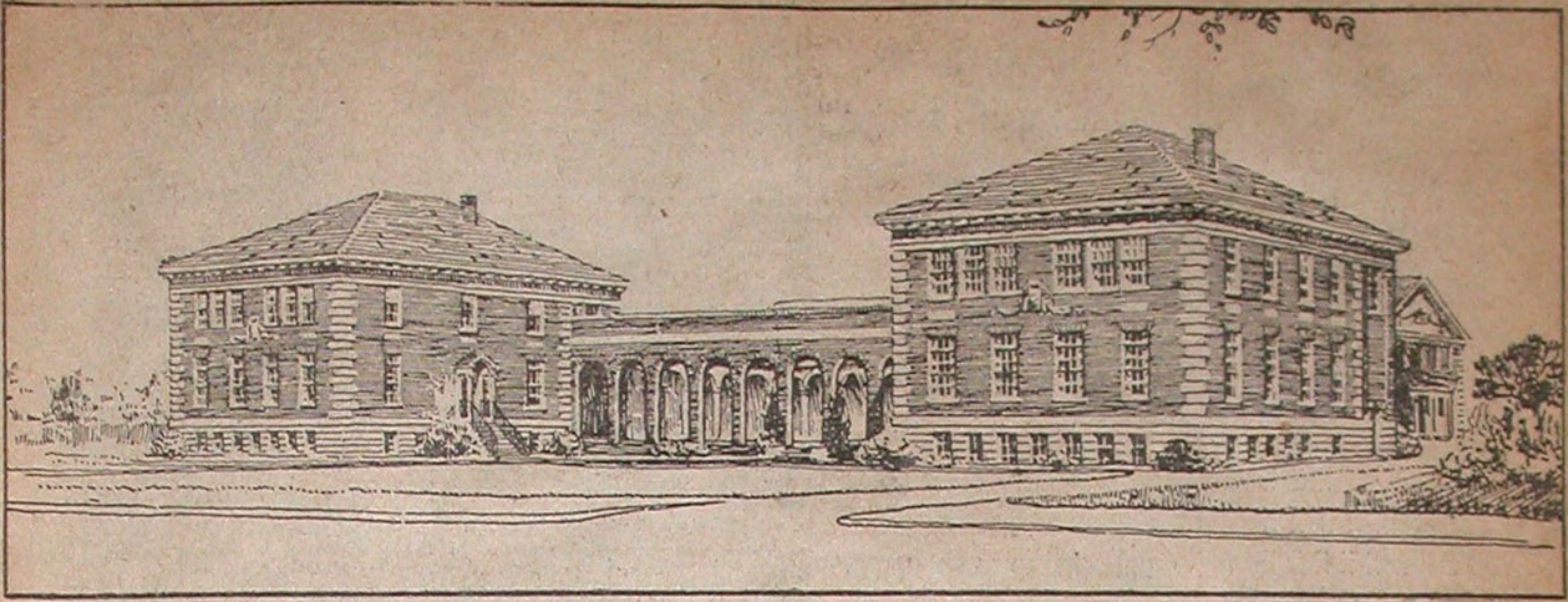


TOWARDS GREATER UNIVERSITY UNION.



This handsome edifice represents the proposed Students' Union Building and war memorial appeal of the University of Adelaide. The architects, Messrs. Woods, Bagot, Jory, & Laybourne-Smith here depict the Lady Symon Building, cloisters, and men's building. A public meeting—to invite practical interest in the lastnamed—has been called for to-morrow evening, in the Adelaide Town Hall.

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officials who will work among the primitive people in the countries controlled by the Government of the Commonwealth. has been prepared with the assistance of members of the National Research Council.

A few months ago the Carnegie Corporation of New York most generously sent to the council 25,000 dollars, that is more than £5,100, as the nucleus of an endowment fund for the National Research Council. Now a further offer of 15,000 dollars has been made to the Australian National Research Council by the Rockefeller Foundation of New York to be spent at the discretion of the council before June, 1931, on the education and training of young Australian students in anthropological studies. This money will serve to support these workers in the field while they are gaining experience or to send them abroad where they may work under experienced anthropologists. The council is deeply grateful to these American bodies for their assistance and appreciates highly that spirit of international goodwill which prompts these benefactions. The council feels, however, that its efforts should be assisted by its own people. It therefore, ventures now to appeal for donations towards its endowment fund. The interest on these donations will be used for grants for the purchase of apparatus or materials for scientific investigations, which cannot otherwise be undertaken or for the payment of moderate salaries to persons who may for one or two years be engaged upon scientific research. It may be pointed out that the search endowed by the Commonwealth of Australia, gives similar assistance to applied science. The Australian National Research Council is concerned not only with applied science, but also with pure science. Donations towards the endowment of the research fund may be sent to Professor Sir Douglas Mawson, the University, Adelaide, or Professor T. G. B. Osborn, the University, Adelaide, who are members of the executive committee resident in Adelaide, or to the honorary treasurer, Professor H. G. Chapman, Royal Society's House, 5 Elizabeth street, Sydney.—I am, Sir, &c.,

HENRY G. CHAPMAN.
Royal Society's House, Sydney.

ADV. 12-8-27

THE ROYAL SOCIETY.

ADDRESSES BY SCIENTISTS.

Professor T. G. B. Osborn presided over a meeting of the Royal Society on Thursday evening. Mr. F. K. Godfrey, of Payneham, was nominated a fellow of the society, and Mr. H. C. Trumble assistant agronomist at the Waite Agricultural Research Institute, and Dr. S. W. Pennycook lecturer on physical chemistry, University of Adelaide, were elected fellows.

Mr. W. H. Selway moved and Mr. E. Ashby seconded:—"That this society deplores the action taken by the Queensland Government in proclaiming an open season for the destruction of the Koala (native bear), and respectfully suggests to the Prime Minister that the export of their skins be prohibited." The motion was supported by the Director of the Museum (Mr. Edger R. Waite) and Mr. Edwin Ashby, and was carried unanimously.

Mr. A. M. Lea read a paper on the clawless weevils of Australia, and exhibited some remarkable insects, mainly from sheoaks and eucalypti.

The vocabulary of the language of the Elcho Island aborigines was the subject of an address by the Rev. H. C. Jennison.

Mr. Jennison drew attention to the absence of sibilants and the letter F. A silent breathing, similar to that in Tongan, was noted in many words. Malay influence was proved by the occurrence of several words, either exactly or closely similar to the Malay names for the same things, but these were all articles or activities foreign to the native tribes. The word "water" was shown to be the same as that used by several Central Australian tribes.

In discussing Mr. Jennison's paper, Mr. Lindale said that in recording the native dialects of the western half of Arnhemland he had also met with Malay words among the coastal native tribes.

Messrs. H. L. Sheard and C. P. Mountford exhibited the desiccated remains of an aboriginal child found near Swan Reach. A paper was read describing the circumstances of the discovery. Mr. C. J. Hackett dealt with the anatomical peculiarities of the exhibit and showed some interesting photographs.

Mr. Mountford read a paper on certain aboriginal stone structures in South Australia, and mentioned that they were the first to be recorded. They had been discovered on the low foothills of the Weroona Ranges. At the instance of Professor F. Wood Jones, the most perfect example had been dismantled and presented to the South Australian Museum. Other examples had been photographed in the North Flinders Range.

Professor W. Howchin read a paper by Sir T. W. Edgeworth David on the geological horizon of the Archaeocyathinae, which it was explained were an ancient group of animals which existed in the Cambrian times and were intermediate in form between the sponges and the corals. The paper was illustrated by a diagram.

Professor Howchin communicated a note from Professor J. W. Gregory on the geological age of the Sturtian Tillite of South Australia.

Mr. Edwin Ashby exhibited four bird skins of unusual interest. The largest was the skin of a white-breasted sea eagle which was recently picked up dead on Auckland's Hill, near Blackwood. The second was an osprey or fish hawk, the third a square-tailed kite, and the fourth a royal spoonbill.

Mr. W. Condell, who was present as a visitor, exhibited precious opal, cut and uncut, from the Stuart Ranges; precious stones from the MacDonnell Ranges, Leigh Creek, and other points; aerolites and part of a meteorite from Central Australia; and telluride from Western Australia.

Dr. R. Pulloine exhibited a large trap-door spider of the genus *Selino cosmicus*, from Broken Hill.

NOV. 12-8-27

THE UNIVERSITY UNION.

APPEAL FOR FUNDS.

MEETING TO BE HELD TO-NIGHT.

A public meeting will be held in the Adelaide Town Hall to-night to inaugurate a special appeal for funds for the erection of a Students' Union building, incorporating a war memorial, for the Adelaide University. The Chancellor (Sir George Murray) will preside, and among the speakers will be the Premier (Hon. R. L. Butler), the leader of the Opposition (Hon. L. L. Hill), Sir Josiah Symon, K.C., and Mr. Justice Angus Parsons. The Prime Minister (Mr. Bruce) was invited to attend, but was unable to accept the invitation. He wrote that he trusted that the appeal would meet with whole-hearted

support, and so ensure the erection of a building which would not only be of material advantage to the University, but would form a welcome addition to the architecture of Adelaide.

The Chancellor has sponsored the appeal in the following message:—"I earnestly commend this appeal to all who are interested in the University of Adelaide. Everyone should endeavor to contribute something, however modest the amount may be. Some day the growth of the union may render it desirable that the war



Sir George Murray.

memorial should be moved to another site, but for the present it cannot be better placed than under the care of those who are the heirs of its glorious inspiration."

On the occasion of the University jubilee £10,000 was donated by Sir Josiah Symon for the erection of a Women's Union. This has made it possible to begin the building, but more funds are required to complete the work. A corresponding structure for men will cost another £10,000, and the dining hall and memorial cloisters £22,000. Many generous donations have already been received, but £20,000 remains to be raised. The efforts of the students have shown that they are prepared to help themselves in the matter. At a meeting they pledged themselves to a levy of not less than £1 a year for the next three years, and substantial sums were raised for the project by the "Pageant of Learning" held this year by the women students, and by the Arts Association ball.

The Projected Work.

A view showing the proposed elevation of the building appeared in "The Advertiser" on Saturday last. The plan projected comprises the Lady Symon Building for women students, a corresponding building for men, a common dining hall, and memorial cloisters. The first two are to front the Victoria Drive; the dining hall will be behind, immediately north of the Darling Building; and the three will partly enclose a sunken lawn of about 100 feet by 50 feet, round which will run the memorial cloisters, containing on their western side a memorial bronze. The whole design will be in red brick, and the style Georgian, in keeping with the later buildings of the University. The Lady Symon Building, which is to be erected first, will consist of three storeys. The semi-basement will contain all dressing-room accommodation,

including bathrooms, dressing cubicles, lockers, &c. On the ground floor will be an attractive entrance hall, from which will open a large assembly or debating hall, and also two smaller committee rooms. The upper floor, with an open balcony above the entrance hall, will provide a fine library, a common-room, and three small rooms, one of which is to be fitted as a rest room. The men's union building will have a similar general design. The dining hall building will be about 150 feet by 50 feet. It will contain the necessary kitchens and quarters for a resident caretaker. The hall will be provided with concertina partitions, and may be used for large gatherings or dances. The memorial cloisters will be a unique feature of the group of buildings, and can be made a very beautiful memorial.

NOV. 18-8-27

Dr. A. E. V. Richardson, director of the Waite Research Institute, will return from a visit to Melbourne this morning, and will join the Comoria, for England. Dr. Richardson is one of the Commonwealth representatives to the Empire Conference of Agricultural Experts, which will meet in London in October. A number of matters connected with agriculture and the marketing of produce will be discussed.

NOV. 18-8-27

Professor Sir William Mitchell, Vice-Chancellor of the Adelaide University, returned from Melbourne on Wednesday after having attended a meeting of the standing advisory committee of the Australian Universities, which met on Monday and Tuesday.