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RITA COONAN.

A PROMISING SINGER.

South Australia has already a number of famous musicians to her credit, and now Miss Rita Coonan is a promising candidate for similar honour. So says no less an authority than Dame Nellie Melba. Miss Coonan, apart from her natural vocal gift, deserves success, for she has been a conscientious worker. Having won Madame Delmar Hall's private scholarship, the youthful soprano studied with her for two years, and then competed for the Brookman Scholarship at the



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Adelaide Conservatorium, which was won against many competitors in the realm of piano, voice, and violin. Four years were passed at the Conservatorium, under Madame Hall's teaching, and Miss Coonan was one of the soloists at a concert given by Madame Hall. Lady Weigall, who was present, was so attracted by the quality of the voice, that she asked Dame Nellie Melba to hear her. Out of that interview has come the present resolve of local music-lovers to assist Miss Coonan with a course of study, first under Dame Nellie's supervision in Melbourne at her Conservatorium, and then in London and Paris.

On Thursday morning another stage in this development was reached when the honorary treasurers of the fund, Messrs. J. Stanley Murray and P. W. Vaughan, called a meeting at the Adelaide Town Hall. Mr. Vaughan presided over a large and representative attendance, and keen interest was displayed. The Chairman reviewed the position, and said that £100 had already been expended upon Miss Coonan's tuition in Melbourne, and it was proposed to give a concert to raise further funds, in the Adelaide Town Hall, on November 13. The original fund was quite depleted. A vote was taken on the matter, and those present agreed to the arrangement and formed themselves into a committee to assist. The speaker pointed out the advantage it would be to send Miss Coonan to London while Dame Nellie was there. Mrs. Campbell, second in command at her Melbourne Conservatorium, was going to England at the end of the year, and would be able to look after her and supervise her studies. Extracts were read from letters written by the prima donna in which warm tributes were paid to the quality of the student's voice, and to the remarkable promise made at her conservatorium. It would probably take £500 in Paris and London for the year's course, but in that time Miss Coonan would probably be ready to fulfil engagements. A final letter stated that, having again heard the pupil, it would be a crime not to send her abroad. She has also distinguished herself in a Melbourne concert given by the writer. Mr. Murray supported Mr. Vaughan's remarks upon the urgency of the claim, and the committee was officially formed. Business details were discussed in connection with the concert, and special concessions to students were promised. Allan's, Limited—through Mr. A. J. Chapman—promised to look after the concert arrangements. It was decided to sell sweets, programmes, and flowers at the entertainment. Madames J. Stanley Murray and J. Ernest Good agreed to convene the programme and sweets section, and Madames Coonan and Linnett that of the flowers. It was reserved to hold a final meeting next Thursday

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RHODES SCHOLARSHIPS.

A memorandum, setting out new regulations for Rhodes scholarships throughout Australia, has just been adopted and issued by the Rhodes Trustees. One of its most important features is that the conditions governing elections to the Rhodes scholarships are now for the first time made uniform. Two other alterations call for special notice. First, it is provided that, in future, domicile for five years in Australia shall suffice, and that candidates may compete, either in the State in which they have their ordinary domicile, or in that in which they have received any considerable part of their education. The second is that candidates must have reached such a stage in their course, at one of the Universities of Australia, that they will have completed at least two years at the university in question by October 1 of the year for which they are elected. Full information and copies of the form of application may be obtained from the secretary to the Rhodes Scholarship Selection Committee, the University, Adelaide. Except in special circumstances enquiries should not be addressed to the general secretary for Rhodes scholarships in Australia (Mr. J. C. V. Behan, Trinity College, Parkville, Victoria), whose function it is primarily to act as a channel of communication between the State Selection Committees and the Rhodes trustees. The trustees have also decided upon another important change. In the United States, Canada, and South Africa the selection of future Rhodes scholars for the most part has already been entrusted to former Rhodes scholars. To Australia this policy is now being extended. As a commencement, the existing committees of selection are being reinforced by the addition of Rhodes scholar members, appointed by the trustees, upon the recommendation of the selection committee. In this State Messrs. R. J. Rudall and H. Thomson have now been formally appointed members of that body. To ensure the arrival in England of information respecting scholars-elect at such time that it may be circulated among the governing bodies of the various colleges, along with information respecting scholars elected in other countries, the trustees have chosen October 20 as the latest date for lodging applications. The actual date in each State will be fixed by the committee of selection for that State, and the choice of the scholar will be made so soon as possible after that.

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POLITICAL SCIENCE.

The first of a course of six lectures on political science, under the auspices of the Workers' Educational Association, was given by the Rev. Dr. Postle at the Adelaide University on Friday evening. There was a satisfactory attendance. The lecturer said he desired to lead the class to an appreciation of what political science was. His aim would be to analyse the whole constitution of the State. In that connection they must take into account what men had thought about the subject in the past. If they were to attain the truth they must of necessity learn the interpretations and answers of the past given to the problems. They must look into the structure and growth of their State life. Political science was a subject second to none; it was nothing visionary, nor purely theoretical—it was a science, and an organized and exact body of knowledge in its principle. He traversed in detail the principles of the subject under discussion and the growth of history, and said an important factor was the sovereignty of the State. The State must be supreme within its own powers, otherwise chaos resulted. All through the long evolutionary stage there was a steady progress towards higher forms of life. When the organized social capacity reached its highest stage they found man sacrificing himself for the sake of the organized whole of which he formed a part.

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INDIAN STUDENTS.

BRITISH OR GERMAN UNIVERSITIES?

LONDON, October 13. The Indian Students' Enquiry Committee which recently visited Canada, recommends cancellation of the Army Council's regulation which debar Indians from admission to the University Officers' Training Corps. It appears that a large number of Indians are joining German universities under the belief that they are not welcomed by British universities.

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CONSERVATORIUM CONCERT.

LADIES' PART-SINGING CLASS.

The sixteenth concert of the 1922 session at the Elder Conservatorium was given at the Elder Hall on Monday evening by the ladies' part-singing class, with Mr. H. Winslow Hall as conductor. Misses Coralie Godfree and Miss Muriel Prince accompanied. The opening concerted numbers were two part-songs by Coleridge-Taylor—"From the green heart of the waters," and "A June rose bloomed." Mr. Gerald Moyse was heard to advantage in a song from the Maud cycle, "My life has crept so long" (Somervell). The chief feature of the evening was the effective and artistic rendering of the cantata "Midsummer day" (Jadassohn) by the part-singing class. Mr. Harold Parsons, Mus. Bac., was at the organ, and his playing gave an artistic and effective setting to the voices. The cantata described midsummer day magic in a forest, wealth offered by the wood spirit, a mother who finds it, and loses her child in grasping too much. Miss Lottie Knapman recited the prologue. Miss Elsie Woolley took the part of the mother. She has a rich and expressive voice; clear enunciation, and real feeling went to make her rendering effective. Miss Stella Sobel's took the part of the child, her clear, soprano telling effectively. Miss Marjorie Ritson sang with good effect, as the Spirit of the Woods. The semi-chorus included Mrs. M. Buchanan, and Misses Constance Badi- noch and Miss Lottie Knapman. Both the solo and the chorus work were good in both the first and second parts of the cantata, especially the concluding chorus with its triumphant climax. Miss Valda Harvey, who possesses a powerful soprano voice, won hearty applause for her rendering of "Salve Maria" (Garcia), with violin obligato, by Miss Clarice Gmeiner, and organ obligato, by Mr. Clarence Bentley. Mr. Reginald Thrush was also successful in Schubert's "Serenade." Miss Doreen Skinner was distinctly happy in her singing of "Hark, the echoing air a triumph sings," by Purcell. The concert closed with Schubert's fine chorus, "God in Nature," effectively rendered by the part-singing class.

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THE UNIVERSITY OF ADELAIDE.

News has just been received that the Lalaca Medal of the London School of Tropical Medicine has been awarded to Dr. R. W. Cilento (medical officer for tropical hygiene, and directors of the Australian Institute of Tropical Medicine at Townsville). The Lalaca Medal is awarded to the medical officer who gains the highest aggregate and merit among all medical officers studying at the London School of Tropical Medicine over a full year's session. Dr. Cilento also gained in April the Duncan Medal, as the best student of the session, against 53 medical officers from all parts of the world. This is the first occasion on which either medal has been gained by an Australian. Dr. Cilento graduated in medicine at the University of Adelaide in 1918.

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The honorary degree of Doctor of Science of the University of Western Australia was conferred on Dr. W. W. Campbell, the leader of the Lick Observatory party, on Monday.

AUSTRALIAN MUSIC EXAMINATIONS BOARD.

The Universities of Melbourne, Adelaide, Tasmania, Queensland, and Western Australia, and the State Conservatorium of New South Wales.

PUBLIC EXAMINATIONS IN THEORY OF MUSIC. SEPTEMBER, 1922. PASS LIST for South Australia and Broken Hill.

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