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A WOMAN'S CHOICE.

By ERNEST H. ROBINSON

II.

Neither by look, word nor gesture, had Robert shown that he had recognised her. Yet he must have done so. How could he have failed?

Wearily Jean paced up and down the sitting-room of her tiny flat. What would Robert do? What should she do? She would never return to Robert; of that she was certain. And she must tell Henry. The thought had come to her with the stabbing agony of a great pain. Tell Henry! She couldn't—she couldn't! It would mean giving up all those things she had so looked forward to, the calm security of life in his care, the companionship of a man she honored and looked up to, the ordering of his houses, his servants, all the domestic details of his daily life. She had promised herself great things when she was married to Henry. She would do her best to take the place of the gentle wife he had loved and lost ten years before; would fill the empty places of his life, and, in so doing, fill her own life with a sweet gladness. Tell Henry! Tell him that she could not marry him. It would wound him, hurt him even more than it would hurt her, for he loved her.

But need she tell him? Robert had been out of her life for years. Why should he come back now, to spoil everything? She must see him, talk with him, make him understand. He must go away, go right away, swear that he would not molest her.

"Cause or just impediment!" She thrust the words from her mind. In the eyes of the law, yes. In the eyes of Mercy, of Justice, no—a thousand times no!

She was going out to dine with Henry. He was to call for her with the car. Hastily, before she dressed, she scribbled a note to Robert, bidding him to come to her that night when his work was done. She must risk something, for she could not wait until the morrow; she must see him to-day. She would find some opportunity of getting the note into his hand.

The opportunity came without much trouble. She had the note in her pocket, and, as they left the car, she and Henry, to cross the pavement to the house where they were to be guests, she turned and held out the envelope. It almost seemed that Robert had known what she would do, for his hand came out and took the note, even as she held it to him. Then she flashed a hurried, guilty look at Henry. He had seen nothing, suspected nothing.

She got through the evening somehow by dint of calling on every nerve, every fibre, every atom of strength in her splendid, healthy body. But it left her a wreck, on the verge of hysteria. But she knew, as she waited in the quiet of her own room, that she must steel herself for one more effort. She must see Robert, make him understand.

It was nearly eleven before he came. She let him in and stood aside for him to enter the room. Then she carefully closed the door and turned to face him.

He had doffed his uniform and was dressed in a well-fitting suit of grey tweed. As she looked at him she knew that he was the man to whom she had given her life and her love, not the man who had crushed her cruelly and left her. It was the old Robert, yet not quite the same. He was older, stronger, sterner looking. His hair was a little greyish about the temples. She could see that his face was scarred with bitter conflict. He had been through much; but she knew that, in regard to his personal conflict, he had won. He was a man again!

He said no word, but his eyes devoured her eagerly, hungrily.

"I thought—they said—you were dead!" she told him.

"And you were glad, Jean. I don't wonder."

She did not deny it, could not deny it. She plunged straight to her purpose.

"I was—I am—going to marry Henry Barston. Robert, you——"

"It would be better for you if I were dead," he said.

"Ah, no!" she cried. "But, Robert—in America, or Africa, perhaps. Divorce—there are places where it is easy. I have some money—a little money. I could help you. And I could put off my wedding—could be ill—until I knew that it was settled. We parted, all those years ago! Will you—could you?"

In his still, considering eyes a flame smouldered.

"Are you sure, Jean—are you quite sure that this man will bring you happiness?" he asked.

"Sure! Oh, quite sure!" she whispered, frightened at the deadly quiet of her voice.

"Very well, then. You must give me time to think a little. This—this has been rather sudden; but I—Jean, ah, Jean—I would do anything for your happiness!"

His voice broke, and he turned blindly to the door.

"Robert!" she cried. "Robert! Wait! Tell me—tell me about yourself."

He turned to her pain-filled, tortured eyes.

"There is nothing to tell," he said almost roughly. "I meant you to think me dead. It was the only way I could make up to you, I thought, but in the end I knew that I must see you again. I had to know that all was well with you, Jean. I had been searching for you for six months. You had gone from the old home, nobody could tell me where. I had almost given up hope, and then—this morning—out of God's house you came to me. I thought, I dared to hope, that you had come back into my life. But now I know I am not worthy. I have not yet had my full punishment for the wrong, the bitter wrong, I did you, Jean, you must take your happiness. God will show me how I can set you free!"

Then he went, and Jean let him go, though something within her bade her keep him by her side, cling to him, look into his eyes as she had done during those first happy months with him. She let him go, though she knew that the hate for him was dead, and in its stead——

There was no sleep for Jean that night. Robert had promised that he would set her free, had said that he would find a way to clear the path to her happiness. But was it the path, the true path, that he would make for her Henry or Robert? Again and again she asked herself the question, and her heart answered, "Robert! Robert! Robert!"

In the morning came messengers, breathless, excited. She was wanted—must come at once! There had been a fire at Mr. Barston's! Sinclair, the new driver, had risked him life to save his master. In his delirium he had talked of her.

With sinking heart Jean went. Had love come back to her too late?

Henry Barston met her at the door.

"I know, Jean," he said. "He is your husband. He wants you. Can you—do you think you can bear to see him?"

"Yes! Yes!" she cried passionately. "Henry! Oh, Henry! I want him, only him in all the world!"

"Your happiness is first with me, Jean," said Henry Barston. "Come!"

"Yes, he will live now," the doctor told her.

In an agony of relief she sank on her knees by his bedside.

"Robert, sweetheart, come back into my heart," she whispered. "There is no cause or just impediment——"

His eyes smiled at her out of his bandaged face, and one feeble hand stretched out and rested on her hair.

Henry Barston went from the room.

"Yes, she has found her happiness," he said.

(The End)

NORTHCOTE COURT.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29

Before Mr. T. B. Wade, P.M., and Mr. A. H. Oldis, J.P.

Speeding Charges

Charles J. Abrahams was charged with having driven a motor car at a dangerous speed in St. George's road on September 23. He pleaded guilty.

Evidence was given by the motor police that at 11.55 a.m. on September 23 defendant travelled between 35 and 45 miles per hour. The traffic was heavy, it being a race day.

Fined £2.

Fred Minn was charged with having driven a motor cycle at a dangerous speed in St. George's road on October 9.

Constable Hudd said that defendant's speed over a measured distance of 300 yards was 38½ miles per hour.

Fined £3.

Others fined for similar offences were Len Johnson, East Preston, car at 40½ m.p.h., £3; Henry Clees, car at 42½ m.p.h., £1; Arthur Rolls, Wilcox street, Preston, 34 m.p.h., £2; and John O'Connor, 38 m.p.h., £3.

William Mulready, West street, Preston, who was charged with having driven a car in St. George's road at 38½ miles per hour, explained that he was taking a child to the hospital.

The case was withdrawn.

Unlicensed Hawkers

David Alfred Barnes, of Carlton, and William Calloway, of Fitzroy, were each charged with having on October 25 carried on the business of a hawker without being licensed.

Plain-clothes Constable Batt said that on October 25 he saw the men in Robert street and asked them what they were doing. They replied that they were hawking. In Calloway's pocket was found a stone tied up in a handkerchief.

Constable McGuiness said that both the men admitted that they had no licenses.

W. H. Rose, organiser of the Northcote Band of Hope Union, gave evidence of character on behalf of Barnes.

Calloway said he had been locked up since Friday as he could not get bail.

Barnes was fined 10/, and Calloway, who admitted a previous conviction, was fined £2, in default distress.

Two Cases Dismissed

Harold Wyatt, Clapham street, Fairfield, was charged that on September 15 he fraudulently used an identifying number on a motor car; and there was a second charge of having driven an unregistered car in Hutton street.

Constable N. J. McDonald said on September 15 he saw defendant driving a car in Hutton street. When asked for his registration certificate defendant admitted that he had no certificate. Defendant said that he had had the car for seven months and did not know if it was registered.

Defendant said he had been in the car on the date in question but was not driving. He did not own the car; it belonged to a relative.

The P.M. said there was some doubt about the cases and they would be dismissed.

Drove on Wrong Side of Road

Stephen Taranto, who on October 23 drove on the wrong side of the road in High street, on Rucker's hill, was fined £4.

Unregistered Car: No License

John Roy Goldie was charged with having on September 23 driven an unregistered motor cycle, with having fraudulently used identifying numbers, and also with having driven a motor cycle without being licensed.

Evidence was given that when defendant was stopped he admitted that the cycle was unregistered and that his license had expired. The number on the cycle had been re-issued to a motor cycle at Yallourn.

For not having a license defendant was fined £1, and for not having the motor cycle registered a fine of £2 was imposed. The charge of fraudulently using the number was dismissed.

Language Charges

George Whittingslow, of Herbert street, Northcote, was charged with having used indecent language in Arthurton road, Northcote, on September 12.

Plain-clothes Constable G. J. Davern said he saw defendant go into a confectionery shop in Arthurton road about 10 p.m., and when he came out he used bad language in a loud tone.

Constable O'Keefe gave corroborative evidence.

Defendant denied using the language.

A fine of £3, in default 14 days' imprisonment, was imposed.

George William Francis, Victoria road, Northcote South, hairdresser, was charged with using obscene language on October 6. There was a further charge of driving a milk cart without a light.

Constable Alexander, of the motor patrol, said he intercepted defendant driving a milk cart without a light. He called out "Where is your light?" Defendant made use of bad language.

Francis said that he was in the milk cart with several others. He was driving one cart, but denied using the language.

A fine of £2 was imposed on each charge.

Unstamped Weights

Arthur Adamson, grocer and wine and spirit merchant, High street, Northcote, was charged that on October 1 he had in his possession an unjust pint measure. There was a second charge that he had in his possession three unstamped weights.

Inspector W. H. Jones said that on October 1 he called at defendant's shop and found three unstamped weights which were light. The measure he seized was a very old one and had holes in the bottom. The ½lb. weight was too light.

Defendant said that he employed a manager, and the stamping of the weights had been left to him.

For the unjust measure defendant was fined £1, and on the second charge, £5, with £2/7/- costs. The weights were ordered to be forfeited.

AD SANTEL VISITS AUSTIN HOSPITAL

The patients at the Austin Hospital were agreeably surprised and pleased last Sunday afternoon by a visit from Ad Santel, the wrestler, who had a chat with many of the inmates. They had been looking forward to the visit, which he promised some time ago, but owing to an accident Santel was unable to fulfil his promise. It is needless to state he is a favorite there with all, and his visit gave them much pleasure. When he is wrestling all the headpieces are in great demand.

After leaving the Austin, at his own wish, he was driven to McLeod Hospital, and had a chat with all the men at home on Sunday afternoon. Later on he intends to visit them some week-ends when they are all there, as he cannot be away at week-ends on tours.

Later on Santel may be giving a display at the Austin with a concert party. Anyone who know of artists willing to help any time they could post the names and addresses to the "Leader" office. No doubt many more well-known public men would visit the patients if they only knew the pleasure they gave. They hear about some of the men, but do not see them.

POINTED PROVERBS

No. 2: A Definition.—My dictionary defines a proverb as "a short familiar sentence frequently expressing a well-known truth." This well emphasises the brevity, familiarity and wisdom of such a statement as we would classify as a "proverb." An Arab saying very aptly puts it thus: "A proverb is to speech what salt is to food." Perhaps the required brevity of statement is what makes the coining of a proverb most difficult, for every public speaker knows how hard it is to be concise in a speech. But when this art has been acquired, then such a one may become known as a user of proverbial language. The familiarity of a proverb is, of course, a variable matter, depending upon its origin. What may be familiar to one nation or locality may be unknown to another. The origin of proverbs is quite a study in itself. Some have come from the sacred books of the world. Others are based upon historical incidents, as, for example, "There's many a slip 'twixt cup and lip," which has its origin in an incident in Grecian history. Some have been familiarised through being adopted as mottos, such as that which belongs to the knights of the garter, "Evil be to him who evil thinks." Some also are like little parables, such as the words of Christ when he says, "A city set on a hill cannot be hid." Of the masters of proverbs there seem to be none. Taking as his motto the collecting of the proverbs of the world, Dr. Chapin, of Boston, has gathered together over [illegible] in all languages. Of these [illegible] are and 400 are [illegible] statements in [illegible] press similar [illegible] Romans said "The [illegible] the ox," which [illegible] "Cart before [illegible] modern version of [illegible] before the motor." I believe we owe to Lord John Russell the proverbial definition of a proverb when he remarked at a breakfast table in London that a proverb was "One man's wit and all man's wisdom."

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SOUTH PRESTON METHODIST CHURCHES.

SOUTH PRESTON: 11 a.m. Rev. H. Williams. 7 p.m. Pastor E. C. Perkins.

PENDER'S GROVE: 11 a.m. Pastor E. C. Perkins. 7 p.m. Rev. H. Williams.

OAKOVER ROAD: 11 a.m. Mr. P. R. Bock. 7 p.m. Mr. W. J. Heaver.

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11 a.m. Rev. Thomas D. Webb. 12 noon Communion. 7 p.m. C. Heinnemann Denny, B.A. Y.P. Choir. Solo: Cross. All welcome.

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2, At 7.30 p.m.

Large entries have been received for all sections. Many of Melbourne's leading exhibitors will be competing.

A special non-competitive display of Pansies will be made by the famous Flowerdale Nursery. Over 200 varieties will be shown.

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At 3 o'clock at the property, DAREBIN ROAD, NORTHCOTE (Corner Reid Street). AUCTION SALE OF

MASSIVE D.F. W.B. VILLA

Six good rooms, bathroom, washhouse, all modern convs., extensive frontage, land 60 x 116, made street. Sleep-out. Attractive appearance. For Absolute Sale. Title, Certificate. Terms from £150 dep.; balance 35/- weekly, interest 7 p.c. Auctioneer—

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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6,

At 3 o'clock on the property, HIGH ST., NORTHCOTE (Thornbury).

BRICK SHOP & DWELLING.

[illegible] convs., good order; [illegible] 9in. to R.O.W., opposite [illegible] Avenue. Immediate [illegible] Easy Terms. Solicitor— [illegible] Chancery Lane, City.

MEMBREY & DEANE, [illegible] and Estate Agents, 17 [illegible] St. Melbourne, and

GRAY & JOHNSON, [illegible] Agents, 102 King St., City, [illegible] 567 High St., Northcote.

[illegible] ON SATURDAY, NOV. 2, [illegible] properties as under— [illegible] p.m., 46 BARRY ST., WESTGARTH, MASSIVE D.F. BRICK [illegible] large rooms & vestibule, [illegible] Gas Stove, Pantry, woodshed, [illegible] land approx. 40 x 130; in good [illegible] now let at £91 year.

[illegible] At 3.30 p.m., Investment [illegible] 26 Mansfield St., Thornbury, [illegible] S.F. W.B. COTTAGE, 4 rooms [illegible] convs., in perfect order; land [illegible] near R.C. Church and station. Title Certificate. Credit Foncier Terms. Both these properties are in good order and intending purchasers are highly recommended to attend as they are for absolute sale.

JAMES & HOBSON, AUCTIONEER, NORTHCOTE.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2,

At 3 p.m. 126 COLLINS ST., NORTHCOTE.

D.F. W.B. VILLA,

[illegible] large rooms, built in linen [illegible] bathroom, kitchenette, [illegible] made, large garage, large [illegible] of land. The whole property is in excellent order both inside and out.

TWO BUILDING ALLOTMENTS adjoining the above), each 48 x 160, with water, E.L. and street made. The above are in highly elevated positions, within 3 minutes of school and bus. Full particulars from—

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At 3 o'clock on the premises, 227 WESTGARTH ST. (cnr. Henderson St.), DENNIS.

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Five good rooms, bathroom, pantry, sundry, workshop, garage. Terms—£100 dep., balance 35/- weekly, with interest at 6 per cent.; five years' term. This is a great opportunity to secure handsome brick home, 5 min. from Dennis Station.

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Westgarth Theatre

THIS FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1 & 2. AND SATURDAY MATINEE.

JEAN HERSCHOLT and SALLY O'NEIL in

THE GIRL ON THE BARGE

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CITY OF NORTHCOTE.

Health Acts.

PAN ANNUAL CHARGE.

NOTICE is hereby given that it is the intention of the Council of the City of Northcote, at a meeting thereof to be held in the Municipal Offices, Northcote, on the 11TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1929, at 7.30 p.m., to MAKE AND LEVY A PAN ANNUAL CHARGE OF FORTY-TWO SHILLINGS PER PAN FOR A WEEKLY SERVICE, and EIGHTY-FOUR SHILLINGS PER PAN FOR A BI-WEEKLY SERVICE on all occupiers or owners of tenements within the City not connected with the Sewerage systems of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, for the Collection, Removal and Disposal of all Nightsoil for the year commencing on the 1ST DAY OF OCTOBER, 1929, and ending on the 30TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1930.

The said charge to be made due and payable on the 12TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1929.

Particulars of the charge may be inspected at the Town Hall, High St., Northcote, during office hours.

Dated this 29th day of October, 1929.

By Order,
J. A. THOMSON, Town Clerk.

Municipal Offices, Northcote.

CITY OF NORTHCOTE.

GENERAL RATE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Council of the City of Northcote intends at a meeting of the Council to be held at the Municipal Offices, High Street, Northcote, at 7.30 p.m. on MONDAY, the 11TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1929, to MAKE AND LEVY A GENERAL RATE OF TWO SHILLINGS AND NINE PENCE IN THE POUND on the net annual value of the property assessable in the City of Northcote.

It is intended that the said Rate shall be made for the period commencing on the 1ST DAY OF OCTOBER, 1929, and ending on the 30TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1930, and shall be due and payable on the 12TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1929.

The estimate prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1915, is deposited for inspection by any person interested or rated, at the Municipal Offices, High Street, Northcote, during office hours.

Dated this 29th day of October, 1929.

By Order,
J. A. THOMSON, Town Clerk.

Municipal Offices, Northcote.

PRESTON MARKET

PLENTY ROAD. AUCTION SALE THIS DAY, **FRIDAY.**

Poultry, Small Lot Clothing, Furniture, 150 lots including two Bedroom Suites, 2 D.R. Suites (one as new, cost £35), Tables, Chairs, Couches, Safes, Baby Chairs, Lino, Double and Single Beds, Motor Cycle, Singer Drop Head Sewing Machine (nearly new), and a host of sundries. The trade invited. No reserve.

A. J. DALGLEISH, Auctioneer.

Northcote Theatre

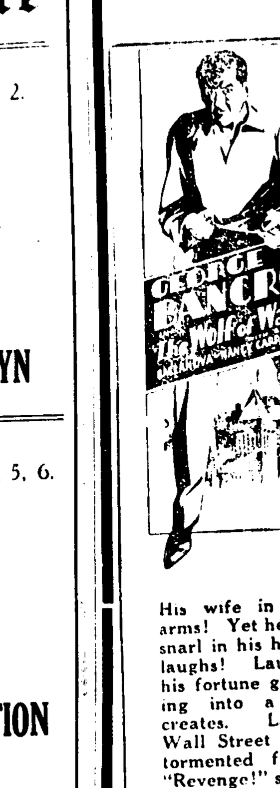
PARAMOUNT. 100 PER CENT. TALKIES EXCLUSIVE TO NORTHCOTE. Reservations: JW 2868.

THIS FRIDAY & SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1 and 2. GEO. BANCROFT in the 100 per cent. Talkie

THE WOLF OF WALL STREET

Also REG. DENNY in **THE NIGHTBIRD** SILENT

MATINEE SATURDAY AFTERNOON.



MONDAY, TUESDAY, WED., NOVEMBER 4, 5, 6. HOLIDAY MATINEE, CUP DAY at 2.30. H. B. WARNER and RUTH CHATTERTON in the 100 per cent. Talkie

THE DOCTOR'S SECRET

Children over 6 and under 16 not admitted.

And RONALD COLMAN in **THE RESCUE** A SILENT PICTURE.

MUSICAL SELECTIONS BY NORTHCOTE ORCHESTRA. Director—M. BARRILE.

BOY SCOUTS.

2ND THORNBURY TROOP HOLDS BIRTHDAY TEA

Guests to the number of 146 were seated at six tables, which were decorated in the colors of the troop—blue delphiniums and golden Iceland poppies. Associated with the chairman (Mr. M. C. Jones) were the District Commissioner (Col. Kitson), Scoutmaster E. Read, Cub-master F. Franks, and the chaplain of the troop (Rev. W. J. Harris). Among the guests were visiting scout-masters, cub-masters, parents, and many others. An enjoyable concert programme was given by Messrs. William Baker, H. Olver, W. Townsend, A. Docking, G. Wylie and Misses Walding, Deslandes and Enid Love.

After the loyal toast the "Scout Movement" was proposed by the chaplain (Rev. Harris). The chairman proposed the toast of the 2nd Thornbury Troop. In doing so, on behalf of the parents, Mr. Jones said that he wished to associate Scoutmaster Read and Cubmaster Frank with the toast.

Responding on behalf of his troop, Scoutmaster Read said the proposer of the toast was quite right when he said he (Mr. Read) accepted the leadership with fear and trembling, and had it not been for the assistance offered by the chaplain, he would never have been a scoutmaster. He particularly thanked the parents' committee, which had been a power of strength to him in many ways; also Assistant Scoutmaster Ern Lamming, who had been a loyal friend during the last three years.

Cubmaster Frank thanked the proposer of the toast for the kind reference he had made to his work, also Col. Kitson for recommending him to headquarters.

The toast of "The Visitors" was proposed by Mr. J. C. Watson, and responded to by Scoutmasters Davis and Sheldrick.

The toast of the "Ladies" was proposed by Mr. Theo. Dihm, who made reference to the excellent work they were doing in assisting the scout movement. This was responded to by Mrs. E. Martin, who said they felt it was their duty to assist the troop because it was their boys who were receiving the benefits of the scout training, and assured him that they would at all times give whatever assistance was needed.

A happy evening closed with the singing of "God Save the King" and "Auld Lang Syne."

PERSONAL.

Mrs. Edgar R. Smith, of Miller St., Thornbury, has just returned from New South Wales, after spending a month's holiday with her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Smith, of "Westella," Howlong.

The Rev. John Bates, of the James St. Presbyterian Church, has returned to duty again after a holiday in the country.

Mr. W. Rose, of Northcote, has been nominated as the Labor candidate for Brighton at the next State election.

Mr. Walker, J.P., referred at the Preston court on Thursday to the death of Mr. P. J. Conlon, P.M., who had sat from time to time in the Preston court. He had been just and courteous, and he, with others, regretted his passing.

The engagement is announced of Edna, fourth daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Reid, of High street, Regent, to Norman, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Paddle, of "Halcyon," Garden street, Regent.

The death occurred on October 24 at his residence, Clarke St., Northcote, of Mr. Richard Henry Taylor, at the advanced age of 79 years. The family are Margaret (Mrs. E. O. Risstrom), John, Timothy, Ellen (Mrs. Gill), William and Kate (Mrs. Nickels). The interment was made at the Fawkner cemetery on October 25.

The death occurred on October 21 of Mrs. Caroline Gabbe, of Warragul. She was a sister of Mrs. Aylward, of Reservoir.

NORTHCOTE THEATRE.

The management of this popular theatre has announced that commencing this Thursday Paramount Pictures, 100 per cent. talkies, will be screened every evening. The first of the series is now being shown, "The Wolf of Wall Street," in which George Bancroft is featured. Life for money—love for money—everything for money, and the wolf of Wall street learns that he has lost his wife for money. A story of terrific power, with a superb cast. This story well illustrated the excitement of Wall street as is now occurring in New York. The picture is all talking and is a very subject. With it is being screened also Reg Denny, the favorite, in "The Night Bird." There will be the usual great matinee on Saturday afternoon.

On Monday next "The Doctor's Secret," another Paramount 100 per cent. talkie, is announced. H. B. Warner and Ruth Chatterton have the leading parts in this. The story reveals a young wife's infatuation and the startling development that threatens her with scandal, her fanatic but shrewd battle, and the final climax that vindicates her in the eyes of the world. He held her future in the hollow of his hand—her secret was his—would he tell? In conjunction with this will be Ronald Colman appearing in "The Rescue." It is a story of rare beauty, thrilling adventure and stirring romance. As a man among men, a master among natives and white men, and as a lover, Colman's performance leaves nothing more to be desired of him.

The Northcote orchestra, which is now most popular with patrons, will render selections each evening under the direction of Mr. M. Barrile.

PRESTON A.N.A.—Euchre Party in aid of Unemployed EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT, Anglers' Hall. Good prizes.

THE REGENT TALKIES.

The high standard programmes for Friday and Saturday at the Regent include "The Girl on the Barge," with talking and singing, and "The Night Bird," featuring Reginald Denny. The serial "Tarzan the Mighty," will also be screened.

"The Voice of the City" has been proclaimed by leading picture critics the finest underworld picture ever brought to the screen—a cross-section of life that is vivid, vital, moving with express speed from beginning to end, as the whole plot is unfolded in twenty-four hours. From Willard Mack down to the least important in the large cast, every characterisation is animated with gripping realism.

In support comes "The Rescue", which brings an event in motion picture industry in several directions. It shows Ronald Colman to the public for the first time as an individual star; it brings one of Joseph Conrad's romances to the screen for the first time in an important production, and introduces a new film-charmer by the name of Lily Damita who seems fated to become one of the best-known actresses in Hollywood before she has finished her career.

The Thursday change brings the "Air Legion", pulsing with perils of flying mail service. Heroism and adventure—romance and danger, perils of land and air—all compressed into a gripping photoplay, with love and jealousy, cowardice and bravery battling for the mastery in tortured souls. The fine cast includes Ben Lyon, Antonio Moreno and Martha Sleeper. The second feature is "Mother's Boy," 100 per cent. talking and singing.

HOYT'S MERRI THEATRE.

To-night and Saturday will be shown Sally O'Neill in "The Girl on the Barge," a fine talkie; also Reg Denny in "The Night Bird," and talkie shorts. No. 2 of the episode of "Tarzan the Mighty."

On Cup Day a special matinee will be held.

On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday Willard Mack will appear in a 100 per cent. talkie, "The Voice of the City," which travels like a swift limited of melodrama. Secret panels, clandestine meetings—a ruthless detective on the train—two lovers in peril—that's "The Voice of the City," the talking picture entertainment supreme. Also Francis Cuyler in "Peep Behind the Scenes." A special technicolor feature, "Girls to To-day."

The Leader

JUSTICE TO ALL

Published Every Friday Morning

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1929

To correspondents "Constant Reader" and "Ratepayer for 40 Years," forwarding letters which purport to come from different people.—These letters can only be printed over genuine signatures, attested by some responsible person. Full postal address must also be given.

The October number of the monthly fashion supplement is included in this issue of the "Leader."

On Tuesday the "Leader" office will be closed for the Cup holiday.

The mayor of Northcote (Cr. W. Hayes) and Cr. B. E. Johnson have been appointed by the Northcote council to attend a conference convened by the Preston council to discuss the question of unemployment.

At the Northcote court on Tuesday, before Messrs. A. H. Olds and P. J. Kean, J.'sP., Walter John Warr, of Preston, was sentenced to imprisonment for two months for the larceny of a saddle and other harness, valued at £4, the property of William Milner.

The following violin students of Miss Hilda Malmgren, of 200 Clarke street, were successful at the recent examination in music:—University, Keith E. Trewarn, Grade II. violin (pass); Associated Board, Allan James, lower division, violin (pass).

Regarding the Northcote city council's conditions of contract, the council has resolved that in future in connection with all contracts entered into by the council, provision be made that the contractor must make a statutory declaration to the effect that all his employes have been paid the ruling rate of wages, such declaration to be made before the final payment to the contractor, or from time to time when required by the city engineer.

At South Street, Ballarat, competitions Gerard Fearon gained first prize for impromptu scripture reading, third prize for champion recitation, and hon. mention for Australian recitation. At the Congregational Young People's competitions Audrey Johnson gained second prize for senior humorous recitation, and third prize for senior serious recitation. Both are pupils of Mrs. H. V. Ransom, I.T.C.L., L.L.C.M., 134 Beaconsfield Pde., Northcote, N16.

Mr. D. H. Fraser, proprietor of the Regent Book Shop, 445 High street, Northcote, advertises that he supplies new books, magazines, stationery, etc. All Catholic goods are stocked, also Xmas cards, etc. A circulating library is conducted in connection with the business.

E. Dimmick, tailor, hatter and mercer, 329 High St., Northcote, advertises that he has opened a high-grade sporting goods depot and supplies sporting goods of every description.

Mr. G. T. Bromley, hon. secretary, 17 Maritana Av., Regent, invites tenders for the erection of a pavilion in Regent Park, Preston.

APPROACHING AUCTIONS

By James and Hobson, on November 2, at 3 p.m., 5-roomed villa on land 40 x 130, 46 Barry St., Westgarth; at 3.30, 4-roomed cottage, 26 Mansfield St., Thornbury, on land 20 x 115. See advt.

By Angus McDonald and Geo. Hook and Co., in conjunction, on November 2 at 3 p.m., on property, 126 Collins St., Northcote, 4-roomed villa; also two building blocks adjoining. See advt.

By Membrey and Deane, and Gray and Johnson, in conjunction, on Nov. 6 at 3 p.m., on property, 648 High St., Northcote, shop and dwelling, 4 rooms, etc., as advertised.

By Knell and Swift, Pty. Ltd., on Nov. 2 at 3 p.m., on premises, 221 Westgarth St., Dennis, 5-roomed villa, as advertised.

By Stott, Son and Watson, on Nov. 2 at 3 p.m., on property, 60 Darebin Rd., Northcote, 6-roomed villa on land 60 x 116.

On Thursday, Friday and Saturday Anton Morelo will star in "The Air Legion." Driving through the rain and storm, Steve Rogers, air mail pilot, with the reputation in the service of never being late, arrives at the airport and finds a letter from the widow of Captain Grayson, Steve's former superior in war-time flying in France, asking him to get her boy, Dave, into the air mail service. It was Captain Grayson who, during the great war, had cured Steve of a streak of cowardice. Also Morton Downey in the 100 per cent. talking and singing picture, "Mother's Boy." The programme will be filled out by entertaining talkie shorts.

A girl who lived on the south side of the river was coming into the city by tramcar to see "Carmen." "I love 'Carmen,' don't you?" she said to her friend. "What about Toosday night?" asked the conductor. "I'm free."

News About Town

Northcote Bathskeeper

Mr. J. Fogg, Clarke street, Northcote, has been appointed bathskeeper by the Northcote council for the ensuing swimming season. Mr. Fogg, it will be remembered, took charge of the classes at Northcote last season during the "Learn to Swim" campaign.

£50,000 Loan

The Northcote council has made arrangements to borrow £50,000 for a period of ten years at £5/15/ per cent. The money will be used in connection with private street construction works. At the last meeting of the council Cr. Pinkney said the mayor (Cr. Hayes), Cr. Johnson and the town clerk (Mr. J. A. Thomson) were to be complimented on securing the loan on such favorable terms. Cr. Olver said the money was one-third of one per cent. cheaper that the ruling rate, and it would mean a matter of £600 on the term of the loan. Cr. Dennis said the money was obtained from the A.N.A. Friendly Society, which was very satisfactory.

Rateable Value of Northcote Property

The report of the valuer (Mr. Walter Membrey) discloses that the assessed annual value of rateable property within the city of Northcote is £484,334. This figure is approximately £100 less than last year.

No Court on Cup Day

There will be no court at Northcote next Tuesday, November 5, that day being Cup Day.

Motor Cycle Quickly Recovered

Thomas McIntosh, of Broadhurst avenue, Reservoir, left his motor cycle in Bastings street, Northcote, on Tuesday night when he went to the pictures. Later it was missing, but was recovered in a near-by lane on Wednesday morning by Constable Findlay. The petrol tank was then full, and the machine was undamaged. It is thought that someone wheeled the machine away as a joke.

Shop Window Broken

At about 2.30 on Tuesday an argument occurred between two men in High street, opposite the Northcote town hall. They began to struggle and bumped into a slot weighing machine, which in turn swayed into the window of Mr. Ely's boot shop and broke it. One of the men escaped, but the other was detained by the police.

Purchase of a Grader

The Northcote council has resolved to purchase a road grader at a cost of £114. The successful tenderer was W. Adams and Co.

Large Court List

So large was the list of cases at the Northcote Court of Petty Sessions on Tuesday that the court had to be "split," and two courts sat in the afternoon. An effort was made to obtain an additional P.M., but without success.

Car Stolen and Recovered

On Thursday evening, October 24, whilst at a special meeting of the Northcote council, Cr. S. Pinkney left his car outside the town hall. On going to get it he found it gone. It was found the next day by Cr. Olver, who was also at the meeting, and who the night before had driven Cr. Pinkney to his home. The vehicle was recovered undamaged in Frederick street, near the Northcote baths.

Construction of Clarke Street

The tender of Gudgeon Construction Ltd. for £9,545/10/10 has been accepted by the Northcote city council for the reconstruction of Clarke street in reinforced concrete. The tender is below the council's estimate.

Church Opening Services

The mayor and councillors of Northcote have accepted an invitation to be present at the opening services of the St. George's road Methodist Church on December 1.

BILLIARDS.

MAC'S BILLIARD TOURNEY

(By "Hazard")

Great interest is centring in Mac's billiard tourney, judging by the nominations received. The draw for the first round resulted as follows:—The Plunger (60) v Two Up (owe 250); The Sheik (110) v Waffels (60); How I Won 500 (40) v Statesman (15); Dick Lee (70) v The Poser (75); Milko (40) v A. Ennis (60); Toothless (120) v Mouse (owe 25); The Gay Caverlero (110) v Coin (15); D.F. (90) v W. Campbell (40); Lew (110) v Smackem One (135); No Hope (70) v Sec (70); Old Timer (80) v Two Seas (60); Shakes (owe 75) v Knockem (80); Yarra (owe 100) v Winooski (60); Swoells (80) v W. Haddad (60); E. O'Brien (owe 50) v Kinny Bazil (125); G. Gray (15) v Northcote Shoe (80); Ice Cream King (70) v Sandhurst (70); N. Coleman (15) v The Wizard (90); Just a Dog (160) v T. O'Brien (15); T. Robertson (80) v Sinny (100); Bikes (owe 50) v The Tosser (15); Northcote (90) v Harold Pronto (40); Claronga (60) v Blinko (90); M. Reidy (30) v Anvil (80); A. Cooper (90) v Cash King (110); Red Ned (30) v W. Campbell (35); Just a Jubilee (60) v L. Bahen (scr.); R. Booth (owe 25) v B. Wallace (30); Meggsie (75) v N. Douglas (scr.); B. Budge (35) v C. Bahen (80); C. Barnes (90) v J. E. Broadhurst (135) Lamb Chops (75) v L. O'Brien (70); O.K. (75) v Quirk (40); L. Haddad (110) v J. Campbell (60); J. Cooper (90) v One Each Way (80); Leg Break (80) v Three, Six and a Bob (110).

The first game was between Milko (40) and A. Ennis (60). Both players were at their best. It was a battle royal throughout, with Milko always bringing into play his famous shot (the great and glorious f'uke). The sparkling part of this game was a beautiful break of 29 by Ennis, and it was made like a tradesman. The scores called at the closing stages were: Ennis (in play), 249; Milko, 248. The game looked all over for Ennis had the balls placed for a simple cannon. For some unaccountable purpose he missed, and Milko, by that superb stroke of his (the great and glorious fluke) reached game with a six-cushion cannon amidst thunderous applause, and to the disgust of Ennis. Scores: Milko, 250 (best break 16); A. Ennis, 249 (best break, 29).

The next two to break the line were How I Won 500 (on 40) and Statesman (on 15). This game kept true to name, for Statesman soon got going and rattled up a break of 38 (which was a fine effort). He had his opponent looking very sick, for in three consecutive shots he put on 15, 25 and 15, and had a commanding lead. From this stage the result was never in doubt. Score: Statesman, 250 (breaks 38, 15, 25, 15, 19, 15, 19, 13); How I Won 500, 164.

The next two were L. Haddad (110) and J. Campbell (60). This was another interesting game, with Haddad showing out in his favorite stroke (the "iff-any"), which soon took toll of Campbell's nerves, but the aid of the Cordial King's well-known nerve restorer, he soon became quite confident. He gallantly fought along till he got his nose in front and he finally went on to victory with 24 to the good. Scores: J. Campbell, 250 (best break, 18); L. Haddad, 226 (best break, 16).

The most eagerly awaited contest was staged next. The participants were Mouse (owe 25) and Toothless (on 120). These two made a vow that whoever lost would never handle a cue again. Toothless, full of determination, soon showed he was all out and ran up a handy 10 break, and by solid and effective play he soon had the Mouse looking very weary. But the Mouse (well known for his cunningness) soon had Toothless trapped and put on three handy breaks of 18, 17 and 19. By solid and consistent play he greatly reduced his deficit, and when called the scores were: Toothless, 200; Mouse, 140, with the pendulum gradually swinging in the Mouse's favor. When Mac got busy with the scoring board and called 60 the difference, the Mouse also got busy and put together a fine effort of 25, failing with a simple loser off the white in the top pocket. Final scores: Toothless, 250 (breaks, 10, 11); Mouse, 249 (breaks 18, 17, 19, 25, 29).

The final game was played between Shakes (owe 75) and Knockem (80). This game was easily the best played so far. Knockem showed Shakes that he was no mug with a cue and raced him to the first 50, then for some unaccountable reason he stood flat-footed while Shakes got busy wiping off his points. Knockem, by sheer determination, soon raced ahead again and kept the lead until he required 100 points for game. Shakes by this time had found the strength of the table and he put together handy breaks of 18, 21, 11 and 25. This put him well in the running again, and with safe and consistent play he gathered in the pacemaker before the game had entered its final stages. Shakes, full of confidence went on to victory with 22 unfinished. Scores: Shakes, 250 (breaks, 13, 21, 11, 25, 34, 13, 20 and 22 unfinished); Knockem, 222 breaks, 15, 17, 11).

The following players received walk-overs:—The Plunger, N. Douglas and Winooski.

THE J. O. HUGHES SCHOLARSHIP

A UNIQUE REUNION

On Friday, October 25, the holders of the J. O. Hughes scholarship gathered together to exchange confidences among themselves, and to meet again their esteemed friend, Mr. Hughes. For the greater part of the evening mirth and music held sway, Misses Rhoda Peck and Doris and Irene Richardson adding to the enjoyment with much appreciated items.

Mr. Keith Bradley, the 1924 scholarship winner, in well chosen words spoke of the benefit he had received from the scholarship, which had enabled him to pursue his studies at the Melbourne High School for five years. He is now completing his second year of leaving honors. At present eleven pupils are enjoying the privileges which the scholarship affords. In years to come these numbers will increase, and many brilliant scholars who might otherwise drop into "dead end" occupations, will be enabled to develop their intellectual talent to the utmost, and thus better their positions and render more effectual service to their fellows.

The senior girl, Miss Mavis Jones, now a student at P.L.C., in a neat speech, also spoke of the far-reaching benefits of the scholarship. All expressed the hope that the reunion would be the nucleus of an ever-widening circle of friendship among the Thornbury scholarship holders, for real friendships, as Emerson puts it, "are not glass threads or frost work, but the solidest thing we know, and are one with the laws of nature and of morals."

Mr. Hughes thanked his young friends for the pleasure they had given him in including him in their reunion, and looked forward with paternal interest and pride to many such happy gatherings in the future.

CHURCH NEWS.

Congregational Church

According to usual custom the church and Sunday school observed last Sunday as a day set apart for an appeal for the hospitals. Addresses, hymns, anthems, etc., all bore on the subject of helping the sick and distressed. Unfortunately the weather was against us and our collections were below last year's, but it is interesting to note that as a denomination the Congregational Church was the only one ahead on last year's figures. On Tuesday night the physical culture class held their display in the Methodist hall. A fine attendance put the girls in good heart and everything went well. A really enjoyable night was spent. The girls are grateful to Methodist friends for the use of their fine building. During the evening the instructress, Miss P. Cust, was the recipient of a handsome present. The choir had another social, which was quite up to the usual standard.

"Back to Northcote"

The James street Presbyterian Church will hold a "Back to Northcote" Sunday on Sunday next, November 3. Two previous ministers, Rev. Wm. Goyen, now the Federal Director of the Welfare of Youth Department, and Rev. Heathcote Fletcher, the last minister, will occupy the pulpit. All present members and adherents are asked to attend, and old members will be cordially welcomed. The evening service commences at 6.45 p.m., and will be followed by a social re-union at 8 p.m. in the hall. The choir, under the baton of Mr. Geo. Reid, will render anthems as follows:—"Send Out Thy Light," "By Babylon's Wave," "Hail, Gladdening Light," and "And the Glory of the Lord." The Hallelujah Chorus will be sung at the close of the services. The special soloists are Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Lane and Mr. Albert Graham.

STATE POLITICS.

The State Parliament was dissolved yesterday, the Legislative Council having accepted a Supply Bill sent up by the Assembly.

The election will be held on November 30, and the new House will meet on December 12.

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BOWLING.

PENNANT GAMES

Following are the results of the pennant games played on Saturday:—

"A" PENNANT

Northcote v Prince's Park

Northcote.—Shaw, Kenny, Jackson, Maynard, 44; Harrington, Barron, Treleaven, Horman, 20; Hawthorn, Reid, Plant, Catarinich, 18; Threlkeld, Rowell, Thompson, Titmus, 14; total, 96.

Prince's Park.—Hannaford, Wilson, Birch, Appleby, 12; Brewer, Robin, Aisbett, Wood, 33; Hawkins, Southern, Clark, Jacobs, 29; Curtain, Dempster, Freer, Robins, 20; total, 94.

Thornbury v Elsternwick District

Thornbury.—White, Jones, Allen, Price, 25; Wyatt, Growcott, Rogerson, Murden, 21; Rose, Whalley, Sharp, Forth, 17; Cogle, Hayes, Frencham, Holden, 23; total, 86.

Elsternwick District.—Smith, Hoskins, Pearson, Beddoe, 21; Bayly, Montgomery, Hosking, Teague, 14; Dorrs, Wilson, Dare, Stott, 23; Sarah, Hocking, Stewart, Reeves, 19; total, 77.

Preston v Collingwood

Preston. — Watson, Capp, Pike, Ross, 31; Joiner, Siddons, Appleton, Sinclair, 33; Crispe, jun., Carthew, Wearne, Morgan, 25; W. White, Shaw, Henshaw, Pollock, 23; total, 118.

Collingwood.—F. Greig, C. Lewis, F. Walker, E. Smith, 18; McMurtrie, Sambell, R. J. Dance, Trevena, 9; Bedford, W. Hibbert, R. Dance, King, 21; Ponton, G. Page, W. Dance, Job, 27; total, 75.

"B" PENNANT

Canterbury, 116, beat Thornbury, 77.

Elsternwick District, 106, beat Fairfield, 77.

Ivanhoe, 92, beat Victoria, 80.

"C" PENNANT

Preston C1 v Fitzroy

Preston C1.—Welch, Wood, Tatchell, Billyeald, 29; Zwar, McIntosh, Crowe, Salinger, 22; Hazle, Allardice, Dahl, Lang, 18; total, 69.

Fitzroy.—Hartley, Wickham, McFarlane, McDonald, 17; Purbrick, White, Anderson, Heron, 20; Crocker, Hardy, Cant, McPhee, 24; total, 61.

Preston C2 v Alphington

Preston C2.—Hill, Shepherd, Farr, Howe, 19; McIntyre, Coleman, Cohen, Lewis, 22; Butterfield, Hindson, Burgis, Fox, 28; total, 69.

Alphington. — Hughes, Griffiths, March, Chitts, 21; Lancaster, Greniss, Helm, La Franz, 20; Lovell, Fletcher, Bird, Thompson, 17; total, 58.

PRESTON LADIES' CLUB

Results of the matches played by the A and C Pennant teams this week are as follow:—

A Pennant.—Preston, 50 (Mesdames Cohen, Dahl, Binney, Appleton, 31; Mesdames Broadhurst, Capp, Wearne, Henshaw, 19) beat Ascot Vale, 27 (Mesdames Corteor, Osborne, Richardson, Greenwood, 11; Mesdames Stephens, Woolridge, Henderson, Shaddock, 16).

C Pennant.—Preston, 54 (Mesdames Hazel, Fox Siddons, 31; Mesdames Howe, McIntyre, Carthew, 23) beat East Kew, 24 (Mesdames Barker, Morrison, Newman, 12; Mesdames McMurray, Carmody, Duke, 12).

THORNBURY CLUB

The match between Thornbury and Elsternwick District was regarded as the most important of the day, so far as Section 3, "A" pennant, was concerned, as if the latter won the premiership of the section was virtually decided. However, the reverse was the case, and Thornbury is now running level with Elsternwick District. This was Thornbury's first game on their own green, and they found its fine surface a treat as compared with those hitherto played on. They were handicapped in being without the services of Gardiner, but Harry Murden filled the breach, and with the help from his third man, Rogerson, and also Growcott and Wyatt, he kept up the honors of the rink by registering the biggest win of the day, being 7 up on Teague's rink. This they have done in every match so far played. Holden's rink finished 4 to the good against Reeves, and Price was 5 up on Beddoe. Forth's—5 to the bad—was the only unsuccessful rink, largely due to the particularly fine play of Stott, the opposing skipper. In the next round the team has a bye, but on November 9 they play East Camberwell.

The B team, who went to Canterbury, found the home side too good for them. Warren's rink tied and George Willis' was 11 up, but the other two rinks were badly down.

The C team was again in winning vein, securing 84 to Ascot Vale's 64. Len Roberts' rink was 10 up on Carbeen's, Mahony's 5 up on Riley's, and Whitechurch's 5 up on Snell's.

WESTGARTH TALKIES.

This week-end Jean Hersholt will be seen in a new type of role when "The Girl on the Barge," a Universal talking picture, opens at the Westgarth Theatre. The story concerns the lives and adventures of the people who live on coal and other barges along the Erie Canal. Sally O'Neil plays the role of a barge captain's daughter. Hersholt, as the barge captain, is a crusty, dominant parent, from whose sternness the daughter flees into the arms of a handsome tug-boat pilot, portrayed by Malcolm McGregor. The intriguing romance of the famous Drury Lane orange girl, "Sweet Nell of Old Drury," who found favor with King Charles the Second, comes to the screen in "Nell Gwyn." The title role is most marvellously played by Dorothy Gish, whose piquant personality and charm of coquetry make pretty, witty "Nell" live again.

On Monday, in "The Voice of the City," playgoers will see and hear the first all-talking picture to be written and directed by Willard Mack, one of the most eminent playwrights and masters of spoken dialogue in the world to-day. "The Voice of the City," is an extremely fast-moving melodrama, played in a dramatic period of twenty-four hours and featuring a prisoner's escape from Sing Sing and the man hunt which follows. Robert Ames plays the juvenile lead with Sylvia Field as his sweetheart. Willard Mack himself plays "Biff," the detective. The synchronised version of "Protection" will also be shown. The story of this dramatic picture, which features Dorothy Burgess, gives an authentic peep into the workings of a great newspaper.

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NORTHCOTE FOOTBALL CLUB.

ENTERTAINED AT DINNER BY EX-MAYOR, CR. B. E. JOHNSON

On Thursday evening the Northcote Football Club, together with the committee, trainers, and others, were entertained at dinner by Cr. B. E. Johnson (ex-mayor) at the Northcote town hall. There was a large and representative gathering, including all the councillors, Cr. De Chene (delegate of the Coburg F.C.), Mr. H. Power (Port Melbourne delegate), Mr. Tom Evans (secretary of the Victorian Football Association), and Mr. Angus McDonell (president of the Victorian Junior Football Association).

Regret was expressed when it became known that Cr. B. E. Johnson was unable to be present owing to illness. His eldest son, Mr. George Johnson, in the absence of his father, presided over the gathering.

The hall and table were tastefully decorated with the colors of the club, and the pennant won by the team was hung on the wall. On the plates of the guests were fancy paper caps of various designs and toy instruments, and when all were seated they commenced blowing their trumpets and whistles. This put one in mind of the streets at Christmas time.

The president extended a cordial welcome to all, and trusted that all would all spend an enjoyable evening, and one that would long be remembered.

The first toast of the evening, "The King," was proposed by the chairman, and was acknowledged with musical honors.

The Sundowners' Quartette Party rendered a number, for which they received a double encore.

The toast of "The Northcote Football Club and Players," was submitted by the mayor (Cr. W. Hayes). Prior to proposing the toast he expressed the regret of all at the absence of Cr. Johnson through illness. He also extended a welcome to Mr. T. Evans (secretary of the V.F.A.), Cr. De Chene (of Coburg) and Mr. H. Power (of the Port Melbourne F.C.). He said it was a great honor to be asked to propose the toast of the winners of the first premiership in Northcote. It was twenty years since they had gone into Association ranks, and although they had been in the final four on several occasions this year they had eclipsed all previous efforts and brought the pennant to Northcote. Things did not look too bright when they lost five out of their first eight matches, but the players were not downhearted, and they set their hearts and minds on winning the remaining games, with the greatest results. The club had had a splendid committee and an excellent president in Mr. Stott, of whom they were all proud. The players were a keen lot of men, and in their captain, Mr. P. Rowe, they had one of the best, who, by his experience, had pulled them out of many tight corners, and their success on the field was due to Percy. Reference was also made to the solid defence of the back line, and the cohesion of the forwards. In Mr. Doug Nichols they had one of the best and fairest players of whom any club might well be proud. Doug's brilliant play was in no small degree responsible for the success of the team. He congratulated the team on their success, and he hoped they would keep together and endeavor to put up a record better than that of Coburg. It was his intention at an early date to call a meeting of residents to further the prospects of the club next season. (Applause.)

Fred Champion here kept the gathering in roars of laughter with his humorous stories and songs.

In responding to the toast, the president (Mr. W. S. Stott) said he appreciated the manner in which they had responded to the toast. The mayor, in proposing the toast, inferred that he had done such a lot for the club, but he did not think he had done as much as he might have. In past years they had built up a good side, but before success was gained some League clubs would come along and take away the best players, which would cripple the team. He did not think they could give praise to any one individual player more than another, as they had all given their very best in their respective positions. He hoped the players would stick together next season and endeavor to bring another pennant to Northcote.

Mr. P. Rowe (captain), who was greeted with cheers, said on behalf of the team he wished to thank Cr. Johnson for the wonderful way he had catered for their enjoyment. In other clubs he had had the pleasure of playing with when a premiership had been won, it had been forgotten two hours afterwards, but it has not been so with Northcote. They had been entertained on all sides, just one round of festivities, for which he desired to thank all on behalf of his team.

A song, "Macushla," was rendered by Mr. Robert Allen, after which two more numbers were demanded.

"The Victorian Football Association," coupled with the names of Messrs. Evans, Power and Cr. De Chene, was submitted by Cr. S. Dennis. He said thanks were due to Cr. De Chene, who at the beginning of the season came over to give some good advice to the Northcote club as to how to successfully run a club. The various clubs were to be commended on getting in early and getting several of the best League players instead of them being taken from the Association clubs, which was instrumental in securing better support for the Association games. He (Cr. Dennis) could go back 50 years when Northcote Football Club used to play on what was then known as Plant's paddock. Cr. Johnson in those days was known as the best follower, and trusted the interest shown by the council during the past season would not cease in 1930, as they were all just as earnest to win the premiership next year as they were this year.

Mr. Geelard sang very nicely "Drinking Song" and had to respond to the inevitable encore.

The mayor (Cr. W. Hayes) said much had been said about the raising of the rate, but it had to be done. He felt sure the council as at present constituted gave a good deal of hard work to the benefit of the ratepayers. Perhaps they might take a leaf out of the book of the football club with regard to their popular lady competition and run a popular man competition so as to raise money. So far as the council was concerned they would do all they could to further the interests of the club.

The quartette party again favored with several enjoyable numbers.

The toast of "Kindred Clubs" was submitted by the Hon. J. Cain, M.L.A., who said he was sure no club would begrudge Northcote winning the premiership. When he was a member of the committee of the club it was their duty then to study economy, as they could not get the necessary funds to successfully run the club. Much credit was due to those who had worked so hard to bring the success gained after 20 years' battling. The Association had had a good year financially, but he felt sure had it not been for the depressed times they were experiencing it would have been much better.

Mr. Power (Port Melbourne) said he thought his team, when they beat Northcote in the final, would be unbeatable in the grand final, but they were satisfied that Northcote was the best team. He congratulated them on their success and made reference to the splendid work of their delegates, Messrs. Walsh and Trainor, on the executive of the Association.

Ex-Cr. McDonell, president of the Victorian Junior Football Association, also replied.

Mr. Semple sang very nicely "Take a Pair of Sparkling Eyes," and Mr. Fred Champion again caused great merriment with his humorous songs.

Mr. Stott proposed the toast of "Our Host." They all regretted very much the absence of Cr. Johnson through illness. He asked Mr. G. Johnson to convey to his father their best thanks for the splendid evening he had given them.

On behalf of his father, Mr. George Johnson thanked them for the enthusiastic manner in which they had honored his health. His father had been looking forward to being present that night, but acting under the doctor's instructions he had to remain at home. His father sent his congratulations to the club on their success, and desired to thank Messrs. Werreby and Krygger for arranging the musical programme.

The catering was in the capable hands of Mrs. Olorenshaw, of Normanby avenue, Northcote, who, with her assistants, left no stone unturned to attend to the wants of the guests. Words of praise could be heard on all hands on the efficient manner in which the catering was done.

The gathering broke up a little after 11 o'clock by the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" and the National Anthem.

Mr. Evans said he was pleased to be present and add his word of congratulation to the Northcote team. He did not think any club was more worthy of winning the premiership than Northcote, who had built up a good side, and who must be given some of the praise for bringing the Association more to the front. This year the Association had paid a record dividend to the clubs, viz., £179. He hoped the V.F.A. would make still bigger strides next year. (Laughter).

An entertaining juggling act was here given by Mr. Parry, which was greatly enjoyed.

At this stage the president of the club (Mr. Stott) presented Mr. Doug Nichols with a beautiful silver cup, donated by Mr. Proposch for the fairest and best player for the season. Mr. Nicholls had been with the club for three years, and had been one of the best and most loyal players. Mr. Stott also made reference to the excellent services rendered by Mr. W. Walker as time keeper, and Mr. W. King and his assistants as trainers.

Mr. Nicholls said he was very proud at receiving such a handsome gift. He had always endeavored to do his best for the club. (Cheers).

Mr. F. Trainor proposed "The Northcote City Council." In past years, he said, they rarely saw the councillors at their matches. They would go to the League games, and yet they had a club of their own. It was decided early in the season to wait as a deputation on the council and let it know their wants, with the result that the council had improved the playing ground and also supported the club throughout the season. This was not of a temporary, but of a lasting nature, and no matter what other councillors had done for their respective clubs more could not have been done than by Northcote. Cr. Johnson had been one of their best supporters, and on more than one occasion he had come to their assistance. Only that day a well-known resident of the city had asked him why another threepence had been put on the rate. He (Mr. Trainor) told him that Northcote were premiers and they could not run a club without money, but he did not see eye to eye with him. He

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QUEEN OF NORTHCOTE FOOTBALL CLUB COMPETITION

MISS FREDA NORTHCOTE,

Who was declared Queen in the Northcote Football Club Competition by the mayor (Cr. W. Hayes, J.P.) at the premiership ball.

WIFE'S CLAIM FOR MAINTENANCE.

CONTESTED CLAIM AT NORTHCOTE COURT.

Mrs. Alma Victoria Owens, Charles St., Northcote, sued her husband, William Owens, who gave his address as Humevale, Whittlesea, for maintenance.

The case was heard before Mr. T. B. Wade, P.M.

Mrs. Alma Victoria Owens, Charles St., Northcote, said her husband lived at Whittlesea. After the marriage in 1893 they went to live at Whittlesea, where defendant had 62 acres of land.

Mr. Lazarus (for complainant)—A sort of "Misery farm?"

Witness—Yes.

Continuing, Mrs. Owens said that whilst they were at Whittlesea seven children were born. After the house, which she helped to build, was burnt down, her husband got £150 from the insurance company, and they came to Melbourne. Defendant bought a lorry for £100 and gave her £50, which she put down as a deposit on a house in Charles St., Northcote. The balance of the purchase money she paid off at the rate of 12/6 per week. The property was purchased in her husband's name, and about 12 months ago it had been transferred to her son, who now demanded 30/- weekly as rent from her. All the time she had been in Melbourne defendant had only allowed her 25/- per week, and she had had to work to keep the house going. Defendant had accused her of infidelity, which she denied. When she asked him for money he had continually said "I'll cut your throat. You'll never get any money out of me." She could not work now on account of ill health, and she had no means of support.

Cross-examined—The last money she had received from her husband was £5 some three years ago, and this was when she withdrew an assault summons against him. Prior to that, and up to 1923, he had allowed her 25/- per week. Last January she became ill and since then had not been able to go out working or to keep boarders. She had started maintenance proceedings because her husband had transferred the house to her son, who now demanded rent from her.

Walter Owen, bootmaker, a son of the parties, said he had never at any time seen his father give his mother a "bob" for herself. His mother had maintained the house by washing, scrubbing and taking in boarders.

Victor Owens and John Owens, sons of the complainant, also gave evidence.

Mrs. Ruby Lancaster, Charles St., Northcote, a neighbor, said that about three years ago Mabel Owens came to her in an agitated state, saying her mother was being killed. Witness went up to Mrs. Owens' house and saw the defendant knock his wife down and assault her, and also cut her with a penknife. William Owens, the eldest son, kicked his mother whilst she was under a bed. The son William ordered witness off the premises and Mrs. Owens cried out "Don't leave me. They'll kill me." Witness went away and rang for the police.

William Owens, Humevale, Whittlesea, the defendant, said since last February he had done no work on account of ill health. He was living with his son James. He had about £100, which was the full extent of his means. His wife last cohabited with him in 1922. He began to suspect his wife's fidelity, and one Saturday he went to the house in Charles St. when not expected. He found his wife in a very compromising position, and saw a man leave the house. As a result he sent a solicitor's letter to his wife. Since that time his wife had never claimed maintenance from him. He had supported his youngest child (Mabel) until she was 14. He denied that he had ever paid his wife £5 to settle an assault case.

Cross-examined—He had not divested himself of his property so that he would have nothing to meet a claim for maintenance.

James Owens, Humevale, Whittlesea, timber worker, said he had been maintaining his father for about two months. On October 5, 1923, he came home unexpectedly and saw his mother and a man on a couch. His mother later introduced the man to him as "Mr. Smith," a carpenter, who had been doing some work for her. About a month later he told his father.

Cross-examined—The home in Charles St. had been transferred to witness. As soon as he got the place he sent his mother a notice that she would have to pay 30/- or 32/6 weekly for rent. He did that because he wanted the money, and not at the instigation of his father.

Mr. Wade said that under the section if adultery was proved that would be sufficient grounds for not granting an order. He was, however, of the opinion that an order should be made. The order would have to be a restricted one on account of defendant's means, and he was of opinion that defendant had disposed of his property.

An order was made that defendant pay his wife 30/- weekly, that he find a surety forthwith of £35 to comply with the order, and that he pay £1 9/- costs.

TENNIS.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND ASSOCIATION

Results of matches played in the Church of England competition last Saturday are as follow:—

A Grade

Holy Trinity, Thornbury, 59, d St. Andrew's, Clifton Hill, 50.

Christ Church, Brunswick, 64, d Epiphany, Northcote, 52.

B Grade

Christ Church, Brunswick, 66, d Holy Trinity, Thornbury, 43.

St. Colomb's, Hawthorn, 70, d Epiphany, Northcote, 38.

C Grade

St. Saviour's, Collingwood, 63, d St. Mary's, Preston, 51.

NORTH SUBURBAN ASSOCIATION

Following are the results of the B Grade matches played on Saturday:—

St. Andrew's, 72, d South Preston, 33.

Baptists, 67, d Returned Soldiers, 42.

Methodists I., 64, d Calcourt, 47.

Methodists II., 64, d St. Phillips, 18.

Croxton, 59, d All Saints', 49.

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Mr. R. H. Mohr, clerk of courts at Northcote and Preston, has received notice of his transfer to take charge of the South Melbourne, Port Melbourne, Brighton and Sandringham police courts. He will hand over to his successor during the coming week-

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NORTHCOTE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The [illegible] now conducted by the Northcote Horticultural Society, will be held on Saturday evening November 2, in the Northcote town hall (Westbourne grove entrance), commencing at 7.30 p.m. Indications point to a highly successful display. The season has been particularly free from [illegible] which usually hamper the efforts of the [illegible]. The suburban [illegible] have [illegible] been [illegible] produced some excellent [illegible]. Northcote members, [illegible] have been well to the fore [illegible] winners. Many enthusiastic [illegible] gardeners [illegible] the Northcote flower show [illegible] Saturday night. [illegible] for admission.

NORTHCOTE HORTICULTURISTS SCORE WELL.

Those [illegible] find [illegible] of [illegible] late [illegible] have been [illegible] few weeks [illegible] [illegible] display [illegible] Northcote [illegible] considerable [illegible] (Oct. 26) [illegible] Coburg [illegible] in the following prizes [illegible] Northcote: Open class, [illegible] Mr. Beatie; Amateur Class [illegible] roses, Mr. Firth [illegible], Mr. Bailey [illegible], Mrs. Ward; Firth [illegible] Three [illegible] Mrs. Firth. At the National Rose Society's spring show on [illegible] Wednesday Mr. Firth secured first prize for a display of roses. Mr. Bailey won with 3 bunches. Mr. Beattie won with six exhibition roses, and Mrs. Firth won first for a presentation basket of roses. In addition a score of second prizes were won at the shows mentioned.

Sports Gathering.

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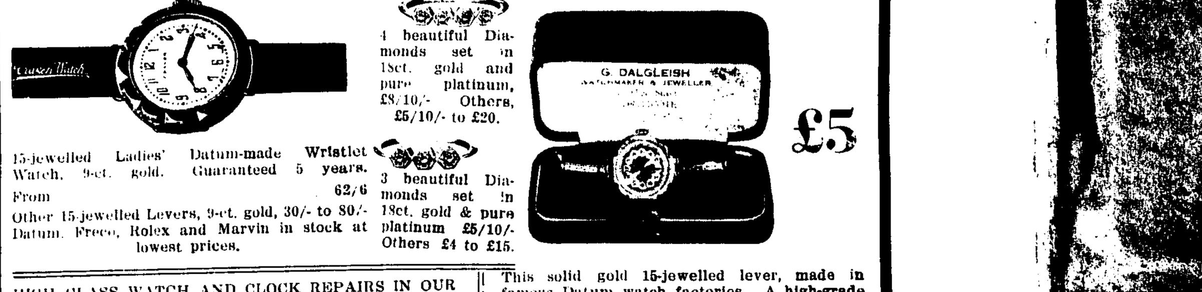

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Dear Cobbers,—The weeks are slipping by and soon all your exams will be on. Then holidays and Christmas will be on top of us. I have decided on a competition for this month, so don't forget to look next week in the Corner for it. There weren't many entries for the Message Competition, but that was perhaps because you didn't understand it. The winner is in this week. We are congratulating two Cobbers. Hurry up, boys, and send in your thousand, both girls, for gaining 100 marks, Phyllis Murphy and Lily Anthonsen. Clippings. Jacko is really in the dumps this week. Did you go to Henley? We did. Fluffy wore a pretty blue organdi frock with frills and a blue hat, and Jacko wore a sailor suit with cap as well. They both had squeakers and jumping balls, and Fluffy bought one of those feathered kewpies with a brilliant orange dress on it. Jacko had great fun running off and scampering over the houseboats, and once he even landed on the cushions under a parasol in a canoe. The lady squealed and frightened him, I think, for he tore back to land and never left me again during the whole afternoon. We saw some very pretty and ingeniously decorated canoes, and then I happened to see a friend of mine sailing about on the river. Well, we all joined him, and the Pets had such fun trying to paddle the canoe up stream. They weren't very successful, and did a lot of splashing, but they got tired after a while and were glad to cuddle up among the cushions, and later when I glanced at them they were fast asleep, so we paddled to the landing and went home. However, they made my friend promise to teach them to manage a canoe, so I can see some more splashings and duckings ahead. Look for the "Message" results this week and the new competition next week, Cobbers. I hope for heaps of letters from you all. Lots of love from

THE PETS and UNCLE PHIL.

BIRTHDAYS

To Stanley Pike (Nov. 2), Daphne King (Nov. 3), Joan Shiels, Daphne Elms and Ron Stone (Nov. 4), Phyllis Murray (Nov. 5), Harry Cameron (Nov. 6) and Kitty Kean, Alec. Murphy and Arthur Angus (Nov. 8) all the Cobbers, Uncle Phil and the Pets send hearty birthday greetings and wishes.

OUR MAIL BAG

Dear Uncle Phil,—Ginger, my little pup, got through a hole in the fowlhouse the other day to get some scraps of meat that had been thrown to the fowls, and the little bantam rooster and Ginger had a fight. They looked so funny. The dog was barking and the rooster was crowing and all the hens were cackling. They made such a row. The rooster pecked Ginger in the eye and made it sore, but he came out of the fowlhouse with some feathers in his mouth. Love from
(BETTER) Graham Harris.

Dear Uncle Phil,—It will soon be Christmas and we will all hang up our stockings for Father Christmas. I am going to ask him for a big dolly's pram and a picture book. I hope he brings Fluffy and Jacko some nice toys, too. Mummy says all the good little children get nice things from him. Love from
(GOOD) Sylvia Harris.

Rosie Goldstein.—I have written to you about the stories. Hope you received the 2/6 safely. The Pets send love.—U.P.)

Lily Anthonsen.—Congratulations on gaining the 100 marks. I am trying to obtain the book you asked for. Could you call in after Monday for it? I'm sorry about your wrist, and hope it is quite better now. Love from the Pets.—U.P.

Phyllis Murphy.—Congratulations on getting another 100. You did not say what you wanted. Please let me know and I'll fix it up. I like the Fluffy story. Love.—U.P.

MESSAGE COMPETITION

The prize goes to Veronica Comans for the message. Will you call in for the prize after Monday, Veronica, and it will be here waiting. Jacko thanks you for the message, and says it's only too true. We wish to thank all the other Cobbers who sent in entries.—U.P.

To Jacko:—

"Congratulations on birthday; but eating rare sweets can leave us billious."
(PRIZE) Veronica Comans

"TRIA" WEEKLY COMPETITIONS

Trias are a class of their own, and three constitute a prize. Trias cannot be included in your ordinary 100 marks. Each entry must be marked on the top "Tria Entry," so I will know they're for this competition. The subjects chosen give a wide range of things of interest—holidays, sports, camping, motoring, about the beach or country, anything about hobbies, games to play, about your gardens, and things that can be made by Cobbers. The best each week will receive a special mark, a "tria," while the other entries just get the ordinary marks. When you have three "trias" it is the same as 100 marks, and a prize will be given for them. So, Cobbers, go ahead and send in your entries. If you are taking the work from a book, do not just copy it out. Read it over two or three times, and then write it out in your own words, making your meaning clear. Start right away now, and let me see who will gain the first prize—a girl or a boy.

Trias, if original, should be marked "original" on one corner.

TO MAKE A SPONGE GARDEN
(Original)

If you are not lucky enough to possess a garden, and you like watching things grow, try this little experiment in your room. Suspend an old piece of sponge by a thread of wire from the top of your window. Moisten the sponge with warm water and sprinkle it with seeds. Ordinary grass seed, flax, cress or clover will do, which can be purchased very cheaply. The sponge should be kept moistened with water each day. A few drops is all that is needed. In a short time the sponge will be covered with green shoots.
(TRIA) A. Anthonsen.

A STORY OF WILLOW PATTERN PLATES
(Original)

I wonder do many of the Cobbers know the story of the design of these plates! Once there was a little girl called Koong Shee, the daughter of a Chinaman. She used to sit under a willow tree every day and dream sad dreams. She wanted to marry her father's secretary, who was called Chang, but as her father would not let her she ran away with Chang. In the pictures on the plates you can see little Koong Shee and Chang running across the bridge and her father chasing them. But he did not catch them, and they escaped to a little house on the other side of the lake and lived happily ever after.
(BETTER) Lily Craig

FOOTPRINTS IN THE SNOW
(Original)

Jacko and Fluffy were lost in the bush. Very foolishly they had wandered away from home one bitterly cold day, and instead of keeping to the road they had lost themselves among the trees. Tired and hungry and very frightened, they longed to throw themselves down on the snowy ground and cry themselves to sleep. Hark! What was that? Pitter patter, pitter patter! Someone was coming along. Hastily the two pets hid themselves behind a tree, Fluffy only peeping out for a tiny look. Nearer and nearer it came until it was almost past. "The witch! The witch with her black cat!" exclaimed Fluffy in dismay. Sure enough the small black figure, with a long pointed hat, was passing along the way, led by a black cat. Fluffy had always been frightened of black cats, and wanted to scream, but Jacko was braver than Fluffy. "Don't be silly!" he cried, "if you don't like to go and speak to the old woman, let us wait until she is a long way in front, and then let's follow her footprints in the snow. Perhaps they will lead us home again." The pets were very tired, but they set out bravely, following the footmarks down the hill, across a frozen stream, and up to a main road. The way seemed very, very long, but at last they came to the three cross-roads near their home. "Home again! Oh, I am so glad!" sobbed Fluffy. "I don't think we'll run away any more," said Jacko.
(BETTER) Phyllis Murphy

SIGHT-SEEING IN LONDON

During our holiday in England we did quite a lot of sight-seeing, and I think the most wonderful and interesting places we saw were in London. It took us some days to visit all the places which were of interest to us. One of the first we visited was the Monument which was erected to commemorate the big fire which swept over a part of London after the plague in 1665. The monument is erected on the spot where the fire started, near London Bridge. Mother and Father climbed up to the top and waved to me down below, because I was too little to climb up with them. There are some quaint inscriptions on the base of the monument. One was that anyone found beating their carpets on this stone would be punished. We also visited St. Paul's Cathedral, and saw the pigeons being fed on the steps outside. We also saw a lot of memorials in the Cathedral. After going through the Whispering Gallery, where a slight whisper against the wall on one side is distinctly audible on the other a distance in a straight line of more than a hundred feet, we climbed up a narrow flight of stairs to the Stone Gallery, from where a magnificent view over London can be obtained.
(BETTER) Jean Wills

OUR DOG SHAG
(Original)

Shag is a good dog and he likes to play with us. Sometimes he plays too roughly. He has a fuzzy tail. My mother calls him Shag and my father calls him Bluey. We bought him one Thursday when he was a pup. He is a good watch dog, and we all like him. If he sees a cow he runs quickly after it and bites its heels, and so he is tied up all day.
(BETTER) Howard Jolley

HOLIDAYS IN MILDURA
(Original)

When I went away for my Easter holidays with my parents to Mildura I had a good time. My uncle has a sheep dog named Bluey. One day some bulls (young ones) strayed into my uncle's paddock from a neighboring farm, and all he had to say was "At them, boy," and away went the dog and hunted them out on to the road. In Mildura the streets are not named but have numbers such as Ninth Street, and I thought it was uncommon to see them. There are a lot more things I could tell, but they would take up too much room. I was sorry I had to come away at the end of the holidays, but I might go up there again some time when I grow bigger.
(BETTER) Lawrence Agnew

MY FISH
(Original)

My birthday is this month. My mother asked me which I would rather have, a party or some gold fish, and I said some gold fish. She bought me four in a big bowl last Friday night. I have called one of them Spotty because it has two or three black spots on it; one Friday, so as to remember the day we bought them, and one 19 and one 29 so as we would remember the year. I was so pleased with them that on the Saturday morning I brought all my playmates in to see them. My little cousin has a white pigeon, and he wanted me to give him one of my fish for it, but I thought it would be better not to separate them. They take very little looking after. I have to feed them twice a week and change the water once a week.
(BETTER) Brian Mahony

GOOD LITTLE TOMMY

Poor Tommy had toothache—
He looked such a fright;
Pain had kept him awake
All through the long night.
Yet bravely he swallowed
The medicine, not nice,
And cheerfully followed
His mother's advice.
"Oh, better to-morrow!"
She said, and he smiled;
I wish I could borrow
Her good little child.
His sister brought sweeties,
He shook his poor head;
"You must eat them yourself,
Little Mary," he said.
His dad brought a parcel
A horse! Oh, what joy!
Said Dad, "It will cheer you,
My good little boy."
(BETTER) Betty Ryan

TO PATCH LINOLEUM

This hint may help mother. When the linoleum wears out in any spot, mark with a sharp piece of chalk the place you wish to repair. The shape of this piece should be square, circular or triangular. Cut it out as a pattern on a new piece of linoleum and cut out carefully. Put some hot glue around the edge and a little underneath, and fix the patch into the space. The glue will secure it firmly and also fill up the crack, and so prevent dust from entering the join. No nails are required.
(GOOD) Coleen Mahony.

INGROWING TOE NAIL

Cut as closely as possible. Then pour on melted mutton suet as hot as possible. Afterwards cut a very small V in the middle of the nail and scrape nail well with sand paper. If a child's feet are inclined to turn in, simply put the shoes on right to left foot and left on right. This worn for a few weeks makes the foot quite straight. Also the foot quite bare is good for a time after this treatment.
(GOOD) Beryl Lomas

A BICYCLE HINT
(Original)

If you want your bicycle to run well you must see that the chain is always kept clean. It can be cleaned with paraffin, but be careful that none of it gets on the tyres as it will rot the rubber. Oil the chain carefully afterwards with cycle lubricating oil, or brush it with a preparation of black lead.
(GOOD) R. Goldstein

A FLOATING COMPASS

Did you know that you could make a compass with a needle and a tumbler of water? First you must magnetise the needle by rubbing one end backwards and forwards about twenty times on an ordinary magnet. Now rub the needle between your fingers to give it a slight coating of grease, then place it very carefully on the surface of the water. It will float and swing around until the magnetised end is pointing towards the north.
(GOOD) Irene Whipp

THE FROG
(Original)

Last Saturday our mates and I caught a very large frog, which we had great fun with. When we would touch it it would croak and jump about all over the lawn. I got a large tin which I half filled with water and grass, and put in a piece of stick for it to rest upon. Each morning I let the frog out to play or hop about the lawn. Then I give it fresh water and grass each morning. I like to watch the frog swimming and hopping about in the water.
(GOOD) Ron Kopsch

SNAILS

The worst pest we have in the garden is the snail, and it is wonderful how much a snail can eat in one night. They seem to like the tender young leaves of seedlings and small plants, and always leave a trail of silver-like thread behind. These pests seem to sleep all day, and by the look of the plants in the mornings, they must eat all night long. We can go out at night with a light and catch them on a bed of seedlings.
(GOOD) Eileen Harris

HOW TO STOP TOOTHACHE
(Original)

If you have a hollow tooth which aches, here is an easy way to stop it. Take a long darning needle and make the tip of it red hot. A good idea is to first place a cork on the lanning end of the needle, as it will be too hot to hold otherwise. Open your mouth wide, find the nerve of the tooth, and put the red hot end on to it, and when the nerve is burnt the tooth stops aching.
(GOOD) Ed Bridger.

TABLE TENNIS
(Original)

Table tennis is an ideal game to play indoors, especially on a wet day. Only two can play at a time, but those that are looking on get nearly as much fun as the players. The game is quite simple if you carefully follow the directions that are given in the box. It is great fun trying how long you can keep the ball from bouncing on anything just hitting from your bat to your player's bat. I think table tennis is very helpful in teaching you to play outdoor tennis.
(GOOD) D. Harris.

WHAT IS IT?
(Original)

My first is in lock and also in latch,
My second is in loose but not in catch;
My third is in ear, also in hair,
My fourth is in den but not in lair;
My fifth is in sweet, but not in sour,
My sixth is in horse, but not in cow;
My whole is something we buy every week.
Answer: "Leader."
(GOOD) Irene Richardson

OUR CORNER
(Original)

Friday morning it's all the rage
To rush the "Leader" for the Cobbers' Page;
With stories, greetings, jokes and fun,
There's amusement for all, both old and young.
(GOOD) Dorothy Harris

STORYETTES

"Now, miss," said the constable to the lady motorist whom he had stopped, "the speed limit sign through the town reads 'Fifteen miles an hour.'" "But, constable," answered the lady, "how could I be expected to read it when I was going forty?"
(GOOD) Auty Smith

What did the window catch? A glimpse of its own sash.

If a poker and tongs cost 7/-, what would a ton of coal come to? Ashes.

Teacher: "What have you done to your eye, David?" David: "I think I sprained it doing sums yesterday."
(GOOD) Lorna McLean

Disappointment. "Hurrah!" cried Peter, dashing home from school one day. "Our school's broken up." "An' haven't you brought a piece home wif you?" said little Bobby disappointedly.
(GOOD) B. Kohn.

She: "With my hair cut I don't look like an old woman!" He (disgustedly): "No; you look like an old man."

New Servant (to caller): "Please'm, I forgot whether the mistress told me to tell you she was too ill in bed to see you or out shopping."

Mr. Karful: "We must widen the garage door." Chauffeur: "It's wide enough now—a lorry could get through." Mr. Karful: "Yes, but my wife got her licence yesterday."

Baby: "Ow, gluggy, moop." Nervous Bachelor (left to amuse baby): "I beg your pardon?" Baby: "Oooh, broomph, goo." Bachelor: "Er, pardon, please."

Gentleman with Soup (referring to orchestra): "This is being broadcast, sir." The Diner: "Really! I wondered why you were doing it so loudly."
(GOOD) M. McIntosh.

Policeman: "No fishing allowed here." Man with Line: "I'm not fishing. I'm allowing this worm to bathe." Policeman (returning): "Can I see that worm?" Man: "Here it is." Policeman: "I arrest you for allowing it to bathe without a swimming costume."
(GOOD) C. Webb.

How do you know that the earth is round? "We can see from the globe."
(GOOD) Roy Murphy

Economy. I have just bought an old Ford and I'm saving money on her as I don't need a speedometer because when I go 10 miles an hour the mudguards rattle. When I go 15 miles an hour the lamps shake, but when I go 20 miles an hour my bones rattle."
(GOOD) Ruby Kopsch

Why is a bath like a bed? Because it is what everyone likes and no one cares to be seen in it.

Mother (in the middle of cleaning): "Tom, did you bring all this mud into this hall?" Tom (innocently): "No, mother. It stuck to my boots and came in by itself."
(GOOD) Raymond Raphael

A Strange Sort. "Mummie," said little Essie, "Aunty Ethel's chickens lay fresh eggs, don't they?" "Of course they do, dear," said her mother. "Well, then," said Essie, "what sort of chickens lay cooking eggs?"
(GOOD) E. Eom

Quite Enough. Married Man: "Allow me to present my wife to you." Friend: "Thanks all the same, but I've already got one."
(GOOD) Clyde Birmingham

Too Late. "May I have the honor of the last dance with you?" said the worst dancer at the party. "I'm afraid you've just had it," said his partner.
(GOOD) Will Birmingham

Parson: "Do you know where little boys go when they smoke?" Boy: "Up the street."
(GOOD) Joan Wearmouth

How did you train manage to cook the dinner for you?" "Oh, you know, every ... cookery book was burnt."
(GOOD) Alan Murphy

"They were discussing the new member of the club. "He's rather fond to drink, isn't he?" said Jones. "No, it's given to him," replied Robinson.

When is a window like a star? When it is a skylight.

Why is the street you live in like the sun? Because it has beams.
Sallie Walsh.

Why is Sunday the strongest day of the week? Because all the others are week days.

Why does a sailor know there is a man in the moon? Because he has been to sea (see).

Why can you never expect a fishmonger to be generous? Because his business makes him sell fish (selfish).
(GOOD) Cyril Henderson

RIDDLES

Why is a school boy being thrashed like your eye?—Because he is a pupil under the lash.

What part of a fish weighs most?—The scales.
(GOOD) L. Anthonsen.

If a warship carries nine cannons and each cannon weighs one ton, what would the ship weigh?—It would weigh anchor!

Why is a sailor a bad horseman?—Because he rides on the main (mane).

What were the first words Adam spoke to Eve?—Nobody knows.

What miss is always making blunders?—Mistake.

What is that which you and every living man has seen but can never see again?—Yesterday.
(GOOD) Dorothy Upton

What is always behind time?—The back of a clock.
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WEDDINGS.

LEANEY—DOWNIE.

At St. Joseph's Church, Northcote, on October 12 Rev. Father Galvan officiated at the wedding of Mr. Benjamin Leaney, fourth son of Mr. and Mrs. Leaney and Miss Muriel Downie, fourth daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Downie, of "Ilanthe," Whalley St., Northcote, was the bride, who entered the church with her father, and the Wedding March was played by Miss A. Frawley. The bride was daintily gowned in ivory lace over georgette, the skirt falling in an uneven hemline, and the waist was caught with diamentes. Over all fell a beautifully handworked Brussels net veil, which was confined to the head with a coronet of orange blossom. Her bouquet was composed of azaleas, rosebuds, heath and fern. The trainbearer was little Miss Joan Leaney in a frilly sky blue frock of georgette, with Dolly Varden hat to match and she carried a basket of flowers. Miss Alma Downie was the bridesmaid, and wore a pale blue lace and chiffon frock, with tight fitting bodice and uneven skirt falling in draped folds, with a lace straw hat to tone. Her flowers were a bouquet of pink carnations, blue pansies and fern. The bridegroom's gift to the maid was a handsome handbag, and to the trainbearer a gold bangle. The best man was Mr. Len Hart. The reception was held in the Rechabite Hall, Northcote, and the catering was capably carried out by Mrs. Olorenshaw, of Normanby Hall, who spared no effort for the comfort of the guests. The bride's mother was gowned in navy satin, with lemon trimming, and wore a navy bankok hat with lemon tonings. Black crepe de chene, relieved with lemon, was the choice of the bridegroom's mother for her smart frock, and a black Leviskor straw hat completed her costume. The bride travelled in a royal blue crepe de chene frock, styled with tight bodice and flared skirt, worn with a tailored coat of beige and hat to tone. The bridegroom's gift to the bride was a diamond brooch, and the bride presented the groom with a gold watch chain. The couple left by car for Lorne, where the honeymoon was spent. Their future home will be in Robina road, Eaglemont.

JENNINGS—WARREN.

A very pretty wedding took place at the Prince of Wales Park Methodist Church on Saturday, October 12, when Ruby Evelyn, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Warren, of 17 Ballantyne St., Thornbury, became the wife of Sydney Raymond Jennings, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Jennings, of Harcourt. The Rev. J. T. Duggleby officiated, with Mr. B. Nash at the organ, and whilst the register was being signed Mr. Ben Moy Ling rendered "My Prayer." The church had been tastefully decorated by girl friends of the bride. The bride, who entered the church on the arm of her father, was gowned in white satin, the tight fitting sleeves being allied to a plain bodice. The fully flared skirt, appliqued at the hemline with large roses, fell ankle length at one side. Her toilet was completed with a lace veil, caught over the ears with clusters of orange blossom. She carried a sheaf of arum lillies, and was attended by her sister Irene, who was daintily clad in green georgette, with a hat to match, and carried a dainty 1830 posy. The best man was Mr. Clyde Warren, of Harcourt, cousin of the bride. The reception was held at the Dispensary Hall, where the catering, in the capable hands of Mrs. Olorenshaw, was everything to be desired. The bride's mother was gowned in black satin, relieved with beige trimmings. She held a posy of roses. The bridegroom's mother wore a smart navy blue costume. The bride travelled in a three-piece fawn suit, her hat and shoes en suite. The honeymoon was spent at Healesville, and their future home will be at Harcourt.

REPRODUCTION OF THE OPERA "MARITANA."

A reproduction of Wallace's famous opera "Maritana" will be given in the Northcote Town Hall on Tuesday and Wednesday, November 12 and 13, by the Thornbury Operatic Society, under the direction of Mr. E. A. Parker, professor of music. Lengthy and careful preparations have been made to bring this season to a successful conclusion, and all taking part are confident of victory. The principal part of "Maritana" the gipsy will be taken by Miss Iela Dunn, who possesses a fine soprano voice of good range and quality, and her acting is of a very high order. The character of Lazarillo will be sustained by Miss M. Barnett, who with a pleasing mezzo soprano voice will be sure to appeal to all. Don Caesar de Bazan, the impetuous spendthrift, will be taken by Mr. E. S. Parker, the producer. Mr. Parker has played this part many times, and is perfectly at home in the role. The character of Don Jose will be represented by Mr. D. Sykes. This role is one of the most difficult in the grand old opera. Mr. Sykes, who is the possessor of a rich baritone voice, should do full justice to the part, as his voice covers a wide range, and is brilliant in timbre. The captain of the guards will be played by Mr. J. Purcell, and a rich baritone voice will enhance this characterisation. Having recently played the role of the King of Spain with singular success, Mr. B. E. Gilbert, with his resonant bass voice, will be a decided acquisition to the caste. The Marquis and Marchioness will be portrayed by Mr. E. Skillicorn and Miss K. Purcell. The minor parts of the Alcade and the Boatman will be taken by Mr. B. Provis and Mr. B. McMahon. The chorus, consisting of soldiers, the populace and gypsies, should be an outstanding feature of the production, and elaborate scenery and dresses are being prepared for the presentation. The orchestra, under the conductorship of Mr. A. G. Finster, professor of music, will accompany the artists. Further notices will appear in these columns at a later date.

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PRESTON SOUTH BRANCH

The fortnightly meeting of the above branch was held in the Rechabite Hall, High street, Preston, on October 24, the president (Mr. J. Soldan) being in the chair. There was a good attendance. Among the correspondence was a circular from the Board of Directors entitled "Electoral Reform," setting out the proportion of electors in both city and country electorates, and stating that the board favored the principle of one vote one value. By resolution it was unanimously resolved to uphold the board in this regard. A letter of sympathy was sent to our secretary, who has been recently bereaved. One new member was admitted to membership.

At the conclusion of the routine business Mr. G. M. Allen treated the members to an intellectual and interesting lecture, his subject being "An Epic Story of Australian Industry," and that industry is MacRobertson's works at Fitzroy. Mr. Allen traced the history of this great industry from the time when the founder commenced operations in a very humble way until the present. By the aid of moving pictures the members were shown the processes through which the chocolates are manufactured, even up to packing and labelling. When one learns that all the machinery that turns out these dainties is made by MacRobertson's own engineers, and that throughout all the processes of manufacture the chocolates are not touched by human hands, surely it is an industry deserving the patronage of all Australians. The biograph machine was operated by one of the firm's engineers. Members were delighted with the entertainment and accorded Mr. Allen and his assistant a hearty vote of thanks.

At the next meeting on November 7 a rose show will be held, and prizes will be awarded for the best rose and best bunch of roses. It is also nomination night, so members are asked to attend in force. The annual smoke night will be held early in December, details of which will be announced later.

The passengers in a big sports car were having an augument as to whether they would beat a train to a level crossing. "Don't get excited," cried the driver, "I can do it easily." "And I say you can't!" yelled the man at the side of the driver. "The trains going a lot faster than we are." "Well," said the passenger in the rear seat, "I don't care who wins this race so long has it's not a dead heat."

NORTHCOTE COUNCIL

MONDAY, OCTOBER 28

The usual meeting of the Northcote council was held on Monday. Present were the mayor (Cr. W. Hayes, J.P.) and Crs. A. H. Oldis, B. E. Johnson, W. Glanfield, J. H. Green, S. Dennis, J. O. Hughes, S. Pinkney, A. McDonald, W. Olver, A. J. Cornish, H. F. Mitchell, J. Sutch, W. Turner and A. C. Beard.

CORRESPONDENCE

Stationary Trams Conference

City of Collingwood, inviting council to send representatives to conference to discuss stationary tram bylaw; conference to be held on Thursday next at 8 p.m.

Cr. Oldis: I suppose it will be just like previous conferences of the same kind.

Crs. Oldis, Dennis and Olver were appointed to attend.

Sale of Drainage Blocks

A.L.P., Northcote branch, protesting against the proposed sale of drainage land in the West ward by the council.

Cr. Hughes moved that the letter be sent to the committee of the council.

Cr. Beard seconded and said he hoped the council would change its decision.

Cr. Johnson said the council had considered the matter and should abide by the decision it had reached.

Cr. Oldis moved an amendment that the writers be informed of the council's decision. Cr. Glanfield seconded.

The amendment was carried by nine votes to six.

Erection of a Lamp

Northcote West Ward Progress Association, requesting council to give reconsideration to the question of erecting a lamp at corner of St. George's road and Kemp street, stating that the association was of opinion the lamp was necessary.

The letter was referred to the E.L. committee.

General

Municipal Association, re officers' salaries and adjustment necessary owing to cost of living figures for 12 months ended September, intimating an advance of £2 per annum over that of last year.

This does not affect the council as it is working with its officers under an agreement.

The letter was received.

Freeman and Co., desiring to know if the council will raise any objections to a factory for the making of buttons being established in this city. The buttons would be made from horns and little smell would be made.

Referred to P.W. committee, officers to report.

M. and M. Board of Works, intimating the period of maintenance had expired in connection with reticulation works in Hillside avenue.—P.W. committee.

Public Works Department, notifying that the Governor-in-Council had approved of petrol pumps by-law.—Received.

Same, intimating that the Lands Department requires a separate account to be kept by every municipal council to record the transactions of all crown reserves that may be controlled by the council, and requesting that steps be taken to give effect to the instruction from October 1.—Referred to officers.

W. C. Brown, relative to construction of Hartley street.—P.W. committee.

H. E. Seedsman, re lane Whalley and Glanfield streets.—P.W. committee.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Cr. Oldis (chairman) moved that general accounts £1902/15/3, street construction accounts £962/11/2, and accounts from Loan 21 £436/1/5 be paid.—Carried.

Newman street construction (part) and part of Comas grove.—That the plans prepared be adopted, and notices served on all persons to be made liable.

A. McNamara, application to erect motor garage at rear of property, 9 Campbell grove.—Refused, as the buildings on the land already occupy more than two-fifths of the allotment.

G. Armstrong, application to build on land 34ft. by 120ft., Gladstone avenue.—Granted.

W. B. Jones, on behalf of Chapman Bros., application to make extensions to furniture store building, Westgarth street.—Granted, subject to extensions being in brick.

W. J. and A. W. Meinhardt, re subdivision of land owned by Mr. H. McCormack, corner Keon street and Comas grove.—Subdivision approved, subject to usual conditions.

The foregoing recommendations were adopted.

Construction of drain along easement at rear of Oxford street.—(a) That the easement at rear of properties on the west side of Oxford street and the Westgarth State school, not having been made, plans for its construction be prepared. (b) That the owners of the properties fronting the west side of Oxford street, and abutting on the easement referred to, be charged the full cost of the construction of the proposed drain.

Cr. Dennis, at the request of Cr. Oldis, moved the adoption of this clause, and said a majority of the committee considered that the private owners should pay the cost, as the fall from that property was in this direction. The school yard could not be drained by the drain. The natural fall was to the school yard from the west side of Oxford street. The property from Oxford street contributed the drainage, and so the owners of these properties should pay.

Cr. Glanfield moved an amendment that the matter be referred to the committee of the council. Cr. Johnson seconded.

Cr. Oldis said the construction of the easement would cost £100. In all matters of this kind where land of the Education Department was concerned the council usually took up the liability of the department. The people concerned did not want the drain made and would never benefit much by it. In every case the council had paid the charges for the construction of streets along school frontages. He contended that the council should follow its usual practice in this case also instead of mulcting the seven or eight property-owners to the full amount of the cost. The Education Department should pay their share, as the drain went through the caretakers' cottage and also through the school grounds. If the department would not pay then the school committee should contribute. It was merely surface water from the Oxford street properties that found its way to the school ground, as all the roof water went to Oxford street. The Education Department had refused to contribute towards the cost. The proposition in the clause, he felt, was iniquitous.

Cr. Turner said that the Oxford street people were responsible for the water that flowed from their properties on to the property of the department.

The amendment was lost, and the motion was carried. Crs. Glanfield, Oldis, Hughes and Johnson voted for the amendment.

PARKS COMMITTEE

Accounts totalling £301/16/1 were ordered to be paid, on the motion of Cr. Mitchell (chairman).

Northcote and Preston Christian Endeavor Society, application to conduct meeting in Batman Park on Sunday, November 17.—Granted for one hour, subject to applicants accepting full responsibility for any damage to the park during the meeting.

ELECTRIC LIGHT COMMITTEE

Cr. Green (chairman) moved that accounts amounting to £2,078/19/11 be paid.—Carried.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Cr. Pinkney (chairman) moved that additional accounts totalling £653/5/9 be paid; also an extra amount of £34/10/3 in the street construction account.—Carried.

Land in Separation street.—That a block of land 14ft. 6in. by 315ft. 10 in. be sold to Mr. J. O'Keefe (owner of the properties on either side), at the rate of £3 per foot, the land no longer being required by the council.

Cr. Oldis moved an amendment that the matter be referred to the committee of the council for reconsideration. He said the price appeared to be low. The land fronted a main street and had a depth of 315 feet.

Cr. Dennis seconded.

The amendment was lost and the recommendation was agreed to.

ORDINARY BUSINESS

Cr. Beard referred to Stott street, and asked that a protruding pipe near the station be given attention.—Engineer to attend.

Cr. Sutch moved that repairing pot holes in Westbourne grove go to P.W. committee.—Carried.

Cr. Turner spoke of Hobson street, and said at Rennie street it widened. It would lend itself to making a nice avenue provided the cost was not too great.—Estimate of cost of planting the street between Rennie and Miller streets to be obtained.

Cr. Olver referred to lid over pit cover near Roberts reserve.—P.W. committee.

Cr. Olver said in Mansfield street a couple of pot holes required attention.—P.W. committee.

Cr. Mitchell said in the west end of Hawthorn road repairs were required on the slope of the hill.—P.W. committee.

Cr. Mitchell said a lot of metal coming off reconstructed jobs should be used on unmade streets which were in a bad state.

The engineer said that all the metal being taken off High street was being used in Derby street.

Cr. Mitchell moved that when Arthurton road was being reconstructed the old metal be used for the reconstruction of Turnbull grove.—P.W. committee.

Cr. Cornish referred to young men playing cricket on vacant land in Hawthorn road on Sundays. It was a dangerous practice on such a small piece of ground. He moved that it be referred to the police.—Carried.

Cr. Oldis moved that the Gas Co. be asked to lay mains in Hillside avenue, north of Mitchell street.—Carried.

Cr. Oldis referred to centre lighting in Vauxhall road, between Clarke and Bastings streets.—E.L. committee.

Cr. Oldis referred to garbage service in Ilma grove, and said the tins could be collected from the right-of-way at the rear.—P.W. committee; engineer to report.

Cr. Pinkney moved that path in High street, from east side to the boundary, be referred to the P.W. committee for report.—Carried.

Cr. Turner asked when the sign would be erected at corner of Hutton street and St. George's road.

The engineer said that the sign had not yet arrived, but he would hurry its erection.

WHITTLESEA.

Dr. F. A. Day has returned, having made a good recovery after his operation.

Mr. L. Elliot is making good progress after his operation.

The Whittlesea Agricultural Society has accepted the following tenders in connection with the forthcoming show:—Official luncheon, Mernda Methodist ladies, 4/6 per head, 100 guarantee; public luncheon, 2/-; soft drinks, Mr. Smith, Bacchus Marsh, £7/10/-; publican's booth, Mr. Millett, Commercial Hotel, South Morang, £16; brass band, Burnley Citizens' Band, eight performers, £7.

Late on Saturday night an eight-roomed weatherboard house, situated at Eden Park and owned by Mr. Sorensen, of Dudley street, Brighton, was burnt to the ground. The house was recently vacated by Mr. A. Rabone but was unoccupied at the time of the fire. The cause is unknown. It is believed there is an insurance of £900 on the building. The reflection was very vivid and was viewed by a number of people making for home after the pictures.

On Sunday morning Jack Cornell, of Helen street, Northcote, whilst riding a motor cycle towards Whittlesea with Arthur Partington, of 58 Helen street, Northcote, as passenger in the side car, failed to negotiate the turn in the road at the railway level crossing near Yan Yean, three miles from Whittlesea. The turnout capsized, throwing both against the railway fence. They were brought to Whittlesea for medical attention by Mr. Atkinson, who was passing in his car. Cornell escaped with a few bruises and slight injuries to his shoulder, while Partington was suffering from bruises to his head and injuries to his back.

As the result of an appeal for eggs for the Children's Hospital, 87½ dozen eggs were sent from the Yan Yean school.

CLEARING SALE AT ARTHUR'S CREEK.

Arthur's Creek was the scene of bustle and excitement last Thursday, when Mr. R. C. Dettman, district auctioneer, of 229 Collins St., City, and Whittlesea, conducted a large general clearing sale on the property of Mr. Dennis J. Murphy, a very old and respected resident of Arthur's Creek. Mr. Dettman had previously sold Mr. Murphy's property of 407 acres at a highly satisfactory price to Messrs. Lodge Bros., of Arthur's Creek. There were at least 1000 people at the sale from all parts of the Whittlesea and Eltham districts, and a good sprinkling from Melbourne. The sale commenced at 11.45 a.m. sharp with an offering of sundries, comprising all classes of farm tools, etc. The prices obtained were as follows, after much spirited bidding—230 c.b. wethers in the wool rising and full mouth, 22/7; 91 merino ewes in wool, full mouth, 60 per cent. lambs at foot, 14/-; spray pump, £21; black cow, £7/5/-; brown cow, £11/2/6; red cow, £8/6/-; chestnut horse, £9/10/-; bay horse, £5; harrows £7, waggon £7; chaffcutter £7/10/-; piano £31; new wire 19/- per roll; d.f. plough, £2/10/-; trought £1/17/6; saddle and bridles £3; dray £3; diningroom table £1; dresser £2/6/-; bellows £2/10/-; churn £1; chains £1/2/6; gig harness £1/2/-; scarifier £1/2/6; disc harrows £8; lamp £2/12/6; poultry £2/5/-; gig £1/5/-; anvil £1/7/6; vice £2/3/-; table cloth 15/-; wireless £1/4/-; field glasses £1/9/-; rifle £1/1/-; sideboard £2/17/6; pump £1/1/-; book case £4/2/6; copper and stand £3; d.b. gun £2/12/6; wardrobe and suite £2/12/6; card table 14/-; and hundreds of sundries from 15/- downwards.

NORTHCOTE COUNCIL RATE.

AN INCREASE OF 3d.

After a long debate on Monday evening the Northcote City Council resolved to increase its rate from 2/6 to 2/9 in the £ for the financial year ending September 30, 1930.

Cr. Beard, as chairman of the committee of the whole council, moved—"That to raise the amount required for the purposes of the Northcote City Council for the financial year ending September 30, 1930 (£66,506), that a rate of 2/9 in the £ be struck on the assessed annual value of rateable property."

Cr. Beard said that the council in committee had given the question serious consideration, and had found it necessary to raise the rate so that the work of the city could be carried on. With a 2/6 rate the council could not carry on, and it was with great [illegible] that the committee recommended that the rate be raised.

Cr. [illegible] seconded the motion.

Cr. Dennis said it was very necessary that the rate be increased. In connection with a recent loan the council would have to pay sinking fund and interest, which would be very [illegible] (approx. £1000 a year). Though the ratepayers would not relish the increase, it must be remembered that many of the councillors were large ratepayers, and would not raise the rate if it were not absolutely necessary. Twenty years ago the rate was 2/4 in the £, and few [illegible] how such a small increase [illegible] operating expenses. There was [illegible] that the rateable value of [illegible] had increased very [illegible] that time, and this had helped to keep the rate down. The council had also in 1915 started to operate its own electric light undertaking, and this had given the city good [illegible] lighting and cheap electricity, and had also enabled the council to make a handsome profit, which had helped to keep down the rates. It would be better at this stage to increase the rate slightly and keep on doing works than to cut down expenditure and reduce the number of men employed.

Cr. Pinkney said he was very reluctant to increase the rate. Last year the council had had difficulty in financing its works, and even with the [illegible] the council would have to keep a close eye on its finances to face [illegible] of the city's undertakings. The valuation was £[illegible] less than it was last, this being brought about by the number of empty shops and [illegible]. The extra interest and repayment on the £50,000 loan would now bring the yearly amount of interest and repayments up to £2,700 annually. Then last year the council had [illegible] to transfer £5000 from the electric light account to balance the finances before the end of the last financial year (September) instead of after it as was usually the case.

Cr. [illegible] said up to this year the council had always had heavy increases in the assessed annual valuations. This year however a decrease had been experienced. The council had conducted its finances from all angles, and it had been only after a long deliberation that it had tried to decide on an increase. It would be a false policy to allow maintenance work on roads to "go by the board" to enable the ledger to be balanced. Doing that would simply mean much very heavy reconstruction charges in the future. As it was the council would have to examine every payment to keep within the estimates. As soon as the rate could be reduced again the ratepayers could rest assured that it would be done.

Cr. Johnson said he was disappointed that the council had had to increase the rate. The need to do so had not developed in the past few months, but over the accumulation of the past [illegible] years. For several years the [illegible] works committee had been [illegible] warned to keep the expenditure within the bounds of the estimates, [illegible] great [illegible] the warnings [illegible] been disregarded. The public works committee's estimates had [illegible] £10,952 [illegible]. All street [illegible] with the [illegible] been [illegible]. The council would start the [illegible] £2250 [illegible] light account whereas last year it started with approximately £1000. He felt the [illegible] various [illegible] had not considered the [illegible] point of view of the [illegible] the council would have to pay £2500 heavy interest [illegible] the council to keep the expenditure within the estimates. Several of the items he [illegible] with. He moved that [illegible] a [illegible] be deleted from the estimates.

There was [illegible] no seconder.

Cr. Oldis [illegible] the recommendations were drafted by the chairmen of the committees, and the council had met [illegible] and had practically adopted [illegible] did not agree with the recommendation.

Cr. Olver: You were one of the young chairmen evidently.

Cr. Turner: You are the Old Man of the council. (Laughter.)

Cr. Oldis [illegible] that he felt that any items to be cut down should be luxury items such as the laying down of new tanks and the attendant increase in the expense. He realised the financial position of the council, and an honest attempt was being made by the council to pay its way and there was no alternative but to increase the rate.

Cr. Turner said he had no apology to offer for seconding the motion. Last year it had almost been decided to increase the rate. The Northcote Council was doing its best to keep its staff and prevent more unemployment. It was the duty of governmental and semi-governmental bodies to help solve the problem. The increase on the average house (rated at £20 to £40 per year) would only mean an increase of about 10/- per year. This would be a much fairer way to contribute to the relief of unemployment than to run appeals to relieve unemployed. Then all would pay according to their means. If works were necessary they must be done, and the council would have to get the money to do these works. He felt the Northcote people had no cause to complain about the rates. In 10 years the rate had only been raised twice. Whilst it would be unpopular to raise rates he felt it was necessary and therefore he supported it.

Cr. Green said he was one of the young chairmen who drew up the recommendations. The question had been considered from all angles, and the rate increase could have been cut down to 2d. but that would leave a shortage which would have to come out of overdraft. If the rammer Cr. Johnson spoke of were deleted (cost £301) very little saving would be shown. That machine would be used for attending to pipe cuts.

Cr. Mitchell said Northcote was now becoming an "inner suburb," and was feeling the heavier cost of attention to its roads and the heavier cost of constructing them. Northcote was one of the most progressive councils in the metropolis, and that progress could not be maintained without finance. He regretted the cut in new works in the parks, but realised that the council was doing all it could to curb expenditure.

Cr. Cornish said that the council should face the position clearly. Twenty years ago the councillors poked at hundreds of pounds and now treated thousands on the same basis. He felt the council should get back to a more economical method of working. They were living in a fool's paradise," in just the same way as during the time of the "boom." It seemed to him that the council estimated its proposed expenditure and then struck its rate to meet it. That did not seem to be sound business, as the ordinary business man would reckon his income first and reckon his expenditure later.

Cr. Sutch said that he felt the increase was inevitable.

The Mayor (Cr. Hayes) said the council would require another £1000 a year for interest next year. With a 2/9 rate the council would be within 3d of its rating limit, and they did not know what was to come in the future. Last year he had issued repeated warnings as to over-expenditure, and little notice was taken of him. He did now urge that the council watch every avenue, and keep the expenditure to the lowest. In the time of the land boom the valuations of the city had dropped by thousands of pounds, and the council almost went insolvent. He felt that in the future the valuations would drop, but he did not want to see a repetition of the "boom" burst. As far as plant was concerned he would like to see plant-making fund established.

Cr. McDonald said Northcote could well be proud of its streets. Many of these works had been done out of loan money and if the council was to carry on its essential services the rate must be increased. An increase in rates was expected last year, but the council was able to "stave it off," by not making that increase, and a number of works were not carried out. He felt the rate increase necessary, but he did not agree with the pessimistical note struck by the discussion.

Cr. Hughes also supported the motion.

The motion was carried.

NORTHCOTE FOOTBALL CLUB PREMIERSHIP BALL.

POPULAR LADY COMPETITION CONCLUDED.

A very successful function was held on Wednesday, Oct. 30, in the Northcote Town Hall to celebrate the winning of the premiership of the V.F.A. by the Northcote Football Club.

In addition to the general celebration of their success on the field, the management of the team considered the social side of the success of the year's efforts, and altogether the foremost supporters, their friends, and the friends of the committee and players attended at what proved to be one of the most enjoyable functions in the history of the club.

During the season a most successful popular lady competition was inaugurated, the principals being Miss Freda Northcote (Miss Northcote), Miss Harry (Miss Westgarth) and Miss Nelson (Miss Thornbury). These young ladies and their committee's magnificent efforts culminated in the crowning ceremony during the progress of the ball, when the Mayor (Cr. W. Hayes, J.P.) decorated Miss Freda Northcote with a beautiful sash as the winner of the competition and the most popular lady of Northcote for 1929. Words to this effect were written in gold on the crown sash, and gold tassels and fringes gave the emblem a most pleasing appearance.

From a pecuniary standpoint the popular lady competition was a resounding success, as over £500 was added to the club's funds as a result of the solid concentration of efforts over the past few months.

Much praise was given these young ladies by the various speakers during the presentations, and splendid reference was made to the extraordinary amount of hard work put in by the various committees associated with the candidates.

In a fine congratulatory speech the Mayor referred in glowing terms to the very practical support given by the citizens of Northcote to the team, and he concluded by exhorting all those who lived in Northcote to support the football club and so enable the committee to achieve another success in 1930.

The president, Mr. W. S. Stott, also spoke, and returned the sincere thanks of the club to the popular ladies and their committees for their valuable help.

Mr. Trainor, in supporting the president, stressed the point that it was mainly due to the magnificent efforts of these young ladies and their hard working committees that the club would achieve a success on the financial side as well as on the playing side in winning the premiership.

During the evening the pennant given by the V.F.A. was displayed, and its appearance evoked rounds of applause.

Presentations.

On behalf of the committee of the club the Mayor presented to Miss Northcote, as the winner, a beautiful silver tea and coffee service; to Miss Nelson a very fine chased fruit dish, and to Miss Harvey a handsome rose bowl.

The whole of the proceedings were thoroughly enjoyed by the large number who attended, and Mr. Les. Sharpe was cordially thanked for his efficiency as M.C.

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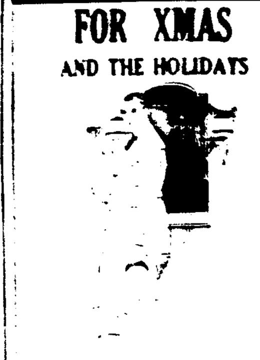
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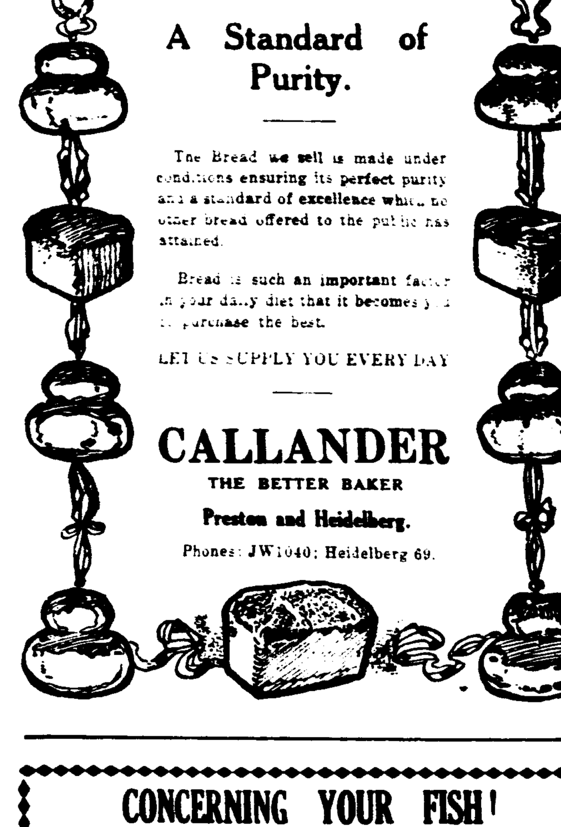

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NORTHCOTE v. CARLTON

Northcote, with a score of 252 from the previous week, carried on and with eight wickets for 262 closed, the not out men being Baggott 47 and Morgan 1. Woodfull and Summers opened for Carlton. Although the wicket was showing the effects of the rain, it was slow and easy. Chivers and Gibaud were the opening bowlers. Scoring was slow, 40 runs being scored in the first hour, when Summers was run out. Hastings was next and he was bowled by Chivers for [illegible]. Shortly after Woodfull was run out for 25 through a fine throw-in by [illegible]. The wicket was now drying and Chivers became almost unplayable. He kept a good length and the batsmen had to fight for it. When time was called Carlton had lost nine wickets for 112, the game ending in a draw. Chivers put up a very fine performance, his figures being 7 wickets, 27 runs. Scores:

[illegible — Northcote and Carlton score cards, Second Elevens, Club Elevens]

SUB-DISTRICTS

[illegible]

THE JUNIORS

FAIRFIELD v. FLEMINGTON

[illegible]

FIRST GRADE

[illegible]

SECOND GRADE

[illegible]

THIRD GRADE

[illegible]

JIKA ASSOCIATION

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MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION

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FIRST GRADE

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SECOND GRADE

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NORTHCOTE AND PRESTON

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S GRADE

[illegible]

NORTHCOTE AND PRESTON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

[illegible]

FRIENDLY SOCIETIES

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RETURNED SOLDIERS

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[illegible]

WHITTLESEA ASSOCIATION

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NOTICE TO CRICKET CLUBS

Club secretaries are invited to send in reports of matches for publication in the "Leader." Reports must reach this office not later than midday on Tuesday, otherwise insertion cannot be guaranteed.

HOSPITAL SUNDAY APPEAL.

The annual Hospital Sunday appeal, which is always made on the last week-end in October, was observed last Saturday and Sunday. The total amount received fell short of the 1928 effort by some £7000. And this no doubt was due to the inclement weather experienced on Sunday, which affected the attendances at the various churches and at the Sunday afternoon band concerts. The inclement weather caused the postponement of some of the church collections.

The receipts from the business houses and from employes were greater by about £2000 than last year, and this was brought about by a bigger field being covered. The individual contributors on the whole were smaller.

NORTHCOTE

	£	s.	d.
Church of the Epiphany	35	0	0
St. Joseph's R.C.	28	7	3
Church of Christ, T'bury	23	14	0
Pres. Church, James street	20	0	0
St. Mary's R.C., Thornbury	19	5	3
Pres. Church, Thornbury	17	1	0
Meth. Church, Prince of Wales Park	15	4	0
Holy Trinity Church and S.S., Thornbury	14	14	0
Methodist Church, High St.	13	18	10
Meth. Church, St. George's Rd., Croxton	6	8	0
Congregational Church and S.S.	5	4	5
Meth. Church, St. George's Rd., Northcote	5	0	0
Church of Christ, High St.	3	10	6
Salvation Army, T'bury	1	17	0
Mabel Murray's Spiritual Assembly, Northcote	1	2	6
Total for 1929	210	6	9
Total for 1928	249	0	9

PRESTON

	£	s.	d.
Sacred Heart Church	25	10	0
All Saints' C. of E., P'ton	11	16	10
Methodist Church, Regent	10	5	7
St. Mary's C. of E., P'ton	9	0	0
Presbyterian Ch., Regent	7	2	9
Presbyterian Ch., Preston	5	4	3
Salvation Army, Preston	5	4	0
St. Gabriel's R.C., Res'voir	3	12	0
St. John's C. of E., Epping	3	7	9
C. of Christ & Bible School	3	6	0
Presbyterian Ch., Epping	2	15	6
Presbyterian Ch., Reservoir	2	0	0
Salvation Army, Preston	1	9	0
St. Geo. C. of E., Res'voir	1	6	0
Salvation Army, W. P'ton	1	0	0
Church of Christ, W. P'ton		10	0
Total for 1929	93	9	8
Total for 1928	67	19	1
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BAND COLLECTIONS

	£	s.	d.
Salvation Army, Preston	4	0	0
Salvation Army, Fairfield	3	12	0
Reservoir District	3	2	6
Preston Citizens	2	3	0
Northcote Citizens	1	11	1

OTHER DONATIONS

Donations received from Northcote and Preston by the secretary of the appeal (Mr. E. G. Hicks) were as follows:—Howe and Co., firm £75, employes £22 11; W. Braithwaite Pty. Ltd., firm £25, employes £57; Clifton Brick Co., £7 10; Joshua Pitt Pty. Ltd. and employes, £44 14 2; Thos. Broadhurst Pty. Ltd. employes, £27; [illegible] Hutton and Co., employes, £25; Northcote Brick Co., works employes £17 [illegible], carters £6 9 6; F. G. Smith Pty. Ltd. employes, £15; Northcote City Council employes, £14 11 6; employes Glen Iris Brick, Tile and Terra Cotta Co. Pty. Ltd., £13 16; Myrl Shoe Co. employes, £11 2 6; H. P. Zwar Pty. Ltd. employes, £10 11 2; Northcote Shoe Co. employes, £10; Steinfeld and Nodrum Ltd., £8 6/0; employes Preston Quarries Ltd., Epping, £7 [illegible]; staff of Pender's Grove State School, Thornbury, £1 12 6; Leamington Masonic Lodge (Preston), £1 [illegible]; Loyal Preston M.U. Lodge No. 7589, £1 [illegible]; Thomastown [illegible], staff, 10 6; A.N.A. Fairfield and Alphington, 10 6.

Other donations have also been acknowledged as follows:—Henry P. Zwar Pty. Ltd., £15; Mr. H. P. Zwar, £5; Mrs. H. P. Zwar, £5; Miss E. Zwar, £5; Mr. Zwar, £5.

APPEAL IN PRESTON

The appeal in Preston for the Women's Hospital has been finalised, the result being £[illegible] made up as follows:—

Per Red Cross collectors: Mrs. F. Vann and Mrs. E. Bedson, £60 5; Mrs. J. Arthur and Mrs. E. Carr, £27 [illegible]; Reservoir Mothers' Club, £25; Mrs. F. Sheppard and Mrs. Cheese, £19 [illegible]; Mrs. Drinkmilk and Mrs. Knapp, £12 6 6; Mrs. McGregor, £1; [illegible] sold in city of Melbourne, £36 [illegible], total, £150 15 8. The Mayoress' Guild also sent in a cheque for £122 10, bringing the total up to £303 5 8.

The president of the appeal (Mrs. G. E. Robinson) desires to thank all ladies who helped in this worthy object. Mrs. F. Sheppard was hon. secretary, and Mr. L. W. Williams hon. treasurer of the appeal.

LIFE SAVING AND SWIMMING NOTES.

(By "Northcote Natator.")

Here we are again! The baths are open and we are at it again, and Old Sol promises to shine brighter for us this coming season and bake us like a well-browned scone. To the uninitiated we say "Sunshine is one of nature's greatest gifts," yet a good many things must be complicated and costly before some people will believe in their usefulness. In this case it is "God helps those who help themselves."

Leading investigators throughout the world are acclaiming "Get more sunshine," and "Take more off if you want to get on." We who find refreshment in bathing are not lacking in this regard, and it is just the sun, water and exercise which give us the vigour of constitution for which we are noted and envied. Hippocrates (400 B.C.), the Father of Medicine, used sunlight in treatment; he also believed in water externally, water internally, and water eternally. We are of the same opinion. With reference to sunlight, it is known that it kills all manner of bacteria and disease germs. As soon as we permit the sun's rays to penetrate the skin, the digestive powers are invigorated, the blood becomes healthy, and the disposition is enlivened.

Now, what is happening in other countries in this matter? Baths are being built rather faster than money will allow, so that persons may have unrestricted opportunities to participate in nature's beneficent gifts. Solariums (sun baths) are being built attached to covered swimming baths, also on river banks and beaches, and even in parks and gardens. Water and sun bathing are the latest cult and have come to say. Tan and brown are the latest fashion color.

Your own bathing place at Northcote city baths for men, women and children is available without many restrictions. There is no need to petition the Government or municipal councils, as we read in the "Lancet" (an English medical journal) of August that a deputation consisting of such world-famed men as Sir Arbuthnot Lane, Dr. C. W. Saleeby and Sir Alfred Fripp interviewed Mr. Geo. Lansbury, the new Commissioner of Works in the British Cabinet, pleading for extended facilities for sun bathing, and also for the wearing of bathing shorts. A special plea for a huge bathing colonnade in Hyde Park, London, was made. As a result, flat roofs are being erected on top of covered swimming baths and facilities are being provided wherever possible for the latest craze.

"See to your body," as the best brains of the world are telling us. Sunshine and open pores of the skin will make you feel that life is really worth while. None are too old and one cannot be too young. All that is required is a bathing suit made to fit. If you intend to swim or learn to swim, and your heart is not "ticking" as you would like it to do, see your doctor before you do so, but sunbathing is available at your local baths and there can be no possible objections to young or old. There are men and women in our city who have been taking a judicious mixture of sun, air and water for 365 days per year for years, and who have been called "Spartans" in winter and "Brownies" in summer." There is no need to use them as examples. Just try the new fashion yourself if you have not already done so. Don't forget this tip: Get the baths atmosphere and the smile of "Old Man Sunshine."

Mr. J. Fogg has been appointed baths keeper. He has received two St. John's first-aid certificates, the Humane Society's certificate (saved to date 137, in all clothes 32), the Royal Life Saving Society's proficiency, elementary, instructor's and teacher's certificates, the bronze medallion, the silver award of merit, and many trophies for competitive swimming, etc.

MUNRO STREET CONSTRUCTION

The Northcote council at its meeting on Monday, heard objections to the construction of Munro street.

There were five objectors.

Mr. A. Brighton said he strongly objected to the making of the street. The people there could not afford to pay for the work. The main drainage scheme had been finished, and with a little improvement in the drainage the street would, it was felt, be all that was desired.

Mr. Tipping said until the street was continued through to Wales street it would suit all concerned if the drainage were improved and the paths made.

Messrs. Guy and Smith and Mrs. Armstrong also appeared to object on the same grounds.

Cr. McDonald moved that the plans be adopted and tenders called for the work. There were twelve people concerned, and there were five objectors, two of whom lived on corners. The council was going on with a scheme of construction, and the street would have to be constructed at some time. When it was constructed the values of the properties concerned would be improved.

Cr. Olver seconded the motion, [illegible] said this street and Whalley street would complete the construction of the streets in that area.

The motion was carried.

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AN OPEN INVITATION

TO RESIDENTS OF NORTHCOTE AND PRESTON

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Plenty Motors, the local Ford dealer, [illegible] is not given with the object of stirring up immediate sales, but for the purpose of making the public familiar with the car's many points of attraction, and so widening its large circle of friends. The car as it stands to-day—the Standard Phaeton, for example—certainly is a commanding piece of mechanical and furnishing genius. The all-steel body, made in the only Australian plant that can produce bodies of this description, first wins approval because of its beauty and strength. The chassis is cushioned with rubber and fabric, which assists the transverse springs and hydraulic shock absorbers to make the car an arm chair from the viewpoint of riding quality. The steering wheel is of pliable steel compound, which is sensitive to the touch and therefore is more restful over long distances than the old style of unresponsive wood and steel steering wheels. Many sprightly-looking Fords of 1914 vintage are to be seen in Northcote and Preston still going strong, and they, as well as the Fords that appeared before and since, are a tribute to the durability of Ford products.

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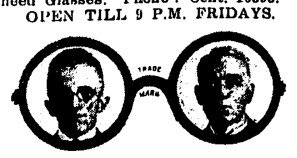
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That Fashionable Sunburn

So much has been said of the latest fashionable shade of make-up of cosmetics that this article should be of interest to our readers.

Have you realised that right under our eyes a revolution has taken place—a bloodless, if not painless, one that concerns very nearly the appearance of the whole world of women?

The modern poets seldom concert themselves with extolling the charms of the Fair Sex (the up-to-date young man is far too busy with his own thoughts and feelings), but surely some songster will shortly rise to the occasion and describe his inamorata in dusky terms that are best suited to the beauties of to-day! He need no longer complain of the insipidities of "milk and rose" complexions! The Feminine Contingent, so often described as inconsistent (perhaps only another, less-pleasant sounding name for being active-minded), have achieved a veritable triumph of inconsistency.

After striving for centuries to preserve their skins from the rays of the sun they have quite suddenly decided that thy can only be happy when sunburnt.

The ancients used various herbs and oils to protect their skins. Our grandmothers believed in the preventive and curative properties of milk, rose water, elder flower water, etc. The modern beauty specialist has taken every advantage of the recent discoveries of science with this same end in view. And yet, such a contrary world is it that smart women to-day count themselves back numbers indeed if they are not burnt as brown as the proverbial berry.

THE RIGHT AND THE WRONG

However, we are nothing if not thorough in these days, and "getting sunburnt" has been, like all else, brought to a very fine art indeed. There is the right and the wrong way of doing it. In other words, the fashionable sunburn must be absolutely even. Nothing patchy will pass! And it must also be a nice, warm brown. It is not a bit of good going about with a complexion of a dull brick hue and thinking that one is correct!

I need hardly tell you that to be "in the swim" it is not only your face that has to be a warm, becoming shade of tan. Arms, neck and back must partake of the same tone. Yes, certainly the back! Think of the low-cut evening dresses that Fashion ordains at the moment! A white patch towards the end of the V-shaped corsage would most certainly spoil the whole effect. That is why up-to-date tennis frocks and bathing costumes follow this same long line. A woman who has been playing tennis or lounging on the beach under a scorching sun will be burnt only so far as her neck has been exposed, with the result that the effect in evening dress would be most disastrous.

DO IT WITH COCOANUT OIL

So "how to get brown" is an intriguing topic of conversation wherever women congregate. Do it with cocoanut oil, say those who know, applying this both to the body and face before exposure to the sun. It not only helps the skin to brown evenly, but keeps it moist and supple, and prevents blistering. At all the fashionable bathing resorts abroad it has been on sale on the beach for some time quite as a matter of course, and modern mermaids anoint themselves, after the manner of the ancients, before taking their sun bath on the beach.

You might think from all this that every beauty parlour was putting up its shutters, that hairdressers all over the world were writing down their profits as "nil," that scientists (who have, I am sure, their eye on the needs of the fair sex when they are not making discoveries) are marking time. Not a bit of it. The science of beauty has one more branch that is all for—and here is a very valuable secret—the most becoming of tans.

CAN BE BOUGHT READY-MADE

Those whose life's work it has been to study the texture of the skin realise, you see, that, although acquiring the complexion of a Red Indian is an amusing hobby, it may be attended by disastrous results to the skin, especially if this be a delicate one. Beauty specialists are already including among their clients quite a number of women who fear that their skins may have been permanently coarsened by such rough and ready methods. Continued exposure to the strong rays of the sun may be healthful as a general rule, but where the face is concerned it is as well to take a little thought for the morrow.

There are now on the market many bronze make-up preparations that give all the effect of sunburn without any of its attendant dangers. Some are in the form of lotions, entirely natural in appearance, that do not come off on the clothing. There are two shades—light bronze for the face and dark bronze for the body. Another is prepared as a cream, blending so smoothly with the skin that the deep warm tint it imparts seems part of the skin texture itself.

Swimmers will be specially interested in a protective cream in the same bronze tone, which is absolutely waterproof, and which can also be used with advantage by sportswomen and dancers, for it is sufficiently lasting to withstand a whole afternoon's tennis or an evening's dancing in a hot, crowded ballroom.

Powders in the various sunburn shades have, of course, been in use for some time, and various new ones have lately come into being, in every imaginable tint, giving the final harmonious touch to the fashionable bronze make-up. So the lovely woman will experience no difficulty this season in looking as if she had been warmly embraced by the sun, even if her tan is in reality of the synthetic variety. The majority, indeed, will probably prefer to be burnt in effect than in reality, with an eye to the future in which a pale, rose tinted complexion will once again be the right thing.

La Mode has not been conspicuous for constancy in the past, and there is no reason to suppose that her character has undergone a complete change! It is not only politicans who can sit on the fence!

POWDER for Every Sport

What with the vagaries of Dame Fashion, I don't think I should be deemed a false prophet if I say that I really believe that next year every sport will have its own make-up and complexion powder in exactly the same way as it to-day has its own particular style of dress. The tennis girl, the golfing girl, the boating girl, and the swimming girl all desire to create the best possible appearance and have their different ways of doing it. For the tennis girl, for instance, the slight dusting of powder is generally a good method because it can be renewed with the greatest of ease, while other makeups would be inclined to run and smear. The horse woman whose face cannot be closely inspected can afford to make-up quite a lot. A bright color and shaded eyelids look quite well. The swimming girl goes in for a water-proof make-up of a rather more oily substance, while the outdoor sports girl, such as the golfer, should apply a thick layer of cream first for protection. Sunburn lotions and make-up powders will so doubt become a craze here, just as much as they have overseas, and when you get sunburnt you must change your powder. Having regard to all these different circumstances, a girl is apt to be rather bewildered as to the best course to adopt. I suggest that the best thing she can do is to consult her hairdresser, who should be able to supply a powder toning properly with the complexion and hair of her customer.

RUSSIAN BOOTS.

Russian boots, whatever our men folk may say to the contrary, do have their advantages. They do prevent silk stockings becoming soiled on a wet day. There is hardly anything uglier than a long expanse of silken leg generously spattered with mud. For some of us are such dirty walkers! If you haven't indulged in or do not care for Russian boots, then carry a spare pair of stockings in your handbag for cases of emergency. Wear, too, some darker stockings on wet days. The patterned silk and wool variety are better than thin silk when it is raining.

A FEW HEALTH HINTS.

If you bathe a burn or cut in peroxide there will be no unsightly scar to mar your skin. You must, of course, apply peroxide several times a day to complete the cure.

There is nothing more soothing for chapped hands than ordinary mutton tallow. Warm slightly to soften the fat, then rub well into the skin. A few drops of perfume may be added if desired.

A simple polish for your nails is made from one part lemon juice and two parts olive oil, well mixed. Rub on your nails and polish well with soft buffer.

When your feet are tired and sore soak them in water as hot as you can bear in which sea salt has been dissolved. For feet that are particularly tender bathing in alcohol is a relief. If pure alcohol is unprocurable witch hazel can be substituted.

When plucking the eyebrows do not make the fatal mistake of neglecting the skin. Apply a little cleansing cream and pat the open pores gently with a hot towel. By doing this you will avoid needless pain and prevent the redness which usually follows.

FRAGRANT HAIR.

A slight elusive fragrance in the hair adds a delicate charm to the toilet, but it should never be overdone. Do not pour or even sprinkle the perfume bottle straight on to the head. The best way is to put a drop of perfume in the hand, pass a clean hair brush over the hand, and then gently dab or brush the hair with it. If your hair is in a greasy mood and you cannot get it to look nice, just a sprinkle of eau de cologne or lavender water will do the trick and make it fall into pretty crisp lines. But don't get the scent habit, as the use of it is said to produce greyness if too lavishly used.

Beauty of the Eyes

Whatever color or shape your eyes possess is a matter that is quite past changing. But when it comes to clarity, brilliance, and youthfulness, well, that's quite another thing! Beauty of the eyes depends almost entirely upon the intelligent care you give them.

I wonder how many of you women know that after youth is past the tissue around the eyes relaxes; at first almost imperceptibly; later, however, to a marked degree. As a direct consequence of this natural relaxation, the eyes appear to shrink in size. Stop and think a moment of how many women of forty you know who have large eyes. Very few, I'll warrant. And yet large and beautiful eyes are quite common among the very young. They are, in fact, an accredited beauty of American girls. A beauty that would grace their womanhood if only they would take the time and trouble to preserve it.

A Wise Precaution.

As the first step to reclaiming or regaining the beauty of unwrinkled eyes and the strength of well-cared-for ones, let me introduce you to the fundamental care of your eyes—namely, washing.

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Magistrate: "What is the charge?" "Driving while in a state of extreme infatuation."

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NORTHCOTE v. CARLTON

Northcote, with a score of 232 from its previous week, carried on, and with eight wickets for 268 closed, the not out man being Baggott 40 and Morgan 1. Woods and Summer opened for Carlton and lost a wicket, was showing form, it was also raining, it was also a slippery platform. Proceeding was slow, and Gilbard were up. Scoring was slow, and in the first hour only one was run out. Hay was bowled and the wicket was bowled. Shortly after Woods was bowled for 28 through a drive by Gilbard. The wicket was difficult and Chivers became able. He kept a good batsmen had to fight time was called Carlton had lost 7 wickets for 112. Im... draw. Chivers put in a good performance, his 7 wickets, his maidens, 7 wickets.

NORTH... First Innings

F. Baring, run out ... 0
A. E. V. Hawkins, c. ... 0
F. Pescotto, c. Ford, ... 0
R. Vernon, st. Hanson ... 0
T. Gilbard, c. Hanson ... 0
J. Hay, b. Chivers ... 0
G. Hewes, c. Collins, ... 0
G. Garrett, c. Hanson ... 0
J. Baggott, not out ... 0
J. Morgan, not out ... 1
Sundries ... 1
Total ... 232

Bowling—Hawkins, 1 ... 7 for 112.

CARLTON

First Innings

W. M. Woodfull, run ... 0
W. Summer, run out ... 0
H. Hanson, c. Vernon ... 0
A. Hewes, c. Morgan ... 0
J. Collins, c. Chivers ... 0
H. Beal, b. Chivers ... 0
C. Ford, c. Baggott ... 0
E. Sutherland, b. Morgan ... 0
H. Parker, c. Morgan ... 0
J. Hawkins, not out ... 0
Sundries ... 0
Total ... 112

Bowling—Gilbard, for 28; Hay, for 21; Pescotto, for 18; Baring, for 17.

CLUB ELEVENS

Fitzroy A. drew for Sports 8 and 9/31, MU 106, 182 and drew for 10, Barlee 94.

SUB-DISTRICT

BRIGHTON v. ...

Preston, 88 and 8 ... (Hoyle 16 not ...) ... Brighton, 108 (Hoyle 4 ... Eastwood 14 and 1/13 ... seven for 48 (Ball 16 ... Jones 4/8. A. Spear 2/8.

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FAIRFIELD v. ...

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CHURCH OF CHRIST

Preston, 88 and 20 (Moulse 28 not ... Brown 16 and 9/31), lost to North Fitzroy, 95 eight (closed) for 48 (Tippett 21, McKenzie ...

Brunswick, 109, d. Fairfield, 74 and 10 (Murphy 4 ...

Thornbury 11, 68 and 29, lost to Chelwood, 187 (Miller 38, Wright 25 and 4 19, Cribb 38, F. Wright 35; Beal 4/16).

BAPTIST CHURCH

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HOSPITAL SUNDAY APPEAL.

The annual Hospital Sunday appeal, which is always made on the last week-end in October, was observed last Saturday and Sunday. The total amount received fell short of the 1928 effort by some £7000. And this no doubt was due to the inclement weather experienced on Sunday, which affected the attendances at the various churches and at the Sunday afternoon band concerts. The inclement weather caused the postponement of the annual Hospital Sunday parade, which is always one of the best features of the day.

LIFE SAVING AND SWIMMING NOTES.

(By "Northcote Natator.")

Here we are again! The baths are open and we are at it again, and Old Sol promises to shine brighter for us this coming season and bake us like a well-browned scone. To the uninitiated we say "Sunshine is one of nature's greatest gifts," yet a good many things must be complicated and costly before some people will

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SLACKS and STRIPES

SEEN AT CANNES.

We read in "Hairdressing Fashions," a well known London publication, that this wear the Riviera had a splendid summer season, and that quite a number of well-known people had been at Cannes enjoying swims and dips in the bathing pool at Cap d'Antibes. This pool, carved from solid rock, is a perfect joy to bathers. The water gushes into it from a lion's mouth. Beyond it is noted the intense blue of the Mediterranean, whilst above it is a super restaurant with one of the finest views in the world. It is said to be a very firm regulation this year that only bathers of faultless form and beauty were to be allowed to bathe in this pool lest the aesthetic beauty of the scene be spoilt. But all the girls and women who have bathed in it are, of course, beautiful.

Slacks and Stripes

Some of the new fashions there this year are amusing. Slacks for wearing over bathing suits being a new sensation. The backless bathing suit hardly creates a remark. A well-known English society woman was seen wearing a short-sleeved and blouse white tunic belted over a pair of shorts with smart decorated shoes and a hand embroidered sun bonnet. I suppose it will not be long before we see the same thing repeated on our beaches. So, ladies of Australia, please copy.

CHANGE.

When your doctor looks down at you through his eye glasses and says "Hm! My dear lady, you must have a change of scenery and air" you follow his advice, and no doubt find that a change is beneficial.

In the hairdressers' world there is frequently some new preparation which comes to light, or some new invention, treatment or process which offers itself. Why not try it and this have a real all-round change? Great strides have been made in special creams and lotions. It is as well to be up to date with preparations as with everything else, but one gets into the habit of going round in the same old way, and although our modern girl is supposed to be up to date, she may really not be as modern as she is supposed to be. Man or woman is a creature of habit, and many may be still using the old toilet aids that have always been used without waiting to demand "Is there anything better?" This "something better" might frequently be a great improvement.

THE VARICOSE VEIN.

Trouble comes to us all without discrimination—to the king on his throne to the kitchen boy in the scullery, from the society belle surrounded by all luxury to the household drudge. And of all the troubles with which this poor human frame is plagued on this terrestial paradise, the varicose vein, of them all, is the least respector of persons. They are ugly, bothersome and painful and they attack both men and women, and do not scruple to make their appearance on different parts of the body.

For you, Madame, whose legs and ankles are so naturally beautiful, limbs which we all admire and most likely which number amongst their admirers none more assiduous than you own self. How humiliating it would be to you, quite apart from the fact of the physical discomfort and pain, to have them marred with large blue veins standing out like whipcords. We will say, for instance, that when you are lying in a recumbent position no evidence is apparent that there is anything wrong, but when you rise the weakened blood vessels become distended by the weight of the column of blood, and stand out for all and sundry to see. Varicose veins generally make their appearance gradually, so that at the commencement very little attention is given them, either as regards their size or their color, and is is only when pain and discomfort ensue that relief is sought. Formerly it was necessary to operate on these veins in order to give relief. This entailed staying in bed for a lengthy stage, causing loss of time and disfiguration through the scars. The circulation around varicose veins is always sluggish, and varicose ulcers, which are so hard to heal, are generally the outcome of some slight scratch or injury. Our advice to you then is that directly varicose veins make their appearance consult a specialist, as these ailments are easily cured.

TIME THE DIP.

How long ought I to allow my baby to stay in his bath?

The dip in should not last longer than three minutes until he can sit up alone, and then five to seven minutes is ample.

SUNDAY SUPPER DISH.

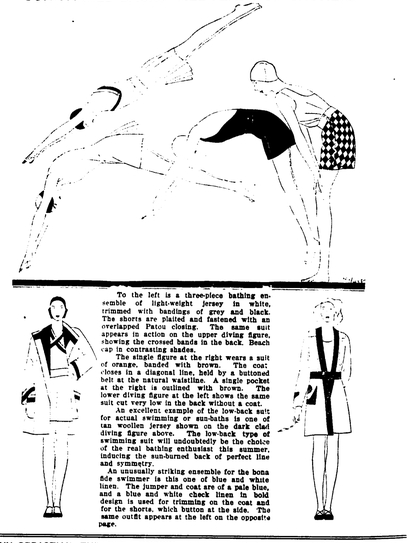
An interesting pudding for Sunday supper, called the Hidden Mountain, is made in this way.

Beat the whites and yolks of six eggs separately Now mix them together and beat again. Don't attempt to save time by beating them all up together in the first instance, for this is the most important part of the recipe.

Add a few slices of citron, cream and sufficient pounded sugar to sweeten.

Mix everything well together and pour into a buttered frying-pan and fry as you would a pancake. But it should be three times the thickness of an ordinary pancake. Fry for eight minutes and then it is cooked. Mask the pudding with jam and serve cold.

SUN-TANNED BACKS WILL FLASH ON BATHERS



To the left is a three-piece bathing ensemble of light-weight jersey in white, trimmed with bandings of grey and black. The shorts are plaited and fastened with an overlapped Patou closing. The same suit appears in action on the upper diving figure, showing the crossed bands in the back. Beach cap in contrasting shades.

The single figure at the right wears a suit of stripe, banded with brown. The coat closes in a diagonal line, held by a buttoned belt at the natural waistline. A single pocket at the right is outlined with brown. The lower diving figure at the left shows the same suit cut very low in the back without a coat.

An excellent example of the low-back suit for actual swimming or sun-baths is one of tan woollen Jersey shown on the dark clad diving figure above. The low-back type of swimming suit will undoubtedly be the choice of the real bathing enthusiast this summer, inducing the sun-burned back of perfect line and symmetry.

An unusually striking ensemble for the bona fide swimmer is this one of blue and white linen. The jumper and coat are of a pale blue, and a blue and white check linen in bold design is used for trimming on the coat and for the shorts, which button at the side. The same outfit appears at the left on the opposite page.

DOROTHY SEBASTIAN, THE WELL-KNOWN METRO-GOLDWYN-MAYER STAR, VOTES FOR SHORT HAIR.

"I used to have long hair when I commenced my screen career with Allen Terry," says Dorothy Sebastian, "but before we had done two scenes the director told me to bob the lot, and it curled all over my head because I was supposed to be a little tomboy which Alice was the self-sacrificing elder sister. She had long hair, you see. So I obeyed and found it so comfortable that I would never let my hair grow again. Since it was bobbed my hair has grown exceedingly thick, and my hairdresser has evolved for me what is called the Californian clip. The hair is parted almost in the middle, but not quite—just a little towards the right eye. It is thinned out a good deal for both coolness and to give the right effect, as it would look bunchy if all my hair had been left. Small ringlets are arranged all over the forehead on each side of the parting in a kind of band, and the hair is curled all over the head excepting the back centre, which is finger waved and cut to a point in the centre of the neck. About two and a half inches from the point of the parting pieces are also finger waved. I like my hair covering the ears because it has a much more feminine effect than ultra short hair has. Though I do not like the very short bob has its own charm, for my shape of face and size of features I find the long side pieces more becoming."

The Californian Clip Modelled for Dorothy Sebastian.

EVE'S BEAUTY TROUSSEAU.

Text-books tell us that mirrors will not can be utterly destroyed, but that what is apparently destroyed has merely assumed another form. Modern woman's trousseau is a good example of this.

Pre-war frocks and frills increased in number and size until they filled innumerable trunks, and then the pendulum of fashion reached to swing in the very opposite direction and they commenced to shrink and shrink and shrink. But Eve's beauty trousseau was not eliminated, and toilet aids help to make up for the deficiency of clothes, and when an article of clothing disappeared another in the shape of toilet aids immediately took its place. For instance, when the back of the evening frock made its exit the powder puff for the back made its entrance. Then came the sleeveless beach frock, and sunburn cream for the arms made its appearance—and so on. As Eve's garments gradually shrank, even to the total oblation of many of them, toilet aids in some shape or form became a necessity. From the pretty little curls to be worn with the old world evening frock, to the lip-stick to match the hue of the frock, or the sunburn powder to blend with the afternoon creation, the toilet aid must "go" with the frock.

From this you can perhaps more readily understand that the hairdresser's saloon and beauty parlor has become just as important in the guise of beauty and appearance as the model showroom and the modiste's shop. For it is only there that the proper beauty aids can be secured to weigh the light thousands of a few years ago to be well dressed was to be well groomed, but nowadays this can be taken in its more literal sense, as the clipping and polishing in the modern toilet is a very lengthy affair.

Modern life has freed Eve from unnecessary garments, modern avenues are open to her ranging from dirt track racing to aviation, and these have widened the scope of her activities, and in each new field that she enters she has increased her need for special aids. Nowadays you may travel light, but your make-up must be all sufficient.

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The figure at the right wears a black alpaca water frock, which is banded with beige. The coat of black crepe has a fan plaiting set in the side. The jumper has an inside brassiere. Coat and suit show above in reversed colors.

Above, the figure with anchors and nautical devices is a jersey ensemble. The coat is of navy blue, with brass buttons and a light blue linen sailor collar. The navy blue shorts lace up the front and button on to a jumper of white, with red-banded V neck.

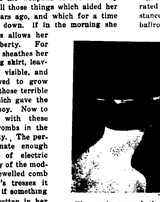
This characteristic and charming beach ensemble, which in certain tricot makes the bathing suit, beige pique the trousers, the whole topped by a coat of beige and cerise plaid taffeta. The big pique hat has a wide sou' wester back.

The upper figure at the right is a knee-length coat of mixed tweed, the jumper of red flat crepe. The black wool rep shorts button sailor fashion with a square flap. The smart black satin bathing box is rubber lined. Fisherman hat of jersey.

The Latest From France

Woman has now re-armed herself, and the eternal feminine has re-adopted the weapons of her armoury by taking for use again all those things which aided her beauty and her charm and which for a time she had forgotten she could do. If in the morning she is sisterly clad, her dress allows her movements a youthful liberty. For the evening, however, she stretches her figure once again in a long skirt, leaving her waist supple and visible, and her hair has been allowed to grow longer to make us forget those terrible days of shaven necks, which gave the wearer the air of a little boy. Low to harmonise the coiffure with these dresses the wearing of combs in the hair has become a novelty. The permanent wave is not ornate enough under the brilliant light of electric chandeliers, and with many of the modern evening frocks if a jewelled comb did not shine in Mildady's tresses it would certainly appear as if something had been omitted or forgotten in her toilet. This became all the more apparent at the recent opening of the new bathing pool at Evian, which was a veritable fete of Parisienne elegance.

The masseuses, who in the morning were showing off the most daring and beautiful of bathing costumes, appeared in the evening at the Salle des Fetes in some sumptuous gowns, and it was noticed that in each case the coiffure harmonised perfectly. Out of a whole multitude our correspondent has drawn attention in particular to one toilet of white taffeta and gold lace worn by a blonde whose hair was dressed rather low on the neck with a chignon of curls, lightly kept in place by a hoop of jems. A flashing crescent shone from the side of the hair of a brunette whose costume was in jade moire; the beautiful wavy hair of another young girl was held in place by two or three little combs of diamonds of a geometric form. However, one of the great successes of the evening was a collarette worn at the back of the neck and decorated at the back by a large comb in some black substance, with a row of big white pearls. In this elegant ballroom of the Casino d'Evian, animated by the veritable spirit of modern times, this fete, illustrative of the attire and finery being worn during the Paris season, has once again conclusively proved the importance which the ornamentation of the hair has taken to complete the refined ensemble of the more ceremonious evening toilet.



The curls around the neck are held in place by a flexible comb mounted on a silver wire.

A BOON FOR BATHERS.

There should be a large decrease in bathing tragedies at seaside resorts if a new kind of bathing suit, which has just been invented, comes into general use. This suit, although indistinguishable in appearance from an ordinary one, has special chambers at back and front, which can be blown up either in the water or out. These chambers are so arranged that a bather who becomes unconscious will float upwards, his head being kept out of the water. Swimmers who have tried to touch the bottom in these suits have been unable to do so. The inventor, a London doctor, obtained his idea from the air chamber that is often wound round a patient's arm to test his blood-pressure. A patent has just been granted for the invention.

The curl on the forehead necessitates the wearing of a barrette above the ear. The one shown is in diamonds and colored gems.

'Certain profiles require a side parting, with the ends of the hair slightly curled, and long pearl ear-rings lend a distinctive note to the ensemble

MENUS

Luxurious and Otherwise

The enthusiastic cook (by which I mean one who adds imagination to skill) knows that some of the most satisfactory savouries and soups are the result of ingenuity rather than expenditure. It is admittedly agreeable to top with plenty of cream and the most expensive fruits and vegetables, preferably those out of season; but it interesting and admirable to envolve an alluring finale to a dinner with things that are already to hand, and which easily might find a less dignified end if one did not use them with imagination.

Bacon, cheese, olives and sardines are among the things to which most larders give houseroom at any time. French plums or prunes, chestnuts and scraps of fish, poultry and vegetables are among the bonne restes which are intermittant inhabitants of the same region.

All these things lend themselves to the composition of excellent savouries in one way or another.

Chestnuts are, perhaps the simplest of all to serve as the final course. You peel them, roast them in the oven, and season them generously with salt and pepper and parsley. Add an orange-flavoured liqueur in small hot china cases and send them to the table.

A chestnut souffle is an interesting winter variant to the cheese souffle, which is always in season; although this cannot be considered one of the least expensive savouries because of its trio of eggs. A pound of chestnuts, three eggs an ounce of butter, a gill of milk and plenty of seasoning must be treated as follows:—Boil the chestnuts and skin them, then rub through a sieve; seperate the whites and yolkes of the eggs and melt the butter. Beat the egg yolks and add them to the chestnuts with the melted butter, milk, salt, pepper and paprika; a little celery salt will be appreciated by a great many people, this flavour being specially happy with chestnuts. Beat the whites of eggs very stiffly and fold lightly, but thoroughly into the well-blended mixture. Turn it immediatly into a well buttered basin and bake in a fairly hot oven. A few French plums and a moderate quantity of cooked dried haddock may be persuaded to join forces with very happy results. Stone the plums, which should have been previously been soaked and stewed if not sufficiently tender. Flake the haddock, freeing it from skin and bone and beat it with a little cream and a little red pepper until it is smooth and creamy. Replace the plum stones with the creamed fish put the filled plums in the oven long enough for them to get thoroughly hot, and then serve them on delicate croutons of toast.

Another thing that the clever cook can do with dried haddock is to make it into little round balls; but she must not be allowed to do this unless she really understands the art of preparing them for frying, and of frying them when prepared. The fish is freed from skin and bone, and pounded with a little butter, a little cream, and some very finely chopped parsley and a sufficiency of seasoning. It is then rolled into perfectly round little balls, which are brushed over with the beaten yolk of an egg and rolled in crushed biscuit crumbs or crushed vermicelli. These are fried in a basket in deep fat or oil, and can be decorated with tufts of long just before they are sent to table. Foie gras is usually most welcome when it is cold, but it may be spread on buttered biscuits and heated in the oven when this seems desirable.

Sardines simply served on fingers of toast or freshly fried bread are good. Sardines a la Piedmontaise are more elaborate, and also good. These are scraped and placed on fingers of fried bread and heated in the oven in the ordinary way, but the sauce which follows is poured over them when they are ready for the dining-room. Three yolks of eggs, half an ounce of butter, one teaspoonful of tarragon vinegar, one teaspoonful of malt vinegar and a mustardspoon full of made mustard and salt are the ingredients of the sauce. Beat the yolks of eggs very well, add the other ingredients and stir well in a double saucepan over the heat until the sauce is thick and creamy. It must be very hot, but it must not be allowed to boil even for a moment, or it will curdle.

Olive custards are made with one egg, one ounce of Parmesan cheese, fried bread, anchovy paste and olives. Grate the Parmesan cheese finely. Put it in a saucepan (preferably a double one), together with the egg and stir over the fire until it thickens. Fry the croutons, spread them with anchovy paste, pour a little of the cheese mixture over them, stone the olives and put one in the middle of each crouton. Olives may be stuffed with several different things, particularly with pounded sardine or lobster or anchovy. They look their best on these croutons when the crouto on which they are to be placed has a border of green; but when making this it is as well to ring the changes and deem the too-much abused parsley for water cress or some other agreeable herb.

Scraps of puffy pastry are invaluable for savouries. They can be rolled out very thinly and used to line cases which will be filled with rice or barley in order to keep their shape while being baked. When they are done these little cases or baskets may be filled with a mixture of mushrooms and tomatoes cooked into butter with a little lemon juice and a chopped shallot. They also make satisfactory receptacles for curried vegetables for or minced game and turkey, mixed with a little good sauce, and for cheese.

The discovery of a few slices of Gruyere cheese and some ham in the larder may suggest one of the simplest and best savoury sandwiches. Grill the ham and place a slice of this between two of bread and butter and cheese. Press firmly together and place in a hot oven for about two minutes.

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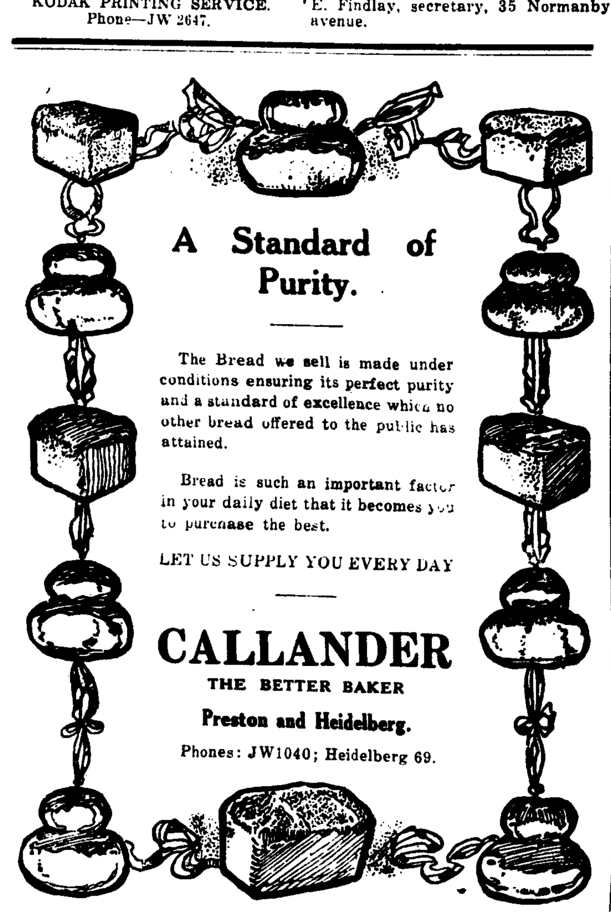

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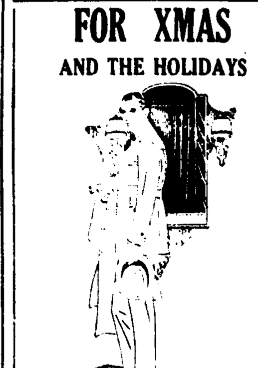

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DISTRICT ELEVENS

NORTHCOTE v CARLTON

Northcote, with a score of 232 from the previous week, carried on, and with eight wickets for 262 closed, the not out men being Baggott 40 and Morgan 1. Wood[...] opened for Carlton [...] wicket was showing [...] rain, it was slow [...] and Gibaud were th[...] Scoring was slow, 4[...] ed in the first hou[...] was run out. Has[...] and he was bowled [...] Shortly after Woo[...] for 28 through a fi[...] baud. The wicket [...] and Chivers becam[...] able. He kept a go[...] batsmen had to fig[...] time was called Car[...] wickets for 112, the[...] draw. Chivers put [...] performance, his [...] maidens, 7 wickets, [...]

NORTHCOTE First Innings

F. Baring, run out ...
A. E. V. Hartkopf, c ...
F. Fontaine, c Reed, ...
E. Vernon, st Hansen ...
P. Gibaud, c Hawkins, ...
T. Powell, c Collins, b ...
G. Heron, c Hansen, ...
T. Garrett, c Keys, b ...
J. Baggott, not out ...
C. Morgan, not out ...
Sundries ...

Eight wickets (cl[...] Bowling.—Hawkins, [...] none for 16; Warne, [...] for 75; Farrow, none f[...] for 15.

CARLTON First Innings

W. M. Woodfull, run ...
W. Summer, run out ...
S. Hastings, b Chivers ...
F. B. Warne, c Bag[...]
A. Hansen, c Morgan, ...
J. Collins, b Chivers ...
R. Reed, b Chivers ...
W. Sutherland, c Mor[...]
G. Keys, c Morgan, b C[...]
B. Farrow, not out ...
T. Hawkins, not out ...
Sundries ...

Nine wickets for [...] Bowling.—Chivers, sev[...] none for 27; Fontaine, n[...] none for 23; Baring, non[...] for 3.

(Match d[...])

SECOND E[...]

Carlton closed its first [...] for 314, and disposed of [...] Carlton thus won on the [...] Warren 24, McSperrin 2[...] tray 14, and McKay 12 w[...] and sundries accounted fo[...] for 48, Letcher, two for 1[...] 16, De Gruchy, one for 16 [...] 24, were the bowlers. F[...] cote lost two wickets for [...]

CLUB ELE[...]

Fitzroy A, three for 31[...] Sperrin 58 and 5/31, Mille[...] cote, 162 and three for 2[...] 58, Baring 24).

SUB-DIST[...]

BRIGHTON v [...]

Preston, which made 1[...] could not prevent Bright[...] the rain-damaged wicket. [...] 25 minutes to 4 [...] [illegible] certs [...] ship of more than 90 [...] ond last ball of the day [...] ning hit. Wilson made 39 [...] 55 (not out), and the sec[...] Bott took two for 39 and [...]

Second E[...]

Preston, 82 and eight ([...] er 17, R. Spoor 16 and 1/[...] Rooney 13 and 1/10, Un[...] n.o.: J. Bell 4/22, An[...] Brighton, 108 (Holton [...] Eastwood 14 and 1/13; [...] seven for 40 (Bell 16 n[...] Pears 4/9, A. Spoor 2/20[...]

THE JUN[...]

FAIRFIELD v [...]

In reply to Fairfield's [...] ington and Kensington [...] Porter scored 14, Cain [...] Heffernan 11 not out. [...] chances, but scored his [...] bowled exceptionally we[...] for 20, although he took [...] for 6 runs. He was [...] Ingleman, who took th[...] on, Flemington and Ken[...] well, making 31 for [...] again bowled finely, a[...] Fairfield won by 91 on th[...]

FIRST [...]

Dunlop Footballers, 9[...] Browne 29, Teasdale [...] 28 n.o.: Peters 6/45) [...] ballers, 136 (Corrigan [...] Harris 7/51).

Thornbury, seven (clo[...] for 47 (Nance 71 n.o., [...] d Moonee Valley, 33 an[...] Davies 24, Forsythe 50 [...]

SECOND [...]

Burnley, 176 (Watson [...] pek 5/20), d Regent, 73 [...] derson 20 and 39, Newb[...] Hamilton 5/49).

St. Ignatius, nine (clo[...] Preston Methodists, 109 [...] ker 32, Davies 30, Ma[...] 4/19).

THIRD [...]

Spensley, three (closed[...] 150 n.o., Tuttleby 109, [...] Wardrop House, 31 and [...] West Preston, 92 and [...] 21 and 6/22, Campbell 31), [...] (Groves 25).

Northcote Free Gardene[...] 44 (Dean 25 n.o.: Aiken [...] acy, 31 and 39 (Aiken 19 [...] Regent Juniors, 60 an[...] Hamilton 20) lost to Bark[...] (Mason 22 n.o. and 5/13, [...] St. Peter's, 89 and thr[...] R. Lee 27: Emerson [...] H.S.O.B., 83 and 78 (Wi[...] McColl 10/41, Davis 4/23) [...] Alphair Harmony, 31, [...] 9/21, L. Doyle 18 and 4/1[...] 36 (Johnstone 10/34, Ki[...]

JIKA ASSOC[...]

Darebin, 77 and five fo[...] tain 28) lost to Scouts, [...] Dinean 24).

Preston Footballers, 32 [...] Baguley 6/17, Morrell 4/[...] 105 and two for 9 (Tiv[...] Hannah 6/11).

Broadhurst's, 85 and th[...] 23: McLaren 4/26), d Pr[...] seven (closed) for 83 ([...] 4/30).

East Northcote, 200 (R[...] 29, Bassett 30, C. Maski[...] n.o., Gleeson 20, Wilson [...] 67 and 49 (Rowe 6/35, [...]

MUNICIPAL AS[...]

Northcote, 37 and 100 [...] 27: Pettifer 6/53), lost [...] and one for 28.

Melbourne, nine (clos[...] for 16 (Bentley 21; Bail[...] 50 and 48 (Griffiths 4/35[...]

CHURCH ASS[...]

CHURCH OF [...]

Holy Trinity, Thornbu[...] 237 (Boyle 60 n.o., Mo[...] Fitzroy 48 and 64 (W[...] Boyle 4 17).

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Preston, 55 and 70 (Mates 28 n.o.; Sharp 16 and 9/37), lost to North Fitzroy, 83 (eight closed) for 63 (Tippet 27; McKean [...]).

Brunswick, 199, d Fairfield, 74 and 70 (Archer 8 48).

Thornbury II, 93 and 29, lost to Chetwynd, 167 (Miller 26, Wright 25 and 6 13, Crisp 58, P. Wright 33; Seal 4 16).

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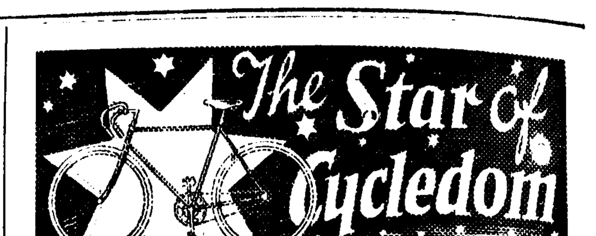
The annual Hospital Sunday appeal, which is always made on the last week-end in October, was observed last Saturday and Sunday. The total amount received fell short of the 1928 effort by some £7000. And this no doubt was due to the inclement weather experienced on Sunday, which affected the attendances at the various churches and at the Sunday afternoon band concerts. The inclement weather caused the postpone-

LIFE SAVING AND SWIMMING NOTES.

(By "Northcote Natator.")

Here we are again! The baths are open and we are at it again, and Old Sol promises to shine brighter for us this coming season and bake us like a well-browned scone. To the uninitiated we say "Sunshine is one of nature's greatest gifts," yet a good many things must be complicated and costly before some people will believe



OUR SERIAL STORY

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DIANA

By BERTIE WINKLER

The morning sunlight shone in at the wide open windows of Diana Parr's front room, and the breeze flapped the smart linen draperies back and forth. Diana paused by the window. Ordinarily she was not the kind of person who watched at front windows, but to-day was different. The other half of the double house she occupied was awaiting its new tenants.

The house was decidedly interesting—an architectural experiment—and it was the location which made it so expensive. It was so cleverly constructed that it appeared like two wings of a very large house built around a central court. The doorways were not matched like twins, and one of them was half-hidden behind a flowering gum that had somehow survived building operations.

A man and a girl, both of them tall, stepped out of a car which was of a cheap and rather shabby variety. They looked alike, somehow. Both were fair, both young, both vaguely untidy and carelessly dressed, and both were amused at whatever comments they were exchanging. They did not look, thought Diana, summing them up, the kind of people who could afford that half house. She was a little disappointed, as she had rather hoped the place might be taken by a fashionable couple, newly married. But these two people looked quite thoroughly married, and not too recently, either.

As the couple disappeared through their front door Diana found herself wondering how they would dispose of the rooms, so alike to her own; what kind of furniture they would have; what they would do with the big room Diana used as a nursery for her two small children, Peter and Josie.

The postman's whistle startled her out of idle guessing. She went to get the mail—quite a handful. Mail was always the morning's gamble. It was apt to shift life just enough to make it exciting, to cheer you up or let you down.

Diana took the pile of letters to her desk, guessing at their contents as she shuffled them through. There were a few invitations, and advertisements for a mannequin parade; and that fat envelope, gay with foreign stamps, was, of course, from Marion. There was an invitation to tea from the Bagots. Rather nice teas they gave, especially amusing if you went late, when the old women had gone and the men had begun to drop in. There wasn't so much tea after that!

Diana decided to wear her black and white printed chiffon and the new black hat. She really ought not to have bought that hat—it had cost four guineas, and she could not afford it. But hats were so important, she reflected philosophically.

The big envelope held a formal invitation for a dinner and dance given by Lady Brand in honor of her daughter, who had just returned from a year's trip abroad. Mavis Brand had been presented at court, and the newspapers and magazines had made quite a story about it. Not that it made any difference, but there was a glamour about Royalty and palaces.

Diana's mind swept on. She saw herself at the dinner dressed in one or the other of her three evening gowns, but none of them seemed just right or formal enough. It would mean a new gown.

At last she opened Marion's letter. She was having a wonderful time. It told of mutual friends she had met in Paris and London, of wonderful dresses and jewellery picked up for next to nothing, of theatres, parties, excursions. . . . . The rather bold handwriting seemed to prick Diana into something more driving than envy. Everybody was either in England, or on the Continent, or just coming back. She'd really have to go, somehow or other, or she would be so out of things.

The rest of the mail was made up of glossy advertisements of all the things Diana wanted so much. She wanted them so terribly that they made her feel restless and discontented. She wanted them until desire blurred with necessity. And yet she was irritated at being trapped by her own desires. The eternal quarrel between the things she wanted and the money she didn't have began again—the only tiresome, wretched thing about marriage.

She picked up the Brands' invitation and almost resented it. It brought up the implacable problem of expense. She resented the whole continent of Europe, its tradition, its beauty, its interest. If it were not there it would not be a challenge, and there would be no question of whether she could afford the trip and pay a trained nurse to stay with the children, and how she could manage to go on a good boat. There was, to her mind, no point in going unless one could do the thing properly.

The doorbell rang, and she heard a man's voice.

"A gentleman who wants to use the telephone," said the maid.

Diana looked past her to see what manner of person it was, and recognised the man whom she had seen going into the other half of the house. With his hat off he looked younger and more handsome, and much more untidy.

"Sorry to be a nuisance," he apologised. "We're moving into the other side of the house, and our 'phone is not connected yet. My name is George Clifford."

"Come in," invited Diana, and showed him the telephone. Then she introduced herself and hoped they were not having too much trouble in getting settled.

"Why, it's only just beginning. The vans are arriving, and beds and all the other things are being brought in piecemeal," he said cheerfully. "I suppose we'll shake down eventually—things seem bound to move to the right places, where they belong."

"That's hopeful."

"It's the only way to feel. I see now why trees die when they are moved."

Diana liked him. He was the kind who could say anything as if it were funny. He was easy and quite unhurried, and Diana felt that with a little encouragement he would not be averse to lighting a cigarette and settling for a little chat. Something in his manner made her aware that both she and her sitting room were looking very well. But that was no reason to encourage a familiarity that might be hard to shake off later.

"The hardy trees live through it," she said smiling, and pointing to the telephone.

His voice was resonant and he was apparently quite indifferent to being overheard. Diana found something to do in the dining room. She could see from the window that vans were being backed up the drive on the other side. She could hear the man talking first about his own telephone connection, then a shop, then he seemed to be talking to a friend. . . .

"Of course it is. Ann's fine, thanks. . . . No, skinnier than ever. . . . We drove down a couple of days ago, trailing the furniture. . . . We did call, but you were out. . . . Oh, yes, we found a fine place to live in. Can we come to dinner to-night? What's there going to be, because I really could not make the trip for liver. Ann said to tell you that she won't be very clean. . . . No. . . . The kids aren't here yet; Nan has them in charge. Thanks. . . . Yes, we saw him in Italy in February. . . . I had to come home to earn some money, that's why. . . ."

Diana did not hear much more. Most of the conversation was now coming from the other end of the line. So they had children, she reflected, and wondered how many. She re-appeared to let him out and receive his thanks.

To run a house and two children as expertly as Diana did, with only one maid and a young girl to look after the children during the afternoons, required some skill. The children were at that age when too young to attend school proper, but they went to one of those establishments which cater for children of well-to-do folk, where skipping and singing and self-expression were costly things to learn; but Diana felt it was a good investment to keep them there. But nothing about Diana's house was disorderly or neglected. Meals, housework, everything ran by clockwork, and even the children were somehow made to fit this orderly scheme.

Diana brought up the matter of the Cliffords at dinner, the classic time for marital discussion. She had been out for lunch and bridge, and when she returned the moving vans had gone but the small car still lurched against the kerb, and as she swung her own past it she saw that someone had left an orange and crumpled newspaper on the seat. Some wisps of sacking were drifting on the lawn, and Diana could see the outline of the furniture through the uncurtained window. She could guess at the confusion next door, and she suspected that the new tenants were not too capable of straightening it out.

When they were dining alone Diana considered they should not indulge in the expensive cuts of meat, so they had bony chops. They had been somewhat indifferently cooked. But on Saturday night the Parrs had entertained at dinner, and the strain on the kitchen had been excessive, so Diana was willing to overlook some lapses now. After all, the nourishment was there, although slightly scorched.

"Some people have moved into the other side of the house," she said.

"It's a wonder," said Douglas Parr; "the rent's so blooming high, enough to scare anyone away."

"They don't look like the sort of people who can afford it."

"Probably they can't, and neither can we."

There was something like haste in Douglas' manner, as if the words were trying to catch each other. Perhaps it was because he was successful, and hurrying to become more so. He had to be. He looked at his wife and smiled at the touch of irony. A flash of admiration passed between them. She liked his thin, faintly tired face, with the clean features and shrewd eyes that could see around obstacles. There was no defeat in his face.

And Douglas found his wife altogether admirable, not only because of the prettily-poised head, and the softly rich color in her cheeks, but because he knew her mind could set a pace for his. She could put things over, and it was that knowledge that made him put his guard up as he had done in the last statement. She had taught him that marriage was an enterprise which needed constantly increasing investment. It was good business to put the money up reluctantly, even though it would always come to that in the end.

If one had planned and thought more romantically of life with Diana, of being a husband and a father, that attitude had been imperceptibly merged into the present one. As she often said, and he quite agreed, it took brains and hard work to manage a marriage. Diana worked hard. Sometimes, vaguely, Douglas wished she did not have to keep at it so steadily.

"What are they like?"

Diana shook her head. "Kind of Messy—the temperamental kind. They eat oranges when they go motoring, and do without rugs, and spend winters in Italy. He might be amusing. I only saw her through the window, and she did not look up to much."

"We don't have to see more of them than we want to."

"They have children, too."

"That will be nice for our kids."

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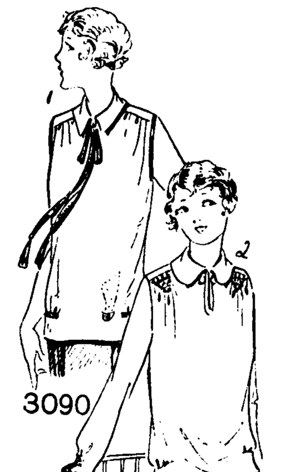

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THE BANK OVERDRAFT.

By RADCLIFFE MARTIN.

I always liked Carter. He was a person of a happy disposition. He always looked on the bright side. Once, when we were in a shell hole near Lens, with Germans all round us bombing, machine guns almost making a lead roof to the shell hole, no food or prospect of getting any, and little ammunition, Carter turned to me and said: "Well, thirst won't bother us here." (It wouldn't, as there was about two feet of water in the hole.) "And isn't it a comfort, old man, to get a day away from that damn adjutant"

Well, I was invalided out through trench fever, and Carter left the Army with a pension, the M.C., and a dicky left arm. Carter was quite happy. "It would have taken me till I was sixty," he said, "to save enough to give me a pension of a hundred a year." (Between ourselves, it would have taken him till he was six hundred.) "And what's the matter with a dicky left arm? I can always cuddle a girl far better with my right."

Well, one day Carter dropped into my rooms and said, "Old chap, I'm in a bit of a fix. I've an overdraft at my bank of £60."

"Which bank?" I asked. "If I get a couple of pounds overdrawn there's a wretched fuss. I'll move my account."

"The Kingsway branch of the Suburban Bank. I'll introduce you to the manager if you like."

I shook my head. I did not exactly see that Carter's introduction would be a help.

"Well, the overdraft doesn't bother me. They write every week, and I reply to the manager very nicely:

"'My Dear Mr. Smith,—Many thanks for your courteous note, which shall have my attention at the earliest possible moment. Aren't we having wretched weather? I sincerely hope that it does not make your rheumatism worse. With kindest regards,

"'Yours very sincerely,

"'Eric Carter.'

"You know, I think a friendly letter at that kind helps."

"How did you get the overdraft in the first place?" I asked in the interests of scientific inquiry.

"Oh, I think they made a mistake and mixed me up with someone else. Anyhow, they started writing directly they found out. But let 'em write. I don't mind. Only I think in these days of extra postage they ought to enclose stamped envelopes for reply. However, that's not the point. You see, old man, I'm in love."

"This is tragic," I said, trying to recall how many love affairs Carter had confided to me. There was the general's daughter at the training camp, the barmaid at Folkestone, the Maire's daughter at Aubigny, two—or was it three?—hospital nurses, besides a few he had met since his return to London.

"She's a girl on the bank staff," continued Carter. "Her father is a stockbroker, and a director of the bank. He has simply pots of money, and she's the only child."

"This seems like sound business."

"Well, of course, I got to talking to her across the bank counter. Very nice girl she was. After a bit I offered to take her out to lunch. She came like a bird of course, she's queer in one way. She's one of these independent and business-like women. She always will pay her share of everything. Pays for her own lunch. Even when I've taken her to a matinee she's paid her share. It's the new spirit, you know."

"Splendid," I said approvingly. "I wish the new spirit had started a bit earlier, though. It would have saved me hundreds of pounds."

"Well we get on very well. Of course, there isn't any chance of getting too friendly in tea shops and restaurants, and her old father always calls to take her home at night. You see, I can't do much more than squeeze her hand. I kissed her once in an A.B.C. shop when the electric light went off. She told me never to do it again. What would you take that to mean?"

"Don't ask me. They always tell you not to do it again. It may mean 'Kiss me harder next time,' or it may mean 'I can't bear the sight of you.' You never can tell what is at the back of a womans' mind."

"Well, I'm going to pop the question to her even if I do it in an A.B.C. with the waitress listening; but before I do it I've got to square up that overdraft. I know she knows about it. She's always giving me good advice about being careful with my money; and, of course, being a woman, she's looked up my account. Don't you see, if I propose now it looks as if I were out for her money. Now I must get square—nicely square—so I can show myself quite independent. Then I'll propose right away.

"Look here," I said, "if you can arrange me an overdraft for £95 at that nice bank of yours I'll lend you a hundred. How will that do?"

"Dear old top," said Carter, "do you think I'd borrow from you if you had anything to lend? I just wanted to talk over likely people who might lend a hand."

"There are a lot of people who will lend a hand who'll never lend a hundred."

"I want five hundred."

"Five hundred?" I exclaimed.

"Yes; a hundred to square the bank and buy the engagement ring, and £400 to settle on the girl. You see, that old stockbroker would be impressed if I went to him and said, 'I'm a poor man. I've only a pension of a hundred and £100 in the bank; but I'm prepared to settle it all on your daughter.'"

"What about Burgoyne? He's rich."

"No good. He's married and has had twins, and his wife has insisted on entering them for Eton already. He says it will take him everything he can save for the next ten years to educate those twins."

"Wilson?"

"Wilson say's he can't afford to lend without security. He won't see that there couldn't be any better security than a father-in-law worth a quarter of a million."

"You see, the weak point is that you haven't got the father-in-law yet. Oh, I have it, Binns! You remember Binns, surely? He was in the Shell with us at school."

"Oh, yes; the chap who was always making revolving cages worked by white mice?"

"He's head of Binns Aircraft Limited, now he's pots of money. He just wallows in it. He was a good sort, too. If you'd put your case to him as a wounded hero and an old schoolfellow, I'm sure Binns would stump up."

"Not so much of the wounded hero. It wasn't my fault I was wounded. I dodged hard enough. Still, as an old school pal he might. We'll go and see him at once."

"We?" I exclaimed.

"Yes, you can do the talking. It isn't for me to brag about my chances. Bad form, you know, and all that. Besides, you can tell the tale. The old colonel always believed you when you explained how you'd overstayed your leave. We'll get a taxi at once. I'll pay for it. All expenses of this job are on me. Just lend me a quid, old man I'm rather broke to-day."

In five minutes we were on our way to the Binns Aircraft Works. When we arrived it seemed something like a town of factories.

"There's a lot more than five hundred quids' worth here," said Carter cheerfully.

When we entered the office the commissionaire almost fainted at the idea of anyone seeing Mr. Binns. We revived him by pressing five shillings into his hand, but even then he was firm.

"Mr. Binns, gentlemen, can't see no one without an arranged appointment. If you could wire him and get an appointment now!"

I thought we were done, but Carter said.

"I don't think you quite understand, my man. Tell Mr. Binns that Captain Bates and Lieutenant Carter from the Aircraft Board must see him at once."

The commissionaire bowed and departed.

In five minutes he returned and led us through an outer office full of flappers, then through an inner office full of bald headed men and spectacled females, then through a kind of den where a secretary sat positively engulfed in papers, and finally into the holy of holies, where poor old Binns sat dictating letters into a dictaphone while telephone bells jingled round him.

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About 5000 people met McLeod outside the premises of Bruce Small and Co. Pty. Ltd., in Elizabeth St., and cheered him enthusiastically. McLeod's performance is more creditable when it is considered that Kux in 1897 followed a route 26 miles shorter than that taken by McLeod. Kux was paced over a long stage of the trip, but McLeod rode unassisted.

McLeod had intended before he started to ride to a 49 hours' schedule, but before he had covered 50 miles it was realised that he was building up a large time reserve on that schedule. Officials considered that he would be unable to maintain the pace which he set early in the ride. McLeod, however, did not even take full advantage of the rests and stops which had been provided for. About 6 hours 40 minutes was allowed on the schedule for rest and refreshment, but McLeod took only a little more than five hours. His actual riding time was, therefore, about 36 hours 16 minutes.

Near Lake Bolac, which was reached about half-past [illegible] o'clock on Saturday morning, McLeod began to feel the strain of riding thorugh the darkness, and turned off into a side track. He rode among some sheep and fell. He profited by the lesson, and with the help of the officials, who sang to keep him awake, he was soon riding as strongly as ever. Near Ballarat he was met by several club mates, who greeted him and then followed behind the official car. A crowd of more than 1000 cheered McLeod at the North Melbourne railway station.

McLeod also holds the Sydney to Melbourne record of 47 hours 46 minutes, which he made in November last year.

STATIONARY TRAMS BY-LAW

DIFFERENT LAWS CAUSE CONFUSION

Motorists are keenly interested in the revival of the old question: "Should cars stop behind stationary trams?"

Some municipalities insist that they should, and others are equally firm that this regulation is likely to cause more accidents than it prevents.

Everyone agrees that the lack of uniformity in municipal by-laws in this respect is bewildering to motorists, and constitutes the greatest menace of all.

At a conference of 12 "inner ring" municipal councils at the Collingwood town hall on October 31 it was stated that Brunswick, Collingwood, Coburg, Preston, Prahran, Richmond, Fitzroy and Footscray enforced the by-law prohibiting cars from passing stationary trams. Camberwell, Kew, Caulfield, St. Kilda and Hawthorn, it was added, did not.

The discussion disclosed that uniformity was still an ideal without immediate prospects of becoming a reality. However, Collingwood council was empowered to call a conference of all councils through whose municipalities pass to discuss the advisability of uniform traffic regulations.

The mayor had just laid the foundation stone of a new wing for the hospital, and the spectators awaited his speech. "What can I do?" cried the harrassed mayor to his wife. "I've laid the stone on top of it."

Magistrate: "What is the charge?" "Driving while in a state of extreme infatuation."

PRESTON PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The first meeting of the newly-elected library committee of management was held on October 15 in the Library Hall. The vice-president (Mr. S. M. Stevens) was in the chair. The mayor, Cr. G. C. McPherson (president) was present for a few minutes, explaining that he was due at another meeting at 8 o'clock, therefore, he wished to apologise, and if possible he would return later in the evening. The following were present:—Miss Gedge, Mr. Thompson, Cr. Spratling, Messrs. Foley, McCormick, Philips, Stevens and Walsh.

Cr. Spratling inquired as to the number of subscribers on the books, also for a statement regarding finance. The secretary promised that a list of names and addresses of members would be supplied as soon as possible, and a detailed statement regarding finance at the next meeting. The question of advertising on the screen at picture shows was left in the hands of Cr. Spratling and the treasurer.

The treasurer suggested that the committee interview the various progress Associations and kindred bodies with a view of enlisting their support in the interests of the library. After the matter had been discussed it was decided to hold it over until next meeting.

With regard to the series of free lectures for the winter months arranged by the Library Association of Victoria, the committee regrets that as the time has passed the lectures could not be held this year. They knew from experience gained elsewhere that having the lectures was a progressive and popular move, and there was a consensus of approval when it was known that next winter the lectures would be given.

Cr. Spratling asked for information regarding the billiard room. The chairman promised to have it as soon as possible.

Cr. Spratling inquired regarding the manner of issuing books to subscribers, and further asked if it was possible that books might be refused to borrowers. The treasurer, in giving the information, explained that many borrowers asked the librarian to select books for them, elderly people especially. The books are placed on a small table and are called for during the afternoon or evening as the case may be. Other subscribers asking for those books would be informed by the librarian that they were already issued and would be claimed by borrowers before the session closed.

Cr. Spratling, in thanking the treasurer for the information, said that the reply was quite satisfactory. He was glad he had asked the question. The explanation revealed that what at first appeared anomalous was in reality an act of consideration shown by the librarian towards subscribers.

The meeting was then adjourned until October 23.

At the adjourned meeting, re-opened by the mayor (Cr. G. C. McPherson), the following were present:—Miss Gedge, Mrs. Thompson, Crs. Crispe and Spratling, Messrs. McCormick, Philips, Stephen and Walsh. An [illegible] was received from Mr. Foley. Cr. Crispe was elected a member of the billiard room committee. The president and vice-president were appointed to represent the library to interview progress and kindred associations to secure their co-operation.

[illegible] recommend that [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] of the [illegible] "Preston Leader" [illegible] [illegible] of "[illegible]" be [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] by [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] "Dandy Bandee" [illegible] thanks. [illegible] ed by [illegible] at November.

The committee [illegible] to the [illegible] who are [illegible] to [illegible] the institution. If Preston [illegible] the Preston people persistently patronise a popular proposition, hundreds of bright books will be added to the Library shelves. In conclusion, we will borrow a well-known slogan: "Help us to help you. Don't delay, but join to-day."

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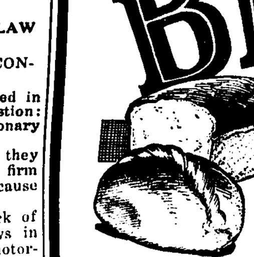

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ALL SAINTS' CHURCH NORTHCOTE

11 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m. and 7 p.m.—Rev. B. N. White, M.A.

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

NOVEMBER 10—TRINITY XXIV.
Holy Communion 8 a.m.
Matins 11.
Evensong 7.
Rev. E. Durance.

HOLY TRINITY, THORNBURY (Railway Parade).

Armistice Sunday
11 a.m.—Holy Communion and Sermon.
7 p.m.—Musical Evensong and Sermon.
Preacher—The Vicar.
Diggers' and Ladies' Church Parade.
All Welcome.

NORTHCOTE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, JAMES STREET

Armistice Day Services
11 a.m.—Rev. John Bates.
7 p.m.—Rev. John Bates.

NORTHCOTE METHODIST CHURCHES.

NORTHCOTE.
11 a.m.—Pastor E. C. Perkins.
7 p.m.—Rev. F. J. Jennings.
PRINCE OF WALES' PARK
11 a.m.—Rev. J. T. Dugglebly, M.M.
7 p.m.—Mr. Betheras.
ST. GEORGE'S ROAD
11 a.m.—Mr. W. J. Heaver.
7 p.m.—Rev. J. T. Dugglebly, M.M.
CROXTON
SUNDAY SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY.
11 a.m.—Rev. Hay.
3 p.m.—Rev. Guard.
7 p.m.—Rev. Pietsch.

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7 p.m.—Mr. Abercrombie.

SOUTH PRESTON METHODIST CHURCHES.

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11 a.m.—Mr. Rush.
7 p.m.—Rev. H. Williams.
PENDER'S GROVE.
11 a.m.—Mr. R. Crocker, M.A.
7 p.m.—Mr. A. H. Lawson, B.A.
OAKOVER ROAD.
11 a.m.—Rev. H. Williams.
7 p.m.—Mr. Rush.

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Martin Street.

11 a.m. and 7 p.m.—Rev. T. D. Webb. Y.P. Choir and Senior Choir.

CROXTON Methodist Sunday School Anniversary, Sunday, November 10.—11 a.m., Rev. A. Hay; 3 p.m., Rev. W. H. Guard; 7 p.m., Mr. G. Pietzsch. Special singing by the children. (Conductor, Mr. L. Gadsden.) Come.

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SHIRE OF WHITTLESEA.

TENDERS for the SALE OF THE DEAD TREES (62) in the Whittlesea Park will be received at the Council Chambers, Mernda, to 11 a.m. on WEDNESDAY, 13TH NOVEMBER, 1929.

Further particulars can be obtained from the Councillors for the Whittlesea Riding.

By Order
JAS. RYAN,
Shire Secretary.

CITY OF PRESTON.

TENDERS, addressed to the Mayor, accompanied by a cash deposit of five (5) per centum of the amount of tender, will be received at the Town Hall up till 12 Noon on MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 1929, for the following works—

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ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK.

APPLICATIONS will be received up to 4 p.m. on MONDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER, 1929, from persons qualified under the L.G.A. for the POSITION OF ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK. Salary at Award Rates.

Applicants to give full particulars of experience, etc., and copies only of at least the last two credentials.

Applications to be addressed to the Town Clerk.

Personal canvass of councillors will disqualify.

L. W. WILLIAMS,
Town Clerk.
Municipal Offices, Preston.

CITY OF PRESTON.

ASSISTANT RATE COLLECTOR.

APPLICATIONS will be received up to 4 p.m. on MONDAY, 11TH NOVEMBER, 1929, for the POSITION of ASSISTANT RATE COLLECTOR. Salary at award rates.

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Personal canvass of councillors will disqualify.

L. W. WILLIAMS,
Town Clerk.
Municipal Offices, Preston.

CITY OF PRESTON

Health Acts.

SANITARY SERVICE.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MAKE A PAN ANNUAL CHARGE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Council of the City of Preston intends, at a Meeting of the said Council to be held in the Municipal Offices, High Street, Preston, on MONDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER, 1929, at 7.30 p.m., to make and levy a PAN ANNUAL CHARGE OF 40/- (Forty Shillings) PER PAN, for a Weekly Service on all Occupiers or Owners within the City not connected with the Sewerage Systems of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, for the collection, removal and proper disposal of nightsoil.

It is intended that the SAID CHARGE shall be for the PERIOD COMMENCING on the FIRST DAY of OCTOBER, 1929, and ending on the 30th DAY of SEPTEMBER, 1930, collected in TWO MOIETIES, the first moiety to be payable on the 19th DAY of NOVEMBER, 1929, and the second moiety to be due and payable on the FIRST DAY of APRIL, 1930.

The estimates prepared in accordance with the Local Government Act 1915 are deposited for inspection at the Town Hall, High Street, Preston, during office hours.

By order,
L. W. WILLIAMS,
Town Clerk.
Dated this 8th day of November, 1929.

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CITY OF PRESTON

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MAKE A GENERAL RATE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Council of the City of Preston intends at a meeting of the said Council to be held at the Municipal Offices, High Street, Preston, at 7.30 p.m. on MONDAY, 18th NOVEMBER, 1929, to make and levy a GENERAL RATE of TWO SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE IN THE £ on the NET ANNUAL VALUE of the Property assessable in the City of Preston.

It is intended that the SAID RATE shall be for a period commencing on the 1st DAY of OCTOBER, 1929, and ending on the 30th DAY of SEPTEMBER, 1930, and shall be collected in one amount due and payable on the 19th DAY of NOVEMBER, 1929.

An estimate prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1915 is DEPOSITED FOR INSPECTION by any person interested or rated, at the MUNICIPAL OFFICES, High Street, Preston, during office hours.

L. W. WILLIAMS,
Town Clerk.
Dated this 8th day of November, 1929.

CITY OF NORTHCOTE

BY-LAW NO. 53.

PETROL PUMPS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Council of the City of Northcote has made a By-law under Part VII. of the Local Government Act 1915, and Section 6 of the Petrol Pumps Act 1928, and numbered 53, for or with respect to—

(a) The placing, fixing, and maintaining of petrol pumps in or on footways, and of any apparatus, pipes, and appliances in, on, or under footways for the supply of motor spirit to such petrol pumps, and the removal of such petrol pumps, apparatus, pipes, and appliances;
(b) The granting, renewal, and transfer of licenses and applications therefor;
(c) Licenses and conditions to be contained in licenses;
(d) Prescribing fees—
 (1) for the granting or renewal of a licence;
 (2) for the transfer of a licence;
(e) Providing for a proportionate reduction of fees payable in respect of licences granted for any number of months less than twelve months; and
(f) Insurance by licensees against liabilities which may be incurred by them in respect of petrol pumps.

The said By-law was approved by the Governor-in-Council on the 14th day of October, 1929, and a copy is open for inspection at the Town Hall, Northcote, during office hours, free of charge.

Notice of the making of the By-law was published in the Government Gazette on the 6th day of November, 1929.

J. A. THOMSON,
Town Clerk.
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Northcote.
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CITY OF NORTHCOTE

LOAN NO. 22.

SPECIAL ORDER.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a meeting of the Council of the City of Northcote held in the Council Chamber, Northcote, on the 28th day of October, 1929, the said Council did agree to the following resolution:—

That with a view of borrowing the sum of Fifty Thousand Pounds (£50,000) on the credit of the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Northcote, such amount to be raised by the issue of 18 Debentures for such amount in accordance with the provisions of the "Local Government Act 1915" and "Local Government (Borrowing Powers) Act 1928" for the purpose of defraying the cost and expenses of any works of which instalments are payable as provided in Section 534 of the "Local Government Act," the Council hereby agrees to—

1. The amount of the principal moneys, which it is proposed to borrow is £50,000.
2. The rate of interest to be named in the Debentures shall be £5 15/- per centum per annum.
3. The money borrowed shall be repayable, together with and including interest at the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, Collins Street, Melbourne, or the council's bankers for the time being on the first day of July and the first day of January in each year.
4. The purposes for which the loan is to be applied are:—Defraying the cost and expenses of any works of which instalments are payable as provided in Section 534 of the "Local Government Act."
5. The Loan is to be liquidated by payment of 18 instalments commencing on the first day of July, 1931, and continuing until the first day of January, 1940, as shown hereunder—

1st July, 1931	£3000
1st January, 1932	3000
1st July, 1932	3000
1st January, 1933	3000
1st July, 1933	2500
1st January, 1934	2500
1st July, 1934	2500
1st January, 1935	2500
1st July, 1935	2500
1st January, 1936	2500
1st July, 1936	2500
1st January, 1937	2500
1st July, 1937	2500
1st January, 1938	2500
1st July, 1938	2500
1st January, 1939	2500
1st July, 1939	2500
1st January, 1940	5500
	£50,000

NOTICE is hereby further given that a MEETING of the SAID COUNCIL will be held at the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Northcote, on MONDAY, the 25TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1929, at 7.30 o'clock in the evening, when the said resolution for passing Special Order will be submitted for confirmation.

Dated this 5th day of November, 1929.

J. A. THOMSON,
Town Clerk.
Municipal Offices,
Northcote.

CITY OF NORTHCOTE

NOTICE OF MEETING FOR EXAMINING AND SETTLING ACCOUNTS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Accounts of the City have been duly Audited by the Auditor appointed by the Governor-in-Council, and that a statement of the said Accounts, the Auditor's Report thereon and Certificate thereto, has been printed and lies at the office of the Council, Town Hall, Northcote, ready for the inspection of the parties interested; and notice is further given that a Meeting for the Examining and Settling of Accounts will be held at the said City Offices, on MONDAY, the 25TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1929, at 7.30 p.m.

Dated this 7th day of November, 1929.

J. A. THOMSON, L.I.C.A.,
Town Clerk.
Municipal Offices,
Northcote.
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The Leader

JUSTICE TO ALL
Published Every Friday Morning

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1929.

A.N.A.—At the fortnightly meeting of the Northcote branch, to be held on Monday, November 11, nominations of officers for the ensuing six months will be taken, and an evening will be given by Mrs. Allen.

We are requested to state that Mrs. E. Stott (a member of the Northcote Horticultural Society) was the winner of presentation basket of roses at the National Rose Society's show on October 30, and not Mrs. Firth as stated in last issue.

A meeting of the Northcote council for examining and settling the accounts of the city of Northcote for the financial year ended September 30, 1929, will be held on November 25.

A large array of extra specials is announced by J. H. [illegible], the original 6d., 6d. and 1/- shop, Northcote. It will pay anyone to give them a visit. Clients are invited to walk through the premises and inspect; no one will be asked to buy. The specials are claimed to be something out of the ordinary, and visitors will save money by making their purchases here. Note the address: 559 High street, Northcote, nearly opposite Lawry street.

Tenders are elsewhere invited by the city of Preston for the construction of two rights-of-way.

Notice is given elsewhere by the Northcote city council of its intention to borrow £50,000, the interest rate being £5 15/- per cent. per annum.

Notice is given elsewhere that the Northcote city council has made a by-law to control the erection and licensing of petrol pumps.

L. Akers, wood, coal and coke merchant, 29 Dennis street, Northcote, announces reductions in the price of wood. Also on sale, bricks, briquettes, garden soil, manure, etc. Prompt delivery.

PROPERTY SALES

James and Hobson, auctioneer, 119 High St., Northcote, report having sold the following properties by public auction, when there was a good attendance of buyers and bidding was brisk. The prices realised were highly satisfactory:—29 Park St., North[cote]; 134 Clauscen St., North Fitzroy; 7 Alexandra St., Northcote; 26 Mansfield St., Thornbury; 46 Barry St., Westgarth; total, £3,260.

By James and Hobson on Nov. 9 at 3 p.m. on property, 251 Raleigh St., Northcote, 5-roomed villa on land 36 x 120. Details advertised.

By James and Hobson, on Nov. 13 at 3 p.m. on property, 17 Helen St., Northcote, 6-roomed d.f. w.b. villa on land 36 x 152. Details advertised.

By S. L. Willmott and Co., auctioneer, on Saturday, Nov. 9, at 3.30 p.m., on the premises, 21 Hutton St., Northcote (cnr. Stott St.), d.f. house, 6 rooms, all conveniences. See advt.

CHURCH NEWS

All Saints', Northcote

On Sunday next the Rev. B. N. White, M.A., who was for many years incumbent of Holy Trinity, East Melbourne, will take all the services at All Saints', Northcote. Mr. White won great distinction as a student at Trinity College, Dublin, and has done valuable work since coming to Australia. He was for some years editor of the Church of England "Messenger," and chaplain to the late Archbishop of Melbourne, and rural dean of the East Melbourne Rural Deanery. He is a member of the council of Ridley College and is one of the honorary lecturers there.

St. Aidan's Church of England

St. Aidan's Church, Victoria road, under the guidance of Rev. J. O. Hughes, is steadily growing in numbers and social service. The boys' cricket club has entered the district association and are shaping well, and hope to come out well in the competition. The girls' club is showing activity and zeal and is maintaining a good membership. Above all, the Ladies' Guild is doing very fine work indeed and is materially assisting every part of the church's activities, and during the first year of its existence has raised considerable money, and the ladies are looking forward to a successful fete in November.

Sunday School Entertainment

On October 31 a fine concert programme was presented by the scholars of the Preston Church of Christ, Mr. F. J. Lang, superintendent of the school, presided. The items, all of which were given by the scholars, included vocal and instrumental numbers, gymnastic exercises, dialogues, action pieces and elocution, and revealed much talent. Included in the programme were two choral items sung by the junior choir under the baton of Mr. A. V. Morffew, with an orchestral accompaniment.

Croxton Methodist Anniversary

The Croxton Methodist Sunday school will hold its anniversary on November 10. The preachers for the services will be Rev. A. Hay at 11 a.m., Rev. W. H. Guard at 3 p.m., and Mr. G. Pietzsch at 7 p.m. Special singing by the children will be conducted by Mr. L. Gadsden.

Activities at Preston

By The Rouseabout.

Still They Come

THOSE false fire alarms, which are aggravating, annoying and vexatious, are being received at Preston fire station, causing the men in charge no end of trouble and inconvenience. At 2.0 a.m. on Tuesday of this week a call came from the corner of Plenty road and Raglan street. Upon arrival at that spot there was no sign of a fire and those who responded to the call returned to the station disgusted and feeling out of sorts. Within the space of about 20 minutes there was a second call, this time to Bell and John streets, with a similar result—no fire. And the tired firemen returned and retired to their respective couches. Once again at 8.11 p.m. on the same date there was a violent tingle-tingle, notifying that a full blaze was forging ahead at Plenty road and Pender street. Off the firefighters went for all they were worth, only to ascertain that on three occasions on the one day the silly, idiotic individuals who reckon it "fun" to call the firemen out had done so without cause. A trap if being laid with a view of the offenders being detected, and it is anticipated that with the assistance of the police there will be developments.

Watchhouse Whispers

PRESTON police are seeking the owner of a silver watch in a blue case inscribed "From Bill to Alma," also a pair of opera glasses, silver sovereign case, fountain pen, one gold pencil, one Kodak camera, accordeon, and a microscope. The articles in question were found in the possession of a man who was convicted at Preston court of having had them in his unlawful possession.

John Bernard Hickey, bank clerk, living at the rear of the Bank of Australasia, High street, has reported that one shovel, one pick, one hoe and one yard broom were stolen from a shed at the rear of the bank premises within the last few days.

George Thomas Fittock, printer, of West street, has reported that a bicycle saddle, valued at 7/6, was stolen from the back portion of his premises.

On Wednesday morning a bicycle was found in a lane in Preston, and it awaits an owner at Preston police station. At the same place is another bicycle, found on Monday.

A Through Street

THE city engineer to Preston council has surveyed the land leading from Spring street to the railway line with the object of forming a new street through to High street. Owing to the influence used by Cr. L. Jones, the necessary land was purchased by one of his clients and presented to the council. The land purchased cost the sum of £150. Arrangements have been made with the Railway department and the Metropolitan Board of Works to put a crossing over the railway line and pipe track. Fencing operations in connection with the work will be commenced almost immediately.

"Paddy."

HAVE you met him? I have, and a real fine fellow he is. Only a dog, but even a dog can be a fine fellow, can he not? There's rather an interesting little story connected with "Paddy," and the story centres for the most part around Preston watchhouse. The latter is a wonderful place for the man who has a nose for news. All sorts of interesting tit-bits may be picked up there. Sad stories, funny stories and all sorts of other stories. However, let's get back to "Paddy," who was sunning himself and at the same time enjoying a dust bath in the usually well-kept garden in front of the residence of Sergt. Lang, who, with an efficient staff, maintains law and order in and around the go-ahead city of Preston, of which Mayor McPherson is such a capable civic head. Some weeks back a couple of derelicts—man and woman—were bundled into the watchhouse. They were methylated spirit addicts and received a sentence extending over a fortnight. "Paddy" belonged to them, and, faithful to the last, he howled and whimpered like a child when the old couple were whisked away to Coburg. "Paddy" waited round day after day and night after night for the return of the derelict couple, but there has been no return up to the present. Nor is there likely to be, as the methylated spirit drinkers were released a fortnight or so ago and have not laid any claim to "Paddy," who spends much time in gazing wistfully up and down the streets of Preston looking and longing for the return of his master and mistress. It is impossible to beat the faithfulness of a dog. And that same dog is being well cared for by all those attached to Preston police force, one member of which said on Wednesday: "We regard him as a member of the family." Lucky dog! He follows the police about day and night, but still keeps a wistful eye open for the human derelicts he liked and loved so well. Last seen on Wednesday "Paddy" was munching a meaty little bone handed to him by a thoughtful Preston policeman.

All Saints' Church

TENDERS were called last Saturday for the erection of the new All Saints' Church at the corner of High street and Murray road. Tenders are returnable by November 19. The building is to cost the nice little sum of £10,000. The old church was recently removed by McLennan Bros., Fitzroy, from one side of the parish hall to the other in order to make room for the foundations of the new building. About 20 trees, mostly pine, gum and peppers, have been uprooted in order to make room for the new church. The buildings at present in existence are to be repainted by means of a working bee, consisting of men interested in the welfare of All Saints' parish. The new church, with its central massive tower, gives every promise of being a worthy architectural addition to the city of Preston. The front of the church will face High street and will occupy a central position in the very fine block of land owned by the Anglican community of Preston. It is anticipated that a start will be made in the erection of the church before the close of the present year, and building operations will, in all probability, extend over a period of six months or thereabouts. The energetic vicar, Rev. T. Wilkinson, has the wholehearted support of a hard-working vestry, and in addition the Ladies' Guild is rendering valuable assistance in the forward movement of the church. Mrs. Sunderland is the capable secretary of the Ladies' Guild. It is hoped that the ceremony of laying the foundation stone of All Saints' new church will be performed by the newly-appointed Archbishop of Melbourne.

£70,000 in Loans

THE Preston Council has decided to raise two loans, one of £20,000 and one of £50,000, for carrying out private street construction works.

Preston Branch A.N.A. (No. 51)

IT is customary to elect two members of the local branch of the A.N.A. to attend the annual conference of the general body of that organisation. So highly regarded is this honor that 14 members have nominated for the position. The result will be made known on the evening of November 18. Preston branch A.N.A. (No. 51) is making arrangements for the usual Xmas tree to amuse the children of members. The date of the auspicious occasion, which is being eagerly looked forward to by young A.N.A. boys and girls in and around Preston, has not yet been fixed. A considerable amount of interest is being evinced as to who will wear the wire whiskers, red robe and soft slippers, as usually donned by the ancient known as Father Xmas. There is a probability that a Government employe in Preston will be the wire-whiskered, red-robed, soft-slippered old man for the occasion. Time will tell.

Busy for the Bank

A NOVEL excuse was put forward on Wednesday when "The Rouseabout" made a customary call on a High street business man for an odd item or two. "I'm getting busy for the bank, old man. Call and see me next week." And the writer, as he jingled the necessary coins in his pockets in order to see him on his railway journey from Preston to the city, sighed with a big sigh as he viewed the tenners, fivers, one-ers, half-oners, and a whole heap of silver not to forget two golden sovereigns glistening like a lily of the valley in a garden of geraniums on the table of the business man. It must be nice to get busy for the bank, don't you think? I do.

Cheeky Cyclists

ON Wednesday morning a youth wearing overalls and a vast amount of self assurance rode a cycle on the footpath in High street, and gliding like a bird from the sky directly in front of the post office. A few seconds later another youth, wearing the uniform of a postal employe, did exactly the same thing and rode off triumphantly in the direction of Preston railway station.

East Preston Motor Cycle Club

THE East Preston Motor Cycle Club will attend the Rudge Club's open sports at Park Orchards next Sunday, leaving Gowerville Motors at 9.30 a.m., and meeting the combined club at Alexandra Avenue at 10.15 a.m. The club's president has donated a trophy to be competed for in a series of three sealed-time runs. The first of these will be held on December 8 from Keilor to Gisborne, as part of a tour to Hanging Rock. Coming runs are:—Nov. 10, Rudge sports; Nov. 17, open day; Nov. 23 and 24, Barwon Heads (week-end); Dec. 1, Seaford; Dec. 8, Hanging Rock (sealed time run); Dec. 15, Cascades.

Coming of Age

A VERY enjoyable evening was spent by the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Parsons, of "Cranleigh," Leonard street, Preston, at the coming of age of their youngest daughter (Queenie). There were about 70 guests, and all had a good time in dancing and games. Miss Parsons was presented with the key of the door, and toasts were given. There was one little drawback to the enjoyment in the absence of Mr. Will Randall, who was in the hospital. The evening was held in Normanby Hall, Thornbury, and the catering, which was carried out by Mr. and Mrs. [illegible]enshaw, left nothing to be desired.

High Street Traders' Association

A VERY enthusiastic meeting of shopkeepers was held at the Rechabite Hall, High street, on Tuesday night. It was decided to form an association, to be named the High Street Shop Traders' Association. A sub-committee was appointed to draw up a constitution and platform. A general meeting of all shopkeepers of High street will be held on November 14 at the Rechabite Hall, High street, Preston.

Mayor of Preston's Unemployed Appeal

AT a meeting at the Preston town hall convened by the mayoress (Mrs. McPherson) there were over 50 ladies present to discuss arrangements for a bazaar in connection with the appeal by the mayor of Preston for the unemployed. After much discussion it was resolved to hold a bazaar in the Preston town hall on December 5 and 6. On the evening of December 5 a concert will be held in the city hall by the boy scouts, and on December 6 a dance will be conducted. The proceeds from all the functions will go to the appeal. Ladies are now coming in in connection with the appeal, and donations will be welcomed. The stallholders at the bazaar will be pleased to receive donations of goods for their stalls. These may be left at the town hall.

Armistice Day

ON Armistice Day, which will be celebrated next Sunday, ex-members of the A.I.F. will gather at Cramer avenue at 2.30 p.m. and will march via High, Bruce and Mary streets to the Memorial Arch Brig. W. H. Scott, C.M.G., D.S.O., V.D., will take the salute. The march will be continued to the Cramer street park, where a drumhead service will be held at 3 p.m.

THE REGENT TALKIES.

The usual high standard of programmes is presented to-night and on Saturday, when "Mother's Boy," an all-talkie, and "The Air Legion," featuring Antonio Moreno, will be screened. Another episode of "Tarzan the Mighty" is also included on the programme.

Monday brings "Masquerade," with Clyde Cook, Alan Birmingham and Leila Hyams in the star characters. This is the first Fox Movietone all-talking picture in which an actor portrays a dual role. The difficulty of dual dialogue—a man talking to himself—and dual action—a man fighting with himself—may be imagined. The manner in which this first undertaking by any talking picture producer has been carried out is a great tribute to his abilities. The second attraction is the talkie, "The Office Scandal," in which Phyllis Haver has the leading role.

The mid-week change will bring "Black Waters," the story of eight oddly assorted people, who go to a lonely mysterious schooner in the 'Frisco dock to seek its fiendish owner—Captain (Tiger) Larrabee—for purposes of revengeful reckoning; and their subsequent adventures. James Kirkwood has played many roles, but as Kelly, the crippled evangelist who seeks his former master, the fiendish Captain "Tiger" Larrabee, to convert his soul, he has a role that offers amazing opportunities. In support is "S.O.S.," dealing with the mysterious robbery of a diamond necklace at a Deauville Hotel, and the subsequent exciting adventures that led to the discovery of the thief.

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STAR OF NORTHCOTE, I.O.R.

Bro. H. Angus, C.R., presided over the fortnightly meeting on Thursday, October 31, when there was a fair attendance of members. Reports of visits to various other tents by members were received. A donation of 10/6 was made to the junior picnic fund. This picnic, which is an annual fixture, will be again held at Edwardes Lake, Reservoir, on Foundation Day (January 27, 1930). The junior games competition has been completed, the winners of the various games being:—Bowls, Samuel Mauger; quoits, Northcote; darts, Dennis. The B cricket team reported having won both matches to date, while the A team was again defeated. The membership list continues to grow, and at the meeting one new member was initiated while four nominations were received. At the conclusion of business members and friends indulged in a euchre tournament, and after an enjoyable game the winners proved to be Bro. McKay and Sister J. Neumann, who were presented with prizes. A large attendance is expected at the next meeting on November 14, it being half-yearly night, when the election of officers for the ensuing six months will take place.

PARLIAMENTARY MEMBERS ENTERTAINED.

BY MAYOR OF PRESTON

At the conclusion of the meeting of the Preston council on Monday evening the mayor (Cr. G. C. McPherson) and the mayoress of Preston entertained Mr. Frank Brennan, M.H.R., Federal Attorney-General, and Mrs. Brennan, Mr. E. L. Kiernan, M.L.C., and Mrs. Kiernan, Mr. Gordon Webber, M.L.A., Cr. W. H. Turner, J.P., of Northcote, and Mrs. Turner in the mayor's room.

Mayor McPherson introduced Mr. Brennan and congratulated him on becoming Attorney-General. (Applause). Mr. Brennan had represented Batman for a number of years, and it was a source of congratulation that their member had been appointed Federal Attorney-General, the highest position the Government could bestow. The Government had a difficult task in front of it, but with the personnel of the team, he believed Australia would emerge from its troubles in a much better state at the end of the Government's three-year period. Those present had gathered, irrespective of party, to pay a tribute to the qualifications of their Federal member. It was an honor for their member to hold such a responsible position. Mayor McPherson also welcomed Mr. Webber, M.L.A., and Mr. Kiernan, M.L.C., and apologised for the absence of Mr. W. J. Beckett, M.L.C., the representative in the State House.

Mrs. Brennan was presented with a bouquet by Mrs. McPherson.

Mr. Brennan, in responding, said it gave him great pleasure to address the gathering, and said that though small, it was very representative. He thanked the mayor for arranging the meeting, which gave him encouragement as a member of the Government. He appreciated the congratulations offered to him on the honor bestowed on him, which was also an honor for the district. The Government had assumed office at a time when grave responsibilities confronted it and the people as a whole. Though their political differences might be acute, they held their opinions courageously and fought for them strenuously. They had to face their problems and looked to all parts of the community for help and sympathy. He outlined the system followed by the Labor party in selecting the cabinet, who were selected by the party, and were then presented to the King's representative and sworn in. At the present time he, as Federal Attorney-General, was head of the Commonwealth Law Department and leader of the bar, and of the profession in Victoria. When escorted to his room at Canberra he learned he had charge of the police. (Laughter). Thirteen of them, at any rate (laughter) in the Federal Territory. (Laughter). Someone had unkindly said the police should have been put in charge of him. (Laughter). His predecessors, the photos of whom hung in that room, had all been of varying parties, and they formed a continuity lasting since the beginning of the century, and their actions were an inspiration to him, even though many of them had passed on. Gathered there in the room were bankers, teachers and representatives of all members of the community, and deeper down than party politics he felt that each and every one had the welfare of the country at heart.

Speaking of Upper Houses, Mr. Brennan said that the Victorian State Parliament was anxious to get rid of the Council, as was the Federal Parliament anxious to get rid of its Senate. Whether his appointment as Attorney-General be short or long, he was glad, as the representative of Batman, to occupy that position. His first object would be to serve the Batman electorate, irrespective of party, caste or creed. He thanked Mayor McPherson and the mayoress for their hospitality, and for the kindly reception.

Cr. Adams proposed the health of Messrs. Webber, M.L.A., and Kiernan, M.L.C. Mr. Webber had not represented the Preston district for a great length of time, but the portion of the other district which he had represented faithfully and well. Mr. Webber had given the Preston district good service, and he thanked the members for what they had done.

Mr. Webber, in responding, said that politicians generally always endeavored to secure the welfare and advancement of their community. He was always sincere in his views, and felt that there was no room in public life for those who were not sincere. Unemployment was rife, and it was a problem not confined to Australia. Australia was a young country with a small population, and with such a large area the difficulty was to find the money to give these people who were now unemployed, work to do. If the problem was not attacked the Government must expect to meet the condemnation of the people as a whole.

Mr. Kiernan also responded and thanked the mayor and mayoress for their hospitality.

Cr. Crispe proposed the mayor and mayoress of Preston, and referred to their many good qualities. They had proved themselves worthy of the high position they held, and they did not spare any effort to uphold the high dignity of the city.

Mayor McPherson expressed appreciation at the toast, saying that with the mayoress he would endeavor to do what was considered right. He referred to the unemployment question and said an effort was being made to raise funds to give those unemployed a good Christmas dinner, and toys for the children. A good deal of enthusiasm was being shown, and he asked the people to stand behind the movement to brighten the Christmas of those who were unemployed. The unemployment problem was a big one, which could not be touched by councils, it being a matter for the governments. He hoped that the Government would take the question in hand and try to deal with it.

In conclusion he said that anything that he and the mayoress had done had been for the best, and with the object of the betterment of the community.

Other toasts had been set down, but on account of the lateness of the hour they had to be eliminated, the gathering breaking up after midnight.

PRESTON LAWN TENNIS ASSOCIATION

The following are the results of matches played last Saturday:—

A Grade.—Rothesay (68) d Murray (43); Regent Park 1 (61) d Hill (56); Regent Park 2 (61) d All Saints' (52); Cooma (57) d Cranross (57), Cooma winning on sets,5 to 4.

B Grade.—Oakover 2 (64) d Hill (47); Oakover 1 (67) d East Preston 2 (40); Cranross (57) d Regent Methodists 2 (51); East Preston 1 (59) d Regent Methodists 1 (51); Regent Park (67) d Monash (45).

PERSONAL

Mr. Frank Brennan, who announced to the High Court of Australia on Wednesday that he had been appointed Federal Attorney-General, was congratulated by Sir Adrian Knox, the Chief Justice, on behalf of the Court.

Mr. R. D. McFarland, relieving clerk of courts, has taken over the duties at Northcote and Preston on the transfer of Mr. R. H. Mohr to the South Melbourne district. It is anticipated that a permanent appointment will be made in about a month's time.

WESTGARTH TALKIES.

"Mother's Boy"

This week-end one of the brightest talkies yet presented will be screened. "Mother's Boy" is a 100 per cent. all talking and singing picture featuring Morton Downey, one of the world's leading tenors, who during the screening sings several song numbers. In addition "Mother's Boy" has excellent dialogue throughout, and also an appealing story. "The Air Legion" is an exceptionally strong supporting feature, starring Ben Lyon and Antonio Moreno in a story which depicts vividly and with a strong dramatic background the hazardous life of the pilots who fly the air mail planes across the continent.

On Monday a full talking programme will be screened. The first is the Fox Movietone 100 per cent. all-talking feature, "Masquerade," adapted from Louis J. Vance's novel, "The Brass Bowl," Leile Hyams, Clyde Cook and J. Farrell Macdonald are the featured players. The second feature, "Office Scandal," is a newspaper mystery picture in dialogue and sound, starring Phyllis Haver and with an elaborate cast including Raymond Hatton, Margaret Livingston and Leslie Fenton. "Office Scandal" is a tense murder mystery that comes home to roost in the very editorial room that is trying feverishly to solve it.

On Thursday next the first British Dominions thrilling all-talking film, "Black Waters," will be screened. The featured players are James Kirkwood and Mary Brian. This picture depicts glittering cabaret scenes full of laughter and love and weird adventure aboard the decks of a haunted schooner.

STREET CONSTRUCTION AT PRESTON.

MANY OBJECTORS

A special meeting of the Preston council was held on Monday to deal with objections to the proposed construction of Leonard, Leopold, Paywitt and Bellarine streets and right-of-ways in connection therewith.

There were a large number of objectors.

A solicitor appearing on behalf of Mrs. Shaw objected to the construction of the right-of-way, which was not used by traffic and which was kept scrupulously clean. In connection with the right-of-way on the north of Mrs. Shaw's property, she was prepared, with her neighbor, to get in the existing easements and close the right-of-way.

A petition signed by W. J. Parsons and 35 ratepayers protested against the rights-of-way, including Leopold street, as they would not be able to meet the heavy financial obligations.

A further petition from F. J. Bolland and ten others was also received, objecting on the same grounds.

Mr. Henckel also said that a concrete right-of-way and a metal road should not be included in the same contract.

The Engineer.—They will be let separately.

Mr. Wise, Leopold street, Mr. Parker, Bellarine street, Mr. Dunstan, Leonard street, Mr. White, Leopold street, Mr. Dennison, May street, Mr. Boland and others also objected.

Mr. Parsons, Leonard street, suggested that the streets be made first, and the rights-of-way afterwards to lighten the financial burden.

The mayor (Cr. McPherson) said the prices given were estimates only.

The engineer said his figures showed that concrete in lanes would work out at 2d. per yard cheaper than pitchers.

Cr. Robeson moved that the matter be adjourned for 14 days to November 18 at 7 p.m., so that the council in committee could in the meantime give full consideration to the objections raised by the people interested.

Cr. Crispe seconded. The principal objections seemed to be the construction of the rights-of-way. The committee of the council could give full consideration to this.

Cr. Spratling, in supporting, suggested that the lanes be deleted for the present and the streets only be made.

Cr. Newton said it would be better to deal with the question in the presence of the owners.

Cr. Adams said if the special meeting to deal with the matter was adjourned the owners could come along again.

The motion was carried.

NORTHCOTE THEATRE.

Great success has followed the screening of 100 per cent. Paramount talkies during the past week at this popular theatre. The Northcote orchestra, under the baton of M. Barrile, is also proving a great attraction.

To-night and this week-end Nancy Carroll and Charles (Buddy) Rogers are appearing in "Close Harmony, a 100 per cent. Paramount talkie. Nancy Carroll is beautiful, peppy and a consummate actress and dancer, and she is ably supported by Charles (Buddy) Rogers and others. It is a story of the glamorous life back stage as it really is, with its ambitions and heartaches, its pleasures and thrills. There will be the usual matinee on Saturday afternoon next.

On Monday next another great talkie treat is in store for picture patrons. The wonderful Russian actress, Baclanova is to be screened with Clive Brook in the Paramount picture "A Dangerous Woman." This is one of the most dramatic stories that the screen has ever had. A small British possession in Africa, where a lone white commissioner tries to hand out justice to the natives, is the background against which this drama is woven. Clive Brook is the English commissioner and Baclanova is his wife, who causes the trouble in his administration. Neil Hamilton and Clyde Cook are also in this picture. As a 100 per cent. talkie it is most thrilling and entertaining. Also on Monday's programme is "The Flying Squad," a sensational story of Scotland Yard, adapted from Edgar Wallace's well-known story.

On Thursday next Clara Bow will be screened in a 100 per cent. talkie entitled "The Wild Party." The Northcote orchestra will render musical selections each evening.

INTER-MUNICIPAL PLEASANTRIES

At the meeting on Monday Preston council received a letter from the city of Northcote, advising that the present time is most inopportune for inspection of the council's plant for the manufacture of concrete materials.

Cr. Robeson moved that no further action be taken to view the plant.

Cr. Maynard said the least the council could expect from its neighbors was courtesy and civility. Members of the progress associations had been welcomed when they went to see the Northcote plant, and were given every facility for securing information. Now the council, when it submitted a request that the Northcote council extend to it the courtesy of a visit to the same plant as viewed by the progress association, was given a rebuff. If this sort of thing continued, Preston should "wipe Northcote off the map."

It was decided to receive the letter and note the contents.

News About Town

St. Vincent's Hospital Auxiliary

Northcote-Thornbury Branch—The monthly meeting will be held in St. Joseph's Hall, Northcote, on Tuesday afternoon next, November 12, at 2.30 o'clock. As the business is of an important nature a large attendance is requested. Any ladies interested in the movement will be welcomed at the meeting.

A Suspicious Fire

About midnight on Wednesday an alarm of fire was given from a street alarm and the Northcote brigade went to a storeroom at the back of G. J. Coles' new shop in High street, Northcote. Simultaneously a man who lives nearby ran over to the fire station in his pyjamas to also give the alarm. On arrival the brigade had to smash one of the glass doors in front to effect an entrance, and it was then found that several cases in the storeroom were on fire. Members of the brigade used the chemical fire extinguishers installed throughout the store to quell the outbreak. The man who ran over to the fire station was awakened by his dog barking, and as he got out into the lane he saw two men running away from Coles' shop. The police are now endeavoring to trace these men, as it was found that a window in the storeroom had been broken. It is thought that the fire was caused by some persons at present unknown.

Workman Unhurt After 80 Feet Fall

Although he fell 80 feet to the stone floor of the Melbourne city council quarries, Ramsden street, Clifton Hill, on November 1, Herbert Jolly, 35, of Candy street, Northcote, received only a broken kneecap and body and facial lacerations. It was an amazing escape from death. Jolly, who was admitted to the Melbourne Hospital, is suffering severely from shock. Standing on a scaffold suspended from the edge of the quarry, Jolly was working on the cliff face when a fragment of stone fell and struck him on the head. Losing his balance he toppled from the scaffold.

New Fire Alarms

Quite a number of new fire alarms have been installed in Northcote during the past week. The programme includes one in Kellett street, two in Raleigh street, one at Wales and Darebin streets, one at Reid and Darebin streets, one at Victoria road and Darebin street, one at Mitchell and Main streets, one at Simpson and Thomson streets, and one at Fyffe and Hobson streets. When these points are installed Northcote will have about 25 miles of fire alarm wires to keep watch on. This amount is only second to the Glenhuntly district, which has 28 miles.

Northcote Court

On account of the Cup holiday there was no court at Northcote last Tuesday. The list for the next sitting on Tuesday is a very big one.

Motor Car on Fire

A motor car owned by Mr. L. G. Briner caught fire in Leonard street near Victoria road, Northcote, on November 1. An alarm was given and the Northcote brigade soon quelled the outbreak. Little damage was done beyond the burning of the front seat. The cause of the fire is thought to have been a short circuit in the electrical system.

£35 Robbery

Thieves broke into the house of Mr. Richard Stringer, Robert street, Northcote, on October 29, and stole clothing and jewellery valued at £35. Entrance was gained by forcing a window with a shovel.

Butcher Robbed of £45

Mr. Henry Thos. Marriner, butcher, of High street, Northcote, left a bag containing £45 in his shop at 7.5 a.m. on November 1. On returning to the shop at 7.30 he missed the money.

Fire at Hat Factory

On Cup day at about 10.50 a fire broke out at the Northcote Felt Hat Manufacturing Co., Bridge and Merri streets, Northcote, which business is owned by Messrs. W. and A. Bardsley. The Northcote brigade was on the scene promptly and extinguished the fire before it had a chance to do much damage. The cause of the outbreak is unknown, but it is thought to have been a spark from the boiler.

"Maritana"

At the Northcote town hall on Tuesday next, November 12, the Thornbury Operatic Society, under the direction of Prof. E. A. Parker, will open a two-nights' season, when Wallace's popular opera, "Maritana," will be presented. Though the society is a comparatively young one, in its ranks it holds a good deal of talent, and this has been used to the very best advantage by Prof. Parker, well known as a professor of music, and who is the musical director and producer. The scenes are lavish and the dressing will be a feature. The season will be for two nights only (November 12 and 13), and patrons are advised to secure their seats at the earliest opportunity. The box plan is at McCasker and Eaton's, 863 High street, Northcote.

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WHITTLESEA.

A pleasant evening was held at Eden Park in Butler's hall to bid farewell to Mr. M. Redfern, late head teacher. The hall was tastefully decorated. The Collegians' Jazz Band supplied popular music. Cr. B. McCormack, president of the Whittlesea shire, on behalf of the children, parents and friends, presented Mr. Redfern with a silver tea service.

On Monday night Mr. Morton, who was driving a motor lorry loaded with three tons of merchandise up the new Kinglake road, smashed through the guard fence and went down the steep bank about 150 feet, where the motor came to rest against a tree. Mr. Morton managed to jump clear just before the motor went on its mad rush, otherwise he would have been crushed to death. When the motor stopped suddenly the load smashed the driver's cabin flat on to the seat and bonnet of the truck. The greatest difficulty will be experienced in salvaging the truck.

Mr. A. E. Wailes, of Whittlesea Motor Garage, is at present in a private hospital making a good recovery from a recent operation.

The Church of England conducted their annual bazaar on Thursday and Friday. Mr. W. H. Everard, M.L.A., declared the bazaar open.

Cold, showery weather was experienced here on Cup day, making it unpleasant for holidaymakers and picnic parties. A constant stream of motors passed through on the way to Kinglake district, which is fast becoming an attraction to tourists.

The rainfall for October was 349 points against 257 points for October last year. Total for to date, 2259 points.

On Tuesday when Mr. McIndoe, of Brighton, was overtaking a stationary car on the roadside about one mile beyond Whittlesea, a young man, Thos. Ruttley, of Raleigh street, Footscray, stepped from the front of the stationary car on to the roadway. He was struck by the mudguard of McIndoe's car and knocked down. Medical aid was sought, but beyond bruises and shock no serious injuries were received.

AN INTERESTING EXPERIMENT

PUNCTURE CAUSING MATERIAL GATHERED

Some interesting experiments have been carried out in Cleveland, U.S.A., by the Cleveland Railway Co., which operates ten different bus services in that city, extending over a distance of about 53 miles. Considerable puncture troubles have been experienced, and the manager of the bus section, in conjunction with the Electric Controller Manufacturing Co., of Cleveland, tested a motor lorry fitted with three temporarily mounted large electric magnets, current for which is provided by a small petrol engine and dynamo. The Cleveland roads appear to be particularly troublesome from the point of view of puncture-causing material, such as nails, bolts, wire and small pieces of iron and stel, for during the first three days of the experiment no less than 9cwt. of such material was picked up by the electro magnets—which are arranged one on each side of the vehicle and one at the rear—and when the vehicle was again taken out three days later it picked up another 2cwt.

Although no actual figures are so far available as to the effect of the device in reducing tyre troubles, those responsible for tyre maintenance report that since the truck has been in use they have had considerably less tyre repair work to do.

The truck is not only proving useful as regards the tyres of railway buses, but it is apparently proving of advantage to the general motoring public in Cleveland, for one tyre repairer in that city is stated to be already complaining of a marked falling off in his business. What is wanted now is some plan of readily collecting the broken glass that litters the roads.

Lady of House: "No! We don't want no books, nor we don't want no calendars. We don't want no nothing." Hawker: "What about a cheap grammar?"

Women believe a secret keeps better when divided.

PRESTON COURT.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Before Mr. T. D. O'Callaghan, P.M., and Mr. Orlando Walker, J.P.

Factories Prosecution

F. Walls, Victoria road, Flemington, was charged under the Factories Act that, being an employer of Bert Lees, who came under a wages board he did not pay in full the wages due during the time Lees was employed by him. There was a second charge in respect to Edmund Burke.

Inspector G. Robinson prosecuted for the Factories Department. On October 2 defendant had admitted to witness that he owed money as wages to two men whom he had had in his employ.

Bert Lees, Bell street, East Coburg, carpenter, said that from October 20 to 28 he worked for the defendant at Cramer street, Preston, for a total of 54 hours, and he had not received any payment.

Edmund Burke also gave evidence that during the same dates he worked 50 hours, for which he had not been paid anything.

Defendant was fined £2 in each case, with £1/10/ costs, and he was ordered to pay to Lees the sum of £7 7/4, being the amount of the arrears, and to Burke £6/16/5.

Ejectment Order

A. F. Deacon, agent, applied on behalf of William George Cox, for an ejectment order against Mr. and Mrs. Turvey, Beauchamp street, Preston. Mr. Brew (O'Donohue and Brew) appeared to make the application, and said that there was £16 owing in rent.

Defendant said he had been out of work for three months and had a sick child. He would get out if he had time.

An order was made that defendant vacate the premises within seven days.

HOYT'S MERRI THEATRE.

To-night and Saturday will provide the last opportunity of seeing and hearing at this theatre "Air Legion," with Antonio Moreno, and "Mother's Boy," in which Morton Downey stars.

"Masquerade," a 100 per cent. talkie, will be screened on Monday, and in support "Office Scandal," a talkie, featuring Phyllis Haver, will be shown. In "Masquerade," Dan Maitland, a wealthy young New York bachelor, intrigued by a beautiful girl whom he believes to be a "lady burglar," discovers her ransacking his country home. He gallantly introduces himself as a notorious society bandit and insists on opening the safe for her.

Almost everyone knows the story of "The Rescue" (coming to the Merri on Thursday), which was Conrad's own favorite among all his novels. Ronald Colman is given the role of the English trader and freebooter in the Java seas, enmeshed in a web of native intrigue and torn between his obligations to his native friends and his love for another Englishman's wife. Lily Damita, with her blonde beauty and reserve of emotion, gives a wonderful portrayal. Duke Kahanomoku, the famous swimmer, Laska Winters and Phillip Strange also contribute excellent characterisations. The other attraction is the 100 per cent. talkie, "Black Waters," with James Kirkwood as the weary old evangelist whose distorted body does not deter him from endeavoring to save the soul of the mysterious "Tiger" Larrabee, his former master and captain. Lloyd Hamilton, one of the screen's funniest men, offers very clever comic relief as Temple.

MERNDA

Many of the suburban churches held their Sunday school picnics in Mernda on Cup day, and more than 2000 children visited the district. Their enjoyment was unfortunately marred by the cold wind and frequent showers.

The wet season has brought out a profusion of wild flowers, including many orchids, some of which belong to the rarer kinds. Grass is very plentiful.

The ladies of the Yan Yean circuit of the Methodist Church have been appointed caterers for the Whittlesea show.

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EPPING.

Great [illegible] interest is being maintained in the doings of the cricket club, which is again an entrant in the Whittlesea Shire competition. Last Saturday they commenced their third match against Doreen, who have been premiers for the past three years. The visitors won the toss and took first use of the wicket. Nelson was bowled by Ziebell with a ball that kept very low. Handley also fell a victim to Ziebell—two for 30. Wood followed and the score was taken to 48, when Ziebell again took toll by bowling Wood with a beautiful ball. Smith followed, but was snapped up in the slips by Dea off the same bowler—four for 60. E. Owens followed and his hard hitting made the field spread out. However, he soon lost Basset, who was caught by Reilly off Ziebell for 25. R. Collins was bowled first ball, and A. Christian helped Owen [illegible] the score to [illegible] when he was [illegible]. Owens carried the [illegible] [illegible], but eventually he hit over a ball from Dea and retired for a vigorous 49, which included [illegible] and four [illegible] for 123. Ziebell took the remaining wickets and the innings closed for 120. The [illegible] of Ziebell was a feature of the innings, he finishing with nine wickets for 30. Epping [illegible] disaster in their innings, Owens bowling F. Dea for 1. V. [illegible] [illegible] the score along to 54 [illegible] was bowled by Collins for 2[illegible]. [illegible] scored a single, then T. Dea and V[illegible] took the score to 69, when the former was bowled by Nelson with the last ball of the day. The match will be continued on Saturday. The committee of the Epping club is grateful for the following donations:—[illegible]. Banting, £1 1/-; D. Scott, £1 1/-; [illegible] £1 1/-; E. Dea, £1 1/-; A. Wicham, £1; C. H. Zammer, [illegible]; Wucha[illegible]; R. J. Smith, [illegible]; J. Long, [illegible]; [illegible]; Fox, [illegible]; F. Begg[illegible].

The tennis [illegible] has commenced, [illegible] team competing. Epping [illegible] defeated by Yan Yean in the opening match, but were successful against Thomastown, winning by 30 games. The local court has lately been renovated, and a much better playing surface has been created.

The recent deputation to the shire council in the matter of having the artichoke thistle removed from the list of noxious weeds has not altogether found unanimous approval among the majority of local land owners, and a further deputation is to wait on the council with a request that no action be taken in approaching the department to further the first deputation's desire.

Mr. J. Marrinon, of Heidelberg, has sold his dairy farm in O'Hern's road to Mr. A. J. Lehmann.

The prospects for the coming harvest in the district are particularly good. Old residents assert that it is many years since crops and pastures have looked so well.

Thieves entered the garage of Mr. Albert Zimmer last week and removed the rear tyres from a Ford car belonging to the vestry of St. John's Church.

BOWLING.

PRESTON LADIES' CLUB

C. Pennant match this week resulted:—Preston, 57 (Mesdames Hazel, Fox, Siddons, 27; Mesdames Howe, McIntyre, Carthew, 30) defeated Blackburn, 31 (Mesdames Cropley, Marshall, Cox, 17; Mesdames Bayles, Roach, Ovens, 14).

The A team had the bye.

At the monthly meeting a welcome was accorded to Mrs. Atyeo on her return from a trip abroad. Mrs. Carthew presented her with a beautiful posy, and a sumptuous afternoon tea was provided.

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Preston and Thornbury Schools' District Sports Meeting.

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At the conclusion of the display a very fine co-operative spirit was evidenced by the mayor of Preston (Cr. M. Fenton) in inviting headmasters and staffs and the school committees in the town hall. Cr. Hughes of Northcote, referred to the fine work of the district association, and the excellent perfection to which it had attained, and eulogised the work of the organising committee. The mayor referred to the very fine co-operative spirit of the Book and proposed the toast of the "District Schools Association," coupling with the name of the president (Mr. Francis). He reviewed the very fine qualities of the body of teachers in the district. Mr. Francis, in very apt terms, thanked the mayor for his reception of the teachers and assured him that in all efforts for the good of Preston the schools were wholeheartedly in accord. He stressed sportsmanship value of these sports in building up citizens of a high character. The mayor then proposed the health of Mr. Ewar, who had been active in the world tour, and, in his reply, Mr. Ewar hoped that some practical effort for the good of the people would be evolved and the idea of a thematic museum would be ultimately elim based from our sports.

No better evidence of the progress of Preston and Thornbury could be proved that the fine spirit of team work of well-pressed children being sportsmen, to a Preston and District work. The arena was surrounded by more thousands of cheering enthusiasts. Sports day, 1929, will be remembered well by all the happy participants. Some day Saturday may be chosen, and parents may come, and swell the happy throng. Well, done, each and all!

An Appreciation.

Cramer park, with its well-grassed areas and the surrounding enhancement well graded and covered with and the encircling shady trees and its grand stand and other buildings was an indication of civic activity and is but one of the many adornments made in beautifying and improving Preston—the progressive city of the north. Above and over it all, exhaustive by beauty, were the happy faces of satisfaction of the children attending successful competitors, whether from their own or other schools. The true sportsmanlike spirit burst forth in full throated acclaim and echoed the hearts of all true Australians.

An Innovation.

Surprise freely enters into the genera. feeling of those present at this display that a few parents were present to witness the performances of their children and further said the benefits derived from these functions. No part of school life is more important than the physical well-being of the children and the inculcation of pure sportsmanship. This nurtured and built up by the games of the schools especially the team groups. These comments are enforcing by teachers and children on love for their work, as there are no monetary rewards. It is done out of love for the sport itself and the honor and prestige of their schools.

Such a ground for the development of character exists nowhere else in the school curriculum, and the presence of parents would help in a small way to strengthen the hands of teachers and school committees who are interested so large heartedly in this work.

PROPOSED TECHNICAL SCHOOL

The Preston council has been asked by the Preston council, but it does not desire to confer at the present time with the Preston council, on the subject of the proposed establishment of a technical school.

Cr. Robinson moved that the letter be sent to the committee of the council. He was surprised at the Northcote council's attitude. If the Northcote council had a site adjacent to Preston's borders the Preston council would have little objection. It seemed, even, the Northcote council would take no action, that Preston should be to the trouble and expense of the establishment of a school was unnecessary.

The motion was carried.

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SUCCESSFUL SPRING SHOW

The Northcote Horticultural Society's spring flower show was held on Saturday, 2nd inst., in the town hall. Owing to greatly increased entries the exhibits were spread over the hall, and had not prevent those who attended from appreciating the excellent quality of the flowers. Entries were received from as far off as Whittlesea and Mont Albert, but owing to the keenness of the competition both these exhibitors had to be content with a second place.

The best rose in the show (Duchess of Portland) was staged by Mr. H. Bailey; as was also the best bunch of roses (Mrs. Rice Allen). The best bunch of cut flowers was staged by Mr. Pettigrove, while Mrs. J. W. Bar. clay was awarded the prize for the best item (a basket of roses) in the bouquet section. The "Lady Gedney" blue ribbon for the best bunch of flowers (roses) in show was won by Mr. H. Bailey. Much interest was shown in an exhibit of pansies in bloom growing in boxes, which was shown by the Flowerdale Nursery, of Noble Park. One year's achievement of the "Home Gardener" for the most successful exhibitor in the novice class was won by Mr. G. Carmichael.

The awards were as follows:—

Amateur Class.

Six Roses.—Mr. J. W. Firth, 1; Mr. C. W. Dobson, 2.

Three Roses.—Mr. H. Bailey, 1; Mr. W. Beattie, 2.

One Rose.—Mr. H. Bailey, 1; Mr. V. Dunallan, 2.

Three Bunches of Roses.—Mr. H. Bailey, 1; Mr. E. M. Goode, 2.

One Bunch Mixed Roses.—Mr. A. V. Simpson, 1; Mr. J. W. Firth, 2.

Three Bunches Cut Flowers.—Mrs. Wood, 1; Mr. J. W. Firth, 2.

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Three Bunches Snapdragon—Mr. J. Hatchorn, 1; Mr. A. Bennett, 2.

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Intermediate Class

Three Roses.—Mr. W. J. Twentyman, 1; Mr. J. J. Medlin, 2.

One Rose.—Mr. J. Toole, 1; Mr. P. Prawley, 2.

One Bunch Mixed Roses.—Mr. C. J. Alexander, 1; Mr. J. Toole, 2.

Three Bunches Roses.—Mr. J. Toole, 1; Mr. W. J. Twentyman, 2.

Three Bunches Cut Flowers.—Mr. J. W. Bartlett, 1; Mr. C. J. Alexander, 2.

One Bunch Cut Flowers.—Mrs. Mc. Millan, 1; Mr. W. Pettigrove, 2.

Novice Class

Six Roses.—Mr. G. Carmichael, 1; Mrs. Murphy, 2.

One Bunch Mixed.—Mr. F. S. Waycott, 1; Mr. G. Carmichael, 2.

Three Bunches Mixed Roses.—Mr. G. Carmichael, 1; Mrs. Murphy, 2.

Three Bunches Cut Flowers.—Mr. G. Carmichael, 1; Mrs. Murphy, 2.

One Bunch Cut Flowers.—Mrs. Bonsell, 1; Mrs. Rice, 2.

Bouquet Section (Amateur)

Epergne of Roses.—Mrs. H. Lancaster, 1; Mrs. Barclay, 2.

Bouquet of Roses.—Mrs. Lovelace, 1; Miss L. Lancaster, 2.

Bowl of Roses.—Mrs. Barclay, 1; Miss Dunallan, 2.

Basket of Roses.—Mrs. Barclay, 1; Mrs. Lovelace, 2.

Three Ladies' Sprays.—Miss G. Lancaster, 1; Mrs. Barclay, 2.

Bowl of Roses.—Mr. J. W. Barclay, 1; Mrs. Wand, 2.

Three Gents' Buttonholes.—Mrs. Firth, 1; Mrs. Wand, 2.

(Novice)

Vase Arrangement of Flowers.—Mrs. Corry, 1; Mr. Pettigrove, 2.

Children's Section

Bowl of Flowers.—Norma Barclay, 1; Jack Firth, 2.

Three Vases Arranged Flowers.—Norma Barclay, 1; Jack Firth, 2.

Three Gents' Buttonholes.—Jack Firth, 1; Joyce Corry, 2.

Three Ladies' Sprays.—Joyce Corry, 1; Nancy Hambly, 2.

Basket of Flowers.—Lily Edwards, 1; Joyce Corry, 2.

PRESTON COUNCIL

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4.

The usual meeting of the Preston Council was held on Monday. Present were the Mayor (Cr. G. C. Rutherson, J.P.), and Crs. J. W. Adams, A. E. Newton, R. H. R. Maynard, W. T. Robson, G. R. Robinson, W. Spratling and C. T. Cripps.

West Preston Tram.

Melb. and Metro. Tramways Board, re proposed extension of the West Preston electric tram to Henty St., advising that the Board cannot, for the present, see its way clear to undertake the work desired by the ratepayers who petitioned for this extension.

Cr. Cripps moved that the letter be sent to the committee of the council. The council had asked for an estimate of the cost and was informed it would be £32,709, which was much higher than the previous estimate.

The matter was referred to the committee of the council for consideration.

Bus Routes.

Department of Public Works, asking whether the council considers the condition of the roads to be traversed as capable of carrying motor omnibus traffic without unreasonable damage in respect of Route 40A, stopping places at Tyler, Gower and Bell Sts.; Route 6a, Coburg to Heidelberg via Bell St.; 1a Silverdale Park Lake via Bell St. to Dennis St., stopping places Tyler, Crawley and Bell Sts.; 3a Dundas St., Thornbury, to Station St.; 4da Thornbury railway station via High St., Henty road, to Jamieson Sanatorium.

Cr. Robinson moved that the department be informed the council considered the road conditions suitable. This was for the yearly renewal of licences. Motion carried.

Permission Sought for Cycling at Cramer Street Park.

R. C. Harris, secretary Amateur Cycling Club, applying for the use of Cramer St. Park on Wednesday and Saturday evenings for cycling events and entertainments. A percentage of the proceeds would be given to charitable bodies. Referred to Parks Committee for consideration on the motion of Crs. Newton and Cripps.

East Preston Association.

H. Stafford, secretary East Preston Progress Association—(1) Re state of kerbing at corner of Bell and South Sts.; (2) re claims progress for future contracts that 75 per cent. local labor be employed; (3) re sanitary service. A letter to the P.W. Committee. To committee of the council, and 3 referred to the Health Inspector.

Regent Central Association.

E. K. Fitzgerald, secretary Regent Central Progress Association—(1) re northern hedge in Fern st., near of Poch St. between Mason and Kilburn Sts.; (2) attention to crossing at corner of Hewitt and Kingwilliam Sts., and roadway in Kingwilliam St. north, near Oakhill Ave.; (3) that footpath be defined in Henty road, between Rubicon St. and Rose, Shamrock and Thistle Hotel.—(1) copy to be sent to the nurseries weeds Inspector; 2 and 3 sent to P.W. committee. On the motion of Cr. Robinson.

Building on Reclaimed Lands.

Australian Labor Party, asking that the Local Government Act be amended so as to give power to council to prevent building on reclaimed lands. Cr. Adams moved that the council consider th ematter in committee. Cr. Robinson said it would be no good sending the matter to the Municipal Association, as the city metropolitan councils were there outnumbered by the country representatives.

It was decided to send on a letter to the Public Works Department, with a request that it be incorporated in the next amending Local Government Act.

Construction of Ralph St.

Henry Jupp, asking, re, construction of Ralph St. he understands that the work had been in hand for a very long time, and the resident had to put up with an awful road, and he could not see his car. The work had been drawn out, and it was high time it was completed.

The engineer said that the Metro. Board of Works had altered a lot of levels, and little could be done until the water drained off. He hoped to be able to get on with the bitumen spraying on Friday.

In reply to Cr. Robson—he engineer said the work had been delayed by a disagreement of the Metro. Board. It would be impossible to spray the road while there was water under its metal.

The matter was referred to the writer of the position.

GENERAL.

St. Mary's Church of England, asking for a lease of the Mayor and council to attend fete to be held at Parish Hall on November 22 and 23, 1929—invitation accepted on the motion of Cr. Adams.

Miss V. Hatcliff, secretary Preston Ladies' Bowling Club, invitation to the Mayor and councillors to attend a bowling day on November 9, 1929, at 4 o'clock p.m. Invitation accepted on the motion of Cr. Newton.

A. W. Mitchell, re drainage in Rathwood Av.—P.W. Committee, on the motion of Cr. Cripps.

H. E. Harris, secretary Regent Central Progress Association Cycle Club, asking for loads of filling for ground at corner Oakhill Av. and Storey road—Left in hands of the engineer, on the motion of Crs. Robinson and Robson.

Sister Holland, asking that a broom bread of Dr. Truby King be placed in new baby health centre.—Committee to report, on the motion of Cr. Robinson.

R. G. Snow, re state of footpath south side of Broadway, between Dennis and Lawson Aves.—P.W. Committee, on the motion of Cr. Robinson.

Metro. Board of Works, asking for permission to run a sewer on council land, Oakhill and Oakhill Av.—P.W. Committee.

Town clerk, City of Northcote, confirming another meeting of conference for November 27 at Northcote Town Hall re cross country business—Referred to the committee of the council.

Robert A. Francis, submitting time table for electric swimming classes at the Preston baths—Baths Committee.

J. E. Hannan, secretary Preston A.L.P. suggesting that an appeal be made to the school committees and other public bodies to raise funds to provide a swimming bath in Preston—Committee of the council, on the motion of Crs. Maynard and Newton.

L. A. Roach and others, Davies St. hideous objection to that street being made a thoroughfare. Cattle and sheep walked over the paths and fouled everything—Referred to committee.

The Commonwealth Bank asked the council to pass a resolution in the following:—That the Commonwealth Bank be authorised to permit an overdraft of £12,000 for private street construction until the loan of £20,000 or instalments of it becomes available by drovers.

Cr. Robinson said that the bank was getting particular and was not helping the council as it had promised.

The Mayor said that the Commonwealth Bank was now only practically a bank of exchange. The bank was hedged round with regulations, and its aims were not now what was originally intended.

It was decided to comply with the bank's request.

Preston Public Free and Lending Library, supplying a list of improvements which they desire this council to have effected—Engineer to inspect and report.

Department of Public Works, advising that a separate bank account is required in future to record the transactions of all Crown reserves controlled by the council.—Received. There are no such reserves in Preston.

Metro. Board of Works, advising that the matter of proposed water supply extension in Ashton and Chapleyor Sts. has been held over for three months.—Board to be advised the council will guarantee the necessary interest, on the motion of Cr. Newton.

Metro. Board of Works, relative to re-coating of the road at Fyffe St.—P.W. Committee, on the motion of Cr. Cripps.

Department of Public Works, asking for council's consent under seal of the common seal to the proposed alteration and alteration of right-of-way for Crown reserve No. 3940, Reservoir.

Cr. Robinson said that this was an extension of the school area to take in four more allotments.—Request granted.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Cr. Robinson (chairman) moved that accounts totalling £2,273/13/7 be paid.—Carried.

C. Gilbert re drain across Nyrowee St. Tarrel crossing to be put in contract.—Left in hands of the committee.

Department of Public Works, advising that £261 was available for expenditure by the council on main traffic roads.—That the money be expended on the work of reconditioning High St., north of Murray road.

Cr. Newton moved the adoption of this clause pro forma and said from time to time the money as reserved was spent on High St. Nothing had been spent out of these grants on Henty road, which also had been in running on it. He would like to amend the clause to provide that £500 be spent on Henty road and the balance on High St.

Cr. Spratling.—Henty road is in good order from the Junction to the creek. (Laughter.)

Cr. Adams's disagree with Cr. Spratling. Cleo would be little enough to spend on it.

Cr. Robinson said High St. was in much worse condition than Henty road, which had a double tram track in it to Tyler St. Further out the council had spent all the money the C.R.H. had provided on the road down to the creek.

The clause was adopted, Cr. Newton voting against.

A. A. Meekcomes, re state of right-of-way at rear of Tranigon Av.—Re service attention (cost £5).

Mrs. D. Milson, asking for attention to channel and roadway in front of her shop in Bell St.—No action

Reservoir Ratepayers' Association, re attention to bare drain at Broadway and Fordholm road.—Repairs to be effected to bare drain (cost 10/-).

Reservoir Ratepayers' Association—(1) re attention to drains at Broadway, Lathe Ave., and at rear of Cathbert road; (2) that ashes be placed on south side of Broadway footpath, from High St. to end of electric light service; (3) that a pipe crossing be put in south side of Broadway opposite Whitelaw St.—(1) work to be done (cost £5); (2) that no action be taken at present; (3) matter left in engineer's hands (cost £5).

Hamilton St.—That wooden crossings be placed in this street (cost £5).

Drainage in Bell, Holham, New road, O'Keefe and Patterson Sts.—Engineer to give attention to cleaning out channels.

Re-covering footpath in front of Mr. Ford's premises in Henty road.—Footpath to be paved (cost £3/10/-).

Lighting.—Re-arrangement of lamps.

Re footpath south side of Gower St., between Henty road and C'Keefe St. That this matter be referred to the paving apportionments for the East Ward.—Referred back to the committee.

ELECTRIC LIGHT COMMITTEE.

Cr. Spratling moved that accounts amounting to £1,352/8/- be passed for payment.—Carried.

Re street lights—That the following street lamps be erected.—Broadway 1, Scotia St. 1, Stott St. 1.

Lamp, Dundas St.—No action at present, as there is but one house there and that is empty.

Extension, Vale St.—Granted.

PARKS COMMITTEE.

Cr. Robson (chairman) moved that the following clauses be adopted:—

Preston Amateur Cycling Club, applying for the use of Preston Park for cycle racing on Saturday afternoons during the summer months.—That permission be granted to the club for holding if not more than one race on each Saturday afternoon during the summer months, such permission to remain in force during the pleasure of the council; no training to be allowed in the park. Permission to be subject to arrangements meeting with the approval of Preston Cricket Club.

The Mayor seconded.—Carried.

Cr. Adams opposed the motion and said that everyone if cent the council a lot of money to rip the ground in order for football. "Cycling would wear a track and would cost money to repair the grass. He entered an emphatic protest.

Cr. Robinson also opposed the motion.

Cr. Robinson said that a few bicycles hashing one race on a Saturday afternoon, would not so much harm to the grass.

Cr. Robinson said that if the conditions imposed were carried out strictly, no harm would be done to the park. Motion of Crs. Maynard and Newton, that clause was adopted, Crs. Cripps, Spratling, Robinson, Rousson, Maynard and the Mayor voting for it and Crs. Adams and Newton against.

Boating accommodation for Tyrell St. Park.—Left in hands of engineer to provide necessary work.

Fencing of playground in Bailey St. and Sussex St. Park.—That a chain wire fence be erected (estimated cost £61/16/-), and that provision for same be made in the next loan schedule.

To consider the fencing of 40 acres of council's property in Henty road known as Beaugreen.—That allocations be called for tenders for the right to graze on acres of this land and that fencing be deferred until such time as tenders have been received and dealt with.

Beautifying of park lands.—That the matter submit a report to the council on the different parts.

The foregoing were adopted.

COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL.

The following clauses were adopted, viz.:

Kew Progress Association, re proposed lamps shopping area in Bell and in the vicinity of Bell St. and Tyler St.—The shed of Bell St. is only half a mile from Henty road and Tyler St. is about 1 mile from Henty road. Tyler St. is a very busy street. The Kew Progress Association's proposal is a point situated half a mile from Henty road for a shopping area. Bell St. is a quiet street and is not so busy as Tyler St. Tyler St.

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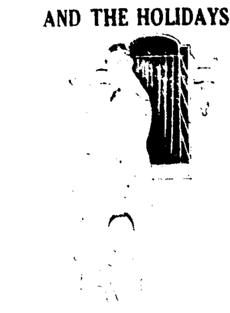

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DISTRICT ELEVENS

NORTHCOTE v PRAHRAN

NORTHCOTE.—First Innings

F. Baring, b Schrader	76
A. E. V. Hartkopf, lbw, b Schrader	3
E. Vernon, st Ellis, b Davie	17
T. Powell, c Eustace, b McCrae	18
J. Baggott, b McCrae	1
P. Gibaud, c Eustace, b Wallace	13
T. Garrett, b Francis	14
C. Morgan, run out	10
G. Heron, not out	47
Sundries	16
Eight wickets for	215

Bowling.—Wallace, one for 40; Schrader, two for 37; Davie, one for 49; Wharington, none for 16; McCrae, two for 35; Francis, one for 22.

SECOND ELEVENS

Prahran made 193 against Northcote, Parkin heading the list with 53 made in 20 minutes by brilliant hitting. Haggart made 33, Henden 35, Hatherall 22, and Gray 14. Fothergill took five wickets for 65, Ansell three for 52, and McSperrin two for 46. Northcote has lost five wickets for 17 (Prentice three for 9 and Smith two for 6).

SUB-DISTRICT

MALVERN v PRESTON

Against Preston, Malvern, on a good wicket at home, made 238, which included 27 4's. Blake made 21 (four 4's), Coutts 37 (four 4's), Fraser 20, then Beattie and Flewellyn, by attractive and aggressive batting, added 101. Flewellyn was stumped for 50 (eight 4's) and Beattie made 57 (five 4's). Woodbury, six wickets for 62, off 20 overs, Gordon, three for 44, and Bott, one for 49, shared the wickets.

Second Elevens

Malvern, 127 (Guy 49 n.o., Smith 28, Lineham 11, Edwards 10; A. Spoor 5/54, Brewer 3/30, Seebeck 1/9), v Preston, one for 7.

THE JUNIORS

ASCOTVALE v FAIRFIELD

Ascotvale opened well against Fairfield, but the later batsmen could not sustain the good average, and the innings which promised well closed for 145. The opening batsman, Anderson, made 23 nicely, and Bertram and Hiscock carried the score to 53 before Hiscock was stumped smartly by J. Ingleman for 26. Four wickets then fell quickly, Bertram being smartly caught at point off Munro for 40. Six wickets were down for 91 when Turner was joined by Richardson, and a bright partnership added 50 in half an hour. Richardson scored 33 quickly, while Turner batted steadily for 18. W. Ingleman then struck a patch and quickly terminated the innings. He finished up with four for 23 off eight overs, and was well supported by Munro, three for 37, and Bryant, two for 20. With 15 minutes to bat, Fairfield lost one wicket for 10 runs, Bertram securing the wicket.

NORTH SUBURBAN ASSOCIATION

FIRST GRADE

Northcote Footballers, 23 (Dimmick 8/46) v Thornbury, 85 (J. Lane 22; Spencer 5/10, Lovelace 4/7).

SECOND GRADE

South Preston Methodists, seven for 53 (Sanderson 6/20), v Burnley Seconds, 120 (Smith 39, Thrup 24, Hargood 26 n.o.).

Regent, 169 (Dalcam 30, McGrath 29, Anderson 22, Haddrick 22, Nicolson 21), v Burnley Juniors, three for 39.

THIRD GRADE

West Preston, 165 (Campbell 63, Saunders 29, Crockford 23; Mitchell 4/36), v Westgarth, two for 43.

Northcote Free Gardeners, 78 (Manning 6/17), v Titles Survey, six for 66.

Wardrop House, 34 and two for 27 (Johnson 7/14), v Croxton, 21 (Lee 6/12, Armstrong 4/9).

Crescent, 40, v Regent Juniors, 68 (Gregory 4/15).

JIKA ASSOCIATION

Reservoir, eight for 108 (Tivey 24; Forde 4/15) v Preston United, 59.

Prestonite, 70, v Preston Footballers, four for 46 (Monohan 20 n.o.; Hannah 4/22).

Darebin, 111 (Alexander 21), v Bell Stars, one for 9.

East Northcote, 74 (C. Maskiell 25, R. Maskiell 22), v East Preston, five for 54 (Sparge 5/28).

Broadhurst's, 223 (Mildren 80, Herb White 55, Digby 56), v Scouts, one for 9 (Orbiston 4/50).

MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION

Box Hill, 32 and two for 23, v Northcote, 59. Preston, 33 (Alberton 5/13, Davis 4/12), v Williamstown, 137.

CHURCH ASSOCIATIONS

CHURCH OF CHRIST

FIRST GRADE

Preston, 99 (C. Meates 23, H. Meates 21), v Thornbury A, one for 88 (Bramley 22, Gall 50 n.o.).

Thornbury B, 55 (James 20; Freeman 4/13, Argo 4/21), v Mutual, eight for 63 (Johnstone 21).

SECOND GRADE

Fairfield, 29 and 33 (McClean 4/10, Ireland 4/6), v Northcote, 25 (Armstrong 7/10).

Preston, 63 and two for 16, d Thornbury, 10 and 66.

BAPTIST CHURCH

FIRST GRADE

Preston A, 125 (McLellan 30, Kerr 26; Haley 4/11), v North Carlton, four for 46.

Northcote, 130 (Williams 21, Prentice 41; Hicks 4/40), v Footscray, seven for 61 (Fisher 26).

SECOND GRADE

Preston B v Clifton Hill, 146 (Russell 60, McIntosh 30; Edgar 5/25).

Collingwood, 66 (Dunstan 32; Chapman 6/19), v Preston West, 66 (Bruce 6/11, hat trick).

NORTHCOTE AND PRESTON

[illegible] 88 (Paterson 55), v [illegible] Christ, 38 (Crawford [illegible]).

St. George's Road Methodists, 74 (C. Owens 22, M. Veevers 10; D. Patterson 3/14, A. Gray 3/26), v Thornbury Presbyterians, five for 105 (E. Friend 30, J. Watson 25 n.o.; M. Veevers 1/11, J. King 1/24, F. Hewish 1/14).

FRIENDLY SOCIETIES

C.Y.M.S.

On Saturday the match between Northcote B and West Melbourne was commenced at Royal Park. West Melbourne won the toss and decided to field. Northcote having first use of a good wicket. They made the most of the good conditions offering and rattled up 140 in 115 minutes. J. Hickey, playing his first game, made a promising start, scoring 29 by splendid batting. This player should be a great acquisition to the side as he is a first-class opening batsman. The rest of the team carried on the good work, Arthur Smark compiling 21 in good style, T. Blanks 19 not out, J. Smark 19 and A. Hall 12. West Melbourne commenced their innings at 5 o'clock and at the call of time had lost seven for 59. They were all at sea to the splendid bowling of A. Smark (three for 8 off six overs) and A. Hall (three for 7 off five overs), who clean bowled all their victims. Tom Blanks also bowled well, taking one for 22 off five overs. It was pleasing to see T. Blanks and J. Smark among the runs, and when the bowling tired they did not hesitate to lay the wood on. Praise is also due to Anstey Hall for his neat display of batting. This colt is also performing well with the ball, as, with only limited opportunities, he has taken six for 29 so far this season. The team is in a good position in this match and is confident of obtaining its first win on Saturday next.

Preston, 31 (Nicholls 6/21), v Northcote A, seven for [illegible] (Gardner 61 n.o.).

Thornbury, 62 (Johnston 40), v Clifton Hill, nine for 79 (Sheehan 5/17).

I.N.F.

Northcote, 133 (Rain 39, Edwards 47; Fewster 5/38), v Essendon, four for 49.

G.U.O.O.F.

Northcote, 78 (Underwood 35; Arthur 5/37, Kimball 4/20), v Crown of Success, two for 39.

U.A.O.D.

Trafalgar, 50 (Spencer 16 and 3/49), Whittle [illegible] v Gwalia, eight for 51.

A.O.F.

Pride of Northcote, 49 and three for 75 (Shields 51 n.o.), v Court Clarendon, five for [illegible] (Timms 23).

P.A.F.S.

Preston, 111 (Howden 24, Watkins 23; Johnston 5/32), v North Fitzroy, four for 59 (Smith 31 n.o.).

Northcote, 102 (Ward 25, Maker 24; Turner 4/31 and 3/2), v Newmarket, seven for 51.

Fairfield, 62 (Graham 23), v Collingwood, four [illegible] 91 (Whitehead 44, Winson 35 n.o.).

I.O.R.

SENIOR COMPETITION

Fairfield, 83 (Bettles 23; J. Cox 6/30), v North Fitzroy, two for 72.

Fitzroy, 36 (King 4/14; Muir 4/7) v Northcote A, six for 215 (Herman 59, McRae 19, Scott 24, Angus 66, Dickson 21; Lewis 3/62, 4/6 2/38).

JUNIOR COMPETITION

John Vale, 31 (Henry 5/11, Edwards 5/10) and six for 61 (Henry 5/11, Edwards 5/17), v Clifton Hill, 75 (Schultz 11, Price 11; Robinson 5/11, Spinks 2/14).

Northcote, 92 (Angus 38; Beater 4/15, Buggard 4/18), d Samuel Mauger, 27 and 32 (Jenkin 18 and 15 n.o.; Hamilton 6/13, Humphries 5/12, Taylor 5/11, Buckley 4/18).

RETURNED SOLDIERS

Footscray, 139 (Powell 45, Firth 23, Marshbanks 20; N. O'Neill 3/28, R. Lyons 3/41, R. Routley 2/21), v Northcote, two for 47 (R. Routley 24, P. Parson 11 n.o., J. Barnes 3 n.o.; Gothe 1/13, Marshbanks 1/15).

PROGRESS ASSOCIATIONS

Regent Central Progress Association played East Preston Progress Association on Saturday. Scores: East Preston [illegible] 41. Stafford 8 n.o.; D. Cameron 2/4, J. Freake 4/13, Smythe 2 [illegible]; Regent Central, six for 142 (D. Cameron 41, Henderson 29 n.o., R. Harris 29 n.o.; Cornell 2/30, Stafford 1/40, Rodgerson 3/31). Regent Central are in a comfortable position and look like winning. However, East Preston are by no means downhearted and intend to give them a hard go for it in the next innings. A large number of supporters was again present. Afternoon tea was supplied by Regent Central ladies' committee, for which the members are very grateful.

NOTICE TO CRICKET CLUBS

Club secretaries are invited to send in reports of matches for publication in the "Leader." Reports must reach this office not later than midday on Tuesday, otherwise insertion cannot be guaranteed.

SWIMMING AND LIFE SAVING

ANNUAL MEETING OF NORTHCOTE CLUB.

At the annual meeting of the Northcote Life Saving and Swimming Club a most hopeful report was presented to members. The club is in a good financial position and the members are full of enthusiasm, which augurs well for the approaching season.

The first annual meeting of the above club was held in the Northcote town hall on October 29. In the absence of the president (Cr. B. E. Johnson), the vice president (Cr. W. Olver) presided. Disappointment was expressed at the attendance, there being only 63 members present.

Several kindred clubs sent representatives to wish the club success. Among those present were Mr. Charrett (Central Executive of the Royal Life Saving Society), Mr. P. Kennedy (founder of the Deep Rock Club) and his club mate, Mr. Stevens, Mr. Scholfield (Abbotsford) and Mr. Peter Macdall (Fitzroy Club).

Cr. Olver extended a hearty welcome to the delegates, who suitably replied and wished the Northcote Club every success.

Mr. Charrett, on behalf of the Royal Life Saving Society, said he was pleased to be present, as his society was always pleased to meet people prepared to sacrifice their leisure hours in an endeavor to help others. He was astounded at the progress the Northcote Club had made. He pointed out that the Northcote Club was eligible to compete for several shields, including the Treadwell challenge shield.

In moving a vote of thanks to Mr. Charrett (coupling the other delegates present), the secretary (Mr. J. A. Hogan) informed Mr. Charrett that the Treadwell shield was "as good as won" by the Northcote Club. He reminded the meeting that when the sporting people of Northcote set out to win a prize they always "brought home the goods." Our football club had won the 1929 pennant, and the Northcote Life Saving and Swimming Club were also going to be the 1929-30 swimming and life-saving premiers. He felt sure that we had the material, and under the instruction of Mr. Harry Goldsmith, honorary instructor, he had no doubt the club would add further honor to our city's name.

A letter was received from Mr. C. E. Reid, stating that he would donate a trophy, and that both he and his two children would become members.

The secretary then presented the annual report and balance sheet, of which condensations are as follows:—

In presenting the first annual report your committee desires to congratulate you on the way your club has progressed during the eight months of its existence. The club was formed on February 20, 1929. During the close season house parties were held at the homes of members and friends, and many pleasant evenings were spent in addition to raising a large sum of money. Your committee confidently looks forward to having a successful season. Your club was granted affiliation with the Royal Life Saving Society, and application has also been made to the Victorian Amateur Swimming Association for affiliation. Your committee regrets that it has lost the services of Mr. Joe Fogg as instructor. Mr. Fogg has been appointed to the position of bath keeper at the baths, and the committee considers that the council has made a wise move in appointing Mr. Fogg. In Mr. H. Goldsmith your committee considers it has secured the services of an efficient instructor. Mr. Goldsmith has for many years been associated with the R.L.S.S. The committee desires to place on record the support of Cr. B. E. Johnson (president) and in order to show its appreciation recommends that Cr. Johnson be elected a life member. To the Northcote Football Club we extend congratulations on winning the 1929 pennant. Your committee desire to thank the following friends for favors shown:—Mr and Mrs. [illegible] of Herbert St., Mr. and Mrs. Howard of Armadale St.; Mr. and Mrs. Pentelow, Collins St.; Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] of Lawry St., and Mrs. J. A. Hogan, of Woolton Ave., for the use of their homes for house parties which helped to raise funds for the club; Cr. B. E. Johnson and Mrs. D[illegible] for donating two cups for competition among members; to the "Leader" for publicity given of the club's activities; to the Northcote city council for the use of a room; to Mr. [illegible], jeweller, of High street, for displaying trophies in shop window. The committee regrets that the baths have not been chlorinated, but after a consultation with the baths committee of the council, when the reason was frankly placed before your committee, it was shown that it was impossible to carry out the work this year. There is reason to believe that the work will be carried out next year. The club appeals to all residents to patronise their own baths. There is no need to be under any impression as to the baths being unhealthy. Expert opinion obtained by the club shows that the baths are clean and healthy.

For the cause of charity.—In order to assist the Northcote Ladies' Benevolent Society the club held a social evening in the town hall on April 30, when £15 was handed over to the society. The club also assisted in the unemployed carnival and raised £31.

In conclusion the committee appeals to all members to at all times assist the bath keeper to maintain order and decency.

The balance sheet showed receipts £40 3/- and expenditure £29, leaving a credit balance of £11 3/-.

Mr. N. Howard (auditor), in moving the adoption, complimented the secretary upon the way he kept his books.

Cr. Olver said he could not allow the opportunity to pass without saying a word of praise as to the splendid financial position of the club. He had no doubt as to the future, and he was proud to be associated with it even if it were only as a vice-president. If he could "dig up" his bathing costume he would visit the baths and perhaps surprise the "crack swimmers" of the club. (Hear, hear).

The election of officers showed the keenness of members, as every office was contested with the exception of president, vice-president and secretary. The offices were filled as follows:—President, the mayor (Cr. W. Hayes); vice-presidents, Crs. W. Olver, A. C. Beard, J. O. Hughes and S. W. Pinkney; chairman, Mr. Taylor; vice chairman, Mr. Fallon; hon. treasurer, Mr. A. Doggett; auditor, Mr. N. Howard; hon. assistant secretary, Miss E. Pentelow; hon. secretary, Mr. J. A. Hogan; committee, Mrs. Howard, Misses F. Evans, E. Weate, G. Taylor, D. Lacey, Messrs. Virgenser, Bolton, Pentelow, Goldsmith, G. Fairweather; hon. solicitor, Mrs. Joan Rosanove; head instructor, Mr. H. Goldsmith; delegate to Royal Life Saving Society and Victorian Amateur Swimming Association, Mr. J. A. Hogan.

It was decided, in recognition of his services, to make Cr. B. E. Johnson a life member; also to accept the offer of a delegation from the Royal Life Saving Society to visit the baths on November 24, when it is hoped that all members will be present.

Mr. Joe Fogg was congratulated on his appointment as bathskeeper.

The club's official colors are blue costume with green and gold stripes and badge. All members desiring costumes and badges are requested to order same from secretary.

A vote of thanks was extended to the "Leader" (the official organ) for publicity given to the club's activities.

POLICE RAID HOUSE

Raiding a house in Darebin road, Ivanhoe, Constable Tierney, of Ivanhoe, and Constable Russell, of the police motor patrol, seized a quantity of motor accessories, jewellery, and building material, several bicycles, and other articles, valued at about £200, which they believe are the proceeds of recent robberies in the Ivanhoe and Heidelberg districts. The property was taken to the Ivanhoe police station, where it awaits identification. Later at the Ivanhoe police station Alfred Edward Pearce, aged 42 years, a fireman, employed at the Mont Park Hospital, was charged on two counts of larceny and one of unlawful possession; Alfred Charles Pearce, aged 18 years, his son, was charged with unlawful possession; and Henry Wilkes, aged 22 years, tailor, was charged on one count of larceny.

Notes by Wayfarer.

Visiting in turn McDonell Park and beholding teams of cricketers competing and junior teams on vacant contiguous blocks; thence to Hayes Park to find the scene repeated; on to Henderson Park, filled with sturdy cricketers, and then journeying to Mayer Park and seeing the hill top clothed with manly men in spotless white array; thence to Merri Park and on to Northcote Park, where senior cricket par excellence is exhibited, one realises what undertakings lie ahead of the council. Some of these areas are yet in the rough, but the council are to be commended on securing them, and more still are needed. Mayer Park needs enlarging, McDonell Park needs filling and levelling, and at Merri much tail grass needs scything off. The more areas secured the better and the more of our young folk that play this manly game the better for our people. The street corner and the shady parlor are incomparable with heathy sunshine and exercise. May Northcote go on increasing its park lands continuously until ample reserves are available. They are better than baths or beaches for the health of the community.

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BOWLING.

"COCK OF THE NORTH" COMPETITION.

THE DRAW.

November 23—Preston v Thornbury, Fairfield v Ivanhoe, Alphington v Northcote.

New Year's Day—Preston v Northcote, Fairfield v Thornbury, Ivanhoe v Alphington.

January 25, 1930—Preston v Fairfield, Northcote v Ivanhoe, Alphington v Thornbury.

February 15, 1930—Preston v Alphington, Fairfield v Northcote, Thornbury v Ivanhoe.

February 22, 1930.—Preston v Ivanhoe, Fairfield v Alphington, Northcote v Thornbury.

With the opportunity of playing any of the games by electric light by mutual agreement.

The above dates are not compulsory, but clubs are requested to adhere, as far as possible, to the above arrangements.

If dates, owing to club reasons, are not suitable, an arrangement by secretaries of the clubs can be made to play the match as close as possible to the original date.

For the competition to be successful, it should be completed not later than February 28, 1930.

The hon. secretary is Mr V. G. Price, 21 Mansfield St., Thornbury N17. The assistant secretary is Mr. H. E. Fox, 39 Woolton Av., Thornbury N17, and the chairman is Mr. H. H. Olney, "Yantaringa," Locksley Road, Ivanhoe.

Rules for the Competition.

Rules drawn up by representatives of the bowling clubs participating in the "Cock of the North" competition are as follows:—

1. The competition shall be one of five (5) rounds.
2. All clubs shall play each other once.
3. Each club shall be represented by six (6) rinks in all matches; three (3) rinks shall play at home and three (3) away from home.
4. Not more than two recognised "A" pennant players shall be permitted to play in any one rink.
5. All matches shall be of 21 ends.
6. Matches shall commence not earlier than 2.30 p.m. nor later than 2.45 p.m.—Clubs may arrange to play by electric light by mutual arrangement.
7. No rink shall be allowed to play two (2) consecutive Saturdays on any one green.
8. The club having the greatest number of wins shall be declared the winner of the competition.
9. In the event of two or more clubs having the same number of wins a play off shall decide the winner.
10. Secretaries of all clubs must send to the secretary of the competition not later than Tuesday of each week a return showing the personnel of all rinks, together with the rink scores.
11. The following gentlemen shall constitute an appeal board, viz.:—Messrs. H. H. Olney (chairman) and presidents of Thornbury and Ivanhoe clubs. This appeal board shall deal with all matters relative to the conduct of the competition wherein any dispute may arise.

V.B.A. rules shall apply to this competition.

THORNBURY CLUB

The A's had a bye, which was very handy for those who wanted to go to the Derby, one of whom backed five winners.

The B's went to Carlton and had a good all-round win. Stone, helped by a 6, beat Plant, 32 to 17, and Warren was 5 up on Pearson, 25 to 20. George Willis just beat Smith by 1, 22 to 21, and Bartley, after being down 15 to 2, got within 3 of his opponent, Curtis. The totals were 99 to 81.

The C team met Collingwood on their own green and handsomely defeated them by 91 to 66. Mahony's rink's majority of 24 over Latimer was the principal factor in this. Whitechurch was also up 3 on Curtis, but Hibbert beat Len Roberts by 27 to 21.

To-morrow the A's play East Camberwell on the latter's green.

PRESTON CLUB

Preston A v Ascotvale

The A team had an off day against Ascot Vale on the Preston green, and were beaten by 27. Ross' rink was the only one to claim a win, whilst Morgan was 27 down. Scores:—

Preston (81).—Crispe, Carthew, Siddons, Morgan, 13; White, Shaw, Henshaw, Pollock, 22; Joiner, Zwar, Appleton, Sinclair, 21; Watson, Capp, Condie, Ross, 25.

Ascotvale (108)—Tootell, Mouchemore, Baker, Franklin, 40; Stephens, Shattock, Fulton, Moncur, 27; Gray, Gumley, Godso, Hutchison, 23; Fisher, Tibb, Grigg, Osborne, 18.

Preston C1 v Elsternwick District 2

Preston C1 (82).—Welch, Wood, Tatchell, Billyeald, 28; Hughes, McIntosh, Crowe, Salfinger, 27; Hazel, Allardice, Dahl, Lang, 27.

Elsternwick District 2 (59).—Jackson, Alexander, Sanell, Hodges, 18; Emonson, McCarthy, Barton, E. H. King, 18; Batters, Mongomery, Brunton, King, 23.

Ivanhoe v Preston C2

Ivanhoe (85).—Sullivan, Sanders, Yourgn, Whitelaw, 26; Brooks, Jeffrey, Stone, Shonelton, 19; Hall, Heggie, Stott, Whiffen, 40.

Preston C2 (64). — Butterfield, Hindson, Burgis, Fox, 23; McIntyre, Coleman, Cohen, Lewis, 23; Hill, Shepherd, Crispe, Howe, 18.

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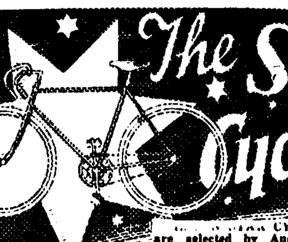

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THE BANK OVERDRAFT.

(Continued)

"Binns," said Carter, "don't you remember us—Bates and Carter? We were in the Shell with you."

"Glad to see you," said Binns. "Do take seats. Where are my cigars? Ah, that's right. Help yourselves. Delighted to meet anyone from the old school, but even to oblige old schoolfellows I can't make promises that I cannot fulfil."

"We don't want any of your bally old planes," said Carter. "That was just a bit of camouflage to get to you. There's a dragon of a commissionaire downstairs. We've had enough of war. Bates there has got out of it with trench fever and the D.S.O. I'm out of it with a dicky arm."

"And the Military Cross," I interposed.

"Wait a moment," said Binns as the telephone bell at his elbow rang persistently. "Who's that? Farndon depot. I'll send you three to-morrow. No, not a moment sooner."

"Let me see. What were you telling me about?" said Binns as he put the 'phone down.

"Well, Binns," I said, "we've come to see if you could help Carter out of a hole. You know, Carter never was a beggar to make money for himself. He's got the spending side perfectly, but the making it doesn't come natural to him."

"Lucky beggar," exclaimed Binns. "He hasn't half of his life worried away by the Excess Profits fiend."

"Well, he's a chance of marrying a really rich girl. Only he can't do it till he's in a position to approach her father with a show of independence. If he could go to him and say, 'I'm a poor man, but I've got my pension, and I will settle £400 on your daughter,' he thinks the affair will come off all right."

"Four hundred thousand is a lot of money," said Binns dubiously.

"Four hundred pounds, my dear fellow. Five hundred in all would give an old friend his chance. I'd lend it myself if I had it. Only we didn't make fortunes out in Flanders."

"I know. I know," said Binns. "Do you think I don't envy you chaps? But I'd started this show before the war, and I couldn't get away from the infernal thing. The wretched business grows in the night, I believe. And all I get out of it is perpetual work and worry and money I haven't time to think about spending. Oh, you chaps have been the lucky ones. You've had some fun during these four years. Of course, I'll settle that little matter for Carter. You would not mind if I made you a present of it, old man? It would be the first money I've had any pleasure in spending for long enough."

"No, thanks, old man. Awfully good of you, but I'd rather pay it back directly I get married."

"Well, it may be awkward to pay it back at once. Take your own time."

"A year after I'm married," said Carter.

"As you like, my boy."

Binns rang a bell and called to the spectacled person who entered, "Cheque book, please, Miss Tompkins. Make cheque payable to E. Carter, Esq., for five hundred pounds, and bring it to me for signature."

A moment later the clerk returned with the cheque and vanished.

"Here you are, old man. So glad you came to me. Wish you luck with the girl. Now both of you come and see me directly you can arrange it. You'll stay a month. Bring your wife, too, Carter, and yours, Bates, if you have one. I've a nice place down Guildford way, and I've only spent one week-end there since I bought it. Don't forget. If you don't come soon and tell me all your adventures there'll be trouble."

We got outside, and Carter said, "Good old Binns. He's such a good sort that I hardly fancy taking his money."

"Nonsense," I said. "You did him a good turn. It made him beam just to get the chance."

"That's the worst of it," replied Carter. "There's a bit of pleasure in touching a chap when he doesn't want to lend it you. Still, I'll pay him back within a year of my marriage, if my father-in-law has to work overtime. Now, this afternoon I'll go and see the bank manager and put that overdraft right. If you hear paper boys shout, 'Sudden Death of Bank Manager!' you'll know that the poor fellow has died from heart failure after an unexpected shock. I must break it to him gradually. Pay him a fiver at a time, perhaps. Now, what's your fancy in engagement rings?"

"Don't ask me," I said. "All I know about the beastly things is that when the girl sends them back the jeweller can only give you half-price for them. Wait till you've got the girl and ask her what she likes."

"No. I must get one at once and have it ready to shove on her finger. At lunch to-morrow I shall propose. I hope she won't insist on going to an A.B.C. I can't propose over a cup of coffee and a scone. If I ran a restaurant I should have proposing corners reserved for innocent lovers. I'll look you up to-morrow afternoon and tell you when the wedding bells will ring. You've got to be best man."

"That's a cruel reward for my help in time of trouble."

"It's all right. I'll get Mabel to pick some really wealthy bridesmaids. The best man can always get a bridesmaid. After just being in the show they feel that they want to be the main figure in their own show. Well, till to-morrow."

He came to my rooms the next afternoon.

"Well, old top," I said. "What luck?"

"I don't know," he said, "I don't know. I called for her and took her out. She would go to a wretched restaurant quite near. I proposed over steak pie. Not at all a good thing to propose over. And she listened to me all right, and I was just going to hug her in spite of the waiter who was staring at us, when I saw the tears come into her eyes. 'Oh, Mr. Carter,' she began, 'I'm so sorry. I really talked to you because you were a wounded hero, and I felt sorry, for, being at the bank, I knew you were not rich.' 'That's all right now,' I said. 'Cleared it all up and £400 in hand that I'm going to settle on you.' 'You know,' she went on, 'I thought my advice would help you to get square with the world, and that if you were with me, at any rate you wouldn't be wasting your money. I was so glad last night when Mr. Smith told me your account was all right again, for it has quite hurt me to write you those letters. Only when I came out with you it was because I thought you were so jolly and frivolous, and would never be serious. But really, I'm engaged. I don't wear an engagement ring, because father says girls must never wear jewellery at the bank. And, of course, I liked your society, for though I'm engaged to the nicest man, yet he's so busy with war-work that I never see him scarcely. Still, we're to be married when George can leave his aeroplane factory.' 'George who?' I cried. 'Binns,' she said."

"Here's a nice state of things, Carter," I said.

"It's fatality," said Carter. "Old Binns has lent me five hundred, not to be paid back till a year after I marry his girl. She won't have me, and, anyway, I can't go breaking my benefactor's heart. I've blewed twenty pounds in an engagement ring, and there's sixty gone to that swindling bank about that overdraft. What am I to do?"

"I think we'd better go and have a meal somewhere and talk this over," I said.

Since that day we have dined together many times discussing whether the money should be given back, and how it should be given back. Only if we dine much oftener out of it I fear we shall be faced with a third problem—more dreadful still—whether there will be any money left to give back!

(The End)

PROGRESS ASSOCIATIONS.

NORTHCOTE WEST WARD

The fortnightly meeting was held on the 7th inst., Mr. W. Wharton being in the chair. There was a large attendance, which included many new members.

The organiser reported that he had reached the 500 mark of enrolments of members. He was of the opinion that he would reach 1,000 by the time he had completed the ward. He had only so far canvassed from Miller street to Normanby avenue. He had received many inquiries as to when the association's picnic was to be held this year.

Mr. Wharton reported re Central Council of Progress Associations.

The secretary reported that all arrangements had been completed for the annual picnic at South Morang on November 24. Tickets will cost, 2/-, which will include train fare, hot water and milk. The ground chosen was near the station, and included a hall, piano, swings, etc. He had made arrangements with the Railways to serve three carriages.

General Business

It was decided to protest to the Northcote city council re the employment of foreign labor on street construction by contractors while local ratepayers are unemployed; also to protest re the increase in rates in Northcote.

Several other complaints were referred to ward members.

The next meeting will be held in the school hall, Hutton street, Thornbury, on 21st inst., the syllabus item being a lecture on Health by Dr. G. Philpotts, of the National Health Association. All are welcome.

NORTHCOTE EAST WARD

(Contributed)

The last meeting was held in the Clark street school on October 15, at which the attendance was not too good. With us on that occasion were the president and his good lady of the North Ward Progress Association, also the secretary and his wife. The bowls tournament that was to take place in August came off on this occasion. After some good play the lady's prize was won by Mrs. Spencer, and the gentleman's by the president's brother, Mr. Yeates. The next meeting takes place on November 19. Therefore, become members of the association. It is your business. We must call attention to one of the great improvements of the ward, i.e., the motor bus run by Messrs. B. Banbury and W. Turnham from High street to Fairfield. They are bringing the trade from Fairfield into High street, which is a good thing for the city. The great event of the year takes place on November 21 in the small hall of the town hall, when Cr. and Mrs. Glanfield request the company of the past president and members of the association at the annual meeting and presentation to the past president. All the city councillors have been invited. This will be the last night of President Yeates being with us as president.

POINTED PROVERBS

No. 4: Elusive Springtime.

"One swallow does not make a Spring" is a proverb which seems to be peculiarly fitted to the climatic conditions of Melbourne. We have had a wonderful assortment of climates here, even in one day. A warm spell suggests that the Spring has come, but this fond illusion is soon shattered by the bleak winds and wet days which follow. It must surely be some comfort to us to know that ancient Greece experienced the same unsettled weather conditions, for this proverb is quoted by Aristotle, the Greek philosopher, who lived in the fourth century B.C. But we do not limit the proverb to its superficial meaning. It is amplified in many ways in human experience. For instance, we can also say that "One joke does not make a humorist." Many folk may occasionally reveal a touch of humour, and yet be gloomy and pesimistic. Or again, "One wise word does not make a philosopher." If it did, we would have no need for our universities, and higher education would be a waste of time. We recognise the truth of this by continually seeking to raise the standard of education, so that the future generations may be better trained in the wisdom of human experience. What a pity it is, also, that "one penny does not make a millionaire!" If it did, we would all be aspirants for that title, but all incentive to thrift would be gone. Perhaps the most important application of the springtime proverb is in the thought that "one good deed does not make a saint." We know that noble, successful life is only attained by persevering and continuous effort. We thus are led to cultivate habits of unselfishness, kindliness and self-sacrifice, seeking to develop worthy characters by consistent living.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

NORTHCOTE AND PRESTON

Rifle [illegible] matches were held at Port Melbourne last Saturday.

In the [illegible] Grade contests Hawthorn (349) [illegible] Northcote (346), individual [illegible] being:—Hawthorn: Addison [illegible] Paterson, 45; Raw, 45; S. Carr[illegible] Gallop, 43; Hill, 43; Brittain [illegible] Craig, 41. Northcote: Chynoweth [illegible] Tongue, 47; Hook, 46; Ka[illegible] 41; Appleby, 41; McQueen [illegible] Waters, 39.

In the [illegible] Grade South Yarra (346) defeated [illegible] A (337). Scores:—South [illegible] Thomson, 46; G. Black, [illegible] 45; Arenbald, 43; Marshall [illegible] Jones, 42; Brown, 41; Austin [illegible]; Preston A: Bell, 44; E. Feather[illegible] Griffiths, 43; N. Featherston [illegible] 42; Ames, 41; Pody [illegible] Atherston, 40.

Dunlop [illegible] defeated Preston B (288) [illegible] Dunlop: Karton, 41; [illegible] Reeves, 41; Pendelbury [illegible] Yeoman, 39; Bell [illegible] Preston B: Perrett, [illegible] 40; Court, 38; Smith [illegible] 34; Bagnell, 33; Grow[illegible] 31.

Northcote [illegible] club shoot for the Purves [illegible] pennant, with the following [illegible] Tongue, 47 (6), 50; Ch[illegible] 50; Hook, 46 ([illegible]); Kaye, 44 ([illegible]) 48; Appleby, 44 ([illegible]).

Preston [illegible] the last stage of [illegible] for the Dike trophy. Scores [illegible] 50; E. Feather[illegible] Perrett, 41 (9), 50; [illegible] 50; N. Featherston, 43 [illegible] 39. The trophy was [illegible] by Perrett.

Inter-Services Match

Quite a number of members of the 57th and [illegible] Battalions (Preston and [illegible]) have selected themselves [illegible] in the inter-services [illegible] Williamstown next Saturday [illegible] Army, Air Force and Navy. The citizen force team will be captained by Lieut.-Col. Eller, [illegible] of the 57th and 59th Battalions [illegible] be selected are:—[illegible] (57th), Sergt. Gray [illegible] George (57th), [illegible] Sergt. Wiltshire [illegible] Grade (57th), L.-Cpl. [illegible] Cpl. Davern (59th), [illegible] (59th). Cadet Hall [illegible] team will be composed of [illegible] Shooting will commence [illegible] quarter past 2 o'clock [illegible] More members have been [illegible] 57th and 59th Bn. [illegible] any other units.

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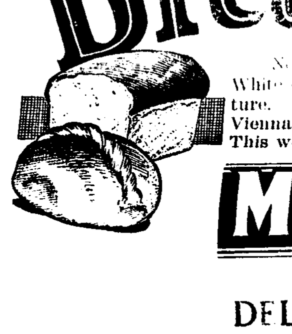

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16,

At 3 o'clock at the property "AVENEL," 75 JAMES STREET, NORTHCOTE.
Executors' Realising Auction Sale of
COMPACT D.F. TIMBER VILLA.
Five large rooms, 16-6 x 12-6, two 14 x 12-6, two 11 x 12; bathroom, pantry, washhouse, one fire and gas stoves, sewered, E.L., made street, good order. Land 40 x 120.
FOR ABSOLUTE SALE.
Title Certificate. Easy Terms Arranged. Auctioneer—
STOTT, SON & WATSON,
NORTHCOTE AND PRESTON.
In conjunction
MEMBREY & DEANE,
17 QUEEN ST., MELBOURNE.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23.

Lot 1 at 3 p.m. on the property, 24 BARRY ST., WESTGARTH,
MASSIVE D.F. BRICK VILLA,
(Between Merri St. and Merri Railway Station).
Six large rooms and all possible convs.; in tip-top order, with nice garden, fowl pens and a good car entrance. Land 40 x 110.
Lot 2 at 3.30 p.m. on the property, 45 McLACHLAN ST., WESTGARTH.
MODERN D.F. W.B. VILLA.
Return hall, 6 large rooms (17 x 13, 15 x 15, etc.), bath heater, sleep-out, in perfect order, with granolithic paths, fernery, garage, lawns, etc. Land approx. 40 x 130.
The above properties are in first class order and are highly recommended to anyone desirous of purchasing a home in this locality. They have to be sold, so come along.
JAMES & HOBSON,
AUCTIONEER, NORTHCOTE.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16,

At 3 p.m. on the property,
LOT 1—106 GLADSTONE AVENUE, CROXTON.
NEAT BIJOU VILLA.
Four nice rooms and exceptionally fine sleep-out; in good order. Returning £78 per annum. Land 28 x 120. Must be sold to wind up estate.
Lot 2 at 3.45 p.m. on the property, 134 SEPARATION ST., NORTHCOTE
Splendid D.F. W.B. Villa,
Of 5 rooms and every conv.; in perfect order. Land 40 x 140, laid out in lawns, fruit trees, fowl pens, bricked yard. Title, Certificates. Credit Foncier terms arranged.
Both these properties are highly recommended to intending purchasers.
JAMES & HOBSON,
AUCTIONEER, NORTHCOTE.

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 16,

At 4.15 p.m. on the property, 175 GILLIES STREET, FAIRFIELD.
NEAT BIJOU VILLA.
Four rooms and kitchenette; sep. bathroom and washhouse. All conveniences. Land 26 x 132, laid out in fruit trees.
Title Certificate.
Investors be sure to attend. Must be sold on day of sale.
JAMES & HOBSON,
AUCTIONEER, NORTHCOTE.

PRESTON MARKET

PLENTY ROAD.
AUCTION SALE THIS DAY,
FRIDAY.
Poultry, Small Lot Clothing, Furniture, 150 lots including two Bedroom Suites, 2 D.R. Suites (one as new, cost £35), Tables, Chairs, Couches, Safes, Baby Chairs, Lino, Double and Single Beds, Motor Cycle, Singer Drop Head Sewing Machine (nearly new), and a host of sundries. The trade invited. No reserve.
A. J. DALGLEISH, Auctioneer.

NORTHCOTE FOOTBALL CLUB.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all Accounts against the club for Season 1929 must be in the hands of the Secretary at 31 Kellett Street, Northcote, by THURSDAY, 21ST NOVEMBER, 1929, otherwise they will not be recognised.

R. L. WALSH,
Hon. Secretary.

Personal Greeting Cards!

SOME Xmas greeting cards have an atmosphere of being hurriedly bought and as hurriedly sent away; others carry a personal atmosphere and seem in every line to bring a breath of the sender.

Which of these will be yours?

We manufacture high-class Greeting Cards in many styles, with many different appropriate verses, to order.

Call in and see our samples and make your choice. Envelopes are included. Prices are moderate.

Each card bears the name and address of the sender.

Will your card breathe your personality this year?

The Leader Publishing Co. Pty. Ltd.
309 HIGH STREET,
NORTHCOTE N16.
Phone: JW 1046.

Westgarth Theatre

THIS FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15 & 16.
JAMES KIRKWOOD and MARY BRIAN in
BLACK WATERS
100 PER CENT. TALKIE.
RICARDO CORTEZ in
THE GUN RUNNERS
AND
THE PATHE SOUND REVIEW

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 19, 20.
CONRAD NAGEL in
THE IDLE RICH   THE IDLE RICH
100 PER CENT. TALKIE.
JUNE COLLYER in
NOT QUITE DECENT

THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 22, 23.
GEORGE LEWIS in
COLLEGE LOVE   COLLEGE LOVE
100 PER CENT. TALKIE.
AND
THE FIRST AUSTRALIAN TALKIE,
A MESSAGE TO THE PEOPLE BY
MR. J. H. SCULLIN (PRIME MINISTER).

For Reservations Ring JW 2033.
THE PERFECT TALKIE HOUSE

NORTHCOTE THEATRE
100% PARAMOUNT TALKIES
EXCLUSIVE ATTRACTIONS

For Reservations Ring JW 2868.

THIS FRIDAY & SATURDAY. NOVEMBER 15 & 16.
CLARA BOW in
THE WILD PARTY
A GOOD TIME, A BIG TIME.
A GAY TIME FOR ALL.
Matinee Saturday Afternoon 2.30

MONDAY, TUESDAY WED., NOVEMBER 18, 19, 20
ADOLPHE MENJOU in FASHIONS IN LOVE
With FAY COMPTON.
A Delightful Comedy.
ALSO
RAMON NOVARRO in THE PAGAN
A SILENT DRAMA.

MUSICAL SELECTIONS EACH EVENING
NORTHCOTE ORCHESTRA
DIRECTOR: M. BARRILE.

SHIRE OF WHITTLESEA.

AGISTMENT OF MALLEE HORSES.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Council of the Shire of Whittlesea HAS AGREED TO CO-OPERATE IN THE MOVEMENT TO PROVIDE FREE AGISTMENT FOR STARVING HORSES from the Mallee Districts.

District landowners who will help the Council by TAKING CHARGE OF HORSES for FREE AGISTMENT are requested to get into touch with CR. L. W. CLARKE, "Linton Grange," Doreen, stating the NUMBER OF HORSES they are prepared to take, and he will make arrangements to allocate the horses to them.

It is probable that agistment will be required up till FEBRUARY NEXT.

B. McCORMACK,
President

CITY OF PRESTON.

NOTICE of intention to borrow, upon the credit of the Municipality, by the issue of debentures, the sum of £70,000 (Seventy thousand pounds), for the purpose of defraying the cost and expenses of works of making Streets, Lanes, etc., under Private Street Construction under Section 345 of the Local Government Act 1915 and Amending Act No. 3581 of 3/8/1928.

Loan authorised by the Council of the City of Preston at a Meeting held at 7.30 p.m. on 4TH NOVEMBER, 1929.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the City of Preston proposes to BORROW THE SUM OF £70,000 by the issue of debentures upon the credit of the Municipality as provided for under Act. No. 3581 Local Government (Borrowing Powers) Act 1928 (for the purpose of defraying the cost and expenses of any works under Private Street Construction in respect of which instalments are payable), such amount of £70,000 to be borrowed in two separate amounts as follow:—

LOAN NO. 3 FOR £20,000, repayable by half-yearly instalments, each covering principal and interest, over ten years, by the issue of Twenty Debentures respectively, bearing interest at the rate of Five pounds fifteen shillings per centum per annum, repayable at Melbourne at the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, and by

LOAN NO. 4 FOR £50,000, repayable by annual instalments, each covering principal and interest, over a period of ten years, by the issue of Ten Debentures respectively, bearing interest at the rate of Five pounds sixteen shillings and threepence per centum per annum, repayable at Melbourne at the Commonwealth Bank of Australia.

NOTICE is hereby further given that a Meeting of the said Council will be held at the Council Chambers, Town Hall, Preston, on MONDAY 2ND DECEMBER, 1929, at 7.30 o'clock in the afternoon, when the resolution set out will be submitted for confirmation.

Dated this 15th day of November, 1929.

L. W. WILLIAMS,
Town Clerk.

CITY OF PRESTON.

TENDERS FOR GRAZING.

APPLICATIONS addressed to the undersigned are invited, returnable not later than 4 p.m. on 23RD INSTANT, for the RIGHT to use for GRAZING PURPOSES about FORTY ACRES of land in Plenty Road, Preston (known as Bransgrove's).

L. W. WILLIAMS,
Town Clerk.
Municipal Offices, Preston.

Motoring Announcement.

MOTOR DRIVING TAUGHT PRIVATELY and THOROUGHLY. Any lady or gentleman desirous of learning to drive efficiently is requested to make an appointment by ringing JW 1228.

CITY OF NORTHCOTE.

TENDERS.

TENDERS are invited and will be received up till 12 Noon on SATURDAY, the 23RD DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1929, for the following works:—
CONSTRUCTION OF HARTLEY STREET.
CONSTRUCTION OF MUNRO STREET.
Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of the City Surveyor.
A preliminary deposit of 2½ per cent. must be lodged with each tender.
The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

By Order,
J. A. THOMSON,
Town Clerk
Municipal Offices, Northcote,
12/11/1929.

CITY OF NORTHCOTE.

FEES FOR OPENING OF ROADS.

NOTICE is hereby given that on and after MONDAY, the 18TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 1929, the Fee to be charged by the Council in connection with the OPENING OF ROADS (other than those roads constructed in Cement, Concrete or Asphaltic Concrete) will be INCREASED from 10/- to 15/-.

By Order,
J. A. THOMSON,
Town Clerk.
Municipal Offices, Northcote,
13/11/1929.

POLITICS & PICTURES

AT THE
Reservoir Theatre
ON
MONDAY NIGHT NEXT
(NOVEMBER 18).
HON. GORDON WEBBER, M.L.A.,
Will address the Electors in furtherance of his candidature for Re-election as your State Member.
After Mr. Webber's Address Pictures will be screened.
NO CHARGE. NO COLLECTION.
ALL WELCOME.
J. HANNAN,
Hon. Campaign Secretary.

PRESTON RED CROSS.

MASQUERADE BALL.

NEW CITY HALL,
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20.
At 8 p.m.
To aid Unemployment Relief Fund.
EIGHT PRIZES—Best Fancy Dress, Best Sustained, Most Original, Ladies and Gents; Best Dressed King and Queen.
Katalina (Cronin's) Band. Mr. J. Donath, M.C.
TICKETS 3/-. BALCONY 1/-.
Masks on Sale at Door.
MRS. G. C. McPHERSON,
President, Mayoress.
MRS. F. SHEPPARD,
Hon. Secretary.

Northcote and Preston C.E. Union Convention.

Headquarters—Northcote (High St.) Methodist Church.
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16.
2.45—Junior and Intermediate Demonstration (Northcote Baptist Church) 5.30—Monster Tea Meeting (Reserved Table for Old Endeavorers). 8.0—Citizenship Demonstration. Speakers Cr. E. S. Batchelder (Ex-Mayor of Bendigo). Pastor J. E. Thomas (Victorian Prohibition League).
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17.
8.30—Quiet Hour and Communion. 11 and 7—Special Services in various churches in the district. 3.45—Open Air Meetings Batman Park (Arthurton road) and alongside Regent Park (High St., Preston). 8.30—Song and Praise Meeting. Leader, Rev. S. E. Dorman.
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18.
7.30—Song Service. 8.0—Crowning Meeting. Consecration. Chairman—Rev. S. E. Dorman. Speakers—Rev. F. J. Jennings Rev. J. E. Newnham, M.A.
Convention Song Leader—Mr. C. H. Dyer.
You are invited to all these Meetings.

PRESTON A.N.A.—Euchre Party in aid of Unemployed EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT, Anglers' Hall. Good prizes.

CITY OF NORTHCOTE

LOAN NO. 22.

SPECIAL ORDER.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a meeting of the Council of the City of Northcote held in the Council Chamber, Northcote, on the 28th day of October, 1929, the said Council did agree to the following resolution:—

(a) That with a view of borrowing the sum of Fifty Thousand Pounds (£50,000) on the credit of the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Northcote, such amount to be raised by the issue of 20 Debentures for such amount in accordance with the provisions of the "Local Government Act 1915" and "Local Government (Borrowing Powers) Act 1928" for the purpose of defraying the cost and expenses of any works of which instalments are payable as provided in Section 534 of the "Local Government Act," the Council hereby agrees to—

1. The amount of the principal moneys, which it is proposed to borrow is £50,000.
2. The rate of interest to be named in the Debentures shall be £5/15/- per centum per annum.
3. The money borrowed shall be repayable, together with and including interest at the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, Collins Street, Melbourne, or the council's bankers for the time being on the first day of July and the first day of January in each year.
4. The purposes for which the loan is to be applied are:—Defraying the cost and expenses of any works of which instalments are payable as provided in Section 534 of the "Local Government Act."
5. The Loan is to be liquidated by payment of 20 instalments commencing on the first day of July, 1930, and continuing until the first day of January, 1940, as shown hereunder—

1st July, 1930	£2500
1st January, 1931	2500
1st July, 1931	2500
1st January, 1932	2500
1st July, 1932	2500
1st January, 1933	2500
1st July, 1933	2500
1st January, 1934	2500
1st July, 1934	2500
1st January, 1935	2500
1st July, 1935	2500
1st January, 1936	2500
1st July, 1936	2500
1st January, 1937	2500
1st July, 1937	2500
1st January, 1938	2500
1st July, 1938	2500
1st January, 1939	2500
1st July, 1939	2500
1st January, 1940	2500
	£50,000

NOTICE is hereby further given that a MEETING of the SAID COUNCIL will be held at the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Northcote, on MONDAY, the 25TH DAY of NOVEMBER, 1929, at 7.30 o'clock in the evening, when the said resolution for passing Special Order will be submitted for confirmation.

Dated this 14th day of November, 1929.

J. A. THOMSON,
Town Clerk.
Municipal Offices,
Northcote.

STATE ELECTIONS

HEIDELBERG ELECTORATE.

A Meeting of the NATIONALIST SUPPORTERS and FRIENDS of

MR. W. C. A. LUKE

THE ENDORSED NATIONALIST CANDIDATE,
Will be held at the
Rechabite Hall, Preston,
ON
FRIDAY EVENING, NOV. 15,
At 8 p.m.
MR. H. P. ZWAR WILL PRESIDE.
Steps will be taken to form a Committee for Preston.
GEO. STEVENS, Secretary,
Regent St., Preston.

At the conclusion of the Regent Central Progress Association's meeting on Tuesday evening a lantern lecture was delivered by Mr. Belcher, assisted by Mr. Cyril Stevens. The illustrated lecture was most entertaining, and the subject was "Beauty Spots in Victoria."

IN MEMORIAM.

GOODFELLOW.—In loving memory of our dear daughter Daisy, who passed away on November 17, 1924.
We who loved her miss her
As it dawns another year,
In our lonely hours of thinking,
Thoughts of her are ever dear.
Inserted by her sorrowing parents, sisters and brother.

IN MEMORIAM.

GOODFELLOW.—In loving memory of my darling sister Dais, who died November 17, 1924.
Years may pass away, dear sister
But your dear face shall never fade.
For we love you still so dearly,
Though you've gone to God who gave.
Inserted by Louie and Wm. Walker.

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JUSTICE TO ALL
Published Every Friday Morning

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 1929

Owing to heavy pressure on space several items, including several weddings, are held over.

The Metropolitan Board of Works has submitted to the Northcote council an agreement in connection with the beautification of the St. George's road pipe track. The council has agreed to sign and seal the document.

The Northcote council has expressed its approval of the proposed Bill to alter the constitution of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

Mr. W. J. Canty, hon. secretary of the Northcote Council of Progress Associations, delivered on Tuesday an address to the Balwyn Ratepayers' League on a Greater Melbourne Council.

Ten thousand voters will be called upon to explain why they did not vote at the last Federal election. No action will be taken against those who give valid excuses. Those against whom it is decided to proceed will be given the option of being dealt with by the electoral authorities instead of by a court of petty sessions. The maximum fine for failure to vote is £2, and the minimum 10/.

Mr. R. L. Walsh, hon. secretary of the Northcote Football Club, asks that all accounts against the club be sent to him before November 21, or they will not be recognised.

HOYT'S MERRI THEATRE.

"Black Waters," featuring Mary Brian, and Ronald Colman in "The Rescue" are the attractions for Friday and Saturday nights. Another episode of "Tarzan the Mighty" will also be screened.

On Monday "Idle Rich" will be screened. Nagel is ideally cast as the multi-millionaire who marries his middle-class stenographer, Leila Hyams, in the picture. Miss Love, who scored such a triumph in "Broadway Melody," is the flappery little sister. Tropic scenes of wonderful beauty, shark thrills and other vivid details of life in the tropics, embellish a romantic love story in "The Pagan," Ramon Novarro's latest Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer picture, which was made in the islands. The company passed weeks in Tahiti and in the jungles to film this beautiful romance of tropic life.

"College Love," starring the Collegians, is the attraction for Thursday's programme, with red-hot youth aflame on the campus, a football game, moaning melodies by the University of California Glee Club, sorority parties, fraternity dances, roadhouse affairs that will amaze and thrill you. That is "College Love," with George Lewis, Dorothy Gulliver, Churchill Ross, Hayden Stevenson in the hottest film that ever came on the screen. The second feature is the first talkie made in Australia, the Prime Minister's (Mr. Scullin) speech at the opening of Canberra House.

WESTGARTH TALKIES.

"Black Waters"

The first intonation all-talking photo-play, "Black Waters," the absorbing British Dominions film, will be screened this week-end. James Kirkwood, as the weary old evangelist, whose distorted body does not deter him from endeavoring to save the soul of the mysterious "Tiger" Larrabee, his former master and captain, undoubtedly carries off the honors, though John Loder and Hallam Cooley also have remarkable acting and talking abilities. Mary Brian has the leading feminine role. Ricardo Cortez has the role of Julio in "The Gun Runner." Nora Lane plays opposite him as Inez. The story is all about a revolution and the loyal citizens of the Republic of Porto. The Pathe Sound Review will also be screened.

What might be considered one of the most experienced casts in dialogue films ever assembled was called together by William de Mille to make "The Idle Rich," his all-talking picture for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, which opens on Monday next. Conrad Nagel, a veteran in the "talkies," plays the leading male role. Bessie Love, of "Broadway Melody" fame, and Leila Hyams, who scored in the all-talking verison of "Alias Jimmy Valentine," have the leading feminine parts. The supporting players, Robert Ober, James Neill, Edythe Chapman, Paul Kruger and Kenneth Gibson are all troupers of both stage and screen. Much of the action of "Not Quite Decent," featuring June Collyer and Louise Dresser, transpires in a cellar speakeasy.

The first Australian talkie was made by the Prime Minister, Mr. J. H. Scullin, in which he conveys a message to the people. This will be screened on Thursday next for three nights only.

News About Town

Tenders for Streets

The Northcote city council invites tenders for the construction of Hartley street and Munro street.

Street Opening Fees Increased

Northcote city council has increased the fees for opening streets from 10/- to 15/- (other than those roads constructed in cement, concrete and asphaltic concrete).

Northcote Red Cross Auxiliary

The monthly meeting was held on Thursday. Work sent to Melbourne Hospital comprised 60 pillow slips, 24 face washers, 22 pneumonia jackets, one nightingale, and some tin foil for the Eye and Ear Hospital. One new member was enrolled. The visit to Mont Park Mental Hospital during the month was very successful, and members have decided to go out again with a concert party. It was arranged to make December meeting a gift afternoon of tinned peaches for Xmas for patients at Melbourne Hospital. A pair of pillow shams has been donated by Mrs. Mott, proceeds to go towards providing high tea for patients at Bundoora at Xmas.

Overcrowding Public Halls

The Northcote council had been notified by the Public Health Department that it has been authorised to take legal proceedings in relation to the overcrowding of public buildings. This is the first time such an authority has been delegated to a municipal council by the Health Department, and was given as the result of a complaint made concerning the alleged overcrowding of a picture theatre.

Man Dies From Poisoning

Robert Barlow, 30 years, of Robert street, Northcote, was taken to the Melbourne Hospital last Friday suffering from the effects of poison. His condition when he was admitted was critical, and he died on Sunday night.

A Peculiar Accident

James Miller, 67, of Gracie street, Northcote, sustained injuries under unusual circumstances on November 8. He was riding in a trailer behind a motor truck when the truck stopped suddenly. There were no brakes on the trailer, and when it ran forward and struck the truck Miller sustained a fractured knee cap and broken hip. The accident occurred at the corner of William and Victoria streets, Melbourne, and the injured man was admitted to the Melbourne Hospital.

Northcote Court House

The Northcote council has been advised by the Public Works Department that the new Northcote courthouse will be ready for occupation after November 15 next.

Attorney-General Congratulated

The mayor (Cr. W. Hayes) reported to the Northcote council on Monday evening that at his instructions the town clerk (Mr. Thomson) had written a letter congratulating Mr. Frank Brennan, M.H.R., on his appointment as Federal Attorney-General. The council endorsed the mayor's action.

Community Singing

Mr. J. Alexander Brown, at the service at the Northcote Presbyterian Church on Sunday evening, will conduct singing of well-known and old-time hymns. Mr. Brown will also sing solos, and it is an opportunity for members to hear him. Mr. Geo. Reid, the choir conductor, promises two anthems. It is a song service, and members and adherents are invited.

Street Construction Loan Approved

The State Treasury has acceded to the request of the Northcote council that it be allowed to raise a loan of £50,000 for private street construction works.

Northcote Baths

Mr. W. J. Canty, secretary of the Northcote Council of Progress Associations, intimates that members of that body paid a surprise visit to the Northcote swimming pool last Wednesday evening, and the members were agreeably surprised at the splendid state of the baths, their cleanliness, and the provision made for the swimming public. They observed that the bathskeeper (Mr Fogg) was making every effort to serve the convenience of the patrons. Whatever criticism may be made of other baths, the Northcote citizens can be well satisfied with the purity and cleanliness of their own local city baths.

Northcote Branch A.N.A.

The fortnightly meeting was held on November 7. There was a good attendance. Nominations were received for office-bearers for the ensuing half year. The syllabus for the half year was drawn up. This has been made as attractive as possible. The rifle team have qualified for the finals, having gained first place in their section. The bowls team have also been successful in the northern district competition and have won a place in the final four. The half-yearly meeting will be held next Thursday, when the election of officers will take place, after which a lecture on "First Aid" will be delivered, with practical demonstrations. Mr. Blackburn, who was to have given this lecture, will be absent in Sydney, and is sending another lecturer in his place. Visitors are invited.

The Editor invites paragraphs accepting engagement announcements, births and deaths, which must be paid for) for this column. Copy should be in by Wednesday afternoon.

Northcote Horticulturists Again

Exhibiting at the Sunshine Horticultural Society's flower show on 7th inst., Mrs. J. W. Firth, of Thornbury, was successful in securing six first prizes and four seconds, and also the special award for the best rose in the show. The first prizes were for six roses, three bunches of roses, bowl of roses, basket of flowers, bridal bouquet and posy, and the second prizes for vase of flowers, three bunches of sweet peas, three carnations and one bunch of roses. At Murrumbeena on the 9th inst., the same lady secured five first prizes for three bunches of roses, one bunch roses, bowl of roses, shower bouquet, sprays and button holes, and second prizes for basket of flowers, six roses and bowl of sweet peas. At Whittlesea show on 9th inst., Mrs. Waud, of Thornbury scored three firsts for bridal bouquet, sprays and posy.

Hartley Street Construction

On Monday evening the Northcote council heard several objections to the construction of Hartley street. The objectors were Messrs. Hall, Pauley and Barry. After hearing what these gentlemen had to say, the council adopted the plans and decided to call tenders for the work.

NORTHCOTE LADIES' BENEVOLENT SOCIETY

AN APPEAL

We have been requested to publish the following letter:—

To the Citizens, City of Northcote,—

We desire to bring under your notice the work being carried on by the Northcote Ladies' Benevolent Society and to solicit on its behalf your interest and sympathy.

The society has been in existence for many years and operates to assist those amongst us who, mainly through no fault of their own, are unable to provide for themselves and their dependents. In the last two years there have been many calls on the society, and unfortunately at the present time the requests for assistance exceed those of the past. At the monthly meeting held on November 4 accounts totalling £150 were presented, representing assistance by way of distribution of orders for food to 64 families for one month. You will see that the average per family per week will barely provide sustenance.

The finances of the society are almost exhausted, and unless immediate assistance is forthcoming from citizens the relief now being dispensed must be withdrawn, and this should be avoided if possible.

We appeal to you for sympathetic consideration of the society's work, and to express the hope that you will see fit to make a donation to the funds. We can assure you that any contribution which you may decide to make will be most economically and judiciously expended.

The Charities Board has authorised an appeal to be made during the month of November by the associated benevolent societies, and it is desired to finalise the local appeal which is made in conjunction with the general appeal by 29th inst.

Donations may be forwarded to the town clerk, and all amounts will be acknowledged by an official receipt and also through the columns of the "Leader."—Yours faithfully,

D. DAVID, Acting Mayoress, President, Northcote Ladies' Benevolent Society.
M. E. THOMPSON, Hon. Secretary, Northcote Ladies' Benevolent Society.
WM. HAYES, Mayor.

(We shall be pleased to receive and acknowledge donations.—Ed., "Leader.")

NORTHCOTE THEATRE.

All-talking pictures are, without a doubt, the most popular entertainment of the day. Clara Bow is one of the most popular stars, so "The Wild Party," her first all-talking picture, can't help but be a "knockout." The dialogue is the best yet produced. It is just right and the ear accepts it with pleasure. This great film is being screened to-night and on Saturday, and is supported by a full programme of silent film and musical selections by the Northcote orchestra. The usual matinee will be given on Saturday afternoon.

On Monday next a most attractive programme is announced. For the first time you will be able to hear Adolphe Menjou speak in the all-talking picture "Fashions in Love." Menjou, in keeping with the part he has to play, speaks with an accent, but his is a voice that thrills everyone who has been an admirer of Menjou in his silent pictures. Not only does he speak, but he plays the piano and sings. His song, "I'm Beginning to Fall in Love With You," will be one of the most popular numbers that have been heard on pictures, and is exceptionally tuneful. In support of Adolphe Menjou in this picture is the popular actress, Fay Compton. On the same programme is Ramon Novarro's greatest love story, "The Pagan." It is a vivid romance in which beautiful island scenery, a terrific battle with sharks and other sensational thrills intersperse the romantic details of the beautiful story. The splendid Northcote orchestra will continue to entertain patrons with musical selections each evening.

AT LAST.—This beautiful piece of land has been subdivided.
WE'VE BEEN WAITING FOR IT FOR YEARS.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23

AT THREE O'CLOCK. IN A SEATED MARQUEE ON THE LAND.
SUBDIVISIONAL AUCTION SALE.
CENTRE OF PRESTON ESTATE
74 IDEAL HOME SITES 74.
Between Preston and Bell Railway Stations, and Gilbert Road Tram and Bell Street Bus Route. Bounded by Jessie, Bruce and Frank Streets.
Sewer, Water, Electric Light Available.
NOT A SPEC, BUT A SOUND INVESTMENT. DON'T MISS IT.
EASY TERMS—£5 Deposit, 20/- Monthly, over Five Years; Interest 6 per Cent. Quarterly. Plans from the Auctioneers—
LLEWELLYN JONES
174 HIGH STREET, PRESTON. Tel.: JW 1004.
E. O. HILL & SONS PTY LTD.
196 GLENFERRIE ROAD, GLENFERRIE, and CAMBERWELL.
Tel.: Haw. 150.
PHONE FOR PLAN TO-DAY.

NORTHCOTE.

A.N.A. Northcote Branch Half-yearly Meeting next Thursday. Elections. Lecture on First Aid.

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By James and Hobson, on Nov. 16 at 3 p.m., on property, 106 Gladstone Ave., Croxton, 4-roomed villa on land 28 x 120; at 3.45, on property, 134 Separation St., Northcote, 5-roomed villa on land 40 x 140, as advertised.

By James and Hobson, on Nov. 16 at 4.15, on property, 174 Gillies St., Fairfield, 4-roomed villa on land 26 x 132, as advertised.

By Stott, Son and Watson and Membrey and Deane, on Nov. 16 at 3 p.m., on property, 75 James St., Northcote, 5-roomed villa on land 40 x 120. See advt.

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Monday, November 18.

8 p.m.—Shephard and Mrs. Franklin v McLaren and Mrs. Brown; Lumsden and Miss Kelly v Hazel and Miss McPherson.
8.40 p.m.—John and Miss Mason v Bott and Miss Hollowood.
9.20 p.m.—C. McKenzie and Mrs. McGrath v D. McKenzie and Miss Myles.

Tuesday, November 19

8 p.m.—Heil and Miss Mason v Carroll and Mrs. Carroll; Pears and Miss Moore v Kennedy and Miss Patterson.
8.40 p.m.—Coates and Miss McPherson v Bromley and Mrs. Bromley.
9.20 p.m.—Brown and Miss Forrest v Evans and Miss Farrell.
10 p.m.—Zwar and Miss Wearne v Le Page and Mrs. Knight.

Thursday, November 21

8 p.m.—Pearce and Miss Chessell v Hall and Miss Grant.
8.40 p.m.—Ramsden and Miss Condon v winner of C. McKenzie-Mrs. McGrath and D. McKenzie-Miss Myles.
9.20 p.m.—Patterson and Miss Baird v Pascoe and Miss McLaren.
10 p.m.—Bennison and Mrs. Pretty v Jones and Miss Jones.

Each pair to provide two balls, which may be purchased at the courts. Players to be present at courts five minutes before starting time.

PRESTON LAWN TENNIS ASSOCIATION

Matches played on November 9:—

A Grade.—Murray (65) d Regent Park 1 (51); Rothsay (60) d Hill (50); Cooma (70) d Regent Park 2 (46); Cranross (72) d All Saints' (35).

B Grade.—Regent Park (64) d Oakover 2 (47); Oakover 1 (72) d Regent Methodists 1 (36); Monash (53) d Regent Methodists 2 (51); East Preston 2 (59) d Cranross (50); Murray (64) d East Preston (53).

BOWLING.

PRESTON CLUB.

The draw for the championship, president's trophy and vice-presidents' trophy are on the notice board at the pavilion and members are requested to play their games as early as possible. Already several matches have been decided, and some of these contests have been rather exciting. The following are the scores of the matches played in the trophies:—

Championship, 31 up—Lang 31 d. Watson 18; McIntyre 31 d. Hine 14; Shaw 31 d. Billyeald 29; Crispo jun. 31 d. McIntosh 12; Harvey 32 d Salinger 22; Siddons 33 d. Carthew 26; Neville 31 d. Pollock 26.

Vice-Presidents' Trophy, 21 ends—Butterfield 29 d Welch 23; Lang 26 d McIntyre 15; Tatchell 26 d G. White 20.

There was great rejoicing at the pavilion last Saturday over the result of the day's pennant games. The A's had a good win against Flemington, and the C1 team defeated Port Melbourne C's, and the C2 team had a good game against East Kew on the local green and won by 26.

F. Morgan's rink was successful in winning the A section spoons, and E. Billyeald's rink won the C spoons, making the fourth time in succession.

Electric light games have started on Tuesday and Thursday nights, and members are requested to come along and join in the evening's pleasures.

A Pennant.

Flemington 85—Wilby, Reid, Davis, R. W. Edwards 6; O'Mahoney, Muir, Norris, Meyers 35, Ryan Dummett, Cochrane, Hinton 20; Middleton, Kelly, Colwell Finn 24.

Preston 105 Hazel, Carthew, Wearne, Morgan 38; Joiner, Siddons, Appleton, Sinclair 19; Watson, Capp, Pike, Ross 26; White, Shaw, Henshaw, Pollock 22.

C Pennant.

Port Melbourne 5—Page, Brookshaw, Cleland, Miller 14; Calll, Werner, Martin, Pratt 23; Jennings, Suffolk, Barnes, Porritt 18.

Preston C1 86 Welch, Wood, Tatchell, Billyeald 37; Hughes, McIntosh, Zwar, Sallinger 23; G. White, Allan..., Dahl, Lang 26.

Preston C2 89 McIntyre, Coleman, Cohen, Lewis 29; Butterfield, Hindson, Burgis, Fox 31; Hill, Shepherd, Farr, Howe 29.

East Kew 63 Lee, Westaway, McConchie, Arnot 22; Darby, Barker, Bird, Wilson 23; Krohn, Young, Hancock, Coleman 18.

STATE ELECTIONS.

MR. CAIN RETURNED UNOPPOSED

There being no opposition to Mr. J. Cain, M.L.A., for Northcote, he will be returned unopposed.

HEIDELBERG

LUKE, William Charles Albert, Highfield road, Canterbury, secretary (Nat.).
WEBBER, Gordon Charles, Henry street, Kew, secretary (Lab.), retiring.

MR. WEBBER SPEAKS

Politics and Pictures.—Hon. Gordon Webber, M.L.A., will deliver an address on Monday night at the Reservoir Theatre (November 18) in furtherance of his candidature for re-election as the State member. Pictures will be screened after the address. Mr. J. Hannan is the hon. campaign secretary.

MEETING OF MR. LUKE'S SUPPORTERS

A meeting of the friends of Mr. W. C. A. Luke, the endorsed Nationalist candidate, will be held at the Rechabite Hall, Preston, at 8 p.m. to-night.

Mr. Luke is an Australian native, born at Bunnyong in 1885; educated in State school. First started as apprentice to confectionery trade and after serving term commenced in business on own account. After eight years in business he was one of those responsible for bringing about an amalgamation of six confectionery firms which became A. W. Allen Pty. Ltd. He was appointed secretary and continued for seven years, when he resigned to take the position of assistant general manager, and afterwards became general manager. Two years ago he left and commenced in business on his own account. Mr. Luke takes a keen interest in politics both State and Federal, and believes that class legislation is anabominaton. If returned he would support legislation which in his opinion is for the good of all. For the past 20 years he has been engaged in secretarial work and is an associate of the chartered institute of secretaries (A.C.I.S.).

AGISTMENT FOR MALLEE HORSES

A notice appears elsewhere from the shire of Whittlesea requesting landowners who will provide free agistment for starving Mallee horses, to get into touch with Cr. L. W. Clarke, of "Linton Grange," Doreen, who has been deputed by the council to make arrangements for allotting horses amongst landowners willing to provide free agistment.

"MARITANA."

BY THORNBURY OPERATIC SOCIETY

Despite the inclement conditions prevailing outside, much fun and enjoyment were derived from the performance of "Maritana" by the Thornbury Operatic Society on Tuesday and Wednesday nights in the Northcote town hall. The audiences were large and enthusiastic, and the presentation staged was creditable to the performers and the producer alike, who had worked hard for their success.

The story is of Maritana, a gipsy street singer, whose one ambition is to become a great lady. Don Jose, an unscrupulous courtier, promises to help her and arranges a marriage for her with Don Caesar de Bazan, who is doomed to die for protecting an apprentice, Lazarillo. The king is attracted by Maritana, and Don Jose, secretly loving the queen, hopes to betray the king and so gain the queen's love. By a sequence of events Don Jose's scheme miscarries, and the Marchioness di Montefiori unsuccessfully impersonates Maritana. The king is saved from an awkward position by Don Caesar (now restored to his faithful Maritana), and the king rewards him for his bravery. The scenes are laid in Madrid, representing a square, the interior of a fortress, a salon in the palace of the Marquis di Montefiori, and a magnificently furnished apartment.

The roles were capably portrayed, and the singing, especially the male part song, "Sleep, Sombre Ocean," was of very high standard. The duet by Lazarillo and Don Caesar in the fortress was pleasing, and a trio towards the end gave a splendid blending of voices. Several favorites, including "Let Me Like a Soldier Fall," from Don Caesar, and "Scenes That Are Brightest," sung by Maritana and "In Happy Moments," rendered by Don Jose, received well-merited encores. The conductor, Mr. A. G. Finster, wielded the baton to good purpose, and kept the singing and orchestra balanced.

Perhaps the most outstanding of a good even cast were Maritana and Don Caesar, who each, through naturalness and confidence, gave a finished and vivacious rendering of their roles. The full cast of characters was as follows:—Maritana (a street singer), Miss Iela Dunn; Lazarillo (an apprentice), Miss M. Barnett; Marchioness di Montefiori (a lady of court), Miss K. Purcell; Don Caesar de Bazan (an impetuous spendthrift), Mr. E. A. Parker; Don Jose de Santarem (an unscrupulous courtier), Mr. D. Sykes; Captain of the Guard (a soldier), Mr. J. Purcell; the Marquis di Montefiori (a courtier), Mr. E. Skillicorn; the King of Spain, Mr. B. Gilbert; the Alcade (an officer of law), Mr. B. Provis; boatman, Mr. B. McMahon. The elaborate costumes were by Mr. N. McNeal; producer and musical director, Mr. E. A. Parker, Prof. of Mus.; conductor, Mr. A. G. Finster; pianiste, Miss Lillian Finster; president, Miss K. Purcell; stage manager, Mr. F. Curnow; scenery by Mr. J. Little. The chorus members were:—Ladies: Mrs. E. A. Parker, Misses V. Broderick, E. Collins, L. Forestal, R. Harper, M. Heeney, V. Jackson, M. Larkin, E. Morton, A. Mussett, M. McMahon, N. McMahon, N. McSperrin, J. Rigby, R. Sykes, G. Whiting, E. Wheeler, M. Kelly, T. Mercovitch, N. Lennon, K. Mahoney, A. Edgley, E. McCabe, M. Rice, M. McMahons. Gentlemen: Messrs. G. Forestal, R. Bell, A. Hyde, F. Curnow, L. Jackson, H. Kennaway, R. Mussett, J. Ritchie, E. Tuohy, E. Whiting, H. J. Coles, F. Goudge. Cathedral Boys: J. Morton, J. Fox, D. Fleming, B. Bolger, L. Lucas, J. Johnson, J. McCristal, L. Aylward, H. Mellvena, J. Sheridan, T. Jeffries, J. O'Connell. Pages: Misses L. Forestal, N. McMahon, R. Sykes, F. Wheeler.

The Gipsy Ballet, arranged by Miss May Downs, and the minuet were daintily tripped and lent color and grace to the performance. Colorful and elaborate costumes made a harmonious setting for the vivid gipsy and court characters, the latters' knee breeches and frock coats in velvets and satins, with lace ruffles and jabots and long, full, flowing gowns in rich materials showing a deep contrast to the poorer gipsy frocking.

At the close of the performance many beautiful bouquets and floral tributes were handed to the company as tokens of the appreciation of the audience.

Later on the Thornbury Operatic Society intends to produce some of the better known famous light operas, and with the strong and enthusiastic committee headed by Mr. D'Arcy Sykes and Miss R. Sykes (hon. secretaries), Miss K. Purcell (president), and Miss A. Mussett (hon. treasurer), and the support of sixty members, the society is looking forward to a busy time.

PERSONAL

His many friends will regret to learn that Major C. H. C. Trengrove, J.P., of Plenty road, Preston, is in the Melbourne Hospital suffering from a very severe attack of sugar diabetes.

On Tuesday evening Wor. Bro. W. J. Jones was installed as worshipful master of the Lord Northcote Masonic Lodge in the presence of a very large attendance of brethren. The ceremony was performed by Grand Lodge officers.

Mr. Angus McDonell, J.P., who for many years was a councillor of the city of Northcote, is confined to his bed with a poisoned foot.

THE MOTORDROME

Melbourne Carnivals having decided to abandon the promotion of motor race meetings, that popular racing motor cyclist, Con McCrae, has secured a lease of the Motordrome and intends to carry on this pastime. In addition to the giant concrete saucer (the only one of its kind in the world), Con has laid down a special dirt track, and a new lighting system has been installed.

For his opening programme, advertised in our columns to-day, there will be about a dozen events on the dirt track, besides solo races on the concrete, side car races, light car races, events for professional cyclists and an attempt on the world's amateur five mile motor-paced record by C. Minehan. A matter that seriously concerns professional syclists is the new division of prize money.

Full details of the programme will appear in our advertising columns and any further information can be obtained from either Mr. Con McCrae, or Mr. E. E. Akins, at 241 Flinders lane, whose phone number is F5731.

INCREASED TELEPHONE RENTALS AT PRESTON

Through the action of the P.M.G.'s Department in establishing an automatic exchange 220 yards further south than was the manual exchange, certain subscribers in the Preston district have been compelled to pay an additional charge of 10/- per annum ground rental. The matter has been the subject of correspondence between the Regent Central Progress Association and the P.M.G.'s Department. The Preston council and other public bodies are taking the matter up.

PRESTON COURT.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14

Before Messrs. G. C. McPherson, Claudio Walker, T. J. McMahon and ... Hooper, J.'sP.

An Assault Charge

Ethel Doubleday, Purinuan road, Reservoir, was charged with having on November 4 assaulted Gertrude Ethel Keogh, of Crookston road, Reservoir.

Mr. R. T. Cahir appeared for Mrs. Keogh.

Mrs. Keogh said that on November 4 she was driving a jinker along Crookston road, Reservoir, when the defendant pulled up and called her an offensive name. Witness said, "How dare you call me that." Defendant then got out of her vehicle and slashed her across the face with a whip. She did not touch defendant, but drove on, as she was afraid her eyes would be injured.

Mrs. Doubleday said the affair did not happen in Crookston road. She had had trouble with the defendant for two months, and had been continually abused. She admitted striking complainant with the whip. She saw the informant coming and turned three streets away to avoid her. Mrs Doubleday deliberately turned back to intercept witness, and the striking took place near Peterson's dairy.

To Mr. Cahir.—Later she saw Mrs. Keogh's daughter and had said to the girl, "If I get your mother I'll tear her to pieces."

The chairman (Mr. McPherson) said that the affair seemed to be a neighbors' quarrel, and there was bad blood between them. That, however, did not give the defendant license to call the informant bad names and slash her with a whip.

A fine of £1, with £1/4/6 costs, was imposed.

Children Not Sent to School

Albert Worn, of Epping, charged with having failed to send his child to school the required number of days, was fined 10/- on each of three charges.

Others fined on similar charges were Henry Greenwood (three charges), 10/- on each charge; Cyril Taylor, 10/-; Charles Parish (two charges), 10/- each; T. J. Caarodus, 2/6; Laura Price, 2/6; Thomas Bransgrove (two charges), 5/- each; Herbert Whittaker (two charges), 10/- each; Michael Foley, 5/-; Richard Jeffrey, 2/6; and John Morgan (two charges), 10/- each.

Food Cases

A. H. Hollier, Gilbert road; N. Lodge, Wood street; and E. Madden, Plenty road, were each charged with having sold dried fruit which contained an excess of preservative.

William Lewis Grant, clerk of the Public Health Department, said he was conversant with the question of sulphur dioxide in dried fruit. The food standards committee had approved of new food regulations which had now been sent to the Minister for approval. The amended regulations provided for an increase of the amount of sulphur dioxide it would be legal to place in dried fruit from 7 to 14 grains per lb.

Mr. McLeary said that everything he could do he had done to expedite the gazettal of the regulations. The regulations would be signed by the Minister on that day, and they would then be taken to the Governor-in-Council for approval, which was just a formal matter. On account of the political situation it was hard to catch the Minister so that he could sign the regulations, and then to secure a meeting of the Executive Council so that they could be gazetted. If a fine was imposed in these cases the growers of dried fruit would have to hold up their shipments. He asked the bench to grant another short adjournment, or that the court should not impose a penalty and not convict, so that nothing would be done to prejudice the dried fruit industry.

Mr. Walker, J.P., said that if the Public Health Department had carried out its intentions months ago to alter these regulations these cases would not have come before the court. There would be a fine of £5, with 12/6 costs, in each case. Mr. Walker commended Inspector Iles on his fairness in presenting his cases.

Mr. Campbell said he regretted the decision, which he felt to be a bad one.

W. Froebel, G. E. Sergeant, and A. Williamson, all of Plenty road, Preston, were each fined £5, with 12/6 costs, for similar offences.

A stay of 28 days was granted in each case.

Milk Not Correctly Labelled

H. Johnston, Jessie street, Preston, was charged with having on October 9 sold a bottle of milk which did not have a label attached giving the name and address of the vendor.

Inspector Iles said this was the first prosecution of this kind he had launched in Preston.

Fined £1.

C. Chanter, Gilbert road, Preston, and R. Mittag, Murray road, Preston, were each fined £1 for similar offences.

Adulterated Soap

V. Knight, High street, Preston, was charged with having on October 2 sold soap mixture that was adulterated.

Inspector Iles said an analysis of a sample purchased from the defendant showed that it contained 22 per cent. by weight of mineral matter. The regulation provided for 10 per cent.

To the Bench.—The manufacturers had since gone into liquidation. Defendant was only a retailer.

Fined £1, with 12/6 costs.

Excess of Preservative

At the Northcote court on Tuesday John Henderson, High street, Northcote, was fined £5, with £2/18/- costs, for having sold mincemeat that contained more preservative than the amount allowed by the regulations.

MAYOR OF PRESTON'S UNEMPLOYED APPEAL.

An Enthusiastic Meeting.

A large meeting of employes of the Preston Council together with shop stewards from the various factories in Preston was held at the Preston Town Hall on Wednesday evening. Also present were a number of ladies of the ladies' committee, which is co-operating with the Mayor of Preston in his appeal for the unemployed. The council employes (from the maintenance, quarry and electric light departments) arranged to each contribute 1/- per week for six weeks. Representatives were also appointed to a committee to devise ways and means for raising funds, which will be applied to enable those who have been unemployed for some time to have a good Christmas. It was agreed that the committee communicate with the various churches, societies and the Salvation Army to get into touch with cases deserving of assistance, and the compilation of this list will close on December 10, so as to give time in which to give employment before Xmas. The idea is that the people to be assisted would much prefer work to charity or a dole.

Mr. Gordon Webber, M.L.A., was present, and addressed the meeting. Mr. H. P. Zwar promised £25, Cr J. W. Adams £10, and Mr. Frank Brennan, M.H.R., who sent an apology for absence, £1/1/-.

BUNDOORA

A fire broke out in some outbuildings on Mrs. C. O. Starkey's property on Sunday morning, and a valuable motor car, tools and agricultural implements were totally destroyed.

CHURCH NEWS.

Congregational Church

At the Congregational Church, Martin street, the minister (Rev. T. D. Webb) will depart from the usual practice of preaching a sermon and will relate a story entitled "But One," by Francis Mary Campbell, based on the parable of the Good Shepherd. The choir will render suitable music, the anthem being "The Lord Brings Back His Own." The following Sunday will be the Sunday school anniversary celebrations.

Preston Presbyterian Church

About thirty-five years ago the Rev George Carson was settled as the first minister of the Presbyterian Church at Preston. What is now a flourishing city of about 28,000 people was then open country with but the beginnings of a village near where the present church in David street stands. Offshoots from this church were formed at Thornbury during Mr. Carson's ministry, and at Regent in the pastorate of the Rev. W. H. McCook, to meet the needs of the growing population. The purchase of a new site in Jessie and Cramer streets, west Preston, has been made with the object of serving that rising quarter, and to remove further away from the factory area in South Preston. Before the change-over takes place "Back to David street" services have been arranged for Sunday, November 24, to give old members and friends an opportunity of meeting together again in the old church. The morning service will be conducted by the Rev. James Legge, of Kew, a former minister, and the evening service by the Rev. George Carson.

Northcote and Preston C.E. Union Convention

The programme of the above convention is advertised elsewhere, running from Saturday, November 16, to Monday, November 18. The convention song leader is Mr. C. H. Dyer. All are invited to the meetings.

All Saints', Northcote

The Venerable Archdeacon Briggs, of Tanganyika, will give an address in All Saints' Church, Northcote, on Sunday afternoon, November 17, at 3 o'clock. This is a rare opportunity of hearing about this interesting field of missionary endeavour from one who has spent many years of service there. All who are interested are invited to be present and to bring friends, old and young.

On Sunday evening the Very Rev. the Dean of Melbourne, will fulfil his promise to visit Northcote and preach at All Saints'. As soon as the Dean heard of the vicar's illness he wrote a very sympathetic letter and offered to come and preach on Sunday evening next, his first Sunday free from engagements.

TALKIES AT THE REGENT.

The Friday and Saturday programmes include "Black Waters," a 100 per cent. talkie, with James Kirkwood and Mary Brian, and "S.O.S." with an all-star cast. A Pathe sound review and another episode of "Tarzan the Mighty" are also included.

Monday brings "The Idle Rich," a new 100 per cent. talkie which brings to us a picturisation of the famous play, "White Collars," a story of an American family that is delightfully intimate and very real in dialogue, action and atmosphere. This novel domestic comedy takes us into the bosom of the Thayer family and makes us laugh and cry with them rather than at them. The cast includes Conrad Nagel, Bessie Love and Leila Hyams, who share stellar honors, and those lovable old troupers, Edythe Chapman and James Neill run close seconds as the mother and father. In support comes scenes of the exotic South Sea Islands, with their picturesque natives and fascinating beauty, which are the locale for Ramon Novarro's newest screen triumph, "The Pagan." This new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer production was directed by W. S. Van Dyke, director of "White Shadows in the South Seas," on the original locale of the Russell novel. The company passed weeks in the tropics to film the story. Renee Adoree, Donald Crisp and Dorothy Janis are the principal supporting players.

With the mid-week change comes "College Love," the first league length picture of college life to be made with all sound and dialogue. Starring George Lewis, with Dorothy Gulliver and Eddie Phillips playing the other leading parts, it is a virile story of inter-collegiate football, a big game being shown on the screen in both action and sound, together with the colorful rooting, alma maters, and glee club singing of the Caldwell students, and a general panorama of college life, and its temptations. The second attraction is a fine dramatic picturisation, with an all-star caste, "Looping the Loop." Also the first talkie to be made in Australia, the Prime Minister of Australia delivering his first speech at Canberra will be featured.

PURCHASING A ROAD ROLLER

MERITS OF OIL AND STEAM DISCUSSED

At the meeting of the Northcote city council on Monday evening Cr. Olver, chairman of the public works committee, moved that the following recommendation be adopted:—Purchase of Road Roller.—That the tender of Messrs. Noyes Bros. Pty. Ltd. for the supply and delivery of one Aveling and Porter tandem road roller, power and hand steering and water spraying equipment complete, for the bulked sum of £1,071 10/-, be accepted.

Cr. Oldis said the recommendation of the committee was strongly supported by the engineer. Steam rollers had a long life—something between 30 and 40 years. The council had had an oil roller, and it had not given the same satisfaction as the steam rollers the council had had. In 12 years spare parts for the oil roller cost over £1000, and then there was loss of time, the time of the mechanic and the work of the council held up. The expense of operating oil rollers compared very unfavorably with the operating costs of steam rollers.

Cr. Beard seconded the motion, and said he felt the steam roller was the better proposition. If an oil roller was purchased the fuel would have to be got from abroad, whereas in a steam roller the coal could be mined in Australia. The oil roller the council had had originally cost £800, and it had since then cost over £1000 in repairs.

Cr. Sutch moved an amendment that the question of the purchase of a road roller be referred to the committee of the council to give an opportunity for the councillors to view the rollers. Unless he was convinced to the contrary he wanted to keep the purchase price of the roller in Victoria. In regard to fuel, he felt that soon oil would be extracted from coal mined in Victoria.

Cr. Pinkney seconded the amendment.

In reply to Cr. Glanfield, the engineer said that he conscientiously believed the steam roller to be the best one for the work to be done, and in the best interests of the ratepayers.

After a good deal of discussion the matter was referred to the committee of the council for further consideration.

There was a telephone failure on Wednesday afternoon owing to heavy rain. Northcote exchange amongst others was affected.

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(By "Natator")

Hail! Smiling morn! That is just what most of our early morning swimmers would acclaim as they lay aside their bed garments and make their way to our baths and beaches for their morning ablutions and a plunge into the fresh or salt water, then after a little exercise and brisk towelling, a-Frolic' in the warm sun, and then tantalising the pan, or smell the aroma of a goodly portion of grilled undercut. Yes! And they invariably tell you that they would hardly be willing to dispense with their plunge for a single morning, even to save their breakfast.

And why? Let us consider! When we know that the whole external skin is in some measure a breathing organ that is continually discharging impurities from the body, that it is the medium through which a large portion of the work-out matter of the system passes off, and that the mucoid structure and functional character it holds a very near and powerful relation to the lungs, stomach and other internal organs, we must feel convinced of the great importance of preserving its healthy condition, and securing the vigorous performance of its functions. In order to do this few things are more indispensable than cleanliness; hence bathing should not be neglected.

They who have never practised the "early morning mode" of bathing can have no just notion of the comfort which it affords. When from almost any cause one rises from his or her bed in the morning languid and dull, and with perhaps a heavy feeling of the head and foul taste in the mouth, and just takes a brisk walk to the nearest bathing place, "peels off" and after a plunge in and out then a little light exercise such as swinging the arms and throwing the body into various attitudes, he or she will feel astonishingly refreshed. Just as a good housewife sets the bedclothes each day, so should every person—man, woman and child—let their bodies by a swim and an air bath. It is wonderful that mankind in the present day, claiming as it does to be so much more enlightened in science and useful knowledge than the ancients, should yet be so far behind them in matters of this kind. We read in the Bible that most rigorous regard was paid to bathing and cleanliness in everything. One of the highest lovers of Ancient Rome was bathing. The Mohammedans, the Hindoos, and many other members of the human family perform their morning daily ablutions as a religious duty, and if there are many of the most intelligent portions of present-day communities which neglect it.

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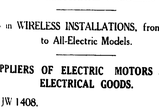

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NORTHCOTE COUNCIL

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11.

The usual meeting of the Northcote City Council was held on Monday. Present were the Mayor (Cr. W. Hayes, J.P.) and Crs. W. Glanfield, A. H. Gibbs, S. Pinkney, A. C. Beard, J. O. Hughes, S. Jones, J. H. Crouch, W. Gibson, A. McDonald, A. J. Cornish, J. Sutch, H. F. Mitchell and W. H. Turner.

An apology was received from Cr. R. E. Johnson.

Wrongful and Measures Association.—Weights and Measures Union, minutes of quarterly meeting and statement of receipts and expenditure for the year ended Sept. 30 last. Noting note as assessment for the council, C.,minutes.

Cr. Turner said the year had been a busy one. The union finished the year with a credit balance of £25. The inspector of the union had done satisfactory work. On one occasion the inspector had stopped a vehicle delivering wood, and it was found to be 25 lbs short. The defence raised at the court was that the wood was sold in bundles. And eventually the prosecution was withdrawn, but fines were inflicted for not having the weight of wood written on the ticket, and also for another case for short weight briquettes.

The report was received.

Town By-law Conference.—Town clerk, Collingwood, hon. secretary to municipal conference—Relative to prevention of vehicles passing continuous trams, and convening a further conference on the subject to be held on Thursday, 28th inst.

Cr. Dennis reported having attended a City Clerks' Association meeting, had attended, three of whom did not leave the hall. Eventually it was decided to hold another conference at which all municipalities which had trams in them will be asked to be represented. The keynote of the conference was for them to be desirous of unanimity amongst the councils in regard to the abolition of the by-law. Crs. Dennis and Gibbs were appointed to attend the further conference.

Auditor's Report.—G. H. Wood (Chamberlain, manager and auditor to the City of Northcote), submitted his report of audit of accounts for year ended September 30. The audit had been carried out, and she had been completed in record time, and reconciled the offices. The rep ort also expressed the opinion that the interest the council was paying was high, and that money should be raised through a municipal bank.

The Mayor said the report was very satisfactory. It was interesting to learn where the council could get cheaper money.

The report was received and Cr. Dennis suggested that Mr. M. Wood be thanked for his suggestion.

Protest Against Use of Foreign Labor.—Northcote Branch R.S.S.A.L.A., asking council to receive a deputation in regard to the employment of Italian labor on council works.

Cr. Turner suggested that the deputation be heard at the open council meeting, which was agreed.

West Ward Progress Association, protesting against employment of foreign labor on council works. It was stated that in the construction of the line of Penshurst St., foreign labor was employed when British subjects were available.

Cr. Gibbs said that the P.W. Committee had endeavored to find people were employed who could not speak English, and had to be left in the hands of the engineer, and it was left in his hands to terminate contract if need be.

It was decided to refer the matter to the P.W. Committee to deal with after the R.S.S.L.A. deputation had been heard. The engineer was also instructed to bring up a report.

Suggestion to Earmark Rate for Unemployed Relief.—Northcote Central Council of Progress Associations, asking that an amount be set aside in the rate so as it be set apart for carrying out work for unemployed, and that the council unemployed.

It was stated that the writer was informed of the position. He said that the rate was made up, as the estimates had already been prepared. The Council of Progress Associations had not found out the exact amount of works done in St. George's ward, and the amount of works which had not been carried out. The rate was made up of the amount of works done in the council's ward.

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(By "Side")

Continuing the games in the first round of Mac's tourney, the following were the games played:

E. B. Broadhurst (115) met C. Baines (200), and the game caused much amusement. Baines, against a handicap of 85, made a number of 'hits' but finally J.E.B. brought out his classy strokes and eventually won a winner by 33. Scores: Broadhurst, 148; Peters, 115; Baines, 215; Best, break, 141.

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NORTHCOTE COURT

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12.
Before Mr. E. E. Stafford, P.M., and Messrs. E. J. Jones, H. Olds, H. Evans and B. E. Johnson, J.s.P.

Benjamin J. Lovis, for whom Mr. O'Connor appeared, obtained an order against E. Spry for £17/7/6, with £1/ 3/6 costs.

Robertson and O'Donnell sued E. M. Allen for £21/18/7 for material supplied and labor done. An order was made for the amount, with £3/ 3 costs.

Harris and Smith obtained an order against Mrs. F. Potter for £2/ 1/ 3 for meat sold and delivered, with £1/ 6 costs.

N. P. McCracken obtained an order against Hilda McCracken for £10/ 1/ with £1/6/ costs.

Arthur Shands proceeded against Ken Armstrong, South Moranng, on a summons under the Imprisonment of Fraudulent Debtors' Act. The claim was on account of the defendant's failure to satisfy an order of the court for £8/6/ and £1/ 6/ costs. There was no appearance of the defendant, and application was made to have Armstrong fined for nonappearance. An adjournment was made for 14 days.

Maintenance Arrears.
Mrs. Violet Tomlinson sued her husband for £3/10/ arrears of maintenance. Defendant said he had paid the money into court. Mrs. Rosenove (for the complainant) made application for costs, and the court granted £1/6/, in default distress. Defendant said he had been out of work.

Railways Prosecutions
Maurice Grimwood, Perry street, Alphington, charged with having on September 17 entered a railway station by other than the entrance provided at Fairfield Park, was fined 20/ with 7/6 costs.

Anthony Joseph, McCormack place, Melbourne, was charged that on September 14, between Melbourne and Dennis, he conveyed goods in a manner contrary to the regulations made by the railway authorities, for which payment of a higher fare is payable for the carriage of goods.

Charles Budge said on September 14 he saw defendant seated in a carriage with a case containing 3 dozen of fancy goods. Defendant did not have a ticket for the case, and said that no one had asked him to pay. He had been previously warned about not having a ticket for the case.

Defendant was fined 10/, with 2/ costs.

Philip Sullivan, Emmaline street, Northcote, charged with being, between Croxton and Merri st. Oakleigh, at travelled first-class on a second-class ticket, was fined £1, with 7/6 costs.

Milk Below the Standard
Frank Lanzon, dairyman, Normanby avenue, Northcote, was charged with having on October 2 sold milk that did not comply with the standard.

Inspector Gunst said that on October 2 he purchased a sample from defendant's cart for analysis. The analyst's certificate showed a deficiency of 8 per cent. in fat.

Cross-examined: Four people all were taken, and only one was adulterated.

Food Not Labelled
Maria Zoller, butcher, Height, Northcote, was charged with having on October 15 sold food in a package that did not bear a statement that the package was for exportation.

Butter Prosecution
Margaret Green, High, Northcote, for whom Mr. H. Hughes appeared, was charged that on 15 she sold butter that did not comply with the standard.

Inspector Gunst said he purchased butter for analysis. The certificate showed the butter did not comply with the standard.

To Mr. Gray.—When a pound of butter is purchased it is the duty of the inspector to divide it into three parts. Defendant sold the butter accordingly. The label showed it was not a mixture. The sample contained fat instead of milk fat.

Inspector W. J. Jones, appeared with Inspector Gunst, corroborated his evidence.

Josephine Barnett said June 11 she was in the shop for Green came in. He asked for a pound of cheap butter. She explained that that material sold as butter, but as a mixture. Mrs. Margaret Green bought the butter and paid for it. She asked if it was for the sergeant. Mrs. Gray said that the butter was for herself. She had never had any trouble.

The P.M. said that one witness would record a conviction, and impose a fined of 1/, with costs.

Car Driver on Two Charges
Leonard William Todd, Lygon, was charged with having, on Sunday, 27 last, at about 9 p.m., negligently drove a motor car in Hight street, and with failed to provide assistance after an accident.

To a mounted trooper it was alleged that Todd and a motor cycle rider (Cyril Frank Marsden) near the corner of High and Bastings streets, when Marsden had his leg injured.

Defendant was fined £5 on the first charge, and £2 on the second, and he was also ordered to pay £1/2/ costs.

PRESTON BRANCH A.N.A.
The Preston branch A.N.A., No. 51, held its usual fortnightly meeting in the Bradford Hall on 11 inst., the president (Mr. J. Meehan) being in the chair. There was a good attendance, including members from the Northcote and Heidelberg branches. Members were keen and some good debates took place. In regard to the Xmas tree, held for the children every year, the promises to be a great success. Last year 300 children were given a treat but this year the branch will cater for over 500. The Xmas tree will be held on December 16 at the Bradford Hall, and any member who has not notified the secretary in regard to children is asked to do so before next meeting, otherwise the children will not receive an invitation. The euchre parties conducted by the branch are proving successful, and the president is to be congratulated. As it was nomination night the members were keen to secure office, and for the position of delegates to conference (which is to be held at Echuca) 14 nominations were received, for auditors, five nominations, and for committee ten, which shows the keen interest that is being taken. The branch has now 560 members and is increasing its membership every meeting. We are looking forward to the balance sheet, which will show a record year. The friends of the secretary (Mr. R. Douglas) will be pleased to learn that he is completely recovered to health again. The branch has fixed the monthly meetings as follows:—9 a.m. to 5 p.m. week days, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays, and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Urgent business will be dealt with at any time. Next meeting, election of officers, half-yearly meeting, and a visit from the board of directors. Branch meets at 7.30 p.m.

BURGLARIES AND POLICE PROTECTION.

WOMAN CHARGED WITH HOUSE-BREAKING

INTRUDER DETAINED BY HOUSEHOLDER

On returning to his home at about 6.15 p.m. last Saturday Mr. Alfred Dwyer, of Bayview street, Northcote, heard a noise, and on investigating he found a woman ransacking the house. He seized her and got a neighbor to call the police.

At the Northcote Court of Petty Sessions on Tuesday Marjorie Robinson, 21 years, of Victoria parade, East Melbourne, boot machinist, was charged with having broken into the house of Annie and James Dwyer and stolen two watches, a chain, and a brooch, valued at £5.

Plain-clothes Constable G. J. Dwyer prosecuted.

Andrew James Dwyer, school teacher, Bayview street, Northcote, related how he returned home and found the house in disorder. He was ransacking the room of a week-dated. He said, "Who the devil are you?" and grabbed her. As he held her she dropped some jewellery on to the floor. The contents of the bureau had been ransacked. He detained the accused until a police arrived. The glass near the catch on the bathroom window had been broken.

Plain-clothes Constable T. H. Butt said that at about 3.30 p.m. on November 9 he went to Mr. Dwyer's house and saw the accused. Asked what she was doing there, she replied, nothing. Asked what she had in her hand, she said, "Nothing, I have not a bit hook." She admitted having entered the house by breaking the glass near the catch on the bathroom window. On the way to the watch-house the accused gave him two watches, a chain and a brooch and said, "I forgot these." I pinched them too."

Accused, who pleaded guilty, was committed for trial at the General Sessions on November 26. She was fined at £100, with an approved surety of like amount.

Redbeard was further charged on a warrant with burglarious entering and stealing at Malvern, and on the information of Detective Ryan was granted to the Malvern court on November 1. Bail was fixed at £100, with a surety of £100, it each case.

POLICE PROTECTION IN NORTHCOTE

The Northcote council has received a letter from the Chief Commissioner of Police, in which he states that it is not a practicable policy to station a police station in Northcote, as the number of thefts at the present time, and supplying information in regard to the matter, is not very appreciable. The area was already well patrolled, and the number of thefts had been reduced by one-third since 1921. In 1925 the Northcote station was purchased by the Commissioner of Police, and the number of motor cycle patrols increased. In 1926 there were 1,000 thefts in Northcote, and in February last 26. The Commissioner is in accordance with the Commissioner's policy, of the opinion that the station was purchased for the purpose of protecting the property of the municipality, and that the council would make a strong case for reconsidering the matter.

The matter was referred to the council.

A SMART ARREST

A series of shopbreaking offences in Northcote Constable T. H. Northcote, instructed all officers in Northcote police station to be on duty for a certain man who was wanted on a charge of being the perpetrator. On Saturday morning Constable Butt saw a man in High street and arrested him on a charge of vagrancy. At the station he denied all knowledge of shopbreaking, but to his place of abode and had brought to light a quantity of goods which have been identified by people as having been stolen from their houses.

The sequel occurred at the Northcote police court on Tuesday, when Hector Duffin, 21, carpenter, Clarke street, Northcote, was charged with having broken into the home of William Frederick Hewitt on October 3 and stolen clothing, a watch and other goods valued at £23; breaking and entering the home of John Nelson Watts on October 18 and stealing clothing and jewellery valued at £15; on October 25 breaking and entering the home of Joseph August Stahl and stealing jewellery, clothing, etc., valued at £15; on October 29 breaking and entering the home of Richard William Stringer and stealing a suit dress lengths and a brooch valued at £35; and on September 27 breaking and entering the home of Herbert Fry and stealing clothing valued at £15 10s.

On the application of the police a remand for one week was granted, on bail fixed at £200.

A vagrancy charge was also preferred against Duffin.

Plain-clothes Constable Butt is to be commended on making such a smart arrest. He said he knew the man in Fitzroy.

The robberies took place in Rosser, Hastings and Mitchell streets, Northcote.

Taking No Risk
A caster and his bride were standing at the altar waiting to be united. "Will thou have this woman?" asked the parson. "I?," said the caster. "You must say 'I will,'" corrected the parson, and repeated the question. "I?" said the caster again. The irate parson threatened to stop the service if the response was not given in the proper manner. But this was too much for the bride. "Look yer," she burst out, "you just stop your bargerin'. You'll 'ave Bill sayin' 'No' in a moment, if you keeps on at it."

Saw His Chance
Brown's wife was musical. She had other faults as well. But Brown was a good husband, and when she showed a desire to learn the violin he promised to make her a present of one. That afternoon Brown could have been seen in the local music shop. "A violin for your wife?" said the assistant. "Certainly, sir. One with a chin rest?" "Yes," said Brown. Then, as a brilliant idea came to him, he hurried after the assistant and grabbed him by the sleeve. "Mate, it is detachable chin rest," he said, "so that she can still use it when she is not playing the violin."

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DISTRICT ELEVENS

NORTHCOTE v. PRAHRAN

NORTHCOTE

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PRAHRAN

R. J. Davis, c. Weavers	16
S. Thomson, c. Beach, b. Chivers	11
J. Dickenson, c. Weavers, b. Clarkson	12
C. Eustace, b. Gilmour	43
J. L. Ellis, b. Chivers	5
E. Francis, c. Weavers	4
A. Ellis, c. and b. Powell	0
J. Ellis, b. Gilmour	0
R. McGraw, not out	19
Sundries	7
	117

Bowlers (Northcote): Chivers, 3 for 44; Gilmour, 4 for 45; Clarkson, 1 for 30; Powell, 1 for 41; Clarkson, 1 for 36; Barring, 4 for 17; Weavers, 1 for 6; Beach, 1 for 19.

Prahran won by three wickets and 48 runs.

SECOND ELEVENS

Prahran, having made 199, disposed of Northcote for 48, Dickens 14, Ellis 10, Marks 12, Walker 11 not out, and sundries 11 being the only scorers of any note. Prahran then made 151 for the loss of six wickets, Prahran closed at two for 31, Hastings 10 not out, and Tolch making the runs. Northcote had lost four wickets for 58 when bad light stopped play.

METROPOLITAN LEAGUE

A. Shortt, 131 and six for 55 (Hamilton 36) v. Thorne, 38, and Barker (7 for 15) for total, 1. Peterson 13 not out to Collingwood, 4 for 1 (Hamilton 2) v. Footscray, 1 for 1 (Hamilton 1) v. Brunswick, 1 for 1 (Hamilton 1) v. Melbourne, 1 for 1 (Hamilton 1) v. Johnstone, 21, Hope 21 and 4 for 35, Hamilton 2 for 1 (Hamilton 1) v. Fitzroy, 1 for 1 (Hamilton 1) v. Carlton, 1 for 1 (Hamilton 1) v. Moore, 1 for 1 (Hamilton 1) v. Footscray, 1 for 1 (Hamilton 1) v. Fairfield, 29 and 38 McPhee 16, Ireland 14, Hamilton 2 v. Northcote, 1 for 1 (Hamilton 1) v. Prahran

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NORTHCOTE.
11 a.m.—Mr. Bowman
7 p.m.—Rev. F. J. Jennings

PRINCE OF WALES PARK
11 a.m.—Rev. J. T. Duggleby, M.M.
7 p.m.—Rev. Kelly

ST GEORGE'S ROAD
11 a.m.—Mr. C. Williams
7 p.m.—Mr. R. Wills

CROXTON.
OPENING OF NEW CHURCH.
11 a.m.—Rev. Madsen
3 p.m.—Mr. W. H. Edgar
7 p.m.—Rev. Cain

BAPTIST CHURCH, HIGH ST., NORTHCOTE.

PROHIBITION SUNDAY.
11 a.m.—"The Church and the Liquor Traffic." Rev. S. E. Dorman.
7 p.m.—Rev. J. Robertson McCue, Secretary Prohibition League.
All Welcome.

CHURCH OF CHRIST High Street, Northcote.

11 a.m.—Mr. A. Anderson
7 p.m.—Mr. A. E. Illingworth. Subject—"Trifling With Conscience."
Tuesday, November 26—"An Evening with the Men." Talk by Dr. E. R. Killmier.

SOUTH PRESTON METHODIST CHURCHES.

SOUTH PRESTON
11 a.m.—Mr. W. J. Heaver
7 p.m.—Rev. H. Williams

PENDER'S GROVE
11 a.m.—Mr. P. R. Bock
7 p.m.—Mr. F. Pagdin

OAKOVER ROAD.
11 a.m.—Rev. H. Williams
7 p.m.—Mr. R. Crocker, M.A.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH. Martin Street.

Services 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

PRESTON CHURCHES OF CHRIST. Simultaneous Spring Campaign.

Sunday Night at 7.
Special Theme—"One Great Church." Preachers—MR. H. B. ROBBINS at Gilbert Road; MR. A. J. FISHER at High St. Community Singing. All welcome.

BE A MOVIE ARTIST.

MIRRABOOKA FILMS PTY. will make you one. Join the Movie Club. Get into Pictures. Make provision for your future. Ladies and Gents urgently wanted to be members. We teach you all branches of the profession and GUARANTEE you a part in Film. Australia's coming future money making industry is Films. Don't put this opportunity away. Call and see Secretary MOVIE CLUB, 184 EXHIBITION ST., CITY, NOW. Daily Hours—10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

PRESTON A.N.A.—Euchre Party in aid of Unemployed EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT, Anglers' Hall. Good prizes.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23,
At 3.45 o'clock at the property, 108 HUTTON ST., NORTHCOTE, Auction Sale of
MODERN D.F. W.B. VILLA,
Five rooms, two 14 x 12, 17 x 11, 12 x 11, sep. bathroom, washhouse, sewered, E.L., gas, made street. Land 44 x 140, 50ft. at rear. Large motor garage 20 x 18, shed 16 x 8. The property is in good order. Garden, lawns, etc. For absolute sale. Credit Foncier Terms.
STOTT, SON & WATSON, Auctioneer, NORTHCOTE, PRESTON, THORNBURY, FAIRFIELD.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23.
At 3 p.m. on the property, 6 STOREY ROAD, PRESTON. By order of the Mortgagees.
MODERN WEATHERBOARD HOUSE
Of 4 rooms, sleep-out and convs.; situated on large allotment 50ft. x 200ft. between the Reservoir railway station and Plenty road tram. The house is in fair order.
Title, Certificate. Terms—One fifth cash; balance under Credit Foncier terms; interest at 6 per cent.
STOTT, SON & WATSON, Auctioneer, 203 HIGH STREET, NORTHCOTE (Tel.: JW 1197) will submit as above.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23.
Lot 1 at 3 p.m. on the property, 24 BARRY ST., WESTGARTH,
MASSIVE D.F. BRICK VILLA,
Between Merri St. and Merri Railway Station).
Six large rooms and all possible convs.; in tip-top order, with nice yard n. fowl pens and a good car garage. Land 40 x 110.
Lot 2 at 3.30 p.m. on the property, 6 McLACHLAN ST., WESTGARTH,
MODERN D.F. W.B. VILLA.
Return hall, 6 large rooms (17 x 13, 15 x 15, etc.), bath heater, sleep-out, in perfect order, with granolithic paths, fernery, garage, lawns, etc. Land approx. 40 x 130.
The above properties are in first class order and are highly recommended to anyone desirous of purchasing a home in this locality. They have to be sold, so come along.
JAMES & HOBSON, AUCTIONEER, NORTHCOTE.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23,
On the Premises at 3.30 o'clock, 7 CLARENDON ST., THORNBURY, 50 yards High Street Shops.
D.F. FAMILY HOME
Six rooms, two 17 x 12ft, one average 20 x 10ft. 6in., 12 x 14ft., beautifully decorated throughout, four bay windows, inverted E.L. fittings, bathroom has hand basin, built in wardrobes, cupboards, pantries, wireless, big block land 66ft. x 115ft; laid out in lawns, gardens, asphalt paths; street made; sewered.
Title, Certificate. Terms at Sale. Further particulars from—
S. L. WILLMOTT & CO., Auctioneer, 563 HIGH ST., CROXTON, opp. Darebin St.

CITY OF PRESTON

MAYOR'S UNEMPLOYED RELIEF FUND

TO AUGMENT the ABOVE FUND the FOLLOWING FUNCTIONS have been arranged:—

BUTTON DAY: FRIDAY NOV. 22—Buy a button and help those in distress.

SATURDAY, NOV. 23: EUCHRE and DANCE in Preston City Hall, arranged by Mrs. Southam.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 27: GRAND CONCERT, Town Hall. (Mrs. Schneider's effort).

SATURDAY, NOV. 30: GRAND CARNIVAL at BELL PARK, Bell St., Preston. Sporting events, side shows, fancy dress parade from town hall at 2 p.m. ADMISSION FREE.

LAZAAR arranged by the Ladies' Committee on DEC. 5, 6 and 7, at the Preston Town Hall.

THURSDAY, DEC. 5: GRAND CONCERT, Preston City Hall, by Scoutmaster Sone and Preston Scouts' Concert Party.

SATURDAY, DEC. 7: DANCE in Preston City Hall.

Patronise the above Functions and Assist the Unemployed

Personal Greeting Cards!

SOME Xmas greeting cards have an atmosphere of being hurriedly bought and as hurriedly sent away; others carry a personal atmosphere and seem in every line to bring a breath of the sender.

Which of these will be yours?

We manufacture high-class Greeting Cards in many styles, with many different appropriate verses, to order.

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Westgarth Theatre

THIS FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22 & 23. AND SATURDAY MATINEE.

GEORGE LEWIS and DOROTHY GULLIVER in

COLLEGE LOVE **COLLEGE LOVE**

100 PER CENT. TALKIE.

ALSO

THE FIRST AUSTRALIAN TALKIE,

A MESSAGE TO THE PEOPLE BY

MR. J. H. SCULLIN (PRIME MINISTER).

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 26, 27.

MARGUERITE CHURCHILL and DOROTHY BURGESS in

PLEASURE CRAZED

100 PER CENT. TALKIE.

KARL DANE in

VOICE OF THE STORM

A MELODRAMA OF THE TELEPHONE SERVICE.

For Reservations Ring JW 2033.

THE PERFECT TALKIE HOUSE

NORTHCOTE THEATRE
100% PARAMOUNT TALKIES
EXCLUSIVE ATTRACTIONS

For Reservations Ring JW 2868.

THIS FRIDAY & SATURDAY. NOVEMBER 22 & 23
The Paramount Talkie
GENTLEMEN OF THE PRESS
With WALTER HUSTON. Children over 6 and under 16 not admitted.
Also NORMAN KERRY in
THE BONDMAN
By Sir Hall Caine. A SILENT DRAMA.

MONDAY TUESDAY WED., NOVEMBER 25, 26, 27.
The Paramount Talkie
THE CANARY MURDER CASE
Featuring WILLIAM POWELL and JEAN ARTHUR.
Supported by Full Programme of entertaining
ALL TALKIE SHORTS.

Coming—The Paramount Talkie—THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28
THE MAN I LOVE
Hear the NORTHCOTE ORCHESTRA Every Evening.

SHIRE OF WHITTLESEA.

AGISTMENT OF MALLEE HORSES.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Council of the Shire of Whittlesea HAS AGREED TO CO-OPERATE IN THE MOVEMENT TO PROVIDE FREE AGISTMENT FOR STARVING HORSES from the Mallee Districts.

District landowners who will help the Council by TAKING CHARGE OF HORSES for FREE AGISTMENT are requested to get into touch with CR. L. W. CLARKE, "Linton Grange," Doreen, stating the NUMBER OF HORSES they are prepared to take, and he will make arrangements to allocate the horses to them.

It is probable that agistment will be required up till FEBRUARY NEXT.

B. McCORMACK, President.

CITY OF PRESTON.

NOTICE of intention to borrow, upon the credit of the Municipality, by the issue of debentures, the sum of £70,000 (Seventy thousand pounds), for the purpose of defraying the cost and expenses of works of making Streets, Lanes, etc., under Private Street Construction under Section 345 of the Local Government Act 1915 and Amending Act No. 3581 of 3/8/1928.

Loan authorised by the Council of the City of Preston at a Meeting held at 7.30 p.m. on 4TH NOVEMBER, 1929.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the City of Preston proposes to BORROW THE SUM OF £70,000 by the issue of debentures upon the credit of the Municipality as provided for under Act. No. 3581 Local Government (Borrowing Powers) Act 1928 (for the purpose of defraying the cost and expenses of any works under Private Street Construction in respect of which instalments are payable), such amount of £70,000 to be borrowed in two separate amounts as follow:—

LOAN NO. 3 FOR £20,000, repayable by half-yearly instalments, each covering principal and interest, over ten years, by the issue of Twenty Debentures respectively, bearing interest at the rate of Five pounds fifteen shillings per centum per annum, repayable at Melbourne at the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, and by

LOAN NO. 4 FOR £50,000, repayable by annual instalments, each covering principal and interest, over a period of ten years, by the issue of Ten Debentures respectively, bearing interest at the rate of Five pounds sixteen shillings and threepence per centum per annum, repayable at Melbourne at the Commonwealth Bank of Australia.

NOTICE is hereby further given that a Meeting of the said Council will be held at the Council Chambers, Town Hall, Preston, on MONDAY 2ND DECEMBER, 1929, at 7.30 o'clock in the afternoon, when the resolution set out will be submitted for confirmation.

Dated this 15th day of November, 1929.

L. W. WILLIAMS, Town Clerk.

CITY OF PRESTON.

TENDERS FOR GRAZING.

APPLICATIONS addressed to the undersigned are invited, returnable not later than 4 p.m. on 23RD INSTANT, for the RIGHT to use for GRAZING PURPOSES about FORTY ACRES of land in Plenty Road, Preston (known as Bransgrove's).

L. W. WILLIAMS, Town Clerk.

Municipal Offices, Preston.

Motoring Announcement.

MOTOR DRIVING TAUGHT PRIVATELY and THOROUGHLY. Any lady or gentleman desirous of learning to drive efficiently is requested to make an appointment by ringing JW 1238.

CITY OF NORTHCOTE.

FEES FOR OPENING OF ROADS.

NOTICE is hereby given that on and after MONDAY, the 18TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 1929, the Fee to be charged by the Council in connection with the OPENING OF ROADS (other than those roads constructed in Cement, Concrete or Asphaltic Concrete) will be INCREASED from 10/- to 15/-.

By Order.
J. A. THOMSON, Town Clerk.
Municipal Offices, Northcote. 13/11/1929.

PLEASANT SUNDAY AFTERNOON

In EDWARDES PARK

NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24, At 3 p.m.

Addresses will be given by
HON. T. TUNNECLIFFE M.L.A.
HON. GORDON WEBBER M.L.A.
MR. ARTHUR LEWIS, M.H.R. (New Member for Corio)

JAN OF WINDMILL LAND

A DUTCH OPERETTA.

By the STUDENTS and CONCERT PARTY of MRS. H. V. RANSOM, L.T.C.L., L.L.C.M.

NORTHCOTE TOWN HALL,

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1929, At 7.45 p.m.

ADMISSION 1/6.

Seats may be reserved at 134 Beaconsfield Parade, Northcote. No extra charge for booking.

DO NOT MISS THIS.

NORTHCOTE TOWN HALL, At 7.45 p.m. SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30.

MISS NEL. HAMILTON'S PUPILS' EIGHTH ANNUAL

VARIETY ENTERTAINMENT.

SUPERIOR PROGRAMME.

Action and Character Songs, Toe, Step, Tap, Special Dances and Ballets; Rods, Plastique, and Free Exercises; Acrobatics; Classical Poses, etc.

ADULTS 1/6; CHILDREN 1/-. THE FROCKING A FEATURE.

CROXTON METHODIST CHURCH.

(Cnr. St. George's Road and Shaftesbury Parade).

OPENING CELEBRATIONS OF NEW CHURCH.

Dedication Service.

SATURDAY, NOV. 23, 1929, At 3 p.m.

Preacher—REV. A. McCALLUM, D.D., assisted by Circuit Ministers.

SUNDAY, NOV. 24, 1929.

11 a.m.—REV. A. MADSEN. Visiting Soloists—Miss Freda Northcote, Mr. Ernest Wilson.

3 p.m.—HON. W. H. EDGAR, M.L.C., assisted by Rev. F. J. Jennings. Visiting Soloists—Miss Myrtle Walsgott, Mr Ira Pryce Jones.

7 p.m.—REV. J. H. CAIN. Visiting Soloist—Miss Katie Hocking.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, SACRED CONCERT.

Programme by Auburn Methodist Choir. Admission 1/-.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28, PUBLIC THANKSGIVING MEETING

Addresses by former Ministers and Members.

HEIDELBERG STATE ELECTION.

GORDON WEBBER M.L.A.

Will address Meetings next week as follows:—

MONDAY 25—WEST PRESTON PROGRESS ASSOCIATION HALL (Gilbert Road).
High and Wood Sts.
WEDNESDAY, 27—Queen and Alexander Streets.
Murray and Plenty Roads.
THURSDAY, 28—Bell St. and Gilbert Road.
Bell St. and Hotham St.
FRIDAY, 29—FINAL RALLY outside the Town Hall.
All Meetings to commence at 8 p.m.

T. W. ANDREWS, Hon. Secretary.

CITY OF NORTHCOTE

LOAN NO. 22.

SPECIAL ORDER.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a meeting of the Council of the City of Northcote held in the Council Chamber, Northcote, on the 28th day of October, 1929, the said Council did agree to the following resolution:—

(a) That, with a view of borrowing the sum of Fifty Thousand Pounds (£50,000) on the credit of the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Northcote, such amount to be raised by the issue of 20 debentures for such amount in accordance with the provisions of the "Local Government Act 1915" and "Local Government (Borrowing Powers) Act 1928" for the purpose of defraying the cost and expenses of any works of which instalments are payable as provided in Section 351 of the "Local Government Act," the Council hereby agrees to—

1. The amount of the principal moneys which it is proposed to borrow is £50,000.
2. The rate of interest to be named in the debentures shall be ... per centum per annum.
3. The money borrowed shall be repayable, together with and including interest at the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, Collins Street, Melbourne, or the Council's bankers for the time being on the first day of July and the first day of January in each year.
4. The purposes for which the loan is to be applied are.—Defraying the cost and expenses of any works of which instalments are payable as provided in Section 351 of the "Local Government Act."

The loan is to be liquidated by payment of 20 instalments commencing on the first day of July, 1930, and continuing until the first day of January, 1940, as shown hereunder—

1st July, 1930	£2500
1st January, 1931	2500
1st July, 1931	2500
1st January, 1932	2500
1st July, 1932	2500
1st January, 1933	2500
1st July, 1933	2500
1st January, 1934	2500
1st July, 1934	2500
1st January, 1935	2500
1st July, 1935	2500
1st January, 1936	2500
1st July, 1936	2500
1st January, 1937	2500
1st July, 1937	2500
1st January, 1938	2500
1st July, 1938	2500
1st January, 1939	2500
1st July, 1939	2500
1st January, 1940	2500
	£50,000

NOTICE is hereby further given that a MEETING of the SAID COUNCIL will be held at the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Northcote, on MONDAY, the 25TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1929, at 7.30 o'clock in the evening, when the said resolution for passing Special Order will be submitted for confirmation.

Dated this 14th day of November, 1929.

J. A. THOMSON, Town Clerk.

Municipal Offices, Northcote.

Preston Park.

GRAND ANNUAL MASSED BANDS DISPLAY.

Sunday, December 1, 1929.

Special items by Bands from Williamstown, Heidelberg, Mentone, Reservoir, Preston, 57th Battalion Band and West Preston State School Boys' Band.

HY. HELLINGS, Organiser.

PRESTON MARKET

PLENTY ROAD.

AUCTION SALE THIS DAY, **FRIDAY.**

Poultry, Small Lot Clothing, Furniture, 150 lots including two Bedroom Suites, 2 D.R. Suites (one as new, cost £35), Tables, Chairs, Couches, Safes, Baby Chairs, Lino, Double and Single Beds, Motor Cycle, Singer Drop Head Sewing Machine (nearly new), and a host of sundries. The trade invited. No reserve.

A. J. DALGLEISH, Auctioneer.

APPROACHING AUCTIONS

By S. L. Willmott and Co., on Nov. 23 at 3.30, on premises, 5 Clarendon St., Thornbury, d.f. family home of 6 rooms, on land 66 x 115. Details advertised.

By Llewellyn Jones and E. Hill and Sons, Pty. Ltd., in conjunction, tomorrow at 3 p.m., on property in a seated marquee, 74 ideal home sites in Centre of Preston Estate, between Preston and Bell railway stations and Gilbert road tram and Bell St. bus route. See detailed advt. elsewhere.

By Stott, Son and Watson, on Sat., Nov. 23 at 3.45 p.m., on the property, 108 Hutton St., Thornbury, modern d.f. w.b. villa, 5 rooms, garage and all convs.

By Stott, Son and Watson on Sat., Nov. 23 at 3 p.m., on property 6 Storey Rd., Preston, modern w.b. villa, 4 rooms, on land 50 x 200.

IN MEMORIAM.

ANTHONSEN. In loving memory of our darling daughter and sister Mavis, who passed away on Nov. 19, 1928, aged 4 years 10 months. Sadly missed.

Inserted by her sorrowing mother and father, sister and brother.

The Leader
JUSTICE TO ALL
Published Every Friday Morning

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 1929.

The Preston council has resolved to strike a rate of 2/9 in the £ on all property within the city of Preston.

Northcote A.W.A.—Installation of officers will take place at the half-yearly meeting of the A.W.A. on Saturday, November 23.

New Insolvent.—Archibald Frederick Hunter, of Rosebery avenue, Preston, builder. Causes of Insolvency: Losses on contracts and sickness of wife. Liabilities, £1,967; assets, £83; deficiency, £1,884 1/11.

On November 30, in the Northcote town hall, the talented pupils of Miss Nel. Hamilton will give a variety entertainment. Action and character songs, toe, tap and special dances and ballets, rods, plastique and free exercises and acrobatic and classical poses are included in the programme, and the frocking will be a feature of the evening.

Northcote Boy Scouts are arranging a concert at the town hall on Thursday, November 28. The funds are in aid of the troop. The hon. secretary is Mrs. Groves. A highly ambitious programme has been arranged, amongst the contributors being Miss Freda Northcote, Mr. Eric A. Jones, Miss Kitty Hocking, Miss Marjorie Dettm, Mr. Albert Schobel, Messrs. Roland Bohme, Archie Clarke and others. The object is a most worthy one.

In the Third Civil Court on Tuesday, before Mr. Justice Lowe, Margaret Caldwell, aged 27 years, of Lambaline street, Croxton, was granted a divorce from Gordon John Caldwell, aged 29 years, of Hoddle street and Vere street, Collingwood, but later, on the ground of desertion. The marriage took place on March 27, 1924, at Northcote. There is one child, of which petitioner was given custody. At the same court Bertie Samuel Thake, aged 31 years, of Rathmines street, Fairfield, railway employee, was granted a divorce from Eva Florence Thake, aged 31 years, of Avoca street, South Yarra, on the ground of desertion. The marriage took place on April 30, 1921, at East St. Kilda.

At the annual meeting of the Victorian United Retailers' Council representatives of the various shop trades reported that members of their associations would be recommended to observe uniform Christmas and New Year closing hours. Shops in all trades will close on Christmas Day, but will remain open until late on Christmas Eve. Shops in the following trades will close on Boxing Day and New Year's Day—Grocers, ironmongers, dairy produce dealers, jewellers, crockery shops, boot and shoe retailers, drapers, milliners, merchants, chaff and grain merchants, furniture dealers, fancy goods dealers, sporting requisites, etc. Chemists will remain open until 12 o'clock noon on Boxing Day and New Year's Day. Tobacconists will open until 10.30 a.m. on Boxing Day, and butchers until 9.30 a.m. on Boxing Day. News agents will open until about 10 a.m. on Boxing Day and New Year's Day, and will re-open at 4 p.m.

Mr. N. P. McCracken requests us to state that at the Northcote court on November 12 he secured an order against Hilda Walsh for £10/5/, with £1 6 costs, and not against Hilda McCracken as published in the issue of November 15, 1929.

Mr. W. E. Ladner, jeweller and optician, of 369 High St., Northcote, has a striking announcement elsewhere drawing attention to his remarkable show of Xmas gifts in watches, xylo ware, links, brush sets, and rings of all descriptions and at all prices. Mr. Ladner has also a branch at 242 Smith street.

REGENT MOTOR CYCLE CLUB

The opening meeting of the Regent Motor Cycle Club's dirt track at Reservoir was carried out in the presence of over 1000 spectators. Results:—

Lakeside Handicap.—First Heat: G. Perce, 1; D. Nicoll, 2. Second Heat: T. Hollis, 1; W. Morris, 2. Third Heat: J. Skelly, 1; W. Sellick, 2. Final: G. Perce, 1; D. Nicoll, 2.

Special Solo Match Race.—C. Cousell defeated J. Bibby.

Reservoir Side-car Handicap.—Frank Burns, 1; G. Penn, 2.

Pirates' Scratch Race.—First Heat: T. Hollis, 1; A. Whittington, 2. Second Heat: G. Perce, 1; J. Skelly, 2. Third Heat: W. Barker, 1; L. Sayers, 2. Final: W. Barker, 1; G. Perce, 2; T. Hollis, 3.

Frank Burns broke the track record riding a Norton and side-car.

The local invitation race resulted.—A. Whittington, 1; W. Morris, 2; W. Sellick, 3.

The riding was spectacular, some exciting accidents happening, and some wonderful escapes from injury were experienced, one especially when a cycle and side-car, carrying L. Kay and D. Nicoll, turned completely over and pinned the rider underneath. Fortunately both escaped injury. The day's racing was a success, marred only by one light shower, and more racing will take place in the near future, when it will be advertised in this newspaper.

News About Town

Northcote Ladies' Benevolent Society.

The following donations have been received for the Mayor's appeal on behalf of the Northcote Ladies' Benevolent Society:—Thornbury Masonic Lodge £5/5/-, Mrs. and Miss Carew £2/2/-, E. W. Brighton £1/1/-, D. Mackmanara £1/1/-, Baragwanath Bros. £1/1/-, Mrs. Grindrod £1, W. Wettenhall £1, J. Ferguson 10/6, Fixus Co. 10/6, V. Knott 10/6. Total £14/2/6.

Thornbury Red Cross.

The monthly meeting of the Thornbury Red Cross Auxiliary was held on November 20. Mrs. H. G. Hayden was in the chair and there were 40 members present. Goods to the value of £37 1 10 were sent to the hospital for the month. The Birthday League in connection with this auxiliary is proving very successful. A cafe chantant in conjunction with the president's afternoon on December 11 promises to be a great success. A Xmas gift is to be given from the auxiliary to each member in the Thornbury ward, Queen Victoria Hospital; also a parcel of baby clothes.

Thornbury Red Cross Auxiliary.

The canteen helpers of the above auxiliary gave an enjoyable afternoon in the Dispensary Hall, Thornbury, on Monday afternoon. The hostesses were Mesdames M. V. Smith, M. N. Smith, P. T. Flather, W. Thornton, J. Thayer, R. D. Black, T. Lamb, J. Morlock, G. Davern and B. M. Jackson. The proceeds of the afternoon were in aid of the furnishing of the Thornbury ward at Queen Victoria Memorial Hospital, for which the auxiliary works. A fine musical programme had been arranged, and the artists were Misses V. Larter and C. Lees and Mesdames A. C. Beard, G. Davern and Mrs. Graham acted as accompaniste.

Racing Cyclist Injured.

Riding in a cycle race at the Motordrome on Wednesday night, Alfred Ryan, 21 years, of Beaconsfield Pde., Northcote, collided with another rider and fell heavily. He was taken by ambulance to St. Vincent's Hospital, where he was admitted for treatment. He was suffering from head injuries and shock.

Health Films.

On Tuesday at the Northcote theatre, in connection with the Health Week campaign, films were screened under the auspices of the Northcote Council. Arrangements had been made for the school children to attend, and there were some 700 present. Films shown were—"Care of the Teeth," "Saving Eyes of Youth," "Milk," and "Diphtheria." Dr. E. Rosanove, medical officer to the city of Northcote, was present.

Electricity Failure.

A breakdown occurred in the electric supply in Northcote at about 1.15 p.m. on Wednesday which caused much inconvenience to factory owners. The breakdown did not occur in Northcote district.

False Alarms.

Many false alarms of fire have been given to the Northcote Fire Brigade during the week. A close watch is being kept to detect the offenders, who are believed to be boys. The law will be rigorously enforced if the culprits are detected.

Chair Factory Gutted.

At about 12.21 a.m. last Saturday an alarm of fire was given from a street fire alarm in High St. south, and on attending the Northcote Brigade found that the chair factory of Church and Boreham, at the rear of 24 High St., was on fire. After a strenuous fight the outbreak was controlled, but not before a good deal of damage had been done to the factory, which was gutted, with its contents. The building, owned by Mrs Ellen Brown, and insured for £640, was severely damaged, and the contents and machinery, insured for £800, were almost completely destroyed. The cause of the outbreak is unknown.

Motor Truck on Fire.

A motor truck owned by J. Bennett and Sons, cartage contractors, caught fire in Collins St., Thornbury, near St. David St., Northcote, at about 4.10 p.m. on Wednesday. The Northcote brigade was called and ran out a line of hose, soon quelling the flames. The body was slightly burnt, and the cabin and front portion of the truck was severely damaged. The outbreak was caused by a backfire. The machine was insured for £400.

Fireman Transferred.

Fireman Parsons, of Northcote, has been transferred from the Northcote fire station to the new station at Carlton. Fireman A. Stewart has been appointed to take his place. Fireman Stewart is an ex-middleweight boxing champion.

The Editor invites paragraphs (excepting engagement announcements, births and deaths, which must be paid for) for this column. Copy should be in by Wednesday afternoon.

"Jan of Windmill Land"

On Tuesday, December 3, the pupils and concert party of Mrs. H. V. Ransom, L.T.C.L., L.L.C.M., will produce "Jan of Windmill Land," a Dutch operetta, at the Northcote town hall. Mrs. Ransom's pupils are highly talented, and a splendid presentation is assured. Seats may be reserved with Mrs. Ransom, 134 Beaconsfield parade, Northcote.

Boy's Leg Fractured When Rope Breaks

Herbert Olsen, aged 13 years, of Urquhart street, Northcote, broke his left leg last Sunday afternoon when he fell half way down a cliff on the bank of the Merri Creek. Olsen and other boys were sliding down a rope 35 feet in length to the bottom of the creek. The rope broke when Olsen was half-way down. He struck the bank and almost rolled into the creek. Several men carried him to the top of the cliff, and he was taken to the Children's Hospital by ambulance.

Deed of Assignment

Alexander George Johnson and Reginald Harold Marks, of High street, Northcote, garage proprietors, have assigned their estate for the benefit of their creditors. Mr. Gordon E. Newton has been appointed trustee. The estimated liabilities are £1,108 12/9, and the estimated amount of property is £217/10/.

TALKIES AT THE REGENT.

Laughter and fun, with thrills and earls, are included in Friday's and Saturday's films. "College Love" and "Looping the Loop." Another episode of "Tarzan the Mighty" will also be shown.

From Monday to Wednesday Marguerite Churchill and Dorothy Burgess in "Pleasure Crazed," will be screened, in which a husband tries to hold his wife, another woman pursues him, and everybody is mad after pleasure. An all-star caste makes for success in this drama. "The Bridge of San Luis Rey," in which Lily Damita has appeared, will be shown when the bridge of San Luis Rey, in Lima, Peru, breaks and dashes five people to death in the gorge below, the villagers believe the occurrence to be the outcome of the wrath of God. In consequence, Father Juniper, fearing the loss of faith, reveals the deceaseds' story as a sermon. He succeeds and the people leave the Cathedral rejoicing in the love of God.

The mid-week change brings "Noisy Neighbors." Have you noisy neighbors in your block—a family that sings all day, dances all night, laughs and shouts across the lawn? No people, perhaps, but "Noisy Neighbors"—that's saying a lot. Eddie Quillan, the Quillan family, Alberta Vaughan and Theodore Roberts are in the caste. The second feature is "Lucky Star," in which Janet Gaynor and Charles Farrell star once more. He fought for a girl—realising she was a cheat, after a hard battle. He fought for America in the shelled, torn trenches of Flanders, returning, "half a man," and love redeemed him.

Practical Sympathy

AT a meeting of the South Preston State School Mothers' Club on Wednesday, 13th inst., it was decided to dispense with the Christmas tree and use the money usually allotted each year for this purpose (£15) to be used to provide needy families in this locality with necessities and cheer for the festive season. It was also decided to accede to the request of the mayor (Cr. McPherson) and cease all activities for raising school funds till his appeal on behalf of the unemployed is closed. The head teacher will receive from the pupils donations of money and provisions to assist families in need during Christmas time.

HOYT'S MERRI THEATRE.

The programme for Friday and Saturday includes "College Love," featuring the Collegians in a talking and singing production, and the Prime Minister's (Mr. Scullin) first speech.

Monday brings "The Bridge of San Luis Rey," a vivid Peruvian drama adapted from the Thornton Wilder novel, in which strange musical instruments, shaped like mandolins and made from the shells of armadillos, queer South American reptiles, and other fantastic things imported from Peru are used in settings such as the world has never seen before. A huge cast includes Raquel Torres, Ernest Torrence, Lily Damita and Don Alvarado. In support is "Pleasure Crazed," with Dorothy Burgess heading the cast of a 100 per cent. talking feature. Husband or lover? She wanted both, and a continuous whirl of pleasure, until she was too pleasure crazed to see the danger!

The attraction for Thursday is "Noisy Neighbors," with Eddie Quillan, the Quillan family, Alberta Vaughan and Theodore Roberts in the leads. Mad, merry, musical monarchs, and kings of jazz, masters of mirth! But they needed all their stage tricks when they inherited a Southern estate and a feud along with it! A delightful, romantic comedy that will keep you smiling for days afterwards! "Lucky Star" is the second talkie attraction, starring Charles Farrell, and talkie shorts complete the programme.

THE MOTORDROME

The opening of the racing season at the Motordrome is being looked forward to with much more than usual interest by all followers of the sport this season, owing to the fact that the ground is now under entirely new management. Con McCrae, the popular racing motor cyclist, has secured a lease of the ground, and is making many alterations that will greatly improve the racing and add to the enjoyment of patrons. A new dirt track, said to be the finest in Australia, has been laid down, and judging by rehearsals during this week it should prove to be exceptionally fast, and new records may be looked for. In the bicycle events a new division of money has been decided upon, and the money will now be distributed in the heats as well as the finals. It is hoped that a much greater number of competitors will participate in the prize money, and therefore the racing will be much keener. An event that is evoking much interest is the meeting of the two champions of the dirt track—Cliff Bounds and Billy Pilgrim. The latter was Victorian champion in 1927-28 and has not since been defeated for the title. Last year Cliff Bounds won the championship, but Pilgrim did not ride. As these two boys meet on Saturday night great interest is being taken in the event. A big programme has been prepared for the opening night, and racing will start punctually at 7.45 p.m.

NORTHCOTE THEATRE.

Walter Huston's voice, which for years thrilled vaudeville audiences all over the country and later was heard from the New York legitimate stage, is one of the outstanding features of "Gentlemen of the Press," the Paramount all-talking production which is now showing at the Northcote Theatre. "Gentlemen of the Press," is from the famous stage play and is supported by Sir Hall Caine's famous story "The Bondman." This is a tale of the conflict of two tremendous ideals—one pagan, the other Christian; of two islands far apart yet linked by a stark human drama; of the destinies, terrible and strangely blent, of an errand of mercy and a quest of vengeance; of love triumphant over hate, and passion subdued by a man's nobility and a woman's virtue. The story is located in Sicily and the Isle of Man. This will be screened at the usual big matinee on Saturday afternoon.

On Monday the change of programme will be an entirely new feature. The whole programme will be all Paramount talkie. "The Canary Murder Case" will be supported by a most entertaining talkie of short subjects, comedy and gazettes, the first to be produced in the district. Debate regarding the possibility of a perfect alibi for a murderer was responsible for the writing of "The Canary Murder Case," which Paramount transferred to the screen. It is a great detective talkie story, and is based upon the actual murder of Dot King, a Broadway beauty, whose intimate friend was a prominent society man. The murderer in this case was never caught. The case was expanded into a baffling detective story which had a wide sale. "The Canary Murder Case" is one of a series of such stories written by S S Van Dine, whose real name is as much a mystery as are the cases he presents in his novels.

Who Has the Coney Coat?

DORIS BUCKLEY, home duties, Edward St., East Brunswick, mourns the loss of a coney (black) seal coat valued at £20. The cosy coney coat, with green silk lining, adorned with a skunk collar, disappeared when the owner was dancing at an evening party between the hours of 8 10 p.m. on November 16 and 1 a.m. on November 17 at Preston.

NORTHCOTE.

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CHURCH NEWS.

Congregational Church, Northcote

The Rev. T. D. Webb departed from the usual routine last Sunday evening when he delivered a story sermon based on the hymn, "There Were Ninety and Nine." The address and the appropriate anthem by the choir, "The Lord Brings Back His Own," were well delivered and duly appreciated by the congregation.

On Wednesday a social was tendered to Miss E. Green in honor of her approaching marriage. The function took the form of a "pantry evening," when her many friends brought along a varied assortment of commodities, and wished her well.

Next Sunday, November 24, is the Sunday school anniversary, when a good time is promised. Mr. Alf Broadley has the scholars well in hand, and, with the assistance of a talented orchestra, the musical portion of the services should go with a fine swing. The speakers during the day will be the Rev. J. T. Duggleby, M.M., Rev. W. N. Gunson, B.A., of Camberwell, and Rev. J. D. Northey, B.A., of Canterbury. All these gentlemen are highly commended, and it only remains for parents and friends of the school to attend on Sunday to complete a memorable event. The following Wednesday evening the scholars will present their annual concert, for which a great programme has been prepared.

All Saints', Northcote

The Rev. H. Collier who was for many years rector of St. Hilary's, East Kew, has undertaken to preach at All Saints morning and evening on Sunday next. Mr. Collier is not so well known in Melbourne as he used to be, owing to a breakdown in health 18 years ago, but previous to that he was recognised as one of the most eloquent and forceful preachers in the city. He did a great work in his younger days at St. Barnabas, South Melbourne, and later at St. Hilary's, East Kew.

The annual missionary sale will be held this year on Friday and Saturday of this week, November 22 and 23. In the absence of the vicar through illness, the Rev. Alfred Brain, M.A., will take charge of the proceedings, and the opening ceremony will be performed by Mrs. A. E. Hope, of the Church Missionary Society.

New Methodist Church, Croxton

The opening services on Saturday and Sunday next, with week evening gatherings, are announced in our advertising columns. The new church is a fine brick structure at the corner of Shaftesbury parade and St. George's road, and is a decided architectural feature as well as a beautiful place of worship. The building has 10 stained glass windows in figure or emblem, and six windows with emblems of colored leadlight, also a very beautiful stained glass head of the Saviour shows over the choir recess. Four very fine Gothic external lanterns illuminate the entrances. A decided feature of the internal lighting is a central eight-light wrought iron candelabra in armour finish. Six wall and two portable radiators will add to the comfort of worshippers in the winter. The pulpit, choir and nave screens are of handsome figured oak, with carvings, as is also the communion table and baptismal font. All the internal metal work is finished in silver oxide, while the seating is also of fine figured oak. The glass work in the internal doors is carried out in Gothic pattern. Matheson and Gibson are responsible for the stained glass and leadlight work, and Kennett Bros. and Rayner Pty Ltd., the internal furnishings. The windows and nearly all the furnishings are the gifts of societies, members or adherents of the church. The trustees, building committee and congregation are to be congratulated on the success of their efforts and the completion of this beautiful and stately edifice.

PERSONAL

Mrs. A. O. Jones, of West Preston, accompanied by her eldest son and Miss Firman (Ararat) left by motor for Sydney on Tuesday. They intend travelling by the Princes Highway, returning via Canberra and Albury.

Mr. W. Warlimont, of "Twickenham," High street, Northcote, has just taken delivery of a new Graham Paige sedan car.

The Rev. T. Cole, of the Church of the Epiphany, Northcote, has been appointed representative in Melbourne of the Bishop of St. Arnaud. Mr. Cole's first parish, after his ordination, was at Wycheproof, now in the diocese of St. Arnaud, and formerly in the Ballarat diocese.

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PRESTON FOOTBALL CLUB.

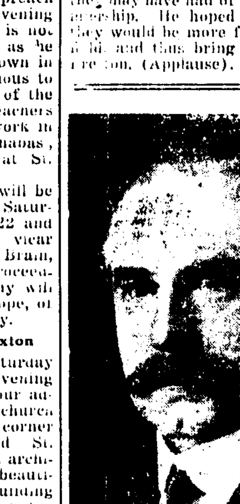
THE PRESIDENT ENTERTAINS

On Monday last Mr. H. P. Zwar, president of the Preston Football Club, entertained the players and officials of the club at a smoke social in the Preston town hall. Among those present were Mr. Turner, vice-president of the V.F.A., Mr. T. Evans, secretary of the V.F.A., and a number of representatives from associated clubs. At the conclusion of the council meeting several of the councillors attended, including the mayor (Cr. McPherson).

The president extended a hearty welcome to all, and said he was pleased to see such a large gathering, especially of representatives from other clubs.

The programme opened with a pianoforte solo by Mr. H. Hill, which was followed by the toast of "The King." Mr. J. Alexander Browne then sang "When the Sergeant-Major's on Parade," and Mr. Norman Bland gave several humorous songs.

The toast "Preston Football Club," coupled with the name of the president, was submitted by Mr. W. Gibbs. He said they were all pleased to see the president back with them after his trip abroad. During his absence the duties of his office had been ably carried out by Mr. Tom Ralph, the vice-president. The players had given some wonderful exhibitions on the football field, especially at the beginning of the season, but the casualties sustained later in the season robbed the club, he considered, of any chance they may have had of gaining the premiership. He hoped that next year they would be more fortunate on the field and thus bring the pennant to Preston. (Applause).



MR. H. P. ZWAR, J.P.
President, Preston Football Club

Mr. Zwar, on rising to respond, was loudly cheered. He congratulated Northcote on gaining the premiership. Although Preston had been defeated by their neighbors in the semi-final they were not disgraced, and they would be in the thick of it again next season, and with better luck he hoped. (Applause.) While in England he had seen soccer played, but he was quite satisfied it was not up to the Australian game of football. (Applause). He was pleased to see the advance the Association had made during the season, and he did not think the time was far distant before the League would come to the Association and endeavor to settle the differences now existing between them. He concluded by thanking Mr. Tom Ralph for so ably carrying out his duties during his absence. (Applause).

Mr. Tom Ralph, vice-president, also responded, and said he had endeavored to carry out the presidential duties to the best of his ability. He had thought the duties would be light, but found they were not. He would have liked to have seen Preston premiers, and if the players stick together next season he felt confident they would win the premiership.

Songs by Mr. R. Smithwick and humorous songs and patter talk by the ever-green Fred Champion were highly enjoyed.

Mr. George Hendrie gave the toast of "The Victorian Football Association." He said he hoped that all the clubs connected with the Association would be true to that body. When first appointed as delegate of the Preston Club to the Association, the first man from whom he sought guidance was Mr. Tom Evans, the highly-esteemed secretary of the Association. It was Mr. Evans who brought forward the new rules which had advanced the Association 100 per cent. this year. It was his intention early next year to bring before the delegates the advisability of fostering the introduction of Association rules into State school football. The League authorities had "slipped," and it was now up to the Association to foster football in the schools by offering trophies. He urged that all the Association clubs should stand loyal, for if they went over to the League they would have all to lose and nothing to gain.

Mr. Turner, vice-president, said that since the formation of the Association it had had its ups and downs, but this season had been one of "ups." Classes of instruction had been formed for umpires, at which, during the summer months, umpires would meet for instruction, and he felt sure that better umpiring would be the result next year. There had been too many players injured during last season, and the Association was determined to take a firm stand in dealing with cases where players were reported for rough play.

Mr. Evans, secretary of the Association, said it was not usual that a secretary should have such compliments paid to him—it was more usual to receive kicks. He hoped Preston would not have so many casualties next season, but that it would follow Northcote's example and carry off the premiership. If the clubs would stand loyally to the Association that body would soon come back to its own.

Cr. De Chene (Coburg) and Mr. Frank Trainor (Northcote) also responded.

Mr. T. Ralph gave a couple of enjoyable songs, and Mr. David Bell, vice-regal entertainer, mystified his audience with his sleight of hand tricks.

Cr. Robinson proposed "The Players." He said he did not miss one game played by Preston and had enjoyed every one of them. Considering the casualties received by the players, they were lucky to be up as high on the premiership as they were. He gave several humorous incidents of the trip to Ballarat recently when they played an exhibition game against Onkleigh, and he felt sure that if "Bull" Adams and Aub. Miller had kicked as straight for goal during the season as they did at Ballarat, Preston would have been premiers. He congratulated Jim Goonan, the captain, for the efficient manner in which he had led the team.

Mr. W. Summers responded for the players.

The toast of "The Preston City Council and Visitors" was given by Mr. E. Hannah, and responded to by the mayor (Cr. McPherson).

It was close on midnight when the curtain dropped on a most enjoyable evening.

PROGRESS ASSOCIATIONS.

EAST NORTH WARD ASSOCIATION

Since the last report a number of new members have joined, and indications point to a steady increase in the association's members. The undernoted matters were dealt with:—

Hoodlums.—The police were notified that these were damaging picket fences, etc., and making nuisances of themselves at local dances, and the locality has resumed its former blissful peace.

Bus route from junction of High and Dundas streets to Westgarth, via Victoria road, protesting to council re refusal of hackney carriage department to issue license.—The town clerk's reply was that the route is now sanctioned.

Victoria road, suggesting to council that the sides be treated with salamander.—Referred to works committee.

Water Reticulation, Victoria Road.—Requesting council to approach the Board of Works to complete this.—Left in the hands of Commissioner Dennis.

Separation Street.—Re damage occasioned to private fences and paths, and unsatisfactory state of public footpath, arising from drainage contract job.—Referred to works department and treated as urgent.

Sewerage.—Thanks to Cr. Dennis, the Board of Works will proceed with the sewering of two houses applied for four years ago. Several other matters received the attention of the ward members.

Whilst the increased rate was not protested against, there is decided discontent that valuations continue to soar upwards. In some instances the two combined increases total from 15 to 20 per cent. more in rate payments than for last year.

There is also a certain amount of liveliness exhibited regarding the several private streets to be constructed of concrete at about 35/ per foot. There is wailing and gnashing of teeth, some householders cannot sleep, and the Progress secretary is going prematurely grey.

NORTHCOTE COUNCIL OF PROGRESS ASSOCIATIONS

There was a full attendance of delegates at the last meeting, with Mr. Hayes in the chair.

After correspondence had been dealt with a discussion took place on a proposal to the council stipulating that all municipal contractors should employ only Northcote men. On being put to the vote the motion was lost.

The main argument against such a policy was that quite 90 per cent. of Northcote's male workers were of the artisan class, working outside the municipality, and that if such a clause were adopted universally in Melbourne Northcote's unemployed would be greater than at present. Coburg, Preston and Collingwood councils are adopting the policy of stipulating that their own men be employed, and experience shows that the disadvantages far exceed the anticipated advantages.

An "inquest" was held on the 3d. increased rate, but realising the financial commitments of the council, the delegates felt it futile to protest.

A lengthy discussion took place on the prospects for relieving next winter's distress, and it was resolved that the council be asked to ear-mark 1d. of the extra rate to create a fund for the execution of necessary public works during the coming winter, in order to absorb some of the local unemployed. Had the extra 3d. rate not been imposed the council would have been asked to levy an additional 1d. for the object stated. It is felt that a general levy would embrace all ratepayers in this worthy object, which, if workable, would be preferable to the present and past methods of always the same small section getting up carnivals, etc., patronised always by the same regular visitors. The council is quite right to say it is not legally responsible to relieve distress, as this is a question for the Government. The willing body of ratepayers are also in a like position, feeling rather that they owe a moral obligation to their less fortunate fellow citizens. However, as the council cannot see its way clear to adopt this executive's suggestion, we must continue our efforts as in previous years, and at our next meeting it will be proposed to make a start earlier than was the case in the past.

The council was given particulars of a motor vehicle with 24in. steel tyres using Northcote's roads, and information was submitted regarding a builder who in the past has infringed the building regulations.

The executive gave its patronage to the Northcote Life Saving Club, and the secretary was instructed to communicate this to the club.

The central council delegate reported on the gas position, and during Mr. Hogan's unavoidable absence from this body, Mr. A. W. Stackpool has agreed to act as deputy.

At the next meeting of the Northcote executive Cr. Beard has promised to attend and explain the position re the extra rate levy of 3d. in the £.

M. AND M. CENTRAL COUNCIL OF PROGRESS ASSOCIATIONS

Northcote's representatives were Messrs. J. A. Hogan and W. J. Canty.

The gas committee (Messrs. Lewis, Cornfoot and Canty) submitted a detailed report on the Metro. Gas Co., and a copy is being forwarded to each candidate standing for State Parliament. Briefly the report recommended: (1) That provision be made for a protective services system to regulate the price and quality of the gas, and to ensure an adequate supply and pressure. (2) As dividends increase the standard price of gas to be reduced; (3) that the company be not bought out, but controlled by the Government by a special order in council. From 1914 to 1928 the company paid 13 per cent. dividend; in 1925, 14.97 per cent.; 1926, 15 per cent.; 1927, 13.12 per cent.; 1928, 15 per cent. So, from the consumer's point of view, there seems to be no justification for the price of gas to have advanced 5d. per 1000 feet to secure a 15 per cent. return this year.

A report was received from the Municipal Association that it was not in favor of recommending the Board of Works to arrange for the collection of its rates locally.

There is a scheme prepared to inaugurate a State-wide movement of Progress Associations. This, together with a suggestion that a bachelor's tax be levied, will come up for discussion at this month's meeting.

The central council has decided to send out speakers to the various suburban associations at regular intervals.

In the Third Civil Court before Mr. Justice Lowe on Monday, Augustus John Smith, aged 39 years, of Westbourne grove, Northcote, public servant, was granted a divorce from Linda Smith, aged 35 years, formerly of Greville street, Prahran, on the ground of desertion. The marriage took place on March 18, 1922, at Melbourne.

Leslie Charles Newton, of Smith street, Thornbury, was fined £2 at the Brunswick court on Monday for having sold milk without a license.

PRESTON COURT.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21

Before Messrs. O. A. Walker and E. Lewis, J.'sP.

Offensive Behavior

Charles Kelly, Herbert street, Preston, was charged with having behaved in an offensive manner in a right-of-way off Gower street on November 9.

Plain-clothes Constable Seegar said he saw defendant go into a right-of-way at the back of the Star Theatre, and he could be plainly seen from Gower street.

Defendant pleaded guilty, and said he had no excuse to offer.

Mr. Walker said that the bench thought the offence was a serious one, and a fine of £5, in default 14 days' imprisonment, was imposed.

Charge Struck Out

Ethel May Doubleday charged Gertrude Eileen Keogh with using insulting words on November 4.

Mr. R. T. Cahir appeared for the defendant, and said Mrs. Doubleday had telephoned him and said she did not intend to go on with the case. He asked for costs.

The case was struck out, with £1/1/ costs against Mrs. Doubleday.

Debt

R. V. Foers, for whom Mr. R. T. Cahir appeared, obtained an order against McPhee for £26/5/ for work and labor done, with £1/16/6 costs.

Dr. L. S. Friedman, for whom Mr. Cahir appeared, obtained an order against W. Anstis for £3/3/ for professional services, with £15/6 costs.

Dr. Friedman also obtained orders against J. Kelly for £1/1/, with 15/6 costs, and F. E. Smith, for £4/4/, with 15/6 costs.

PRESTON SHOPKEEPERS GET TOGETHER

OUTING TO HUMEVALE

A large number of shopkeepers of High street, Preston, held a very enjoyable outing to Humevale during the week-end. The weather was a little damp at first, but cleared before noon. The occasion passed off splendidly, and gave the shopkeepers every opportunity to "get together" and make new friends. During the afternoon the young men played a cricket match against the local team, who won by 12 runs. Gwen Chatley won the girls' race and Harry Child was the winner of the boys' race. Mrs. Woodfield won the ladies' race, with only inches to spare. Miss Patterson, the speedy spinster, won the single ladies' race. A lung test was held for the ladies, and was won by Mrs. Chatley, whose balloon exploded first, but credit must be given to Mrs. May, who blew her balloon up a tremendous degree before it burst. Wally Shaw, the local sport, won the weight-for-age race, with Dick Smithwick a bad second, followed closely by Mr. May, who dropped his weights before finishing. The single men's 150 yards race was won by Robt. Reid, an exponent of Hillman's.

The next meeting of the shopkeepers will be held on Thursday, November 28, at the Rechabite Hall at 8 p.m.

Meeting of the Association

The general meeting of the Shopkeepers' Association was held at the Rechabite Hall last Thursday, 40 members being present. The following gentlemen were elected as officers:—President, Mr. E. Rabey; vice-presidents, Messrs. V. Nicholls and Derrett; treasurer, Mr. Davis; secretary, Mr. John Green; auditors, Messrs. J. Bartrop and Thompson; committee, Messrs. Kirk, Chalmers, Chatley, Aitkens.

Many suggestions were made to attract the people to High street to encourage them to shop in their own district.

It was decided to hold a carnival week commencing Dec. 16 to Xmas eve, and during that week many free gifts will be given away. To finalise the arrangements for carnival week a meeting will be held next Thursday, 28th inst., at the Rechabite Hall, High street, at 8 p.m.

RESERVOIR.

Community singing was held on November 12 at Reservoir picture theatre, and the attendance, enthusiasm and singing was the best of all the series. The Reservoir District Band, under the baton of Mr. King, rendered items. Solos were rendered by Mrs. Lloyd and Mr. Jenkins in a manner that won the approval of the audience. Recitations were finely rendered by Miss Johnson. During the evening a presentation was made to the proprietor of the picture theatre, Mr. Spencer, for allowing the free use of his theatre for community singing. Mr. C. Counsel made the presentation on behalf of the band committee. Mr. Spencer, in accepting the presentation, said that the surprise was even greater than his desire to help the band to achieve the object of obtaining new uniforms. He was at all times anxious and willing to do anything for the progress of Reservoir. The next community singing will be held on November 26, when fresh attractions will be offered. The interest shown by the residents is increasing, and a bumper house is expected. The Northcote school band will render selections, and assist the local band in conjunction. The committee of the band has decided to make a final decision on the selection of the uniforms on 25th inst. The financial matters have been arranged, and it is hoped to have the band in uniform in a month's time. Mr. Bakes, of Northcote, gave a series of entertainments culminating in a dance at the Merri Palais, and handed in a fine donation of £10/13/6.

The wiring of the line to Thomastown is being pushed on rapidly, and already the overhead gear is near completion.

The Reservoir District Band gave their usual recital in Edwardes Park on Sunday last to an appreciative audience, and the collections were the best for the year.

WESTGARTH TALKIES.

MR. J. H. SCULLIN'S SPEECH.

Probably the most interesting feature of the programme being presented this week-end is the first Australian talkie, in which Mr. J. H. Scullin, the Prime Minister, conveys a message to the people.

"College Love," the present offering, is the first league length picture of college life to be made with all sound and dialogue. Starring George Lewis, with Dorothy Gulliver and Eddie Phillips playing the other leading parts, it is a virile story of intercollegiate football, a big game being shown on the screen in both action and sound, together with the colorful rooting, alma maters, and glee club singing of the Caldwell students, and a general panorama of college life and its temptations.

On Monday another excellent all-talking Fox Movietone feature, "Pleasure Crazed," will be screened. An exceptionally strong case includes Marguerite Churchill, Kenneth MacKenna, and Dorothy Burgess. Karl Dane gives you new laughs and thrills as a lovable rough-neck "spike" in "Voice of the Storm," a gripping melodrama of the telephone service.

For next week-end a full talkie programme has been secured. "Lucky Star" presents Janet Gaynor and Charles Farrell in their first talking feature. "Noisy Neighbors" is a farce comedy talkie, featuring Eddie Quillan.

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STATE ELECTIONS.

HEIDELBERG ELECTORATE

At Edwardes Park on Sunday next, November 24, Mr. Gordon Webber, M.L.A., will give an address. Other speakers will be Mr. T. Tunnecliffe, M.L.A., and Mr. Arthur Lewis, M.H.R., the new Federal member for Corio. The function will take the form of a pleasant Sunday afternoon and will commence at 3 p.m.

Labor Meetings Next Week

Mr. Gordon Webber, M.L.A., will address meetings next week as follows:—Monday, Nov. 25, West Preston Progress Association Hall, Gilbert road; and at corner of High and Wood streets; Wednesday, Nov. 27, corner Queen and Alexander streets, and corner Murray road and Plenty road; Thursday, Nov. 28, corner Bell street and Gilbert road, and corner Bell street and Hotham street; Friday, Nov. 27, final rally outside Preston town hall. All meetings will commence at 8 p.m.

NUMBER OF VOTERS

In the Heidelberg electorate there are 25,525 voters enrolled, of whom 12,004 are males and 13,521 females. In the Northcote electorate, in which there is no contest, there are 22,346 electors on the roll, including 10,766 males and 11,580 females. The electorate having the smallest number of electors is Allandale, with 9,687, and the largest is Oakleigh, with 27,452, closely followed by Heidelberg, with 25,525.

The total number of voters enrolled in Victoria is 1,029,170, of whom only about 682,190 will have a vote, as the twenty members representing the other 346,980 electors have been returned unopposed.

Misconduct was the ground on which Ruth Lester, 46 years, of Beavers road, Northcote, petitioned for divorce from Ernest Charles Joseph Lester, 47 years, of Beavers road, Northcote, electrician, in the Third Civil Court before Mr. Justice Lowe on November 15. The marriage took place on June 14, 1902, at Marylebone, London, and there is one child. A decree nisi was granted, with costs.

TENNIS.

REGENT CLUB

Following are the results of the electric light mixed doubles competition:—

McKenzie and Miss Miles d McKenzie and Mrs. McGrath, 9—7.
Heel and Miss Mason d Carroll and Mrs. Carroll, 9—5.
Kennedy and Miss Paterson d Pears and Miss Moore, 9—8.
Lott and Miss Hollowood d John and Miss Mason, 9—1.
Sheppard and Mrs. Franklin d McLaren and Mrs. Brown, 9—4.
Lumsden and Miss Kelly d Hazel and Miss McPherson, 9—8.

The following matches will be played at the times mentioned:—

Monday, Nov. 25.—8.40 p.m.: Heil and Miss Mason v Kennedy and Miss Paterson; 9.20 p.m.: Sheppard and Mrs. Franklin v Lumsden and Miss Kelly.

Tuesday.—8 p.m.: Coutes and Miss McPherson v Bromley and Miss Bromley; 8.40 p.m.: Brown and Miss Forrest v Evans and Miss Farrell; 9.10 p.m.: Zwar and Miss Wearne v Le Faye and Mrs. Knight.

RESERVOIR TENNIS CLUB

At only three days' notice, a number of tennis enthusiasts met at Reservoir on Wednesday evening last to form a Reservoir Tennis Club, consequent on the offer by a local property-owner to build an electric-lighted court adjacent to the station in Edwardes street. The widespread popularity of this recreation is shown by over 20 members being nominated at the outset, and the possibility of a strong club being established there is practically assured. The first regular meeting of the club will be held shortly. The membership fee is set at 22/ per annum for gents and 18/ for ladies, payable half-yearly in advance, and plans are already in hand to open the court with a tournament, which will bring the club under the notice of kindred enthusiasts throughout the metropolis. Particulars can be had from Miss Filgate, at the Reservoir Station Cafe, or Mr. Bert Leffers, secretary, 31 Ralph street, Reservoir.

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PRESTON'S VALUATIONS

The valuer (Mr. A. B. Haw[illegible]) reported to the Preston council on Monday that he had completed the valuation for the year ending September 30. The net annual value of properties was as follows:—

Ward	1929	1930	Increase
East	£69,521	£72,464	£2,943
Central	109,279½	114,240½	4,961
West	183,429	187,841	4,412
Totals	£362,229½	£374,545½	£12,316

The number of new dwellings and shops erected during the past twelve months was as follows:—

Ward	1929	1930	Increase	
East	1413	1466	53	13
Central	2312	2379	67	12
West	3770	3847	77	30
Totals	7495	7692	197	55

(The last column shows the number of buildings in course of construction.)

During the last 12 months the number of vacant shops and houses has increased, again affecting rental values. The report, therefore, did not show the increase in valuation which might have been expected, and which should have accrued from the year's progress, owing to the adjustments necessary in connection with empty tenements. The number of vacant shops and dwellings in each ward was as follows:—

Ward	Shops	Dwellings	Total
East	4	55	59
Central	13	60	73
West	11	101	112
Totals	28	216	244

In spite of the existing depression a slight increase was shown.

The report was received.

Cr. Robinson said it was disturbing to see so many empty shops and dwellings. The policy of the council should be guided by the amount of its revenue.

RAID AT NORTHCOTE

PENSIONER AND FATHER IMPRISONED

Building material, motor accessories, bicycle parts, and other property were seized when police visited houses in Northcote last week. At the Heidelberg court Alfred Edward Pearce, aged 18 years, an invalid pensioner, was charged with having stolen 12 slabs of cement valued at £2. With his brother-in-law, William Henry Wilks, aged 22 years, a tiler, Pearce was further charged with having stolen tins of oil and kerosene, the property of the Metropolitan Board of Works. Alfred Charles Pearce, aged 42 years, boiler attendant, employed at the Mont Park Asylum, the father of Alfred Edward Pearce, was charged with having stolen sheets of iron, the property of the Lunacy Department, and with having been in possession of galvanised iron, bicycle frames, and motor accessories, which, it was suspected, had been stolen or unlawfully obtained.

Evidence was given that the concrete slabs had been missed from council construction work in Northcote, and that motor accessories had been removed from motor cars outside picture theatres.

Alfred Edward Pearce, on each charge, was sentenced to imprisonment for three months. Wilks was also sentenced to a similar term. On the first charge Alfred Charles Pearce was sentenced to imprisonment for three months, and on the second charge to imprisonment for a month. The sentences were all made cumulative.

Mr. T. D. O'Callaghan, P.M., directed the prosecuting officer (Senior Constable Kierce) to bring the conduct of Alfred Edward Pearce, the invalid pensioner, under the notice of the pension authorities.

STREET CONSTRUCTION AT PRESTON

An adjourned special meeting of the Preston council was held on Monday prior to the ordinary meeting to deal with objections to the proposed construction of Leonard, Leopold, Paywit and Bellarine streets and rights-of-way in connection therewith.

The matter was considered by the council a fortnight before, and was adjourned for further consideration, as there was a large number of objectors on the score that the construction of the streets and lanes would impose a very heavy burden on the property owners concerned.

Cr. Robeson moved that fresh notices be served, and that Leopold street and all lanes be deleted except the one between Bellarine and C[illegible] streets. Cr. Jones seconded the motion.

Cr. Crispe said there had been a great number of objections on account of the large number of lanes to be made. The burden of the lanes, it was felt, would be too great for many of the ratepayers at present.

The motion was agreed to.

The Wrong Cue

The Muddleton Dramatic Society was presenting an historical play, and one of the newly-enrolled members had been assigned a part with exactly one line to speak. He was the headsman, and, arrayed in all the glory of black tights and mask, he strode on to the centre of the stage and announced: "My lord, my lord, I have beheaded the maid." "Oh, you 'ave, 'ave you?" retorted another small-part man in the guise of the cruel king. "Well, allow me to tell you that you've messed up the 'ole bloomin' show. You've been an' done it two acts too soon."

THE COBBERS' CLUB

(CONDUCTED BY "UNCLE PHIL")

Dear Cobbers,—I have received several entries for the Towns Competition already, so hurry up and send in yours if it isn't already in, for the entries close to-morrow. It's such an easy competition this month, and next month we are having the scrap books one again, so start to save scraps right away. We are welcoming a new girl Cobber, Gladys Long, this week and Fluffy is very delighted about that. Last week-end we spent at the beach, and in the morning we went fishing and swimming, and the Pets got all sunburnt. We caught heaps of flathead, but were nearly upset several times by the antics of Jacko in trying to pull an extra large one into the boat. One time he tugged and tugged and tugged, and when at last we managed to get him and it on board it was hooked on . . . an immense bunch of heavy seaweed instead of a whale, as Jacko had thought. Didn't Fluffy laugh; but she caught a crab, which managed to nip her toe, so the laugh was for Jacko [illegible]. We stayed out till lunch time, and then we came in, had a dip on the way, and were quite ready for the big lunch, topped with strawberries and cream that our housekeeper had prepared for us. Don't forget the Trias, Cobbers, or the Towns Competition. The Pets send heaps of love.

UNCLE PHIL.

BIRTHDAYS

[illegible] Marjorie S[illegible] (Nov. 23), Annie Gillett and Lee McMenamin (Nov. 24), Frank [illegible] (Nov. 2[illegible]), Jean J. Corden (Nov. 2[illegible]) [illegible] Lily [illegible] (Nov. 2[illegible]), [illegible] birthdays from all the [illegible] and the Pets.

OUR MAIL BAG

Bessie Goldstein: [illegible] hope Father Christmas [illegible] the Pets are looking forward [illegible] planning what they want [illegible] on the prize and hope you receive it [illegible] on getting your third [illegible] Don't forget the Towns competition.

Gladys [illegible] Long: Welcome to the club, [illegible] hope to hear from you soon, and [illegible] the Corner from you. Fluffy [illegible] pleased to have you as a Cobber, and [illegible] letter from you [illegible] Heaps [illegible] U.P.

Cyril Henderson: thanks for the entry [illegible] have a good day by the sea? [illegible] sunburnt in the morning and [illegible] ever since. Love from the [illegible] U.P.

"TRIA" WEEKLY COMPETITIONS

Trias are a class of their own, and three constitute a prize. Trias cannot be included in your ordinary 100 marks. Each entry must be marked on the top "Tria Entry," so I will know they're for this competition. The subjects chosen give a wide range of things to [illegible] holidays, sports, camping, motoring, about the beach or country, anything about hobbies, games to play, about your gardens, and things that can be made by Cobbers. The best each week will receive a special mark, a "Tria," while the other entries just get the ordinary marks. When you have three Trias [illegible] same as 100 marks, and a prize will be given for them. So, Cobbers, go ahead and send in your entries. If you are taking the work from a book, do not just copy it out, read it over two or three times, and then write it out in your own words, making your meaning clear. Start right away now, and let me see who will gain the first prize—a girl or a boy.

Trias, if original, should be marked "original" in the corner.

CHRISTMAS AND STOCKINGS

(Original)

[illegible]

[illegible] HINT

[illegible]

Lawrence Agnew.

A VISIT TO WIRTH'S CIRCUS

(Original)

[illegible] we went to go for a picnic last [illegible] my mother decided to take us to see [illegible] Circus. There was a very big crowd [illegible] got some good seats. I liked [illegible] and it was [illegible] one bear sit in a pram [illegible] another one pushed it round the ring [illegible] event was the bears sliding down a [illegible] just as children do. There were performing elephants, and I liked the horses very much. It was wonderful to see how the animals understood what was said to them. We saw a lot of very clever acrobats. Some of the things they did were very clever. I would like to be able to climb a pole like one girl did; and then she performed all sorts of balancing feats up near the roof. We also saw a wire walker, and a strong woman who could hold a pram carriage weighing 12 lbs. in her teeth, and juggle some heavy steel balls, but I did not care for that part of the programme. After the circus we went round and saw all the animals, among them many wild ones.

(BETTER) Coleen Mahony

HOW TO MAKE A FILTER

It is well to filter our drinking water, and there is a very simple form of filter which any boy or girl can make with hardly any [illegible]. Take an ordinary flower pot, about [illegible] or nine inches in diameter at the top, and after thoroughly washing it stop the [illegible] with a piece of sponge, which must not fit too tightly. Then put a layer of charcoal, about two inches deep, and above this a layer of clean sand, with a layer of coarse gravel three inches thick on the top of the sand. Fix the filter up over a vessel, and let the water run through the various layers in the flower pot. Of course, from time to time the filter will want to be cleaned out thoroughly, but this is quite easily done.

(BETTER) Lily Anthonsen

THE COUNTRYSIDE

Last week-end we went up to our cottage in the hills at the back of Eltham. The country is looking splendid with all the different-colored gum tips glistening in the sunshine. The maidenhair fern is at its best just now. You find it in nearly all the gullies under the bushes. We dug up some and brought it home with us for our fernery. On Sunday afternoon my auntie came up to see us, and we all went gathering wild flowers and brought home quite a big bunch. We also dug up some orchids and have them growing in flower pots, and by carefully tending them each year the flowers will get larger. We have [illegible] them cover with very good results by [illegible] always use clean out carefully so as [illegible] break the soil they [illegible] it is a very interesting hobby.

D. Harris.

AN EXCITING EVENT

[illegible]

A. Anthonsen.

(GOOD)

A COUNTRY VISIT

On Cup Day we went up to my auntie's at [illegible], arriving there about one o'clock. It [illegible] when the sun was [illegible] in the afternoon. We had a real good time, and we visited another auntie who lived a short distance away. [illegible] milking time, and [illegible] the cows. We were [illegible] watching the milk going [illegible] separator, it was wonderful to [illegible] milk coming out of one tap and [illegible] cream out of the other. We had some [illegible] ten, and it was lovely. We fed the [illegible] and ducks, and after picking a big [illegible] flowers we started for home and [illegible] arrived home at about half-past eight.

Eileen H[illegible]

[illegible] CUP DAY HOLIDAY

(Original)

[illegible]

Brian Malony

WIRTH'S CIRCUS

[illegible]

Phyllis Murphy

CUP DAY PICNIC

On Cup Day we went to the Sunday school [illegible]. As it was a [illegible] where we got there we [illegible]. When we could not [illegible] we had a dance in the hall before [illegible] from 2 o'clock [illegible] tea, packed up, [illegible] having spent a happy [illegible]

(GOOD) L. Scrimes

GINGER

My little puppy Ginger can play ball with [illegible]. When I throw the ball he runs and gets [illegible]. We have great fun, but we have to [illegible] because he pats his [illegible] through the [illegible] and [illegible] him. Sometimes he is such a naughty [illegible] with my shoes and [illegible]

Sylvia Harris

[illegible] AND JACKO CHANGE THEIR MINDS

[illegible] they meant to have a good time [illegible]

Irene Whipp

CONTRIBUTIONS

A TRUE RHYME

A [illegible] is the [illegible] in the pack;
The "Leader" is the highest on the paper rack;
[illegible] than anything;
[illegible] Cobbers' Corner is the king.
[illegible] stands for Caxton, who invented the printing set;
The "Leader" has more news that's e'er been printed yet.
D stands for Day, the one that's glad and grand;
When you hold the "Leader" in your eager hand.
E [illegible] the Editor, who makes the paper grand;
The "Leader" is the best one in all the whole wide land.

(GOOD) Allan Love.

THE PURPLE COW

I never saw a purple cow,
I never hope to see one;
But I can tell you, anyhow,
I'd rather see than be one.

(GOOD) Terry Power

RIDDLE-ME-REE

My first is in Jim, but not in Ron,
My second is in Jack, but not in Tom;
My third is in Charles, but not in Will,
My fourth is in Ken, but not in Phil;
My fifth is in George, but not in Belle,
My whole is a name we all know well.
Answer: Jacko.

(GOOD) D. Harris.

It is easy enough to be pleasant
When life goes on like a song,
But the boy worth while
Is the boy who can smile
When everything goes all wrong.

(GOOD) Graham Harris

LABOR

If a task is once begun,
Never leave it till it's done;
Be the labor great or small,
Do it well or not at all.

I KNOW

I know it's so that Brownies
Butter every buttercup;
But who do you think it could be
That pumps the pumpkin up?

(GOOD) Hazel Norris

STORYETTES

Teacher: See here, this composition on 'Our Dog' is the same as your brother's." Jones: Yes, sir. You see, it's the same dog."

(GOOD) Beryl Lomas.

Teacher: "Tell me the meaning of appetite." Tommy: "Well, you're 'appy when you're eating, and tight when your full."

(GOOD) A. Anthonsen.

Teacher: "How many fingers have you?" Micky: "Ten, sir." Teacher: "If four were missing what would you have then?" Micky: "No music lessons, sir!"

Why should gloves never be sold?—Because they are meant to be kept on the hand.

(GOOD) Bessie Goldstein.

Blink: "Since your cook left I'll bet you miss her." Blank: "Yes, and she isn't the only thing we've missed. We missed some of our table linen and silverware, the wife misses some of her wearing apparel, and I miss most of my meals."

(GOOD) Roy Murphy.

A young lady was standing on the station waiting for her train to come. She asked: "Porter, could you tell me how long the next train will be?" Porter: "Yes; exactly the length of the platform."

What shows that the clock is shy?—Because it always has its hands before its face.

(GOOD) Ed. Bridger

Little Emily had been to school for the first [illegible], darling, and what did you [illegible]?" asked her mother on Emily's return. [illegible]," sighed Emily, hopelessly, "I've got to go back to-morrow."

(GOOD) Bruce Kohn

Fritz: "Dad, you are a lucky man." Father: "How is that?" Fritz: "You won't have to buy me any school books this year. I have been left in the same class."

Modern Child: "Mummie, I don't think Adam and Eve could really have had much of a time, do you?" Mother: "Good gracious, child! What makes you say that?" Modern Child: "Well, you see, there was no one to do the washing up."

(GOOD) Violet Whipp

She Knew. Old Sailor: "Yes, missey, that's a man-o-war out there." Little Girl: "And what is that little boat behind it?" Old Sailor: "That's what is called a tug." Little Girl (brightly): "Oh, yes, of course, a tug-of-war. I have heard Daddy speak of them."

(GOOD) Winnie Birmingham

Peggy: "What's your name?" Little Boy: "Fred." Peggy: "Fred? That's not a name; it's a piece of cotton."

(GOOD) D. Mattheson

COURTESY

A boy sat on his father's knee,
The tram was packed complete;
A girl got in. The boy jumped up
And offered her his seat.

(GOOD) C. Webb.

Lodger, one: "I want rooms please, for my wife and myself." Hotel Manager: "Suite, sir?" "Yes, rather! She's just lovely."

(GOOD) Gulla K[illegible]hn.

"But where is the sponge I asked you to buy, Billy?" said his mother. "Oh, I couldn't see a good one, Mummy," said Billy, "they all had holes in them!"

(GOOD) Coleen Mahony.

Simpleton: "Please I want a pair of boots for father, size 12." Boot Seller: "I'm sorry, I haven't a pair of size 12." Simpleton: "Oh, well, I'd better take two pairs of sixes."

(GOOD) Jack Webb

"Shall we go to the Zoo and visit the monkeys again, Doris?" invited her uncle. Small Doris drew herself up haughtily. "Why, uncle, it's their turn to call on us."

(GOOD) Alec Murphy.

A small child was asked how she liked her teacher, and she replied, "Very much, auntie, she treats me very kindly, better than all the other girls." "How is that, my dear?" "Well, you see, she puts a kiss on every sum I do."

A Scotsman went into a dairy produce shop and asked the price of eggs. "Well, they are 2/- per dozen; and I have some at 1/3, but they are cracked." The Scotsman pondered. "Well, you can crack me a dozen of the 2/6 please."

(GOOD) M. McIntosh.

An elephant was strolling through the jungle one day when she noticed a brood of chickens crying for their mother. "You poor things," said the elephant, "I am a mother myself. I'll care for you." So she sat on the nest of young chickens, and they never cried again.

(GOOD) Auty Smith

A man with very long hair was stopped by a small boy who asked the time. He was told that it was ten minutes to twelve. "Well, at twelve o'clock," said the boy, "get your hair cut!" The youngster promptly bolted, but the man gave chase. He rounded the corner and bumped into a policeman. "What's wrong?" asked the officer. "That rude little boy told me to get my hair cut at twelve o'clock!" he panted. The policeman glanced at his watch. "Well," he said, "why are you hurrying? You've got nearly ten minutes to spare yet!"

(GOOD) Myra Whipp

Responsibility. A youngster was asked to give his idea of the meaning of "responsibility." So he said, "Well, supposing I had only two buttons on my trousers and one came off, all the responsibility would rest on the other button."

(GOOD) Cyril Henderson

RIDDLES

Why is a crash of thunder like a jeweller? Because they both make the ear-ring.

(GOOD) Clyde Birmingham

What part of a boy resembles a camel?—His hands, because they can go for a long time without water.

(GOOD) Willie Birmingham

What was the last thing in the cup?—Tea leaves.

Why is a pig the most profitable animal? Because it can be killed and then cured.

When is your nose not a nose? When it's a little reddish (radish).

(GOOD) Dulcie Jolley.

What four letters describe an ambassador? X L N C (Excellency).

Why is what like an acorn?—Because it's a corn.

When is an account like an old chair?—When it's receipted (recaned).

Which travels faster, heat or cold?—Heat, because you can catch cold.

(GOOD) R. Raphael

Why is getting up at four o'clock in the morning like a pig's tail?—Because it is too early (twirly).

(GOOD) Jean Moylan

Why is a snowman unsociable? Because he gives everyone the cold shoulder.

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Pennant Matches

At Port Melbourne last Saturday, in the A Grade pennant matches, Camberwell (342) defeated Northcote (330). Individual scores:—Camberwell: Stuart 45, Harris 44, Nash 44, Reed 44, Burslem 43, Haughton 41, Birrell 41, Rothsay 40. Northcote: Chynoweth 47, Kaye 45, Appleby 43, Finch 43, Hook 41, Tongue 41, Waters 35, Askew 35.

In the B Grade Dunlop (341) defeated Preston A (340) after a very exciting match. Scores:—Dunlop: Kearton 47, Bell 46, Yeoman 44, Dunstan 44, Reeves, sen., 42, Pendelbury 41, Elliott 40, Duffin 37. Preston A: Griffiths 49, F. Featherston 43, E. Featherston 43 Ames 42, N. Featherson 41, Sullivan 41, French 41, Bell 40.

Camberwell (317) defeated Preston B (286). Scores: Camberwell: Joyce 46, Constable 42, Mrs. Constable 41, Emberson 40, Metske 39, Dickson 39, Laugher 37, Patrick 33. Preston B: Court 44, Piggott 43, Bignell 42, Perrett 40, Cox 31, Smith 31, Gore 30, Duffin 25.

Purvis Trophy

The final shoot for the Purvis trophy was held by the Northcote Club at Port Melbourne on Saturday, the winner of the trophy being Chynoweth. Scores:—Chynoweth, 47 (7), 50; Finch, 43 (6), 49; Tounge, 41 (7), 48; Appleby, 43 (5), 48; Hook, 41 (5), 46.

FORD SALES AND PRODUCTION RECORDS

Ford production by the American factories of Henry Ford and the Australian company's parent, the Ford Motor Company of Canada, amounted, for August, to 205,634 new model cars and trucks, leaving Ford's greatest competitor nearly 100,000 cars behind.

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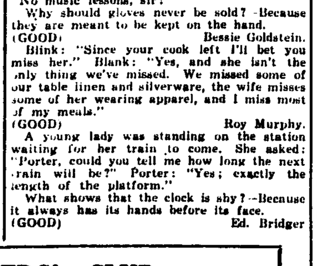

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The monthly meeting of the Northcote-Thornbury branch of St. Vincent's Hospital Auxiliary, was held in St. Joseph's Hall, Northcote, on Nov. 12, and was well attended. Members were delighted to hear that the sum of £117 had been handed to the Hospital Radium Fund. As this is the infant branch of the organisation, it must be regarded as a very fine achievement, considering the existing depression. The next effort engaging the attention of members is the garden fete and tennis afternoon to be held on Saturday, Dec. 7, at 2.30 p.m., at "Ganawarra," 12 McCracken avenue, Northcote, the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Gorey, which has been placed at the disposal of the auxiliary. The proceeds of the function will be divided between the hospital and the Sisters of the Good Samaritan, and is being held under the patronage of the mayor and mayoress of Northcote. "Ganawarra" courts, recently prepared by Mrs. Gorey, and regarded as the best in the district, are very conveniently situated, being opposite the Northcote station, while the electric tram to Preston passes the street. During the afternoon exhibition games will be played by leading exponents of the game, and patrons are assured of a delightful afternoon. The subscription is 2/, which includes afternoon tea.

The next meeting of the auxiliary will be held on Tuesday afternoon, December 12, and members decided to bring gifts of peaches for the hospital as a Christmas gift. Any members unable to attend the meeting may leave their gifts at St. Joseph's school, or with the hon. secretary, Mrs. J. F. Cooper, at 84 Beaver's road, Northcote. Hostesses for the afternoon were Mesdames Scrulake, Comas, H. Kelly, Mahony and Dunne.

STAR OF NORTHCOTE, I.O.R.

The half-yearly meeting was held on November 14, Bro. H. Angus, C.R., presiding over a large attendance of members. The tent continues to hold its position as the largest in the Victoria District in point of membership, and at the meeting five new members were initiated. It was decided to nominate Bro. S. Dennis as District Director. In the indoor bowls championship of the metropolitan district the tent was again to the fore. Bro. T. McWilliams going right through to the final game, when he was narrowly defeated. Sister Huggett, of the Northcote ladies' tent, won the championship of the ladies' section. Reports from the junior tents indicated that good progress had been made during the past half-year, but still more superintendents for the various tents are required. The election of officers for the ensuing six months resulted as follows:—P.C.R., Bro. H. Angus; C.R., Bro. R. H. Lobbe; D.R., Bro. E. Youl; secretary, Bro. W. E. Findlay; treasurer, Bro. O. Neumann; assistant secretary, Bro. L. R. Reid; W.S., Bro. T. McWilliams; M.S., Bro. J. Creighton; levite, Bro. E. Webb; guardian, Bro. R. Herbert; auditors, Bros. W. Clarke and J. Woodgate; dispensary delegates, Bros. Jones, Findlay and Angus; junior superintendents, Bros. Findlay, Laity, Matthews, Wilson, H. Angus, A. Angus, Newnham, Woodgate, Chanter, Greenland, King, Reed, Burgess, Reid, T. McWilliams, G. McWilliams, Youl, McKenzie, Lobbe, Webb, Mitchell, Fillingham, Morris, Kellett and McDonald. The newly-elected officers were installed by Bro. S. Dennis, D.D. A vote of thanks was passed to Bro. T. Laity, P.C.R., who responded. The next meeting will be held on November 28, the syllabus item for which is a lecture on "First Aid" by Mr. Blackburn. A large attendance of members is requested.

PRESTON COUNCIL

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18

The usual meeting of the Preston council was held on Monday. Present were the mayor (Cr. G. C. McPherson, J.P.), and Crs. C. T. Crispe, W. Spratling, R. H. E. Maynard, G. E. Robinson, Llewellyn Jones, W. T. Robeson, J. W. Adams, and A. F. Newton.

CORRESPONDENCE

Destination Signs on West Preston Trams

Tramways Board, re destination signs for East Preston trams during the period when the West Preston cars are shunted at Dundas street, advising that it is considered to be impracticable to comply with the request from the West Preston Progress Association.

Cr. Jones moved that a copy of the letter be sent to the Progress Association.—Carried.

Water Extensions Not Granted

Board of Works, advising that the board is not prepared to lay water supply reticulation in Newton, Crevelli, Steane, Angliss and Tyler streets, Preston, even though the council agreed to guarantee the required amount of interest.—Referred to delegates on the unemployed conference now sitting.

Proposed New Tennis Pavilion

Regent Tennis Club, asking that permission be given in writing for the work of erection of new pavilion to be commenced, and also when council's contribution will be available.

Cr. Crispe moved that the matter go to the committee of the council, with power to act.—Carried.

Preston Rowing Club

Preston Rowing Club, (1) asking council to receive a deputation re making necessary provision for use of the hall for dances; (2) re erosion of the easterly wall of the lake; (3) re sewerage; (4) re fencing of the park.

It was decided to receive the deputation at the meeting of the parks committee next Monday, on the motion of Cr. Robinson.

East Preston Association

East Preston Progress Association, (1) asking that dressing shed be removed from Bell Park; (2) attention to long grass at the park.

Cr. Adams suggested that the shed might well be used elsewhere.—Committee of the council.

Cr. Robinson moved that the engineer attend to the grass.—Carried.

West Preston Association

West Preston Progress Association, (1) asking that footpaths on east side of Gilbert road, about 200 feet south of May street, be finished off; (2) re crossing at Hardy street, asking that a pathway be made until such time as a crossing can be constructed.

Item (1) referred to engineer for attention; (2) matter already receiving attention.

Same, (1) asking to have ashes placed on footpaths in Gilbert road; (2) that street sign for Orient grove be replaced on post at Gilbert road end; (3) attention to approaches to Rona street, ashes required; (4) that ashes be placed on footpaths in Knapp street.

Items (1) and (3) referred to engineer for attention; (2) and (4) sent to P.W. committee, on the motion of Crs. Jones and Robinson.

Stronger Street Lamps Wanted

Central Council of Affiliated Preston Progress Associations, asking that 100 candle power lamps be placed at intersections of all streets in Preston.

Cr. Robinson moved that the matter be sent to the E.L. committee. The council should do something to improve the present lighting. Cr. Adams seconded.—Carried.

Cr. Jones said that it would probably be found that there were 100 candle power lamps on 70 to 80 per cent. of the intersections at the present time.

Footpaths To Be Made

A. Stone and 14 others, asking to have tar-paved footpath on east side of Patterson street, between David and Bell streets, removed, and concrete slabs laid to a width of five feet and agreeing to pay half cost of the work.

Cr. Maynard moved that the matter go to the P.W. committee. The people were willing to pay half the cost, estimated at 2/3 per foot frontage.—Carried.

General

Preston Unemployment Relief Committee, asking that council consider the proposal of formulating a policy to supervise and subsidise on a £ for £ basis work in connection with improvement of footpaths which may be put into operation by the unemployment committee.

Cr. Robeson moved that the matter go to the committee of the council. Cr. Jones seconded.—Carried.

Preston West State School Mothers' Club, asking for rebate on hall fees for concert, also for refund of £4/8/ owing for use of hall for bazaar, less 10/.

Cr. Crispe said that almost everybody who held a function asked for a refund. He moved that the matter go to the committee of the council.

Cr. Robinson moved an amendment that the request be granted, which was carried, Crs. Crispe, Spratling, Robeson and Adams voting against it.

A. E. Williams, asking for attention to footpath in front of his shop at corner of High and Regent streets.—Engineer to attend.

W. H. Roberts, secretary, A.L.P., Reservoir branch, thanking council for attention to request relative to light and footpaths.—Received.

Gordon Webber, M.L.A., advising that matter of erection of new police quarters in Roseberry avenue is receiving his attention.—Received.

W. L. McDonald, secretary, Preston R.S.S.I.L.A., thanking council for interest taken in the recent Armistice Day celebrations.—Received.

City of Collingwood, advising of conference of representatives of metropolitan municipalities at rooms of the Municipal Association on Thursday, 28th inst., at 8 p.m., re drivers of vehicles passing stationary trams.—Referred to Cr. Robinson.

Victorian Civil Ambulance Service, forwarding account for £7/14/ for unpaid cases attended to in Preston.—Finance Committee.

Preston Football Club, asking council to receive a deputation relative to football matters.—To be heard next Monday.

North Coburg–Fawkner Cemetery Tramway Extension League, asking for council's co-operation in the endeavor to have tramway terminating at Baker road, one mile from the above cemetery, extended for the distance of one mile for the convenience of visitors to the cemetery and asking for names of delegates appointed.

Cr. Robinson moved that no action be taken. The council had quite enough extensions to fight for without going outside Preston.—Carried.

Department of Public Works, advising that request received for amendment of the Local Government Act in regard to building on reclaimed lands, will receive attention.—Received.

Board of Works, asking that undertaking, together with plan, be signed in regard to laying of sewer through land owned by council in Plenty road.—To be done.

Preston R.S.S.I.L.A., asking council to receive a deputation re enlarging the Memorial Hall.

Cr. Crispe moved that the deputation be heard in three weeks' time, as there were already two previous deputations for next committee night.—Agreed to.

C. Furnham, re drainage of Birch street, asking for attention.—P.W. committee, on the motion of Crs. Jones and Crispe.

C. S. Gill, re state of Peter street and drainage.—P.W. committee.

N. Alexander, re forming and making of Swallow street, asking for readjustment of apportionments to abutting owners.—Referred to mayor to fix a date for conference between the ward representatives and the owners concerned.

Myrl Shoe Co., re state of right-of-way off Milton street.—Referred to the engineer for attention.

J. H. McGowan and D. Jenkins, re drainage in Myrtle grove.—P.W. committee, on motion of Cr. Robeson.

R. J. Clarke, re right-of-way at rear of Rene street.—Engineer to attend, on motion of Crs. Newton and Adams.

H. J. Attwood, re state of Calbourne street and drainage.—P.W. committee.

C. Weatherlake, re drainage in Cooper street.—P.W. committee.

T. J. O'Leary, re drainage at 203 Edwardes street, Reservoir.—Referred to inspector for attention and report.

East Preston Lawn Tennis Club asking for permission to erect a new pavilion at its own expense.—Referred to committee of the council; engineer to report.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Cr. Robinson moved that accounts amounting to £364/5/5 be paid.—Carried.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Cr. Jones moved that accounts amounting to £4658/0/2 be paid.—Carried.

West Preston Progress Association, asking that a crossing be put in at Hardy street.—Work to be done (estimated cost £30), cost to be debited to loan monies available."

Regent Central Progress Association, (1) re attention to crossing at corner of Hewitt and King William streets and roadway in King William street, north of Oakhill avenue; (2) asking that footpath be defined in Plenty road between Rubicon street and Rose, Shamrock and Thistle Hotel.—(1) Engineer to give attention (cost £3); (2) left in hands of engineer (cost £2).

R. G. Snow, re state of footpath, south side of Broadway, between Dennis and Lawson streets.—Referred to list for private street construction.

R. W. Mitchell, re drainage in Eastwood avenue.—Left in engineer's hands (cost £3).

Footpath, south side of Gower street, between Plenty road and O'Keefe street.—Footpath to be trimmed (cost £4).

Footpath in Newcastle street.—Engineer to give attention, cost to be taken out of loan monies available.

Easement at rear of Mr. Smith's property, 4 Sylvester grove.—That a pipe be put down into Highview road for a distance of 10 feet (cost £5 [illegible]).

Footpath in Murphy grove, between Sylvester grove and Murray road.—Left to engineer.

Painting grandstand and band rotunda at Preston Park.—That work be carried out under supervision of engineer, council to supply all materials, and work to be done by day labor.

The foregoing were adopted.

PARKS COMMITTEE

Cr. Robeson moved that the following clause be adopted:—

"Preston Amateur Cycling Club, applying for use of Cramer street park on Wednesday and Saturday evenings for cycling events and entertainments.—That writers be informed the council cannot see its way clear to grant the request.

Agreed to.

BATHS COMMITTEE

Cr. Newton moved that the following clause be adopted:—

Robert A. Francis, headmaster, South Preston State School, forwarding on behalf of the local State schools a time-table in connection with the use of swimming baths.—That time-table of hours suitable for swimming sessions for school children in organised parties, as submitted, be adopted.

COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL

Cr. Adams moved the adoption of the following clauses:—

Subdivision of Keon Park Estate.—That approval be granted to design of tentative plan submitted.

L. R. Luke, application to subdivide two allotments in Plenty road into three allotments with frontages of 52ft. 11ins. each, depths 161ft. 2ins., 112ft. 4ins., 212ft. 1ins., and 165ft. 3ins.—Approved.

Cr. Robinson opposed the motion, saying that if the council allowed people to build there it would ruin for ever the chance of widening Plenty road. Later the council hoped to secure a tramway extension there.

Cr. Newton supported Cr. Robinson's views.

Cr. Adams said that if the council widened the road for a mile, supposing the land cost £4 a foot, the cost would be £20,000, and it would cost another £10,000 to reconstruct the road. That would mean £1800 yearly in interest.

Cr. Jones said he was surprised at Cr. Adams' figures. He understood that the cost of the land from Tyler street to the creek would be only £3000.

A point of order was raised that this did not concern the subdivision of the land.

The clause was adopted, Crs. Robinson and Newton voting against it.

City of Northcote, advising that conference re establishment of cross-country communication between Heidelberg and Essendon will be held in the town hall, Northcote, on Thursday, November 21, 1929, at 8 p.m.—That Crs. Maynard and Spratling be appointed delegates to attend this conference.

Northernhay street, from bend to Oakhill avenue.—Referred to Central ward private street construction apportionments.

Applications for assistant baths caretaker.—That P. H. Harris be appointed.

Tenders for construction of right-of-way at rear of Erval avenue, and right-of-way east of Plenty road and to north of Livingstone parade.—That no tenders be accepted, and the engineer be authorised to carry out the work by day labor.

The foregoing clauses were adopted.

ELECTRIC LIGHT COMMITTEE

Cr. Spratling moved that accounts amounting to £357/12/8 be passed for payment.—Carried.

Wood street.—That a street lamp be erected.

Lighting of High street, from David street to junction.—That two highway units be installed.

Voltage Regulators.—That tender of Siemens (Australia) Pty. Ltd. for £1355 be accepted.

The foregoing were adopted.

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer reported that during the past fortnight collections totalled £740/14/10. Bank balance, Dr. £15,065/17/5; private street construction account, Dr. £27,399/17/5; E.L. account, Cr. £4,967/6/8.—Received.

Health Inspector

The health inspector (Mr. J. O. Iles) reported that three cases of diphtheria and one of scarlet fever had been notified. He had carried out inspections, taken food samples, and had prosecuted in the court for adulterated dried fruit and milk, the fines and costs totalling £38/7/6. Further food samples had been taken. —Received.

Engineer's Report

The report of the engineer (Col. W. H. Scott) showed that the quarry output for the fortnight was 1618 tons of metal, screenings, toppings, etc.—Received.

Building Inspector

Mr. W. L. McDonald, building inspector, reported that in the past 14 days permits for 13 new buildings of an approximate value of £4835 had been issued. Received.

ORDINARY BUSINESS

Cr. Spratling moved that a drain at rear of houses on north side of Youngman street receive attention. —P.W. committee.

Cr. Newton moved that footpath on north side of [illegible] street be repaired. —Carried.

Cr. Newton referred to drainage from all the western portion from Newcastle street down to Victoria street. People in Victoria street had been flooded out in the recent rains. He moved that the matter be referred to the engineer for report.

Cr. Robinson referred to the question of unsewered houses in sewered areas, and moved that the commissioner be asked to take action.

Cr. Jones said he was already moving in two cases Cr. Robinson referred to. He would report later as to the number of these works necessary at the present time.

Cr. Maynard moved that box thorn hedges in [illegible] street be referred to the noxious weeds inspector.—Agreed to.

Cr. Jones referred to a Sunday outing at Reservoir, and moved that [illegible] report.—Carried.

Cr. Jones moved that a right-of-way at rear of [illegible] street near David street be given attention.—Agreed to.

Cr. Maynard moved that the question of wandering stock in the vicinity of [illegible] and Dermott streets be referred to the inspector for attention.—Carried.

Cr. Adams moved that channel in Wood street, north side, be referred to engineer for attention; that the matter of crossing into Highview road off Wood street be referred to P.W. committee, engineer to report; that channel in Malpas street, east end, about two chains, be referred to engineer for attention; also holes in roadway; that footpath in Wood street, north side, between Donald street and the deep drain be referred to P.W. committee, engineer to report; that the engineer give attention to cleaning of Wood street deep channel off Wood street to Malpas street.—Agreed to.

The following were agreed to, on the motion of Cr. Adams:—That condition of right-of-way between Rene and Madeline streets be referred to P.W. committee, engineer to report, and that engineer get into touch with the Board of Works requesting that clay from sewer be removed at once; that the condition of footpath in Rene street, south side, be referred to P.W. committee, engineer to report; that the matter of placing a bridge over drain in Newton street be referred to P.W. committee, engineer to report; that condition of Anglis street, opposite Mr. Bradford's property, be referred to P.W. committee, engineer to report; that electrician give attention to broken light on bridge in Tyler street, also that the matter of placing two additional lights in Tyler street between Mr. Watson's property and the bridge, be referred to E.L. committee, electrician to report; that better lighting in Rene street, opposite Mr. Clark's property, be referred to E.L. committee, electrician to report.

Cr. Adams moved that the alteration of the office accommodation be referred to the committee of the council.—Carried.

Cr. Maynard moved that the question of placing gates at the foot of the stairs in the new city hall be referred to the committee of the council.—Carried.

Cr. Robeson moved that the engineer report on the footpath in Showers street with the object of slabbing it; also that attention be given to right-of-way alongside the line between Esther street and Gertrude street; that drainage at the foot of Esther street be referred to P.W. committee; that the placing of electric light in [illegible] street be referred to E.L. [illegible] that the Board of Works be asked to expedite deep drainage works in the East and West wards.—Motions agreed to.

Cr. Maynard moved that the rearrangement of lights in David street, from South street to Plenty road, go to E.L. committee.—Carried.

Cr. Jones moved that the construction of Miller street, from High street to the railway, go to P.W. committee. —Carried.

Cr. Newton said that work had been done re O'Keefe street.

Cr. Robeson said the engineer had not yet completed his inquiries, and the matter was still on the notice paper.

Cr. Newton referred to pitched crossing at the corner of Murray road and Highview road, and said the tar wanted more sand on it.—Referred to engineer.

Cr. Robinson spoke of Central avenue and said a small portion of it required construction.—P.W. committee.

Cr. Maynard said a water extension from McComas street to Chaleyer street was required. There were nine or ten residents affected.—Referred to board through Cr. Jones.

NORTHCOTE'S INCREASED RATE

(To the Editor)

Sir,—The extra rate levy of 3d. in the £ seems to be a sore bone of contention in this municipality. However, the estimates for the coming financial year show expenditure to be £143,974, and rate receipts £66,596, leaving £77,378 to come in from other sources. The town hall repairs, £11,000, are met from accumulated electric light profits. Loans' interest absorbs £21,612, the increase here, according to Cr. Beard, being attributed to expenditure on St. George's road improvement, which, together with drainage works, is responsible for the increased rate. Whilst we are all anxious to see our city go ahead, it is a pity that one section should inflict the whole in an extra levy. And to cap it all, although only £7,140 is appropriated to public works account, a further £3000 is earmarked for St. George's road beautification. The ex-chairman of the finance committee last year (Cr. Hayes, the present mayor) repeatedly cautioned the council of the seriousness of incurring extra liabilities, and now it looks as though the "chickens are coming home to roost." Unfortunately the council must now exercise a certain amount of economy, and it looks as though the parks will come under this category. Mr. Blockley voiced a "growl" in your last issue, but what is the good? He gives an address in the North Ward, so why not be an optimist? We might get a North Ward beautification scheme one day, and then I suppose a growl will voice itself from the West Ward. The great thing is to keep on smiling, and trust to luck and a merciful Providence when the valuator pays his next visit. Yours etc.,

W. J. CANTY,
Hon. Secretary,
East North Progress Association.

PRESTON CHURCH OF CHRIST WOMEN'S GUILD

The closing session of the above guild was held last Wednesday afternoon at the residence of the minister (Mr. A. J. Fisher), when a good number attended, and were welcomed by the president of the guild (Mrs. R. A. Morrall). A review of the year's work of the guild showed a most successful period, with excellent weekly meetings and considerable activity in social service, home missions, foreign missions, visitations, etc. Mr. Fisher expressed thanks to the members for their loyal co-operation in the church work during the year. The newly-elected office-bearers for the next year were announced as follows:—President, Mrs. R. A. Morrall; vice-president, Mrs. A. J. Fisher; secretary, Mrs. D. Paterson; treasurer, Mrs. A. V. Morffew; superintendents, Mrs. W. Morgan (social service) Mrs. A. Ferris (missions), Miss G. Moulder (membership), Mrs. Morrall (visitation). A happy function was concluded with afternoon tea served by the guild.

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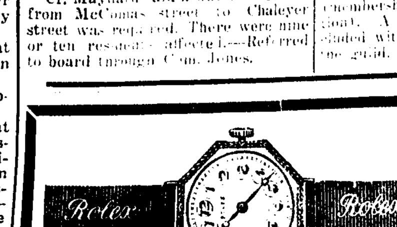

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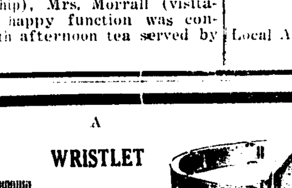

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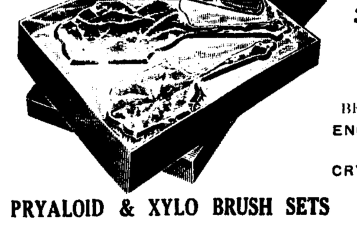

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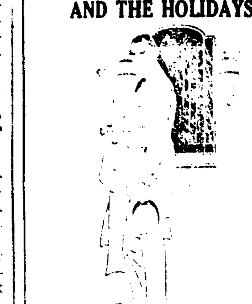

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MANY BURGLARIES.

FIVE HOUSEBREAKING CHARGES

MAN FOR TRIAL

At the Northcote court on Tuesday Selwyn Hector Duffin was charged with having on October 3 broken into the house of William Frank Hewitt and stealing goods valued at £23. There were other charges of having broken and entered houses and stolen goods, as follows:—October 18, John Nelson Watts, £15; October 23, Joseph Stahl, £25; October 21, Richard William Stringer, £35.

Mrs. Elsie May Hewitt, Mitchell street, Northcote, said that on October 3, whilst away from her home for half an hour, it was entered and ransacked, goods valued at £23 being stolen. The goods missing included a suit, an overcoat, a gold chain, and a watch. She valued the goods at £39. The back door had been forced.

Mrs. Myrtle Grace Watts, Bastings street, Northcote, said on October 18, after being away for a couple of hours, she found the back door of her house forced with a pick, a shovel and an axe. The house was in disorder and goods valued at £15 10 were missing. She identified a brooch and a R.S.S.I.L.A. badge.

Mrs. Margaret Mary Stahl, Bastings street, Northcote, said on October 23, on returning to her house at 5.30 p.m., she found her house ransacked, a side window having been forced with a garden fork. Clothing and jewellery valued at £25 were missing. On a dressing table she found an automatic pistol and a mask.

To the accused.—She had never seen him before.

Joseph August Stahl, builder, said he was passing his home about 4 p.m., and seeing the front door open he investigated and found that the place had been ransacked. He identified a chain and a hat as his property.

Accused.—Did you ever see me before?

Witness.—It's a good thing for you I did not. (Laughter)

Joseph A. Manning, pawnbroker's assistant, Smith street, Collingwood, said on October 23 the accused pledged a gold chain for £1 under the name of Richard Murphy.

Mrs. Hannah Myrtle Stringer, Robert street, Northcote, said on October 29 her home was broken into and ransacked, and goods to the value of £35, including a diamond cluster ring, were missing.

Hugh O'Connor, manager of the Australian Monte de Piete, Johnston street, Collingwood, said on October 29 a man pawned a suit with him for 35/. The man gave the name of Harrison. He could not identify the man.

Plain-clothes Constable T. H. Batt said that on November 9 he saw Duffin in High street, Northcote, and said to him "I want you, Hector." He said, "What for?" Witness said, "I'll tell you when I get you to the watchhouse." At the watchhouse witness was joined by Plain-clothes Constable Davern, and they questioned the accused, and later went to a house in Clarke street, Northcote, where the accused resided. In his room was found a quantity of property which was later identified as having been stolen from houses in Northcote. They again interviewed the accused and told him that stolen property had been found in his room. Duffin said, "You've got nothing on me." Witness produced a bag, the property of Mrs. Hewitt. Accused said it was his property. When told it had been identified by Mrs. Hewitt the accused said, "You've got me. I've only 'done' about four jobs." Asked what he had done with the property he had stolen he said "I've burnt most of it, and a lot of jewellery I threw into a running creek in Preston." After further questioning the accused said he had pawned a suit in Collingwood, and this was later recovered, as was also a gold chain. In a statement the accused admitted that he broke into four houses to get money.

Plain-clothes Constable Davern gave corroborative evidence.

Accused pleaded guilty to all four charges, and he was committed for trial at the General Sessions on December 2. Bail was fixed at £50 in respect to each charge.

Duffin was further charged with having on September 27 broken into the home of Herbert Payne and stolen goods valued at £18/10.

Mrs. Louisa Payne, Turnbull street, Clifton Hill, said that on September 27 she was residing at Mitchell street, Northcote. On September 27 her home was broken into and goods valued at £18/10/ were missing. The house had been thoroughly ransacked, the back door having been forced with an axe. She identified a hat as her husband's property.

Plain-clothes Constable Davern said that on November 9 he questioned Duffin, who was then wearing the hat identified by Mrs. Payne. Duffin said he had bought the hat from a man named Godfrey for £1, and he did not know where Godfrey was at that time.

Duffin pleaded not guilty and was committed for trial at the General Sessions on December 2. Bail was fixed at £50.

NORTHCOTE COURT.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Before Mr. E. R. Stafford, P.M., and Messrs. A. H. Oldis, B. E. Johnson and H. Evans, J.'sP.

Milk Below Standard

Daniel Dowling was charged with having sold milk that was adulterated, on October 15.

Mr. A. K. Lonie (Maddock, Jamieson and Lonie) appeared to prosecute for the Northcote city council.

Inspector R. Gunst said that on October 15 he purchased milk samples from defendant for analysis. The milk was found to be deficient 6 per cent. in fatty solids.

Defendant said that through lack of experience he had failed to plunge the milk, and this would account for the deficiency.

Fined £1, with £2 18/ costs.

The P.M. said the case was not a bad one, and certainly the defendant would have to pay for his experience.

Consent to Maintenance Order

Myra Mabel McGann sued Raymond Bruce McGann for maintenance of herself and one child.

By consent an order was made that the summons on behalf of the wife be dismissed, that defendant pay 12/6 weekly for his child, that he find a surety of £25 to comply with the order, and to pay £2/7/6 costs.

Preferable

A little ceremony was taking place at the local town hall. Wiggins, who had saved a woman from drowning, was being rewarded by the mayor. "I am pleased to pin this medal to your breast," said the good man, "and also to add five pounds to your account at the bank as an acknowledgment of your great bravery." Wiggins became aware at once of his stern-faced wife, who was sitting in one of the front seats. He turned back to the mayor. "If it's all the same to you, sir," he said, "I'd rather you pinned the five pounds to my breast and put the medal in the bank."

UNEMPLOYMENT

PRESTON COUNCIL CONVENES CONFERENCE

14 MUNICIPALITIES REPRESENTED

A conference of representatives of metropolitan municipalities, convened by the council of the city of Preston, was held at the rooms of the Municipal Association on November 14 to discuss the matter of endeavoring to find some means of providing employment for the relief of those families who are so seriously affected by enforced unemployment. Representatives of 14 municipalities were present, and the mayor of Preston (Cr. G. C. McPherson, J.P.) was elected chairman.

The chairman stated that with a view of facing and dealing with this important question a representative conference should be able to arrive at some determination in regard to immediate action being taken to deal with this very serious question, and, with a view to assisting the conference in this endeavor, his council put the following proposals before the meeting for their consideration for the relief of unemployment:—

(1) That the Government make available monies required by the different municipalities for approved works at interest to be guaranteed over a lengthy period. That municipalities frame schedules of works which could be done under the following headings:—(a) Where ratepayers have to bear individual cost, such as private street construction, etc.; (b) where the cost of such works is chargeable to general revenue. That works of extension of water reticulation and sewerage by the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works be proceeded with—(a) That such extensions of water supply reticulation be proceeded with in cases where councils are prepared to make up the required interest to six per centum per annum on outlay involved. (b) also to facilitate this work that the powers of the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works be extended so as to allow a more equitable contribution or levy to be paid by land owners, whose land abuts water extension. That works of interest to the community be proceeded with by the Government—(a) The roofing of doltment yards; (b) irrigation works; (c) the construction of inner highways and arterial roads.

Cr. J. T. Denyer (Mordialloc) commended the Preston council on its action in convening the conference, and moved that this conference record its appreciation of the action of the Preston council in calling the conference to discuss and give consideration to the matter of endeavoring to relieve the existing conditions of unemployment.

The motion was seconded by Cr. Burnett Gray, M.L.A., who stated that unemployment had increased from 6.4 in 1926 to 10.9 in the year 1928-1929. Out of 121,488 unionists, representing 79 unions, there were registered 13,229 unemployed, in addition to which there might be from 12,000 to 15,000 non-unionists who were unemployed. He considered one of the methods to decrease unemployment was to support Australian manufactured goods, and recommended municipalities to do what they could in forwarding that policy, and suggested that municipalities should endeavor, with the Government, to forward Australian secondary and primary industries by a publicity scheme to help local manufacturers.

The matter was further discussed from various aspects by Cr. T. J. Kane (Collingwood), Cr. W. J. Andrew (Oakleigh), Cr. T. W. Deives (Fitzroy), Cr. W. F. Angus (Collingwood), Cr. A. G. Campbell (Coburg), Cr. R. E. Tracey (Brighton), Cr. S. W. Pinkney (Northcote), Cr. D. H. Evans (Hawthorn), and Cr. J. McD. Ellis (Prahran).

The motion was then put by the mover (Cr. J. T. Denyer, Mordialloc) and carried with acclamation.

The mayor of Preston (Cr. G. C. McPherson, J.P.) acknowledged with thanks the resolution of the meeting.

It was resolved to circularise all municipalities and urge them to give preference to goods of Australian manufacture; that the incoming Government be requested to make special provision for the solution of the unemployment question; as to the cause, elimination, and provision for the unemployed; and meanwhile that the municipal councils put all possible works in hand to afford temporary relief.

A sub-committee was appointed as follows:—Cr. G. C. McPherson, J.P. (Preston), chairman, Cr. W. F. Angus (Collingwood), Cr. Albert Jacka (St. Kilda), Cr. R. E. Tracey (Brighton), Cr. F. Harvey (Prahran), Cr. C. S. Parry (Kew), and Cr. Burnett Gray, M.L.A. (St. Kilda).

It was also resolved that the conference forward the suggestion to the Federal Government that they take steps to call together a conference of representatives of Australian industries to appoint a committee to advise the Government regarding a comprehensive revision of the tariff, with the object of relieving the present serious unemployment situation.

The meeting then closed with a vote of thanks to the chairman.

PRESTON PROPOSES TO RAISE £34,000 LOAN

CONSTRUCTING PRIVATE STREETS AT COST OF CITY

The Preston council has drawn up a new loan schedule for the following works:—

Carlisle street, £2,179; construction of High street, Preston, in concrete, from Murray road to Bell street, including deep drainage, £16,000; paving of footpaths, £2,000; making of footpaths in Plenty road, between Dundas and Tyler streets, £1,000; construction of Walton avenue and Harold street, £2,000; beautification of pipe track (part cost), £3,100; thoroughfare, Cooper street to May street, £550; office accommodation and supper room, £2,000; construction of Cooper street, from Gilbert road eastwards to portion already metalled, £2,200; plant for making concrete slabs, etc., £3,000; total, £34,029.

A recommendation was made to the council at its meeting on Monday by Cr. J. W. Adams, chairman of the committee of the council, that the schedule be adopted.

Cr. Robinson opposed the motion as £2,200 was being provided for the construction of a private street—Cooper street. Over £40,000 of the council's funds had been spent on the construction of private streets in the city, and this had helped to cripple the council's borrowing powers. Ratepayers were being mulcted 2d. in every 2/6 in rates to pay for the construction of private streets, which amounts the owners concerned should have paid out of their own pockets. The council had now a programme of £85,000 worth of gazetted streets, and if the policy were continued soon the ratepayers would be paying up to 6d. in the £ for the construction of gazetted streets.

The mayor (Cr. McPherson) said the position in Cooper street was on all fours with Carlisle street.

Cr. Spratling objected to the construction of Walton avenue and Harold street on the same grounds.

Cr. Maynard said he would be in favor of having all streets made out of public revenue.

The clause was adopted, Cr. Robinson voting against it.

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THE JUNIORS

ALPHINGTON v FAIRFIELD

Alphington was all out in an hour and a ... against Fairfield for 70, Madden making 20, C. Naismith 11, L. Naismith 11, and McCormack 10. Boyle, for Fairfield, took six for 20 off five overs. When stumps were drawn Fairfield had lost three wickets for 40. Munro was top scorer with 20, and Jewell took two wickets for 30 runs.

METROPOLITAN LEAGUE

Northcote, seven for 180 (Hamilton 84 n.o., Meikr 21, Petersen 23), v Richmond Cremorne.

NORTH SUBURBAN ASSOCIATION

FIRST GRADE

Youlden's, seven for 82 (M'Donald 28), v Northcote Footballers.

Thornbury, 166 (Lane 23, W. Lovelace 30, J. Lovelace 23; Goodson 5/42), v Burnley, one for 39.

SECOND GRADE

Cent. Little John, 211 (Mayberry 75, Scott 42, Nicholson 4 48), v Regent.

North Preston Methodists, none for 31, v Burnley Juniors, 110 (Bratby 24, Crombie 39; Hosking 5 19, Davies 4 17).

THIRD GRADE

West Preston, 99 (Campbell 48; Ruhl 4 11), v Fairfield Free Gardeners, three for 128 (McKay 81, Booth 38 n.o.).

Regent Juniors, 106 (Langlands 33, Forest 25, Thurgood 23; Hunter 6 33), v Alpha, three for 21.

... Von, 82, v Spensley, eight for 147 (Fitzgerald 20, Hosking 54 n.o., Tuttleby 25; Dow... 5 13).

Brightside, 61 (McDonald 4 27), v Westsmith, seven for 85 (Hutchins 21).

Northcote Free Gardeners, seven (closed) for 96 (Cooper 43, J. Taylor 22, W. Taylor 88 ...), v C.T. Stores.

Waddop House, 114 (Wright 61), v Buckley's, nine for 98 (Bentley 42; Wheeler 5 29).

JIKA ASSOCIATION

Darebin, 78 (W. Luckman 4 9, A. Luckman ...), v Preston United, three for 35 (Forde ... n.o.).

East Northcote, 59, v Gowerville, five for ... (Paterson 11 n.o.; Barkism 6 11).

Presbyterians, 88 (Temple 4 17), v East Preston, six for 44 (Butler 21, Spargo 4 30).

Preston Footballers, 81 (Monahan 29, Fuller ...), v Broadhursts, three for 18.

Red Stars, 115 (Elms 39, Wilson 24), v Scouts, 63 and one for 8 (R. Underhill 21, ... 4 25).

MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION

Northcote, 89 (Rowe 28; Frawley 5 48), v Prahran, six for 134 (McArthur 21, Dowsing 22, Kennedy 54, Stevenson 40 n.o.).

Hawthorn, eight for 151 (Deane 50, Cave 31, Herbert 30; Fenton 5 55), v Preston, 61 (Foster 20).

CHURCH ASSOCIATIONS

CHURCH OF ENGLAND

St. Mary's, Fitzroy, 34 (Watson 6 17), v Holy Trinity, Thornbury, five for 184 (Fox 81, Lonsdale 25, Watson 56).

CHURCH OF CHRIST

FIRST GRADE

Thornbury A, 105 (Steer 23, Batty 23; Dwyer 5 57), v Brunswick, 38 (Gail 7 15).

Thornbury B, 78 (W. Archer 7 10), v Fairfield, 127 (Harvey 59, L. Archer 32 and 3 4; Webb 4 32).

SECOND GRADE

Mutual, 73 (Lobley 36, Beddome 18), d Preston, 22 and 44.

Fairfield, 15 (Layfield 7 8), v South Melbourne, 16 and 48 (Armstrong 5 7, Reynolds ... 16).

Northcote, 131 (Canning 47, Smith 39), v Thornbury, 46 and one for 22.

BAPTIST

FIRST GRADE

Brunswick, 163 (Gilbert 85, Piper 21), v Northcote.

Preston A, 58 (Anthony 5 19), v Newport, six for 53 (Parrissena 4 18).

SECOND GRADE

Preston West, nine for 98 (Chapman 41; Morris 7 47), v Preston North, 50 (Hannington 5 10).

NORTHCOTE and PRESTON

St. George's Road Methodists, 99 and two for 14 (Laver 25; Anthony 6 31), v High Street Methodists, 25 (Birch 5/8, Shewhan 4 7).

Church of Epiphany, 68, v Knox Church, Ivanhoe, eight for 88 (H. Paterson 38).

St. James, 79 (J. Cayden 35 n.o., H. Osmond 12; J. Watson 5 21, A. Gray 3/24), v Thornbury Presbyterians, four for 48 (T. Love 7, J. Watson 23 n.o.; H. Banks 2 13, A. Pink 1 21).

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Gwalia, five (closed) for ... (Langridge 42 n.o., Wintle 19 and ...), v Nelson, 13 and 26.

A.O.F.

Pride of Northcote, 28 (Watkinson 6/12), v Court Prince's Hill, six for 95 (Watkinson 42).

P.A.F.S.

Northcote, 109 (Rowe 43, Ward 80), v Footscray, one for 11.

Preston, 55 (Pullen 4 15), v Collingwood, two for 54 (Whitehead 25).

H.A.C.B.S.

West Brunswick, six (closed) for 222 (Stewart 86, Pobjoy 44, J. McGann 28, Whitcroft 27 n.o.), v Thornbury, one for 10.

Preston, five for 147 (Tuttle 55, Martin 24), v Richmond.

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SENIOR COMPETITION

Fairfield, 146 (Weller 57, Shoebridge 31 n.o., Evans 4 42), v Clifton Hill, one for 12.

Northcote A, 66 (McRae 14; C. Boyd 4/28, Kidd 2 0, Gaille 1 26, James 1 5), v Northcote B, nine for 59 (C. Boyd 14, Chanter 16, Brown 1 22, Scott 2 for 15, Dickson 1 7, King 2 12).

JUNIOR COMPETITION

Northcote, 87 and none for 20 (Angus 26; Robinson 6 27), v John Vale, 52 (Humphries 4 14).

Clifton Hill, 45 and one for 19 (Price 24 n.o., Baker 14 and ... n.o., Tretter 5 55), v Samuel Manger, 55 (Henry 4 12).

Croxton, 21 and 55 (Stevens 28 n.o.; Williams 5 7, Ridd 4 6, Allsopp 9 9), v Dennis, six (closed) for 90 (Dudley 55 n.o., McMurtrey 50 ...; Butchart 5 54).

PROGRESS ASSOCIATIONS

Commonwealth Note Office, 48, v Regent Central Progress Association, three for 38.

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PRIVATE STREET CONSTRUCTION AT PRESTON

NEW LISTS ADOPTED

The Preston council, at its last meeting, adopted a list of streets to be made under the private street construction scheme at a cost of £70,000. The cost given in each case is the engineer's estimate. The list is as follows:—

West Ward.—Powell St., between High St. and Board of Works' pipe track, £960; Spencer St., from High St. to William St., £1,150; William St., from about 150ft. south to 150ft. north of Spencer St., £420; Crawley St., west of pipe track to railway and Down St., £1,920; Compton St., £2,100; Olive St., £2,100; Stewart St. £730; Bayliss St., £2,420; Bartlett St., £1,920; Nyowee St., £960; rights-of-way north of Bayliss St., £2,110; right-of-way south of Bayliss St., £1,600; Mount St., £1,500; Gilbert road, Bell St. to Miller St., £6,400; Birch St., Gilbert road to Oakover road, £960; Mitchell St., £1,500; Devon St., £1,600; Paywitt St., £1,120; Bellarine St., £820; Leopold St., £420; rights-of-way in conjunction with above streets, £400; rights-of-way west of Bell State school, £990; Margrtmary avenue to Fitzroy St., £1,400; total, £35,550.

East Ward.—Bailey Ave., £2,400; Malpas St., £4,320; Sussex St. and right-of-way, £3,000; Margaret St., £1,800; rights-of-way east of Plenty road, from David St. to north of Livingstone Pde., £480; between Butler and Collier Sts., £940; rights-of-way rear of Erval Ave. and from Bell St. to David St., £1,589; total, £14,529.

Central Ward.—Broadway, from High St. to Dennis St., £2,900; Delaware St., from Board of Works easement to Mendip road, £3,300; Tennyson St., £2,040; Goldsmith Ave., £2,640; Shakespeare Ave., £2,760; Bowden St., £1,560; Ellison St., £1,560; Hawker Ave., £1,680; right-of-way, Hawker Ave. to Ellison St., £130; Ethel Gve., £1,920; rights-of-way, Howard St. to Broadway, £660; south of Murray road, £2,300; total, £23,450.

POINTED PROVERBS

No. 5: A Relic of the Stone Age.

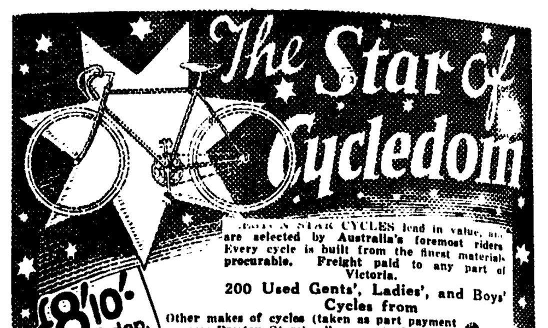
When we hear anyone say, "Those who live in glass houses should not throw stones," we think of the days when the world was young and when men lived in caves, having no other weapons than stones. Stones were ever the weapons of childhood, and even as I write two quarrelsome schoolboys pass my window, and one stoops down, picks up a stone, and throws it at the other. But in buildings we have progressed far from the Stone Age. Why should we not also progress in other ways? We live in the refined conditions of civilisation, aptly illustrated by "glass houses." It is about time that we also discarded the quarrelsomeness of uncivilisation and became really "civil" one towards another, giving up that jealousy, bitterness and strife which belongs to the lower strata of life. If we live in the glass houses of improved modern conditions, let us also live up to the higher standards of civilisation, and not like snarling, fighting Stone Age degenerates.

The origin of the above proverb is interesting. It seems that Villiers, the first Duke of Buckingham, did not like the advent of the Scotch who came to England with the court of James I. He took a lot of riotous youths and stoned the windows of some of these Scots. They retaliated by breaking the windows of his house, known as "The Glass House," in St. Martin's Fields. When Villiers then complained to the King, he aptly replied, "Ah, Steenie, those who live in glass houses shouldna throw stones."

Any fool can throw a stone, and it is just as easy for the same person to hurl an insult or to accuse another of fault. How easy we find it to judge the conduct of others, forgetting the warning of Jesus when he said, "Judge not, that ye be not judged." Consistently with this, when men brought to Him one taken in sin, He did not condemn her, but skilfully revealed the sin of her fault-finding accusers by saying, "He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her." None dared cast that first stone, for they had all sinned.

We all have our faults, our weaknesses, fragile like glass, and so we shall not harshly throw crude stones of condemnation at others, but we shall remember that

"There is so much good in the worst of us,
And so much bad in the best of us,
That it hardly behoves any of us
To talk about the rest of us."



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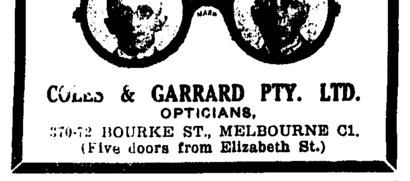

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III.

An hour later Mr. Mason was sitting in Dr. Silvertre's garden. Miss Silvertre, to whom he was engaged, was giving him tea.

"All the same," she was saying, "it is one of father's concoctions, not mine, you ought to be drinking just now, Richard."

Mason lifted his heavy head from his hand, and smiled—rather feebly. "If the doctor can give a man something to keep him from losing his temper, I'll drink a gallon of it, Amy. I made a prodigious fool of myself this afternoon."

"You must have been tired," she said sympathetically. "Did you make a mistake before the class?"

He shook his head. "You would have hated me had you seen me, Amy," he said with a sigh. "I feel now that I have no business to be teaching boys. A schoolmaster should, first of all, be master of himself."

After a brief silence. "Won't you tell me about it?" she said.

"If you will promise me your candid judgment when I have finished. I'm still angry with the boy, and yet I'm altogether dissatisfied with myself."

"I'll tell you exactly what I think," he said.

"Very well." In a few words he recounted the episode of Nevison and the simple problem. "Now, wait a minute, Amy," he went on, ere she could speak. "I have a confession to make. I called up the unfortunate Nevison, not to teach him signs and numbers—which no man living will ever do, and which no really humane person would attempt—but with the idea of entrapping the boy Carnachan. I think the devil must have been in me at the beginning of the hour; he certainly was before the end of it .... Now, have you anything to say to me?"

Miss Silvertre looked distressed. "It must have been horrible for you——"

"I'm thinking of the boy—Carnachan, I mean. You know his aunt and uncle, the Midgley's?"

"Yes; and I know the boy, too. I have always thought him a nice boy."

"I've no doubt he is—out of my class-room. Yet, when I saw him moving to the door with his head down and his hands clenched, I—why, Amy, I was never so miserable in all my life. You see, I had not meant to storm at him if I caught him telling Nevison. But his queer, innocent look—I can't explain it, for he looked guilty enough and frightened enough also—fairly maddened me. What I had meant to do was to punish him in the ordinary way and ask him quietly not to enter my room again. That, of course, would have meant my reporting everything to Baldwin——"

"Doesn't it mean that still?"

"I suppose it does," Mason admitted wearily. "Carnachan is quite incorrigible. He seems to have a craze for prompting other boys. He has lost his chance of the first prize—or, rather, he has deliberately thrown away the certainty. I can't make him out."

"Yet you hesitate to report him to Dr. Baldwin?"

"I don't know what I want to do, Amy."

"I do. You want to give the boy another chance."

"Do you think there's any good in that?"

Miss Silvertre reflected ere she replied "Suppose you were to have a talk with him—out of school, I mean—and show him the error of his ways; then get his promise not to offend again."

"I've thought more than once, of talking quietly to his aunt or uncle."

"No, no, Richard. They are not understanding people. They might make the boy suffer a great deal without doing any good."

Mason lay back in his chair. "Then I don't see that I can do anything," he said drearily. "It would look too like apologising if I went to the boy himself, wouldn't it? After all, I haven't said a word more than he deserved. He had gone to the very limit, Amy. There must be a quirk in his nature—confound his clever little head and his innocent blue eyes!"

Richard, will you go and see the boy before you report him to headquarters, before his relatives begin to fuss? You know, he never knew his mother, and his father died suddenly only six months ago. You must have read about his father in the papers. He was an extraordinary man. Made a huge fortune and then gave it all away, working among the poor. Father says he was mad, but—well, I don't know."

"That's where the quirk comes from, no doubt," said Mason.

Amy's look of reproach became one of solicitude. "I know your head is aching dreadfully. "You don't feel equal to anything this afternoon. Would you go home and rest, and let me go and see the boy?"

"Would you, Amy?" he asked eagerly. Then, dully, "But why should you?"

"Because you are worrying about him. So am I. And I wonder how he is feeling, poor little chap. Don't you remember Richard, how miserable you felt when, as a small boy, you had done wrong?"

"Oh, I never did wrong," he said savagely, and got up. "Yes, my dear, please go and see Carnachan. And if you can understand him, he won't bless you more than I shall."

IV.

The Midgleys' house was situated on the outskirts of the little country town, and Miss Silvertre reached it about half-past five o'clock. She had been wondering how she could secure a meeting with the boy without the company of his aunt or uncle, but no definite plan had come to her when the maid opened the door. Any plan, however, would have been rendered void by the maid's reply to her inquiry.

Master William had not come home and Miss Midgley was very angry. Would Miss Silvertre step in and see Miss Midgley? Miss Silvertre declined, but mentioned that she might call again later.

What was to be done now? In one way she was glad the boy had not reached home; his disgrace was still safe from his guardians. But where was she to seek him? She could harldy hang about the public road until he did return. At the same time she was prepared to wait for hours.

Across the road was a plantation of pines. A seldom used path ran through it. Why not take a stroll amongst the trees in the meantime? She had no sooner acted on this idea than another occurred to her. Was there not a little likelihood—a small chance, at least—that the boy might be hidden among the trees? Not so very long ago she herself had once taken a childish, but none the less serious trouble into a wood near her father's house. . . . A single, definite memory of one's own childhood is often a better possession than a heedful of philosophy. Miss Silvertre smiled as she stepped from the road, but her dark eyes were a trifle misty.

And she found Billy in the heart of the plantation. The trees grew less thickly there. Two had fallen during recent years, and a slanting shaft of midsummer sunlight fell on the needle-strewn ground near to where the boy sat. He was in the shade, but his gaze was fixed on the bright patch. In his hand was a letter.

"Good afternoon," she said, while yet a little way off.

Billy started. His hand shot the letter into his breast pocket, and for an instant he scowled. Only for an instant. At the sight of her his countenance cleared, though it remain grave, and he made to raise his cap, forgetting he had left it in the school.

"You remember me, don't you?" she said, ignoring his confusion. "We've had tea together at your aunt's."

"Oh, yes." He was about to rise when she said: "May I not sit with you for a little while? You see, I've been looking for you——"

"Oh!"

"On my own account, Billy. Do you mind my calling you Billy, or do you prefer Master William?" She smiled and seated herself. Billy smiled also, though faintly.

"I called at the house, but found you were out. So I took a walk, and by good luck I found you almost immediately. I didn't see your aunt." She smiled again. "Your aunt and I don't get on very well together. Your uncle is much easier to get on with, don't you think?"

Billy nodded. "I'm glad I wasn't in when you called, Miss Silvertre," he said at last, "for I don't suppose Aunt Ann would have let me see you."

"Then you aren't sorry to see me now!"

"Of course not." Then he blushed. "But why——?"

"I should like to have you for a friend, Billy," she said quickly. "I liked you when I met you at your aunt's. I've never had a brother, and my father—you know him, Dr. Silvertre—is tremendously fond of boys. And I was reminded to-day that the holidays would soon be here, and I wondered what you might be going to do with your holidays. Are you going away for long?"

Billy shook his head. "I'm not going away at all."

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Mr. J. W. Scott, on behalf of the Whittlesea Agricultural Society, referred to the great assistance they had been to the society. Mr. Norman had been president for the past two years, and it was in a great measure due to his hard work that the district exhibit had been so successful. Especially had the president been most helpful last year when it seemed as though the district would not be represented at the Royal Show, but mainly owing to his tact and diplomacy the breach had been healed and success achieved.

Cr. John Downie, Mr. Mac Smith, and Cr. P. W. Clark (secretary) endorsed the remarks of the previous speaker, and said what a pleasure it had been to work under the guidance of so capable a leader. They attributed the success of the recent show to the earnest work of the president, assisted by his committee.

Messrs. Campbell and Johnson referred to the good work done by Mr. Norman as chairman of the local Returned Soldiers' League. At all times he had been willing to help the cause of the league in attempting to get better conditions for the limbless and other unfortunate Diggers.

Mr. Fergusson, of Toorourrong Park, speaking on behalf of the farmers closely associated with the guests, said it was characteristic of them to be always willing to lend a helping hand to any progressive cause. As neighbors they were always held in the highest esteem, and never had he heard a derogatory remark passed about them. They had certainly set a high standard of citizenship, and their departure was a distinct loss to the district.

Mr. Boston, supported by Mr. H. Benty, on behalf of the cricket club, said that Mr. Norman had always taken an active interest in the cricket club, and had always been willing to do his best for the cause of sport.

Mr. J. C. Crawford spoke of the efficient work the guest had done as president of the Bush Fire Brigade. Mr. Norman had shown his faith in the district by becoming a guarantor for the payment of the local hall, so that residents should have the opportunity and pleasure of conducting their entertainments in their own territory. That this was appreciated was always shown by the large numbers who patronised these gatherings.

The Presbyterian missioner, Mr. Cox, said that the guests had been the bulwarks of the Glen Vale church and had at all times offered hospitality to him and other ministers.

On behalf of their many friends, Mr. Cornfoot, who acted as chairman of the proceedings, presented a case of pipes to Mr. Norman, and a case of stainless cutlery to Mrs. Norman. All the speakers referred to the great loss the district would sustain by the removal of the guests and wished them happiness in their new sphere of life.

After the assemblage had lustily sung "For They Are Jolly Good Fellows" and vociferously cheered the recipients, Mr. Norman expressed thanks on behalf of Mrs. Norman and himself for the magnificent gifts handed to them, and for the nice things that the various speakers had said about their work in the district. He [illegible] as good citizens, they could [illegible] done less, and his interest in the various associations for the [illegible] of the district had always [illegible] a pleasure because of the value [illegible] of others. His interest in the Returned Soldiers' League had been dear to his heart, and it would always be his endeavor to lessen the sufferings and privations of some of those [illegible] unfortunately placed than themselves. During his 10 years' residence in the district he had made many [illegible], and he sincerely hoped [illegible] friendship would be lasting. Both [illegible] and he cherished happy [illegible] of their sojourn in Whittlesea [illegible] would still be their pleasure [illegible] occasionally visit the district.

[illegible] were received from Mr. and Mrs. Norman, sen., Mr. Everard, M.L.A., and Cr. W. Thomas, who expressed [illegible] regret at not being able to attend.

During the evening vocal items were rendered by Mrs. Turley, Mr. and [illegible] Mateman and Miss Miller, and [illegible] gave a much appreciated display of ballet dancing. Mrs. Campbell acted as accompanist, while Mr. Pat Morrow played several selections on the piano.

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Cr. Olver said it was alleged that the [illegible] shots had cracked [illegible] houses. One petitioner [illegible] a large piece of stone [illegible] near his wife. He moved [illegible] matter be referred to the [illegible] committee, and that the inspector [illegible].

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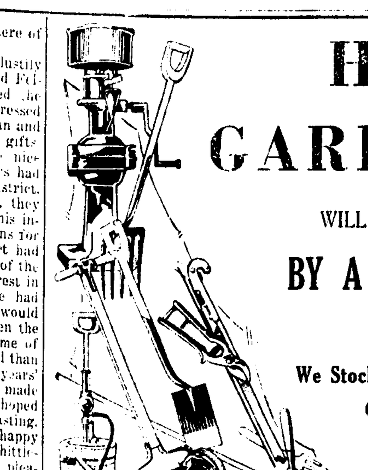

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ST. GEORGE'S ROAD

11 a.m.—Mr. A. H. Lawson, B.A.

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CIVIC SERVICE

11 a.m.—Rev. J. Thomas

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BAPTIST CHURCH, HIGH ST., NORTHCOTE.

11 a.m.—Musical Memories

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7 p.m.—The Song of the Shepherd

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NORTHCOTE TOWN HALL.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1929.

At 7.15 p.m.

ADMISSION 3/6.

Tickets Reserved 4/6 extra. Children half price.

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VARIETY ENTERTAINMENT

NORTHCOTE TOWN HALL on SATURDAY NOVEMBER 30 at 7.45 p.m. by Pupils of Miss HAMILTON, Superior Pianiste.

A RECITAL

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WILL TELL CHARLES DICKENS' MASTERPIECE STORY

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At 8 p.m.

MR. ERNEST SAGE

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Proceeds for the Trust Funds.

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CITY OF PRESTON.

MAYOR'S UNEMPLOYED RELIEF FUND.

TO AUGMENT the ABOVE FUND the FOLLOWING FUNCTIONS have been arranged:—

SATURDAY, NOV. 23—KICHEN and REFRESHMENT STALL, Town Hall, arranged by Mrs Southan.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 27—GRAND CONCERT, Town Hall. (Mrs. Schnell's effort).

SATURDAY, NOV. 30—GRAND CARNIVAL at BELL PARK, Bell St., Preston. Sports, events, side shows, fancy dress parade from town hall at 2 p.m.

BAZAAR arranged by the Ladies' Committee on DECEMBER 6, 7 and 8, at the Preston Town Hall. Fun fair and all kinds of Attractions.

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SATURDAY, DEC. 7—DANCE in Preston City Hall.

PATRONISE THE ABOVE FUNCTIONS AND ASSIST THE UNEMPLOYED.

NEW CHEMIST'S SHOP OPENING DECEMBER 6.

TO fill a long felt want. I beg to notify residents of Northcote that I am opening a chemist shop, Royal Arcade, Fully Equipped Chemist's Shop between E. G. Smith's and J. H. Coles, 3 High St. A full stock of all goods will shortly be unpacked, and all prescriptions will be dispensed with the utmost care and attention.

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LANDSDOWNE STREET, PRESTON.

By order of Estate of Florence Pearl, dec. Lot 1—Modern Bungalow, Villa, Brick, containing 6 rooms, bathroom, pan, hot and cold water, electric light, in excellent condition throughout, with fine large home vegetable garden, 2 x 14, high cellar, gas, fitted, sewer, made street, 1 mile from Preston.

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Massive D.F. W.B Villa.

Six large rooms, Verandah, 117 x 12, 15 x 15, 15 x 12, etc., pantry, porch, built in dresser, E.L., gas, wood, sewer, made. Land 44ft. 3in. x 240ft. and out in lawns, roses and large kitchen garden. An ideal home for a family or retired farmer. Title Certificate. Everything in excellent condition. Terms arranged. Sol. Messrs. Jones, Dowling & Williams, 242 Collins St., Melb.

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CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH,

Martin Street.

11 a.m. Mr. Jonathan Evans (Student).

7 p.m. Rev. Thomas D. Webb. Communion. Anthem—"Hear the Burial Notes."

Anthem Aft-noon, Wednesday.

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Simultaneous Spring Campaign.

Sunday Night at 7.

Special Theme—"The World's Great Need." Preacher—MR. H. B. ROBINS at Gilbert Road; MR. A. J. FISHER at High St. Community Singing. All Welcome.

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Prelude, DEAR T. TOGGLES.

M.M Subject—"Rediscovered Values." Special Anthem by Choir. Solos by Visiting Artists. Bright Sing-along. All Welcome.

News About Town

Northcote Ladies' Benevolent Society. Donations received to date for Mayor's appeal:—Amount previously acknowledged, £14/1/6; Mr. A. Barclay, £25. Total, £39/1/6. Mr. P. Moon, £5; J. & H. Ross Pty. Ltd., £2/2/-; James & Co., £2/2/-; J. Coles & Co. Ltd., £1/1/-; Mrs. S. Ellis, £1/1/-; Mrs. E. Jones, £1/1/-; Northcote C.Y.M.S., £1/1/-; The Goblaworthy, 10/-. Total, £48/-.

Northcote Branch A.N.A. The half yearly meeting was held on November 21. Keen interest was taken in the election of office-bearers. The successful candidates were as follows: President, Mr. J. Carney; vice-president, Mr. A. Turnbull; secretary, Mr. A. H. Goodrich; assistant secretary, Mr. A. Williams; treasurer, Mr. W. J. Glassford; corresponding secretary, Mr. F. Evans; committee, Messrs. Barker, Cutley, Beers, Hayhow, Lidstone, Sullivan and Noel; auditors, W. J. Hayward and J. E. Sewell; delegates to metropolitan committee, Messrs. Cutley, Evers and Sullivan; librarian, Mr. Barker. Mr. Carney spoke, detailed the office-bearers, and thanked them for their services on behalf of the committee and himself. The chairman for the meeting, Mr. Cutley, spoke for several minutes.

Northcote Council Tenders. The Northcote City Council has received the following tenders for work:—For £711/5/-, for the construction of Munro St. Northcote, and for £1/10/- for the construction of Hartley St. Lot 2, Northcote.

The Northcote Council has confirmed a special order for the Mayor's Fund, and the Mayor (Cr. Hayes) presented a petition signed by ratepayers urging the construction of Collins St., between High St. and St. David St. They also stated that heavy traffic be diverted from that street until it is made, as water pipes were being damaged. The petition was referred to the Public Works Committee.

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Pupils' Concert.

The pupils of Misses Eileen Pascoe, Webbe and Mavis Yeomans will give a grand juvenile concert in the North Town Hall on Wednesday, December 11, at 7.30 p.m. Good singers, dancing, character sketches, from a separate. Tickets 2/-, booking fees, box plan at 205 High St., Northcote.

Car Parking in Gooch Street.

The Northcote Council has resolved to prohibit the parking of vehicles on the south side of Gooch St., near the Hilgrove Hotel. There have been many complaints that the drives of residents there are blocked by "park off" vehicles.

Sheep in the City.

On Tuesday evening three users were surprised to see a mob of sheep in Albert St., at the intersection of Spring St. Traffic was held up unanimarily while the sheep crossed the intersection.

Conviction Quashed.

In the Court of General Sessions on Monday, Judge Mactadue quashed the conviction of three months' imprisonment imposed on Herbert Scott, farmer, of Walker St., Northcote, at the Northcote court on September 1, on a charge of unlawful possession of a number of tools and plants suspected of having been stolen.

Municipal Parking By-law.

The Public Works Department has notified the Northcote Council that the Governor-in-Council has granted his approval to by-law No. 54, relating to the control of parking of motor cars. The council resolved that the by-law be gazetted.

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PERSONAL.

Mr. A. M. Lonie, of the legal firm of Lonie and Lonie, Queen street, Melbourne, with Mrs. Lonie, returned to the Parkinsons on Monday after a tour of England and the Continent.

On October 31 Mr. and Mrs. W. Nicholls, of Melbourne, left Northcote in a double-seater Chevrolet touring car, accompanied by Mr. Peter, who, on reaching Adelaide they spent five days in the city of Adelaide and surrounding districts, and then resumed their journey through the Murray, where a map supplied by the Shell Co. The party left the Murray at Renmark, and, leaving oiling and water stations, the coast line was followed for a considerable part of the journey. The party reached Kalgoorlie on Sunday, 11 days from Melbourne, considering the trip was not undertaken with a view of breaking any speed records, yet, although the journey is one that is allegedly dangerous for a honeymoon trip, Mr. and Mrs. Grubble intend to undertake a similar trip. When Mr. Grubble returns no doubt he will give a full and free talk on the subject "The Aborigines I have met."

Mr. H. E. Dettman, Melbourne and Wittlesea, on December 12, at Royal Hotel, Melbourne, at 2 p.m., on the premises, Regent St., Preston, a second and final instalment in Nyowee St. and shop in Gilbert Road, Preston, details and effects contained in residence.

Mr. Dettman also on Dec. 7, at 3 p.m. on property, 48 Clarendon St., Thornbury, sell the Lowes Cottage, 5rd, 7in. x 203, as advertised.

Mr. James Horson on Dec. 7, at 1.45 on property, 135 Bastings St., Northcote, 6-roomed villa, on land 35 x 120, as advertised.

Big Land Sale at Preston.

One of the largest and most successful land sales ever held in Preston was conducted by Mr. Llewellyn Jones (auctioneer), in conjunction with J. O. Hill and Co. Ltd., on Saturday last, when the Centre of Estate, Preston, comprising 74 allotments, was offered for sale, and every one was sold. The prices ranged from £3/5/- to £6/10/- per foot. Some allotments realised from £5/17/6 to £6/10/-, and the total for the sale reached £3/5/- and £3/10/- The total amount realised was £2,621/19/-. This is the largest sale of suburban allotments conducted in Preston for months. In thanking those present, Mr. Jones said he was glad to see, of the Preston councillors, said it was very gratifying to see that the public had full confidence in the future of the district.

Auction Report.

James & Hobson, auctioneer, of 112 High St., Northcote South, report having sold by public auction the following properties, when there was a large attendance of buyers and bidding was brisk. 106 Gladstone Av. Croxton, w.b. cottage, £590, and 34 Barry St., Westgarth, d.f. brick villa, £980. Total £1570.

PRESTON MARKET

PLENTY ROAD.

AUCTION SALE OF THIS DAY, FRIDAY.

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A. J. CALGLEISH, Auctioneer.

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BATTERED WITH LOADED PIPE

NORTHCOTE YOUTH ARRESTED

Miss Elsie Mottram, aged 21 years, who lives at Delbridge street, North Fitzroy, was the victim of a brutal assault on Friday night, when she was attacked by a youth with a piece of piping loaded at one end in the back seat of a motor car in a lonely lane at Greensborough. Although shocked and injured about the head the young people into the conversation in which their chances of success are greatest. What is success? Here we must depart from what is popularly, but erroneously, known as success. The label is wrongly applied to one who reaches a high pinnacle in his occupation and has accumulated riches. The individual himself, if he were to speak truthfully would either deny that life for for him had been a success, since in this sordid pursuit of gain he has not enjoyed happiness. On the says: "What mortal in the world, if without inward calling, he takes up a trade, an art, or any mode of life, will not feel his situation miserable? But he who is born with aptitude for any occupation finds in the pursuit of it the fairest portion of life being." Hence, the aim of vocational guidance is to place the youth of our nation into occupations in which they can render their most efficient service to the community, and at the same time secure the greatest personal happiness.

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INTERESTING LECTURE BY MR. GILES

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In order to so guide the young people it is necessary to know the individual. This knowledge is obtained in some countries by psychic investigation. In intelligent tests, e.g., France, England, Belgium and New South Wales. Other countries rely upon a record, on which is tabulated the school work, the school attendance, the educational progress, his personal and physical qualities, and special aptitudes. This latter scheme has worked well in America, and is the one deemed most suitable for Victoria.

It is fundamental that we should have a thorough knowledge of the Labor demand in the various occupations. Mr. Giles stated that his advisory committee, while the district is represented by an advisory council, the duty of each committee and council is to collect all the desirable information, and to keep themselves in touch with the boards, and carry out programs laid down by the Vocational Guidance Council of the Vocational Guidance Council. The Vocational Guidance Council is an advisory council, and is a state-wide organisation. Mr. Giles stated that the Vocational Guidance Council was not to take the best use of our youth. The Vocational Guidance Council involves in the first place the right guidance to the youth, and secondly the guidance to pupils completing the work in the school, and thirdly the guidance to a contractor employing Brunswick.

Mr. Rowe said the R.S.S.I.L.A. had played a big part in raising funds to help relieve unemployment. Many were forward and known any failian to come forward and give assistance, either in money or by voluntary work. There had been considerable disparagement in Fenwick street, and they could see the work done. It was a good look on and see a work they were proud of. He had been told that it was alleged that the original contractor to the job, and yet they had to do the job sublet it. The speaker urged the guidance of the British Bonds subjects.

Mr. Davies, of Fenwick street, said that of the men on the job cited he had employed, and he was proud to be one of these was a great A.N.A. man.

Cr. Olds said the men employed were men who were the backbone of the nation. He would have liked to see men employed employment on a Job towards which they would have a bias.

The mayor (Cr. Hayes) said the council had very considered the vocational guidance, and he asked the surveyor (Mr. Bradley) to make a report.

Mr. Bradley said the contract was let to a man living in Fenwick street. The excavation work was done by British subjects, and they had given the highest value unless pupils go out to work. The contractor was a man who he could not prove it. The work was done by British subjects, and the majority of the workers were foreign labor, and when he intervened the foreign labor was dismissed, and after a foreign labor was dismissed, and after a foreign labor was removed with all British labor who had been with the two men. He had done the best he could in the circumstances. The matter was now in the hands of the Vocational Guidance Council, and the work could be incorporated in the terms of contract.

Cr. Olds said the job was not a small one, and the principals was there, and the council could now take advantage of the opportunity of what had occurred.

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DISTRICT ELEVENS

NORTHCOTE v COLLINGWOOD

Northcote was at home to Collingwood in Spider Cricket on Saturday. In the absence of the boss, Gordon was in charge, and winning the toss, he had little difficulty in getting a bowler, which was fortunate, as Collingwood was very strong, and was against the strongest team Clifton Hill could muster. After making 11 runs in the first over, Clifton Hill Manager of the meeting was overwhelmed Congress, but Collingwood's opening bowlers were not long before they discovered that he had been at the game with Darling, who was not so fortunate as Clifton Hill's Darling. When Bird were down for 47, Clifton Hill's wickets were merry for a while, and the rate of scoring was slow. On reaching 81 Monohan was caught by Bird, bowled by Darling, when Doherty was left in order. After scoring 9 runs, Collingwood's last wicket fell. Clifton Hill attempted to hit every ball out of the ground, and it was caught by almost all fielders for 18. Brown gave a very fine display of batting, but was unfortunate in getting hits to fielders. Northcote commenced its innings with Darling and Bowers, and the latter was bowled for 0. Darling and Bowers had put on 24 runs. At stump Northcote had scored 3 runs for the loss of 2 wickets. The balls were in this match are of an entirely new pattern, and are quite satisfactory to both sides. They were designed and made in Melbourne. The prize presented by the club by the maker, Fred Swale, Scores:—

COLLINGWOOD.—First Innings.
E. V. Alston, c Morgan, b Darling 11
J. Monohan, c Darling, b Darling 81
J. Bird, b Harbinger 47
C. Doherty, b Darling 0
T. Mills, c Morgan, b Harbinger 3
V. Doherty, b Harbinger 2
A. Cooper, c Gibson, b Chivers 18
A. Brown, c Darling, b Chivers 9
A. Cooper, c Gibson, b Chivers 3
H. Bell, b Powell 0
J. Cooper, c Powell, b Harbinger 2
McKee, b Powell 0
H. Vistigan, not out 0
Sundries 5
Total 184

Bowling—Harbinger, five for 112; Chivers, three for 41; Powell, two for 12; Darling, two for 12; Vernon, none for 28; Gibson, none for 21.

NORTHCOTE.—First Innings.
C. Morgan, not out 0
Sundries 3
No wicket for 3
Bowling—Visting, none for 7; McKechnie, none for 3.

CLUB ELEVENS

Northcote, 204 (Hamilton 80, Petersen 25, Wear 21), and 3 no wickets, eight out 110 (Gotch 41, Bell, Sample 22 each, Kerr 27, Dunning 6, 63).

SUB-DISTRICT

PRESTON v HAWTHORN-EAST MELBOURNE

Preston batted first, on an even wicket, and, losing two out 9, eventually had Fitzpatrick, Mitchell, Ryan, Ashton, Hamilton, Ryan, Ashton, Hamilton, Chivers, Gibson, Morrison, Morrison and Sumner in among it getting rather lively, and finishing up with 104 runs. Morrison took five for 46, Hewett four for 46, Hewett four for 31, Hewett four for 32, Hewett four for 22. Hewett being spectacularly caught by Ryan on the boundary off Morrison's bowling, was 41, Hewett being spectacularly caught by Ryan on the boundary off Morrison's bowling, was 41. Preston's opening bowlers, Ashton and Ryan, were in form, and had Hawthorn-East Melbourne in difficulties at 5 runs for 4 wickets, but Hewett and Sumner, who had put on 70 runs, were not to be denied, and the visitors made 204 runs, Ashton taking four for 46, Hewett four for 46, Hewett four for 31, Hewett four for 32, Hewett four for 22. Hewett being spectacularly caught by Ryan on the boundary off Morrison's bowling, was 41. Preston's opening bowlers, Ashton and Ryan, were in form, and had Hawthorn-East Melbourne in difficulties at 5 runs for 4 wickets, but Hewett and Sumner, who had put on 70 runs, were not to be denied, and the visitors made 204 runs, Ashton taking

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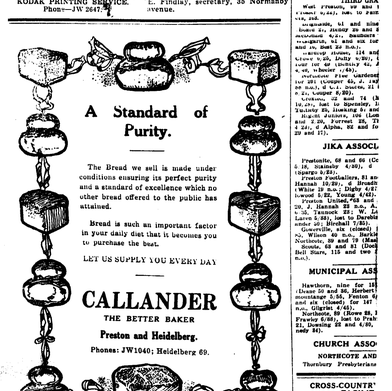

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NORTHCOTE v COLLINGWOOD

Northcote won at home by Collingwood in the Fifth Grade on Saturday in the absence of the captain, Dodd, who, in charge, and winning toss, decided to bat. The wicket was in fine condition, but the outfield was very slow. Collingwood had to field twice, Chilvers and Hartnett opening the bowling, and the latter, after making 11 Australian runs, was bowled by Stewart off the second ball he faced. Conrave, who had a bad time, was caught by Stewart, who had scored 20 minutes for 18. Chilvers also had a short innings, being bowled down for 21. Ellis, who was very free, was caught by Stewart. On reaching 50 Collingwood had lost four wickets, Hartnett being the only batsman who had made a stand. Dubery was also bowled by Stewart, and Collingwood's sixth wicket fell when Hartnett, who had scored 37, was caught by Stewart. Chilvers for 18 was caught by Stewart, who bowled Cooper for 4, and Collingwood was all out for 84. Stewart, who had taken 5 wickets for 34, was caught by Dubery, who had taken 3 wickets for 18

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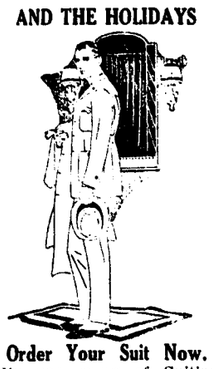

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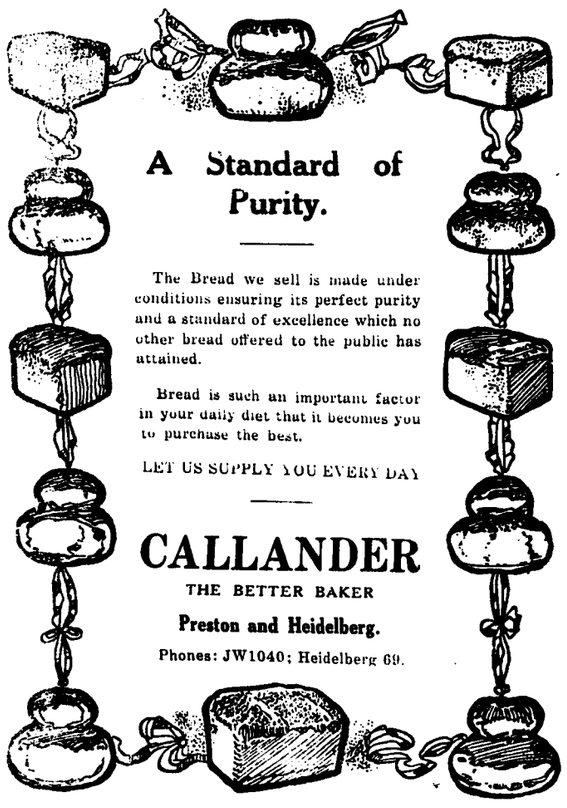

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NORTHCOTE v COLLINGWOOD

Northcote was at home to Colling[illegible] in the fifth round on Saturday. In the absence of Ryder, Coppock was in charge, and, winning the toss, decided to bat. The wicket was in first-class condition, but the outfield was very bumpy, which was against good fielding. Austin and Cosgrave opened to the bowling of Chivers and Hartkopf. After making 11 Austin was out to a smart catch by Morgan off Chivers. Monahan partnered [illegible] the scoring was slow owing [illegible] bowling. Cosgrave, who had [illegible] kets for 55 minutes for 16, [illegible] catch by Baring off Hartk[illegible] also fell a victim to Hartk[illegible] were down for 47. Ellis an[illegible] things merry for a while, and [illegible] ling increased. On reaching [illegible] caught by Garrett off Hartk[illegible] ing was of a high order. [illegible] Doherty was also bowled by [illegible] pock, Collingwood's big hitt[illegible] and attempted to hit every [illegible] ground until he was caugh[illegible] Chivers for 15. Brown gave [illegible] play of batting, and a splend[illegible] came to a close when he wa[illegible] taine off Hartkopf. Stewar[illegible] Kelson (0) were both bowle[illegible] the innings closed for 254. [illegible] cote had scored 7 runs wit[illegible] making 5 and Morgan 1. [illegible] this match are of an entirel[illegible] make, and, being used for th[illegible] gave entire satisfaction to [illegible] were designed and made in [illegible] were presented to the club by [illegible] Swale. Scores:—

COLLINGWOOD—Fir[illegible]
E. T. Austen, c Morgan, b [illegible]
B. Cosgrave, c Baring, b H[illegible]
T. Bird, b Hartkopf [illegible]
C. Monohan, c Garrett, b [illegible]
P. Ellis, c Morgan, b Ch[illegible]
V. Doherty, b Hartkopf [illegible]
G. Coppock, c Gibaud, b Ch[illegible]
L. Stewart, b Powell [illegible]
A. Brown, c Fontaine, b He[illegible]
J. McKelson, b Powell [illegible]
H. Vining, not out [illegible]
Sundries [illegible]

Total [illegible]

Bowling.—Hartkopf, five f[illegible] three for 44; Powell, two f[illegible] none for 22; Vernon, none [illegible] none for 21.

NORTHCOTE.—First [illegible]
G. Heron, not out [illegible]
C. Morgan, not out [illegible]
Wide [illegible]

No wicket for [illegible]
Bowling.—Vining, none fo[illegible] none for 0.

SECOND ELEVI[illegible]

Collingwood batted all day [illegible] case, losing seven for 237, [illegible] top scorer with 83, Scott m[illegible] Kelly 35, McMahon 26, and Li[illegible] Clarkson, the slow left-hande[illegible] 60.

CLUB ELEVE[illegible]

Northcote, 204 (Hamilton [illegible] Miller 21), drew with Cremor[illegible] (until 4/ n.o., Rankin 32 n.o[illegible] ing 5/ 63).

SUB-DISTRI[illegible]

PRESTON v HAWTHOR[illegible] BOURNE

Preston batted first on [illegible] losing two for 8, [illegible] added a valuable [illegible] was stumped for 22. Wicket[illegible] 6, Gordon 14 and Rooney 18 [illegible] most assistance in brin[illegible] 101. Dineen took five for [illegible] 45, Rowanus one for 1[illegible] for 60. Hawthorn-east Me[illegible] for 21, Brown being splendi[illegible] namesake before scoring, a[illegible]

THE JUNIO[illegible]

FAIRFIELD v AL[illegible]

Fairfield (three for 40), [illegible] Pinkerton's score of 70, incl[illegible] for nine wickets and th[illegible] batted well for 51, Kingw[illegible] Fingott 11. The best perfo[illegible] was that of Bryant, who sho[illegible] in compiling 44 not out. [illegible] 52 off 128 balls, L. Naismi[illegible] Jewell two for 52 secured [illegible] wickets. When stumps wer[illegible] ton had lost three for 51 in [illegible] Stevermack making 12 not [illegible] 95 runs on the first inni[illegible]

NORTH SUBURBAN [illegible]

FIRST GRA[illegible]

Thornbury, 156 and seven [illegible] lace 30 and 47, C. Lovelace [illegible] 52, J. Lane 35; Goodson 5/31 [illegible] Lunn 55, Minson 39; [illegible] Coulden's, 101 and 32 (A[illegible] ters 9/39, Dimmick 6/41), [illegible] ulters, 52 (Faulkiner 6/28)

SECOND GR[illegible]

Burnley Juniors, 119 and [illegible] 59, Darby 24), lost [illegible] Methodists, 156 (Davies 48 [illegible] and 9/59; Wynne 6/40) [illegible] Christ Church, 211 (M[illegible] 48, Jones 30; Nicholson 4/4[illegible] Lane, nine for 76.

THIRD GRA[illegible]

West Preston, 99 and [illegible] (Closel 5/22), lost to Fair[illegible] ers, 103.

Ringwood, 61 and nine [illegible] board 21, Hendy 20 and [illegible] McDonald 4/21, Saunders [illegible] Westgarth, 61 and six for [illegible] and 10, Best 2/5 n.o.).

Warrandyte House, 114 and [illegible] Crowe 6/26, Duffy 6/20), [illegible] four for 40 (Hendry 42, [illegible] 4/40, Wheeler 4/45).

Northcote Free Gardeners [illegible] for 201 (Couper 45, J. Ing[illegible] 38 n.o.), d L.A. Shoots, 21 [illegible] 21, Couper 8/20).

Croxton, 32 and 74 (A[illegible] 10/28), lost to Spensley, 1[illegible] Tuxteby 26, Hosking 6/ and [illegible]

Regent Juniors, 106 (Lor[illegible] and 2/20, Forrest 28, T[illegible] 4/23), d Alpha, 82 and fo[illegible] 29 and 17).

JIKA ASSOCI[illegible]

Prestonite, 68 and 66 (Co[illegible] 5/18, Stainsby 4/30), d [illegible] (Spargo 5/23).

Preston Footballers, 81 an[illegible] Hannah 10/20), d Bronth[illegible] (White 19 n.o.; Digby 4/27 [illegible] lowood 5/22, Young 4/42).

Preston United, 263 and [illegible] 20, J. Hannah 23 n.o., A. [illegible] 35, Tannock 23; W. Le[illegible] Laren 5/33), lost to Darebi[illegible] under 40; Birchall 7/35).

Gowerville, six (closed) [illegible] 85, Wilson 40 n.o., Barkl[illegible] Northcote, 39 and 79 (Mas[illegible] Scouts, 63 and 81 (Dod[illegible] Bell Stars, 115 and two [illegible] n.o.).

MUNICIPAL AS[illegible]

Hawthorn, nine for 12[illegible] (Deane 50 and 36, Herbert[illegible] mountange 5/55, Fenton 6[illegible] and six (closed) for 147 [illegible] n.o., Gilgrist 4/45).

Northcote, 89 (Rowe 28, [illegible] Frawley 6/38), lost to Prah[illegible] 21, Dowsing 22 and 4/30, [illegible] nedy 34).

CHURCH ASSO[illegible]

NORTHCOTE AN[illegible]

Thornbury Presbyterian[illegible]

CROSS-COUNTR[illegible] FACILIT[illegible]

TRAMWAYS BOA[illegible] MONEY TO EXTE[illegible]

At its meeting [illegible] Northcote council re[illegible] ts of the municipal [illegible] ve to provision of t[illegible] between Essendon a[illegible]

Cr. Olver reported [illegible] the conference with [illegible] Hayes) and Cr. Sut[illegible] ways Board had wri[illegible] owing to the heavy [illegible] ments the board had [illegible] anything, and until [illegible] trieved themselves [illegible] done. Cr. Olver said [illegible] made to the board w[illegible] on the route select[illegible] (from Essendon, via [illegible] and Darebin road, t[illegible] tinuing, Cr. Olver sa[illegible] the uncertainty of t[illegible] ation it would be advisable not to do anything until the elections were over. Then it might be possible to start a move to relieve the board of its statutory payments.

In reply to Cr. Dennis, Cr. Olver said that the whole of the representatives agreed to the route, although there was a feeling on the part of some of the municipalities that they would have liked another route. Still, if it came to the point a united front could be shown.

Cr. Mitchell said there were at present three separate lines of buses operating on this route, and something might be done now to endeavor to co-ordinate the present services. At the present time if one wanted to go [illegible]

PROGRESS ASSOCIATIONS.

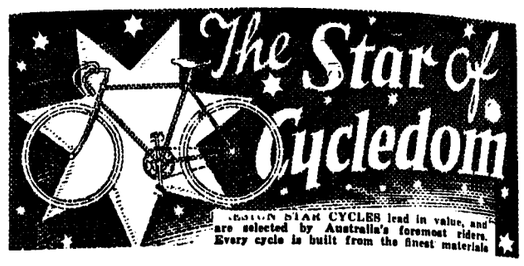
NORTHCOTE WEST WARD

(Contributed)

The fortnightly meeting was held at the school hall, Hutton street, Thornbury, on November 21, the president (Mr. W. Wharton) being in the chair.

Correspondence was received from the town clerk, Northcote, re the association's protest against the increase of 3d. in the rates for the ensuing year. The reply did not satisfy the members, but it was realised the case [illegible]

dents. In the egg race there were a few "rubbed out" by the "stewards," and the winner was Mr. Huggins, the well-known Northcote footballer, who won on the post by inches. In the married ladies' race Mrs. Huggins was received the winner by a street. In the married men's race Newton Clarke was "rubbed out" for "inconsistent performances," and the race awarded to J. Lack. At the conclusion of the programme an adjournment was made to the hall, where an enjoyable time was spent. Mr. Poulter obliged with a song, and the Misses Melva Torode and Joan Bridges gave a dance. Miss May Sheppard and Miss Clark gave



OUR SERIAL STORY

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DIANA

By BERTIE WINKLER

(Continued from last issue)

Diana watcher her husband struggle with another chop, and remembered other things to be told.

"The Brands have come out into the open and are giving a dinner party on Saturday week. A very smart one, for their daughter."

"Get asked?"

"Yes. I suppose I ought to be pleased. Lots of people would like to be asked."

"Oh, well, the Brands ought to be pleased to have us."

"They won't be, unless I get a new dress."

Douglas' face seemed to tighten. "I thought you just got a whole heap of clothes, and this was close season for buying?"

"I thought I was through, but I didn't expect any parties like this. It is really most maddening."

The chop seemed to have vanquished Douglas. He put down his knife and fork.

"Get a dress if you have to, but the way things pile up is pretty heavy, you know."

"I do the best I can," she said, with an honest worry in her voice.

"I know you do, my dear. I'm not making a fuss."

"It isn't," protested Diana, for his yielding was somehow unsatisfactory, "it isn't as if I were really extravagant. Just think of the way some women spend money."

"A lot of them have it to spend."

"And plenty of them haven't. Look at the Friends. I had a letter from Marion to-day."

"Oh, I know. But, then, Charlie Friend is always overdrawn. Of course, he is going to step into some money at any time. We haven't got that to look forward to."

"He can't be making as much as you are."

"Probably not, but he is a pretty lucky gambler. I can't afford to take the chances he does. And he plays bridge and probably pays his way through Europe with his winnings."

"What I mean," said Diana, reasonably abandoning the Friends, "is that everybody we know can travel, and so we ought to be able to manage it. It is so terribly slow not to go home once in a while. Why, these people who moved in to-day evidently think nothing of it."

"How do you know that?"

"He came over to telephone, and I heard him telling someone, quite casually that they had been wintering in Italy."

She rang for the dessert, and they were hastily served with stewed apricots and rather stale cake left over from Saturday's party.

"It's her night out, and we had better not keep her waiting," said Diana.

"It seems to me," said Douglas, who had no love for apricots or hardened sponge cake, "that she might as well have gone out before she got this dinner."

Diana cast an apprehensive glance pantrywards. "Hush, she'll hear you."

"She jolly well needs to be told a few things."

"I know, but then she had that big dinner on her hands, and not much help with the dishes."

"We can't live on the memory of Saturday's dinner for ever, and though she may rise nobly to the occasion of a banquet, she's not much use for the daily bread."

"But we can't afford to lose her. It is so hard to find someone who will do general work the way she does it."

Douglas said no more. He lit a cigar and followed Diana into the sitting room. He felt vaguely nervous, holding himself on guard. If Diana really had a trip abroad on the brain things would be rather difficult. You could not really blame her—there was a general exodus taking place among their friends.

Europe! He, too, resented that quarrelsome, alluring Continent. He had fought there and had seen enough of it to last him for ever, and a lot that he wanted to forget. If she went she'd have to go alone. He could probably put off her going for a while. But suddenly he found himself thinking out ways and means of giving her the trip. Not that he could afford it, but he supposed he would have to.

Within a few days they both found out more about their neighbors.

"This Clifford is an architect, too. Seems a nice chap."

"Is his a good firm?"

"Oh, yes. It is a kind of slow-moving concern, but, by jove, they know their job."

"Someone told me about Mrs. Clifford. She comes from Sydney—one of the Bradleys. They're an awfully good family, and she has always had everything. One can tell that, of course, by the look of that nurse and the children."

The children had arrived—three nice little girls, plainly dressed, but they looked well-born; and the nurse Diana had coveted on the spot. She wore uniform and looked unmistakably English. She seemed to be devoted to her charges, as no State school girl had been to the young Parrs.

Diana called on Ann Clifford, who was more than friendly. Like her husband, she seemed to be ready to sit down and talk. She wore a faded smock, and her fair hair curled in little tangles on her neck. But she made no apologies either for her house or herself.

"We are almost architectural twins," said Ann. "I think this house is great, so much more comfortable than any we have yet lived in. George told me about you, and said you were frightfully good-looking and neat. That will be a nice change for him."

Diana decided that Ann Clifford was not nearly as pretty as herself, yet she wished she had that something the other girl possessed. It wasn't looks, it wasn't manners, she did not know exactly what it was.

"I've been sorting books," Ann told her. "But I'm not getting on with the job, because I keep finding something I had forgotten about."

Diana spent most of the next half hour discussing books and illustrations, instead of exchanging names of mutual acquaintances and getting started as people usually do. This girl had an odd way of taking things for granted. At last Diana remembered an appointment and said she must go.

"We wondered if you could come to dinner to-morrow night," she sad.

"We'd love it!" cried Ann, with enthusiasm. "Such a short distance to go. We must have each other to dinner often. All the fun of going out and none of the tiresomeness of coming home."

Diana did not know how to place her. Mrs. Clifford could not be so important as she had heard, if this was the most comfortable house she had lived in. Diana had been brought up in a far larger one. In fact, she had been brought up to the tune of how much it cost to keep up, and what a drain her education had been. It had cost so much that when her father died there was barely enough for her and her mother to live in a tiny flat. But Diana had her traditions and her place in the world, and she had found a husband who could make enough money to enable her to keep it.

Yet, in spite of that uncertainty, Diana wanted to do her best to give the Cliffords a good dinner. She spent much time and thought on the manu and on the arrangement of the able, and when she surveyed herself and the room she felt pleased, at least, until Ann Clifford arrived.

There was no way to tell that a woman who looked lanky and untidy in a shabby leather coat or a faded overall could look so utterly beautiful in evening dress. She had a smooth, cream-colored skin, and it blended exactly with the cream lace dress she wore, and set off the necklace of square cut topazes. Her hair looked as if she had brushed it straight back from her forehead until it shone, and done nothing else except to leave it curling against her neck.

Douglas, who had not seen her before, could not take his eyes from her. And when, after dinner, she sat down quite casually at the piano and said "Do you happen to know this thing?" and played something modern and strange and witching, he obviously thought her very wonderful.

"You play like a professional," he said to her.

"I used to give a lot of lessons," answered Ann. "This is something I found the other day." And again she bent over the keyboard.

It was not her only accomplishment. She played bridge, and it might have been quite an expensive evening for the Parrs if Clifford had not remarked, when asked about the stakes, "Ann and I only play for a penny a hundred." At that statement the Parrs had resigned themselves to a game with nervous beginners; but after the first rubber they changed their minds.

Of course Diana could see the flaws. The slippers Ann wore were tarnished, and as she looked at the dress over the bridge table she noticed that it had been mended once or twice. And Ann was not really pretty when you came to analyse her looks.

"We could not do much better for neighbors," said Douglas enthusiastically, when their guests had gone. "And they had a good time. Dinner was grand, and I wish Cook would treat us to that kind of chicken more often."

"But we can't afford that when we are alone, dear."

"I suppose not."

(To be Continued)

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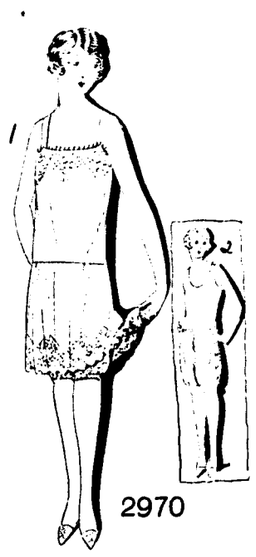

2970. — Delightful easiness and coolness is the essence of the cut of these Petti-bockers, in S.W., medium and O.S. Deep insertion with colored motifs was inlet in shell crepe de chene for the above style, and the ribbon shoulder straps match exactly.

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3267.—Here is depicted a Jumper Suit in a very neat design, for medium and outsizes. The pleated skirt gives freedom for sport, and the jumper, finished with a low belt, has an inset vest and cuffs of a contrasting shade. This model was designed from white marocain with black trimmings.

TO THE TALL AND TO THE SHORT.

Why is it, I wonder, that so many tall women evince a preference for high crown hats without brims, for frocks and coats cut on long straight lines, and who will wear the highest heeled shoes they can find.

On the other hand, so many short women are not happy unless their hats have wide brims, and if these completely obliterate the neck at the back—why, as far as they are concerned—so much the better. They like overpowering earrings, their shoulder posies are invariably larger than anyone else's. Their frocks have flounces and boleros, and as for shoes, it's unthinkable for them to wear high heels.

And yet the tall ones complain of being so tall that they are head and shoulders above their men friends, and so often fail to find one who is not at least half a head shorter, and the short ones say they look so insignificant that no one notices them.

It is largely their own fault. If they would only reverse their tastes in dress and accessories, it would help them both so much.

This is how a short lady ought to be dressed. First of all, a frock whose line is unbroken from neck to hem, with drapery at one side to give the gown a little more importance. Too much drapery has a broadening effect on short people, when an appearance of length is all-important. No harm in a shoulder flower, of course, provided it keeps to a reasonable size. A highish hat and high heeled shoes help to make her look taller, and ensures, that lengthways at least, she not only appears to but actually does take up more space in the world.

And now for the tall lady.

She ought to wear a frock with a bolero effect, or flounces on the skirt. A wide brim hat broadens a face and important earrings shorten the neckline. And, moreover, I would persuade her to wear low heeled shoes.

Try these methods, you who are short or too tall—I'm sure you will at once realise the improvement.

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