thebarton, (Gang and Henley Beach). They comprise a specially fine type of young manhood and womanhood, particularly the girls.

Developing Self-Control

The aim of the school is always to develop self-control and self-government of the boy, so that he can discipline himself rather than be disciplined by teachers. The tone of the school is excellent, and the reports of the inspectors indicate that it is becoming more so each year. Examinations have been stiffened, and it is possible for a good pupil to reach the senior standard in three years.

No one has the interest of the school more at heart than Mr. Walter James McCarthy, B.A., B.Sc., head master. Mr. McCarthy, who holds two honors degrees, has held highly responsible positions during his 27 years of service in the Education Department. In 1900 when the Pupils Teachers' Training School was established he was appointed second master, a position which he held for more than eight years.

During 1907 and 1908 Mr. McCarthy was in charge of the Teachers' Training College. His term of office being one of the most successful in the history of that institution. He took charge of Norwood High School in 1910, and remained there until 1922, when he was appointed to his present position.

Creditable School Magazine

A credit to the school is its magazine, which is published twice a year. The contributors to this excellent publication are mainly the pupils of the school. The general opinion among the staff is that the magazine is a credit to the school and their children to continue until they are at least 16 years of age.

Connected with the school are two sections, the general or professional, and the commercial, the course in each instance being three years. The general section is a hearty co-operation which exists between the teaching staff and the parents of the pupils. This is evidenced by the fact that the parents of past more than £300 for the erection of an assembly hall. It is hoped that the Government will contribute £400 in the near future. An additional £400 is being raised for the purchase of typewriters. The Parents Association is doing excellent work for

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CHAIR OF MODERN LANGUAGES.

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IMPRESSIONS OF ADELAIDE.

Sixty Years Ago.

V.—By the Rev. F. Shany Peole, M.A., The Chief Seat of Learning.

The University, which has done so much to extend the realm of learning and knowledge, had hardly been thought of, though had he not known it, in a very few years, had it not been for the horizon, dim dawn at first, but soon to make its influence felt in no uncertain manner. Its 50 years have been years of wonderful progress. It is a fittingly fine staff called upon to make high festival at its jubilee in the coming August. The occasion will be to me one of special interest.

I doubt if there can be any of those who took part in its earliest stages and in its inauguration still living, besides the writers of the memories. It has been my good fortune to have sat under 20 of its Chancellors, the weighty and learned Sir R. D. Hanson, at that time Chief Justice of South Australia, who took of the chief seat of the nascent University was all too short a span; succeeded he was by the able and able Sir James Stewart, a scholar of eminent distinction. The next in succession was the able and versatile Sir Samuel Wray, Bart., whose long tenure of office has had not only the University but the State under a heavy debt of obligation. Of the present occupant of Chancellor's chair it would be wrong to say that he should say the word, but he is not unworthy to wear the mantle which his distinguished predecessor bestowed on him. It is not polite for rambling to show some text, but the reference to the coming of the jubilee of the University, in which I have the greatest interest, edified me from my pen.

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MR. ALLAN WILKIE.

In a recent fire at Geelong which made the whole of the wardrobe, security, and effects of the Allan Wilkie Company was destroyed. A committee has been formed at Melbourne, consisting of Messrs W. A. West, M.H.R., Professor R. E. Wallace, J. H. Mackenzie, J. G. Mackenzie, A. Vidler (hon. secretary), and Mr. R. A. Brownlow (hon. treasurer) to appeal for funds to make good the loss. The following statement has been issued: "The disastrous fire at Geelong, on which practically the whole effects of the Allan Wilkie (Theatrical) Company were destroyed, has excited sympathy throughout Australia, the company having become a national institution in the Commonwealth and New Zealand; and it is not to be thought of that its fire work should come to an end. It is, therefore, proposed to make an immediate appeal to all those who appreciate Mr. Wilkie's efforts during so many years, in order to replace the wardrobe, security, and effects which have been destroyed. It will be a pleasure to receive an early assumption of Mr. Wilkie's programme." We shall be glad to receive and acknowledge subscriptions, and will be sent to Mr. Brownlow, the Senate, Melbourne.

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The Council of the University of Adelaide has nominated Professor T. G. B. Osborn as its representative on the Finance and Endowments and Professore Sir Archibald Strong, Darnley Naylor, and McKellar Stewart and Mr. Grentell Price as representatives on the joint committee for the U.E.A. financial schemes.