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NEW AUDITOR-GENERAL

The announcement that Mr. J. W. Wainwright has been appointed Auditor-General in succession to Mr. W. E. Rogers—who retires after having filled this responsible position with distinction for a number of years—will be received with pleasure, but especially by all who are aware of the splendid services which Mr. Wainwright has rendered the State. His appointment is merited by his consistent display of ability and zeal in the discharge of the many important tasks already committed to him. During the past few years, by reason of his knowledge of financial and economic matters, and of the science of public administration, successive Governments have engaged him almost continuously in special work of an investigatory nature, and his advice has been invaluable. His appointment to numerous commissions and boards of enquiry, has provided ample evidence that he enjoys the confidence of those in authority. The real value of much of his work, however, is not adequately realised outside official circles. It is not as widely known as perhaps it should be, for example, what an important part Mr. Wainwright played in the task of readjusting the State's financial position when the crisis was at its height rather more than three years ago. It is now a matter of history, that the reorganisation which began in South Australia was a factor of considerable importance in influencing all the States to agree to a concerted plan of action; but of some of those mainly responsible, behind the scenes, for the first step towards rehabilitation in this State, the general public knows very little; and this is especially true, perhaps, of Mr. Wainwright, and of the Public Service Commissioner, Mr. Hunkin. It is characteristic of these conscientious and able public officials, and of those most closely associated with them in the Civil Service, that they should prefer to remain as far in the background of public affairs as their important duties will permit. In the case of Mr. Wainwright, however, his unobtrusiveness has not altogether prevented a proper appreciation of his valuable services; and, in appointing him to the Auditor-Generalship, the Government had every reason for confidence that his elevation to this important position would give general satisfaction. It need hardly be said that the appointment means that the responsible and exacting duties of the Audit Office will continue to be discharged as ably and as fearlessly as in the past.

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It was learned yesterday that the promotion of Mr. J. W. Wainwright to the position of Auditor-General would definitely result in his having to relinquish the positions of Government representative on the Tramways Trust Board and on the Classification and Efficiency Board. The matter has been the subject of considerable discussion in the public service.

Mr. Wainwright was appointed to the Tramways Trust Board for six years, about three of which he has served, the salary being £78 a year. His salary as a member of the Classification and Efficiency Board was £80 a year. As Auditor-General he will receive £880 a year. It is probable that different persons will be appointed to the Tramways Trust and Classification and Efficiency Board vacancies.

Mr. Wainwright has been granted permission to continue his lecturing work at the University, for which he receives about £65 a year, and his membership of the Superannuation Fund Board, which is an honorary service.

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**UNIVERSITY COURSE
IN COMMERCE**

Prospectus Now Available

The prospectus for diplomas in commerce and public administration has been issued by the Board of Commercial Studies of the University of Adelaide.

The curriculum for the commerce diploma provides instruction in subjects generally required in commercial pursuits, and is designed to meet the demands of the commercial world, which more and more requires special attainments. Advanced courses are now provided in accountancy and commercial law, and students may specialise in either of these subjects.

In 1929 an advanced course in public administration was removed from the curriculum for the commerce diploma, and to meet the needs of public servants a special diploma in public administration was instituted.

The lectures for each diploma number in all 330, and the course of study occupies four years, but students who so desire may extend the work over five or more years.

The lectures, which are given in the evening, so that students can attend after business hours, begin on March 12 and end in October. Examinations are held early in November.

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**GRANT FOR EDUCATIONAL
RESEARCH**

The Carnegie Corporation of New York has agreed to continue its full grant to the Australian Council for Educational Research, according to the Education Gazette. The grant led to the establishment of the council, and was made under two heads. A sum of £5,000 a year was guaranteed for a ten year period, and an additional £2,500 a year for the first five years. Because of the financial depression, it has been impossible so far for the council to obtain local aid, and it asked for the continuation of the smaller grant for the full ten years. The International Institute of Intellectual Co-operation, functioning under the auspices of the League of Nations, is arranging for the recognition of a national centre for educational information in each country associated with the league, and the Australian Council for Educational Research has been asked to act as the Australian centre.

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**ARRIVAL OF M.L.C.
PRINCIPAL**

**Dr. C. W. Atkinson Begins
New Duties**

The Rev. Dr. C. W. Atkinson, who was recently appointed principal of the Methodist Ladies' College, Wayville, arrived in Adelaide by the Melbourne express yesterday, and immediately took up his duties. He was accompanied by Mrs. Atkinson.

Dr. Atkinson was in Adelaide about two months ago, but returned to Melbourne to attend a conference, and also to say farewell to the members of his church in Malvern.

The vice-principal of the college, Miss Jean Harris, will arrive in Adelaide tomorrow morning.

The appointment of Dr. Atkinson to the head mastership of the Methodist Ladies' College was made as a result of a Methodist Conference resolution in 1933, asking the college council to consider the appointment of an ordained minister as principal. The suggestion was adopted, and the college has now fallen into line with Victorian and New South Wales Methodist Ladies' Colleges, which have had ministers as principals for many years.

Dr. Atkinson is a Master of Arts of Melbourne University, and holds the degree of Doctor of Letters of the London University. He is well known as a fine speaker in Victorian churches.

Miss Harris is a native of Adelaide, but has for some years been living in Melbourne. Since she graduated at the University of Adelaide Miss Harris has taught in some of the largest secondary schools in Melbourne. Her chief work was at Scotch College under Dr. Littlejohn, where she did leaving honors work in the science department.

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**SCHOLARSHIP TO
HIGH SCHOOL GIRL**

**Permits Five Years
At University**

The Creswell Scholarship for 1934, awarded by the council of the University of Adelaide, has been won by Miss Winifred May Lihou, of Osmond terrace, Norwood.

Each year three Creswell Scholarships, tenable for five years, for the diploma in commerce course, are awarded, one by the council of the University on the results of the leaving commercial examination, one by the South Australian Cricket Association, and one by the Royal Agricultural and Horticultural Association of South Australia.

The secretary of the South Australian Cricket Association (Mr. Jeanes) said today that nominations closed at noon for the association's Creswell Scholarship, and they would be considered at the next meeting of the committee.

Nominations for the Royal Agricultural and Horticultural Society's scholarship closed on Thursday. The secretary (Mr. Finnie) said today that the award would be considered by the next meeting of the council of the society.

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**NEW PROFESSOR
FOR ADELAIDE**

The council of the Adelaide University decided late today to appoint Professor Garnet Vere Portus to the vacant chair of political science and history.

Professor Portus was New South Wales Rhodes Scholar in 1907, and when he returned in 1914 from Oxford, became acting professor of history and economy at the Adelaide University.

During the war years he acted as a censorship officer.

Since 1918 he has been director of tutorial classes and lecturer in economic history at Sydney University.

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**PROF. HANCOCK'S
SUCCESSOR**

**Mr. G. V. Portus
Appointed To Vacancy**

The council of the Adelaide University has appointed Mr. Garnet Vere Portus to the Chair of Political Science and History vacated by Professor Hancock on his appointment to Birmingham. He takes up his new post in April or May next.

He was born at Morpeth, on the Hunter River, and was educated at the Maitland High School. He was in the public service for three years, and then entered the Sydney University. He graduated as a B.A. in 1906, and in the following year went to Oxford University as a Rhodes Scholar for New South Wales. He takes a leading part in the Students' Christian Movement, and to his long experience as director of tutorial classes throughout New South Wales, he has added first-hand knowledge of adult education in England and America.

At New College, Oxford, in 1910, he secured the degrees of B.A. and B.Litt. He returned to Australia, and went to the Adelaide University as acting professor in history in 1914, while Professor Henderson was on leave. From 1915 to 1918 he was on the Military Censorship Staff in Sydney. After the war he secured his appointment to the Sydney University. He has held the post for nearly 16 years.

He is the president of the Workers' Educational Association, and has written six books on historical subjects.

International Rugby Player
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**COLLEGE OF SURGEONS'
CONFERENCE**

The annual general meeting of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons is to be held here this year, when proceedings will begin with an inaugural meeting in the Elder Hall, University of Adelaide, on Wednesday, February 28. It is expected that a number of surgeons from the other States will be present. The gathering will be continued on March 1, 2 and 3, and the programme will include demonstrations and papers. This will be the first occasion on which the conference has been held in Adelaide.

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Professor G. V. Portus, who has been appointed to the chair of Political Science and History at the Adelaide University, vacated by Professor Hancock, is an outstanding orator and a well-informed personality, who has an interest in many things. He won his blue at the Sydney University for Rugby Union football and rowing. He also won his international football cap, playing for England against Ireland and France, when he was at Oxford. In addition he has played for New South Wales in interstate matches, and is one of the New South Wales and Australian Rugby Union selectors.



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UNIVERSITY SURVEY CAMP

Large cases, containing valuable surveying instruments, left the engineering department of the Adelaide University yesterday for Kintopp Forest, where the annual survey camp of engineering students will begin on Monday. The camp, which will be slightly larger than last year's, will conclude on March 3. Mr. R. C. Robin (lecturer and demonstrator in engineering) will be in charge, and members of the party will live in huts. The use of surveying instruments will be taught.

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Mr. C. R. Jury, an Oxford graduate and an old scholar of St. Peter's College, Brighton, now living at Bellevue terrace, will leave for England by the Ballarat on February 21, and be away for about two years. Mr. Jury was a tutor at St. Mark's College in 1932, and last year he lectured in English at the University of Adelaide.

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Mr. A. M. Bills, a graduate of the Adelaide University, will leave for Oxford next week. Mr. Bills, who was born at Broken Hill, was a student at Prince Alfred College, where he won the Colton scholarship for languages. He graduated at the University of Adelaide, with first-class honors in English. He will go into residence at Christ Church, Oxford, to read for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. This will involve the writing of a thesis on Elizabethan psychological ideas and their relation to the drama. At Prince Alfred College, Mr. Bills was captain of the school, head of the boarding-house, and, as a footballer, tennis player, and an athlete, represented Princes in many intercollegiate games. At the Adelaide University he was secretary of the literary, debating, and dramatic society, leader of the international debating team against the University of Oregon team, which visited here a few years ago; editor of the University Magazine; a member of the general committee of the sports association; a University Union committeeman; and a Men's Union leader. Mr. Bills is one of the few Australians who holds an American University blue, which he gained as a hard court tennis player, during the one year he spent at Bethany College, West Virginia. Mr. Bills also has an Adelaide University blue for hockey, and, besides having played inter-University hockey and football, he is an interstate hockey player. Mr. Bills will enter the same college at which Messrs. Eric Gray and T. S. Dorsch, two S.A. Rhodes scholars, are at present in residence. All three were at St. Mark's College together.



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L.P.A. SCHOLARSHIPS

The Institute of Public Administration has decided to offer a scholarship of £5, open to members and associate members of the institute, who desire to attend University lectures in subjects for the Diploma of Public Administration. A second scholarship of £5 may be awarded to a member who desires to take a course of study which in the opinion of the council of the L.P.A. is likely to benefit himself and the department in which he is employed. Applications will close on February 21.

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