

LATE FOOTBALL

PRESTON V. COBURG TO-DAY

THE TEAMS. PRESTON:—Backs—Torale, Taylor, Skipper; half-backs—Sherman, Surtees, Sebeck; centres—Watt, Robertson, White; half-forwards—Shaw, A. Ludlow, Summers; forwards—Marmo, F. Ludlow, Hume; followers—A. Stevens and Muir; rover—Warr. Emergencies—Knight, J. Ludlow.

COBURG:—Backs—Cox, Fanni, F. Martin; half-backs—Adam, Chapman, Richards; centres—E. Martin, C. Martin, Sexton; half-forwards—Ludlow, Kerley; forwards—A. Martin, Harris, Gardner, Forbes; followers—Donkin and Brooks; rover—Mears.

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COLLISION AT LEVEL CROSSING

MOTOR TRAIN DERAILED

At the Preston police court on Thursday the story of a level crossing accident on June 21 was told, when Ernest John Smith, Nicholson street, Coleridge, defendant, was charged with having driven a car in a negligent manner on the Plenty road, South Morang, on June 21.

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LEADER'S ANTICIPATIONS CAULFIELD TO-DAY. TRIAL.—Hathrop, County Kerry Joseph's Coat, STEPHENLICHASERS' FLAT—Needlework, Perpetual, Epergne...

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Wanted. CARETAKER required for Methodist Church, High St., Preston, Fall. 4/2/26. Satisfaction guaranteed. Motor deliveries all suburbs free. Malloy Roots Pty. Ltd. Box 1218K City.

Wanted. W. FENN, 8 YANN STREET, PRESTON. FENCING CONTRACTOR. Cyclone, Electric and Paving Engines erected. Labor and Material or Labor Only. Estimates given for all classes of work.

Wanted. WHITFOX TORRIS, Dog, large black spaniel, with white collar, missing on 26th, near 25 Emmaus St., Preston.

Wanted. APPROACHING AUCTIONS. By Stott, Son and Watson, today at 11 a.m. on property, 58 Cranmer St., Preston, 1-roomed villa on land 45 x 116.

Wanted. APPROACHING AUCTIONS. By Stott, Son and Watson, today at 3 p.m. on property, 781 Leonard St., Preston, 1-roomed house on land 154 x 109ft. 6in.

Wanted. NORTH COTE THEATRE. To-day—"Wandering Footsteps" and "Satan's Sister". Tomorrow—"The Beautiful Cheat" and "The Iron Man"...

WHERE TO GO PROGRAMME for Friday and Saturday and Saturday Matinee: GOWERVILLE THE STAR

On SATURDAY Aug. 7th Metro-Goldwyn presents—"THE PRAIRIE WIFE" Dorothy Devore and Herbert Rawlinson.

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, August 9, 10, 11 Master Pictures presents—"IF MARRIAGE FAILS" Featuring Olive Brooks.

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THE REGENT MONSTER CHARLESTON COMPETITION. Commencing Monday Next, 9th inst. For Six Weeks.

THE REGENT'S Anniversary Week. Direction: F. W. THIRING. ANNIVERSARY PROGRAMMES: MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY

WEDNESDAY NIGHT, 10th inst. Monster Picture Night by the NORTHCOTE STATE SCHOOLS. Community Singing from 7.30 to 8 p.m.

THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY. Laura La Plante in "The Beautiful Cheat" and Sally O'Neill in "Mike"

MONSTER SPORTS CARNIVAL. NORTH COTE PARK, THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, 20, and 21.

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CITY OF NORTH COTE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL APPEAL. The following donations are acknowledged:—Mr. J. W. Grindrod £10 0 0

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Three Phase Electric Current.

ARE PRESENT METERS SUITABLE?

NORTHCOTE COUNCIL OBTAIN REPORT.

At the meeting of the Northcote City Council on Monday Cr. Cain moved that the matter of asking the electrician to give a statement as to the suitability of the present meter to convey the three phase current to consumers be obtained, and that a copy be supplied to each councillor.

JUVENILE FANCY DRESS BALL.

SUCCESSFUL EVENING AT WHITTLESEA.

In connection with Christ Church diocesan jubilee celebrations, a successful juvenile fancy dress ball and dance was held in the Parish Hall on Friday evening, August 6.

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Is Business Dull? On scores of sides you hear the echo "YES!" The reasons given are "that times are bad," money is tight, the bush fires are having their effect, winter is approaching, or other excuses.

Pessimists Note This! The public must eat, drink, wear clothes, and have the necessities of life, so those who BOOST, SCRAMBLE, MAKE A NOISE, and let the public know they have something to sell.

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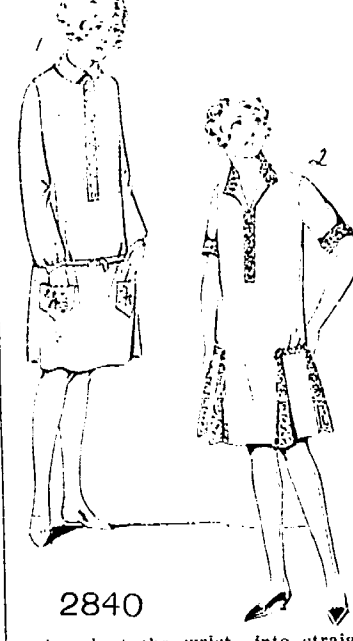
W. J. DAVIS, M.P.S.A. FAMILY AND DISPENSING CHEMIST. Tram Terminus, HIGH ST., THORNBURY. Also-- NOTE NEW ADDRESS OF PRESTON PHARMACY-- Corner HIGH AND BRUCE STS., PRESTON. No Connection with Old Address. Phone--Northcote 68.

SCOTTISH CONCERT. NORTHCOTE TOWN HALL ON AUGUST 18.

On Wednesday night the usual monthly concert of the Scottish Musical Society will be held at the Northcote Town Hall on August 18. A varied and interesting programme has been arranged, and should be a very successful one.

FOR THE LADIES GIRL'S DRESS.

This week we turn our attention to miniature modes and the needs of our young daughters. Dresses for school and parties, suitable for the present season. Simple styles, yet with that French touch that gives distinction.



gathered at the wrist into straight narrow wrist-bands. A narrow belt is worn at low waist, and tucked under a dainty finish to this useful little garment. Almost any of the smooth surface woollen materials, flannels, etc., are suitable for making the dress made up in silk for best or for party wear.

To be LOW Tailored to be WELL Tailored! An Outstanding Feature of "LOW" Tailoring is that it is ALWAYS Good and Good in all ways. Every garment, be it for men, women, or children, is given the care and expert attention of Master Tailors.



"NO FARES TO-DAY."

A BUSMAN'S RUSE THAT DID NOT SUCCEED.

At Northcote police court on Monday Frank Byrne, Best street, Northcote, was charged that on July 2 he had piloted a bus with a hackney carriage which was not registered.

PRESTON ANGLERS' CLUB.

Last week Preston played Coleridge and Brunswick club in the Preston club rooms and in the inter-club competition, and were successful.

East Ward Ratepayers' Association.

A well-attended meeting of the Preston East Ward Ratepayers' Association was held at the Victoria Hotel, London, London, on Tuesday evening, Mr. W. Ward occupied the chair.

NORTHCOTE TRAVELLERS ABROAD

ANOTHER LETTER FROM MR. J. G. MEMBREY. MR. MEMBREY AND CR. OLDIS ON WORLD TOUR.

Paris to Geneva. From Paris to Geneva, in the south-west of Switzerland, was the most enjoyable train journey of our tour. Starting in the early morning, we saw the country at its best, and for a considerable distance along the line passed through many finely cultivated farms.

Beautiful Geneva.

We have visited many foreign cities since we left Northcote less than three months ago, but none have given us so much pleasure and enjoyment as the Swiss cities we visited. Geneva has had an eventful history, and much has been written by statesmen, historians, and other writers concerning her.

Artistic Architecture.

The centre of its social life is the Kursaal, a really wonderful building, and one is astonished on entering at its many dimensions and the lavish decorations in wood, marble, and other materials.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

THE NORTHCOTE CLUB. Last Saturday members competed for the Waters Trophy at the Victoria Rifle Club. Scores: Featherston, 18-5; 50; Appleby, 47-5; 50; Morris, 12-3; 50; Randall, 12-3; 50; ...

TENNIS.

MURRAY TENNIS CLUB. NIGHT TOURNAMENT. Results of second round: Tomkins and Alvie (two 4) d. Trainer and Snape (two 15) 9-4.

J. ECKER, The Quality Butcher Comes to Preston.

And offers the Public of Preston and Surrounding Districts the Choicest of BEEF, MUTTON, LAMB, PORK, & VEAL At the Lowest Possible Prices.

Table of meat prices: SIRLOIN from 6d, PRIME RIBS 4d, BACK RIBS 4d, BOLLING BEEF 3d, STEAK BEEF 4d, TOP SIDE 4d, RUMP 1d. PORK: SILVERSIDE from 6d, CORN ROLL 4d, CORN BISKET 3d. VEAL: SIDES from 3d, LEGS 6d, LOINS 4d, CHOPS 6d, CUTLETS 8d, FOREQUARTERS 3d.

MUTTON and Spring Lamb prices: MUTTON: SIDES from 3d, LEGS 4d, FOREQUARTERS 3d, LOIN CHOPS 6d, FOREQUARTER 6d. Spring Lamb: SIDES from 6d, LEGS 7d, LOINS 7d, FOREQUARTERS 6d, HINDQUARTERS 7d.

Note the Address: J. ECKER, High Street, Preston. Also at High St., Northcote. High Street, Croxton Sydney Road, Brunswick. High Street, Thornbury.

FOOTBALL Northcote Again Victorious. Preston Defeated, but Make Huge Score.

NORTHCOTE VICTORIOUS OVER CAMBERWELL.

By "Follower."
Before an attendance of 3000 Northcote met the improved team from Camberwell on Saturday. The previous game resulted in a narrow victory for Northcote. The local side seem to be gradually regaining the form they displayed earlier in the season...

PRESTON DEFEATED, BUT MAKE HUGE SCORE.

NORTHCOTE—7 goals 11 behinds (50 points).
CAMBERWELL—2 goals 3 behinds (15 points).
The final quarter opened very evenly. Both sides were getting into their stride. The home side gained the advantage, but even with vigorous attacks could not push Harris and...

THE TEAMS.

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THE PLAY.

Off again and the local boys soon showed their superiority by forcing the ball upon the visiting team. From a grand mark, scored a goal. Camberwell then took a hand, and...

TO-DAY'S ENGAGEMENT.

PRESTON MEET WILLIAMSTOWN AT PRESTON PARK.
This afternoon at the Cramer Street ground will be contested the first match of the season...

QUEEN COMPETITION.

Now that the queen competition is nearing its close, it is expected that the closing date will be the 30th of August...

PRESTON'S REMARKABLE RECOVERY.

Following by bad failure.
PRAHRAN TOO STIFF A PROPOSITION.
In the presence of 1000 spectators Northcote met the improved team from Camberwell on Saturday...

THE JUNIORS.

NORTHCOTE DEFEAT CAMBERWELL.
Unbroken line of wins.
Played at Camberwell. The ground was in good condition and a strong wind blowing from the north...

WASHING AND IRONING IS HARD WORK.

MAC'S STEAM LAUNDRY. 655 HIGH STREET, THORNBURY. Collars, 2d each; Dress Shirts 9d; Band Shirts, 7d. Will please the most fastidious Gent.

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THE COBBERS' CLUB

CONDUCTED BY UNCLE PETER.

My dear Cobbers, I wonder how many of you saw the great airman, Cobham? The pet begged me to take him last Saturday, but I had to sternerly refuse. I'm sure it was no place for Georgia's glass bowl.

UNCLE PETER.

P.S.—Who is winning Georgia's comb?

UNCLE PETER'S LETTER BOX.

121 Clarendon St., Northcote. Dear Uncle Peter, I wish to join the Cobbers' Club. I was 10 on February 22, and am in the fifth grade. My teacher's name is Miss Green. I attend the Wales Street school. Willing the Cobbers' Club every success.

116 Separation St., Northcote. Dear Uncle Peter, I wish to join the Cobbers' Club. I was 12 on February 24. I have 14 hens, one rooster and five chickens. The chickens are just getting their feathers now. I am in the Cobbers' Club now. I am using your jokes.

121 Clarendon St., Northcote. Dear Uncle Peter, I wish to join the Cobbers' Club. I was 13 on August 26. I am in the seventh grade and attend the Wales Street State school. I have a black cat called Nigger. Do you think Bluebell would like him? I will send some contributions in soon.

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A TESTIMONIAL.

Of all the papers I have read, "The Leader" is the best. It tells of things both far and near, from east unto the west.

ANSWERS TO LAST WEEK'S RIDDLES.

1—Your word. 2—Jury (IV). 3—Because he can't support. 4—Look on me and weep.

A PARTY.

I went to a social evening in the Town Hall last Monday evening given by Mr. Zwar, of Preston.

A GEOGRAPHY EXCURSION.

A little while ago some of the children from the Western Central school went for a geography excursion to Dorebin Creek.

A HUNTING WE WILL GO.

There was a combined meet of the huntmen at Merrida on August 6. There were over 300 people there.

HA! HA!

Bertie: "My uncle is so absent-minded. Once he lost his walking stick and then found it in his hand all the time."

HOW BLUEBELL SPENDS THE DAY.

Oh! what a lazy world 't would be, curled up 'neath some shady tree, with my eyes closed and my nose tucked up.

THE PICKLES PICKLED.

Said Bluebell to Georgia one sunny day, "Uncle Peter has gone away, so all the letters we will mix, and set the office in a fix."

HOW MARGARINE IS MADE.

Margarine is made principally from pure beef dripping. This dripping comes to the factory in small barrels, which are placed in steam to melt the dripping.

UNCLE PETER.

There is a man in Northcote town, who I am sure never were a frown. His favorite pet, I have never seen her.

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I'm glad you've come to tea; To take a sweet, red cherry, And stay a while with me.

A SHOCK FOR RITTY.

Merry mouse said, "What fun; Now I've got a little gun; I will shoot the pussy cat."

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Birthday Greetings to Cobbers.

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How to Join the Cobbers' Club.

Fill in form at the bottom of the page and address to UNCLE PETER, "The Leader", High St., Northcote.

WHITTLESEA.

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**SYNOPSIS OF PREVIOUS
CHAPTERS.**
Chapters I and II.—As Mr. Charles
Wogan awoke from his taxi at his
residence in Biondell's Buildings, he
found his repeated rings fail to
bring a response. He realises the
door is unlocked and enters. He
finds the room in darkness. He
switches on the light and makes for
his "suggeroy." A stranger is stand-
ing in the doorway, looking at him
with extraordinarily cruel eyes, and
pointing an automatic pistol at him.
Addressing Wogan there is no room,
to look behind. Glancing in obedience
Wogan finds himself faced with two
other pistols. The man by the fire
orders him to enter the room. He is
followed closely by the two others.
Addressed again by the stranger as
Vespero, Wogan informs him that
this is not his name. It transpires
that the house they thought they had
entered is the house next door,
known as Bargarve Dene, whereas
Wogan's house is Bargarve House.
The names are all the same. The
man at the door slips out to
investigate. He returns and shouts
something to the others, and while
they depart—probably
to pay a visit to the next door. Wogan
hears a moan, and hurries to the
door. He tells him he is tied up
and gagged. When Mrs. Garner has
recovered Wogan questions her about
the people next door. She tells him
that a young lady has come to the
house. Charles Wogan decides to go
to her aid. He takes a heavy sledge
hammer and goes to the door. He
knocks and as he opens the door a
pistol slips into his hand. He is a
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touch with Senor Concha to-night," he
commented after referring to the di-
rectory again.
"Why not?" asked the girl quickly.
"Because he appears to be on the
telephone at his office only; and I
should imagine he is not likely to be
there at this hour. You do not know
where he resides, I suppose?"
"No," answered the girl quickly.
"How unfortunate! I never thought of
that."
"Then we must try the forlorn
hope. There may be someone on duty
at the office who can tell us where
Concha is to be found."
He rang up the exchange, gave the
consult's number, but as he had antici-
pated, his repeated calls brought no
reply, and finally he set down the
instrument and rang off.
"No use," he remarked. "We shan't
get Senor Concha to-night. There is
nothing for it but to wait until the
morning, and the opening of his
office."
"Unless my father arrives."
"In that case no doubt he will take
over the direction of affairs." He
looked at the girl thoughtfully. "I am
afraid we shall be giving him a hard
nut to crack, Miss Vespero."
"He will be grieved at Salvano's
death," said the girl. "The secretary
appeared to be very devoted to him."
"A certain detachment in the girl's
words and manner of speaking stirred
Charles Wogan's curiosity.
"You have known the dead secre-
tary long?" he asked.
"Oh, no," answered the girl. "I had
never seen him until he met me at the
landing stage two days ago, and again
this afternoon, when he brought me
to the house that my father had
taken."
"And your father—you have seen
him lately?"
"Not for more than five years. I
have been in San Francisco and at
college at Berkeley, California, and as
my father is in San Francisco, I
should go to San Francisco owing to
the political troubles there. I spent my
vacations with my father."
Wogan with an effort checked a
mounting curiosity. He would have
liked to question the girl further about
her father, but having a horror of
sinking against good taste he re-
frained, hoping that the girl might of
her own accord explain the matter
further. She did not do so, however,
and Wogan was constrained to take
up the conversation again.
"The matter was much afraid of
him," she said.
"And who, as I am assured, killed the
secretary—you know them, I sup-
pose?"
"No! I have never seen them, to
my knowledge. But Senor Concha
warned me against them, and Salvano
also. The latter was much afraid of
them, but hoped that they would know
nothing of the house next door, which
had been taken by my father's agent,
when he decided to leave San Fran-
cisco."
Wogan considered for a moment.
"Were those men Salvano's enemies?"
"I do not think so, except in so far
as he was my father's friend and ser-
vant. If he had my father whom they
hate, I do not know what he will do
now that they know that he is seeking
sanctuary with my father."
"They have known that from the
beginning, I imagine. One of them
let slip the information when they
were interviewing me, under the im-
pression that I was linked up with
my father. I understand that they
had found papers, letters—"
"But to save his life my father had
to leave San Francisco in a great
hurry. He must have left many things
behind him, and his enemies would
search in the hope of discovering
something that would be of use to
them."
"Again Wogan considered. There
were many questions that he desired
to put to this beautiful girl, but politeness to her and the fact that she
was so near to him, and what he was
thinking he surmised a look of utter
weariness on the girl's face.
"You are very tired," he said sym-
pathetically.
"Yes," she answered simply. "I
have had a very exhausting day, and
the last half hour has been very try-
ing."
"Perhaps it is just as well that you
are exhausted. It will help you to
sleep. Ah! Here comes Mrs. Garner,
no doubt to announce that your room
is ready. I do not want to hurry you,
but it will be as well, I think, if you
retire at once. The hour is late and
you do not know what to-morrow may
have in store."
As he finished speaking there was
a knock at the door and the house-
keeper entered.
"The young lady's room is quite
ready, sir."
Miss Vespero rose from her chair
immediately. "Then I will go to it,"
she said, and turning, offered her
hand to her host. "Good night, Mr.
Wogan, I do not know how to thank
you for your extreme kindness to a
stranger."
(To be continued.)

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ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 1926
GREAT SUBDIVISIONAL SALE
Penders Grove Estate
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 £5 DEPOSIT; BALANCE £1 MONTH.

Full particulars—
ANGUS McDONALD
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 Morning and Evening—Rev. A. Hain, M.A., Oxford

HOLY TRINITY, THORNURBY,
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 8 a.m., Holy Communion.
 11 a.m., Matins and Sermon.
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MURCH OF THE EMPIREAN
 Central Northcote.
 Parish Hall, Merri and Bay View Sts.
 8 a.m., Holy Communion.
 11 a.m., Holy Communion.
 7 p.m., Evening. Preacher—The Vicar. All Welcome.

THORNURBY PRESBYTERIAN,
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 Services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.
 Preacher—Rev. J. W. Harris. You are heartily invited.

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 11 a.m. subject—"The Sustaining Sacrament."
 7 p.m. subject—"The Definite Choice."
 Minister—Rev. JOHN H. BATES.

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 Church, David St.
 Services 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.
 Minister—Rev. W. H. McCook, B.A., B.D.

SOUTH PRESTON METHODIST
 CHURCHES.
 SOCIAL REFORM SUNDAY.
 11 a.m., Rev. F. Debridge, B.A.
 7 p.m., Rev. F. Debridge, B.A.

PRESTON METHODIST
 CHURCHES.
 11 a.m., Mr. Robinson.
 7 p.m., Rev. J. McIlroy, B.A.
 THOMASTOWN.
 11 a.m., Rev. J. McIlroy, B.A.
 7 p.m., Mr. C. Southland.

WEST PRESTON.
 11 a.m., Rev. F. Debridge, B.A.
 7 p.m., Rev. F. Debridge, B.A.

RESERVICHOV.
 11 a.m., Mr. Laby.
 7 p.m., Mr. Debridge.

NORTHGOTE METHODIST
 CHURCHES.
 HIGH STREET.
 11 a.m., Rev. W. E. Lancaster.
 7 p.m., Rev. W. H. Holtham, C.E.A.
 PRINCE OF WALES PARK.
 11 a.m., Rev. W. H. Holtham.
 7 p.m., Pastor W. J. Davey.

ST. GEORGE'S ROAD.
 11 a.m., Pastor W. J. Davey.
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 11 a.m., Worship.
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CITY OF NORTHGOTE. ANNUAL ELECTION OF ONE COUNCILLOR.

SOUTH WARD.
 DENNIS, SAMUEL.
 As the number nominated does not exceed the number to be elected, I therefore declare the said SAMUEL DENNIS DULY ELECTED as a Councillor for the SOUTH WARD of the City of Northcote.
 Dated this 26th day of August, 1926.
 C. W. TIMMINS,
 Returning Officer for the South Ward, City of Northcote.

CITY OF NORTHGOTE. ANNUAL ELECTION OF ONE COUNCILLOR.

EAST WARD.
 GLANFIELD, WALTER.
 As the number nominated does not exceed the number to be elected, I therefore declare the said WALTER GLANFIELD DULY ELECTED as a Councillor for the EAST WARD of the City of Northcote.
 Dated this 26th day of August, 1926.
 J. A. THOMSON,
 Deputy Returning Officer for the East Ward, City of Northcote.

CITY OF NORTHGOTE. ANNUAL ELECTION OF ONE COUNCILLOR.

CENTRAL WARD.
 DECLARATION OF RESULT OF POLL.
 I HEREBY give Notice that at a Poll held before me this 26th day of August, 1926, for the Election of One Councillor for the CENTRAL WARD of the City of Northcote, the following Votes were recorded, viz.:
 HARRY NELSON HORATIO JOHN 274
 SUTCH JAMES 472
 Majority for SUTCH
 I therefore declare the said JAMES SUTCH DULY ELECTED as a Councillor for the CENTRAL WARD of the City of Northcote.
 Dated this 26th day of August, 1926.
 JAMES L. DENLOP,
 Returning Officer for the Central Ward, City of Northcote.

CITY OF PRESTON. ANNUAL ELECTION OF ONE COUNCILLOR.

WEST WARD.
 DECLARATION OF RESULT OF POLL.
 I HEREBY give Notice that at a Poll held before me this 26th day of August, 1926, for the Election of One Councillor for the West Ward of the City of Preston the number of FIRST PREFERENCE VOTES recorded for the respective Candidates was as follows:
 BARTROP, JOHN WILLIAM 885
 THOMAS, JAMES SEAVAR 237
 WEBBER, WILLIAM HENRY 819
 As no Candidate received an absolute majority of First Preference Votes, I therefore declare a defeated Candidate within the meaning of the Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, as applicable to this Election under an order of the Governor-in-Council, and the Ballot Papers of such defeated Candidate were distributed between the remaining Candidates next in order of the Voters' Preference, with the following results:—
 BARTROP, JOHN WILLIAM 1025
 THOMAS, JAMES SEAVAR 819
 WEBBER, WILLIAM HENRY 916
 As JOHN WILLIAM THOMAS BARTROP then received an absolute majority of First Preference Votes, I therefore declare the said JOHN WILLIAM THOMAS BARTROP to be duly elected as a Councillor for the West Ward of the City of Preston.
 Dated at Preston the 26th day of August, 1926.
 CHARLES THOMAS CRISPE, J.P.,
 Returning Officer for the West Ward of the City of Preston.

CITY OF PRESTON. ANNUAL ELECTION OF ONE COUNCILLOR.

CENTRAL WARD.
 DECLARATION OF RESULT OF POLL.
 I HEREBY give Notice that at a Poll held before me this 26th day of August, 1926, for the Election of One Councillor for the CENTRAL WARD of the City of Preston, the following Votes were recorded, viz.:—
 OLIVER, WILLIAM 911
 ROBERTSON, ROBERT HENRY 790
 As WILLIAM OLIVER then received an absolute majority of Votes, I therefore declare the said WILLIAM OLIVER to be duly elected as a Councillor for the Central Ward of the City of Preston.
 Dated at Preston the 26th day of August, 1926.
 ANGLUS McDONALD,
 Returning Officer for the Central Ward of the City of Preston.

CITY OF PRESTON. ANNUAL ELECTION OF ONE COUNCILLOR.

EAST WARD ELECTION.
 I BEG to tender my SINCERE THANKS to the ratifiers for again returning me as their representative on the East Ward.
 As in the past, I will in the future give my BEST ATTENTION to the requirements of the Ward and the City, which will have my best attention throughout the campaign.
 It will be impossible for me to see them all personally, and I will be grateful if they will accept this acknowledgment of appreciation of their services.
WILLIAM OLVER.

CITY OF PRESTON. ANNUAL ELECTION OF ONE COUNCILLOR.

NORTH WARD.
 DECLARATION OF RESULT OF POLL.
 I HEREBY give Notice that at a Poll held before me this 26th day of August, 1926, for the Election of One Councillor for the NORTH WARD of the City of Preston, the following Votes were recorded, viz.:—
 WIN FRIEDRICH 1077
 MAYER, PHILIP HENRY 1130
 Majority for MAYER
 I therefore declare the said PHILIP HENRY MAYER DULY ELECTED as a Councillor for the NORTH WARD of the City of Preston.
 Dated this 26th day of August, 1926.
 B. H. JOHNSON,
 Returning Officer for the North Ward, City of Preston.

CITY OF PRESTON. ANNUAL ELECTION OF ONE COUNCILLOR.

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 Dated this 26th day of August, 1926.
 B. H. JOHNSON,
 Returning Officer for the Central Ward, City of Preston.

CITY OF PRESTON. ANNUAL ELECTION OF ONE COUNCILLOR.

EAST WARD.
 DECLARATION OF RESULT OF POLL.
 I HEREBY give Notice that at a Poll held before me this 26th day of August, 1926, for the Election of One Councillor for the EAST WARD of the City of Preston, the following Votes were recorded, viz.:—
 WIN FRIEDRICH 1077
 MAYER, PHILIP HENRY 1130
 Majority for MAYER
 I therefore declare the said PHILIP HENRY MAYER DULY ELECTED as a Councillor for the EAST WARD of the City of Preston.
 Dated this 26th day of August, 1926.
 B. H. JOHNSON,
 Returning Officer for the East Ward, City of Preston.

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CITY OF PRESTON. ANNUAL ELECTION OF ONE COUNCILLOR.

CENTRAL WARD.
 DECLARATION OF RESULT OF POLL.

I HEREBY give Notice that at a Poll held before me this 26th day of August, 1926, for the Election of One Councillor for the Central Ward of the City of Preston the number of First Preference Votes recorded for the respective Candidates was as follows:
 HUGHES, CHARLES THOMAS 438
 ROBINSON, GILBERT ERNEST 312
 SPATLAND, WILLIAM 230
 As a Candidate received an absolute majority of First Preference Votes on the First Count CHARLES THOMAS HUGHES was declared a defeated Candidate within the meaning of the Constitution Act Amendment Act 1915, as applicable to this Election, under an order of the Governor-in-Council, and the Ballot Papers of such defeated Candidate were distributed between the remaining Candidates next in order of the Voters' Preference, with the following results:
 ROBINSON, GILBERT ERNEST 702
 SPATLAND, WILLIAM 388
 As GILBERT ERNEST ROBINSON then received an absolute majority of Votes, I therefore declare GILBERT ERNEST ROBINSON to be duly elected as a Councillor for the CENTRAL WARD of the City of Preston.
 Dated at Preston the 26th day of August, 1926.
 HERBERT JULIAN PRATT,
 Returning Officer for the Central Ward of the City of Preston.

CITY OF PRESTON. ANNUAL ELECTION OF ONE COUNCILLOR.

EAST WARD.
 DECLARATION OF RESULT OF POLL.
 I HEREBY give Notice that at a Poll held before me this 26th day of August, 1926, for the Election of One Councillor for the East Ward of the City of Preston, the following Votes were recorded, viz.:—
 MRS. R. E. FAIR and DAUGHTERS 198
 Messrs. J. Dehany, W. J. Anderson, W. Booth, and B. Palmer, were successful in securing first prize in the open quartette competition.
 Members of the Northcote branch of the "Soldiers' Fathers' Association" are requested to attend the service of the Holy Trinity Church, Shaftesbury Parade, on Sunday evening, August 29, at 7.30 p.m., when the dedication of the flag of the association will take place. Members are requested to meet in front of the church at 6.15.

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MOTOR TRAFFIC

MANY DRIVERS FINED.
OVERLOADING AND OBSTRUCTION.

Bus Driver Fined Heavily.
 At Northcote police court on Monday Harold Wilson, Frederick street, Northcote, was charged that on July 21 he carried more passengers than he was licensed to carry. Const. W. J. Lawson said that on July 21 he saw defendant's bus stop outside the Northcote Town Hall. He saw it was overloaded. Asked how many passengers he had on defendant said: "I don't know." There were 22 passengers sitting in the bus, 11 standing, two on the step and one on each of the two rear mudguards. Witnesses said: "You have 40 passengers on." Defendant said: "You know best." The bus was licensed to carry 16 passengers.
 Mr. G. Tolson, presented for the Melbourne City Council.
 The P.M. (Mr. Watso) said this class of offence must be severely punished. It is a dangerous practice, especially carrying passengers of the status. It is within the memory of us all that people have been brushed off the steps of buses and killed.
 Defendant was fined the maximum, £10, with 24 strokes.

Another Case of Obstruction.
 A Constable Defied.
 Herbert McDonald, Spensley street, Clifton Hill, was charged with having obstructed the roadway in High street, Northcote, on July 25.
 Const. Kinchington said that he received a complaint that defendant's bus had obstructed the road.
 Eric Fox, railway employe, said that defendant's bus was on the road in front of the train and would not get off, despite the continued ringing of the train bell. The train had followed defendant's truck right up Backer's Hill, and it was not until the truck got to Haywood street that it pulled off.
 Defendant was fined £5, with 17/4 costs.

No Number Plate.
 Vincent Ascey, Radon street, Brunswick East, charged with having driven a motor cycle without a number plate on July 11, was fined 20/-.

Motor Cycle on Footpath.
 Robert Humphries was charged with having ridden a motor cycle on the footpath in Shaftesbury Parade on July 28.
 Const. Joyce said at 7.30 a.m. on July 28 he saw defendant riding a motor cycle along the footpath in Shaftesbury Parade, going at about 15 to 20 miles an hour.
 Defendant said he did not appear, was fined £2, in default 14 days imprisonment.

CHURCH NEWS.
 Preston Presbyterian Church.
 A birthday social will be held in the Presbyterian school hall, David street, Preston on Tuesday, August 31, at 8 o'clock. A good programme of concert and game items has been arranged, and a most enjoyable evening is assured. All members, outsiders and friends are cordially invited to be present.
 Methodist Church, Croxton.
 The August musical service at Croxton Methodist Church on Sunday evening next will be presided over by Mr. W. H. Gray, who will speak on "A Song of Praise." Mr. Bert Harcourt, the visiting soloist, has chosen Albeniz's "The Lord is My Light" and "Jerusalem" for the service. Methodist singing will sing "The Way, Not Mine, O Lord," by Meade, and "The God of Abraham Praise," by Dudley Buck. There will be community hymn singing at 6.50, conducted by Mr. Alex. Smith, with Mr. Albert A. Holtham as organist. Visitors possessing tune books are asked to bring them.

Preston West Progress Association.
 WHY MR. PASS RESIGNED.
 (To the Editor.)
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THE REFERENDUM

THE CASE FOR AND AGAINST.

A public meeting called by the Mayor of Northcote to afford the public an opportunity to learn more of the proposals of the referendum was held at Northcote Town Hall on August 19. There were not a very large attendance. It is strange that the electors do not take more interest in vital questions concerning the government of their country.

THE 'YES' SIDE.

Mr. Coppell said there were two questions on which the people would be asked to vote: (1) on trade and commerce, and (2) on essential services. The Federal Government had 29 matters to control under the constitution, and the rest of the power belonged to the State Government.

FOR THE LADIES

LADY'S DRESS IN TWO-PIECE EFFECT.

Fashion's vicararies are many at the present time, and there are many styles to choose from, among which the popular long-waisted effect, with the plain fitting skirt attached to the long body at hip line, is a style which is likely to be with us for many months to come.

Referring to the proposals, Mr. McFarlan said that now he sought for wide approval, and the Federal Government could not determine from Canberra all the conditions for controlling companies, when they could be better controlled from Melbourne, as at present.

LAST MEETING OF NORTHCOTE CITY COUNCIL.

CONGRATULATIONS.

On the eve of their retirement through effluxion of time from the Northcote City Council, a tea meeting was held on Monday night, at the home of Mrs. E. J. Jones.

Mr. Mitchell supported. The toast was musically honored. The Mayor responded, and said that during his term of office he had been very happy to be associated with the members of the council.

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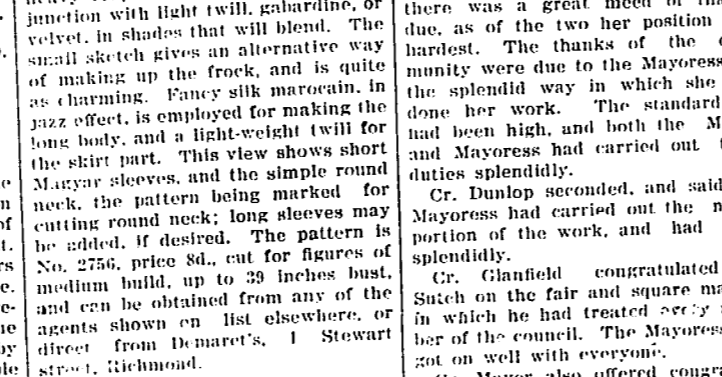


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ARTHURTON ROAD BRIDGE.

TREMbles WHEN COW WALKS OVER IT!

At the meeting of the Northcote City Council on Monday night, Cr. Dennis moved that the Arthurton road bridge be reconstructed.

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MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

FIVE RETIRING COUNCILLORS RETURNED

GREAT APATHY OF RATEPAYERS.

NORTHCOTE CITY COUNCIL.

CENTRAL WARD.

THE MAYOR (CR. J. SUTCH) RETURNED.

There was a large attendance of ratepayers at the Town Hall when the retiring officer (Cr. Dunlop) declared the result of the poll as follows:

HARRY, NIELSON H. J. 274
SUTCH, JAMES 178

Majority for Sutch 202

Cr. Sutch said he sincerely thanked the ratepayers for the magnificent majority with which they had returned him. As in the past he would do his very best for the ward, and for the city in general. He said he had been at some disadvantage during this campaign owing to suffering from a severe cold, and as Mayor, having so many things to see to, he thanked his committee for the manner in which they had worked to secure his election.

Mr. Harry thanked all who had recorded their votes in his favor. Although defeated, he would come again if desired and fight for the cause of the Labor Party. He took exception to the circular issued by his opponent on the eve of the election, which he termed as dirty gutter tactics. He congratulated his opponent on his return, and thanked his committee and all who had worked so willingly to secure his election.

A vote of thanks, on the motion of Cr. Sutch and Mr. Harry, was carried to the retiring officer, to which Cr. Dunlop responded.

SOUTH WARD.

In the South Ward, Cr. S. Dennis was accorded a walkover.

EAST WARD.

Cr. Walter Handfield was not opposed in the East Ward, and was declared returned unopposed.

WEST WARD.

CR. MAYER RETURNED

There was a very close fight in the West Ward, when Mr. Andrew (Labor) fought Cr. P. H. Mayer for the seat. Despite the small poll, some 65 per cent., a good deal of interest was taken, and reports as to the issue were eagerly awaited. The poll was about to be declared there was a large crowd waiting outside Normanby Hall. The retiring officer (Cr. B. E. Johnson) declared the result as follows:

ANDREWS, A. E. F. 1077
MAYER, P. H. 126

Majority for Mayer 59

Cr. Mayer said the day had been a strenuous one, and he had had a strenuous time during the campaign. After having been the representative of the ratepayers he expressed appreciation of the fine vote, and admiration for the fine committee which had worked for him. He had expected to win all through by a little more than he had done. Mr. Andrews and he had not quarrelled during the campaign, but he (the speaker) had cause to quarrel with the misrepresentations made by some of Mr. Andrews' supporters. He expressed appreciation of the fine vote recorded, and he wished to state that he would endeavor to give the same service in the future as he had done in the past. He thanked the retiring officer for the way in which the poll had been conducted.

Mr. Andrews said it gave him pleasure to stand before them and as the selected Labor candidate. He was beaten but not disgraced. On the residential vote he was not beaten, but on the postal vote. It was only a small poll some 65 per cent., and he was ashamed that the people did not record their votes as they should. He was not going to speak. His party never squeaked (cries of "Oh!"). He hoped Cr. Mayer would do the residential great favor. He thanked his committee and said he did not think any committee had worked so hard. He was quite satisfied with the poll, and moved a vote of thanks to the retiring officer (Cr. Johnson).

This was seconded by Cr. Mayer and responded to by Cr. Johnson.

NORTH WARD.

MR. WM. OLIVER ELECTED.

In consequence of the decision of Cr. F. J. Jones to retire from municipal life, there was a good deal of anticipation as to the result of the poll. There were three candidates, viz. Mr. W. Oliver, Mr. W. J. Gray and Mr. H. Robertson (selected Labor candidate).

It was about 10.30 a.m. when at the Memorial Hall the retiring officer (Cr. Angus McDonald) declared the result of the poll, viz.:

GRAY, W. J. 255
OLIVER, WM. 741
ROBERTSON, R. H. 706

As no candidate received an absolute majority, Mr. Gray drew out, and his second preferences were allotted, the votes then being:

OLIVER, WILLIAM 911
ROBERTSON, R. H. 720

Majority for Oliver 121

Mr. Oliver was declared elected. Cr. Oliver, who was received with applause, thanked all who had voted for him. Whichever way people had voted, he was the councillor for the ward, and would be at the service of the ratepayers, irrespective of party politics or creed. He had stood believing there should be no political parties in municipal politics, and had stood for service to the ratepayers. He thanked his committee, and also a gentleman 90 years of age who had come down and voted for him. This gentleman had said that he had had his day and wanted to be a young active man to carry on. The speaker continued that he had come into the council on the bank of service to the ratepayers. He hoped they would use him, and that when his term was ended their confidence would not have been misplaced, and he would be returned with a bigger majority. All through the fight had been fair and square, and he thanked the other two candidates. There had been no mud thrown.

WEST WARD.

CR. ROBINSON RE-ELECTED.

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SPATLING, W. 310

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Majority for Robinson 314

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CITY OF PRESTON.

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SHIRE OF WHITTLESEA.

EPPING RIDING.

CR. BROWNE RETURNED.

The following is the result of the polling for the Epping Riding:

CR. T. M. BROWNE 216
W. G. HIGGS 136

Majority for Browne 80

AT THE GOWERVILLE.

To-night "Wandering Fires" and "Time the Comedian".

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Matinee, Saturday—"Sampson of the Circus".

THE STAR.

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Matinee, Saturday—"Sampson of the Circus".

PRESTON POLICE COURT.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 30.

Before Messrs. C. Bricknell and J. T. Ellison, J.P.s.

Wandering Stock. A number of owners were fined for allowing stock to wander, as follows: E. Brooke, 1 cow, 20/- and 2/6 each; P. Dell, 2 head, 10/- and 2/6; L. Gordon, 10/- and 5/-; M. Gillen, 5/- and 5/-; B. J. Huggins, 5/- and 2/6; H. Hayes, 10 head, 22/10/- and 2/-; W. Moss, 10/- and 2/6; C. McKinnon, 5/- and 5/-; B. Warr, 5/- and 5/-.

An order was made to sell a horse, the owner of which was unknown.

Hawker without a License. Leo Hineston, Eureka street, Richmond, was charged that on August 7, he carried on business as a hawkker without first having obtained a license.

There was a second charge of having left his horse and vehicle with the keys unattended on the same date.

Shed-Fire. Martin said that on August 7 he saw defendant lighting pot plants in Queen street, Preston. Defendant admitted that he had not a license. On defendant's card there was not a mark on any of the wheels.

Defendant said he had applied for a license on July 17, and it had not been granted until August 10.

Defendant was fined 5/- on the first charge and 10/- on the second.

No Light on Bicycle. John Bennett, Wilson street, Preston, charged that on July 25 he rode a bicycle without a light was fined 5/-.

"LEADER'S" ANTICIPATIONS

WILLIAMSTOWN TO-DAY.

HURDLE—Antrolite, Nobility, Phidrasus.
SEASIDE HANDICAP—Mareaux, Shaheen, Bepinnan.
UNDERWOOD STAKES—Herbic, Spearfoot, Epilogue.
STEEPLE—King High, Tyrripit, Skodaddle.
AUGUST HANDICAP—Porch, Anan Louise, Bonetta.
WELTER—Dombard, Mount Pleasant, Contoxville.

Wanted to Buy.

BOTTLES, Bones, Rags, Zinc Lead, Brass and Copper, Highest price given. Cash on Delivery. Letters receive prompt attention. H. Bishop, Durbin Rd., Northcote. Phone 353.

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BRICKLAYER—E. MEDLIN, 11 Martin St., can cure your smoky chimney or copper or build you a new one. Workmanship guaranteed. Material supplied.

CARPENTER will do any Carpentry, Cabinet Work, Repairs, Builders' Joinery, Executed. Prices reasonable. Call or write to SADDLER, Woolhouse St., west end, Beaconsfield Parade, Northcote.

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COT, double, double, 3 x 5, grey and brass, spring mattress; cheap. 51 Beaconsfield Pde., Preston.

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INCUBATION. Your eggs hatched, 1/- per 100. Day old chicks, 1/6 each. W.I. and B.O. Quantities cheaper. Hatching Eggs, 10/6. Smith's Poultry Farm, Ethel Grove, Preston.

OUR BUSINESS POLICY.—Homes we sell we Guarantee. You can employ an independent architect to draw the property before purchase. Select any solicitor to act for you. Our work in our hand. Deposits from £100 to £10,000. MORTGAGES, MORTGAGES, MORTGAGES. S. L. WILMOTT, 563 High St., Northcote, or Tyler St., East Preston train terminus.

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VERY large unfurnished room, E.L. with piano, close High St. Floor covered. Apply 441 High St.

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PROGRAMME

for Friday and Saturday and Saturday Matinee:

GOWERVILLE

On SATURDAY Aug 28th Master Pictures presents—"Wandering Fires"

"Time the Comedian" MAE BUSCH

For 4 Nights and Saturday Matinee VAUDEVILLE ARTHUR DEXTER Ventriloquist

At the Matinee Saturday—"Sampson of the Circus"

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, August 30, 31, Sept. 1

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Master Pictures presents—"The Wife Who Wasn't Wanted" (IRENE RICH)

Special Vaudeville Attraction THE KOMEDY KARNOS

Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sept. 2, 3, 4

Metro-Goldwyn presents—"Bright Lights" Charles Kay & Pauline Starke

Master Pictures presents—"Marro Me"

VAUDEVILLE—The Komedy Karnos In a Complete Change of Programme.

At the MATINEE (Saturday) "SAMPSON OF THE CIRCUS"

THE STAR

Saturday Aug. 28th Paramount presents—"The Enchanted Hills" JACK HOLT

SAZIMOVA in "MY SON"

For 4 Nights and Saturday Matinee VAUDEVILLE—ARTHUR DEXTER VENTRILQUIST

At the Matinee Saturday—"THE IRON MAN"

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, August 30, 31, and Sept. 1

Paramount presents—"The Plastic Age" Featuring Clara Bow.

"THE KID" Featuring Charles Chaplin and Jackie Coogan.

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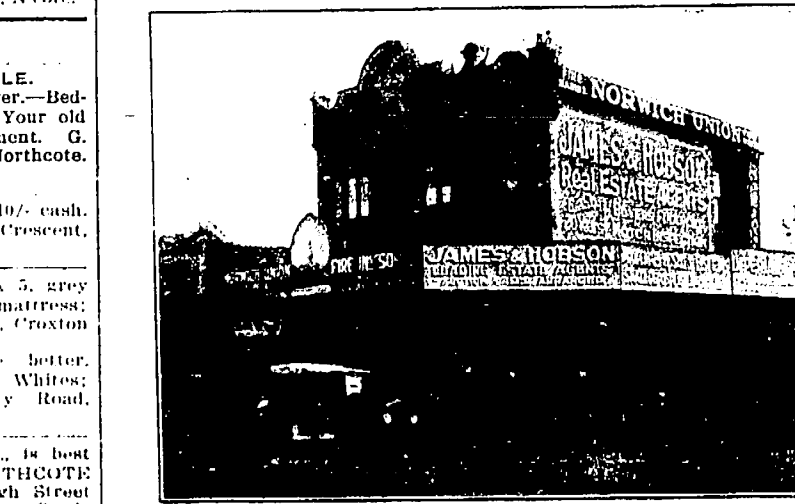
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PERSONAL.

Henry McKenzie Small, of Ayleford, Cunningham street, South Northcote, engineer, who died on July 22, left by will dated October 28, 1922, personal property of a gross value of £11,000 to his wife.

Probably the oldest man who recorded his vote at the municipal election on Thursday was Mr. John Chudwin Clarke, aged 90, late of Hatfield street, but now of Forest street, Colindale.

Old Northcote residents learned with deep regret on Monday last of the death of Mrs. Griffith, wife of Mr. Valentine Griffith, and mother of Dr. J. P. Griffith. The family resided for over 29 years in James street, Northcote, and was esteemed by a large circle of friends, but in few years ago removed to Yarrum. Deceased was the sister of Mrs. M. H. Don, formerly of Hawthorn. This is the third death in the family within eight months, the Misses Hincheloff, also old residents of Northcote, and sisters of deceased, having passed away within a few days of each other at the end of 1925.

At the conclusion of the meeting of the Northcote City Council on Monday night, the Mayor (Cr. J. Sutch) presented to ex-Cr. P. J. Slater an illuminated address in recognition of his services to the city during the time he had been a councillor. The Mayor said Cr. Slater had been a councillor for six years, and had had to retire on account of ill health. He trusted Mr. Slater's health would improve and that some day he would return to the council. Cr. Slater, in responding, said he had spent six long years in the council. He thanked the council for the presentation, and added that they had a city to be proud of.

CITY OF NORTHCOTE. TENDERS.

TENDERS, closing at 12 Noon on SATURDAY, 17th SEPTEMBER, 1926, are invited for the following works:—

CONSTRUCTION OF NASH ST., (OSBORNE ST. part of SUMNER AVENUE, and part of SUTCH STREET).

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. A preliminary deposit of 25 per cent. must be lodged with each tender. By Order, J. A. THOMSON, Town Clerk.

Municipal Office, Northcote, 19/8/26.

TENDERS for Levelling piece of ground, 50ft. x 110ft., 3ft. drop. Apply 14 Ponders St., Thornbury.

SHIRE OF WHITTLESEA. NOTICE TO PAY RATES.

NOTICE is hereby given that all persons in default with their RATES for the 31st AUGUST, 1926, WILL BE PROSECUTED WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE.

By Order, JAS. RYAN, Shire Secretary, 12th Office, Mernda, 19/8/26.

APPROACHING AUCTIONS.

IMPORTANT SUBDIVISION.

By Angus McDonald, on Saturday, October 30, at Ponders' Grove Estate, 50 choice building sites will be offered. Terms, 25 down and balance 20/- a month. Full particulars from auctioneers.

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Direction: F. W. THRING.

TO-NIGHT (Saturday)—The Last Night of "Skinner's Dress Suit" and "Time the Comedian" Also BERT ELLIOTT

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY Belle Bennett and Ben Lyon in "The Reckless Lady" And Billy Sullivan in "The Fighting Thoro'bred"

THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY. Charles Ray and Pauline Starke in "Bright Lights" And Art Accord in "Western Pluck"

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Charles Vita and the Regent Concert Orchestra. Prices as Usual. Box Plan at Theatre. Phone N'cote 1782. No Extra Charge for Booking.

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BOXING AND CYCLING CONTESTS, SIDE SHOWS, MERRY-GO-ROUND, ETC. ONE ROUND OF AMUSEMENT. DON'T MISS IT. H. DICKENSON Hon. Sec. Carnival Committee.

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MUNICIPAL CONCERT

(W. J. ANDERSON and H. BOOTH, Joint Organisers). Tendered as a Benefit to BANDSMAN H. TRAUDE, who lost his leg in recent motor accident.

TOWN HALL, MONDAY, AUG. 30.

ARTISTS: MISS ELAINE BAKER, Soprano, MISS LILIAN HOPKIN, Soprano, MISS MYRTLE MILLS, Contralto, MR. D. GRAYDON, Tenor, MR. BERT PALMER, Bass, MR. MASON, Hornist, MISS FLETT, Flautist.

Selections by Band, Community Singing conducted

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My Dear Cobbers—How are you all? Quite well and blooming in this scorching weather. I must tell you one thing...

WORD SQUARE

To hurry up. U R G E N T. Used on a horse. R E I D. A rope has two E N D S. (BETTER) Gladys Lees.

A GOOD GAME

Have you ever played Balancing the Matchbox? The players into two equal straight lines. Safety match-box covers are placed on the noses of the persons at the heads of the two lines...

A WORD PUZZLE

I am a word of four letters. Change one into a and I am a mass of mud; change i into a and I am a sheet of water...

FLOWER WHISPERS

Camelia, loveliness; Carnation, disdain; Daisy, innocence; Deadly Nightshade, falsehood; Fern, fascination...

RIDDLES

1-What tree clothes half the world? (GOOD.) 2-When is a rock not a rock? (GOOD.) 3-What is the cheapest breakfast you can have? (GOOD.)

JUMBLED BOYS' NAMES

Answers to last week's jumbled boys' names—Pamela, Rosamund, Cecilia, Sylvia, Phyllis.

HA! HA!

Another knew—Harold: "Who is the barbers' wife?" "My Mother." "Oh, some manufacturer of boys' clothing, I suppose."

COMPETITION CORNER

A special prize of a book of 2/6 will be given to the most interesting letter to the Cobbers' Club...

TRICKS

You can catch someone like this. The other day I met a friend whose face was like a bucket.

TONGUE TWISTERS

Street, Brown, Stephen, Stringer, Swift, snickered six snakes strolling slowly homewards.

CROSS-EXAMINATION

Where did Honnan and Juliet live? When did they meet? What was their courtship like?

NAMES OF FLOWERS

Not a true rock—a shamrock. Used in making cakes—buttercup. A whip handle—a stock.

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Some manufacturers embody a vernier device in the condenser itself, and this is quite convenient in practice provided the gears have no backlash.

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J. ECKER, The Quality Butcher. Comes to Preston. Advertisement for a butcher shop with a detailed list of meat products and prices.

QUARRY CARETAKER'S COTTAGE. MIGHT STAND CHANCE OF BEING CONDEMNED. At the meeting of the Northcote City Council on Monday night, during consideration of the recommendations of the Public Works Committee, Cr. Dennis moved that the following clause be adopted:

NORTHCOTE POLICE COURT. MONDAY, AUGUST 23. Before Messrs. T. B. Wade, P.M., and Messrs. J. Cohen and H. Evans, J.S.D. Nobby Motor Cycles. Stanley G. R. Bailey, Grove, Ivanhoe, charged that on June 13 he drove a motor cycle making an offensive noise past a church during divine worship.

Offensive Behavior. Norman Charles Bracken, Harold Northcote, and Frank Bracken, of Epping, were each charged with behaving in an offensive manner in High street, Northcote, on August 13. Frank Bracken was further charged with having obstructed Const. Gilling in the course of his duty.

Unlighted Truck Left in Centre of Road. CAUSES MOTOR ACCIDENT. Truck Driver Fined. At Northcote police court on Monday, J. H. Bauer, Hanson street, Malvern, was charged that being the driver of a motor truck on July 21, he left such motor truck on Heidelberg road, Alphington, in such a position as to obstruct traffic.

Samuel Richard Street, builder, Yallourn road, Alphington, said on July 24, at about 11.15 p.m., he saw a loaded timber wagon standing in Heidelberg road, which was unlighted. A motor car came along and crashed into it. The timber wagon projecting out of the back of the truck, and it was very dangerous.

On the obstruction charge Cliff was fined £5, and on the second charge £3, but he was also ordered to pay £1 costs. On similar charges Richard W. Rives, Wattletree road, Malvern, the driver of the truck, was fined £3 on each charge.

Defendant said he was driving one of the trucks and it had got bogged at Epsom. The truck ran out of petrol, and neither he or Bauer had any kerosene, so witness went away to get some, leaving two men to guard the truck.

The P.M. (Mr. T. B. Wade) said that as there was an explanation, the bench had decided to reduce the fine of £5 in the first case to £3.

Out of the millions of passengers who travel by railway last year, only one was killed in an accident in England. London's official residence for the Lord Mayor, the Mansion House, was formerly a fruit and vegetable garden.

According to the theory of an American scientist, the best brain capacity is possessed by long-tongued men.

SAVE PETROL!!! USE VOLUTE ATOMIZER. 129 PLENTY ROAD, PRESTON.

NORTHCOTE'S ELECTRICITY. Electrical Engineer's Report. METER RENTS ABOLISHED. At the meeting of the Northcote City Council on Monday evening a report was received from the electrical engineer relative to complaints as to whether the current is more costly as a result of the change over to three phase supply, and also as to the suitability of 200 volt meters for 230 volt current.

Cr. Johnson said that out of 187 consumers taken at random, over a three years' period, the bills of 59 under the three phase were slightly more than under the single phase, and 120 slightly less. This electrical engineer (Mr. T. W. Hawthorn) had made a test with two meters with two lamps, one 200 volt and the other 230 volt, connected in series.

Cr. Johnson moved that the clause be amended as follows: "That conditions of supply of current be amended as follows: A minimum charge of 1/6 per month will be made where one meter is fixed, and 2/6 per month where two meters are fixed, and less than three units for lighting and seven units for power are consumed."

Cr. Johnson said the reason of this was to do away with meter rent, as he did not consider it fair that consumers should have the use of the council's meters and not use electricity. The meters cost 11/9/- each, and after 2000, and it was not fair that any person should have the use of the meter and not use electricity.

Cr. Turner said that there was an anomaly shown. If a person used six units of electricity he would be charged 1/6, whilst if he used seven units he would only be charged 1/2. He moved an amendment that the meter go back.

Cr. Dennis supported the clause. Hawthorn charged 5d. Colburn, 5d. Heidelberg 5d. Preston 5d. and Northcote 15d per unit for electricity, and the consumers should realize that they were getting electricity cheaper than in adjoining municipalities. He thought the proposals reasonable, but would personally have favored a reduction of 5d in the price of current, instead of abolishing meter rent.

Cr. Turner said that when Mr. Palmer was appointed he was only to cover half Northcote. Now he covered the whole of the city. The present allowance of £1 a week did not now cover all the running expenses, and as they were anxious that there should be no curtailment of his work, the committee brought forward this recommendation that the council should supply petrol and oil, and still continue the £1 a week allowance to cover wear and tear on the machine.

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Cr. Turner opposed, saying if the council wanted its foreman to have a motor cycle to do his work, the council ought to own the motor cycle, instead of a loser he would gain in the future.

Cr. McDonald also supported the clause, saying that it was a liberal rise. It was most unsatisfactory for a foreman to have to purchase his own petrol which the council was buying in bulk. It would only be human nature for a man to try and save his own pocket.

Cr. Cain said that the arrangement was most unsatisfactory. He thought Crs. McDonald and Dunlop had put up good arguments for the council owning the machine. He moved that the matter go back to the Public Works Committee, with a view to the council taking over the machine.

The council decided to purchase a conveyance for the electrician and a car for the engineer, and it was quite right that the council should provide the foreman with a motor cycle to do his work.

Cr. Hynes said the whole matter was a storm in a teacup. Cr. Johnson said he was satisfied the recommendation was right, just, and fair. The clause was adopted.

DEATH OF FOOTBALLER. Leslie Witto, aged 28 years, of Darshill street, Northcote, who fractured his arm while playing for the Carlton football team against the Carlton ground on Saturday, August 14, and was admitted to the Melbourne Hospital, subsequently developed tetanus, and died on Monday afternoon. Witto had been progressing favorably until tetanus developed. The disease manifested itself on Sunday, and Witto was at once isolated from other patients in the hospital. His condition became steadily worse, and he died about 4 o'clock on Monday afternoon. Witto met with the accident in the last quarter of the game. Leaping for a mark, he fell over another player and came down heavily with his arm doubled beneath him. One of the broken bones was forced through the flesh, and it is thought likely that the wound became infected with the tetanus germ while in contact with the ground.

RIFLE SHOOTING. THE NORTHCOTE CLUB. Last Saturday members competed for Ross trophy and final V.R.A. medal, 600 yards. Scores:—Waters, 44-8-50; Flak, 46-11-50; Chynoweth, 46-7-50; Taito, 40-11-50; McCullough, 43-7-50; Burgess, 37-15-50; Ockels, 11-9-50; French, 35-15-50; Featherston, 44-5-49; Kaze, 11-5-49; Farrier, 11-5-49; Parsons, 36-13-49; Chynoweth with medal; Featherston wins clasp.

Today's shoot—Second Waters and monthly, 800 yards.

