

Carnegie Head



THE PRESIDENT of the Carnegie (U.S.A.) Corporation (Dr. Keppel) arrived today to make an informal inspection of the Public Library, Museum, and Art Gallery. He is the third representative of the corporation to visit Australia this year. (Story on Page 3)

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IS HERE AS LAYMAN

Dr. Keppel In Adelaide

CARNEGIE FUND

THE second representative of the Carnegie Corporation to visit Australia within a few months. Dr. F. T. Keppel, president of the corporation, arrived in Adelaide today by the Melbourne express.

He was met at the train by the Director of Education (Mr. Adey), the general secretary of the Public Library (Mr. Marshall), the professor of history at Adelaide University (Prof. Portus), and other citizens prominent in educational activities.

Dr. Keppel explained after his arrival that he had not come to Australia as an expert in any particular field.

"My mission is to get in touch with laymen in British dominions with reference to the purposes for which the corporation was founded," he said. "I hope to test the feeling of public opinion on the manner in which the grants of the Carnegie Corporation are being used.

"It is 20 years since Andrew Carnegie made a donation of two million pounds to his American trustees for the advancement of knowledge and understanding among people of the British dominions and colonies. In that time the amount distributed has just exceeded the original amount of the gift.

"In British Africa the grants from the Corporation have been used for scientific and educational research, native education, and library development. In New Zealand they have been used for rural education and library development in the University Colleges. In Australia they have been devoted mainly to the support of the Australian Council for Educational Research and for assistance to the Workers' Educational Association, mainly through the universities.

HEAVY PROGRAMME

"I have come here to investigate the activities of these organisations on behalf of my fellow trustees from the point of view of the layman."

Dr. Keppel said that there was no significance in the fact that his visit followed so closely on the investigation of Australian libraries by Mr. Ralph Munn, director of the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh.

"Mr. Munn's report appears to have aroused a good deal of interest in Australia," he added.

Dr. Keppel has a very heavy programme for his Adelaide visit. By 10.15 a.m. today he was busy with correspondence in a room which had been prepared for him at the University. After a number of interviews he lunched at the University, and this afternoon visited the Waite Agricultural Institute.

Tomorrow, he will interview University and educational authorities from 9.30 a.m. until 11 a.m., when he will call on the Lord Mayor (Mr. Cain). In the afternoon he will visit the Teachers' College and the Education Department. On Wednesday there will be further interviews with representatives of library and educational organisations, and a dinner at the University at 7 p.m.

Dr. Keppel will leave for Perth on Friday.

DR. MADIGAN ON ALLEGATIONS

Journalist's Reply

MELBOURNE, Monday.—There was nothing surprising in the fact that Dr. C. T. Madigan, of Adelaide University, did not recollect having met him in Central Australia, as their meeting took place about seven years ago, said Mr. T. Anderson, the Norwegian journalist, today.

He was replying to a statement by Dr. Madigan, who, when informed that his name had been mentioned by Mr. Anderson, in corroboration of his allegations concerning the ill-treatment of blacks on missions, said, "I have no recollection of having met Mr. Anderson, and I certainly would not back up everything he has said."

"During a conversation I had with Dr. Madigan at Alice Springs, said Mr. Anderson today, "I told him what I thought of the treatment of natives, and he had nothing to say to the contrary.

"Dr. Madigan admits he knows only about one mission. He also denies many of my allegations, yet has he lived, suffered, and starved with the blacks as I have?" he asked.

"It is more likely that travelling in his capacity as geologist he saw only the bright side of things."