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Editorial.

Important changes have occurred in the Roseworthy College staff since the issue of our last "Student."

Our former Principal, Mr. W. J. Colebatch, B.Sc., M.R.C.V.S., who so ably conducted the administration of the College during the last thirteen years, has now left us, owing to his appointment as Irrigation Commissioner.

Those who knew the College of old and have visited it lately can testify to the great improvement Mr. Colebatch wrought during his regime. Our oval, grass tennis courts, and grand-stand will remain a lasting memorial to his efforts on behalf of College sport; and if "cleanliness" be "next to godliness" the hot-water system and baths should direct many a student towards the paths of sainthood. On the farm the new byres, silos, and stables are vastly superior to the old.

The greatest achievement, however, of our late Principal, and the one which most clearly demonstrated his interest in the welfare of the students, was his influence in the passing of the Agricultural Graduates Act, whereby a Roseworthy graduate can obtain a loan from the Government up to the amount of £3,000 to enable him to secure land and put into practice some of the precepts learnt at the College.

Though the loss to the College is severe, we congratulate Mr. Colebatch on his appointment, and are assured that the Irrigation Commission has gained a very valuable member, and one who is probably more capable than any other in the State of unravelling the somewhat tangled skeins of river settlement.

At the same time we have lost one of the oldest members of our staff in Mr. H. C. Pritchard, who, in addition to his duties as Secretary and Housemaster, for the last two years, during the Master. Mr. Pritchard has taken the place of Mr. Finniss as General Secretary of the Agricultural Bureau and Editor of the Journal, and those who have known him here feel confident of his success in his new office. We reproduce a portrait of Mr. Pritchard, and include a paragraph dealing with his work at the College.

In Mr. Pritchard's place we welcome Mr. W. H. Cowper as Secretary and Housemaster. Mr. Cowper was on the staff of the Central Mine, Broken Hill, until his enlistment in 1915. He had his first taste of war at the Hill in January, 1915, when two supposed Turks held up a train, consisting of open trucks and full of picnickers. Seven people were killed and a greater number seriously wounded. The event caused a sensation at the time, synchonizing, as it did, with the entry of Turkey into the War. The two murderers received summary justice, and were literally filled with lead by the crowd which pursued them with all kind of firearms. Mr. Cowper served four years with the A.I.F., and gained a commission in the 3rd Pioneers. After the War he rejoined the Central Mine staff, passed examinations, and was made a member of the Commonwealth Institute of Accountancy, subsequently holding position of assistant accountant and accountant to two leading Broken Hill firms.

Our frontispiece shows the portrait of Mr. W. R. Birks, B.Sc. (Agric.), who has been appointed as Principal of the College in place of Mr. Colebatch. The appointment is a doubly welcome one—firstly, on the grounds of his past work and reputation; secondly, on account of his being an old Roseworthy scholar, and one whom all his contemporaries will recall with friendship and respect.

Mr. Birks spent his boyhood at Murtho, on the Murray, where his father, Mr. Walter R. Birks, had settled in the dark ages when lack of experience had allowed settlers to attempt the impossible task of raising crops with an insufficient rainfall and an absence of super.

After two or three years at Prince Alfred College (not without incident; some of us will recollect how Dick Birks, Herr Drewes, and a packet of crackers created an interesting diversion in school routine) he matriculated with honours.

A year's commercial experience with G. & R. Wills was then gained, and in 1905 Mr. Birks entered the Adelaide University, and commenced an engineering course. An hereditary agri-

cultural bent, however, decided him to go to Roseworthy College, where, under Professor Perkins, he took his diploma in 1908, and was awarded the gold medal as Dux of the year.

Returning to the University in 1909 Mr. Birks completed his University course for the Agricultural degree, and then returned to Roseworthy College for a year as Demonstrator in the Science Laboratories, during which period he carried out some original work on the effect of super on the germination of small seeds, a thesis on which finalized his course and admitted him to the degree of Batchelor of Science with Agriculture in 1910.

In the same year he was appointed Foreman of the Kybybolite Experimental Farm, under Mr. Colebatch, who was then Superintendent of Agriculture for the South-East.

From 1911 to 1913 he held the position of Manager at Booborowie Experimental Farm during its initial establishment.

From thence he went to New South Wales in 1913 as Inspector of Agriculture, where his work consisted of planning and conducting farmer's experiments, lecturing to Agricultural Bureau gatherings, and giving personal advice to settlers.

In 1915 Mr. Birks joined the 5th Field Artillery Brigade, was promoted to Sergeant in Egypt in 1916, and Lieutenant a little later. He served continuously from April, 1916, to Armistice, at times assuming the position of Battery Captain in the Field, and being mentioned in Corps Orders in connection with the fighting for the village of Bullecourt.

That the Germans appreciated the value of this officer was amply demonstrated one day at Ypres, when with a "pip-squeak" they, sniped him and his two telephonists, who had rashly ventured into an exposed observation post. The German observing officer must have been at least a mile distant, while his battery was probably three miles away. It was a most interesting display of range-finding, so exciting that when the twentieth shell exploded within a few feet, and buried them in the mud, they decided to crawl out and run for it. The occasion was Second-Lieut. Birks's first trip up to the front in the famous salient, and, with open map, he was enjoying a careful scrutiny of the historic ground, the ruins in the rear, Hill 60 on the right, Observation Ridge in front, and Passchendaele Ridge on the left, on a calm and quiet Sunday morning, when he was reminded that this pastime was contrary to the rules by a shell-burst thirty or forty yards on the right. The next was a chain or so on the left: then one directly behind and another in front. The gunnery

was admirable, but the effect on the trio huddled in the shellhole decidedly unpleasant. Then the shells came over in salvos of two. The gun reports were clearly audible: a moment or two of intense suspense, then for a fraction of a second the terrifying shreak of the shell before the explosion. The bursts came nearer and nearer. At first one is frightened to run for fear of exposing one's whereabouts, but when the shells come within arm's reach, as fire drives out fire, so, in this case, fear, fear, and an undignified run for better cover was the result.

At Armistice Mr. Birks was transferred to the A.I.F. Education Service as Assistant Director, where he organized Agricultural Training at Sutton Veny, near Salisbury.

From July, 1919, until April of 1920 he prosecuted inquiries into wheat-growing, plant-breeding, and general agriculture in England, Denmark, Sweden, Canada, the United States, and New Zealand.

In 1920 Mr. Birks resumed duty with the Department of Agriculture in New South Wales, and in 1922 was appointed Principal of Dookie Agricultural College, which was at rather a low ebb following the War period. A complete reorganization was carried out under his direction, and the College is now in a thriving state. The resignation of Mr. Colebatch at Roseworthy, however, created a vacancy which Mr. Birks, with the genuine affection he has for his Alma Mater, was quick in seizing.

Current Events.

Recent times have brought along numerous events of interest. Staff changes are most to the fore, and it seems scarcely necessary to touch on the change of Principals. Our contact with Mr. Colebatch was of the slightest, owing to his absence on the Rural Settlement Commission. Hence it will be an interesting experience for us under Mr. Birks, but, as fame travels far, hope it will not be too interesting!

Some time ago Mr. Pritchard resigned his position to Mr. Cowper, who is assuming his duties gradually.

Mr. Ludbrook has left us to take up his Science course at the University, and Mr. A. B. Cashmore fills the vacancy, for the which we offer him hearty congratulations.

We heard, on return this term, that Mr. Fairbrother was married, and were not very surprised. We take this very late opportunity of wishing Mrs. Fairbrother and himself every happiness.

An event of no little local importance is the acquisition of a new Chief Steward. In itself trifling, its effects have been most far-reaching. The chops have very noticeably improved, and much other provender, and these not the end. We hope his sojourn will be lengthy, and as fruitful as it has been to date.

The Small Dance was held on 14th June most successfully. Mr. and Mrs. Pritchard received the guests. The floor was not as good as on 22nd October, but lasted out fairly satisfactorily. The Committee are to be congratulated on the decorations, particularly the Hall effect, which was most original, but, unfortunately, within the reach of the standers out.

Seeding, though started very late, has progressed unchecked, hence we have run to schedule. Frosts have been fairly severe, but crops progress favourably. A question puzzling many has been why the plot in No. 8. was put in. Was it for early feed?

Western Australia for the Tourist.

For those who have not had the good fortune to visit the western State, a few remarks on points of interest to the tourist may be acceptable.

Within easy reach of Perth there are several beautiful spots. The wide expanses of the Swan will claim first attention. The city itself stands on a wide bay, which curves down to a narrow channel. From this point the river widens out again, forming a beautiful stretch of water three mile wide—a paradise for yachtsmen and rowers. Still continuing in a fairly wide sweep, the river runs between Point Resolution and Point Walter, an excellent place for picnics, and then widens out into Freshwater Bay, curving back again into a narrow but navigable channel, which eventually, by a tortuous course, finds its way to the sea. To fully appreciate the beauties, one should take a trip down the river or climb to the heights of King's Park. From here a superb view of the city and river can be obtained. The park itself has been practically left in its wild state, and this constitutes one of its greatest charms.

A trip to the hills will also please. From the first range a beautiful view of the plain with the river and the city in the distance may be seen. Continuing through forest-clad hills, one arrives at the source of one of Australia's greatest engineering schemes—the Mundaring Weir—and the start of the eastern goldfields water supply. The weir, a massive concrete structure 300 odd feet high, dams back the Helena River for about seven miles, storing up millions of gallons of water for the use of Perth and the goldfields. The placid waters of the weir, flanked on either side by wooded hills, form a pretty picture.

For those contemplating a more extensive tour, the first spot to be visteid will be the Yallingup Caves.

About 160 miles from Perth by road and situated close to the sea, the caves, apart from their own singular beauty, attract those who desire a care-free rest, but not without the pleasures of surfing or tennis, or the lure of the surrounding bush. The caves are a never-ending source of beauty to many. The electric lights are reflected from the glittering stalactites; marvellous shawls of beautiful shades are thrown into relief; huge columns uphold arched domes, the drops of water glittering and scintillating like a thousand diamonds, and brilliant stalagmites take on fantastic shapes and forms.

No less an attraction is the rugged coastline. Huge rocks withstand the onslaught of the seas, the white spray whipped off by the wind and hurled far back.

Leaving the caves, the journey to Augusta will bring one to a realization of the silence and grandeur of an Australian forest. On either side huge kauris, rising straight as an arrow for 200 feet or more without a limb, intermix with the smaller jarrahs. Graceful ferns provide a green carpet, blending harmoniously with the white and red of the trees.

For those desiring the pleasures of swimming and boating, the rather uncertain joys of angling, or the beautiful peaceful solitude of bush and woodland streams, Albany stands unsurpassed. The beach is ideal for surfing, fish are plentiful around the rocks, or, for the more adventurous, a trip to the outer harbour will prove fruitful. The Upper Kalgan River is one of the beauty spots. The clear, limpid waters reflect perfectly the clouds floating above and the trees and spearwood lining the banks. The walking enthusiast will enjoy a stroll to Mount Clarence, from whence a fine view of the township and the inner and outer harbours may be obtained.

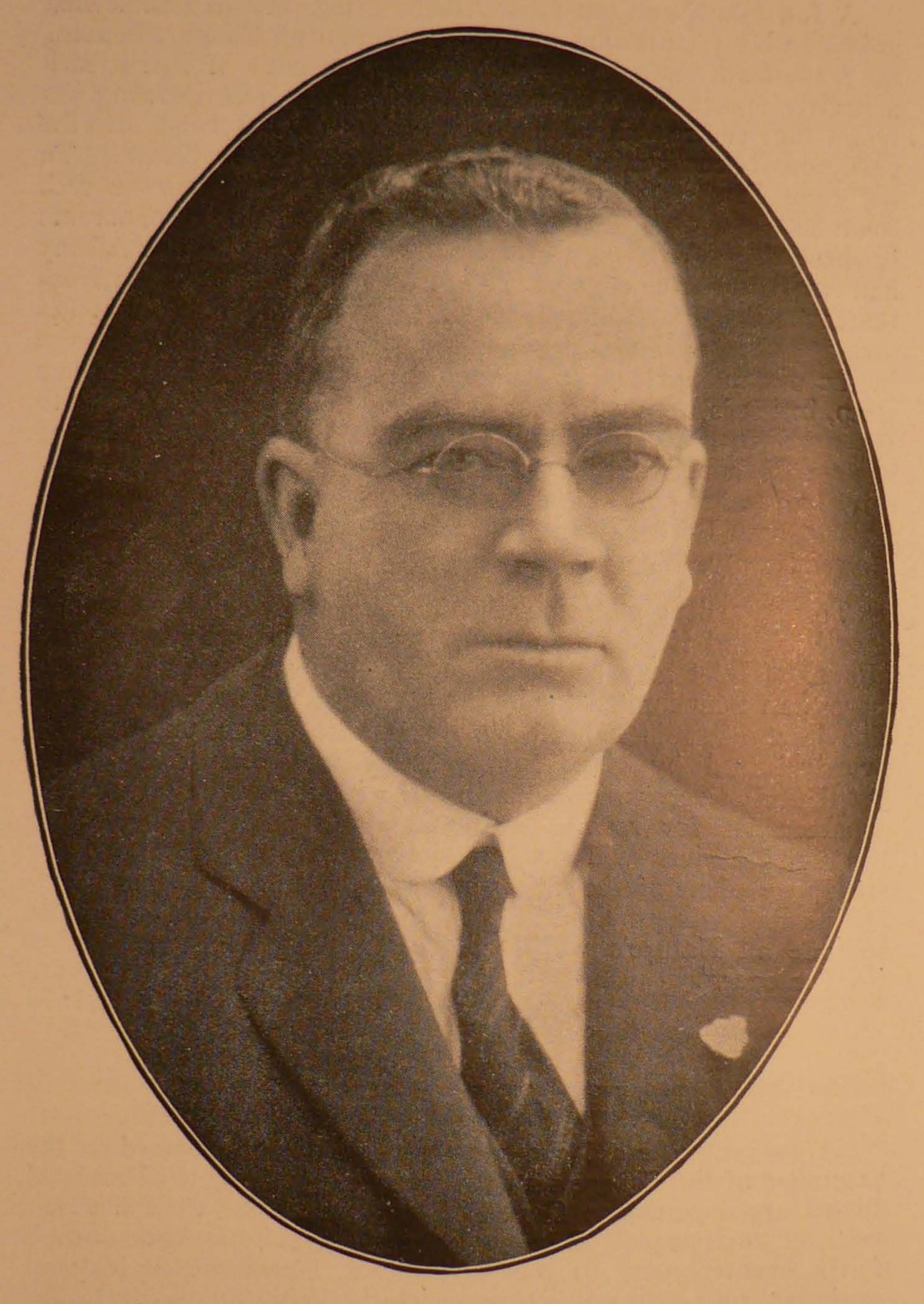
A few hours' run out from Albany brings one to a somewhat unknown but picturesque spot—the Porongorup Range. Leaving the homestead, one passes up a magnificent valley of karris, each a perfect specimen. Of interest, too, is the tree growing out from the centre of a huge rock. At the head of the valley one is confronted by a steep drop to the plain below. To the right lies the Devil's Slide, a sharply rising slab of rock some 200 feet high. From the summit a magnificent panorama is unrolled. For away to the South one can distinguish Albany and environs on the edge of the sparkling sea. Directly in front the rocks drop precipitously down to the plain, which stretches away to the east and west in endless waves to gradually merge in the distant horizon. Behind, the slope to the plain is less steep, but it is eventually lost in the endless distance. Away to the north-east the Stirling Ranges may be seen, the morning mists still lying lazily around their peaks. A few minutes' drive to another part of the range brings one to the Castle Rocks, the Elephant Rock and the Balancing Rock, all natural sculpture of rare beauty.

To the ardent motorist who is a lover of Nature and out-door life, and if he be an angler another pleasure awaits him, Mornalup Inlet may be visited. The bad state of the road is more than compensated for by the beauty of the scenery en route. The inlet itself is flanked by virgin bush, the smaller shrubs overshadowed by giant karris, white and red gums. The Frankland River, which runs into the inlet, provides wonderful opportunities for rowing, swimming, and fishing. A launch trip up the river will delight, giving one an insight into the stately grandeur of the virgin bush: its bird life, its animal life, and its everlasting solitude. And to one who can appreciate this solitude all Nature's work will be "a thing of beauty and a joy for ever."

D. B. P.

Mr. H. C. Pritchard.

Amongst the rapid changes that have lately occurred in the personnel of the College staff the transfer of Mr. H. C. Pritchard to his appointment as General Secretary of the Central Agricultural Bureau and Editor of the "Journal of Agriculture" is the most recent. It was well known, however, that his new position in the city was assured early in 1926, but owing to the exigencies of administration he was retained at the College for a further period of about fifteen months.



Mr. H. C. Pritchard.

Mr. Pritchard joined the service of the State in 1897 as a clerk in the office of the Agricultural Bureau, under the founder of that department. At a later date he was given responsibilities of the accounting section, and was transferred to the College in March, 1908, at the time when Professor Perkins was Principal of the institution. He had thus been actively connected with the College for more than nineteen years. His first appointment was Secretary and Accountant, and at subsequent dates his duties were increased by the addition of Lecturer on Book-keeping in 1910 and Housemaster in 1915. Further responsibility was placed on his energies when the Principal (Mr. W. J. Colebatch) was appointed a member of the South-Eastern Drainage Commission in 1924 as, during the Principal's frequent and sometimes prolonged absences from the College, Mr. Pritchard was nominally in charge of the institution. May, 1925, when the Rural Settlement Commission was formed with Mr. Colebatch as Chairman, Mr. Pritchard was appointed Head Master, and thus became responsible for the control of the College, a position which he held until his departure and the arrival of our present Principal (Mr. W. R. Birks). The results of examinations for the two successive years constitute a lasting testimony of the great service he has rendered during that time. He has expressed himself as proud of the loyal support received alike from the staff and students. From his first appearance at the College he showed himself interested in the general welfare of the students. He succeeded in placing our sports affairs in a firm financial condition, and for years was the main support of our social activities. His unlimited energy found him at work at all hours whenever needed. Time and place had no meaning to him in his daily duty to the College and its students. It is within the memory of many of us that numerous trivial details received from his hands, at extraordinary hours, the greatest consideration and treatment, as though they were of the utmost importance to the welfare of the State. There never appeared to be any such thing as a refusal to listen to a complaint, to offer advice, to consider an urgent—and frequently unreasonable—request or to cure the usual ailments, both real and imaginary, which are peculiar only to students of Roseworthy!

Mrs. Pritchard was an able supporter of Mr. Pritchard in his work among us. They have been the recipients of the best wishes of the staff and students, as well as of the friends of the College in the surrounding district. Just prior to their departure the College staff presented them with a handsome cabinet of cutlery at a social gathering given in their honour, and in con-

juction with the welcome given to our new Principal. On the occasion of the "Return Dance" in Gawler our friends of the district showed their appreciation by presenting to Mr. and Mrs. Pritchard a set of silver dishes as an acknowledgment of the help they had always given to the social activities of that town. Lastly, students staged an unprecedented dinner at the College as a farewell to both. Their popularity among us knew no bounds, and we trust that the presentation of a clock (with chiming peals) and a marble inkstand will serve to remind them of the good wishes and appreciation extended by all of our present students.

Third-year Notes.

Our last year begun, it was noticed by many that leisure hours were far more numerous than of yore, with the increase of lectures.

This fact was much appreciated till, towards term-end, one found that work had, not unnaturally, increased in the same proportion. But its practical interest was also greater, which consoled us no little.

We have the departure of three co-mates in exile to bemoan this year. W. D. Eime and E. Sieber both left last term, early, and later went Skipper Hayward. We wish them all the best of luck in their various spheres of occupation. Of the last mentioned, we hear he is farming in Western Australia. This fact surprises us, as we pictured him indulging in a little sport in China. Twice he was seen in town, "just off to get on board." Perhaps, in the parlance of a certain gentleman on the Farm, he thought "secretion" was the better part of valour.

The annual golf fortnight is now in full swing, and balls are the objects of search by all and sundry. Our noted vocabulary makes full use of this adaptable game.

We are glad to note that Paul has stopped pinging us. Picture the horror of that waitress at his callous onslaught!

Abattoirs visits have came our way, but as yet no one has done any dealing. We are distressed to note the ever-increasing visits of the West Coast Goof to the restaurant. By our last visit, he will spend the day there, at the present rate. It's not as if there are any twit there, and he looks so poorly, too! But, then, all of us look thin. Let us hope this condition will be rectified as the year progresses. The truth is, we only have three-quarters of an hour for meals, and slow eaters like poor old Speeder have to starve in consequence.

A War Story.

This incident is described by Mr. Birks as one of the most interesting and exciting of his War experiences. The Germans had broken through in their remarkable Lagincourt raid, before daylight. They already occupied the adjoining valley, and their flares were showing in the right rear when the 104th Battery were called up. The majority of Mr. Birks's gunners were raw recruits, but his guns were the first in action in the neighbourhood of Noreuil. The subsequent action was a model of defence and counter-attack, and illustrated the high standard of discipline and training of the A.I.F. at that time. It was unusually interesting, too, because all operations were visible from one point a very rare occurrence in modern battles. The Germans advanced over the ridge on the right front in short rushes; every man "stood-to" in defensive positions, and artillery and machine guns opened up with "direct fire." All "second line" men and "reserve" infantry turned out and doubled up to the front absolutely spontaneously: the disorganization on the right precluded the issuing of orders in the ordinary way. When the Germans were on the outskirts of the village, Mr. Birks selected sacrifice crews for his guns with orders to fire to the last, and sent surplus gunners to join the infantry. He then prepared to "shoot up" a certain sunken road as soon as the Germans should enter it. The engagement was then stationary for half an hour or so, our men being constantly reinforced from the rear, and the Germans firing from shellholes. General Gellibrand was the Senior Officer at Noreuil and stood close by the 104th guns, like a more or less disinterested spectator, throughout the action, with a couple of Lewis guns barking at his feet, and stray "Fritz" bullets dropping about him. The counter-attack was eventually launched, apparently by common consent, from the sunken road covered by the 104th guns, and the prisoners were soon pouring in and doubling to the rear. A general advance to the original frontline was made by about 9 a.m., and the fugitive Germans were caught on their wire in front of the Bullecourt line. This little victory, complete in itself, and attended by few casualties, came at a time when the A.I.F. had just suffered one of its worst setbacks, in the first abortive attack on the Bullecourt line. It had a remarkable effect on the spirits of all ranks, and the men were never in better humour than while bringing in the wounded and collecting souvenirs for the rest of that day.

Second-year Notes.

As the train drew into the Roseworthy Station on 19th April. there were many who looked out on the College drag with a new interest and a stifled feeling of just pride in their hearts. These were the Second-year stalwarts, who have since been achieving some of their destined greatness, as the following will show.

We have made great progress with the pruning, following the lead of the great "Jim," whose noble example of not sacrificing good work for speed has been universally approved.

Dave and Paul have been showing particular promise in the Chem. Lab., and although their results might rather startle orthodox scientists, they would certainly be approved of by the ancient alchemists, whose chief virtue was supposed to be daring all in the cause of curiosity.

Physiology has captivated our interest, and it is said that "Tiny" has been particularly impressed, a fact nearly substantiated when we recall that persistent rumour was current that in the small hours of a particular morning a cry was heard from his room, wrung from him in his terror at being pursued by a mighty amoeba.

Congratulations to "Buck" on gaining the trophy presented for topping the Association batting average, with 147—Excellent!

Lately the gardens have been a source of great attraction for a few of the omnivera in our midst, and they should very shortly be in store condition.

From the above we are confident that you will agree that our claim to worthiness is indeed modest, and feel sure that some of our members will be heard of in the future, being even now renowned for their broad outlook and bulldog spirit in holding on to what they discover.

Leonora, fare thee well.

Winter School for Farmers, 1927.

The day we had been looking forward to arrived—that of the arrival of the members of the Farmers' Winter School. Our first view of them was when walking down to lunch after the 11.30 bell had rung, and after sorting them out and hesitating as to what class we would put them in we came to the conclusion. based on first impression, that they were a good sort, which view was later borne out in full.

The day's labour done, we (meaning Government labourers, or, in other words, R.A.C. students staying over the holidays carrying on the work, incidentally in a better manner than during session—others?) would each night, after tea, repair to the Council-room, encompass the fireside, and smoke the pipe of peace in company with the good old "cockies." It was on the second evening after the opening of the School when developments started, and ended up in "Fairy" testing one of the visiting yeomen. Both put up a satisfactory performance, after which the indomitable musician of the "labourers" entertained us all at the piano until the gong sounded, when the arena was deserted for the arrival of the two principals, Mr. Birks and Mr. Spafford, lecturers for the evening.

After a certain lecture given by Mr. Baker, we "labourers" were greatly amused at old "Dad" trying to sit upright at the table, endeavouring, as he afterwards told us, to balance his ration. We, of course, were loath to give a helping hand.

One night, two "internationals" in "Yorke's Peninsula" and the old "Mount Lofty sharper" played a set of euchre against two "innocents"; one, I might add, a member of the select company of "labourers," and who was put to bed two hours later suffering from the ill effects of the severe strategical blows dealt him.

Now that Mr. Whittlesea is safely "o'er the hill and far away," we venture to ask his opinion of Gawler on gala night such as that of the 28th July, of the College chariots, not to mention the present state of Denmark.

One day, two of the noble College swine were killed before the "cockies," one with a new engine of destruction resembling a prehistoric battle-axe, and after waiting for nearly an hour for the water to get sufficiently hot—incidentally the fire had been in the boiler for over two hours—good old Stacey had the audacity to ask us if we hadn't sufficient steam.

The gambling spirit of the "cockies" was self-evident, for after the pigs were dressed, there was a guessing competition held; and I am sure that one "cocky" slept systematically that night, his eyes doing shift work—one eye keeping watch under his pillow.

The competitive spirit was raised when we heard that we were to play the "cockies" at football, and, after one practice,

we took the field in a confident manner. During the first quarter it looked as if the College ranks were going to be routed, but after that, we gradually gained the upper hand, mainly through the dashing work of Mr. Baker, Mr. Jefferis, and Mr. Philp. "Orpington" played a good game too. Another feature of the game was the sterling qualities of the Butler grip. We have since been challenged to play the "cockies" on their own ground, and, providing they pay our expenses, we will take them on again.

The night before the "break-up" of the school was the Dinner, at which we "labourers" led the way in what some call "animalism." During this function, old "Yorke's Penin.," who evidently came here to try and sell his car, gave us an admirable description of it, but he evidently had up till then not seen the improvements on it caused by bumping into the mudguards in the dark hours of early morn with musical milkcans.

After an oration given by a certain "cocky" we were convinced that the next Poet Laureate will be good old Rose. Towards the end of the function, we were all seeing bottles waving, clock-hands revolving, and floor heaving, but only through auto-suggestion at the instigation of Mr. Finnis.

On retiring for the night, after this function, a few gentlemen found things not as they should be, and at intervals it was possible to hear dire threats of vengeance and gnashing of teeth from the foot of the staircase. However, nothing eventuated in the way of reprisals.

Next morning, the dairy "experts" went upstairs to "wake" the "cockies," but "Dad" Follet, and England's pride, "Rose" up with the spirit of battle glinting their eyes, so that our "experts" deemed it wise to beat a hurried but dignified retreat.

Looking back we have come to the conclusion that they were "not too bad," to use an Australian colloquialism; that after they left we felt lost; and in many cases, judging from the way they diligently paid attention to lectures, etc., and concern at the ill effects of a badly balanced ration, it will be with a heavy tread that they will homeward plod their weary way.

We look forward to next year's Winter School.

A most successful 1927 Winter School for Farmers terminated in a smoke social given by the students to the instructors and staff of the College. Mr. L. Slade occupied the chair, and under his guidance the evening was spent very happily. Various

toasts had been arranged for, among them being "Roseworthy College," ably proposed by the Chairman and responded to by Mr. W. R. Birks, who, in his reply, laid great stress on the interest and keenness displayed by the students and the satisfaction it gave the staff and instructors. "The Winter School," proposed by Mr. R. C. Scott and responded to by Mr. E. Clark; "The Staff and Instructors," by M. Burford and responded to by Messrs. R. Baker, A. T. Jefferis, and W. H. Cowper; and "The College Students," proposed by Mr. W. J. Morcom and responded to by Student Parker, were other toasts disposed of in an admirable manner.

A toast by Mr. Birks to "Kindred Institutions" was responded to by Mr. Finnis, Secretary of the R. A. & H. Society, and Mr. Jones, Chairman of the Central Agricultural Bureau. Mr. Finnis, in his response, given in the inimitable manner, caused a deal of laughter and perhaps a little envy in his description of his recent visits to similar functions in company with Mr. Jones.

During the evening a presentation was made to the College by the members of the Winter School, through Mr. W. J. Morcom. Mr. J. P. Egan, Librarian, responded. The presentation took the form of an addition to the Library collection, and will be much appreciated by those who have the privilege of using them.

Student Young led off in the musical programme, and was supported by Messrs. Cox, Craddock, Farrow, G. Rose, Oldfield, and Winnall.

An original poem by G. Rose, rendered by himself, on the memorable football match with the staff and students of the College, is given below:—

COME ON, COCKIES!

From all around the country-side, along from far and near The Cockies came to Roseworthy to hear what they could hear. The lecturers talked and argued, morning, afternoon, and night, And told the Cockies where they're wrong and also where they're right.

They raised a valiant football team the College lads to play.

And though they tried to very hard, they couldn't win the day. Capt. Follet in the centre and Whit was on the wing;

And Morcom, in the grandstand, he began to sing,

"Come on, Cockies; play the game! Why don't you kick some goals!

If I were there I'd show you how—at least, I could at bowls."

There was Fitzy there, and Burford, too, but he wasn't number one;

And Slade he was the goalie and he surely took the bun.

He stopped the goals by dozens, and was worth his weight in

gold.

I wouldn't care to buy him though, if ever he were sold. Davidson was marking well, but couldn't get it through; And how young Rosie kicked a goal they never really knew. You see, it really was because their full-back wasn't there, But then you needn't tell them that; it really won't be fair. And Stacey then, he kicked a goal, but the whistle then had gone. And Arthur looked as if he could have very nearly sworn. Norsworthy of Onkas, one of the best men on the ground; Butler, in the back lines, his play was always sound. And long and lanky Thomas was always on the ball: If they had only let him go I guess he'd play them all. And Badman was a good man for once in his young life. And Story told the same old story, rough play then was rife. Shilty, another of our lads, he was no passenger. Clarkey, too, was playing well; he bucked in, foul or fair. Bertie was our goal umpire, he does not play at bowls; But why did he not wave two flags for behinds instead of goals? The barrackers were much impressed, especially Mr. Birks. They did not know the Cocky plays as hardly as he works.

And of the College lads, there's little left to say.

In nearly every quarter did they dominate the play.

And Mr. Baker showed them how in quite the latest fashion,

And all the Cockies soon found out they need a balanced ration.

And Mr. Jefferis in the blue, to him we raise our bonnet.

Whene'er the Cockies began a move he put the acid on it.

And just to show his confidence their captain left the ground

Very shortly after the oranges went around.

Bert Oldfield was a dasho, but it wasn't any good.

If they'd played Bill Harrison a better chance they'd stood.

But though the scores were against us, I think they would have found

That the scores were right that were on the board if we'd played on our home ground.

First-year Notes.

For many years the future of S.A. has been arriving at the College, but although the War certainly made a gap the real future has only turned up this year, which means that S.A. will start to improve rapidly from about 1930, when the "Future" is well settled down in its life work. Knowing the great value 'of S.A.'s "Future," hard-and-fast rules have been made to protect it, and the "Future" extends its thanks to the said State's Government. On the first week of habitation cream was placed within eating range to encourage the return of the new members after Easter we must say it had a great effect. The pride of Canada is not yet in our midst. His country, we are sure, cannot spare his presence as yet. Other States are not represented well, but we have one remarkable specimen taken from the sand of W.A. We wish to report that the "Pipemall" mouse-racing stable in No. 5 is well trained and represented, among the mice being "Wee Sun," "Manfred," "Whakadoo," and other speedy haystack-runners. We also learn that we have Romeo, a mighty man of bass voice and. fisticuff dimensions, but very seldom can he climb the roads to Gawler to see the awaiting Juliet. The dances in Gawler did not attract the "Future" very much, were attended poorly, but one night the hall was filled to overflowing with men owing to the "Future" arriving in pretty fair bulk, although it is said that two went off and slept in the drag.

The following are to be congratulated upon their various elections:—"Silent" Winnall, Councillor; "Tick" Spencer and "Snappy Syd" Torr, Sports Committee; "Snake Ansen" Gerken and "Able Boy" Harrison, Dance Committee.

It is pleasing to know that the "Future" possess football talent, five out of fourteen being represented in the Eighteen.

To show the great foresight and judgment of the "Future," it is only necessary to point to the members of the Student Committee that they elected. If it were possible for the "Future" to strike medals, there would be medals for the high-seeing persons who filled in a certain notorious tank, but it can only express its sincere thanks, which should be regarded as good as any medal, V.C. or otherwise.

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A CASE.

To the fellow-members of my noble Race.

Listen all, for you will hear much.

One day last week I was brought before an imposing structure which was greatly set off by the presence of some illustrious members of the Aryan Race. Strange to say, these were all delighted with my presence, but, suffering from dental trouble, I did not return the mutual welcome, and very soon I was to learn that these people were wolves in lambs' clothing.

You all know my ferocious temperament, so it is no small wonder that I was placed in a very inconvenient structure they called a "crush"; but after having a fleshy projection forced down my throat, and jaws rent asunder by a gag, I Charlestoned my way out, amidst loud rumblings from the learned multitude

present.

My freedom was short-lived, for some very embracing trappings were placed on me. I had to yield to my tormentors, who threw me to the ground; but, not content with that, a man with great knowledge, loud-voiced—I gather he was the Medicine Man of the tribe—put a headlock on me (Is that fair, Mr. Clapham?), and one of the many offenders present forced an instrument resembling a crowbar down my throat to find, he said, my milk incisors, I just having reached my majority a few years back. Failing to find them, and only just cognizant of the fact I possessed cheeks, they withdrew this, and put in a pair of hedgecutters, and very soon the cause of my dental pain was removed—where? It's all right, comrades; our little trustworthy epiglottis stopped it, and I now have it as a memento.

Throughout all this the Big Medicine Man at my head continued his headlock, and belched forth loud and awe-inspiring

noises.

Now, many then present would do better in an advisory capacity to some company, for they showed by their advice, though not lacking in horse-sense, comrades, that it was

the standard required for the Aryans.

Now, my comrades, everyone who has notions of Classic Honours, if suffering any ill, or disappointed at Derby prospects—even I have this complaint—take my advice, go to the Big Chief of the Palefaces at R.A.C., but put on ear-phones, I beg of you. It is he of the Loud Voice.

Yours sincerely,

P.O.O.R. ASSYUT.

No. 15, Hook's Mansions.

Cricket Notes.

FIRST ELEVEN.

Although only six of last year's team were available this year, we again had a very successful season.

At the general meeting C. Drew was elected Captain, and

A. B. Cashmore Vice-Captain.

In Association matches we remained undefeated, and on two occasions gained three-point wins. Besides Association matches, we played Scotch College, an Angaston Eleven, Prince Alfred College, and St. Peter's College, an Angaston Eleven, Prince and drawing the remainder. Against the Old Scholars we broke our run of defeats by them, and won by 23 runs.

One of our members, T. H. B. Jones, won the Association

batting prize with an average of 147 runs per innings.

The cricket bat presented by C. E. Pellew for the best fielder in the College Eleven was most deservedly won by our Captain, C. Drew.

Association Matches.

COLLEGE v. UNIONS.

This was the first match of the season, and was played on the Gawler Oval on the 16th and 23rd of October. The out-field was very slow, and as a result scores were low.

Unions had first use of the wicket, and, due mainly to good

bowling by Williams (5 for 13), were dismissed for 32.

The College replied with 148. Williams hit hard for 42

retired, and C. Drew batted steadily for 42 not out.

With about two hours to play, Unions started their second innings, and Williams (6 for 19) again bowling well the whole side was out for 37.

Scores:-

UNIONS

First innings					32
Bowling	Williams, 5				3;
Jones 2 for 7	; Woodroffe,	1 for 6;	McKay, 0	for 1.	

COLLEGE.

First Innings.		
Cashmore, c. Pring, b. Berriman		
Drew, A. K., c. Bennett, b. Robinson		
Mr. Williams, retired		
Drew, C., not out		
Fry, c. Coxell, b. Pring		
Wright, b. Berriman		
Mr. Woodroffe, c. Dawbarn, b. Berriman	 	 3

Hooper, b. Alex	ande	r			* *	* *				5
Parker, c. Pring	, b.	Berr	ima	n		* 1				6
McKay, b. Berr										11
***										0
Sundries	*9	* *							*	5
Total			**							148
		U	NIC	ONS						
Second innings										
BowlingWi	lhan	1S, 6	tor	19;	FT	у, з	ior	7;	WIT	ight,
0 for 9.	Ince In			Len	70 -					
College won	by 1	1111111	gs a	ind	19 1	uns.				

COLLEGE v. SMITHFIELD.

This match was played at Smithfield on 30th October and 6th November.

College batted first, and with five of our best batsmen out for 79 we were in rather a bad position. However, a brilliant 77 by Williams brought our total to 187.

Williams (5 for 18) and Woodroffe (5 for 26) bowled throughout Smithfield's first innings, and dismissed the whole side for 44.

Smithfield followed on, and by the end of the day were 91 for 4 wickets.

Scores:-

COLLEGE

	CC	OLL	EG.	E.					
	Fir	st I	nnin	es.					
Cashmore, c. Day, b				1					31
Drew, A. K., b. T.		100					5.4		0
Drew, C., c. Jarvis, 1									no
Mr. Williams, c. Twe									
Wright, b. T. Twel									
Mr. Woodroffe, c. Bu	arford	1. b.	T.	Twe	1ftre	e			1
Parker, 1.b.w., b. T. T.									8
Hooper, run out					-				2
Geddes, b. Riggs									4
McKay, run out							404		20
Shepherd, not out					4.1	***			0
Sundries									
Total .									187
	SMI	THI	FIE	LD.					
First innings	2.2	2710							44
Bowling William	ns. 5	for	18:	Wo	odro	offe	5 fo	r 26	
	SMI	THI	OIE.	LD.					
Second innings .					4	wic	kets	for	91
BowlingMcKay,	2 for	r 5:	Hoo	per.	1 fc	r 9;	Wo	odro	ffe.
1 for 31; Williams,	0 fo	r 8;	P	arke	r, 0	for	12;	Dr	ew,
A. K., 0 for 23.									
College won by 1	43 rt	ins	on	the	first	inn	ings		

COLLEGE v. SOUTH.

This match was played on the Gawler Oval on 27th November and 4th December.

Souths had the first use of the wicket, and batted steadily for 148.

Collins (6 for 26) secured the majority of wickets.

College—due mainly to C. Drew (82) and Williams (63)—passed South's score with only 3 wickets down and finished up with a total of 256.

Scores:-

SOUTHS

COLLEGE.

First Innings.

Cashmore, run out							24
Parker, l.b.w., b. G. Nottle							0
Drew, C., c. Lord, b. May							82
Palmer, 1.b.w., b. Sharp						*: 5	100
Mr. Williams, b. C. Nottle							63
Wright, l.b.w., b. C. Nottle			4.4				21
Fry, b. Dangerfield							
Drew, A. K., c. Sharp, b. Ta							
Hooper, c. sub., b D. Nottle							
Collins, c. May, b. Brooks							
Jones, not out							
Sundries							7
		- 3					-
Total							256
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College won by 108 runs.

COLLEGE v. UNIONS.

This was the first match of the second round, and was played on the College Oval on the 15th and 22nd of January.

College batted first, and by the end of the day were all out for the big score 357. Cashmore (100 retired) made the first

century for the season.

On the following Saturday Unions arrived with only nine men, and in their first innings were dismissed for 107. Following on, they were all out again just before the drawing of stumps for 120.

Scores:-

COLLEGE.

	L 11	St 1	1111111	85.			
Cashmore, retired			* =	* *	 **	**	 100
Fry, b. Pring	* 14.				 		 16
Drew, C., c. Bennett,							70

Mr Williams, retired 7

Wright, c. sub. Drew, A. K., c. st Hooper, b. Prin Mr. Woodroffe, McKay, c. Brad Collins, b. Alexa Jones, not out Sundries	b. Wander	asle b.	asle 	xand	der				**	
Total					*: 6	*	*:*			357
		U	NIC	ONS.						
First innings										

COLLEGE v. SMITHFIELD.

This match was played on the College Oval on 29th January and 5th February.

Smithfield only had ten men, and, batting first, were dismissed

for 135.

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McKay (6 for 42) secured the majority of the wickets.

On the following Saturday, after having 3 wickets down for 92, C. Drew (100 retired) and Williams (93) became associated, and, batting ten men, we made 350.

Scores:-

SMITHFIELD.

First in	nings	 	 				135
The state of the s	lingMe		42;	Willian	as,	1 for	20;
	, 0 for 19						

COLLEGE.

First Innings.

THE THIRDS						
Cashmore, c. J. Judd, b. F. Judd						18
Wright, st. Bowman, b. T. Twelft	ree		**			3
Drew, C., retired				*	* 18	100
Hooper, played on, b. T. Twelftr	ee			*		19
Mr. Williams, c. Bain, b. Day Fry, st. Bowman, b. Day		• •				93
McKay, c. McKenzie, b. S. Twelft	ree		**	* *		21
Parker, c. S Twelftree, b Bain .						53
Jones, b. Day	. ,					5
Collins, not out						5
Sundries			* *		-0.0	31
Total						350
College won be 215 runs.					**	1300

COLLEGE v. SOUTHS.

This was the last Association match, and was played on the College Oval on 12th and 19th February.

Souths batted first, and were dismissed for 154.

Cashmore (3 for 1) secured the bowling honours.

We commenced our innings, and by the end of the first day had 4 down for 82.

On the following Saturday Jones (102 retired) and Drew, A. K. (97) became associated and carried the score to 297 before being separated, and we were dismissed for 339.

Scores:—

SOUTHS.

T	TID						
First innings					1.		154
Downing.—Cashinore, 3	OT	1 3	Or	les	2	tor	13.
Woodroffe, 3 for 40; McKay,	2 fo	r 43	. 51	enh	ord	O fo	6.
Fry, 0 for 13; Hooper, 0 for	16	1 10	, 01.	ерп	era,	O IC	or o;
COLLEGE.	Fire	st In	min	gs.			
Mr. Woodroffe, b. May		No.					26
Fry, b. C. Nottle					(*)**)		10
Parker, l.b.w., b. May			* *			3.5	19
McKay c Howard b Chara		* *	:		* *		25
McKay, c. Howard, b. Sharp	4.4						16
Hooper, c. Guiney, b. May		4.1	1616				4
Jones, retired	761 0						109
Wilght, St. Howard, D. C. N	ottle		127.1	2.50			11
Drew, A. K., b. Guiney				2.3			07
Cashmore, st. Howard, b. Lo	rd		100		* *	* .	31
Drew C not out	111			6.9	4.5		
Drew, C., not out		Y . Y		* × :			21
Shepherd l.b.w., b. Lord	8.5			2.20		× .	()
Sundries		1.0	8.		3.6	44	15
Total				10.00		Ten	341
College won by 187 runs						100	ex.

NON-ASSOCIATION MATCHES.

College v. Scotch College.

Played at the College on 13th November. Scotch College.—First innings, 6 for 179.

Bowling-McKay, 4 for 56; Jones, 1 for 32; Hooper, 1 for

35; Parker, 0 for 4; C. Drew, 0 for 36.

College.—First innings, 9 for 177. (Drew, C., 44; Hooper, 44 n.o.; Cashmore, 27; Palmer, 24; Wright, 15.)

Result-Match drawn.

College v. An Angaston Eleven.

Played at the College.

Angaston.—First innings, 162.

Bowling-Jones, 3 for 13; McKay, 2 for 18; Collins, 2 for 22; Hooper, 2 for 30; Woodroffe, 0 for 58.

College.—First innings, 284. (Woodroffe, 76 ret.; Fry. 50;

Drew, C., 41 ret.; Hooper, 20; McKay, 16.)

Result—College won by 122 runs.

College v. S.P.S.C.

Played at Saints on 28th February. S.P.S.C.—First innings, 8 for 189.

Bowling-Fry, 1 for 5,; Shepherd, 1 for 12; McKay, 3 for

52; Hooper, 1 for 26; Jones, 1 for 45.

College.—First innings, 5 for 139. Wright, 53 ret.; Drew, C.,

27 n.o; Drew, A. K., 27; Cashmore, 15.)

Result-Match drawn.

College v. P.A.C.

Played at P.A.C. on 1st March.

College.—First innings, 8 for 250. (Fry, 82 ret.; Wright, 72 ret.; McKay, 41; Parker, 26; Jones, 17.)

P.A.C.—First innings, 5 for 189.

Bowling-McKay, 2 for 64; Wright, 1 for 17; Jones, 1 for 41.

Result-Match drawn.

College v. Old Students.

Played at the College on 3rd March.

Old Students.—First innings, 188.

Bowling—Woodroffe, 2 for 17; Jones, 4 for 42; Williams, 3 for 34.

College.—First innings, 211. (Williams, 57 ret.; Drew, C. 55 ret.; Wright, 47; Parker, 29.)

Result—College won by 23 runs.

Association Batting Averages. Season 1926-7.

		Inngs.	N.C	D. H.S.	Total.	Average.
T. H. B. Jones				102*		
C. Drew				100*		118.00
Mr. Williams			2	93	346	115.33
A. B. Cashmore			1	100*	195	39.00
A. K. Drew			_	97	123	24.60
D. B. Parker			_	53	92	18.40
L. T. McKay			_	21	79	15.80
K. F. Collins			1	18	29	14.50
J. H. Fry		5		19	47	9.40
T. B. Palmer		1		9	9	9.00
Mr. Woodroffe	 	4	-	26	35	8.75
C. W. Hooper	 	6	-	19	48	8.00
J. F. L. Wright	 	6		21	45	7.50
C. O. Geddes	 	1	-	4	4	4.00
L. C. Shepherd	 		1	0	0	0
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Retired.

Associatio	n Bowling	Averages.		
). M.	R.	W.	Av.
A. B. Cashmore	2 1	1	3	.33
C. Drew	22	7	2	3.50
J. H. Fry			3	6.66
Mr. Williams 6		196	23	8.52
L. T. McKay 26	ST THE TOTAL TO THE TOTAL TOTA	94	10	9.40
K. F. Collins 19	9.5 —	86	9 -	9.55
T. H. B. Jones 3	1 4	112	9	12.44
Mr. Woodroffe 3		153	12	12.75
C. W. Hooper 2	0 2	92	2	46.00
L. C. Shepherd		6	_	_
J. F. L. Wright		9		-
D. B. Parker	72	12		
A. K. Drew	-	23		

CRITIQUE OF 1926-7 CRICKET ELEVEN.

DREW, C. (Captain) (by the Vice-Captain).—An excellent all-rounder. A safe, forceful batsman, making many runs in great style. His fielding snappy and sure in any position; and withal a bowler of no mean merit. These attributes, along with his keenness and knowledge of the game, make him the perfect Captain. Much of our success is due to his qualities of leader-ship.

Mr. WILLIAMS.—The best all-round man in the team. A dashing left-handed batsman, good medium-pace bowler, and is very safe in the field.

Mr. WOODROFFE.—A fair batsman, with a limited number of scoring strokes, but a strong defence. A useful slow bowler, and is safe but slow in the field.

CASHMORE (Vice-Captain).—The success of the team has been due considerably to his ability and enthusiasm. A fine opening batsman, with plenty of scoring strokes, including a particularly effective square cut. Poor in the field.

FRY.—A batsman who can either score quickly or play a waiting game, and he did not meet with the success this season that his ability deserved. A good keen fieldsman.

HOOPER.—A fair batsman, with an excellent cover drive. Is a useful medium-pace bowler, who can swerve the ball considerably. An excellent field at point.

McKAY.— A very fair slow bowler on these wickets. Has improved his batting considerably this season, and would be an excellent fieldsman if he exerted himself.

COLLINS.—A fair medium-paced bowler with a low trajectory. Poor with the bat, but is a fair fieldsman.

PARKER.—A very promising batsman. Has a very attractive style, but as yet has not much power in his shots. Good in the field.

WRIGHT.—A splendid wicket-keeper on his day, but is rather inconsistent. A dashing batsman, but is inclined to go for the wrong ball to hit.

DREW, A. K.—A good left-handed batsman, with strokes all round the wicket, but his defence is rather weak. Good in the field, and an excellent emergency wicket-keeper.

JONES.—A very crude batsman with a wonderful eye, and has made plenty of runs. A good medium-paced bowler who keeps an excellent length, and occasionally bowls an unplayable ball. Good in the field.

T.Y.P.A.D.S.

The above mysterious characters do not, as is generally supposed, signify a species of wood-borer from the Upper Congo, nor do they refer to the untamed natives of Southern Borneo, but represent the initial letters of one of the greatest Societies that have ever taken their sip of life's beer. This Society, which has its aim the development of binine tumours in embryo pastoralists is none other than the famous Third-year Put-and-Drive Society.

The renowned Society has expressed a wish that a concise and complete summary of the rules, regulations, terms, and expressions of the game of golf, the sport of the gold-medallists, be placed before the inmates of the Roseworthy Academy for Instruction in the Principles and Practice of Agriculture.

The first phase of the question is the golfer's equipment, which should comprise the following:—

1 Golf Links—may be hired from any Sports Depot.

1 bag: sugar, bran, super, or golf.

1 set of clubs for same, comprising:-

1 driver; sometimes termed the ace of clubs, used for driving.

1 mashee; mashes balls and potatoes alike, the dual-purpose club.

1 brassy; use this when uncertain which club to use

1 iron; for use when the above clubs have been broken.
1 niblich; ditto.

1 putter; ditto.

1 pair plus-fours (or minus eights, depending on the size of one's nearest golfing relative).

1 pair golf brogues, must be three sizes too large, so as to

firmly anchor the feet when driving.

1 extensive vocabulary. This may be carried in the bag and used at the player's discretion.

dozen balls. These are not absolutely necessary, but assist in making the game interesting.

The following terms should also be fully understood, as they are an essential part of the game:—

"Laying a Stymie."—This fault may be bred out of laying cockerals by careful selection and by applying 3 oz. L. aconite to the comb twice daily for six months.

"Fore."—The beginner optimistically shouts "Fore" and tops it whilst the professional modestly says "Fore" and slogs

a six.

"Bunker."—We get a lot of this from our lecturers.

"Fairway."—Good players use this term to signify the space between one hole and the next. The uninitiated always call it a "long way."

"The Green."—Those people who are not yet professionals.

"Tee."—A rare beverage found in some clubhouses.

"The Rough."—Pitfalls for the unwary (and unskilled).
The best way to get out of this is to use the vocabulary freely.

"Bogey."—Used to keep children off the course, golf being

essentially a game for adults.

"Caddy."—Used for putting the "tee" in.

"Two Up."—An illegal game of chance.

There are many more terms, expression, factors, and phenomena appertaining to "golf" which should be here disclosed, but the Editor has given me a limit, so that this most instructive article shall not exclude the many literary contributions that pour in so readily from all the students?!! However, I will finally exhort and urge you, readers, in closing, to immediately join the T.Y.P.A.D.S. and develop those binines!!!

(Signed) I. SLICEM, Hon. Sec. T.Y.P.A.D.S.

Roseworthy Old Collegians' Association.

During the last few years a number of alterations as regards the buildings and College grounds have taken place, whilst recently considerable changes in the personnel of the staff have occurred.

We take this opportunity of congratulating Mr. W. R. Birks on his appointment to the position of Principal of the College, and view with general satisfaction the fact that on Old Collegian has been chosen for this most important post.

The former Principal (Mr. Colebatch) will also carry with him the good wishes of all Old Students on his appointment as a member of the Irrigation and Drainage Commission, and we recognize that his marked ability will have ample scope in assisting to solve the numerous problems that confront that body.

Mr. Birks was a student at the College from 1907 to 1909, being Gold Medallist of his year, and then continuing at the Adelaide University, gaining his B.Sc. Degree in Agriculture in 1910. On leaving the University Mr. Birks spent a year at the College, where he was engaged in research work on the effect of superphosphate on the germination of small seeds. From 1911 to 1913 he was connected with the Agricultural Department, first at Kybybolite Experimental Farm, under Mr. Colebatch, and later as Manager of the Experimental Farm at Booborowie. In 1913 Mr. Birks accepted the position of Inspector of Agriculture in the Western District of New South Wales, but at the outbreak of hostilities in Europe enlisted with the 5th Field Ambulance and served in Egypt and France. After the Armistice he was given the position of Assistant Director of the Agricultural Section in the A.I.F. Educational Scheme, and had opportunity of making a study of the agricultural conditions in other countries, visiting most places of rural interest in Great Britain, Denmark, Sweden, Canada, and the United States. In 1922 Mr. Birks was appointed Principal of the Dockie Agricultural College, in Victoria, and has filled the position with marked ability. With such wide and varied experience to draw from, the College will undoubtedly benefit by the appointment of Mr. Birks, and we feel sure that under his guidance the institution will make steady progress along sound lines.

Mr. Colebatch had charge of the College from 1914, and under his control marked inprovement took place both in regard to farm conditions generally and the College life of students. Amongst the Old Collegians he will be always remembered as being instrumental for the introduction of the Agricultural Graduates Act, whereby they are enabled to receive financial assistance

in land settlement. It is gratifying to him and to all concerned to find applications under the Act becoming more numerous and likely to assume considerable importance in the near future. Further, Mr. Colebatch showed whole-hearted interest in the lives of students, and both whilst in residence under him and in after years was always ready to assist them to map out their careers on sound lines. Present students owe many of the pleasures and comforts of the College life to Mr. Colebatch, and many of the items which they now accept as a matter of course would have been regarded as most improbable concessions in earlier days.

Mr. H. C. Pritchard (our Auditor), after many years' association with the College as Secretary, Housemaster, and Head Master, has been appointed to the position of Secretary of the Central Agricultural Bureau, and we are pleased to pay our tribute to Mr. Pritchard on his well-merited promotion. On the appointment of Mr. Colebatch to the Rural Commission in May, 1925, he was made Head Master, and filled a most difficult position with very great credit. On the occasion of an Annual Dinner some years ago a speaker was enumerating the various walks of life in which Old Roseworthy Students are to be found, and mentioned that some were parsons, when an interjector remarked, "Due to the influence of Professor Perkins." Whether the same can be said about Mr. Pritchard is an open question, but undoubtedly he had considerable influence in moulding the character of many students with whom he came in contact, and his unfailing evenness of temperament in the face of the numerous difficulties which always confront the Housemaster of a Residential College was the admiration of all.

Although Mr. J. Hocking ceased duty at the close of last year he has only recently left the College, and assisted in the Farmers' Winter School by giving a practical demonstration of the branding of live stock to that class. He still retains very good health, and being remarkably active is finding the comparative idleness of a retired man rather irksome. At the last meeting of the Committee it was decided that the presentation to Mr. Hocking from the Old Collegians should take place at the Annual Dinner, and for the benefit of those who desire to be associated with this movement, but so far have overlooked the matter, I have to point out that the subcription-list has not yet been closed, and we would be pleased to acknowledge any donation.

Another old servant of the College who will be remembered by practically all who have passed through these halls, namely, Mr. John Daly, is now on the retired list, and, unfortunately, is not at present in the best of health. He was forced to undergo an operation some weeks ago, and, although this was successful, John is making but slow progress towards recovery. We all hope that at the approach of brighter weather his health will considerably improve.

Since his appointment to the position of Secretary of the Old Collegians' Association in October last Mr. Ludbrook has resigned from the College staff, and is continuing his studies at the Adelaide University with a view to gaining the Batchelor of Science Degree in Agriculture. He found that Association affairs interfered materially with his University work, and therefore was reluctantly compelled to relinquish his office with the Association. In consequence I am carrying on temporarily until a successor is appointed at the Annual Meeting.

The establishment of a Branch of the Association in Western Australia has occupied the attention of the Committee and a basis for affiliation decided upon. This will be considered by Western Australian members when they meet for their Reunion Dinner during Perth Show week. The South Australian Committee desire to do everyything possible towards the establishment of this Branch, and hope the basis submitted will prove acceptable. However, this year will be the second occasion on which Old Collegians have held a Reunion Dinner, and it is to be hoped that this function will continue in this way helping to keep members in personal touch with one another.

Our Annual Dinner will take place on the evening of Thursday, 29th September (Adelaide Show week), at Covent Garden, King William Street, Adelaide. The hour will be earlier than formerly, as the management have found it possible to arrange for the function to commence at 7 p.m. It has always been considered that 8 p.m. is rather late, but we have not been able to secure the earlier hour, as the cafe is particularly busy at that time of the year.

The Annual Meeting will be held immediately prior to the Dinner, in the same hall, and we hope a representative gathering will attend. The Dinner has been growing in popularity in recent years, and it is expected that a record number will be present on this occasion, when the President (Mr. W. J. Spafford) will preside. Another reason why a large number is expected is that on that evening the opportunity will be taken of making a presentation from the Old Collegians to Mr. J. R. Hocking. Every past student will recall "Old Jack," and have some anecdote to tell concerning him.

It is pleasing to note the number of Old Collegians whose studs of live stock are steadily increasing, and in this connection we extend our congratulations to Mr. W. J. Dawkins, who is Chairman of the S.A. Branches of both the British Breeds of Sheep Society and the Clydesdale Horse Society. He has worked most enthusiastically in the interests of these two bodies, and the fact that they are now very successfully established in South Australia in very largely due to his efforts. It is only proper that these Societies should include many Old Students amongst their numbers, and it is to be hoped that in future years we shall occupy an even higher position amongst the breeders of purebred stock. Amongst the owners of Registered Studs are J. W. Aldridge, Shropshires and Border Leicesters Sheep; J. H. Dawkins, Dorset Horn Sheep, Clydesdale Horse, Jersey Cattle; W. J. Dawkins, Dorset Horn Sheep, Clydesdale Horses; Kybybolite Experimental Farm (L. J. Cook), English Leicester Sheep and Ayrshire Cattle; L. Cowan, Jersey Cattle and Romney Marsh Sheep; E. S. Davidson, Romney Marsh Sheep; H. E. Dunn, Lincoln Sheep; J. T. Murray, Suffolk Sheep; H. & W. D. Grigg, Clydesdale; Sewage Farm (G. C. Gurr), English Leicester and Dorset Horn; L. H. Wright, Suffolk; K. S. Wilcox, Illawarra cattle.

Old Students have been closely connected with the Crop Competitions held in this State, and Messrs, Hill, Alcock, Adams, Orchard, and Opie have carried out the bulk of the judging. Mr. B. H. Richardson was successful in gaining first place in the Mid-Northern competition, whilst Mr. F. W. Coleman's crop was but little inferior and was awarded second prize. There were numerous entries in this competition, and Messrs. Richardson and Coleman are to be heartily congratulated on their success. Next year we hope to be able to report a number of Old Collegians amongst the prizewinners in these contests.

By arrangement with 5C L Adelaide, officers of the Department of Agriculture, together with the College staff, deliver addresses over the wireless every Friday evening. A number of our members are included in this programme, and are booked to speak for about fifteen to twenty minutes, but, unlike an ordinary agricultural meeting, they escape questions at the conclusion of their remarks.

Following the usual custom, brief notes concerning Old Students of each year are submitted:—

DAY, A. (1885).—Until recently was farming at Lower Light, but has now retired, and is living at Gilberton.

- Morris, O. H. (1886).—Possesses a considerable area of grazing land near Mt. Gambier, and resides in that town.
- Playford, J. (1887).—Living at Norton's Summit, where he has an extensive garden.
- Peake, H. (1887).—Farming at Carrow, near Cleve, on Eyre's Peninsula.
- Goyder, J. H. (1889).—Has a fine herd of Illawarra cattle on his property at Long Flat, Murray Bridge.
- Hearman, D. J. (1889).—Owner of Middalya Station, Carnavon, West Australia, and was in South Australia recently.
- Liston, H. F. (1890).—Has been farming for many years at Morphett Vale.
- VALENTINE, T. P. (1890).—On the land at Gumeracha.
- Blackmore, G. P. (1891).—For some considerable time farmed near Tailem Bend, but has lately purchased property at Delamere.
- Jenkins, G. F. (1892).—At the last elections, regained his seat in the House of Assembly for this State, and has joined the Ministry as Commissioner of Crown Lands. In private life is farming at Whyte-Yarcowie.
- Von Doussa, F. (1892).—Leading auctioneer for Messrs, Elder, Smith, & Co., stationed at Strathalbyn. Has a son in residence at the College at the present time.
- Crooks, A. T. (1893).—Owner of the Yallamurray Estate, comprising approximately 14,000 acres, near Narracoorte.
- GILES, I. H. (1894).—Is extremely grateful to the Old Collegians' Association for the financial assistance granted to him, and is now able to attend to his duties with the Pirie Council.
- Pritchard, A. G. (1895).—Has a well-improved farm just across the border at Murrayville, Victoria.
- Harington, H. J. (1895).—Last heard of at Hillcrest, Beckon, New South Wales.
- Gordon, W. M. (1896).—Doing very well on a mixed farming and grazing property at Kondinin, West Australia.
- Taylor, S. P. (1896).—The address in our possession is Curlwaa, Wentworth, N.S.W., but we have not heard from him for some considerable time.

- LAFFER, H. E. (1897).—Has returned to South Australia, having accepted the important position of Manager of the Renmark Distillery, and has K. A. Weidenhofer (1924) as one of his staff.
- Terry, W. A. (1898).—Rector in charge of the Church of England parsonage at Murray Bridge.
- Weaver, F. F. (1898).—At Bagot's Well, where he has a fairly large tract of land, including both cropping and grazing areas.
- Gurr, G. C. (1899).—Manager of the Sewage Farm, at Islington. Played in the Old Collegians' Cricket match held at the College in March last.
- VAUDREY, C. (1899).—Is mixed-farming, including fruit-growing at Willunga.
- LLOYD, H. G. (1900).—Possesses a farm at Sevenhills, near Clare.
- Black, G. M. (1901).—One of the leading agriculturists in the Gladstone district.
- KNAPPSTEIN, P. H. (1901).—Manager for the Stanley Wine Company, at Clare.
- BARRITT, W. R. (1902).—On the land at Tawah, in Queensland, where the production of sugar-cane is an important part of his agricultural operations.
- Savage, C. G. (1902).—The Deputy Horticultural Instructor and Manager of the Berri Experimental Orchard in South Australia. Has recently been appointed Horticultural Expert to the New South Wales Department of Agriculture. We take this opportunity of extending to Mr. Savage the congratulation of all Old Collegians on this well-merited promotion. Mr. Savage has had a great deal of experience in horticultural work, having been Manager of the Blackwood Orchard, and later in charge of the Experimental Orchard at Berri. For the last two years he has been assisting the Irrigation Commission by reporting upon the irrigation blocks, and is still engaged upon this work. His new position will be one of the most important of its kind in Australia, and we are indeed pleased that a member of our Association has been chosen.
- Pocock, R. C. (1903).—Owns a well-improved farm at Lameroo, and has recently returned from a holiday trip through N.S.W.

- LAWRENCE, R. K. (1903).—Was farming for a number of years at Taplan, but is now living in Adelaide, at Kensington Road, Rose Park.
- Paterson, L. G. (1904).—Proprietor of a billiard hall at Dulwich, with private address, Swaine Avenue, Toorak.
- YEATMAN, E. P. (1904).—Connected with the firm of Goldsbrough, Mort, & Co., and stationed at Victor Harbour.
- Gardiner, J. K. (1905).—Farming at Saints, near Balaklava, and has experienced comparatively poor harvests the last couple of seasons, but at present the prospects for the coming year are much brighter.
- Buttfield, J. C. (1905).—Travelling wool representative for Elder, Smith, & Co. His private address is Fourth Avenue, St. Peters.
- Orchard, E. L. (1906).—Agricultural Instructor in the Department of Agriculture, in charge of the Northern District, with headquarters at Jamestown.
- Buchanan, G. M. (1906).—Has an irrigation block at Barmera.
- Weste, M. O. (1907).—Has a mixed farm at Katamatite, in Victoria. Visited the College in March last.
- CLUTTERBUCK, H. (1907).—Director in the firm of Clutterbuck Bros., Hindley Street, Adelaide. With a companion, created a new time record for travelling between Perth and Adelaide by car.
- Genders, S. C. (1908).—Accountant in the National Bank at Jamestown, and Secretary to the local branch of the Agricultural Bureau.
- Fotheringham, N. S. (1908).—Manager of the Swanport Experimental Farm until the station was closed. Since then has been assisting Mr. C. G. Savage at the Berri Experimental Orchard.
- Best, S. H. (1909).—Has sold his farm at Melrose, and is at present inspecting land in Western Australia with a view to settling in that State.
- Holle, J. D. (1909).—Upon the completion of his course took up land at Nhill, in Victoria, and remained there until about six years ago, when he sold out and purchased property at Kellerberrin, in Western Australia.

- Grant, J. E. (1910).—Was in the S.A. Police Force until about a year ago, when he resigned, and is now on the staff of the General Post Office, in Adelaide.
- Martin, J. C. V. (1910).—Formerly Inspector of Leases with the Irrigation Commission. At the present time is working an irrigation block at Chaffey.
- CLARK, L. J. (1911).—Has let his farm at Telowie on shares, and is devoting his attention to grazing, having acquired a considerable area of rough hilly land in the same district.
- JARMAN, L. D. T. (1911).—Has an orchard at White Hut, near Clare, and, in conjunction with this work is building up a business in jams and preserved fruits.
- Martin, F. O. H. (1912).—Dairyman at Woodside, and is President of the Woodside Dairymen's Association.
- Murray does not wish to dispose of his home he is strenuously opposing this compulsory sale. Up to the time of writing the matter had not been finalized.
- McBride, R. H. (1913).—Salesman in Mann's Motors, Ltd., Franklin Street, Adelaide.
- Conway, B. (1913).—Orchardist at Cadell.
- BAGOT, G. (1914).—Writing from Oodnadatta in July, he says that they have had good rains up there, and a good deal of the work done on the North line has been washed away.
- Whishaw, D. (1914).—Owns property at Carrick, Tasmania. and has built up a very fine flock of Dorset Horn sheep. Some of his foundation stock were obtained from Mr. W. J. Dawkins's stud at Gawler River.
- Warren, A. L. (1915).—Recently appointed Field Officer in the Department of Agriculture, formerly holding the position of Assistant Manager of the Blackwood Experimental Orchard
- Manuel, M. C. (1915).—Farming at Wyabing. in W. A.
- FAIRBROTHER, V. M. (1916).—Assistant Experimentalist at the College. Was married in March of this year, and is residing in the district.

Koch, F. R. (1916).—Owns one of the most improved farms in

the State, at Wilkawatt.

FLEMING, S. (1916).—Proprietor of the Innamincka Hotel, Innamincka.

Beaumont, L. W. (1917).—Was for some time Farm Superintendent at the Magill Reformatory, and upon resigning some two years ago commenced dairy farming near Tailem Bend.

Samuel, C. G. (1918).—The following letter is written from Kamiti Ranch, Kahawa, Kenya Colony, South Africa:-"Angus Mair stayed with me for a while when he was over here on his travels, and I was very glad indeed to see him. I had a tremendous lot of work to do while he was here, and was very sorry that I couldn't get more time to show him round, but I hope he will come again some day when I am a bit more free. He had awfully bad luck with the buffaloes. I knew a chap who was going down on the plains every day and used to get surrounded by them, so I asked him to take Angus down for a shot, which he did, but it just happened that that day the beasts stayed in the swamp all day, and they saw none. The next day the chap shot the one he had been after for days. Our luck with the lions was equally bad. I got to know where a bunch of nine of them had taken up their quarters in some caves, so we went down one Sunday, but a grass fire had been there a few days before us and burnt out so much cover that the lions had moved to another spot. I am enclosing a couple of snaps of a tame butfalo which we have running with the cattle here. In one picture he is being inoculated against rinderpest. Next time you see Angus tell him that the Nandi bear has been seen at quite close range by two men-probably the best view that white men have had of it. If any more Old Roseworthians are ever coming this way give them my address, and I will be very pleased to meet them and talk about old times and the old places. I am being kept pretty busy these days with 100,000 coffee-plants to put in these rains and 400 acres of coffee already planted to look after and tractors to be kept running—there is not much time to spare. I am always hoping for a slack time to come along so that I can write a few lines to old friends, but it never seems to come. I am also hoping to get a trip home in a year or two, but that is 'shauri ya mungu,' which, being interpreted, is 'in the hands of the gods.'"

Shepley, K. A. (1918).—Has disposed of his farm at Lower Light, and intends taking up a larger area on the West Coast.

Prest, C. P. (1919).—Recently purchased a fairly extensive grazing area at Broad Creek, in the Crystal Brook district.

- Wood, J. L. (1919).—Has almost recovered from a serious attack of pleurisy, which has prevented him from taking an active part with the Hunt Club this year.
- Gregory, A. A. (1920).—Resigned his position at the College, and has returned to Renmark, working on his father's property.
- Bellemey, R. P. (1920).—At present in Victoria, and has made application to join the Police Force in that State.
- Woodroffe, A. W. (1921).—Left the College about three months ago, and is gaining stock experience at Hawker.
- Stirling, A. K. (1921).—Owns a grazing property at Mt. Pleasant.
- CLOSE, J. A. (1922).—Spent a few months on the College staff as assistant to Mr. Baker, and is now at Hawkesbury Agricultural College taking a special dairy course.
- FLETCHER, W. M. (1922).—Farming in the Gawler River district, his postal address being Lewiston.
- EATON, H. G. (1923).—Writes from Latham, in W.A.:—"My brother and I are now on a virgin block of 1,000 acres, and as we did not get on it till February of this year, only have 190 acres in, which, despite daily frosts, is looking fair. We made up a cricket team last year, and, although we did not come top, on the other hand we were not bottom. J. Curlewis is farming at Goomalling."
- Sinclair, W. K. (1923).—Is farming at Sandalwood, and R. C. Stott is working with him. Mr. Sinclair has a farm of approximately 1,100 acres, and is sowing 500 acres this season.
- Cashmore, A. B. (1924).—Appointed Cerealist at the College, in succession to Mr. W. V. Ludbrook, the former Secretary of the Old Collegians' Association.
- FRY, J. H. (1924).—Is at present on Umberana Station, via Copley.

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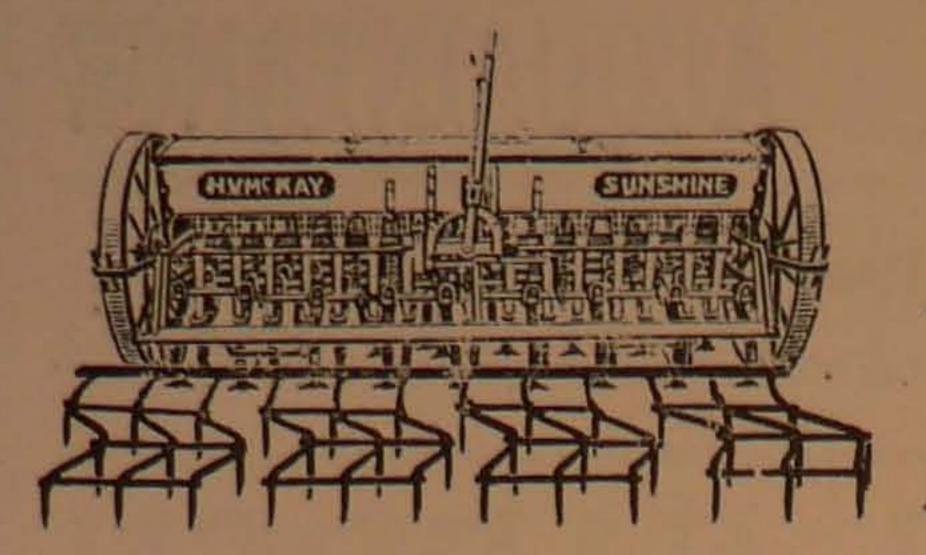
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