

BACK TO AUSTRALIA AFTER 30 YEARS

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Francis Surgeon And His Wife To Visit Adelaide

MR. AND MRS. MUECKE

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From A Special Correspondent

LONDON, July 24. When the delegates to the meeting of the British Medical Association leave Melbourne for Sydney and Singapore, one notable member and his wife will not be with them. Mr. Francis Muecke does not consider returning to Australia after an absence of nearly 30 years without visiting Adelaide, his birth-place, and he and Mrs. Muecke next month will have about 10 days there which they will join their fellow-delegates afterwards.

Mr. Muecke will arrive in Adelaide just in time to be a guest of honor at the Jubilee of the Medical School where he qualified. He worked for a year at the Adelaide Hospital before coming to England in 1906. In the following year he was appointed to the staff of the London Hospital, and now, as one of the leading ear, nose and throat specialists in London, he is oral surgeon in charge of the ear, nose, and throat department of that hospital.

Mr. Muecke has many interests. He keeps up his tennis and golf—he used to play regularly at Wimbledon before the war, and once reached the quarter-finals. He is a keen collector, and is a great collector, and his London house, with its lovely Adams drawings, and so on, is a treasure house. He received hospitality, is filled with fine antiques and pictures. Sir Bertram Maclean and Mrs. Maclean have given Mr. Muecke examples of their work. The two brozons are given a place of honor in the drawing-room, their dark wood and silver, and the cream walls with their beautiful moulded panellings. There is a Hans Ewers in the parlour, and a pair of paintings by Pantaine Lalour in the dining-room, and a Whistler and a Renoir among the other pictures that Mr. and Mrs. Muecke have bought. There are Waterford glass and some of the pieces in their collection are exquisite. Nor do they have them simply on show, as they use them daily. Mr. Muecke has a collection of stamps that is not made part and parcel of his home is his stamp collection. He has a fine collection of Australian stamps, but so far has not been able to acquire the famous West Australian stamp with the swan upside down, which he has been trying to find in the market. His Majesty the King outbid him for it.

Farm In Surrey

Recently Mr. and Mrs. Muecke bought a farm of about 150 acres in Surrey. Mrs. Muecke loves a garden, and here she has a beautiful one, filled with the richest of herbaceous borders and roses. She has just finished making a rock garden, arranging it around a pond that mirrors the flowers and small breeding plants.

Mrs. Muecke wants to experiment with all kinds of old and new syllabubs and cordials and homemade wines. She has already achieved with great success. In the Surrey villages she has been very successful in growing almost anything—runner beans and panning, rhubarb, apples, gooseberries, and so on.

Since her marriage Mrs. Muecke has met a number of Australians in London, and is looking forward to meeting many more on her first visit to her husband's native land.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION

Study Circle For Adelaide

In Adelaide a study circle on international affairs has been formed by the State branch of the Australian League of Nations Union, and two students from each college have been invited to attend in session. The first session is expected at the first session on Friday, when Professor Portus will speak.

The following programme of addresses has been arranged—August 23 "Co-operative Defence Ideas," Mr. C. H. Jones; September 6 "The Attitude to the League of Nations," Mr. J. A. La Nause; September 27 "Education and Internationalism," Miss E. M. Dwyer; October 4 "The League of Nations," Mr. J. H. Vaughan; October 13 "The Individual's Responsibility in Peace," Rev. H. Barbour.

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INTERSTATE CONTESTS AMONG STUDENTS

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More Than 300 Moving To And From Adelaide

From today until Saturday week, approximately 300 students from the Australian Universities, the Adelaide University, and the various colleges, and a number of boys' colleges here and in Melbourne, will depart from and arrive here to take part in sporting and other contests.

Members of the Adelaide Teachers' College women's hockey, women's and men's athletic, and men's debating teams will leave for the express to Melbourne tonight, to compete against the teachers' college there. Teams representing the Melbourne Teachers' College women's hockey, women's and men's tennis clubs will arrive by the express tomorrow to play the teachers' college here. On Friday, the Adelaide University basketball team will leave by the East-West express bound for Perth. The Adelaide University men's basketball team and the men's hockey team from this University will leave by the Melbourne express. The Adelaide University men's basketball team will take part in the inter-university contests between Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide and Hobart; and the men's tennis team will take part in the inter-university contests.

Many University students will leave by the express and in motor cars for Melbourne. The Adelaide University include women's hockey, football, lacrosse, and baseball players, all of whom will play inter-university sports in Melbourne. The baseball team that go on to Sydney to play the Sydney University team. Members of the St. Mark's football team will arrive in Sydney on Friday for Melbourne, where they will play Trinity College (Melbourne University) on the following Thursday. About 20 Rugby players from Sydney, Melbourne and Tasmanian Universities will arrive on Monday to play inter-university football. The seven boys from King's College will leave here on Friday week to contest in debating, football and tennis competition. The boys will arrive in Perth on Kew, Victoria. By the same train to St. Peter's College first 18 will go to Melbourne on Saturday, and the other 12 will go to Melbourne and Geelong Grammar Schools.

Teams will arrive here the following morning from Melbourne, Scotch and Wesley Colleges to play football. The teams will arrive in Adelaide on Monday, August 26, and Adelaide Scotch College will play against Prince Alfred College. Debating teams from the Melbourne, Sydney, Queensland and Tasmanian Universities will arrive on Saturday week to take part in the inter-university debates at the Adelaide University and Adelaide Town Hall.

In addition, it is probable that about 100 other students from the boys' public schools and the girls' secondary schools will arrive in Adelaide on Friday at the end of the first week in September. Another batch of High School scholars will arrive the following week, also for Mount Buffalo.

Afforestation Authority

MR Norman Jolly, an authority on afforestation and South Australia's first Rhodes Scholar, is in Adelaide. Educated at Prince Alfred College and the University, he, in 1904, gained the scholarship which enabled him to go to Oxford. Previously he had secured his B.Sc. He made a study of forestry, and visited Germany, France, and Switzerland.

Returning to Australia, Mr. Jolly was for seven years Director of Forestry in Queensland, and then went to New South Wales as Commissioner of Forests from 1918 to 1933, when he retired.

An all-ports sportsman at college and variety, he has played first-grade football for North Adelaide and Sturt, and represented South Australia against Victoria from 1900 to 1902. He is disinterested in the present fiasco of football in Adelaide, but says there are some championships.

Mr. Jolly showed a crooked finger as a result of 100 days when he kept wickets for Sturt.

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AFTER a lightning survey of South Australia's educational institutions, Prof. F. Clarke, adviser of Education of the University of London, has come to the conclusion that our education system is well abreast of overseas developments and in some directions is breaking new ground.

Prof. Clarke arrived in Adelaide from Melbourne on Saturday, and left today in the East-West express for Perth. He is accompanied by his wife and daughter.

MAIN IMPRESSIONS

Summed up, Prof. Clarke's main impressions of our education system were:

The thoroughness of our methods of training teachers.

The close co-operation between the Education Department and the Universities.

The efficiency of our system of correspondence teaching for children in outlying centres.

And the tendency to give teachers freer scope to use their own initiative in teaching and the management of schools.

"The last development is very important," Prof. Clarke said. "By allowing the teacher to get away from stereotyped methods and give him more individual responsibility, your Education Department is making work more interesting for the teacher, and thus for the pupils also."

"This, I believe, will make possible the development of a system of education in which the importance of examination results is not over stressed, and which general impression of your education system is that it is vital and progressive."

OUR WINES PRAISED

Yesterday Prof. Clarke visited vineyards and wineries in the Barossa district. He said today that he had no idea before that vinegrowing and winemaking were carried on on such an extensive scale in Australia.

"I am a native of South Africa," he said, "and might naturally be expected to be a little prejudiced in favor of the wine industry of my native land, but I must admit that in South Africa we have nothing to touch your vineyards. Your winemaking methods are also more progressive than ours."

"I am taking a case of South Australia wine home with me, so that I will be able to start off my cellar in London with some of your extremely fine flavored wines."

The chancellor, vice-chancellor, and council of the University of Adelaide have issued invitations to a special congregation to be held in the Education Department on Wednesday, September 18, in connection with the jubilee celebrations of the medical school.

Mr. H. W. Gartrell, of the Adelaide University, has been elected a member of the council of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy.

Fifth Recital Of Elder String Quartet

By H. BREWSTER JONES

The Elder Conservatorium String Quartet was heard in the fifth afternoon concert of the season at the Elder Hall yesterday. The quartet has seldom played with more ease and confidence. Arved Strind, Kathleen Meegan, Sylvia Whittington, and Harold Parsons are proving their ability more and more in the matter of self-effacement. The recital was headed by the Schubert quartet Op. 125 No. 1, in E flat major "Allegro Moderato," with its characteristic short phrases, which answer each other, and are interspersed with a sort of lyrical commentary, was played with suavity and grace. That ingenious humor of Schubert, which manifests itself in those moments of relaxation spent with his companions in bergamot or cafe, is apparent in the very short "Scherzo, Prestissimo" of this work.

"Adopting a more flowing style Schubert expresses some of his deeper reflections in the Adagio which follows, but he returns to a mood of gaily exuberance of the lighter side of Viennese life in the Scherzo in those moments of relaxation spent with his companions in bergamot or cafe, is apparent in the very short "Scherzo, Prestissimo" of this work.

Mendelssohn was represented by his quartet Op. 44, No. 3, in E flat major which has an appeal in at least two directions of movement.

In an agitated style the "Allegro Vivace" keeps the instrumentalists busy with its passage work, and a melodic fragment, reminiscent of the string composer's violin concerto, enters to betray its authorship—or at least it is excellent writing that lacks individuality on the whole.

Not so the Scherzo—a form in which Mendelssohn always excels. This has a polish and grace, a refinement and delicacy, which belongs to this composer more, perhaps, than to any other, whether he be scoring for orchestra, string quartet, or writing for the solo pianoforte. A delightful performance of this movement was given. In "Adagio ma non troppo" the young viola tone lent a richness of expression to the ensemble, and the underlying phrases of the music were finely interpreted—reflecting credit upon Sylvia Whittington and Harold Parsons respectively.

The final movement, "Molto Allegro con Fuoco," although not lacking in dynamic variety, called for a little more of its instrument's means; it was played with great fluency, however, and in it the balance of the strings was excellent. It is difficult to agree with those who are scoring for orchestra, Mendelssohn in this movement for shaping his violin figures, and phrasing them, as if they were meant to be fingered at a distance. The music reveals his excellence as a pianist. It is apparently a case in which the passage writing is particularly suitable for either piano or piano-forte—not at all an impossible contingency.

Next Tuesday afternoon the final recital of the season, including the Mozart quartet in D minor and the autobiographical quartet in E minor, S. metana.

S.A.'s PROGRESS IN EDUCATION

Professor Clarke's Impression

The unusual and most beneficial co-operation between the Adelaide University and the South Australian Education Department, and the system whereby considerable authority is vested in school teachers, were features of education in South Australia, which particularly impressed Professor F. Clarke, of London, who has been in residence here since Friday. Professor Clarke, who is adviser to overseas students at the recently-established Institute of Education of the University of London, left for Perth by the East-West express yesterday morning.

Interviewed shortly before he left, Professor Clarke said that, despite the shortness of his stay, he had been able to state that, with regard to the two aspects mentioned, and also in respect of the efficiency of our system of correspondence teaching, the children in isolated centres, South Australia was in advance of other parts of the world. In other words, he was abreast of modern developments. "I have been much impressed by what I will call the autonomy of the