

UNIVERSITY OF ADELAIDE.

ANNUAL COMMEMORATION.

LIVELY DEMONSTRATIONS.

Elder Hall was crowded on Wednesday afternoon on the occasion of the annual commemoration of the University of Adelaide. At 2 p.m. the students began their programme introductory to the regular proceedings, and a very lively hour was spent. The Chancellor of the University (Right Hon. Sir Samuel Way, Bart.) presided, and His Excellency the Governor, attended by Capt. Ryder, the Premier (Hon. T. Price), the Treasurer (Hon. A. H. Peake), and the Mayor of Adelaide (Mr. T. Bruce) were among those present. The members of the Senate and the Council, wearing the academic costumes proper to their respective degrees and offices, marched from the concert room in the following order:—The Clerk of the Senate, Bachelors of Music, Bachelors of Science, Bachelors of Arts, Bachelors of Medicine, Bachelors of Laws, Masters of Arts, Doctors of Music, Doctors of Science, Doctors of Medicine, Doctors of Laws, the Warden of the Senate, the teachers of the Elder Conservatorium, the Director, the lecturers of the University, the professors of the University, the Registrar, the Council, the Vice-Chancellor, the Chancellor.

The Chancellor, the Vice-Chancellor, the Warden of the Senate, members of the Council, Senate, staff, members of boards and faculties, candidates for degrees, diplomas, and advanced commercial certificates, and the Registrar, occupied seats on the platform.

The Dean of the Faculty of Law presented to the Chancellor the undermentioned candidates for degrees in laws, and the winner of the Stow prize and scholarships:—

For the Degree of Bachelor of Laws.—James Way Campbell, B.A., Arthur Landsker Colville, Nathaniel John Hargrave, Claude Percival Latty, John Claude Martin, James Smith, Frank Laurie Williams. The Stow Prizeman.—Marnion Matthews Bray.

The Chancellor congratulated Mr. Bray on having won the Stow Prize a second time.

The Dean of the Faculty of Medicine presented the undermentioned candidates for degrees in medicine and surgery, and the winners of prizes and scholarships:—

For the Degree of Doctor of Medicine.—Herbert Henry Ernest Russell, M.B., B.S.

For the Degrees of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery.—William Morgan Hunn and Eulalie Hardy Hanton Burnard (first class), Albert Edward Brady, Albert Curtis, Dean Dawson, John Victor McAree, Walter Henry Russell, Robert Douglas Brummitt.

The Winner of the Elder Prize.—Judah Leon Jona (student in medicine of the second year).

The Chancellor congratulated Miss Burnard on the great distinction of her graduate course. She had won the Dr. Davies Thomas Scholarship in 1902, and her whole career was an honour to her sex as well as to herself.

The Dr. Davies Thomas Scholars.—Devon Parkhouse and Reginald John Verco, equal (students of the third year); William Ray (student of the fourth year).

The Everard Scholar.—William Morgan Hunn.

The Chancellor congratulated Mr. Hunn on the success of his undergraduate course. Last year Mr. Hunn passed first class, and won the Dr. Davies Thomas Scholarship. He had repeated the same distinctions this year. In addition, he had won the Everard Scholarship. (Cheers.)

The Dean of the Faculty of Arts presented the undermentioned candidates for degrees in arts and the winners of prizes and scholarships:—

Ad Eundem Gradum.—Herman Gustav Adolph Brauer, M.A., University of Wisconsin; Edward Salisbury Jose, B.A., University of Oxford.

The Chancellor said Mr. Brauer was the first graduate of an American University to be admitted to an ad eundem gradum degree in the University of Adelaide. He was a native South Australian, who had won distinction for himself and honour for the land to which he belonged on the other side of the world. They were all proud of his achievements in the University of Wisconsin, and wished him a successful career in South Australia.

For the Degree of Master of Arts.—Reginald Arthur West, B.A.

The Chancellor said Mr. West was the first from the Education Department to proceed for the Master of Arts degree, and he congratulated him on his success.

For the Honours Degree of Bachelor of Arts.—Mathematics—Lisle Julius Darwin (first class), John Stoward Moyes (third class).

For the Ordinary Degree of Bachelor of Arts.—Frederick Norman Bennett, Reginald George Burnell, George Frederick Dodwell, Kate Caroline Lipsham, Raymond Orlando Maurice Miller, Isabel May Sanders, Adolf John Schulz, Isabel Agnes Elks Smyth, Warren Alexander Swan, Annie Beatrice Whitham.

The Chancellor congratulated those ladies and gentlemen who had obtained their degrees while studying for the teaching profession, and he took the opportunity of congratulating the Minister of Education on the success of those connected with his department.

The John Howard Clark Scholars.—Adolf John Schatz and Lorna Maud Waterhouse (equal).

The Winner of the Roby Fletcher Prize.—George Frederick Dodwell.

The Dean of the Faculty of Science presented the undermentioned candidates for degrees in science, and graduates who have obtained diplomas of the University of Adelaide, and the fellowship of the South Australian School of Mines and Industries.

Ad Eundem Gradum.—William Angus, B.Sc., University of Aberdeen.

The Chancellor expressed the hope that Mr. Angus would be able to do as much good service for South Australia as his predecessor in the office of Professor of Agriculture had done.

For the Degree of Doctor of Science.—William Ternent Cooke, B.Sc., in absentia.

The Chancellor said Mr. Cooke was a very distinguished graduate of the University. He graduated first class, with honours, in 1900, and won a bursary that was awarded by the Royal Commissioners of the Exhibition of 1851, tenable at the University of Adelaide for one year. In 1902, on the recommendation of the University, Mr. Cooke was awarded the Science Research Scholarship, with which he proceeded to London to pursue his studies. On the previous day they had received from the commissioner in London a report of Mr. Cooke's work, in which he said that that gentleman was most diligent, and that he was possessed of good powers of observation and of much skill as an experimenter. A detailed account of the research was given, and the commissioner said Mr. Cooke took up a piece of work of considerable difficulty, and the results were as definite as could be expected in the circumstances. That showed that the scholarship had been worthily made use of. (Cheers.)

For the Honours Degree of Bachelor of Science.—Physiology—Henry Kenneth Fry (first class), Annie Rita Ellis (third class).

The Chancellor heartily congratulated Mr. Fry on his success. During the first two years of the course he was studying not only science, but graduating in medicine, and he obtained first class in both those years in medicine, and the Elder Prize each year. His achievements were such as his friends might well be proud of, and he (the speaker) looked forward confidently to his having a distinguished career. (Cheers.)

For the Ordinary Degree of Bachelor of Science.—Edward Wheeler Holden, Herbert Tarlton Philipps, Ronald Trudinger.

Diploma Candidates.—Friedrich Augustus Heselting, B.Sc., William Lander Cleland, B.Sc., Lester Maurice Wolff, B.Sc. (in absentia), Reginald Yorke Langdon, B.Sc., Charles Leonard Wainwright, B.Sc. (in absentia).

The Dean of the Faculty of Music presented the undermentioned Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Music:—

For the Degree of Bachelor of Music.—Maude Mary Puddy, Angelita Pintorella Davis.

To Miss Puddy the Chancellor said it was a pleasure to know that she was the first student of the Elder Conservatorium to obtain the diploma of Associate of Music. That was in 1900, and her first year's musical course was very distinguished, because she passed first class. In March of last year she won a scholarship for composition, tenable at the Conservatorium, and her work of composition, which was sent to London, won the approval of Sir Hubert Parry, Mus. Doc., one of the best and strictest of examiners. He congratulated her upon her success, and hoped she would have a distinguished career. (Cheers.)

To Miss Davis the Chancellor said that like Miss Puddy her composition had won

a scholarship at the Conservatorium. He congratulated her, and wished her every success. (Cheers.)

The Chairman of the Board of Commercial Studies presented the undermentioned students who had obtained the Advanced Commercial Certificate and the winner of the Joseph Fisher Medal of Commerce:—

Advanced Certificate.—Herbert Edward Annells, Albert Laurence Donnelly, David Kirkman.

The Joseph Fisher Medallist.—Herbert Edward Annells.

The Chancellor congratulated Mr. Annells on having won the Joseph Fisher Medal, and was sure he would have as much pleasure in receiving it as their honourable friend had in so generously providing the prize.

The proceedings closed with the National Anthem on the organ by Professor Ennis.

STUDENTS' PROGRAMME.

BAITING THE CHANCELLOR.

As usual, the proceedings at the commemoration were conducted from both ends of Elder Hall. The students were assembled in force at the rear of the building, with a piano, played by Mr. G. Gardiner, and a string band to assist in their musical programme. Since the Chancellor's voice cannot be heard half way down the hall, the commemoration would be a tame kind of event without the presence of the undergrads, whose programme on Wednesday was not marked by the unreasoning pandemonium that has characterized some past commemorations. For instance, there were no electric bells. Sir Samuel had his say, and the students had theirs, with the result that everybody was satisfied, notwithstanding the intensely second-hand condition of the atmosphere in the hall. Far too many tickets were issued for the available seating accommodation, and the crowding was so great that one-half of a distinctly fashionable audience stood on the chairs. The procession to the platform was greeted at the doors by showers of confetti, with special heaps for the devoted heads of His Excellency the Governor, the Chancellor, and the Mayor of Adelaide. The confetti took all the dignity out of the procession, which looked as though it had come in out of a snow-storm. Besides contributing the musical portion of the proceedings the students created unlimited diversion by addressing the Chancellor at frequent intervals. They did their best to bait him; but Sir Samuel has learned that it is useless to remonstrate with lighthearted undergrads, save in the force and mask of numbers. He steadily pursued his course—conferring degrees, congratulating candidates, and tilling in a few words here and there to relieve the stiff and dull nature of the official programme. Every student familiarly addressed him as "Sammy." "King George's hand," shouted one, as the Chancellor received the Governor; and a little later he was asked when judgment would be delivered in the corset case. Other people besides undergrads have been asking the same question for months. "Take that ridiculous hat off, Sammy," was one of many remarks passed about the Chancellor's headgear. Every action of his evoked comment. On taking a mouthful of water a student shouted, "Having one with the flies again, Sammy?" and in congratulating a lady candidate Sir Samuel was advised not to forget that he was a married man. Speeches of any length at all were fatal. "Wake me up in five minutes," and "Sammy Way, an infallible cure for insomnia," were remarks that served to cut short congratulatory periods. Finally, the Chancellor was asked whether he was going to "spring beer for the students." It was remarkable how Sir Samuel desisted from appealing to "My young friends at the back;" but perhaps he, in common with the council and the senate, recognises the inevitable. Exclude the students, and tickets for the University commemoration will no longer be coveted. Something must be done to relieve the monotony of the eternal "privilege and rank," and "by virtue of the authority," that the Chancellor talks about, and so long as the undergrads keep within bounds—as they did on Wednesday—commemoration day will retain its popularity. The students have shown themselves to be not deaf to criticism. In their humorous opening remarks in the programme they replied to The Register's past advice in the following paragraph:—"No admittance to any one without wit or beauty to recommend them. Register reporter especially take note." The grammatical error in the first sentence is lamentable, as coming from students engaged at Adelaide's highest seat of learning, and it gives one the impression that the programme on this occasion was prepared by the "plucked" brigade, who must be more diligent in their studies if they are to eventually enjoy a closer touch with the Chancellor than that permitted by a back-of-the-hall interjection. The introductory notes of the students were as follows:—

The married members of the Council and Senate are requested to refrain from their usual custom of winking and waving at the lady undergrads.

Please observe the Notice "Do Not Spit," otherwise you cannot Expect-(t)o-rate as a true citizen.

Carriages and Horses may be ordered for 4.30 p.m.

The audience are requested to keep their seats (not the chairs) until the undergraduates (including the students' choir) have left the Younger Hall.

Block "A" is reserved for spinsters only.

If sufficient inducement offers a Cookery Class (the only subject at present not taught at the Varsity) will be formed. Please give in your names to the Registrar (or Advertiser).

Owing to a "fit of the blues" the Chanticleer regrets that he is unable to sing "Sammy, my old pal Sam." He will, however, give a reading from "The Only Way."

At 2 p.m. the doors will be opened to admit—fresh air and a motley assemblage of cousins, aunts, mas-in-law, microbes, spicers, deadheads, and wallflowers.

The members of the Council and Senate and other shady characters will leave the Asylum (by kind permission of Dr. Cleland) at 1 p.m. After partaking of refreshments at Carr & Nelson's, they will proceed to the Big Store (where your money goes quietest) where they will obtain their hoods and gowns at special reductions.

Sir George—the Chase—will preside. The Hall will be choked at intervals by the "Wise" Patent Fumigator. Any complaints must be made through the Daily Press.

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