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 W. G. Coombs

The death occurred on Sunday of Mr. W. G. Coombs, one of the best-known figures in business circles in Adelaide. He was a native of Adelaide, where he was born 67 years ago, and he was educated at the Pulteney-street School and St. Peter's College. He is best remembered for his excellent work in connection with the Adelaide Hospital, in which he took a deep practical interest. He was for many years a member of the board which governed the institution, and which was disbanded early this year. For more than 20 years he was either deputy-chairman and chairman of the board, and his sound judgment and business acumen were great assets in the management of the institution. Mr. Coombs was appointed one of the board of three which now manages the hospital on the old board going out of existence. He spent 10 months in England and Europe last year, where he made enquiries into hospital matters that proved valuable to the Government. In insurance circles Mr. Coombs was held in high esteem. For many years he was manager in Broken Hill and South Australia for the Yorkshire Insurance Company, a position he relinquished in favor of his son, Mr. W. E. Coombs, not long ago. He was also a trustee of the State Savings Bank. His upright character won him general goodwill and esteem. Football claimed a large share of his attention, and he was connected with the South Adelaide Club from about 1890, being chairman of committees for some years up to 1910, in which year he was selected president, a position he had held ever since. As a delegate to the League for a long term prior to 1910 he rendered the club and the League valuable assistance. Mr. Coombs accompanied the inter-State team to Melbourne recently, and upon his return complained of feeling unwell. A brother, Mr. R. J. Coombs, formerly a leading woolbroker, died some years ago, and another brother, Mr. Fred Coombs, some months since. Surviving brothers are Messrs. J. G. Coombs, Goodwood, George Coombs, of "The Advertiser" mechanical staff, and Walter Coombs, of West Hindmarsh. Mr. Coombs leaves a widow, three daughters (Mesdames John Rounsvell, Horace Rounsvell, and A. Williams), and three sons (Messrs. J. Coombs, G. Coombs, and W. Coombs). The funeral will leave Mr. Coombs' residence, Marlborough-street, Malvern, to-day at 2.30 p.m. for the West-terrace Cemetery.



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 Mr. Walenn

Mr. Gerald Walenn, the celebrated London violinist, who succeeded Mr. Eugene Alderman as violin tutor for the Elder Conservatorium, will on Saturday evening, at the Town Hall, render, with the assistance of the South Australian Orchestra, Saint-Saens' "Violin Concerto in B Minor." Mr. Walenn studied at the Royal Academy in London, under Prosper Sainton, who was the court violinist of his day. After Mr. Sainton's death Mr. Walenn passed into the hands of Emile Sauret, who is well known in every part of Europe. Mr. Walenn's first public appearance was at the age of 14, when he played a solo in an academy concert at St. James' Hall, London, on a three-quarter violin. Since then his experience has been a varied one. Among his most treasured possessions is a top command- ing him to appear and play before Queen Victoria. Mr. Walenn has been on several tours on the Continent and America, appearing in the leading concert halls of the world, evoking the praise of the press and public alike.

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Miss Merle Robertson, the talented young South Australian pianist, will return to Australia about the middle of next month. She has been in England since



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1916, pursuing her studies, and has had the advantage of tuition under leading teachers in London and on the Continent. Miss Robertson went to England as the South Australian scholar, and gave promise of a brilliant musical career. Her recitals while abroad have won high commendation from the critics. Miss Robertson will appear on the public platform soon after she reaches South Australia.

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MJR-GEN. SIR "TOM" BRIDGES.

DEMOCRATISE THE UNIVERSITIES.

Dr. Arthur Lynch in an article in a London paper advocating the throwing open of the British universities to the sons of the workers, says:—When I demand the opening of the universities to the working man—and I know no prouder title than that of the worker—I am asking for a benefit, not only to my own class, but to the universities themselves. They will become humanised, and broadened in mind and spirit; they will become—I do not fear the dreadful word—more earnest; and it will be eventually found that a nation's greatness and strength are enhanced by the increase in the number of citizens whom it can train effectively for the serious business of their lives. Throw open the universities to the working man.

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 Adel Hosp Board
 Successor to Mr W. G. Coombs

Mr. C. R. J. Glover has been appointed by the Government as a member of the Adelaide Hospital Board, in succession to Mr. W. G. Coombs. Mr. Glover, who was the first Lord Mayor of Adelaide, was born at Richmond, Surrey, on May 3, 1870, and at the age of two years came to Adelaide with his parents (the late Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Glover). He was



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educated at Prince Alfred College, and upon completion of his studies was articled to the profession of a pharmaceutical chemist with Messrs. F. H. Faulding and Co. Subsequently he became associated with the stock and share business in Adelaide. For many years he has taken an active part in municipal affairs, and he is an alderman of the City Council.

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WORKERS' EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION.

The central council of the W.E.A., which meets alternate months, met on Friday. The president (Mr. McCabe) was in the chair. Delegates were appointed to attend the Federal conference of the W.E.A. of Australia, which is likely to be held in Sydney during November. A course of lectures in political science by Dr. Postle was recommended, and a course in public speaking under the direction of Dr. H. Meaton and Mr. E. Hale was decided on. Reports were received with reference to a grammar school which it is hoped to hold at the end of this year. A letter was received from a member protesting against the new regulation relating to High Schools. It was decided to wait on the Minister of Education and protest against the regulation.

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THE SOLAR ECLIPSE.

SCIENTISTS AT WALLAL.

Wallal (W.A.), August 30.
 The Solar eclipse party have arrived at Wallal with their landing gear, and all are well.

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"THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS."

Professor H. Darnley Naylor delivered an instructive and highly educational lecture, "The League of Nations," in the presence of a large gathering in the Brighton Town Hall on Tuesday night. Major Hutton presided. The lecturer expounded in a masterly manner the judicial administrative, and humanitarian work being accomplished by the League. The Great War, with its disastrous consequences—9,000,000 killed and 30,000,000 maimed, at a cost of £50,000,000,000 unproductively spent—was a shame to civilization. It was the work of the League to obviate any such happening again. Continuing, the lecturer dealt at length with the Geneva Conference. The clearing up of the Albanian trouble, and the admission of that country into the League, were fine accomplishments. America was not a member of the League, but 11,000,000 women of the United States wanted their country to be, and in the end America would undoubtedly be in the League. Neither Germany nor Russia was in the League, although both countries should be. The former was awaiting a cordial welcome, while the latter would come in as soon as she was able to keep her pledges. At the instance of Mr. J. H. Grundy, Professor Naylor was heartily thanked for his instructive discourse.

Critic 30.8.22

APPOINTMENTS.

Dr. Lancelot Alfred Hayward has been appointed medical officer at the Barmera Hospital, Lake Bonney.
 Mr. R. E. Watkin has been appointed a member of the board of management of the Port Augusta Hospital.
 Dr. D. M. Steele has been appointed honorary medical officer at the Port Lincoln Hospital.

Re Professor of Veterinary Science

"THE VET."
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REINTRODUCTION OF BILL URGED.

Sir Lancelot Stirling asked the council of the Royal Agricultural Society on Wednesday to give some tangible support to efforts that were being made to induce the Government to re-introduce the Veterinary Surgeons' Bill to Parliament. He explained that it had been introduced last session in the Legislative Council and passed, but had been rejected by the House of Assembly, chiefly by votes of country members, he was sorry to say; under misrepresentations, perhaps. In the interests of stockowners, who generally sought the egis of the society for protection, it was highly desirable that they should not be behind the other States in legislation, which should provide for capable, reliable veterinary advice for those who required it for their stock. The time had come when they should endeavour to raise the standard of veterinary knowledge in South Australia, and they should do it with as little hardship as possible to those who were already practising. They should induce men to come here to study veterinary science, and carry it out for the benefit of stockowners. (Applause.) So long as they adopted a go-as-you-please attitude, and any one calling himself a veterinary surgeon could go about and do good or evil as the case might be, stock would suffer.

—Appoint a Professor.—
 They could follow the example set by the Medical and Dental Schools, added Sir Lancelot, and raise the standard of qualification necessary for men who wanted to practise veterinary surgery. The Bill last session was liberal in that it provided as far as possible for doing away with hardships to those who were at present practising, and had been doing so for some years without a degree. No newcomer who was unqualified would be allowed to do this. In Victoria they had induced the university to open a school for veterinary surgery. They had a professor attached to it. What could be more useful to the stockowners in this State than to have a similar institution at their University? This could be effected by the passing of an Act of Parliament. The support of the society in the direction he had mentioned would be a great help in getting the measure placed on the statute book. He therefore moved—"That in the opinion of this society it is desirable that the Government should be asked to reintroduce the Veterinary Surgeons Bill, and endeavour to get it passed."

—Unanimous Approval.—
 Mr. Leslie Cowan seconded. Mr. J. Wallace Sandford, in support, remarked that the society had no politics, but they were anxious and under an obligation at all times, to do all they could to further the interests of the men on the land and rural industries. The motion was carried unanimously.