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## S.A. MUSICAL SCHOLARSHIP

### MERLE ROBERTSON WINNER

A brilliant young student of Mr. William Silver has won the South Australian musical scholarship which carries the right of three years' study at the Royal Academy of Music, London. Miss Merle Robertson, a 17-year-old girl, born at Quorn, was the successful competitor.

At 18 months old Merle Robertson showed musical aptitude; at four years old she could play with both hands, and started to improvise. The late C. J. Stevens predicted a brilliant future for the girl, and Benno Schereck, who was here with Carreno, likewise prophesied big things.

Merle Robertson is not only a pianist, but she is also a violinist, and won two Conservatorium scholarships for the instrument, Mr. Alderman being teacher. She has for six years been under Messrs. Silver and Alderman and Miss Florence Cooke, and their predictions have been amply justified.

Miss Robertson has made public appearances with great success, and there is no doubt that she has the musical faculty developed to a remarkable degree.

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## THE UNIVERSITY.

### A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the council of the Adelaide University was held on Friday. There were present:—The Chancellor (Sir Samuel Way), Mr. Chapple, Mr. Brookman, the Hon. F. S. Wallis, Mr. Smeaton, M.P., Mr. Goodman, Dr. Poulton, Mr. Bayly, Mr. Talbot Smith, Mr. Maughan, Mr. Fowler, Professor Ennis, and Dr. Helen Mayo.

The report of the warden of the senate, stating that Mr. F. Chapple, C.M.G., B.A., B.Sc., had been re-elected warden of the senate, and Mr. T. Ainslie Caterer, B.A., re-elected clerk, and that Mr. J. R. Fowler, M.A., Mr. S. Talbot Smith, M.A., LL.B., Dr. W. T. Hayward, and Professor E. C. Stirling, C.M.G., had been re-elected members of the council, was received. The warden further reported that statutes and regulations submitted by the council had been approved by the senate.

A letter from the Institution of Civil Engineers of London, stating that the institution had resolved to recognise the Bachelor of Engineering degree of the University in mechanical engineering and in electrical engineering, was received. It was resolved to thank the institution for this recognition.

Through the kindness of the board of the Public Library, Museum, and Art Gallery, and of Miss Minchin, the following five portraits of eminent men were forwarded to the University for the Law Lecture Room:—Lord Justice Thesiger, Sir Joseph Chitty, Sir Robert J. Phillimore, the Right Hon. Henry Bouverie, Mr. W. Brand, M.P., and Lord Justice Brett. The council accepted the gift, and directed that letters of thanks be forwarded to the board and to Miss Minchin.

The report of the extension lectures committee on lectures given during the year, and provisional programme for 1916, was read. The report showed that during the year Professor Henderson delivered a course of three lectures at the Town Hall in Adelaide in aid of the Belgian Relief Fund, and that the professor also returned at 31 country centres in aid of the same fund. The total contributions to the Belgian Relief Fund was £452 16/7. The provisional arrangements for courses of lectures for 1916 are:—Three lectures by Professor Jethro Brown on "The war and after: a study in international relations." Three lectures by Professor Chapman on "The big guns of the war." Three lectures by Professor Henderson on "Shakspeareana." The council expressed their appreciation of and gratification at the number of public lectures given by Professor Henderson, and it was resolved to convey the thanks of the council to him.

Reports of the boards of examiners for degree and diploma examinations held during November recommending supplementary examinations and awards of prizes and scholarships were approved, and the following awards made:—

#### —Arts.—

Tinline Scholarship for History, to Linden A. Mander.

David Murray Scholarship for Classics, to Frederick M. Burgess.

John Howard Clark Scholarship for English Language and Literature, to Alan Rendell.

Roby Fletcher Prize for Logic and Psychology, to Ian Buttrose and John Leslie Power (equal).

Barr Smith Prize for Greek, John L. Power.

Andrew Scott Prize for Latin, George H. Pitt.

—Science.—

John Bagot Scholarship and Medals, to Frank R. Dealy and Stephen L. Kessell (equal).

—Law.—

David Murray Scholarship for Theory of Law and Legislation, to Francis G. Hicks.

—Medicine.—

Elder Prize, to Howard L. Rayner, first year.

Elder Prize, to William B. Shanasy and Colin Gurner (equal), second year.

Dr. Davies Thomas Scholarship, to John B. Gillen, third year.

Public Examinations (Music) Scholarships, to Kate Levasseur (practice), and Evelyn Ward (theory).

Robert Whinham Prize for Elocution to Clair D. Simon and Ernest W. Knightley (equal).

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## THE UNIVERSITY OF ADELAIDE.

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ORDINARY EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF MUSIC, NOVEMBER, 1915.

PASS LIST (in alphabetical order).

—First Year.—

Second Class.—Joyce, Hilda Burton.

—Second Year.—

Second Class.—Stephens, Nellie Gwendoline.

Third Class.—Stimson, Ralph James.

—Third Year.—

First Class.—Patrick, Elsie Furneaux.

Second Class.—Evans, Bert.

Third Class.—Willismore, Elsie Victoria.

FINAL EXAMINATION. EXECUTANTS IN PIANOFORTE PLAYING.

Passed.—Griffiths, George Townsend; McBride-Dorothy Evelyn.

PURE MATHEMATICS (32).

—Third Year.—

Division I.—None.

Division II.—Burdon, Roy Stanley.

Division III. (in alphabetical order).—Davey, Esther Maria; Potts, Frank Roland.

ORDINARY B.Sc. EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER, 1915.

—Pass List.—

—Chemistry Part I. Theoretical (46).—

Division I.—Stephens, Cyril Foster.

Division II.—Longbottom, Herbert Leslie.

—Chemistry Part II. Theoretical (47).—

Division I. (in order of merit).—Hurst, Walter William; Richards, Clarence.

—Chemistry Part I. Practical (48).—

Division I.—Longbottom, Herbert Leslie.

—Practical Chemistry. Agricultural Course (50).—

Division I.—Stephens, Cyril Foster.

—Forestry (71c). Section A.—

None passed.

EXAMINATION FOR THE DIPLOMA IN COMMERCE.

PASS LIST (in alphabetical order).

—Accountancy.—

Division I.—Davies, Ellis Edward; Wilson, Thomas Stewart.

Division II.—Bishop, William Poole; Hogben, Horace Cox.

Division III.—Cottrell, John Ledam; Holker, James Ralph; Mengerson, Norman Victor; Mitchell, Bruce.

—Economics I. (30).—

Division I.—None.

Division II.—Blair, Frederick Alexander.

Division III.—Barnes, Cecil Thomas; Cant, Leonard George; Hains, Charles Ralph Alexander; Howie, George Percival; Mengerson, Norman Victor; Moyle, John Ewart; Sambell, Frederick James.

—Commercial Law.—

Division I.—Mills, Edward Whitfield.

Division II.—Cooling, George Harrold; Feain, John Joseph; Luscombe, Frederick James; Mengerson, Norman Victor; Parr, Harry Sidney; Sheard, Spencer Vernon.

Division III.—Anthony, Guy Liddon; Blödle, John Parr Harding; Hamilton, Herbert Charles; Miller, Gavin Robert.

—Business Practice.—

Division I.—Hains, Charles Ralph Alexander; Parr, Harry Sidney; Wright, Sydney Charles Grenville.

Division II.—Beasley, Muriel Estelle; Cottrell, John Ledam; Miller, Gavin Robert; Williams, Eric Spencer; Wilson, Thomas Stewart.

Division III.—Battye, George Harry; Cavanagh, Frank Carlyle; Cooling, George Harrold; Drew, Gladys Emily; Feain, John Joseph; Luscombe, Frederick James; Young, Sydney Harrold.

—Banking and Exchange.—

Division II.—Bethgate, John Pender.

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## Germans Not Wanted.

MELBOURNE, December 6.

In view of existing circumstances, the University Council, at its meeting to-day, decided that it was inadvisable to reappoint Mr. Edward Scharf as one of the piano-forte teachers at the University Conservatorium. When the question of the appointment of a lecturer in German was reached, Dr. von Dechand was quietly passed over. It was decided to appoint Dr. A. Lodowyck, a Belgian, who has been on the staff of the Melbourne Grammar School for the last two years.

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## THE RHODES SCHOLAR.

### Mr. H. L. Rayner Chosen.

The Rhodes Scholar for 1915 was selected at a meeting of the committee at Government House on Wednesday morning. His Excellency the Governor presided, and there were present the Chancellor of the University of Adelaide (Sir Samuel Way), Mr. Justice Murray, Professors Henderson and Darnley Naylor, Mr. J. R. Fowler, and the Hon. Secretary (Mr. C. R. Hodgetts). There were five candidates. After close competition, Mr. Howard Luscombe Rayner was selected.

Mr. Rayner, who is 21 years of age, is a son of the Rev. George Rayner, Congregational minister, at Glenelg. He has had a distinguished career at school, as the following details show:—1902-4—Kindergarten School. 1905-7—St. Leonards Grammar School. 1908—Entered Prince Alfred College, upper second form; gained form prize for head position. 1909—Head of upper third form in first term; head of lower fourth at end of year, winning form



MR. H. L. RAYNER.

prize. 1910—Head of junior school and dux of upper fourth, winning form prize and Sir Thomas Elder junior scholarship; passed primary in six subjects out of six; won prize for best writing and mapping in junior school. 1911—Won form prize for third position in University fifth; passed junior with general honours in seven subjects out of seven, with credit in arithmetic; won Sir Thomas Elder senior scholarship; won mapping prize in senior school. 1912—Won form prize for fourth position in lower sixth; passed senior in seven subjects out of seven, getting on general honours list with credit in German; won senior mapping prize; passed examination for sergeant in senior cadets. 1913—Passed higher public in four subjects, qualifying for bursary; gained first position in examination for commission in Senior Cadets, thus being made lieutenant. 1914—Won form prize for third position