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The appointment of Dr. C. Stanton Hicks, of New Zealand, to the Marks Lectureship in Applied Physiology and the Sheridan Fellowship will mean the acquisition by the council of the Adelaide University of a distinguished scholar in medical research.

The new positions for which Dr. Hicks has been the successful applicant were made possible by the recent beneficent endowments of the late Mrs. Jane Marke and the late Miss Keith Sheridan. It is expected that the new lecturer will commence his duties at the beginning of June. Born in New Zealand 33 years ago, the



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first-class honors in 1914 at the University of New Zealand. He was also appointed New Zealand National Research scholar the same year. In 1916 he enlisted in the New Zealand forces as a private, and served abroad. While on service in 1918 he passed his examinations for admission as an associate of the Institute of Chemistry, London. He was elected a fellow of the Institute of Chemists in 1922, and in the same year obtained the degrees of M.B. and Ch. B. He was awarded the Beit Memorial fellowship for medical research in 1923. He is a member of Trinity College, Cambridge, and was a candidate for the degree of Ph.D. in December, 1925. Dr. Hicks is deeply interested in research work on the thyroid gland clinically, and otherwise in relation to exophthalmic and endemic goitre. These researches he will continue at the Adelaide University.

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ELDER CONSERVATORIUM.

On Monday night the first concert of the season will be held in the Elder Hall. The programme will consist entirely of chamber music and vocal works by Cesar Franck, who was one of the most striking musical geniuses of the nineteenth century. The Conservatorium string quartet, under Mr. Charles Schilsky, will play the celebrated Quartet in D major, which is one of the most remarkable works of art ever conceived; and with Miss Maude Puddy, Mus. Bac., the great quintet which was heard last year. Mr. Clive Carey, Mus. Bac., will sing a bracket of Cesar Franck's songs. The plan is at Marshall's, Gawler-place.

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At the last meeting of the council of the University the director of the Waite Agricultural Research Institute, Professor A. E. V. Richardson, reported the receipt of the following valuable gifts of material and agricultural implements:—Messrs. John Shearer & Sons, Kilkenny—a rigid tine scarifier; Horwood, Bagshaw, Ltd., Mile-End, a grain winnowing; Australasian Implement Co., North-terrace, double furrow and single furrow mould board plough; Clutterbuck Bros., Hindley-street, 8 ft. sub-surface packer and roller; Mitchell & Co., West Footscray, Victoria, a double-furrow sub-soiling plough; Messrs. A. J. and P. A. McBride, Pewsey Vale, a supply of sawn red gum posts. The director also reported that the Wallaroo-Mount Lyell Fertilisers, and the Adelaide Chemical and Fertilisers Co. had forwarded a joint donation of £250 towards the cost of equipping the Institute. The council received the report with much satisfaction, and directed that the donors be cordially thanked for their assistance, given at a time when so large a proportion of the annual income of the Institute had to be expended on laboratories and equipment. The public spirit

manifested by these, and the other gifts, already reported, is most encouraging to the council and staff, and indicates the faith in the capacity of the Institute to render material aid in developing the resources of the State.



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career of Dr. Hicks has been brilliant. He obtained his Bachelor of Science degree at the University of New Zealand in 1914, and a year later he gained the degree of Master of Science with first class honours, achieving over 75 per cent of marks, and being highly commended for his thesis by the examiner (Professor Sydney Young, D.Sc., F.R.S., Belfast). The same year he was appointed New Zealand Research Scholar. Two years later he enlisted in the New Zealand military forces as a private, and engaged in active military service. In 1918 he became an Associate of the Institute of Chemistry, London, being examined while on military leave. In 1922 he was created a Fellow of the same institute, and became a lecturer for the M.B. degree.

While at the New Zealand University Dr. Hicks was demonstrator in chemistry for medical students from 1913 to 1915, lecturer on science and practice of photography at Dunedin School of Art; and lecturer in general chemistry at the evening classes of the Otago University in 1914-15. Dr. Hicks served on a hospital ship for one year, but withdrew to develop a synthesis of chloramine, together with Professor J. H. K. Inglis, who published an account of the work. Dr. Hicks was discharged from the army in November, 1918, suffering from the effects of chlorine gas. In December, 1918, he was appointed Government Analyst under the Food and Drugs Act for the Provinces of Otago and Southland, with right to private practice, and toxicologist to the Police Department. At this time he began to study medicine, and during his medical course acted as junior teacher in various subjects. In addition to the above, from 1921 to 1923 inclusive, he developed the clinical pathology department at the Otago Hospital, practically creating a new department. From 1921 to 1923, as lecturer in pathology, he assisted Professor Drennan in his researches on the etiology of goitre, and analysed chemically glands removed at operation and post-mortem. This led to the examination of vegetables from the endemic areas which appeared as the work advanced, with the result that iodine deficiency was discovered quite independently of Fellenberg, and later McClelland, who

have now... such... Prior to 1923 Dr. Hicks was doing industrial consulting work, and was retained by the two firms—W. Gregg & Co., Limited, and the Wilson Malt Products Company—for research and control, achieving such success in that sphere as to be sent to Germany to purchase plant. He was offered an inducement to return to New Zealand in connection with the endowment of a research position at Otago University. Dr. Hicks was offered several lucrative positions—one as Research Physiologist at the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota, U.S.A.—but chose to remain in association with the university. He is at present a research scholar under the Beit Memorial Fellowship for medical research at the Trinity College, Cambridge—a position he secured in 1923. His interests from a research point of view lie particularly in the thyroid gland experiment, clinical and otherwise, in its relation to exophthalmic goitre and endemic goitre.

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University Appointment

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MISS MAUDE PUDDY

South Australian Pianist

South Australia has reason to be proud of Miss Maude Puddy, Mus. Bac., a daughter of Mr. A. Puddy, of North Adelaide.

Evincing early indications of exceptional musical ability, Miss Puddy won a three years' piano scholarship at the Elder Conservatorium under Mr. Reimann, and later a composition scholarship, and graduated as a Bachelor of Music at the University of Adelaide. She then went to London with the intention of further study under Busoni, but, circumstances preventing this, proceeded



Miss M. Puddy, Mus. Bac.

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to Vienna. Her choice of a master was largely influenced by her meeting Miss Ethel Leginska, who has since come to the fore in London and America as a pianist-composer-conductor, and who was a student of the great pianist Leschetizky, under whom Miss Puddy elected to study.

During her life in Vienna she met many of the great artists at the weekly reunions held by Leschetizky. At these meetings music, supper and dancing were included, opportunity being given for brilliant students to appear before a select musical audience.

At the outbreak of the war Miss Puddy returned to London and engaged in teaching and concert work. She toured in the interests of soldiers' concerts and accompanied such well-known artists as Gervase Elwes.

Miss Puddy returned to South Australia in 1921 to act as locum tenens on the staff of the Conservatorium for Mr. Reimann during his absence abroad, and a year later joined the staff as a teacher of pianoforte, which position she still holds. Miss Puddy is one of the most brilliant pianists South Australia has produced, and it is gratifying that she is placing her musical gifts at the disposal of her native State.

She has played as solo pianist with the Verbruggen Orchestra as well as with the South Australian Orchestra and other notable musical organisations. She is the possessor of a flawless technique and great interpretative gifts, as well as a comprehensive knowledge of pianoforte literature, but like all true artists is modest and unassuming.

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