

REPORT OF THE STUDENTS' COUNCIL.

As a member of the student council of the Teachers' College on February 16, the secretary Mr. F. W. Mitchell presented a report. This stated that the council was founded in 1912 and has since that time been active in the college and the groups control all the activities of the college...

MYLES L. FORBAY, South Australian Rhodes Scholar, captain of the Oxford team.

REV. 19-2-24 LURE OF THE LAND.

City Men with Rural Interests.

According to an article in the record when the writer found the private secretary to His Excellency the Governor (Mr. Leigh Winer, M.V.O.) in his orchard picking apples. This picturesque property is situated halfway between Blackwood and Beinar, and an excellent panoramic view of it is obtainable from the train. It is in a pretty setting—bordered by a Hawthorn hedge and surrounded on four sides by a wealth of the timber which Winer came out from England in 1909, and three years later acquired this orchard, which had been planted by Mr. John Downer. The whole property embraces about 150 acres, 30 of which are under fruit trees. The land was formerly owned by Mr. Burford, and on it is one of the oldest houses in the district. The private secretary has since his appointment in 1915. When on his orchard, he is busy also, and enjoys the relaxation from his office which the conditions of his orchard reflects credit upon himself and his men. There are approximately 4,000 trees on it, and there are apple varieties which are cultivated, as the absence of weeds indicates. The principal varieties of fruits grown are Jonson and Glasgow apples, and Josephine, Glon Moroux, and Madame Celeste pears. These have often found their way to the royal tables of England and Belgium. As a result of the spray, this season the crop is a comparatively clean one. Some of the fruit is well advanced, and picking is in progress. As is generally known, the apple crop is light this year, and this was noticeable among some of the Jonhans, which have borne remarkably well hitherto. The quantity of the Cleos and Jonathans is excellent, and during the writer's visit Mr. Winer and two men were busily engaged tending the tree-filing cases and leading the heavy trolly. It is a good, healthy fruit, and no doubt assured Mr. Winer to keep it in well won championships.

LAWYER AS OREADIST.

An illustration of what can be accomplished by the aid of a minimum number of men, and the value of water, and "elbow grease," can be seen at Verdun—between Bridgewater and Ambleside—in the orchard owned and conducted by Mr. William Henderson, the B.A. L.L.B. Mr. Henderson is well known in the city, and at Victor Harrow, where he practised his profession for some years. He saw service abroad with the A.I.F., and upon his return gave a brief lecture to the members of the Returned Soldiers' and Sailors' League in Melbourne. Seven years ago he went on to this orchard at Verdun, where he has 25 acres under nut. It was originally planted by the late Mr. Geo. Sandow, the first man in the State to use the word "nut" for the nutmeg tree. It is a quarter of a century ago. Needless to say this war is still going on. During the time he has been at Verdun Mr. Henderson has named his nut trees with apple, with an exquisite labour. About 1,100 trees have been out of commission, but they will be in bearing again soon. The chief varieties growing are Beauty, Jonathon, London and Stone Pippin, and Strawberry Pippin. Cleopatra has no mention in this locality, but several Rome Beauty and Strawberry Pippin are particularly prolific this season, and it will be necessary to prop the boughs. The recent pest which was secured from the fruits while Rosella parrots are a nuisance, but the effect of Collin Moll is not so serious after three seasons. Fortunately the orchard is in a sheltered position, and little damage has been caused by heavy winds blowing off the fruit. A cure commencing about a score of Rokewood and Glezerly's apple trees are nearing the bearing stage.

LECTURING ON THE LEAGUE.

LONDON, February 17. Professor Darnley Naylor, assisted by his wife, has undertaken a tour of England and proposes speaking five times weekly for the next two months on the work of the League of Nations. Professor Naylor endorses the view that Great Britain has done all that is at present possible by sending a memorandum to the League giving his proposals, and that it is not likely that the League could intervene in China's domestic troubles.

REV. 19-2-24

Our London correspondent called on Professor Darnley H. Darnley Naylor of Adelaide, has undertaken a two months' tour of England, during which he will speak five times a week on the work of the League of Nations. He considers that Professor Naylor endorses the view that Great Britain has done all that is at present possible in sending a memorandum to the League explaining her viewpoint of the Chinese situation. He considers that the League could not intervene in the domestic troubles of China.

REV. 21-2-24 THE FEDERAL CAPITAL.

In a summary of building activities at Canberra during January, issued by the Prime Minister's Department, it is stated that Federal Parliament House is approaching completion, and will be ready for occupation on May 9, the date fixed for the opening ceremony. The King's statue is in position, and men are at work hanging the approved portraits. Good progress is being made with the erection of public offices and the national library, and the work at Government House and the Prime Minister's residence is in the final stages. Headway is reported with the School of Forestry, and schools in two proposed suburbs. One ward is nearly ready at the hospital, and another has been begun. Satisfactory progress is being made with the erection of a railway station. The sewerage treatment works are ready for use and reticulation is in progress. The construction of roads is proceeding steadily, a remark which also applies to a bridge on the Yass road. Banking and business premises are in various stages of erection, and a Presbyterian church is almost finished.

NEWS 21-2-24

DEGREE FOR DUKE Ceremony on May 4

Another Royal name will be added to the list of graduates of Adelaide University during the visit of the Duke of York to South Australia. He will be the third member of the reigning royal family to receive a degree from Adelaide University. His father, the King, accepted the degree of D. when he visited Adelaide as Duke of York in 1901, and his elder brother, the Prince of Wales, followed suit in 1920. According to its constitution Adelaide University cannot grant honorary degrees, but it can only admit graduates of British colleges and other approved universities to a degree corresponding to that gained by them elsewhere. The Secretary and Princes of Wales obtained the degree of doctor of civil law, and consequently were admitted to the degree of doctor of laws at Adelaide University. Presumably the same degree and procedure will be adopted for the Duke of York. The ceremony will take place on May 4. Sir George Murray (Chancellor) will confer the degree on the Duke of York. Few have obtained the degree of doctor of divinity by examination in Adelaide, but several other corresponding degrees have been admitted.

NEWS 21-2-24

Mr. F. W. Barlow, B.A. (Registrar of Adelaide University), who has been on annual leave, returned to duty today.



SIR HENRY BARWELL

12 months Mr. John Gunn resigned the Premiership to accept a Federal office and to lead the forces in the Assembly. Sir Henry's entrance into the Senate was a great acquisition to the debating strength of the Federal Upper House. Sir Henry was one of the few survivors born in the city who were entrusted with the Premiership. Vaughan and Barwell were the only survivors of the six. The Kingston Administration lasted six and a half years, and the Barwell team was the next longest in office.

MAIL 19-2-24

Sir Joseph Verco Following the references in "The Mail" last week to Sir John Cookburn and Fred Wood-Jones having taken their medical degrees at London University, it is interesting to recall the fact that the celebrated Adelaide physician, Sir Joseph Verco, distinguished himself at London University 20 years ago by winning first gold medals. Before he showed his aptitude in such a remarkable manner in London, Dr. Verco had attended St. Peter's College, Adelaide, and prior to that he had under the teaching influence of the late John L. Young, whom the doctor regarded as one of the finest schoolmasters Adelaide has had in its day. Charles Kingston, one of the greatest Australian statesmen, attended Mr. Young's school in Dr. Verco's time. Some Australians are proud of their medical knight, who was born at Fullarton in this State. Dr. Verco, now in his seventy-sixth year, enjoyed the highest reputation as a physician. He has been generous in his gifts to advance science and education in his native State, and in other charitable benevolent enterprises, making a good thing out of what he has done.

REV. 19-2-24

Advice has been received that the condition of Mr. Justice Poole, who left for Colombo several weeks ago on a health trip, has improved.

ADV. 19-2-24 UNIVERSITY LACROSSE. WON BY OXFORD. A CLOSE GAME.

LONDON, February 17. The annual inter-university lacrosse match between Cambridge and Oxford was played today. Oxford won by 7 goals to 6. Formby (Adonis), the Oxford captain, threw three goals; and Stoll (Melbourne) and Johnson (Western Australia) three each. Two South Australians—Bonnyton (captain) and Birks, played in the Cambridge team.

ADV. 22-2-24

Mr. E. W. Ender (Registrar of the University of Adelaide) resumed his official duties yesterday, after his annual leave.