









CITY OF PRESTON Annual Statement of Accounts

FOR THE Year Ending 30th September 1929

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1915 STATEMENT OF RATES.

A General Rate of Thirty Pence in the Pound, to the 30th September, 1929, was made by the Council on the 21st January, 1929.

Table with columns: Ward, Valuation, Amount of General Rate, Amount Collected, Amount Uncollected, Arrears Brought Forward, Arrears Paid, Rates Abandoned, Total Arrears.

STATEMENT OF SANITARY CHARGE. A Sanitary Charge of Forty Shillings per Pan for the period ending 30th September, 1929, was made by the Council on the 21st January, 1929.

Table with columns: Amount of Sanitary Charge, Amount Collected, Amount Uncollected, Arrears Brought Forward, Arrears Paid, Charges Abandoned, Total Arrears.

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

For the Year ending 30th September, 1929.

Table with columns: ASSETS, LIABILITIES. Lists various assets like Arrears of Rates, Rates, and liabilities like Contractors' Deposits, Municipal Fund.

SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT CHARGE NO. 1 ACCOUNT.

Table with columns: RECEIPTS, EXPENDITURE. Shows receipts and expenditures for Special Improvement Charge No. 1.

SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT CHARGE NO. 2 ACCOUNT.

Table with columns: RECEIPTS, EXPENDITURE. Shows receipts and expenditures for Special Improvement Charge No. 2.

LOAN REDEMPTION FUND.

Table with columns: LIABILITIES, ASSETS. Shows liabilities and assets for the Loan Redemption Fund.

LOAN NO. 2 ACCOUNT.

Table with columns: LIABILITIES, ASSETS. Shows liabilities and assets for Loan No. 2.

LOAN NO. 4 ACCOUNT.

Table with columns: LIABILITIES, ASSETS. Shows liabilities and assets for Loan No. 4.

LOAN NO. 5 ACCOUNT.

Table with columns: RECEIPTS, EXPENDITURE. Shows receipts and expenditures for Loan No. 5.

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LOAN NO. 6 ACCOUNT.

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LOAN NO. 14 ACCOUNT.

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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE

For the Year ending 30th September, 1929.

Large table with columns: RECEIPTS, EXPENDITURE. Detailed breakdown of receipts and expenditures for the year ending 30th September 1929.

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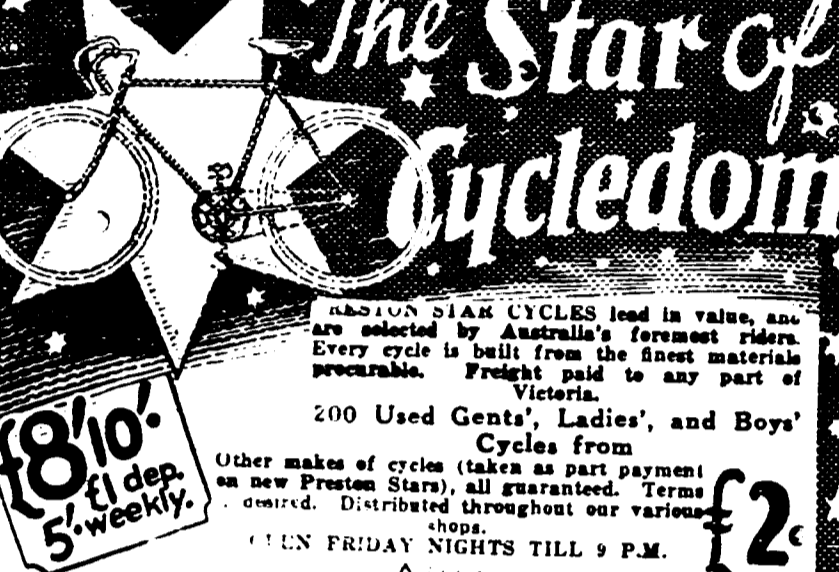
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LOAN NO. 1 PRIVATE STREET CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT. 1929 LIABILITIES. Sept 30—To Twenty Debentures of various amounts, due 1st March, 1930. £25,000 0 0

LOAN NO. 2 PRIVATE STREET CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT. 1929 LIABILITIES. Sept 30—To Twenty Debentures of various amounts, due 1st September, 1930. £20,000 0 0

COUNTRY ROADS BOARD ACCOUNT. Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for Year ending 30th September, 1929. RECEIPTS. Sept 30—To Whittless Road Epping Road. £2,649 10 6

PRIVATE STREET CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT. RECEIPTS. Instalments Interest Marshall Embellishment Loan No. 2. £11,129 16 9

ASSETS. Formation Account Right-of-way at rear of Comble Street Marshall Embellishment Leonard, Paywit, etc., Streets Thackeray Road Miller Street. £9,098 13 9

ELECTRIC SUPPLY DEPARTMENT. Balance Sheet at 30th September, 1929. LIABILITIES. Loan No. 2 Less Debentures Redeemed. £5,000 0 0

ELECTRIC LIGHT NET REVENUE ACCOUNT. To Purchase of Current Maintenance Interest Salaries Printing and Stationery Insurance Office Expenses Miscellaneous Expenses Telephone Rent Stamp Account Bad Debt Reserve Balance Carried Down. £1,904 4 2

APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT. To Municipal Fund Transfer Debentures Redeemed—Loan No. 2 Loan No. 7 Loan No. 8 Loan No. 10 Loan No. 12. £8,000 0 0

ASSETS. Balance Brought Forward 1/10/28 Balance Brought Down. £10,565 16 1

THE COBBERS' CLUB

(CONDUCTED BY "UNCLE PHIL") Dear Cobbers—You are all back at school again, I guess, and new lessons, new classes and teachers are beginning. I hope you have the happiest and most successful year yet. We had a real stormy week, and the pets are very pleased. Jack and Annie had a great time during the weekend, sunbathing and building their castle on the sea. The sea flooded through the moat. It was a treat, and the Pets thought they should have had a picnic each, and they were satisfied. The Pets send heaps of love and best wishes.

OUR MAIL BAG Dear Uncle Phil—I have been away for a big holiday up the country, and I had great fun fishing for jubbies in a dam. We caught a very big one and put it in a bucket of water. I was very happy to see it, but we could not find him anywhere; but when we went to get the potatoes out of our last dinner she put her hand on our last potato. I was very happy to see it, but when I found our yabby, I was very happy to see it, but when I found our yabby, I was very happy to see it.

HOW MATCHES ARE MADE First of all, all the pine forests are cleared and sawn into suitable lengths for match sticks. Then these sticks are placed on a running belt, which transfers them to the match bins, where they are bleached, and phosphorus is added. Then they are placed on a running belt, which transfers them to the match bins, where they are bleached, and phosphorus is added.

A TRIP TO WALLAN One afternoon we went for a trip to Wallan. We drove along the main road through Eppin, and branched off at Donnybrook. We then drove through the country, and saw some very beautiful scenery. We saw some very beautiful scenery. We saw some very beautiful scenery.

A FAMOUS STATUE The wonderful statue of "The Boy with the Thorn in His Side" is now about 100 years old. Nobody knows who was the maker of this beautiful bronze figure. It is now about 100 years old. Nobody knows who was the maker of this beautiful bronze figure.

A GOOD LAUGH I hope you have a lovely time at your sister's place, and you would like to see me. I hope you have a lovely time at your sister's place, and you would like to see me. I hope you have a lovely time at your sister's place, and you would like to see me.

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THE COBBERS' CLUB Please enrol me as a member of the COBBERS' CLUB. Name: Address: Date of Birth: Present Age: Look for the COBBERS' CLUB next week.

WANTED KNOWN. THAT A LONG FELT WANT HAS NOW BEEN FILLED BY J. L. BROWN. Who has opened a NEW AND MODERN FRUIT SHOP at 389 HIGH ST. NORTHCOTE (Next Priggeon's)

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WHAT IS WANTED. E. DIMMICK. TAILOR, HATTER, MERCER, 329 HIGH STREET, NORTHCOTE. HAS OPENED A HIGH GRADE SPORTING GOODS DEPOT.

FAIRFIELD RAILWAY BRIDGE. SUGGESTED ALTERATIONS TO ROAD APPROACHES. As a result of negotiations between the Chief Secretary (Mr. Tunncliffe) and the New Council, road approaches on the south side of the outer circle railway bridge at Fairfield, which is being converted to carry vehicular traffic, are likely to be modified.

It is to be hoped some remedial measures will be formulated and contemplated before the advent of the approaching wet season, and more especially to the St. George's road crossing. "I suppose you and your husband are out a good deal now you've got a car?" "Oh, yes—pounds and pounds."

Impatient Diner: "I suppose, waiter, I can sit here till I starve?" Waiter: "I'm afraid not, sir. We close at ten."







NORTHCOTE LEARN TO SWIM DRIVE

NORTHCOTE CITY COUNCIL AND NORTHCOTE LIFE SAVING AND SWIMMING CLUB AT THE Northcote City Baths, FEBRUARY 8 TO FEBRUARY 22

J. A. THOMSON, Town Clerk. J. A. HOGAN, Hon. Sec. N.L.S. & S.C. CITY OF PRESTON MUNICIPAL BATHS.

HOURS OF OPENING FOR public information it is hereby notified that the PRESTON MUNICIPAL BATHS are OPEN as follows:

WEEK DAYS: 8 a.m. till 10 p.m. SUNDAYS: 7 a.m. till 12 noon. THE BATHS are NOT CLOSED from 5 till 9 p.m., as has been reported.

LEASE OF LAND AT THOMASTOWN. TENDERS are now being called for the LEASE OF RAILWAY LAND, 20ft x 50ft, at Thomastown station, for business purposes.

JUSTICES ACT 1915. INFORMATION OF UNLAWFUL ACTS. In the Court of Petty Sessions at Northcote, in the Central District, by William John Jones, Cattle Ranger to the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the City of Northcote, Informant.

UNKNOWN OWNER OF DEFENDANT. The information of William John Jones, of Northcote, in the Central District of Victoria, who saith that on the 11th day of January, 1930, at Northcote, in the said District of Victoria, the said unknown owner being the owner of certain cattle, to wit one Bay Pony Mare, about 14 hands, white visible brands, white blaze, little or no white hind fetlocks, white spots on forehead, and on certain land off Victoria road, and not being a common and such that there is no fence dividing such land from the said street without anyone having charge of the said cattle.

WHEREAS the above information has this day been laid by the above named William John Jones before me one His Majesty's Justice of the Peace in and for the Central District of Victoria, in the Court of Petty Sessions at Northcote, in answer to the said information and to be further dated with according to law.

W. HAYES, J.P. (Stamp Fee 2/6 Cancelled). Note:—If not claimed this court will be asked for an order to sell at noon the same day, February 11, 1930.

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DEATH OF MRS. YEOMANS. There passed away at her residence "Esme," Garden St., yesterday morning, one of Northcote's oldest residents in the person of Mrs. Yeomans, widow of the late Cr. C. Yeomans. During her husband's occupancy of the position as Mayor when Northcote was a borough, and also while in its town status, Mrs. Yeomans, and in those days took a prominent part in the social and charitable affairs of the municipality.

Mr. W. E. Clifton, from Northcote, has been promoted to telephone foreman at the Colfax post office. Mrs. Grant, of the Preston Returned Soldiers' League, has been spending a week's holiday with her daughter at Aspendale.

PERSONAL

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A vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Smith on the general committee of the Regent Progress Association was filled by the election of Mr. Perkins.

Mr. A. Smith, Plenty road, Preston, on Tuesday evening tendered his resignation on the general committee of the Regent Central Progress Association. The resignation was accepted with regret, and the splendid work done by Mr. Smith during his early pioneering days was eulogized.

Mr. Berrett had a breakdown with his car while en route, and on the following day, while going with the necessary parts in Mr. Patterson's car, he struck his head on the hood and received a nasty cut on his forehead. His hat, which was cut through, probably saved him from worse injury than being stunned.

A list of the improvements and activities of Preston's water commissioner Cr. E. E. Jones, during the last nine months was read at the Regent Central Progress Association meeting on Tuesday evening. The achievement was considered excellent, and it was decided to write to the City Council expressing the confidence of the association and congratulating it on having such an active representative.

Mr. W. G. Beard, of Wallace street, Preston, is still in Somerset House Private Hospital after an operation for appendicitis and peritonitis. Mr. Beard has made a steady recovery, considering his advanced age of 71 years, and is progressing extremely well. Mr. Beard is the father of Cr. A. C. Beard, one of Northcote's most popular councillors. His many friends will wish Mr. Beard a speedy and safe recovery.

The death occurred at an early hour on Thursday morning of Mr. John F. Richardson, of Raleigh St., Thornbury, after a lingering illness. He was well known in musical circles in Geelong, and was formerly conductor of the choir at St. Joseph's, Northcote. He is survived by his widow.

On Saturday evening last a social gathering was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. McDonald in Mason street, Regent, by the "OryFov" party, as it was not until late in the evening that it was disclosed that the occasion was a surprise birthday party for Miss Rose Harcourt, returning to Australia after an absence of approximately six months. Mr. and Mrs. McDonald will travel on the same boat as the Australian team for England.

EXTRAORDINARY ELECTION Mr. M. CLYDE JONES

NORTH WARD—CITY OF NORTHCOTE. At the request of a large number of Ratepayers of the North Ward of 10 GOODCH STREET. Has consented to be a CANDIDATE FOR ELECTION to the Seat rendered vacant by the Resignation of Cr. Angus McDonald. VOTE AND WORK FOR CLYDE JONES

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WILLIAM FOX PRESENTS The BLACK WATCH ALL TALKING FOX MOVIE TONE FEATURE

Advertisement for 'The Black Watch' featuring a picture of a soldier and the text 'ALL TALKING FOX MOVIE TONE FEATURE'.

VICTOR MCLAGLEN MYRNA LOY - DAVID ROLLINS - ROY DARCY Directed by JOHN FORD

The Interview ALL TALKING COMEDY - ALL TALKING SINGING SHORTS WIFE OF A TOREADOR. MOTHERHOOD.

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Alleged "Milking" Preston Council Cars DISCUSSION BY COUNCIL

PETROL TESTS TO BE HELD. Rumors which have been circulating in Preston for some time regarding the council's cars were brought before the Preston Council on Monday, that one of the cars had been "milked."

Mr. E. E. Jones, the water commissioner, introduced a resolution on Monday, that Cr. J. W. Adams be asked to report on the condition of the Morris-Cowley car, and he had taken the opportunity of doing so while it was dismantled. That was the reason why the report was ready.

Mr. Robinson—I've missed three meetings in 12 years, and if in time you can show a similarly good record, all right and good, but I don't think you will. Cr. Newton suggested that a petrol consumption test be taken on the council's cars, and he suggested that the car be given more than 8 m.p.g.

It was decided that the report be the Cowley car, Cr. Robinson said it was used by the Mayor, and the use of the car was not the council's concern. Cr. Robinson said that the report be the Cowley car, Cr. Robinson said it was used by the Mayor, and the use of the car was not the council's concern.

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PRESTON UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB. The Preston United Football Club held its annual meeting on Wednesday evening of last week, and the club should have a record season. The following officers were elected: President, Mr. H. Stanbury; secretary, Messrs. J. Hargreaves; vice-presidents, Messrs. J. Douglas, P. Hargreaves, C. Lindgren, H. Davis, S. Greig, H. Zane, J. Morton, W. Stone, A. Stark; treasurer, Mr. J. Tanneke; secretary, Mr. A. F. Chatfield; assistant secretary, Mr. N. Merrett. A committee was also appointed to look after the club's interests.

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PRESTON'S WATER COMMISSIONER. CR. CRISPE APPOINTED. Mr. C. T. Crispe was appointed by the Preston Council as its representative on the Board of Works for the next three years, on Monday evening, when he was elected to the position. He will assume office about the end of the month.

PRESTON COURT. THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13. Before Mr. T. D. O'Callaghan, P.M., and Mr. Orlando Walker, J.P. "Cut the Corner". Charles Roberts, of Epping, who "cut the corner" when turning from High street to Bell street on January 5, was fined £1.

Unlicensed Motor Cycle. Albert Oterway, Malpas street, Preston, was charged with having driven a motor cycle in Plenty road without being licensed, on December 26.

Husband and Wife. Mrs. Grimes related how, when her husband, Michael Grimes, aged 50, was taken ill with a severe attack of pneumonia, for which he was confined to bed, she had to look after him for three weeks.

Noxious Weeds. Mrs. S. A. Crawford, Hawthorn road, Northcote, charged with having failed to destroy noxious weeds on land in St. Vidgen's road, Preston, was fined £1.

PRESTON LAWN TENNIS ASSOCIATION. Results of matches played on February 8: A Grade—Cranross (68) d Coon (43); Regent Park (51) d Hill (51) on sets.

DAIRY PRODUCE PICNIC. Dairy produce shops will be closed on Monday, February 17, for the annual cattle picnic.

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THE RIDDLE OF THE CLOCK

By J. L. BESTON.

"It is wicked! Monstrous! A most abominable shame. I—I cannot believe it!"

It was a crushing blow that had fallen on the tenants of Acorn Villa, Finchley. Ravenshaw's uncle, who had died leaving property in land to be divided among his four children...

"My dear girl, Rupert Ravenshaw was not dead, nor anywhere near it. A slender head never moved upon his shoulders. Selfish, cunning, vindictive. He might have been, but mad—mad as for a contesting the will, where the money to come from his salary will be ample provided; nor do I think we could show undue influence over him on Spendrick's part."

"Inquiries, however, only showed that litigation would almost assuredly fail. There was no flaw in the will which gave Mark Spendrick everything. It was bound up with certain conditions that would allow him to take a cottage on the estate, or cut down a single tree. But the annual income of five thousand a year that it produced was Mark Spendrick's, sure enough."

"I assure you, sir, that my feelings towards yourself are in no way altered," said Spendrick with grim sarcasm, regardless of a meaning look from his wife.

"My dear Nigel, I am very glad to hear it," said the visitor, his eyes again seeking the clock. "More words on this line are worth nothing. Protestation and denial may regard me as a lunatic by something more substantial. To come straight to the point, I should be pleased if any regard me as a lunatic by something more substantial. To come straight to the point, I should be pleased if any regard me as a lunatic by something more substantial."

Ravenshaw gasped. "If this is not a deadly insult, I should like to know what it is." "Nigel!" interrupted Elsie, clasping his arm. "Do you not see that this is a veiled piece of good fortune for us? This tried old friend of Uncle Rupert was eccentric."

"I have caused to," he said, "I feel sure of it—covers his good intentions towards us. Look again at the letter. A token of my love. Look upon this tried old friend with no ungrateful feelings, and cherish it. There! Could anything be plainer? There! Must be diamonds, or something very precious hidden inside it!"

"That is soon settled," said Nigel, rather pale. He placed the heavy marble time-piece face downwards on a table by the window, and peered into its interior, but there was certainly nothing of greater value than a conglomeration of cog-wheels and springs. Then he turned it up the other way and saw a fine ruby or shining diamond roll from its hiding-place, but nothing of great value.

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"I am obliged to you," replied Nigel coldly. "You have done me no good. You have only made me more miserably poor. You have only made me more miserably poor. You have only made me more miserably poor."

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THE TREND OF POPULATION: -: CRICKET -:

HIGH INCREASE IN PRESTON. In the eight years between the census of 1921 and December 31, 1929, the population of Greater Melbourne within a 10-mile radius of the Elizabeth street post office has increased from 782,979 to 1,018,200, according to statistics issued by the Government...

TRAM CONCESSION FARES FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN. The Tramways Board has made available a special State school certificate to entitle children between 12 and 16 attending central schools for special instruction in sewing, cookery or woodwork to travel on trams between schools at children's fare.

CLUB ELEVENS. Brunswick 84 (Siewers 20 and 2/25; McKenzie 21; Baring 5/25; Walker 5/43); v Northcote, two for 63 (McKay 29 n.o.).

THE JUNIORS. FAIRFIELD V SOUTH MELBOURNE FOOTBALLERS. South Melbourne Footballers had an easy day at Fairfield, their opponents being dismissed for 46. Spicer (19) was the only batsman who reached double figures.

JIKA ASSOCIATION. Reservoir, six for 162 (Roberts 41; Bowling 40; n.o.; 4/24; Couch 20 n.o.; 2/25; 5/29; 4/24); v Broadstairs, seven for 42 (Bassett 28); v Bell Stars, 95 (Bradford 5/19); v Northcote, 59 (Shields 35, Grieg 20); v Preston Footballers, four for 64 (Punch 27, Kupsch 4/2).

MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION. Footscray, 66 (Cross 27); v Northcote, 80 (Shaw 47 and 3/8); v Preston, 47 (Lawn 5/10); v Broadstairs, 41 (Petherford 30); v Bell Stars, 95 (Bradford 5/19); v Northcote, 59 (Shields 35, Grieg 20); v Preston Footballers, four for 64 (Punch 27, Kupsch 4/2).

CHURCH ASSOCIATIONS. Northcote and Preston Thornbury Presbyterians, 104 (C. Bowden 51, A. Shaw 9; A. O'Connor 7/24, A. Pink 2/19); v St. James' Church of England, two for 11 (D. Osmond 21, A. Gray 2/24, L. Wildsmith 2/25).

BAPTIST CHURCH. First Grade.—Northcote, 171 (L. Keeble 41); v Preston, eight for 20. Second Grade.—Preston, 50 (Keeble 6/15); v West Preston, nine for 130 (Hovitt 50, Fuller 24; L. Harvey 4/22).

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FRIENDLY SOCIETIES. I.N.F. Windsor, 224 (R. Love 72, M. Love 32, McLean 27, Edward 4/88); v Northcote, none for 22.

F.A.F.S. Brunswick, 93 and one for 24 (S. Farman 27, Graham 4/14); v Fairfield, 51 (Morag 8/27); v Preston, 82 (Toy 24); v North Melbourne, two for 46 (Bitter 25).

H.A.C.B.S. Thornbury, 146 (Hansen 70); v West Melbourne, two for 45 (Nelson 28 n.o.; Roberts 8/40).

G.U.O.F. Northcote, 83 (Hogg 39; Kimball 1/22); v Crown of Success, six for 55 (Paige 18). I.O.R. Senior Competition. Fairfield, 127 (Bettes 55, Jones 26); v Northcote B, nine for 37 (Shoebright 4/10).













IN MEMORIAM. TULK—In loving memory of my dear husband and our dear father, Frederick J. Tulk, who passed away February 19, 1924. Time's steady fingers smooth out the edge of grief.

The Leader JUSTICE TO ALL Published Every Friday MORNING

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1930

THE GOVERNMENT AND THE PROPOSED UNEMPLOYED RATE. As the years roll on the Government that come and go are continuing to foist their unwanted "babies" on to the municipalities, which are then expected to carry them on for ever.

At its last meeting the Central Council of Preston Progress Association discussed the question of interest free loans to municipalities. After some discussion it was decided to make the preliminary arrangements for debate.

At the request of the North Ward Progress Association the Northcote Council has instructed the city engineer to lay the refuse tip in Clyde street.

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reporting damage promptly to the council officers or to the police, or by collecting evidence on which the council may successfully launch prosecutions.

Another type of vandalism seems to be on the increase in the city and suburbs. It is the vandals who tear up gardens, root out shrubs, straggle trees, and often steal roses and plants that have just been planted out.

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CHURCH NEWS. James Street Presbyterian Church. On Sunday morning the James Street Presbyterian Church pulpit was occupied by the Rev. D. A. Cunneen, M.A., who preached a most interesting and instructive sermon.

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News About Town

Train and Tram Accident. On February 12 an electric train crashed through the railway gates and struck a cable tram in St. George's road, North Fitzroy, injuring two people.

Lighting at the Baths. The North Ward Progress Association has urged the Northcote Council that improved lighting be installed at the baths. The town clerk (Mr. A. Thomson) said recently £10 had been spent on additional lighting.

Groundless Complaint Against Fire Brigade. The charges made by some of the firemen at the recent fire in Chapel street concerning the alleged late arrival of the firemen are proved by the records of the brigade to be groundless.

Northcote Free Library. Durist's park over the Northcote Free Library issued between 80,000 and 90,000 books for home reading, and quite as many more people used the library building which is to be destroyed.

North Ward Tip. At the request of the North Ward Progress Association the Northcote Council has instructed the city engineer to lay the refuse tip in Clyde street.

New Sewerage Area. The Board of Works has declared a new sewerage area in the vicinity of Struttie street, Northcote.

Desired Technical School. At the request of the Northcote Council, Mr. J. G. Hunt, of Perth, West Coburg, was not considered resident in any way for the accident.

Request for Power Operated Railway Gates. Mr. J. G. Hunt, of Perth, West Coburg, was not considered resident in any way for the accident.

Band Recitals. The Northcote Citizens' and Soldiers' Band has held a series of recitals at the home of Mrs. J. G. Hunt, of Perth, West Coburg, was not considered resident in any way for the accident.

60th Battalion. The 60th Battalion (Heidelberg Regiment) desires any officers of the 60th Battalion, A.I.F., or other officers in the district who are not on the active list, to communicate with battalion headquarters at Westgarth if they are interested in the plan for unit reserves of officers' lists.

Register Your Dogs. The town clerk of Northcote notices that all dogs must be registered before March 17 or owners may be prosecuted.

Public Speakers' Class. Mr. Williams gave a paper on Nationalisation Versus Socialisation, the subject was debated by Messrs. J. E. Hannan, O'Meara, Andrew, Block, Batt and McPhee, the general opinion being in favor of socialisation.

Preston Branch, A.L.P. The usual meeting of the class held under the auspices of the Preston branch of the A.L.P. was held in the Bradford Hall on Sunday morning last.

St. Mary's, East Preston. The Rev. F. Parsons, pastor of St. Mary's, East Preston, announces a general meeting of the congregation for Wednesday evening next.

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JANEFIELD SANATORIUM.

PORTION MAY BE USED FOR MENTAL DEFECTIVES. The Chief Secretary (Mr. Tunnecliffe) is considering the details of the building for using portion of the Jane-field Sanatorium as a home for mental defectives.

When the match was resumed at Essendon on Saturday the home team continued its innings, having lost eight wickets for 164 runs.

CLUB ELEVEN. Northcote, 124 (McKay 41; Sievers 3/48; Kinnear 7/50; d Brunswick, 84 and five for 104 (Palmer 52 n.o.; Baring 5/61).

SUB-DISTRICTS. BRUNSWICK v PRESTON. Brunswick made 139 in reply to Preston's 117. Bowling once more headed the list with 61.

Second Eleven. Preston, 113 and eight for 137 (Rooney 36; Davis 29; Guthrie 2/28; Warnecke 3/7; d Brunswick, 79 and six (closed) for 106 (W. Roberts 95; Malchin 28; Warnecke 25; Almond 20; Brewer 2/33; Davis 1/0; Selbeck 1/34), by 34 runs on the first innings.

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at five for 150, the game was by no means safe, the Essendon men being on their toes and giving nothing away in the field. Up to 1.15 the home team, a slump set in, and they were all out for 198, eight short of Essendon's total. It was a very interesting match, thoroughly enjoyed by all who were present.

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CHURCH ASSOCIATIONS. Church of Christ. First Grade. Churchway, 217 (Seal 70, Crisp 30, R. Wright 28, Seal 31 n.o.), d Northcote, 67 and 107 (Smith 22 and 71; Armstrong 7/36; Reynolds 6/24; McFarlan, 135; d Preston, 97 and six for 46).

Northcote and Preston. First Grade. Thornbury Presbyterians, 104 (C. Bowden 57, A. Shaw 9; A. O'Connor 7/34; A. Pink 2/19) and nine for 116 (J. Love 39, E. Rupper 15, G. Milne 12 n.o.; A. Pink 4/38; R. Caro, line 2/16); v St. James' Church of Christ, 208 (Seal 31 n.o.), d Northcote, 37; J. Watson 3/16, L. Wildsmith 3/51; A. Gray 2/42; J. Milne 1/12).

St. Mary's, 118 and nine for 12 (Mackay sen. 47 and 7/29; Mackay jun. 33; d Northcote Crusaders, 69 and 60 (Smith 31; Roadking 4/12); St. George's road Methodists, 89 and 76 (Sherman 34, McCasker 38; F. Fanner 28; d Church of Christ, 141; 146 and 110 (Johnson 23, Docking 34); Croxton Methodists, 78 (Windslade 34) v Northcote Epiphany, 23 and 42 (A. Nielsen 10/28; E. Webster 7/10).

Baptist Church. First Grade. Northcote, 171 (L. Keeble 44; H. Keeble 38; Parrivision 4/30); v Preston, 130 and one for 124 (Hovitt 50; O'Brien 3/25; Harvey 4/12).

Second Grade. Northcote, 171 (L. Keeble 44; H. Keeble 38; Parrivision 4/30); v Preston, 130 and one for 124 (Hovitt 50; O'Brien 3/25; Harvey 4/12).

JICA ASSOCIATION. Reservoir, 243 (F. Couch 65; O. Forde 59; T. Roberts 41; O. Forde 5/2; F. Bagnall 3/36); v Northcote, 66 and 144 (Parker 5/28; H. Birchall 5/73).

East Northcote, 128 and six for 113 (Shields 35; Bassett 60; Ross 4/32); v Preston Footballers, 158 (H. Stevens 31; Kuppch 5/18; 158 and five for 30 (L. Barken 4/30; R. Smith 3/23); v Preston United, 61 and 72 (Marronette 5/42); v Northcote, 111 and six for 72 (Tauby 39 n.o.; Bradford 11/37; Hovitt 6/40); v Bell Stars, 95 and 34 (Dockney 6/41; E. Elms 4/30).

MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION. Footscray, 66 and seven (closed) for 130 (Cross 27; Rawlinson 40; W. 38; Ross 11/50; Northcote, 86 and five for 113 (Rowe 69 n.o.; Ross 47).

Prenton, 47 and 141 (Foster 72); v Camberwell, 218.

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A.O.U.D. Andross, 30 and 59 (S. Hancock 8/46; J. Gresham 5/27); lost to Preston, 137 (S. Hancock 75; S. Gorch 4/32).

L.N.F. Windsor, 221 (R. Love 73; M. Love 52); v Northcote, 91 (R. Pain 40; Edwards 40; M. Love 58; Rain 4/9).

P.A.F.S. Brunswick, 83 and five for 114 (S. Fanner 28, P. Prohasky 38; Ridgeway 42 and 4/40; v Fairfield, 40 and 60 (Garbur 4/8; Smith 3, 2, R. Smith 8/27).

I.O.R. Senior Competition. Northcote A, seven for 155 (teased), and one for 73 (closed); (Herbert 36 n.o.; Brown 27 n.o.; v Ivanhoe, 44 and 81 (Brown 7/21; Scott 5/18; McRae 4/25).

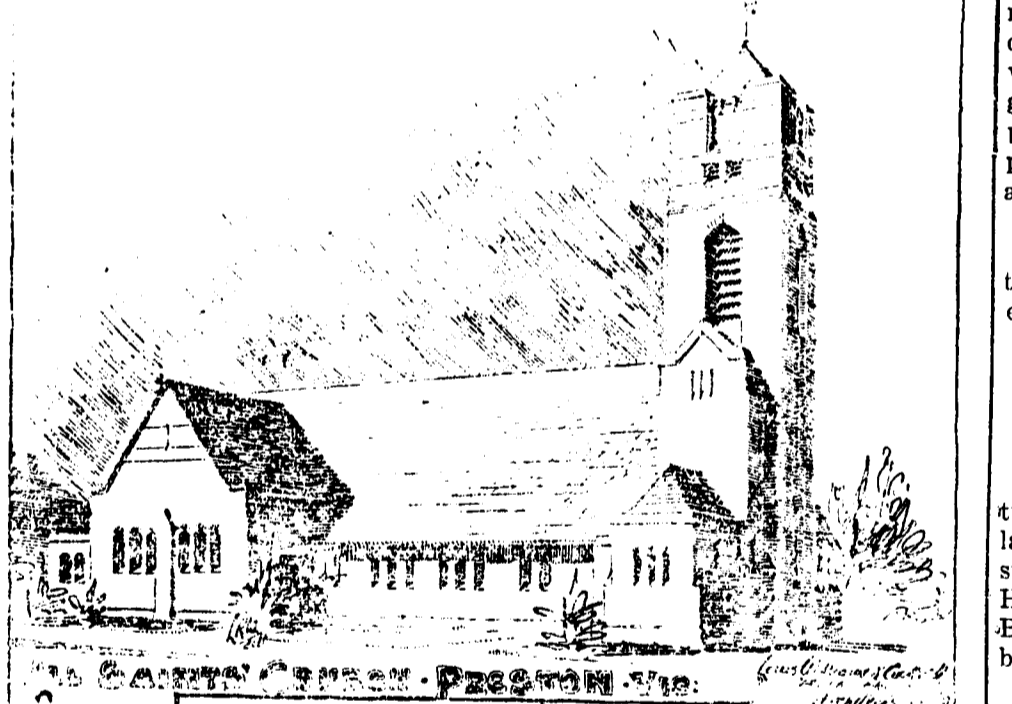
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The following will represent Northcote against John Vale—L. Taylor (c), J. Angus (c.), Buckley, Hamblin, Gombel, Byrne, D. Brunton, Roadley, H. Angus, N. Brunton, Humphries; emergency, Flint.

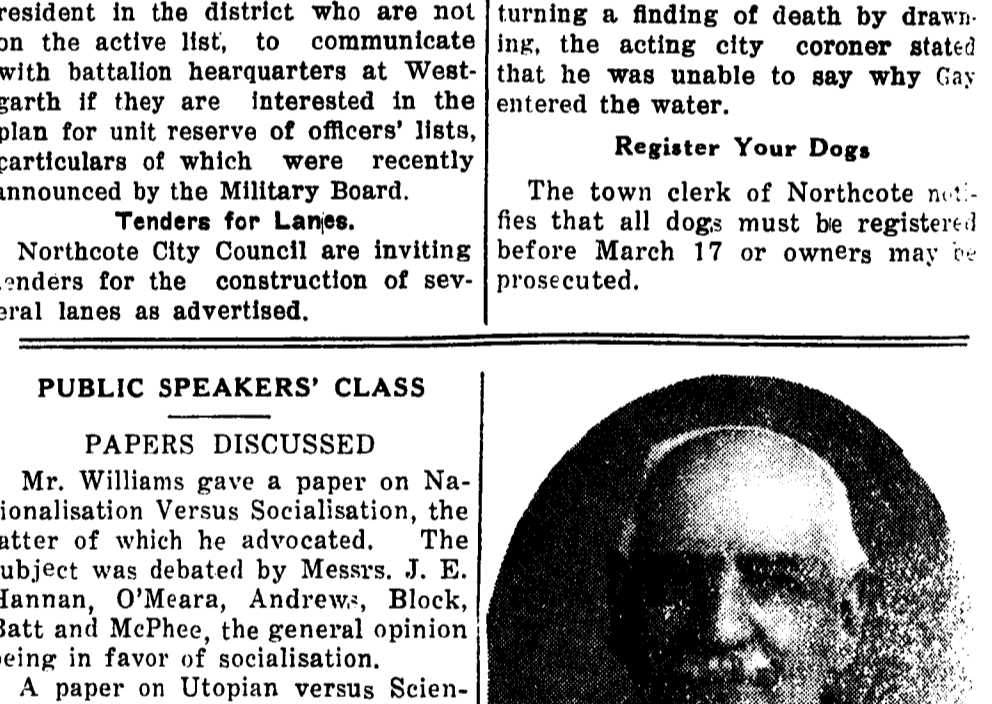
RETURNED SOLDIERS. Northcote, 32 and 74 (Lyons 31; McShane 4/18 and 2/25; F. Hall 4, 7; Williams 19; 43 and 42 (closed); 32; Lyons 5/17; O'Neill 3/8).

WOMEN'S CRICKET. Preston, 108 (J. Sutton 15, Q. Momey 23; P. Edwards 14; L. Lambert 12 and 2/6; A. Webster 3, 19; 1; Webster 3/20; d Y.W.C.A. Red, 59 (D. Deban 19 and 4/35; S. Neagle 8, R. Tucker 5/34).

WHITLESEA ASSOCIATION. The cricket association last week-end in the above session was the bowling of "Billy" Reid, a youth, who disposed of four of the Doreen cricketers for 2 runs in the match Mernda v Doreen.



All Saints' Church of England, Preston, of which it is expected the foundation stone will shortly be laid.



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**THE RIDDLE OF THE CLOCK.**  
 CHAPTER II.

But, alas! the old marble clock failed to discharge anything like hidden treasure. In desperation Nigel stepped so far as to smash the black case, but it was just solid marble, and yielded no secret. With deep groans Nigel flung the mass of wheels and springs into an empty drawer.  
 "And now we have neither the clock nor the thousand pounds," sobbed his wife.  
 "If he really wants to make us a present of the money, and has no ulterior object, then I will accept it if he renews his offer," said Nigel. "I own that it looks as if I was mistaken, since the wretched deed could have been of no earthly good to him—who can afford to buy half a million like me?"

The week passed, however, and Mark Spendrick neither called again at Fern Villa, nor wrote. Elsie was in despair. She asked her husband to compose a nice letter, expressing his agreeable willingness to accept the money, but he refused to do so. Instead, he stuck both hands in his trousers pockets, and said emphatically, "Not a word!"  
 Then a strange thing happened. One morning, two hours after the master of the house had left on his daily journey to the city, a man presented himself at the front door with the information that he had come from Mr. Simpson, a local watch and clock maker.

"A gentleman left instructions at the shop for someone to call at Fern Villa to bring away the dining-room clock to be cleaned," said the man respectfully.  
 "Elsie's thought was that her husband wanted the mechanism put together again, and had dropped in at Simpson's on his way to the city. Remembering that the marble case had been destroyed, she asked, without suspicion:  
 "I suppose Mr. Ravenshaw chose a new case?"  
 "The other looked at Elsie a little oddly as he answered, after a momentary hesitation:  
 "Oh, no, ma'am. I was to unscree the clock and remove it from the case in the usual way. You shall have it back by to-morrow."

Amazement and sudden suspicion must have been the result of this face, for the man stepped back, unsteady, watchful. "Perhaps you would care to see it," he said, and he stammered, with a side glance as if to see that his way of remark was clear.  
 "The hall door closed promptly upon the fellow, who practically took to his heels.  
 When Ravenshaw returned that evening he listened to the story of the incident with the utmost perplexity and surprise. Inquiries showed that there was no local clock-maker of the name of Simpson.  
 "There is but one man who could have got this fellow to call at the house," concluded Nigel. "His name is Spendrick. He failed to get our clock by open purchase, and had to resort to this trick."  
 "But why?"  
 "That's the puzzle. Why, indeed? It beats me altogether. There is a mystery about that old timepiece which is fathoms deep. I would believe now that Spendrick would never have offered for fear of rousing our suspicions. My dear he would give his eyeballs for the clock. But why—why—why? And if I hadn't smashed the case, and he hadn't handed it over to this man who called?"  
 "I suppose so," answered Elsie nervously.  
 "Thank heaven you did not. If Uncle Rupert's gift is worth a thousand pounds to Mark Spendrick, it is worth his running such a serious risk as this trick on his part necessarily involves, then it must be worth a good many thousands to us. Where are the wheels and things? I'll over-haul them once more."  
 It was a hopeless task. The search revealed nothing.  
 Nearly a month passed. Nothing more was heard of Mark Spendrick, who had presumably gone back to his country estate and the enjoyment of that noble legacy. The Ravenshaws, after having worried themselves almost into a condition of nervous breakdown over the old timepiece,

had determined to resolutely put the subject out of mind.  
 One night the master of the house awoke suddenly. He had an idea that some noise had abruptly shattered his slumbers. He listened intently, and the unmistakable sound of a footfall on a creaking stair made him leap out of bed.  
 He had a revolver loaded away in a drawer in the bedroom, and the rattle of keys as he groped for the right one awoke his wife.  
 "Don't be afraid," whispered Nigel, in answer to an anxious inquiry.  
 "Someone is moving about the house. It may be the maid, or it may be a burglar."  
 He drew out the revolver, which was loaded in every chamber. Opening the door softly, he emerged on to the landing. At the same instant he heard, rather than perceived, someone moving upon the stairway.  
 "Who's that? Answer, or I fire!" he rapped out.

"The muffled impression was the reply. The pistol cracked, it darted once, and red-yellow flame illuminated the scene. A man was falling down the stairs in his hurry to escape. Ravenshaw darted into the dining-room, through the French windows at the further end, which opened on to the garden, and made his entry—leaped over a fence fence at the end of the garden, and vanished in the darkness. His pursuer did not follow. But his presence was felt in the night attire, and rain was pelting down in a torrent.  
 Nigel's mind was whirling as he made up his mind to what he had been taken. His wife and the scared maid appeared on the stairs and joined in the investigation. The burglar had left signs of his disturbing presence in all the downstairs rooms, but had apparently taken not the smallest article.  
 This was singular. It could not but suggest the notion of a burglar of the midnight intruder was no common or garden thief ready for the first plunder that came to hand.  
 He wanted my jewels," said Elsie, white-faced and shivering.  
 "—Ravenshaw did not conclude the sentence, but his eyes turned meaningfully to the mantel. The ornaments on it had been disturbed. He felt a hand had touched the strings in the dark, and a framed photograph had been knocked from the shelf.  
 The conclusion was obvious; an attempt had been made to burglar the old dining-room clock.

"And if the fellow was not Mark Spendrick, then who? I don't know," said Ravenshaw fiercely. "The flash of my pistol did not show me his face, but the words of Spendrick's height and build."  
 "Nigel, he would never, never dare do such a thing as this. To take the risk of imprisonment for the sake of a few trinkets? Heaven know what it means to him, I don't, and I give up the idea. I have a friend—Chief-inspector Laidlaw—at New Scotland Yard, and to-morrow I place the whole affair in his hands."  
 But Chief-inspector Laidlaw was never called upon. The mystery, which Elsie believed to be so simple, so very simple, after all.  
 It was at breakfast next morning.  
 "I'll call on Laidlaw on my way to the office," said Nigel.  
 "Hadn't you better take him Uncle Rupert's letter?" suggested Elsie.  
 "Certainly. What is it?"  
 Elsie took it out from a bundle of others in a writing-desk, and glanced at its message once more.  
 Suddenly she uttered a little gasp; her eyes opened wide, her hands that held the note shook.  
 "Nigel—Nigel—I've solved the mystery!" she cried.  
 Ravenshaw jumped up abruptly, and leant over his wife's shoulder, looking at her forefinger as it indicated the key of the situation. It was Uncle Rupert's own handwriting.  
 "P-e-n-d-u-l-u-m—Pendulum!" he almost yelled, and flew to the drawer where he had deposited the works of the old clock.  
 It was an ordinary pendulum, with a brass disc. It took Ravenshaw five minutes to solve its riddle. He found that the disc was in two pieces—the back and front, one screwing into the other, leaving a hollow space between. In that space was a neatly folded document of thinnest paper. It was the last will and testament of Mark Spendrick, leaving his entire property to his nephew.

What was the old man's idea? Beyond doubt the dead man had thought to torture his enemy, Mark Spendrick, in a very strange and cunning manner. He had apparently left him a legacy, and later testament, which he never knew known. The old man had contrived to let his enemy know that a later will existed, and that it was concealed in the old clock. This knowledge was a very sword which would pierce Spendrick's heart. The fortune he had enjoyed his head, any moment he taken from him. The document was a sub-committee of the trustees of the dead man's estate. It was a meeting of all members and intending members will be held after the parade on February 27. It is necessary that all members be present, as officers bear, will be elected and arrangements made for a ground. It was intended that he had had left his fortune to the secretary of the committee, which is now uncertain owing to orders received. Any further information, send to Lieut. L. Jones, secretary, at the office of Wing. Cpl. A. Coy; Sgt. May; H.Q. Wing; Cpl. Campion; D. Coy; Pte. George; D. Coy; Sgt. Laming; B. Coy.

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 Recruiting.—The number recruited now stands at 195, showing a steady increase.  
 Route March.—A battalion route march with colors was carried out through Preston on Saturday, and from the interest displayed it is hoped that an influx of recruits will result.  
 Easter Camp.—It has been decided to hold a camp at Easter, but the location has not yet been decided.  
 Tactical Week-end.—A voluntary tactical week-end for officers and N.C.O.'s will be held on March 8 and 9.  
 Football Club.—The Battalion has decided to form a football club. A section has been formed and is being appointed as a sub-committee of the Battalion Social Club, and a general meeting of all members and intending members will be held after the parade on February 27. It is necessary that all members be present, as officers bear, will be elected and arrangements made for a ground. It was intended that he had had left his fortune to the secretary of the committee, which is now uncertain owing to orders received. Any further information, send to Lieut. L. Jones, secretary, at the office of Wing. Cpl. A. Coy; Sgt. May; H.Q. Wing; Cpl. Campion; D. Coy; Pte. George; D. Coy; Sgt. Laming; B. Coy.

**SPEDING MOTORISTS.**  
**COMPLAINTS OF "MOTOR HOGS"**  
 With the good roads that the Northcote Council is constructing has come the grave menace of the "motor hog." This class of motorist seems to be that roads like St. George's road have been specially built to satisfy. It is a nuisance to the public, and a danger to the life of the motorist. It is no uncommon sight to see several of these "hogs" tearing along this road at a speed that is a grave menace to all pedestrians walking across the road, and particularly to children.  
 The side streets also have been turned into speedways, and such complaints are made at the discretion of the police. It is not uncommon to see the motor cycle patrol in the side street.  
 A resident of Keon street recently spoke to a speedster for riding a motor cycle on the footway in the street, and after being subjected to a lot of abuse was asked to "step down" by a motorist coming out of the right-of-way between Johnston and Stott streets, and many other places. These motorists could be quoted as being knocked over by these "hogs" on several occasions when pedestrians have stated their intention of reporting matters to the police they have been threatened that they will be kept quiet.  
 It is time that the police paid more attention to the back and side streets for these speedsters.  
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**SHOOTER'S MISFORTUNE.**  
**BURSTING GUN BARREL INJURES HAND**  
**THORNBURY MAN THE VICTIM**  
 Mr. F. C. Kelley, the well-known builder and contractor, who lives in Chapel street, Thornbury, met with an accident at Nagambie on Saturday. He was using a double-barrelled gun, and as he fired it one of the barrels burst, causing severe injuries to his left hand. None of the other members of the party was able to drive the car, although Kelley inserted the opening looked for the level. The explosion which would have been expected did not, however, occur, and the man was on his feet and in possession of his wits. The unfortunate man would have been blown into eternity, and the coroner's inquest into the matter has determined that his death was caused accidentally, whilst the ordinary man about town would have said that it was caused by nothing but foolishness.  
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**TENNIS.**  
**REGENT CLUB**  
**NORTHCOTE COUNCIL NOTES**  
 The council has decided that, whilst it was desirable the widening of Separation street, west of Victoria road, could not be carried out on account of the financial outlay involved. The council has made application to the Commonwealth Bank for overdraft in its general account of £10,421.  
 The council has decided to offer no objection to a bus route operating between Northcote and the Keon Cemetery, via Dennis street, St. David street, Kellett street, Victoria road, Separation street and Station street to Heidelberg road.  
 The council has no objection to a proposal to operate a night motor bus service between Preston and Melbourne between midnight and 5 a.m.

**ATHLETIC LIGHT TOURNAMENT**  
 Ladies' and Gentlemen's Doubles  
 The Regent Tennis Club will hold an athletic light doubles handicap tournament for ladies and gentlemen on March 17. Trophies valued at £14/4 will be awarded to the winners. Entry fees are 3/- per pair, and entries, accompanied by the names of best performers must be sent to Mr. J. Butterfield, 202 High Street, Regent, and Mr. Regent, not later than 8 p.m. on March 8. A notice appears elsewhere.

**LIFE SAVING AND SWIMMING.**  
**PRESTON CLUB GAINS FIRST AWARDS.**

The newly formed Preston Life Saving and Swimming Club, which has headquarters at the Preston baths, has broken the ice and gained a position of honor in the Victorian Life Saving Society.

On Wednesday, February 13, the club submitted three of its members, Messrs A. Newman and Messrs. N. Cain and J. Gibb, for the bronze medal award, and each was successful. Miss Newman being the more advanced of the three, her work in the water was especially fine. The club also submitted five members for the lesser awards, the elementary and proficiency certificates each of the candidates passed. Like all inland life saving clubs, the Preston club is not getting the patronage of the public that its work deserves, but now that its members have proved their worth, perhaps the public will rally round the club and give it more support. Mr. W. Donnet, the honorary instructor, is deserving of much praise for the way he presented the class, having to instruct it under much difficulty, as there are no club rooms. The examiner was Mr. Woods, chairman of the Victorian Life Saving Society, Mr. V. Harris, of the Preston baths, is the hon. secretary of the club.

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**CRICKET**  
**JIKA ASSOCIATION**  
 The following umpires have been appointed for February 22 and March 1:  
 Prestonite vs Preston United (Simmonds and Pater).  
 Darbin vs Broadhursts (Howard and Maston).  
 Scouts vs Reservoir (Sergeant and Byron).  
 Preston Footballers vs Goverville (Loughlin and Croft).  
 East Preston vs Bell Stars on Reservoir cricket (Ludlow and Haysom).  
 Byes.—Pratt and Rawfer. East Northcote, bye.  
 Points scored by clubs (including the ninth round)—Reservoir, 39; Goverville, 29; Prestonite, 38; Preston Footballers, 32; East Preston, 24; Broadhursts, 19; East Northcote, 14; Darbin, 13; Bell Stars, 10; Scouts, 8. The semi-finals will be commenced on Scouts at Goverville on March 22 (1.45 p.m. to 6 p.m.), and continued on Monday, March 24 (starting at 10.15 a.m., lunch 1 to 2 p.m., play from 2 to 6 p.m.). The final will be played on the Scouts' cricket ground on March 29, April 5 and 12, play commencing at 1.45 p.m. and concluding at 6 p.m. each day.  
 Northcote and Preston Sunday Schools  
 Preston Methodist, 169 (B. Kilpatrick, 10; L. McKenzie, 10; L. Spargo, 11; A. Westcott, 6; K. Nicholas, 2/29; L. Hill, 2/31); 2 Thornbury Presbyterians, 55 and 42 (A. Boyd, 10; L. Hill, 15 and 25; L. Spargo, 10/48; A. Westcott, 6/38).

**METROPOLITAN BOARD.**  
**ACTIVITIES IN NORTHCOTE.**

Commissioner Dennis, Northcote's representative on the Metropolitan Board of Works, gave the council some interesting figures dealing with the board's activities at its meeting on Monday.

On the board's storeyard in Arthurton road since 1925-26 559,292 has been spent including land £7,445, buildings £28,508, roads (inside and out) £15,432, gardens (inside) £115, gardens (outside) £700. The total number of employees at the yard is 154, and its area is 123 acres.  
 Other expenditures in Northcote include improvements to the Merri Creek (including cut, 4574), £1,130. For the three years 1/1/27 to 31/12/29 420 chairs of 4-inch and 6-inch mats were laid at cost of £7,795, and in addition 108 chains of 3-inch, 12-inch and 18-inch "improved" mats were laid at cost of £1,130. Water services could be given. Also during the same period the board had spent on the Merri Creek Northcote Council to the extent of £7,000 for the beautification of the pipe track in St. George's road.  
 On no drainage expenditure reached £36,648, and on sewerage construction £15,128. The total number of persons employed by the board is 2948.  
 Commissioner Dennis gave a short outline of the steps taken by the board to acquire a property at Mordialoo for the establishment of a sewerage farm, and for the acquisition of water works board already holds an Order-in-Council.  
 A vote of thanks was passed to Cr. Dennis for the information he gave.

**CARELESS MOTORISTS**  
 The carelessness of a minority of motorists is responsible for a general belief that all are alike careless. This is not so, but on Saturday evening an instance of negligent driving occurred which might easily have been attended with serious results. A motorist was crossing the intersection of Beaconsfield parade and High Street, a motor was standing, facing east, with headlights in full blast. The driver, who was thought to be a parade in a southerly direction. Just as they crossed in front of the station, a motorist drove rapidly from the west, without warning and without any lights. The pedestrians had to beat a hasty retreat to avoid collision, and the motorist drove on, majestically swept past. Immediately it swung into High street its occupants were blinded by the glare of the headlights. The narrow escape he had of running down the pedestrians, or was it the fear of detection by a constable which caused him to stop? Although he complied with the regulations?  
 The same pedestrians, a few minutes later, were crossing the intersection of High street into Elm street. Its tail light, naturally, was invisible to them. A motorist at night without headlights, without a horn being sounded, might reasonably be compared to a snake slithering about in the dark, and causing severe injuries to the wheels as crushing the unfortunate victim.  
 An almost incredible instance of thoughtlessness was observed on an incident at Nagambie on Saturday. He was using a double-barrelled gun, and as he fired it one of the barrels burst, causing severe injuries to his left hand. None of the other members of the party was able to drive the car, although Kelley inserted the opening looked for the level. The explosion which would have been expected did not, however, occur, and the man was on his feet and in possession of his wits. The unfortunate man would have been blown into eternity, and the coroner's inquest into the matter has determined that his death was caused accidentally, whilst the ordinary man about town would have said that it was caused by nothing but foolishness.

**CLAIM FOR DAMAGES FAILS**  
 The hearing was concluded before Judge Moulie in the County Court on Tuesday of an action in which William Spriggs, of Gooch street, Thornbury, sued the Victorian Railways Commissioners for 499 damages for personal injuries alleged to have been sustained by him at the Yarraville railway station through the negligence of the commissioners or their servants.  
 The evidence given for plaintiff, who is aged 74 years, was that while the train stopped at Yarraville station the door of the carriage was open, but only got it partly open. He then stood aside and let Mrs. Spriggs open the door. When Spriggs was leaving the carriage he was overpowered by the door. He had one leg in the compartment when the train moved on. He was thrown on to the platform and suffered injury.  
 The commissioners denied negligence and pleaded contributory negligence on the part of Spriggs in having alighted from the train when it was in motion. They said that the door of the carriage was in good order.  
 Judge Moulie found that there was no negligence on the part of the commissioners. He entered judgment for the defendant, with costs.

**Excelsior Theatre Players.**  
**ANNUAL MEETING.**  
 The annual meeting was held in the Preston church hall on Tuesday, February 11. Mr. G. J. Peach was appointed chairman in the absence of the president (Cr. G. C. Robinson).  
 Officers—Messrs. Peach was president, Mr. G. J. Peach; vice-president, Mr. W. Manly; secretary, Mr. R. E. Butcher; hon. treasurer, Miss M. Frecker; committee, president, vice-president, hon. secretary, hon. treasurer, Messrs. E. G. Fletcher and J. Howden, Mrs. J. Howden and Miss M. Seebek; Mr. Norman E. Blacker was appointed producer.  
 During 1929 five productions, which entailed 45 rehearsals, were held, and over £150 was raised for the society. The society has hopes of increasing that figure this year. A 3-act play will be produced on Tuesday at the Scout hall, on Tuesday at Preston. Rehearsals will be held on Tuesdays and Fridays, to which is extended a cordial invitation to all interested. An increased membership is desired, and the secretary, Mr. R. E. Butcher, 76 Bouchamp street, Melbourne, will be glad to hear from anyone desirous of joining.

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NORTHCOTE COUNCIL

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17

The first meeting of the Northcote Council in the new year was held on Monday, the Mayor (Cr. W. Hayes, J.P.) being in the chair. Also present were: Crs. B. E. Johnson, A. H. Oldis, W. Glanfield, J. Green, S. Dennis, S. Pinkney, A. J. Hughes, A. J. Cornish, H. F. Mitchell, G. Hutch, W. H. Turner, W. Oliver and A. C. Beard.

ORDINARY BUSINESS

Cr. Turner referred to complaints of the quality of sand used on the tram track in High street, and said this was very annoying.—P.W. committee.

PROTESTING AGAINST THE ERECTION OF A FACTORY IN THAT AREA.

The matter was referred to the committee of the council.

ADoption OF BY-LAW URGED

The Preston Council sent a letter urging the council to introduce a by-law to prohibit vehicles passing stationary trams.

Dundas Street Drainage

The City of Preston sent a letter to the drainage of Dundas street, submitting a plan and requesting that certain drainage be allowed to flow through Northcote.—Public works committee.

West Ward Association

West Ward Progress Association, a dumping of second-hand metal in the street, it was urged that this metal could well be used for patching holes in streets.

Cr. Mitchell said the "metal" was so per cent. clay and it would cost more to take it than it was worth.

It was decided to so inform the writs.

Other matters referred to the council by the association were as follows:—

(1) Binding metal. (2) Motor speed in Ballantyne street.—Finance committee. (3) Rolling metal in lane between Murray and Watt streets.—P.W. committee.

The association also asked the council to provide soil tests in Mill street on the footpaths.

It was stated that good soil was there and it had been taken away. Now the writs wanted the soil restored so that the residents could put in lawns.

Cr. Turner said the people were at first entitled to the soil which had been taken away.

The matter was sent to the P.W. committee.

In reference to a complaint re damage to the St. George's road beautification, it was intimated that the association had held to defect offenders.

It was decided to accept the association offer.

Cr. Dennis said a lot of vandalism had been done in the area, and a number of lamps valued at about £2 each had been destroyed, one being deliberately broken to pieces with a shot gun.

Cr. Mitchell said crowds of hoodlums were going round damaging the pipe track, Batman Park and also the East Ward Park.

North Ward Association

North Ward Progress Association, suggesting that a lamander be placed on the path in Rathmines street, on the way in White street, on footpath in Clarendon street, on footpath in Station street and on roadway in High street, and also requesting the installation of flood lights at the latter main.—Carried.

Cr. Oliver asked when some work would be done in Jones street.—Engineer to report.

Cr. Oliver asked that attention be given to loose metal in Collins street.

The engineer said the council had agreed that Collins street would be the next street to be re-sheeted.

The matter was sent to the P.W. committee.

General

Fairfield Quarry, Ltd., re condition of roadway in Station street, between Clarendon street and Dardin road.—P.W. committee.

E. Bensley, requesting early completion of lane between Elm and Bent streets.

James and Holson, requesting provision of rubbish bin at corner of High and Union streets.—P.W. committee.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

It was decided to pay account as follows:—General account, £2210 17/6; street construction account, £12178; Loan account No. 21, £2172 10/8.

The following building applications were granted:—C. Hill, brick garage on site and rear boundaries, Prospect Grove; A. Gilmore, garage, Barry Street; R. E. Butcher, washhouse, Cunningham street; J. Lee, house, Newman street; A. C. McKay, garage, Nash street; J. S. F. Boyd, both rooms, Helen street; S. W. Todd, ex N. Mackrell, verandah, 8 High street.

PARKS COMMITTEE

Accounts amounting to £1249/8/3 were passed for payment.

It was decided, in view of the great amount of vandalism which has occurred lately, to offer a reward of £5 for information leading to the conviction of the offenders. Department of the Electric Light Committee.

Accounts amounting to £3607/18/2 were passed for payment.

It was decided to inform the Fairfield North State School that the provision of a light at the corner of Fair and Arthur streets was a matter for the Education Department, as it would only be of use to people going to the school.

The mayor urged that the lamp be erected, as it would not only light the street, but serve the people using the school as well.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

In addition to the foregoing, additional accounts totalling £7351/16/5 were passed.

PETITION

Cr. Hutch presented a petition signed by 15 ratepayers of Clarke street

GIRL'S ORDEAL

Alleges She Was Thrown Into Northcote Taxi-Driver For Trial

An alarming story was told to the bench at the South Melbourne court last Friday, when John Richard Wilkinson, 31 years, taxi driver, Northcote street, Northcote, was charged with having assaulted Betty Grayson and caused her bodily harm, on February 3.

Evidence was given that Daisy McKenzie, aged 19½ years, who had also been known as Betty Grayson, and who lived with her mother at Kilmore, went on Monday, February 3, to Melbourne to get employment as a waitress.

Returning to Melbourne she reached Flinders street railway station about 11.15 a.m. and was offered to drive her to Carlton. She accepted the invitation, and two other men also got in the taxi. These two men left the cab on the wharf, and later she was attacked by Wilkinson. He dragged her into the cab, and when she would not agree to a shameful proposal, she alleged that Wilkinson struck her and pushed her into the water she held on to the edge of a boat and cried out for help, but was not rescued until about two hours later.

George Leiper, skipper of the lighter White Pelican and his reading in his bank about 11.30 p.m., when he heard screams. He jumped into a boat and hearing a splash of water, he saw a woman being pulled out from under the strings of the wharf. He lifted her up and carried her to the shore.

About 1 a.m. she was taken to the Melbourne Hospital, wet and cold, and one of her eyes was discolored. She was taken to the hospital and resurveyed his defence, was committed for trial.

NORTHCOTE COURT.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Before Mr. F. W. Bond, P.M., and Messrs. A. H. Oldis, B. E. Johnson and H. Evans, J.P.

Youth Given a Chance

William Lee was charged with stealing a bicycle, valued at £2, the property of Ernest Richard.

The case being heard for a week to enable the police to obtain a report from the Ramsey police.

The bench adjourned the charge to a date to be fixed, and it was ordered to place himself in the hands of Mr. Clark, of the Prisoners Aid Society, so that work could be found for him.

Debt

Anderson-Ply Ltd. obtained an order against H. Hancock for £59/11/10, with £27/7 costs.

The same company obtained orders against the following:—E. Hughes, £22/6/10; Mrs. M. James, £18/13/6; Mrs. Jean Orford, £7; and Mrs. L. Watterson, £3/3/6. Costs were allowed in each case.

Railways Cases

Harry Farnsworth, of Eaglemont, who was charged with having, on January 18, travelled in a first-class carriage on a second-class ticket between Melbourne and Denning, was fined 20/- with 7/6 costs.

A similar offence, committed between Regent and Montagu streets, 17 Irene McCarthy, of Powell street, Regent, was also fined 20/- with 7/6 costs.

Motor Driver's License Restored

John J. Dignam, glazier, Woolton avenue, Northcote, applied for the restoration of a motor driver's license which had been cancelled at Essendon some 12 months ago.

The application was granted, the police officer no objection.

Offensive Behaviour

Leonard Paffe, Patterson street, South Preston; Aubrey E. Moorman, Heitberg road, Fairfield; Sydney George Gower, Gordon street, Clifton Hill, and Colin Park, Mason street, Northcote, were charged with having, on January 25, behaved in an indecent manner.

Constable McGuinness said that he saw each of the four men behaving indecently in a lane off Barry street during the interval at the theatre.

Moorman said he went to the lane thinking there had been an accident, as there was a crowd there.

A fine of £1 was imposed, in default seven days' imprisonment, in each case.

CYCLING.

Club events decided on Saturday resulted as follows:—

Preston Professionals. Five Mile Race—H. Davies (sec.), 1; T. Johnson (30secs.), 2; C. Wehler (30secs.), 3. Fastest time, L. Alexander (sec.), 19mins.

Preston Amateurs. Five Mile Race—N. Luckworth (35secs.), 1; H. Neumann (40secs.), 2; J. Hogan (45secs.), 3. Fastest time, D. Stevens (20secs.), 19mins, 16secs.

Northcote Amateurs. Quarter-mile. H. H. Hayton, 1; L. Catmull, 2; D. Guthrie, 3. Time, 34secs.

The girl who wants bushels of kites can't be satisfied with pecks.

WHITTLESEA. WHITTLESEA COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

The usual meeting was held on Saturday evening. Mr. O'Brien the bull, a very quiet animal, turned suddenly and without any warning on the ground. Only for the timely arrival of a neighbor, Mr. Peter Junor, O'Brien would probably have been killed. He was brought to Whittlesea and the doctor found it necessary to insert seventeen stitches in the wounds.

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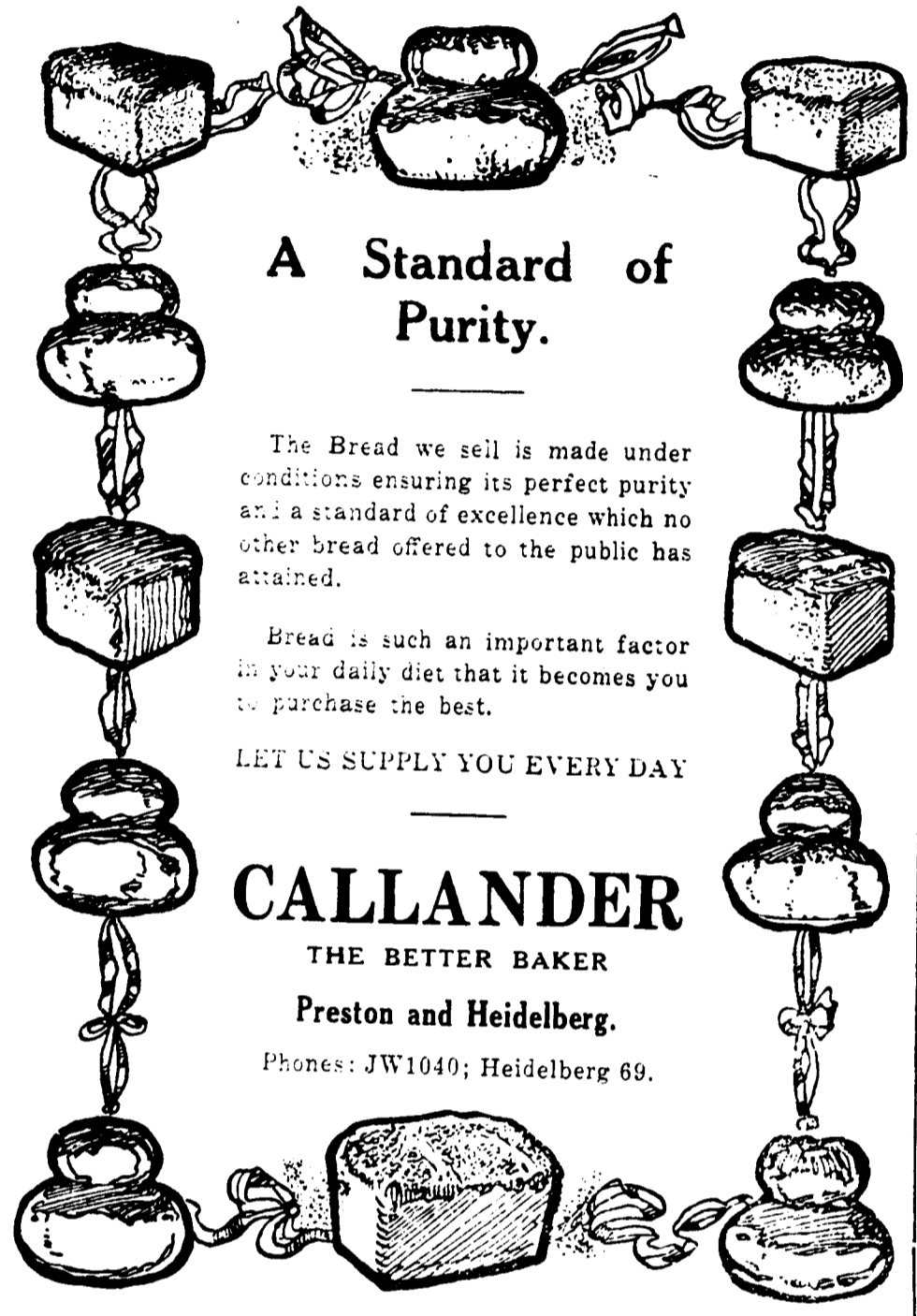
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**The Women's Page**  
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**WEDDINGS**

**BERTRAM—ROBERTSON.**  
St. Mary's Church of England, Tyler St., Preston, was the scene of a pretty wedding on February 1, when Miss Mary Winifred Robertson, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robertson, of 11 Beachamp St., Preston, was married to the bridegroom, Mr. James Paterson Bertram, second son of Mrs. Bertram, of Moonee Ponds. The Rev. F. Parsons officiated, and the bride was given away by her father. Heavy ivory lace formed the bridal gown, which was banded in satin. Her veil was held with ornate blossoms, and a bouquet of cream flowers was carried. The bridesmaids were Misses Bertha Robertson and Phyllis Dickinson, and little Miss Ivy Robertson was the flower girl in a charming frock of pink georgette. The first bridesmaid wore a dainty frock of dainty blue georgette and carried pink carnations, and the second maid was frocked in lemon georgette with a posy to carry. Mr. A. Eldridge was best man and Mr. F. Johnson, groomsmen. A number of relatives and friends were entertained to a wedding breakfast at the home of the bride in the capable hands of Mrs. Olorenshaw, of Normanby Hall. The bride's mother was given in a smart gown, and the bride wore a lace and blue georgette and lace frock, and the bridegroom's mother wore a biscuit and blue crepe de chene suit. The bride travelled in the train of the Western, and the bridegroom and bridesmaids were carried in a motor car. The bride and groom were met at the altar by Mr. John Laird, of Katamatite, who was becoming travelling frock of navy crepe de chene, with a lovely green bonnet shaped hat, with an elusive finish on brim, green shoes to match, and set off with a double skin stonemason's choker (the gift of the bridegroom), the bride left on a short motor tour prior to leaving by the "Karoola" for Perth on the following Wednesday, when they were accorded a wonderful send-off by a great number of relatives and friends, who had assembled with them au revoir and bon voyage.

**ROSS—WINTER.**

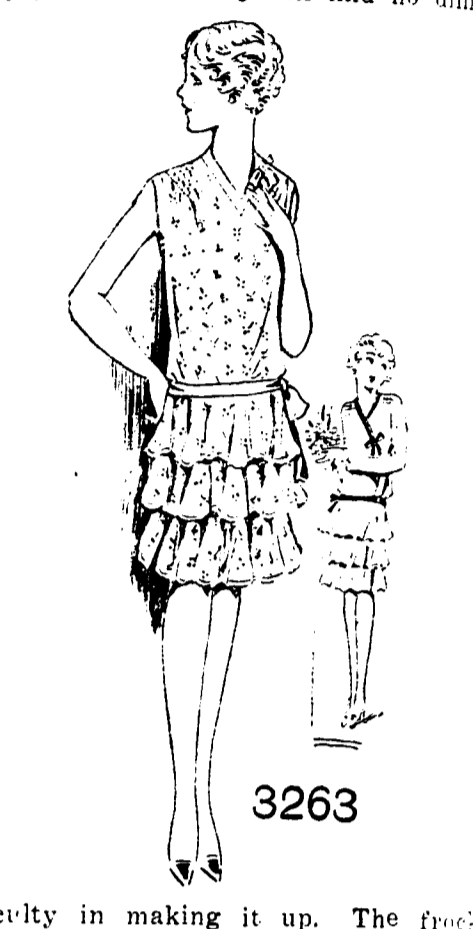
An interesting wedding was celebrated on January 4 at "Canton," Kenil St., Coburg, at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. G. Wilson. The bride was Miss Elizabeth Winter, well known and popular resident of Northcote, and the bridegroom was Cr. Perth on the following Wednesday, when they were accorded a wonderful send-off by a great number of relatives and friends, who had assembled with them au revoir and bon voyage.

**WILSON—BEAMAN.**

St. Mary's Church, Thornbury, was the scene of a very attractive wedding on Saturday afternoon, January 11, when Miss Alice Beaman, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Beaman, of "Kathalee," Armadale St., Thornbury, became the wife of Mr. Harry Wilson, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. I. Wilson, of Preston. As she walked down the aisle on the arm of her father, she wore a gown of white and pink, with a large diamond necklace, and large earrings. The bridegroom wore a suit of blue and white, and carried a bouquet of pink carnations. The bridesmaids were Misses Violet Wilson and Miss Nellie Baker, and the flower girl was Miss Lorna Scott. The wedding breakfast was given at the home of the bride in the capable hands of Mrs. Olorenshaw, of Normanby Hall. The bride's mother was given in a smart gown, and the bride wore a lace and blue georgette and lace frock, and the bridegroom's mother wore a biscuit and blue crepe de chene suit. The bride travelled in the train of the Western, and the bridegroom and bridesmaids were carried in a motor car. The bride and groom were met at the altar by Mr. John Laird, of Katamatite, who was becoming travelling frock of navy crepe de chene, with a lovely green bonnet shaped hat, with an elusive finish on brim, green shoes to match, and set off with a double skin stonemason's choker (the gift of the bridegroom), the bride left on a short motor tour prior to leaving by the "Karoola" for Perth on the following Wednesday, when they were accorded a wonderful send-off by a great number of relatives and friends, who had assembled with them au revoir and bon voyage.

**FANCY'S FASHION**

**FLARED FROCK FOR GIRL OR SMALL WOMAN**  
There is little doubt that the most popular present-day mode is the vogue for flares, a charmingly feminine style that will enjoy unabated favor for many months to come. Frocks are to be seen displaying two and three flared tiers, and very modish they are in appearance.  
For the small woman or young girl who desires to be stylishly clad at small expense, we cannot do better than offer the charming model which we illustrate here—one that is right up to the minute as regards fashion, yet so simple in construction that even the merest novice will find no difficulty in making it up.



The frock shown features three nicely flared tiers, and has a V neck. Slight fullness is allowed for at the shoulders, smoking, or simply gathered in ruffles as preferred.  
The dress may be made up sleeveless, or with long bishop sleeves, desired, and the waist is confined with narrow sash or girle.  
Any of the lightweight materials suitable for making up this frock. The pattern is No. 3263, price 10/6, in sizes to suit girls of 10 to 14 and 15 to 17 years, or small women, and can be purchased from district agents, either from the original designer, or from another column of this issue. Send a stamp for a free copy of Democrat fashion monthly to 28 Derby street, Collingwood, No. 2. Complete catalogue, 8d.

**RECIPES**

**Danish Waffles**  
Beat 3lb. butter into 1lb. sugar until creamy, then add the yolks of 4 eggs, 2lb. flour, 1 pint of warm milk and the whites of the eggs, beaten to a stiff froth. Bake in waffle iron. Dust each waffle with powdered sugar, and serve with golden syrup or cream.

**Lemon Pie**  
Butter an earthenware plate, with a good pie-crust and make a little wall an inch high all round the edge. Fill this with a custard composed of 2 cups boiling milk, 2 cups of sugar, four eggs, two lemons (cut up), a piece of butter (the size of an egg, and two cups spoons of currants, Rub the egg flour smooth with a little cold water, and stir it into the boiling water, and cook until it looks clear.  
Have ready the butter and sugar beat together, and pour the boiling mixture over them. When nearly cold, add the yolks of the eggs and the white of one, and the grated rind and juice of the lemons. Pour this mixture into your cases of pastry and bake for half an hour. Beat the whites of the three remaining eggs, with three tablespoons of fine sugar, and when the pie is set open it over the top. Sprinkle with sugar and return to the oven for a few minutes until slightly brown.

**Barley Fruit Cup**  
Take 1lb. barley, the juice of four lemons and three oranges and the rind of two oranges, 2lb. sugar. Pour a gallon of boiling water on the ingredients, and simmer slowly for half an hour. Strain when cold.

**THERE'S MAGIC IN PAINT**  
We are only just beginning to find out what color can do.  
Sir Owen Williams, an authority on the use of color in building, declared that a certain shade of blue would diminish the heat of the sun by increasing the temperature of steelwork. So, the temperature affects the strength of some structures, it may be possible to fit a steel bridge to stand increased traffic by changing its color.  
Already color is being used to help navvies to concentrate, and to keep those who are well fit. The color of wallpaper or distemper is an important point in its use. It has also been claimed that output can be increased in factories if the color scheme is right. And even housewife will find that her work is much easier if she likes the kitchen decorations.

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**1ST PRESTON TROOP**  
The cricket club lost its match against Preston on Saturday. On Saturday night we play reservoir on our ground. Scouts and Cubs met at the scout hall on Saturday and played games. Sides were picked and a keenly-contested programme resulted. This Saturday evening the annual meeting will be held. After the meeting all patrols will be arranged in preparation for the coming competitions. The 10 patrol will act as orderlies for the next two weeks. "Try outs" for the relief spots will be held on Saturday at Preston. Competitors meet at scout hall at 2.30. Swimming competitions will be held during March. New recruits will be admitted on Saturday and Tuesday evenings, and to the club on Thursday evenings. As the number admitted will be limited early application is necessary. Scout games and work will take place at the scout hall on Saturday afternoon.

On Friday and Saturday night and matinee Moore Blue, the children's hero has the main role in "Conquest" a mystery of the air. The support is "My Man" in which Fanny Bryce skips on to victory.  
Monday brings the sensational talkie "Building Drummond" a tale of innocence mixed with crime which is straightened out by an ex-army officer looking for thrills. Ronald Coleman is co-starred with Natalie Moorehead in this gripping mystery drama. Talks, shorts, singing and comedy support this great talkie.  
On Thursday come the talkie in which Victor McLaglen, Edmund Lowe and Lily Damita have the lead. Talks, shorts, singing and comedy support this great talkie.  
It has every ingredient that makes for real pastime: humor, sparkling dialogue, hectic love scenes, tense drama and a happy combination of all those things that appeal, from the screen, especially to the feminine sex. Movietone shorts and talkie comies form the other part of the programme.

**Road Construction Troubles at Preston.**  
The concrete mixer has again commenced work on High St. It was anticipated work would be suspended for a fortnight, when the main burst, but the road dried up more quickly than expected. The small steam roller was again bogged during the week, and in freeing it part of the mechanism was damaged. It required a day's work to get it moving.

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**PERSONAL**

Mrs. H. York, Oakhill avenue, East Preston, is spending a few days at Beechworth.  
Mr. and Mrs. G. Davern, of Bassetts street, Northcote, have returned after spending a short holiday at Woodend.  
Mr. T. W. Hawthorn, electrical engineer to the Northcote City Council, left on Wednesday for his annual holiday. They went by car to Lake's Entrance via Prince's Highway.  
Mr. and Mrs. Tom Verrey and family, 85 Clarendon street, Northcote, are away on a motor tour in New South Wales. On Saturday they left Sydney on their return, and will visit Katoomba and Carbarra.  
The Spence family on Wednesday, February 12, a very old and respected resident of Northcote in the person of Mr. Frederick William Betts, of Hutson Street, Thornbury. The late Mr. Betts had resided in Hutson street for many years, and died after a long illness. He leaves a widow and nine children.  
The death occurred on Saturday last of Edward Vincent Wynne, aged 1 year and 8 months. He was a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Webster, of Bell street, West Preston, and a great-grandson of Mr. and Mrs. George Hodgson, of West Preston.  
Mrs. W. S. Neilds, of James street, Northcote, and family left by car during the week-end for Sorrento, Victoria.

The short holiday concluded on Monday of Mrs. Mary Ann Foster, relict of the late Frederick Foster, of Brooke St., Northcote. Deceased was a very old resident of the district and was 70 years of age. The family are Frederick, Hubert (Canada), Bert (deceased), Ada (Mrs. H. Lemm), and Pollic (Mrs. A. Lemm). The funeral took place on Tuesday, the interment being made at the Coburg Cemetery, according to the rites of the Salvation Army.  
Mr. Anderson has removed to Edgewood street, Reservoir, and intends to start poultry farming on a big scale.  
Mrs. Moulton, sen., after 40 years' residence at "Leamington," Spring street, Reservoir, is moving into her new home in Ralph street.  
Mr. W. Mason is leaving Reservoir for Mildura on an extended holiday.  
Miss Myra Hardenack, of Clifton Grove, Preston, has been successful in gaining the Open Organ Exhibition for singing at the University Conservatorium of Music. Professor Bernhard Helme spoke very highly of her performance. This is Miss Hardenack's second success at the above Conservatorium, as last year she won a university entrance exhibition.  
The Rev. J. McIlroy, B.A., B.D., Dip. Ed. of Regent Methodist Church, has conditionally accepted an appointment to Ascovale circuit.

The transfer of Rev. Woolhouse, L.A.H., of Regent Methodist Church, is under consideration.  
The Rev. R. C. Bremner, of Stawell, is mentioned as a likely successor to Rev. J. McIlroy, B.A., B.D., of Preston Methodist Church.  
Mr. Hay is relieving Mr. Bowman, stationmaster at Regent, who is at present on leave.  
A delightful evening took place in the Reservoir, on Monday, February 8, the occasion being a party given to Miss Edna Pentlow by her parents on the attainment of her 21st birthday. About 50 guests enjoyed dancing and games. Miss L. Hare delighted by rendering two fine solos. The health of Miss Pentlow was proposed by Mr. E. Ede and her father responded. Miss Pentlow wore an apple-green crepe de chine frock, flared and draped at side, with shell pink. The catering arrangements were in the capable hands of Mr. J. Ferris, Northcote, who left nothing to be desired.  
Mr. John S. Whalley, of Shaftesbury parade, Croydon, who has had the unique honor of being selected to represent Victoria in the Australian team of bowlers which is to tour England, will leave by the "Orford" in about three weeks' time. Mr. Whalley is a resident of Northcote of some 40 years standing, and up to a few years ago was one of the proprietors of his mark on the bowling field, being one of the founders of the Thornbury Bowling Club, and also a past president.

At the conclusion of the meeting of the Northcote Council on Monday last evening was tendered to Mr. J. S. Whalley, Shaftesbury parade, Croydon, Mr. Charles McDonald, Darebin road, and Mr. Louis Ruxton, of Bent street, all very old residents of Northcote, who are departing shortly for England and abroad. In a happy strain Cr. Johnson proposed the health of those who will soon be on the water, and wished them "bon voyage". Other toasts proposed were the Thornbury Bowling Club, coupled with the names of Mr. Eric Porth (president).

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**Regent Theatre**  
HIGH STREET, THORNBURY  
THE THEATRE OF PERFECT SOUND AND PROJECTION.

RESERVATIONS..... JW 2117.  
LAST TWO NIGHTS AND SATURDAY MATINEE OF  
**HOME TOWNERS.** **HOME TOWNERS.**  
100 PER CENT. FIRST NATIONAL TALKIE.  
And ELEANOR BORDMAN in  
**SHE GOES TO WAR.** **SHE GOES TO WAR.**  
A PART TALKIE.  
MONDAY, TUESDAY, WED., FEBRUARY 24, 25, 26.  
RONALD COLEMAN in  
**BULLDOG DRUMMOND**  
100 PER CENT TALKING.  
Ex-army officer, tired of civilian life monotony, seeks adventure, excitement, danger, stimulation, and willing to go "the limit" in a motor car. The "London Times" led Bulldog Drummond into the torture chambers of a mad doctor, the genius of a notorious criminal band.  
Also NATALIE MOREHEAD in  
**THE UNHOLY NIGHT**  
Weird, fantastic, mysterious, gripping. The mystery sensation of the season.  
The picture that will make you afraid of the dark.  
CHILDREN UNDER 18 NOT ADMITTED TWO 100 PER CENT. ONE PROGRAMME.

THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SAT., FEBRUARY 27 & 28.  
**COCK-EYED WORLD**  
The picture that will make you afraid of the dark.  
TALKIE SUPPORTS INCLUDE  
**BEN BURNES BAND**  
THEY ARE COMING TO GET ME.  
TALKIE COMEDY.  
**RICHARD BONELLI**  
FAMOUS ITALIAN TENOR.  
**FOX MOVIE-TONE NEWS**

**NORTHCOTE THEATRE.**  
Ruth Chatterton, well-known on the Broadway stage, has made good in the talking film, "Charming Sinners," in conjunction with Clive Brook and William Powell. This perfect cast encircled the delightful entertainment "Charming Sinners" is being screened this week-end, with Clara Bow in "The Fleet's In," a humorous story of sailors' sweethearts. The usual matinee will be held on Saturday afternoon.  
On Monday a special attraction is announced. Richard Dix, the popular screen actor, is to be presented in "Nothing But the Truth." It is the

**THORNBURY RED CROSS AUXILIARY**

The auxiliary held its first meeting of the year on February 19 in the Dispensary Hall. The president (Mrs. H. Haywood) was in the chair and one new member was welcomed. Many donations of goods were received for the mystery stall at the market fair in aid of the Queen Victoria Memorial Hospital, which will be held on March 7, 7 and 8 in the afternoon and evening on the Henley Reserve. A eucharist party and dance will be held in Normanby Hall on February 25 for the stall funds, and a good evening's entertainment is assured. Button Day falls on February 28, when a stall of home-made preserves will be conducted in High street, Thornbury, and penicils and silver for outlining and filling in the figure of a nurse drawn on the pavement will be welcomed. Buttons will also be on sale by members in Thornbury and in the city.  
The Birthday League belonging to the auxiliary is progressing well, and anyone wishing to join should communicate with the hon. secretary, Mrs. D. H. M. Toft, Lang street, Northcote, or with any member of the auxiliary.

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story of a young man who bet he could tell the truth for twenty-four hours. Imagining his embarrassment when his friends started asking personal questions which he is forced, at almost every turn, to answer. "Nothing But the Truth" is a 100 per cent talking production. It is a veritable laugh factory. Dix does things just that you never saw him do before. He pulls surprise after surprise with his aerial pantomime and definitely joins the ranks of the masters of gesture. He wins his bet after going through a veritable circus of bizarre and uproariously amusing situations. Also to be screened on Monday is "The Case of Lena Smith" in which Esther Ralston is featured. As Lena Smith, fought against, stripped of her child, and gaoled, Esther Ralston has the strongest dramatic role of her screen career.  
On Thursday next is announced "Fast Company," with Evelyn Brent and Jack Oakie, and also "The Ducks of New York" in which George Bancroft, Betty Compson and Bachanova have the lead parts.



EVERYBODY'S SOBER! THAT'S THE IDEA! CLOSE THE LIQUOR BARS. ANTI-LIQUOR CAMPAIGN. Before You Drink Stop And Think. A PUBLIC MEETING

Will be held in the NORTHCOTE TOWN HALL At 8 p.m.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1930. Interesting, Informative Speakers—MRS. LEE COVIE, MR. MAURICE BLACKBURN, MR. MAURICE Community Singing. Northcote and Thornbury Salvation Army Bands will play.

GET THE FACTS. ABOLISH LIQUOR LICENCES. LIQUOR LIES LAID BARE. Put your "X" in the TOP Square.

PROHIBITION LEAGUE (THORN BURY BRANCH).

A PUBLIC MEETING. Punders Grove Methodist Church, corner Collins St. and Newcastle St., Northcote, on TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, At 8 p.m.

Special Speakers: Musical Items by skilled artists. MR. BALL, one of the most popular Temperance Orators, will tell the truth about Prohibition in America. MR. ARCHOLD will also address the meeting.

All who have the welfare of Young Australia at heart requested to come. VOTE YES AND CLOSE LIQUOR BARS.

Chairman—J. G. NEWMAN Secretary—W. J. GRAY.

THE NORTHCOTE AND DISTRICT CHORAL SOCIETY

DESIRE the services of a Competent ACCOMPANIST. Applications for the position should be forwarded, together with qualifications and fee, required to the Secretary, Mr. A. Edge, 88 Rowe St., North Fitzroy N.7.

City of Northcote.

NORTHCOTE FOOTBALL CLUB.

SUPPORTERS' MEETING

TOWN HALL, NORTHCOTE, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27.

All persons willing to assist in maintaining the Club are invited to be present. W. HAYES, Mayor.

CITY OF NORTHCOTE.

FOOTBALL GROUNDS.

APPLICATIONS closing 4 p.m. on FRIDAY, MARCH 7, are invited from Clubs desiring the use of the following Parks for the Football Season 1930:

MERRI PARK—Two Clubs. MAYER PARK—Two Clubs. McDONNELL PARK—Four Clubs.

Applicant clubs must forward the rank of club and state name and name of Park of which use is desired. The £1/7 will be refunded to unsuccessful clubs.

By Order, J. A. THOMSON, Town Clerk. Municipal Offices, Northcote, 12-2-1930.

DEMARET'S PATTERNS.

ALL ONE PRICE 10/6. LOCAL AGENTS: 410as Hill, 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**THE ANNUAL MEETING**  
 The annual meeting was held at the Dispensary Hall, Gooch street, Thornbury, a large attendance being present and supported attending. The club did not win the 1929 premiership the season can well be claimed as the most successful in the history of the club. It is pleasing to report that the majority of last season's players, members and committee have signified their intention of remaining with the club for the coming season. The committee placed on record the capable manner in which Mr. Bob Dillon carried out his duties as captain and coach, and regret he is retiring from the game owing to his age received during his football career. Congratulations were extended to Mr. Dillon, who during the season entered the ranks of the footbal club. He acted as vice-captain until hurt, which kept him out of the game at the latter part of the season, and he carried out his work well. His place was amply filled by "Bush" Tracey. The club has been fortunate in having for president, Mr. W. Murray, who has been elected for the coming season. The committee and members of the club, Mr. and Mrs. R. Morrison, who entered the sphere of double rank. To all members of the committee the club is most thankful. In congratulating the retiring president, the president and committee desire to thank the senior body for valuable assistance during the season a successful trip was made to Brighton. A match was played, and our boys won by nine goals six behind. A feature of the match was the brilliant kicking and marking of Frank Ludlow, who was awarded the trophy for best player. The following officers were elected for 1930—President, Mr. Reg Morrison; life members, Messrs. G. Eaton, R. Smith, H. Dickinson, W. Barry, G. Cook, A. D. Winter, W. Murray, vice-presidents, Messrs. G. Eaton, C. Weate, F. Ludlow, R. Smith, E. Watkins, P. Lewis and S. Bolt; secretary, Messrs. Norman, J. Roy, G. Allender, J. Morrison, M. McC. Hugh, E. Easton, C. O'Neil, N. Miles; treasurer, Mr. E. Musgrove; auditor, Messrs. H. Smith, and A. Key; medical officer, Dr. Rosanove; hon. solicitor, Mrs. J. Rosanove; assistant secretary, Mr. J. Ross; secretary, Mr. G. Winter.

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**THE COCK-EYED WORLD.**  
 This week-end "The Cock-eyed World," an all talking Fox Movietone special, offers first-rate entertainment and entertainment value. In fact, it is one of the season's outstanding productions. The picture is a continuation of the story of the "Cock-eyed World" of the previous week. It tells of a young man who is afflicted with a peculiar condition of the eyes, which makes him see things as they are, not as they appear. He is taken to a sanatorium where he meets a young girl who is also afflicted with the same condition. They fall in love and try to overcome their handicap. The picture is a very interesting and well sustained ten-hour serial. It is one of the best of the season. It is well worth seeing. It is a constant balance of pathos and comedy. It is a very good picture. It is a very good picture. It is a very good picture.

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 The semi-final and final games in the above tournament were played on Monday and Tuesday nights of this week. Although the rink was very small, the play was of a high standard. The Thornbury rink, captained by Mr. W. Murray, was defeated by the Fairfield rink, captained by Mr. W. Murray. The final game was a very close one, but the Fairfield rink won by a single goal.

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The annual meeting was held last Saturday evening, over 150 scouts and guides being present. In the chair was the District Commissioner (Col. Kilgob). Commissioner Stevens, from the Monsee Ponds, and his address on "How to Grow Ferns" provided a wealth of useful information. The three essential points stressed were: (1) Soil: Careful potting, correct watering, and shade. (2) Pots: Containers should not be placed in a vessel of water, as this has a tendency to clog the drainage. Ferns with fine roots require fine soil; those with coarse roots a coarser soil. Varieties with a mass of fibrous roots require larger pots. A good compost for ferns consists of one part loam to one part peat moss, with a little leaf-mould or coarse sand, and a little soft water. (3) Watering: Water should be given when the soil is dry to the depth of one inch. In the winter the plants should be kept in a cool, light place. The following are some of the plants which may be grown in the garden: (1) Adiantum, (2) Asplenium, (3) Blechnum, (4) Ceterach, (5) Cheilanthes, (6) Dryopteris, (7) Fuchsia, (8) Helleborus, (9) Lycopodium, (10) Nephrolepis, (11) Osmunda, (12) Pityrogramma, (13) Selaginella, (14) Thelypteris, (15) Xiphophium.

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**GARDENING**  
**Notes**  
**BULBS FOR BEAUTY.**  
**PLANT THEM NOW**

The happy time has arrived for the planting of spring-flowering bulbs. The fact that the weather is warm and our gardens gay with bloom should serve as a reminder that this is the best time to plant them. The bulbs which should be planted now are: (1) Tulips, (2) Narcissus, (3) Daffodils, (4) Hyacinths, (5) Crocuses, (6) Ranunculus, (7) Anemone, (8) Pinks, (9) Peonies, (10) Gladioli, (11) Lilies, (12) Forsythia, (13) Camellias, (14) Hibiscus, (15) Begonias, (16) Fuchsias, (17) Geraniums, (18) Petunias, (19) Salvia, (20) Lavender, (21) Rosemary, (22) Thyme, (23) Basil, (24) Mint, (25) Parsley, (26) Chives, (27) Onions, (28) Potatoes, (29) Cabbages, (30) Carrots, (31) Lettuce, (32) Spinach, (33) Beans, (34) Peas, (35) Broad beans, (36) Kidney beans, (37) Runner beans, (38) French beans, (39) Broad beans, (40) Peas, (41) Broad beans, (42) Peas, (43) Broad beans, (44) Peas, (45) Broad beans, (46) Peas, (47) Broad beans, (48) Peas, (49) Broad beans, (50) Peas, (51) Broad beans, (52) Peas, (53) Broad beans, (54) Peas, (55) Broad beans, (56) Peas, (57) Broad beans, (58) Peas, (59) Broad beans, (60) Peas, (61) Broad beans, (62) Peas, (63) Broad beans, (64) Peas, (65) Broad beans, (66) Peas, 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ham's side read aloud from a
book she held, and the depth of feel-

"Oh, but it does—it does!" Mona
protested passionately. "Granted it is
not my husband, yet it is unbearable
to see the pain she inflicts."

"Thank you," Grahame answered.
"Well, I thought I loved her. Being
an artist, everything beautiful—just
the subtlest and the most delicate—

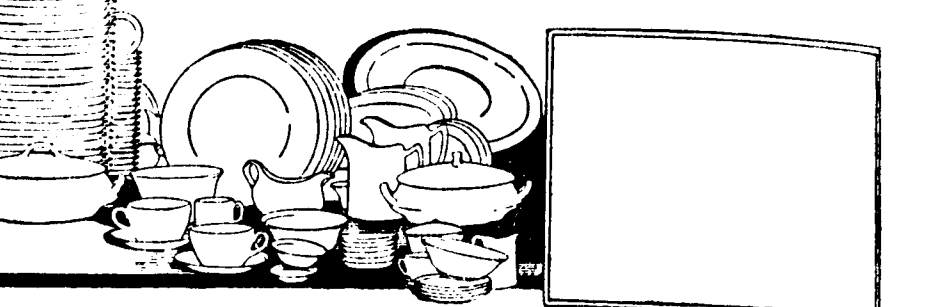
"I'm afraid not," Grahame said.
"Could it be any other?—just a little?"
Grahame raised his slight eyes to the
beautiful face.

"How dare you interfere?" Mrs. Hope
kept her vigil by the blind man's
side, heard the main door close quietly

"My wife," Grahame muttered the
words mechanically; he stiffened and
paled.

"Death," Grahame muttered. "And
if so, isn't that a good way out?"
"Hush, hush, hush," his friend coaxed.

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"What's the matter?" he asked, his
vacant eyes striving to pierce the im-
penetrable blackness.

"I must inject some—on a living
subject—"

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PRESTON PROFESSIONALS
The above club will hold a roller
skating championship for a sash and
belt. Heats will be decided every
Monday night.

PRESTON COUNCIL
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24

The usual meeting of the Preston
Council was held on Monday. Present
were the mayor (Cr. C. McPherson),
J.P. and Crs. C. T. Cripps, W.
Spratling, G. E. Robinson, L. Jones,

East Preston Progress Association
The above association requested
the council (1) to apply to all streets
being constructed two coats of bitu-

Same, asking (1) for name-plates
at corner of Lyonsville avenue and
Murray road; (2) for electric light at
corner of Lyonsville avenue and Mur-

The request was made to Metropolitan
Fire Brigades Board for further
inspection of Reservoir district in order
to provide additional fire alarms; (2)

General
A. Schulz, Bruce Street, Preston,
pointing out that in view of the im-

FINANCE COMMITTEE
Cr. Robinson moved that accounts
amounting to £517/7/4 be paid—

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
Cr. Jones moved that accounts total-
ing £13,756/11/8 be paid—Carried.

ELECTRIC LIGHT COMMITTEE
Cr. Spratling moved that accounts
amounting to £228/10/2 be paid—

REPAIRS COMMITTEE
Cr. Spratling moved that the follow-
ing be adopted—

COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL
A recommendation, the adoption of
which was moved by Cr. Adams (chair-

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BURDENS OF RATE-
PAYERS
DANGER OF INCREASE.

MUNICIPALITIES AND "NO
LICENSE."

Prohibition, which is morally in-
ferable, spirals or falls by its eco-

An Act from taxation borne by per-
sons whose incomes are above a cer-

The term "Licenses Equivalent" is
familiar to readers of council balance
sheets, but its meaning is not un-

Hotels and other licensed premises
are highly rated, and when delicensed
they are worth much less to municipal

Cr. Robinson drew attention to the
successors of the T.B. patients re-
ceived at the Heatherton Sanatorium,

ORDINARY BUSINESS
Roadway Treatment of Lights—Elec-
tric Clauses, £448 to Stawell, and £400
to Wangaratta.

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## PRESTON'S ASSISTANT RATE COLLECTOR.

### NOT YET SELECTED

#### FRESH APPLICATIONS TO BE CALLED

Many Exchanges Amongst Preston Councilors

The question of the appointment of an assistant rate collector at Preston came up again at the meeting of the council on Monday.

Mr. Adams, chairman of the committee of the council, moved that a recommendation of that committee, as follows, be adopted—

Appointment of Assistant Rate Collector.—That applications be again called for the position of assistant rate collector to the council, advertisement to state that previous applicants need not furnish further copies of testimonials.

The Mayor (Mr. McPherson) seconded the motion.

Mr. Robinson: Am I to understand that of the 150 applications received not one man was considered satisfactory for the position? It will cost the municipality a great deal of money to call for fresh applications. The council might just as well have picked out a dozen local applicants from amongst the 150 and then selected a man from them. The committee of the council made a recommendation to the previous meeting of the council, and was now apparently no "game" to go on with it.

Mr. Adams: The council can get a suitable man from amongst these 150 applicants. I must be seeking the person who is not a local man, and the matter be referred back to the committee and a selection be made from amongst local men.

Mr. Robinson seconded the amendment.

Mr. Adams, speaking in support of the motion of the recommendation of the committee of the council, said that other people in Preston besides those who had already applied who were competent and who would like to submit their applications.

Mr. Adams: They have had to submit their applications already.

Mr. Adams: I think that all local people should be given a chance to apply.

Mr. Adams: Might I suggest that Mr. Adams add to the clause a proviso confining the fresh applications to local people. If he does so I'll support him.

Mr. Adams: There was no vote taken. I ask for the production of the minutes.

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## NORTHCOTE COURT

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

Before Mr. F. W. Bond, P.M., and Messrs. W. Hayes, A. H. O'Leary, E. J. Jones, H. Evans and C. T. Keen, J.P.

Railway Case

Percy Mills, Arthur street, Fairfield, was charged with having, on December 6, travelled without a ticket on the railway.

He was fined £1.10. with 7/6 costs.

Car Driven at 65 Miles an Hour

William Hagg, Yarru street, Alphonson, was charged with having, on February 4, driven a motor car in Heidelberg road in a manner dangerous to the public.

Traffic Constable McEabbs said that on February 4 he saw defendant driving a car in Heidelberg road at 55 miles per hour, crossing Station street at 50 miles per hour, and then he increased his speed to 65 miles per hour.

Mr. Bond: I did see 65 miles an hour. He was fined £1.10. with 7/6 costs.

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To value the suit cards in the other hand it is necessary to know the Quick Trick values given in Lesson No. 5.

To arrive at the probable trick value of the high cards, double the Ace, 1 quick trick; becomes 2, 2 probable tricks; A.K., 2 quick tricks; 21 probable tricks; K.Q., 1 quick trick; 2 probable tricks; K.A., 1 quick trick; 1 probable trick; Q.J.10, etc., and all other high cards are not counted.

When you make a bid of one, you contract to take seven tricks, but you rarely have seven tricks in your hand.

An initial bid tells partner you have 2 or 3 probable tricks and four or five probable tricks. Assume you bid 1 spade on A.K.Q.J., and nothing else. If Spades are trumps you will take 4 tricks. Again, say you bid on A.K.x.x.x. and nothing else, the suit is valued at 4 probable tricks, because as a general rule, playing three rounds of a suit will clear it. Playing two rounds, you have a trump and one small one will exhaust your opponent's trump nearly every time if partner has normal support.

If you only have 4 probable tricks out of the 13 "possible" tricks, you can reasonably assume that the other nine tricks are evenly divided between your partner and opponent. Therefore, partner must have over 3 probable tricks before raising your first bid. Every time you raise a bid without assistance, your partner requires one probable trick less to raise it.

To raise the first bid from one to two, partner requires four probable tricks, but if you raise your own bid to three, partner only requires 2 probable tricks to raise to four. You must not raise your own bid because partner has assisted; bid on your own hand only. I know the foregoing is difficult, but once mastered you will not have any difficulties with bidding and assisting. Now sort out the cards given below.

Example.—South, dealer, bids 1 spade, holding S. A.K.8.7.3., 4 probable tricks; H. 10.7.3.; 4 probable tricks; D. A.5.4., 1 probable trick; C. 9.2.; total, 9 probable tricks. N., South's partner, holds S. Q.10.6.2., Queen, 1 probable trick; H. 4.3.2.; King, 1 probable trick; D. K.8.7.2.; King, 1 probable trick; C. A.K.Q.5., A.K., 4 probable tricks; total, 7 1/2 probable tricks.

Note.—Here 1 probable trick is not counted in the total. North could raise partner's bid of 1 to 2, and South could raise 2 to 3. Each extra bid would raise once more, so the combined hands could bid and take 12 tricks.

To save time, have a pack of cards with each suit separate. The cards for the examples can then be selected quickly.

Your partner, South, bids 1 Heart. How many times could you assist with the following hands?

S. 9.7. H. Q.5.4., D. K.Q.J.10. C. A. 8.7.5.4.2.

S. none, H. 10.7.5.4., D. A.J.10.3. C. K.7.5.4.2.

S. 5. H. 5.4.2. D. A.K.5.7.3. C. 5.4.3.

S. A.7.3.2. H. 9.6. D. A.Q.8.5. C. 7.3.4.2.

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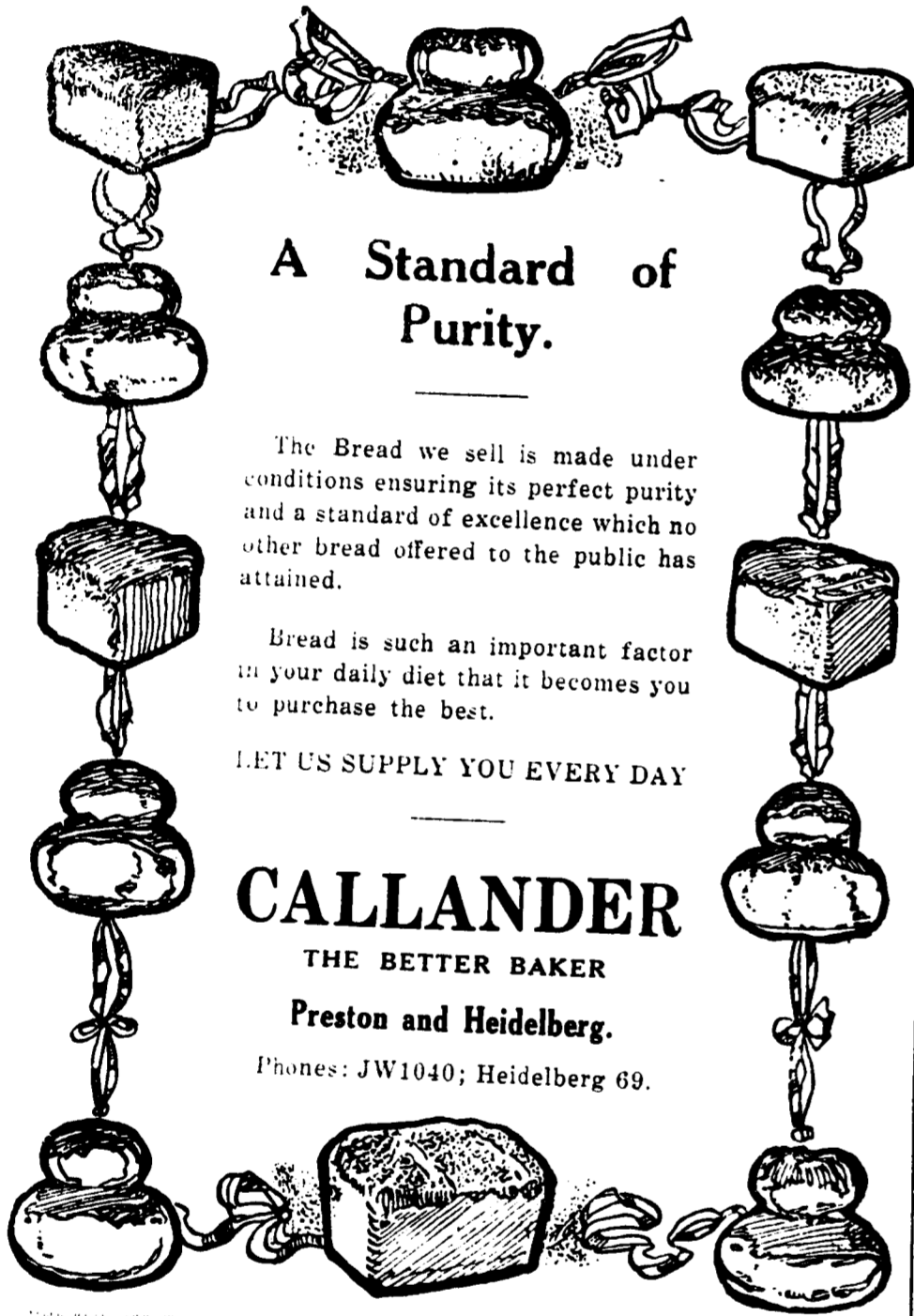
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*The Women's Page*  
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WEDDINGS

BRAND—CONGRAM

On December 21, at St. James' Church, Pender's Grove, Thornbury, the Rev. J. W. Briggs officiated at the wedding of Mr. Cecil B. Brand and Miss Lillian A. Congram. The bridegroom is the youngest son of Mr. W. Brand, of Tasmantia, formerly of Gippsland, and the bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Congram, of "Rosebank," Merriang, formerly of West Pouteray. The church was prettily decorated, and the bride was given away by her father. Silk lace richly trimmed the white crepe de chene frock worn by the bride, and her net veil, handsomely worked in silk flowers, was arranged with a coronet of orange blossom. A shower bouquet of white blooms was carried. Miss Rosie Congram (sister of the bride) and Miss Jean Hallett (cousin of the bride) were the attendants. The former wore a pretty frock of pink crepe de chene and silver lace, and the latter was frocked in blue crepe de chene and silver trimmings. Contrasting bouquets were carried, and the bridegroom's presents—a ring, a watch, and a pair of cufflinks—were presented to the bride. The reception was held in St. James' Hall, where over fifty guests were entertained, and an enjoyable evening was spent in dancing and games. The decorations were in shades of pink and blue. The bride travelled in a blue crepe de chene frock trimmed with biscuit georgette and a hat to tone. Many useful and handsome presents were received, including a silver watch, a pair of cufflinks, a hat to tone, and a pair of cufflinks. The bride gave the bridegroom a gold watch. Their future home will be in Gisborne.

FANCY'S FASHION

"TUCK-IN" BLOUSE AND YOKE SKIRT

For the coming Autumn season fashion has decreed that the "tuck-in" blouse and yoke skirt shall be one of the most popular modes for outdoor and sports wear.

The model which we are showing here is one that will appeal to those women who would be smartly dressed at very small expense. The materials can be obtained just now at "bargain prices," so that a very gratifying saving can be made all round.

The blouse and skirt are two separate patterns. The blouse is gathered slightly at the shoulders, and is joined to the shoulder of the back, which comes a little to the front in a yoke with a shaped band. Long sleeves are provided for.

The skirt has a hip yoke, and is nicely flared. A charming ensemble can be made by having a coat of the material to match the skirt.

The price of the patterns is 10s. 6d. each, and both are cut in sizes to suit ladies of women, medium, and outsize figures. The blouse is No. 3289 and the skirt No. 3288. Patterns can be purchased from any of the district agents whose names appear in another part of this issue, or direct from the manufacturer, Demaree's, Collingwood. Ask your agent for a free copy of the monthly fashions paper.



HUTCHISON—HAIGH

The Rev. W. S. Lewson officiated at the Baptist Church, on February 22, when Mr. Robert W. Hutchison and Miss Doris Haigh were married. The bridegroom is the second son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hutchison, of Spring Street, Preston, and the bride is the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Haigh, of "Dingle," Spring Street, Preston. The bride was given away by her father, who is a popular area officer of the 66th (West) Battalion. An arch of ivy leaves and flowers in white and poppy shades decorated the church, and the service was fully choral, with Miss Evelyn Lackenzie presiding at the organ. Ivory satin, styled in close-fitting bodice and full-flared skirt, of organza length at the back, formed the bridal gown, over which fell a beautiful tulle veil heavily embellished and held by a wreath of orange blossom. A string of mother of pearl beads was the bridegroom's present. The bride carried a bouquet of water lilies. Misses Annie Hutchison and Alma Jones were the bridesmaids, and were frocked alike in apricot georgette, with full flared skirts, and they carried bouquets of white and pink flowers. The bridegroom's presents were a watch and a pair of cufflinks. Mr. F. Hutchison was the officiating minister. The wedding breakfast was held at Normanby Hall, and the decorations were the work of Mrs. Olorenshaw, of Normanby Hall, and her staff. A navy blue ensemble costume with floral trimmings frocked the bridegroom's mother, and the bride's mother wore air force blue, with lemon trimmings. The bride travelled in a grey and navy crepe de chene costume, and a lovely coat of grey velour trimmed with fur. The honeymoon is being spent at Warburton.

ALL TO MATCH

Arts and crafts departments, pottery and china shops have such endless varieties of design and material nowadays that original and attractive novelties may be brought into any room or home quite inexpensively.

The large pottery ewers of flower-pot color are common enough and at a price in spite of it, but many of the larger firms specialise in particular designs, and this is always an advantage to the shopper, since breakages may be replaced with a minimum of trouble.

It is a good plan to have a few of your ornaments to match. For instance, many people like to ring the changes on their glass, particularly if it is very precious, and where a water jug may be bought to match. Pottery ewers are, by the way, excellent for lemonade or water, and will keep beverages colder than a glass or china jug will—a distinct advantage in summer. Butter dishes, jam or honey jars and cream jugs are other items which may be all bought to match.

Painted wood or paper mache are other mediums entirely suitable for ornaments. A cigarette box, ash tray, or match holder make another good gift, but a lighted cigarette must not be left on the wooden or paper mache ash tray, since it will burn and spoil it.

THE KILLING OF SUPERFLUOUS HAIR

It is quite easy to remove superfluous hair temporarily, but to remove it for good is another matter. Not many women know that for this purpose a substance called phenol may be used, and applied directly to the hair. This treatment not only instantly removes the hair, but eventually kills the roots. Phenol is obtainable at all good chemists.

HEIDELBERG ELECTORATE.

A.L.P. STATE ELECTORAL COUNCIL

The following office-bearers were elected on Monday last for the ensuing twelve months:—President, Mr. Roberts; vice-presidents, Messrs. V. Fletcher (Reservoir) and Duggan (Mont Park); secretary, Mr. J. Hannan (Preston); treasurer, Mr. T. Andrews (Preston); returning officer, Mr. W. Roberts. The ballot for election of delegates to the Easter A.L.P. Conference will close on March 22.

MISCELLANEOUS

If a wire mattress has become rusty it is a good plan to brush it well and then give it a coat of aluminium paint. Ribbon which is creased and shabby looking should be well brushed, steamed and ironed between sheets of tissue paper.

Ground rice is a good thing which to clean cream sugar that is too soiled. Rub it well in with a piece of clean white flannel, leave it for some hours, then shake out and brush.

RECIPES

Pineapple-Prune Salad

According to the manner in which you are serving, place a slice of pineapple on each lettuce leaf. Over this arrange three stoned and peeled prunes, which are tender but not soft. Fill hollows in prunes with whipped cream.

Suet Crust

For pies or puddings a suet crust is always nice on a cold day. For every pound of suet allow 6 lbs. of flour and half a pint of water. Rub the suet from the skin and shred, into the flour; work the whole into a smooth paste with the above proportion of water, and roll it out. This crust is quite rich enough for ordinary purposes, but when a letter one is desired use from 3 to 4 lbs. of suet.

Apple Pudding

Make a suet crust by using, for a moderate-sized pudding, from 3 to 4 lbs. of flour, with the other ingredients in proportion. Butter a basin with one of the paste; pare, core and cut the apples into slices, fill the basin with these. Add sugar, the juice and peel of a lemon, and cover with the remaining paste. Pinch the edges together, flour a cloth, place it over the pudding and tie securely. Then put the whole in a saucepan of fast-boiling water. Let it boil for 1 1/2 to 2 hours according to the size. Then put cold chopped apples (cut into a basin should be served without delay, as the crust soon becomes heavy. Long boiling does not spoil this pudding, but rather improves it, therefore it is a good standby for an uncertain dinner hour. Raspberries, gooseberries, cherries, damsons, and all the various fruits in season can be used instead of apples, and with just as good effect.

Most Cinnamon Fruit Cake

Half-pound butter, 11 cups sugar, 3 cups flour, 3 eggs, 1 small cup water, 1 cup chopped almonds, 3 pieces chopped lemon peel, 1 small teaspoonful carbonate soda, 2 large teaspoonful ground cinnamon, cream butter and sugar, add eggs separately, then the soda dissolved in water, flour, cinnamon and a little flavoring. Bake 1 1/2 hours.

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TALKIES AND MOVIES

**AL PICKS KIDDIE AS "JOLSON JUNIOR."**

Al Jolson, starring in "The Singing Fool," Warner Bros.' super-special, "so captivating with the personality of a David Lee, three-year-old movie star, that he chose him among 120 children as Jolson Jr., in the hilarious and tender love story of the Broadway singing waiter. The support includes Betty Bronson, Joseph Dunn, Ed. Martindale, Arthur Housman, Reed Howes and Robert Hammett. O'Connor. Lloyd Robert directed.

**MARINE CORPS SINGS, LYRICIST CONDUCTS.**

"The Cock-eyed World" has some numbers written by Con. Conrad, Sidner Mitchell and Archie Gottler, the former of whom taught the Marines one of their songs.

During the filming of an early aquatic Director Raoul Walsh spent several days on board the U.S.S. Henderson with 600 Marines from Marine Corps Yard, a navy band and a large group of sailors.

Con. Conrad led the band and trained the Marines to sing "So Long," the marching song, which they did with considerable vim.

The particular song sequence is included in the one which shows Edmund Lowe and Victor McLaglan, who are co-featured with Lily Damita, leaving with their Marine detachment for the tropics.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

At Fort Melbourne on Saturday, in the A Grade penstock series Northcote (24.) came down to Richmond (27.). Scores:—  
Richmond—Buck 43, Scott 41, Jeffrey 40, Allison 40, Oliver 36, Wentlock 34, Johnson 28, Allen 19.  
Northcote—Kaye 46, Hoek 41, Hargraves 35, Chynoweth 33, Ranwell 32, Appleby 32, Waters 28, Aspin 20.

In the B Grade Preston A (288) obtained a walk over from Preston B.

Preston A—Ame 42, N. Featherston 41, French 40, Griffiths 35, Court 34, Piggott 26, F. Featherston 24.

**Club Match**

Northcote held a club shoot for the "Crest trophy." Scores:—Kaye, 45 (65); Hoek, 41 (53); 44; Williams, 32 (10); 42; Randall, 32 (5); 37; Chynoweth, 32 (4).

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**NANCY CARROLL**  
Paramount Player

Not lovers. Everything looks great from a distance. That's "Illusion." Here's a story of a boy who mingles in society chasing a rainbow only to find the true gold of love with the girl he had left behind. The producers took advantage of Nancy Carroll's musical comedy training and cast her as a singer. Also to be screened is a thrilling drama, "Beggars of Life." It is a gripping, sweeping story of the pleasures and vicissitudes of those who tramp the highways and byways of the world.

Next Thursday picture patrons can look forward to a delightful treat in seeing and hearing "The Lady Lies." Walter Huston and Claudette Colbert are two of the most important names in the picture. Charles Ruggles' film work as the inebriated reporter in the same picture assures audiences a treat in "The Lady Lies," which is an all-talking Paramount picture.

HOYTS MERRI THEATRE.

The week-end programme is a full talkie one, with "The Cock-eyed World," which is the main attraction. Victor McLaglan leads a great cast, which includes Lily Damita and Edmund Lowe, who are co-featured in talkie shorts comprise the rest of the programme.

Monday brings the special singing feature, "The Singing Fool," with Al Jolson, Betty Bronson and Josephine Dunn. It is a wonderful story of love for a mother's sake for his baby boy, which brought him back from the depths of degradation to be acclaimed as the "Singing Fool." "Light Fingers" is a picture that you can go out on. It is one of the very few 100 per cent talkies that hold universal appeal. It thrills young and old. The scenes are lavish and the story an absorbing one. "Light Fingers" is a crook with a marvellous brain and a clever organization at the back of him, and he outwits the police on every occasion. He talks his way through the story and has a logical reason for everything he does. Ian Keith, Dorothy Reiver, Carroll Nye and Tom Ricketts have the star roles.

On Thursday unusual interest will centre in the fact that in "Side Street" the three Moore brothers—Tom, Matt and Owen—appear costarred for the first time in their long screen careers. The story provides an admirable characterisation for each of the three stars. It concerns a family of moderate circumstances living on Fort-street St. in New York City. Tom is a cop, Matt an ambulance wagon surgeon, and Owen a racketeer who carefully hides from his family his method of livelihood. In support the beautiful Vilma Banky will be seen in "This is Heaven," a mat talkie with a dramatic climax ending happily.

Record of Fire Calls for Past Three Years

The following figures, covering a period of three years, prepared by the Northcote Fire Brigade, are rather disheartening—1927: False alarms 91, grass fires 21, chimneys 2, houses 61, 1928: False alarms 117, grass fires 18, chimneys 2, houses 54, 1929: False alarms 117, grass fires 12, houses 45, 1928: False alarms 325, grass fires 52, chimneys 4, houses 160. This averages a fruitless call about every third day during the three years.

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LICENSING POLL.

MARCH 29, 1930.

Licensing District of Northcote.

I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that for the purpose of taking a vote on SATURDAY, the 29TH DAY OF MARCH, 1930, to submit to Electors the following Resolution, viz.:-

ABOLITION—THAT LICENCES SHALL BE ABOLISHED.

The Poll for the Northcote Licensing District will be taken on the said day between the hours of 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. at the undermentioned Polling places at Northcote:-

- CROXTON MEMORIAL HALL, High Street. DENNIS—STATE SCHOOL, Clarke Street. NORTHCOTE—TOWN HALL. NORTHCOTE SOUTH-EAST.—ST. AIDAN'S HALL, Victoria Road and Kellett Street. THORNBURY—DISPENSARY HALL, Gooch Street. THORNBURY WEST.—SCHOOL HALL, cnr. St. George's Road and Shaftesbury Parade.

THERE WILL NOT BE A BOOTH AT HUTTON STREET SCHOOL.

Dated this 26th day of February, 1930.

W. F. GLANVILLE. Returning Officer for the Licensing District of Northcote.

CITY OF PRESTON.

REGISTRATION OF DOGS.

NOTICE is hereby given that ALL DOGS within the City of Preston must be REGISTERED at this office on or before the 15TH MARCH, 1930.

Any person having an unregistered dog after that date will be liable to be proceeded against in accordance with the provisions of the "Dog Act 1925."

By Order.

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

CITY OF PRESTON.

POSITION OF ASSISTANT RATE COLLECTOR.

APPLICATIONS, addressed to the undersigned, are invited for the position of ASSISTANT RATE COLLECTOR to the CITY OF PRESTON, and will be received up to 4 p.m. on MONDAY, MARCH 10, 1930.

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PRESTON SECOND EIGHTEEN FOOTBALL CLUB

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the above was held on Wednesday evening at the Rechabite Hall, High street, Preston. There was a large attendance, the hall being packed.

The balance sheet submitted showed a healthy state of affairs, there being a credit of £197.8 in assets and cash, whereas at the close of the last financial year there was a debit of £20.

Office-bearers elected for the coming season were:-President, Mr. Millard; vice-presidents, Messrs. P. Sleith, E. Clark, F. Emmett, W. Chown, R. Clements, E. Green; patron, Mr. H. P. Zvar; secretary, Mr. J. Bruce; assistant secretary, Mr. L. Jones; treasurer, Mr. R. Gretrix; committee, Messrs. Howden, T. O'Connor, L. Jones, S. Leith, Blyth, C. Bowles, V. Knight, Holmes, Underhill, with power to add up to 12 members; auditors, Messrs. A. Millar and H. Costigan; trustees, Messrs. Gaston, sen. and jun.; delegates to V.J.F.A., Messrs L. Jones and Howden; delegate to Preston F.C., Mr. R. Gretrix.

The club presented to Messrs. R. Gretrix and F. Emmett a watch and a chimes clock respectively for sterling services rendered. There is no doubt that these two gentlemen carried the club on their shoulders during the past seasons, and it was due to their untiring efforts that the club made headway.

The last season was upset owing to a change of the coach half-way through the season, but this matter has been straightened out, and this coming season the club hopes to win Premiership honors. The club has a number of new recruits joining up who will go to further strengthen the club. During the past season several of the team achieved promotion to the senior ranks, namely, P. O'Doherty, G. Smith, and R. Kupsch. At the conclusion of the 1929 season the club found up with a most enjoyable weekend at Daylesford.

Applications for playing coach are being received by the secretary, Mr. J. Bruce, 10 Erval avenue, Preston, applicants to state age, qualifications and remuneration required. Applications are also being received for the position of head trainer and trainers.

A ladies' committee is to be formed to help the club socially and financially.

A vote of thanks to the retiring president was carried with acclamation.

APPROACHING AUCTIONS

By Stott, Son and Watson, on Mar. 1, at 3 p.m., on property, 16 Thackeray Rd., Preston, Reservoir, 6-roomed villa on land 50 x 150; at 3.30 at 5 Queen St., Preston East, 5-roomed villa. Details advertised.

By Stott, Son and Watson, on Mar. 1, on premises, household furniture, villas and cottage, 1 p.m. 34 Cunningham St., furnishings; 2 p.m., 6-roomed villa; 3.30 p.m., 29 Barry St., Northcote, 5-roomed brick villa; 4 p.m., 7 Kneen St., Fitzroy, 4-roomed cottage; particulars elsewhere.

By Stott, Son and Watson, at 3.30 p.m. on Mar. 8, on property, 11 Helen St., Northcote, 8-roomed home, on land 50 x 155. Particulars advertised.

By Stott, Son and Watson on Mar. 4 at 1 p.m., on premises, 34 Cunningham St., Northcote South, household furniture and effects, in the estate of Mrs. H. M. Gill (deceased). Particulars advertised.

By Stott, Son and Watson at 3 p.m. on Mar. 8, on property, 25 Glanfield St., Northcote, 4-roomed d.f. timber villa, on land 40 x 140. Details elsewhere.

By S. L. Willmott and Co., at Preston, on March 1, at various times, as advertised elsewhere, auction of home and shop sites.

UNCONSCIOUS WIT

A well-known member of the Preston Bowling Club, whilst acting as one of the chauffeurs to the Canadian bowlers who were being motored over the Dandenong Ranges last Sunday, under the auspices of the V.B.A., related an amusing incident which actually took place in the city. Shortly after arriving at his club last Wednesday week the electric power broke down, throwing the rooms into darkness, and, incidentally, the lift, which was conveying a member upstairs, was suspended between the two floors, blocking the exit of the occupier. The attendant, seeing the sorry plight of the member, and hearing there was little hope of restoration of the power for the night, became seized with the desire to allay the anxiety of the unfortunate wife and family at home, in all seriousness exclaimed, "Is there a phone handy to your home so that I can ring up your wife and tell her you won't be home to-night?" Whilst sympathising with the ordeal of having to spend the night in such a precarious situation the anecdote was appreciated by the tourists in the car.

CLASS FOR PUBLIC SPEAKERS

The usual weekly meeting of the class, held under the auspices of the Preston branch A.I.P., was held last Sunday morning. Mr. Andrews lectured on "Australian History." He showed an intimate knowledge of his subject and held the rapt attention of the class for an hour and a half. After the lecture 20 minutes were profitably spent on the study of "How to Build Mental Power," by Grenville Kleiser, delivered by Mr. Andrews. The next meeting will be held at 10 a.m. on Sunday, March 2, in the Bradford Hall. Mr. Andrews will lecture on "The Wheels of Policy Affecting the Various Governments Since Federation."

BUNDOORA

Complaints were recently made to the Prime Minister of the prolific growth of artichoke thistles on Federal land at Bundoora Park. The Prime Minister has replied that the Repatriation Commission has advised him that action has been taken to destroy the offending weed, but pointing out that about 450 acres purchased three years ago by the Victorian State Government is the most thickly infested land. A request is to be sent to the Premier of Victoria asking him to have the land cleared.

Allan Davies, aged four, when sitting at the breakfast table last week, took hold of a teapot which his mother had just filled with boiling water. He put the spout to his mouth and sucked the water down his throat while his mother was putting the kettle aside. He was badly scalded and was taken to the children's hospital.

Mrs. H. E. E. Hayes, who is a successful amateur gardener, has grown some very large odorless onions in the Anglican vicarage gardens. One which measured five and a half inches in diameter weighed one and a half pounds, and another weighed one pound six ounces.

Many tons of stone have been removed from the Anglican Church land in readiness for the laying down of the district tennis courts. The fortnightly dances for raising funds for the club are proving successful.

WHITTLESEA

Miss V. Westaway sustained a shattered wrist caused by the car she was cranking backfiring.

The figure of a soldier on the monument has suffered a great deal of damage. Both hands are missing, and also the rifle, which was found shattered at the base. Vandalism is suspected.

About 4.30 a.m. on Monday morning, "Kingleake West House," a guest house conducted by Mr. Thomas Alfred at Kingleake West, about 10 miles from Whittlesea, was destroyed by fire, together with its contents. The occupants were awakened by the noise and made their escape with but little clothing. The building was insured with the Victoria Company, and the contents with the Triton Company.

PRESTON, SATURDAY, MARCH 1, on the following premises commencing at 2.30 p.m. Vendors Must Sell. Will accept any Reasonable Offer.

At 2.30 p.m.—LAND, shop site, BELL ST., close Catholic Church, bet. High St. and Plenty Rd.

At 2.45—Two Shop Sites, Plenty Rd., 1st blocks North of Bell St.

At 3 o'clock—13 and 15 HAWKINS ST., to be sold separately. Two modern 4-r. Bungalows, with S.O., bet. High St. and Plenty Rd.; close Wood St.; sep. bathroom, E.L., gas, sew'd.

At 3.30—27 MONASH AV., modern 4-r. Bungalow, S.O., sep. bathroom, vestibule, 3 mins. Gilbert Rd. tram terminus and Regent station.

At 4 o'clock—GORDON GROVE, 3 blocks 50 x 121, opp. school, street made, fenced one side.

At 4.15—HIGHVIEW ST., 1 block, 50 x 121ft, centre street, close school.

At 4.30—MURRAY ROAD, 4 blocks, 50 x 156 each, bet. Lyonsville Av. and Gordon Gr.

At 4.45—LYONSVILLE AV., 1 block 50 x 120, west side, nice high position. These blocks, Lots 5, 6, 7, & 8 very handy to State school, where property must increase in value. COME ALONG and get this land AT YOUR OWN FIGURE. Terms at Sale. Further particulars from S. L. WILLMOTT & CO., Auctioneer, 563 HIGH ST., NORTHCOTE, opp. Darebin St.; also East Preston Tram Terminus.

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BRING YOUR REPAIRS TO 16 TURNBULL GROVE, East Side Northcote Station. ALL REPAIRS GUARANTEED.

TUESDAY, MARCH 4. Starting at 1 o'clock sharp on the Premises.

34 CUNNINGHAM STREET, NORTHCOTE SOUTH. Executors' Realising Auction Sale of

Household Furniture and Effects

In estate of Mrs. H. M. Gill decd., comprising diningroom and bedroom suites, 8-piece Vienna suite, walnut sideboard, hall stand, cabinet organ, carpets, linos, tables, chairs, cedar secretaire, pedestal, duchess, bedstead and bedding, linen, glassware, crockery, china, curtains, sewing machine, cutlery, pictures, sundries.

STOTT, SON & WATSON, 203 HIGH ST., AUCTIONEER.

SAT. MARCH 1. 3 p.m. on property, 16 THACKERAY ROAD, PRESTON (Reservoir). Auction Sale of

Nearly New Timber Villa

6 r., convs., por. bath and heater, linen pres., cupboards, pantry, one fire and gas stoves, sink, S.O., back verandah, blinds, etc., large workshop; land 50 x 150; high position; splendid order; attractive appearance; faithfully built. No reasonable offer refused.

At 3.30 o'clock, 5 QUEEN ST., PRESTON EAST (off Oakhill Av.), few minutes Tyler St., tram terminus.

Attractive Villa Home

Five r. (extra large), 2 sets double doors, por. bath and heater, linen pres., wardrobe, sink, D. board, garage, garden, lawns, gran. path, perfect order, splendidly fitted; ideal situation. Titles, Certificate. Easy terms arranged. Auctioneer—

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SATURDAY, MARCH 8, At 3 o'clock at the property, 25 GLANFIELD ST., NORTHCOTE.

Auction Sale of D.F. TIMBER VILLA

4 rooms, 2 sleepouts and all convs., E.L., gas, sewer, d. gates, car ent., on land 40 x 140, made street. The property is in good order, handy to school, tram and shopping centre. The owner is leaving the district and is determined to sell. Title, Certificate. Easy Terms Arranged.

STOTT, SON & WATSON, 203 HIGH STREET, AUCTIONEER.

SATURDAY, MARCH 8, at 3.30 o'clock at the property, 11 HELEN ST., NORTHCOTE. Auction Sale of

Comfortable Family Home.

Return verandah, 8 large rooms, in splendid order, bathroom, pantry, back verandah, large motor shed 30 x 30. Land 50 x 155 to wide r.o.w. at rear. Close R.C. Church, trams, shops, stations, picture theatres. Suit Guest house. Rooms 18 x 14, 19 x 15, 18ft. 6in. x 13, 16 x 14, etc. Inspection invited. Don't miss this opportunity. For absolute sale. Easy Credit Fancier terms. Auctioneer—

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VILLAS, COTTAGE AND HOUSEHOLD FURNISHINGS

In the Estate of the late Mrs. H. M. GILL.

At 1 o'clock—HOUSEHOLD FURNISHINGS & EFFECTS. Contents of 34 Cunningham St., Northcote.

At 3 o'clock—"Wrenthorpe," 34 Cunningham St., Northcote, D.F. W.B. VILLA, 6 large rooms, all convs.; land 43 x 165. Under General Law.

At 3.30 o'clock—29 Barry St., Northcote, SUBSTANTIAL BRICK VILLA, bluestone foundations, 5 rooms, nice order, fitted cupboards, dresser, sink, etc., bathroom, etc., land 18ft. 9in. x 140ft. to r.o.w. at rear; close shopping centre, trams and stations.

At 4 o'clock—7 Kneen St., North Fitzroy (off Falconer St.), D.F. W.B. COTTAGE, 4 rooms, kitchen, washhouse, etc., all convs., man's room, 2 stall stable, feedhouse, cart shed; land 33 x 165.

Terms—One-quarter cash; balance in 9 months; interest 7 p.c., payable quarterly. Title, Certificate. Solicitors—Messrs. Maddock, Jamieson and Lennie, Queen St., Melb. Auctioneer—

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