A FAREWELL SOCIAL. large audience assembled of the Brougham-place Congregational Lecture Half on Thursday evening, when a complimentary social was tendered to Mr. Frederick Bevan, who for twenty years has bedn organist and choirmaster of the church. Mr. Bevan has just recovered from a serious iliness, and is about to take vill leave South Australia on January 27 y the Ulysses, and proceed to Europe

m Cape Town. The pastor of the church (Rev. L. C. arkin) presided, and in wishing Mr. wan a happy voyage and a safe return th renewed health, he referred to the th esteem in which he is hed by the agregation, and the officers and choir. had not been an easy thing to keep the ilmody at the high standard which had en maintained, but Mr. Bevan had sucided in giving effect to his own high ials. Speaking from the point of view the minister of the church, he wished bear testimony to the excellence of r. Bevan's work. They had had some Inderful times together. Their guest. it not only know all about music, but was also a fine Christian gentleman, Applause.) The old joke about the devil ways finding his way into the choir did ot hold good where Mr. Bevan was in narge. He had the faculty of keeping hines going all right. His winning smile nd genial disposition secured for him nany friends. He always won the affection

esteem of all who knew him, (Applause.) Mr. J. B. Anderson (a deacon of the church) apoke of the esteem and affectionin which Mr. Bevan is held. His fine work in the choir was well known to those present. Under his direction the singing had been an inspiring portion of the Sunday services. They wanted him to realise that he was taking with him musical reputation, his distinction as a conductor, and his artistic compositions were deserving of recognition by musical authorities at the other side of the world, and if the degree of doctor of music should be confirmed on him during his visit to England it would be a fitting tribute to his great attainments. (Applause.)

of those whom he taught to sing, and the

Mr. G. McEwin (church secretary) joined in wishing Mr. Bevan a safe and happy voyage, and an enjoyable holiday. He hoped he would return to them to continue his valuable work, fully restored in health and vigor. As the result of Mr. Bevan's efforts the organ had been improved, and brought up to date, and a fine new piano had been purchased. (Applause).

Messre. Walter Wood and P. C. Trevor, on behalf of musical friends, expressed good wishes to the guest.

The paster, on behalf of the church and congregation, presented Mr. Bevan with a large travelling case, a pair of binoculars, and a box of cigars. The andience rose, and after giving three hearty cheers for Mr. Bevan and one for Mrs. Bevan, joined in singing "For he's a jolly good iellow."

Mr. Bevan responded. In a graceful speech he said he had learned during his recent illness how much kindness there was in the world, and also he had been impressed while in the hospital with the amount of suffering that existed. He began his musical career when quite a child. He was little more than eight years of age when he became a choristen at All Saints' Church, London. He was organist of a church when he was 18, and a low years later he went to the Chapel Royal, where he remained for some time-He then came to Adelaide to take up a position at the Elder Conservatorium. For ten years he did not attend church at all, but he had attended so much prior to coming to Adelaide that he excused himself. (Laughter.) He took charge of the music at Brougham-place Church twenty years ago, and he had always regarded his work there as a labor of love. He had seen a good many ups and downs in the choir and church. He hoped after his trip to menew his work there, and to spend plause). He did not know how he would feel about the matter after six weeks in the sea, but at present he did not intend to do anything in connection with music while he was away. He only wanted to rest. He would visit Canada and make a trip round the world. (Applause.) Mr. Trevor, on behalf of the Sullivan Choral Class, made a presentation to Miss Jean Prince, the accompanist.

A pleasing musical and elecutionary programme was admirably carried out by Misses Muriol Cheek, Jean Sinclair, Elsie Cook, and B. Trevor, and Messrs. Walter Wood, Sydney Coombe, A. Lucas, and Richard Correll, and members of the Sullivan Choral Class, Miss J. Prince and Mr. A. Williamson were the alcompanists

Among appointments made in the Executive Council on Wednesday were the following:-Agricultural College Department, Mr. A. W. Peirce, B.Sc., to be assistant chemist; and Engineer-inchief's Department, Mr. F. E. Ellis, to be assistant surveyor.

Sir Archibald Strong is visitilizabelatives in Warsaw, He contemplates a visit to Germany, after which he will leave for Austrolia.

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Gift for Research Work.

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Mr. J. T. Mortlock has forwarded to the Chancellor of the University £2,000, to be used either for building purposes or for the equipment of a laboratory at the Walte Research Institute, as the council may decide, The council at its meeting on Friday accepted the generous help, and expressed its appreciation of the interest shown by Mr. Mortlock in the work and progress of the institute.

The donor is a son of the late Mr. W. T. Mortlock, of Martindale Hall, Mintaro. He is a young and wealthy pastoralist. with extensive interests in this State, and a keen student with a bent for scientific research.

The Work Hampered.

formerly the Urrbrae Estate, Fullarton, tional Bank. He was House Master is hampered by scarcity of funds. The at St. Peter's College, when he was aplate Mr. Peter Waite gave the estate and pointed to take charge of St. Mark's buildings to the Government to be used College on the inauguration of the inas an agricultural college, but more money is needed for equipment. Last year £3,000 was spent on improvements. Great inconvenience is experienced by the teaching staff, outbuildings being utilized, after such adaptations as are made possible by limited funds, for conducting important work. The main and experimental laboratories, for instance, are 100 yards from each other. Only a small teaching staff is employed-in fact, it is below requirements; but the policy is to conserve the endowment and so enable the institute to acquire distinguished Australian university graduates from time to time. The gift announced on Saturday has been received with much pleasure.

Laboratory in Coachhouse. Professor Prescott, who has charge of the chemistry class at the Waite Research Institute, stated on Saturday that the authorities hoped Mr. Mortlock's example would be followed by other citizens. The institute was in need of gifts to enable the members of the staff to perform their duties conveniently, for at present they had to work under conditions which hampered them considerably. The plant pathologist needed £1,400 for a conservatory, and that was only one department of the work. As for himself, the principal laboratory was in a coachhouse, and his private laboratory, where he performed important experiments, was a in that way last year. It was expected ments this year.

Urrbrae, continued Professor Prescott, degree of Master of Arts and University and his gift of £2,000 was an outcome of his realization of the need for money. The After leaving Oxford he taught at Sherminimum amount required would £10,000, and probably that would exceeded. It would be necessary to build permanent laboratories before long, and there was a hope that there would be many similar donations to enable the authorities to go ahead with the work. The present buildings were hopelessly inadequate, but until funds could be cbtained those responsible for the work at the institute would be helpless. In all probability Mr. Mortlock's gift would be used to buy equipment for a chemical laboratory, plans for which would not be prepared until the return of the principal (Professor Richardson) from leave.

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Dr. J. B. Dawson has been appointed by the Government to be a member of the Board of Optical Registration, under the provisions of the Opticians Act, 1920, instead of Dr. H. E. Pellew (resigned).

On the recommendation of the Public Service Commissioner Dr. W. Christie has been appointed a medical inspector of schools in the Education Department, in place of Dr. H. E. Pellew (resigned). Dr. Christie was born at Dumfermline, Scotland. He arrived in South Australia in 1911, and was studying as a chemisbefore the war. He enlisted in 1915, and served in Egypt, France, and Belgium with the 8th and 15th Field Ambn. lances. Returning to Adelaide in 1919, he entered upon his medical course at the University, and he graduated M.B. and B.S. in 1925.

Mail 23-1-267 BIRTHDAYS NEXT WEEK

Prominent South Australians

(By "Felix") (1.93)

Principal of St. Mark's

Adelaideans are always proud of their own, who rise to important positions in the State, and of none more so than the native born who achieve distinction in scholarship and in the educational World.

"Many happy returns" to Mr. Archibald Grenfell Price, M.A., Dip. Ed., F.R.G.S., the Principal of St. Mark's Residential College, which is affiliated with the University of Adelaide. Mr. Price, who has held this position since December, 1924, is an Adelaide man, and was born on January 28, 1892, son of Henry . Work at the Waite Research Institute, Archibald Price, manager of the Nastitution.



MR. A. GRENFELL PRICE

Mr. Price is a product of St. Peter's compartment in a cellar. He had found College, Adelaide, and of Magdalen it necessary to occupy that room because College, Gxford. At St. Peter's he was an equable and moderate temperature was head of the school in English literature, essential for many purposes. Until the history, and Divinity; won the Farr present time the institute had drawn on Scripture prize, the E. T. Smith hisits endowment to provide improvements, tory prize, the Pulleine Essay prize, and £3,000 of the £8,000 having been spent the Commonwealth cadet essay prize. Proceeding to Oxford he there took the that £2,000 would be needed for improve- Bachelor of Arts degree with honors in Some time ago Mr. Mortlock visited modern history, and subsequently the Diploma in Education with distinction. borne School, Dorset. In 1916 he returned to Adelaide, and was appointed to the staff at his old college. For three years, from 1921, he was House Master. For four years he was secretary of the South Australian Assistant Masters' Association, and in 1924 he was also secretary of the Institute of Associated Teachers of S.A.

Although comparatively a young man, the South Australian is widely known for his important literary contributions to geographical literature. His "Casual Geography of the World," published in 1918, has gone through seven editions. Another University text book is his "South Australians and Their Environment," published in 1921. Four editions of this work have been issued. His latest volume, "The Foundation and Settlement of South Australia, 1829 to 1845," published in 1924, has been favorably reviewed in "The Times" and other leading English journals.

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The South Australian Rhodes scholar Dr. Myles Formby, has been selected for the combined | Oxford and Cambridge lacrosse team which is to tour the United States in March.

News 27-1-26 4 CLEVER STUDENT

Record of Mr. Sidney Pick

Mr. Sidney Pick, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Pick, of Coondambo Station, has created two records in the University leaving honors examination. Three years in succession he headed the list in English, winning the Tennyson Medal on the first occasion, and in 1924 and 1925 he topped the general honors list for South Australia,

He was born at Terowie in 1907, and began his education at St. Joseph's Convent. In 1919 he won a Government bursary and entered Christian Brothers College. He passed the junior public examination in eight subjects with six credits, and came first in the State for chemistry when 14 years old. For these successes he was awarded a junior bursary. The following year he passed the senior public examination in eight subjects with two credits. In 1923, when he was 16, he sat for the leaving honors examination, passing in three subjects, and gaining the Tennyson Medal for English. In 1924 he passed in five subjects with three credits. and tied for first place on the general honors list.

In 1925 he again headed the general honors list and topped the list in the State for English, chemistry, and modern history. In 1924 and 1925 he gained first place for English, but was not eligible for the Tennyson Medal.



MR. SIDNEY PICK

who headed the English honors list three times in succession in the leaving honors examination at the Adelaide University.

Mr. Pick has a fine sports record. He represented his college in cricket, tootball, tennis, and hanball, and won prizes for gymnastics and boxing. Last year he was awarded a gold medal for a speech on "The Spirit of Anzac," Prefect from 1922 to 1925, head prefect and captain of the school for 1925, and secretary of the literary society and dance committee comprise his social activities.

He received the greater part of his tuition from Brother D. G. Purton in former principal), Brother J. S. Tevha, and Brother J. S. Mackie (science master).

He will begin his law course at the Adelaide University in March, and has entered into articles with the Hon. W. J. Denny (Attorney-General), of the firm of Denny & Daly.

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SIR DOUGLAS MAWSON.

Our Sydney correspondent telegraphed on Wednesday that Sir Douglas Mawson, after spending a month in the North Island of New Zealand, returned to Sydney that morning by the Marama, on his way to Adelaide. One of the objects of his visit was with reference to afferestation possibilities. He expressed himself as being impressed with the conditions in New Zealand, particularly in the North Island which, he said, were eminently suitable to the growing of timber trees. There were, however, very large areas in Australla that were just as suitable. The New South Wales Government printing office is printing the scientific reports of the Antarctic expedition in 1911-1914, of which Sir Douglas Mawson was the leader, and during his brief stay in Sydney, he intends to take the opportunity of meeting the printing committee. The publication of the reports, he said, had been protracted owing to the war. In all there would be, approximately, 70 sectional reports, and the work would take about three years to complete.