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Professor Chapman's Advice
"THINK AND WORK HARD;
NO GRUMBLING"

"We have no sooner scraped up enough money to pay one tax than we are struggling to get enough money to pay the next, and when we die we are taxed worst of all," said Professor R. W. Chapman, who proposed the toast of "Australia." "We are living in pretty hard times," he said, "but it is not the first time that Australia has been up against it. After all the bank interest rate has been cut, and we can still look forward to the time when we will be able to get unlimited loans without interest. (Laughter.) Most of us here tonight are old and wise enough to know that we will not get justice in this world, and our fervent prayer is that we will get it in the next. (Laughter.)"

Hard Work And Thinking
"The way out of our troubles is not to be found by grumbling and wild cat schemes," said Professor Chapman. "The way out is by hard work and hard thinking. The backbone of our success in the past has been the pertinacity and purpose of our people, especially those in the backblocks. No country can show a better record than Australia in proportion to its population as far as inventions and new ideas are concerned."

Mail 8-8-32
Our Engineers Win Fame

PROF. R. W. Chapman has reason to be gratified at the success achieved by students of the engineering school of Adelaide University. On the announcement this week that Mr. Max Hunt had been selected for the Angas Engineering Scholarship for 1932, Prof. Chapman mentioned with pride the positions attained by previous holders. The scholarship supports them for two years in England while they are gaining engineering knowledge and experience.

Of the seven last holders of the scholarship, which is awarded every two years, two are still in England, one each in Victoria and New South Wales, and the other three are in South Australia.

Mr. C. D. Gibb (son of Mr. J. Gibb, of the Port Adelaide carrying firm of W. Gibb & Sons), who won the award in 1924, is now a director of the Parsons Steam Turbine Co. at Newcastle-on-Tyne.

He has just won the Hawkesley Gold Medal which is awarded by the English Institute of Mechanical Engineers for the best paper of the year. This medal is worth £35 for its pure gold content alone.

Mr. F. H. Humphris, the 1926 Angas Engineering scholar, is a highly placed executive officer in the New South Wales railways, and another former holder, Mr. W. A. Potts, is chief electrical engineer for the Victorian Electricity Commission and in charge of its Yallourn works.

Two scholars who are giving the South Australian Government the benefit of their services are Messrs. W. M. Anderson, resident engineer for the south-eastern drainage system, and H. E. Angwin, chief engineer for harbors.

Mr. R. J. Bridgland, the 1929 winner, after having gained experience in London, is back in South Australia. And Mr. C. M. Sprigg, son of the secretary of the Adelaide Electric Supply Co., Ltd. (Mr. C. A. Sprigg) has nearly completed the term of his scholarship in service in different parts of England with the General Electric Co., but is to remain with the company for at least another year.

vester.
Still more inspiring is the development of the wool industry in this country from the days when Macarthur first introduced the original merinos to the present time when Australia produces nearly three times as much wool as any other single country and of a quality unsurpassed in the world. The big-framed, fine-woolled, robust merino that yields to the Commonwealth its greatest source of national income is the product of Australian adaptability expressed over many generations.

In mining, too, the same inherent quality has come to our aid. Broken Hill would have been an abandoned mining field a decade ago had not the method of treating refractory ores by the flotation process been discovered as a result of experimentation on the spot. And scores of the world's greatest mines are now operating as a result of this discovery.

Science has, of course, played, and is playing, its part. The introduction of superphosphates has made possible the production of wheat in areas where grain would long since have ceased to be grown or never would have been grown. Still more important has been the magnificent work accomplished by plant breeders like Farrer, who alone is credited with having added £1,000,000 a year to the value of our wheat harvest.

Such examples of Australian adaptability might be multiplied in many directions. But, as Professor Chapman suggested, we cannot rest upon the achievements of the past.

We must continue to blaze our own trail and meet our problems with the same spirit of adaptability, of thoroughness, and of faith in our destiny that inspired our fathers in the past.

MONEY SOUGHT FOR BOOKS
Friends of Library Launch Campaign
GRANT REDUCED

THE annual Government grant to the Public Library has been so far reduced that the whole of it is swallowed up in meeting salaries and other expenses of administration," says a circular to be sent shortly to thousands of people inviting them to join the Friends of the Library of South Australia.

"Present funds do not enable the library to purchase even necessities to keep its shelves stocked, so that all sections of the community—men of commerce, teachers, craftsmen, professional men and other citizens—may consult the library for the fullest and latest information," says the circular.

"The Friends of the Public Library of South Australia has been formed in the belief that the Public Library is in need of assistance if it is to continue to fulfil its present function in the educational life of the community.

SALES TAX HIGH
"The only fund at present available for the purchase of books is the income from that part of the Morgan Thomas Bequest, which has been set apart for the purposes of the library, and provides but one-third of the amount formerly available for buying books.

"To make matters worse, the adverse exchange between Australia and England and the incidence of the sales tax have much reduced the purchasing power of the small sum at the command of the board of governors.

"The principal object of the society is to help the library with gifts of money and books. It is not the intentions of its founders that the contributions of the society should in any way take the place of the reduced Government grant or relieve the State of its obligation to support the library."

SUCCESS IN BRITAIN
Officials of the new local organisation, of which Sir David Gordon is president, Mr. C. Harding Browne treasurer, and Mr. E. J. R. Morgan secretary, have taken heart from the success of the British movement on which it is founded—the Friends of the National Libraries—described at the first annual meeting in London recently, a report of which has been received in Adelaide.
A membership of 504 was reported. A special appeal, which raised £1,000, together with £500 from general funds, enabled papers of great literary and historical value to be secured for the nation.

News 9-8-32
Poetry and Prose of Life

THE Registrar of Adelaide University (Mr. F. W. Eardley) is not so much occupied with the prosaic business of running that many-sided institution that he has no time for poetry. Tonight he will speak to the Poetry Society at the Institute lecture room, North terrace, on "The Necessity of Poetry."



Mr. Eardley

And he will not be the only member of the family to lecture tonight. His daughter, Miss Constance Eardley, a science graduate now engaged in work at the Waite Institute, will talk to the Science Society at the University on aspects of her botanical work.
Mr. Eardley will speak tonight of the duality of human nature, which is illustrated in the scientific treatment of the external world and the poetic treatment of man's own reaction to it.

"That is a duality which we must observe and which should be made full use of in education," said Mr. Eardley today. "If appeal is made to a man's mind on the side of beauty and poetry his feelings will be chastened and refined."

"The scientist finds logic and order in the external world. The poet finds beauty and must speak of it. A man who has that impulse becomes an artist in words because he must find the best expression for his thought."

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AUSTRALIAN ADAPTABILITY

PROFESSOR Chapman's fine address at the C.T.A. dinner on Saturday resolved itself into an appreciation of Australian adaptability.

Australians, as the professor pointed out, have made habitable and productive a continent which would never have responded to European ideas of agriculture and pasturage. And this has been achieved, and is still capable of great expansion, by the capacity of the producer to adjust himself to his environment and to provide the necessary machinery for overcoming the niggardliness of Nature.

Farmers in this country could never have competed successfully in the world's markets against countries which enjoy a far more bountiful rainfall had not Australian inventive genius given us such implements as the Ridley reaper, the stump-jump plough, and the har-

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Poetry In Human Life

In a lecture on "The Necessity of Poetry" to the Poetry Society last night, Mr. F. W. Eardley said that, without poetry, human nature would be carrying on a secular conflict without inspiration.

"The great need of our time is a philosophy which will stiffen the ideals of man," he said. "Our age is immensely in advance of that of 2,000 years ago in knowledge, but have we added one cubit to our spiritual stature?"

News 10-8-32
DR. W. Ternent Coske, of the Adelaide University, and Prof. Cameron, professor of education in the Western Australian University, left Adelaide last night on their way to the Congress of the Australian and New Zealand Society for the Advancement of Science, which is to be held in Sydney in a week's time.
Dr. Cooke is attending as the representative of the Australian Chemical Institute. Prof. Cameron will also attend the education and university conferences.

News 11-8-32
Mr. John Horner continued his series of weekly lunch-hour organ recitals at the Elder Conservatorium this afternoon. His programme was composed solely of Bach's works. The compositions were:—Tocatta, adagio, and fugue in C, choral variations ("Sci gegrusset, Jesu gutig"), adagio ("Sonata No. 3"), and fugue in G (alla gigue).

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Conservatorium Organ Recital

In his Bach programme at the Elder Conservatorium organ recital during the lunch hour yesterday, Mr. John Horner played the toccata, adagio, and fugue in C, choral variations, the adagio from the third sonata, and the "alla gigue" fugue in G. In every item the recitalist's sterling technique was evident. Miss Beryl Kekwick sang with good effect "When Thou Art Near" (Bach). At his next recital on August 18, Mr. Horner will play the "Suite Gothique" (Boellmann) in its entirety.